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2020 SVA Alberta Fall Newsletter

Presidents message – Jim Herbert

Another driving season has quickly come to an end and what a challenging season it has been with most car show events cancelled or restricted to small driving events.

Yours truly and his trusty navigator were able to get several local tours and we had the opportunity to participate the 3 day Hagerty Touring Series Banff Tour. (10 cars, three days of great fall weather and lots of curvy roads)



During the upcoming non-driving months, many clubs will be holding their annual meetings and asking for volunteers to join their leadership teams. These leadership teams are key to the success of the club so if you are a new member , it is a great way to meet other club members and learn new skills and if you are long time member that hasn't been involved for a few years, volunteer to mentor the new members as they take on leadership roles.

Times change with in clubs so support the new members on the leadership teams even if they want to change the way it has always been done. Remember the health of the club is determined by the involvement of it's members.

Talking of hardworking volunteers, I would personally like to thank Bob Hamshaw for all his past work as treasurer for the SVAA. Bob worked diligently over the past few years to bring our accounting system into the full digital age and is now stepping back to do more work for his local club.

Stay safe and remember it is quite easy to social distance when you are working under your car.

Jim

Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Oct 11, 2020 - Red Deer

The normally held in spring , the 2020 AGM was postponed to the Fall Red Deer Swap meet on October 11, 2020. The AGM was conducted following all AHS Covid requirements.



Insurance – Ted Loble

SVAA provides member clubs with General Liability insurance. New for 2021 is Directors and Officers insurance option



Is your club interested in Directors and Officers Insurance?

We are offering D&O coverage in two increments - \$1 million for \$450.00 and \$2 million for \$650 per year. Only current SVAA members qualify for the group discount. The application process is very simple, less than 10 questions and no financials required.

Contact **Shannon Driscoll** today at BrokerLink Insurance at **403-808-8086**



Meet your SVAA Board for 2020. Your volunteer board members and Bio Links can be found [HERE](#). Featured this month are Jim Herbert, Malcolm Fischer, Randy Rollo, Dave Scragg, Bob Fisher, Ted Loble, Glenn Moss, Delbert Morrison and Brian Baxter. More to follow.

2020 AGM and other board documents can be found at <https://www.svaalberta.com/minutes.html>

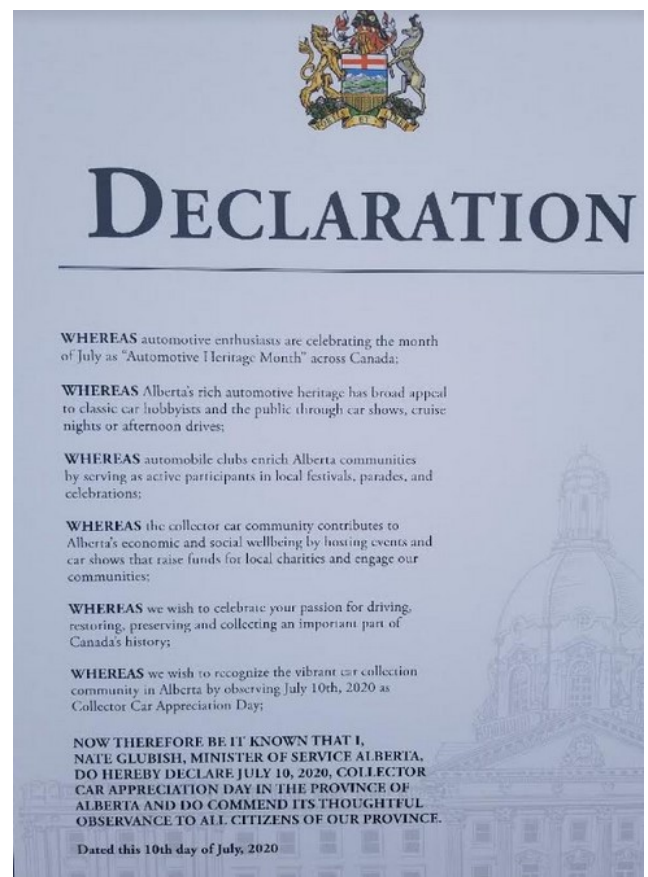
2020 Collector Car Appreciation Day

Collector Car Appreciation Day (CCAD) was officially celebrated on July 10, 2020. The date marked the eleventh consecutive commemoration in what is now an annual holiday to raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in society.



