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----- Next Issue Deadline for Classifieds & News- **September 4th** -----

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Calendar of Events

** Kamloops Chapter Events*

- * Aug *No General meeting*
- * Aug 28th *Last Cruise Night for the year*
- * Sep 9th *Executive Meeting*
- Sep 20th *Smith GM Show & Shine*
- * Sep 27th *Adopt a Road [Details to follow]*



Editor's

Remarks

Attention Wine Drinkers: - If anyone would like to get in on batching some wine please let me know {Dave 250 578 8884}. The latest we can start would be the end of September so it will be ready for Christmas. For the new people what we do is each pick a wine {Cost depends on what members pick. approximately \$185 and makes between 28 & 30 bottles} At the time of bottling we split them up so each person gets a variety of each of the wines made.

I hear that we had 23 club members plus the clubs vehicles attend NITC and it was again a good show of cars that went well until it rained at 4:30 the start of the presentations. I understand that some members did receive awards and congratulations are in order to Steve Bell on receiving the "Bright Light Award".

As Editor I am looking forward to receiving your stories and pictures of your summer activities.

Looking Back: - The Model A That Just About Landed in the Scrap Pile

The year was 1961. We were living in a small town in Alberta called Bow Island. I had my own dump truck at that time and hauled gravel all over southern Alberta. A friend of mine said he and a friend of his were in a partnership of a Model A Ford.

He said he spent a lot of time fixing it and his friend spent lot of time wrecking it! I asked him if he would sell it and he said he would, if his friend agreed. They were asking \$400 for the car.

When I got time, I went and looked at it. It was in pretty bad shape: a 1929 running gear, fenders and bumpers and a good 1930 body shell with broken side windows. The top was covered with plywood, no seats, just an apple box to sit on and there were lots of pieces missing. Anything that wasn't required to make it run was gone. The engine had a rod knocking and the kingpins were worn out along with the tires.



I made an offer of \$150 for the car. After he talked to his friend he said, "It's yours" Now what to do? I had a 1957 Mercury Turnpike Cruiser at that time and drove forty mile south to Foremost Alberta to bring my Model A home.

Not having a proper trailer hitch, I tied the Model A tight to the back bumper of the big Merc. I tied the steering wheel to the door. There was no seat however the tires

were holding air, so off we went.

The road was all gravel at the time some of it was pretty rough. We picked up two coffees and left Foremost.

We were going along at about thirty miles per hour when on wheel on the front of the Model A caught a ridge of gravel which resulted in the breaking of the rope holding the steering wheel. The big Mercury started to go sideways. With the Model A front wheels loose, they went from side-to-side and so did we. We went from one side of the road to the other and nearly wound up upside down in the ditch. After some shaky knees, we got things under control and went much slower for the rest of the trip home.



After completely restoring it back to a 1930 I had re-upholstered in Kelowna. The last job was to have it painted.

This is me and how the car looks today.☺ **John Duerksen**

**Reserved
For
Members
Summer Time
Photos & Activity Stories**

JUDY: - This 1928 Hupmobile was restored by Judy Schellenberg. She did everything herself including



the wood work, upholstery, painting and with help from her husband the engine, however she had to farm out the chroming. She was pregnant at the time when doing the restoration however she managed to have her baby and complete the restoration in time to attend the Tumbleweed May Tour that we held here in 1980. Don't know what awards she won but she was a winner.

I was on my way to the 1986 Expo Car show when Clyde {My 1933 Hupp} decided to have generator problems at Hope. I knew that Judy had

Hupp's so I called to see if she had a spare generator and she said yes. I stopped at Mission to get it when I found out they were selling everything including the '28 Hupp as they were going to New Guinea as missionaries. So I ended up with a spare generator and another Hupp. Following Expo Bob Chambers came with me to pick up Judy and bring her home to Cache Creek. Frank Fraser from Adams Lake managed to buy Jim's blue 1931 Model C Hupp as it was also for sale.



As some of you realize things have changed in my life so I have had to make some adjustments. I talked to both my boys and they said yes they did like Judy but could not look after her so it was best to sell her. While



having coffee with Ernie McNaughton June 2nd I heard about the annual Peach City Beach Cruise in Penticton that also was holding a car auction at the same time. I contacted MacKee Auctions and they said they would love to have the Hupp on their list. So I took it down on Friday June 26th for the Saturday afternoon auction. The weather was hot however the crowd was not as approximately only 25 to 30% of the cars the cars sold. Judy was one that did. There were two bidders in the crowd and a gentleman on the phone from Florida bidding on her. The auctioneer sure worked hard on getting the price up. Not sure who got her but it was one of the bidders present at the

auction. Did I get what I wanted? NO!!! I don't think any seller at an auction gets what they want. I did get an amount that I could live with and as I had made up my mind to sell Judy it was time to let her go. So after 29 years Judy now has a new owner and address. *Dave*

BC Collector Car Appreciation Day

Our club celebrated with a breakfast at the Flying J Truck Stop Denny's restaurant. 22 came for breakfast then following breakfast we took a drive along Shuswap Road then to Hwy 5 to the McClure to enjoy the ferry ride across the river. There was seven cars and the operator was kind enough to put his dinner off a little so we could all get across and travel together. It was a great day for a drive along Westsyde road with a stop at Jerry & Vicky Wallins for a mini-garage tour and some ice cream cones. A great day, too bad so many of you