Alberta Government video of the event at

www.SVAAlberta.com



The 2020 Alberta Collector Car Appreciation video created by SEMA, organizer of the event can be viewed on the homepage of www.SVAAlberta.com Good news, Alberta!

Thanks to the efforts of the Specialty Vehicle Association of Alberta (www.SVAAlberta.com), the province of Alberta once again declared **Collector Car Appreciation Day** this year on July 10, 2020: [VIEW ARTICLE](#)

SVAA Club Events from 2020

Vegreville Stationary Parade – August 6, 2020

The Vegreville Iron runners have done a number of cruises past Seniors Lodges and Hospitals this summer, probably similar to many smaller community car clubs, due to the Pandemic and the necessary safety restrictions.



We have all missed the Exhibitions car shows and associated parades.

The Vegreville Agricultural Society came up with the idea of a “stationary parade” in lieu of the annual Exhibition Parade. How can you have a stationary parade? Have the public drive by the classic vehicles, displays and entertainment. People stay in their cars and slowly cruise past the stationary parade. The best part for most people was no admission charge.

The Vegreville Agricultural Society invited the Vegreville Iron Runners Club and the Vegreville Museum to be part of the **stationary parade** on the afternoon of August 6, 2020.

The event took place at the spacious Agricultural Society grounds where the annual Father’s Day Event is usually held. Also present were Agricultural equipment displays, two bands and entertainers. Bagged candy was handed to each car as they exited the parade. Many of the families have been coming to the Father’s Day Event and really appreciated the opportunity to get out for a change.



Vegreville Iron Runners members social distancing while public drove by their vehicles during the 2020 “stationary” parade.

The car club members had a great time at the event and after the stationary Parade finished, we cruised down to the local eatery for a nice socially distance dinner.

CAVAC Rolls and Bentley Tour Dick McDonell and Malcolm Fischer

In early October, CAVAC coordinated a members tour to a local individuals unique Rolls and Bentley collection. Please checkout the full interesting writeup with stunning photos [HERE](#).



Alberta Iron Indians Pontiac Club (AIIPC) - Dave Scragg

AIIPC Edmonton chapter did a few special event drive byes in 2020. One was for one of our members that was in intensive care for three weeks and pulled through all though still recovering at home. For this event we had about 45 cars do the drive by.

AIIPC also went on a cruise to Edson this year where we were welcomed by the Edson Custom Cruisers who had set up a viewing of a private collection which was great. We had 14 cars make the trip.

One other event we attended was the Camrose Poker run... for a total of 636 KM and a great day!



St Alberts' 24th Rock'n August committee announced a Covid modified 5 days of Music and Classics events for August 4-9 2020. Significant changes included three cruises in St Albert and area and two drive inn movies. Details on what and when for each of the days were found in very informative [RNA Ride Guide 2020](#)

To get an idea of participants, online registration was required. One online visit provided all event registration (Cruises, poker run, scavenger hunt and 2 drive inns) and merchandise purchases (buttons, pins and or shirts). With supporting weather, 2020 went off very well with 2021 planning underway.



Similar to other smaller clubs, St Albert Cruisers did a number of “in your car” events cruises. In July, it took back to back day Cruises to cover all the St Alberta Seniors homes and the Sturgeon Valley Hospital. A number of Cruisers participated in “celebration cruises – special birthdays and anniversaries” coordinated through an Edmonton and area [FACEBOOK](#) group.

Edmonton & Area cruises for special events.

🌐 Public group · 763 members

In September, a Military appreciation cruise had about 40 vehicles out for a drive by at CFB Edmonton and the Kipness Veterans Residence Centre.

Thanks to the other SVAA clubs who attended – AIIPC and Edmonton Classic Sports Car Clubs.

Cruisers are looking forward to doing a Military appreciation Cruise again in 2021.





IS YOUR CAR READY FOR A WINTER LAY UP?

Jim Herbert – Reprint from 2015

Preparing your car for a long lay-up can prevent nasty and expensive surprises when you decide to go for your first spring drive. You certainly don't want cracked cooling systems, dead batteries or your interior

eaten to bits by those little furry things that go chomp in the night.

1. **Fuel System:** This is first on my list, as I want a full fuel tank to reduce any room for condensation in the tank. If condensation is allowed to occur, the accumulation of water can rust out the low point in the tank. Pour a fuel conditioner in the tank before adding fuel. Note: Check the mixing ratios on the can as too much can be damaging to the system. The drive from the gas station will disperse the mixture throughout the fuel system.
2. **2. Oils and Lubricants:** Change the engine oil to remove any acids that built up over the driving months. Ensure all levels are topped off and all fittings are greased.
3. **3. Battery:** You have a choice here. To take the battery out or leave it in the car. Either way, you will need to keep the battery charged. A discharged battery can freeze and crack. Top off the cells (if you have original style non sealed battery) with distilled water to the top-level line. Thoroughly clean the case and terminals and put a light coating of petroleum jelly on the terminals, then hook it up to an automatic charger, such as the Battery Tender. If you have removed the battery store in a cool dry place.
4. **4. Cooling System:** Top up the system and ensure that the antifreeze mixture is good for -40 degrees C or F. If you haven't flushed the system lately this is a good time to remove all that old contaminated fluid from your radiator. This may reduce your over-heating problems next year.

1. **Brakes:** Do not leave the emergency brake on. We don't want the rear shoes stuck to the drums in the spring. Top off the brake fluid and check for leaks.
2. **Tires:** Check the air pressure and top up if necessary. Do not forget the spare. If you can, jack up the car and place on blocks to take the weight off the tires and bearings helping to avoid a flat spot from prolonged storage.
3. **Car Finish:** Clean and wax the car, Clean the interior. Treat the leather with a good leather product. For the older real cars, I install my side currents and put the top up to avoid any creasing in the material. When you finished, cover the car with a nice breathable cover. Old blankets work well.
4. **Critters:** No matter where you store your car, critters may decide to use it as a winter vacation stop. Mice are the biggest worry as they have teeth and nesting habits, which involve bits of our cars. I use mothballs and ultrasonic repellent but I hear pipe tobacco works as well. I also cap the exhaust pipe.
5. **Storage Place:** Dampness can play havoc with an older car. Make sure your storage area is dry and has good ventilation under the car. If you are storing in your garage, try to keep it out of a traffic area. Kids, pets and other family members can inadvertently damage the car's finish. Extra blankets on the fenders and sides can help.
6. **Repairs:** While you are doing your lay up service, it is a good time to make up a list of any repairs that may be needed next driving season. Brakes, suspension bushings, clutches and even major repair work etc. Check with your local shop with your list in hand and usually you can get good repair rates during the winter months.



THE INSPIRATIONAL STORY OF A TRUE CAR ENTHUSIAST - DEL MORRISON

Darry Anderson had a love for vehicles even as a child. Riding along in the back seat of his parent's vehicles he would identify other vehicles he saw. At a young age vehicles.... [Read the full article](#)



LET'S YANK THAT SPEAKER! - Malcolm Fischer



Nuthin' better ta do on a Friday night er a Saturday night but cruiser all over hell's half acre? Up an' down, up an' down every main drag aroun' Maybe go to a show, er maybe, if'n yer girlfriend'd risk it, maybe even a drive-in movie?

Oh yeah! But then, on some nights, the girls'd be havin' some sort o' girlie gig somewhere, an' the guys were on their own? THAT'S the night we are talkin' about here. Guys night out. At the drive-in! [Read the full article](#)

Thanks to all the contributors to the SVAA 2020 fall newsletter

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For future newsletter article submissions and areas members would like more information, please send your requests to Bob Fisher newsletter@svaalberta.com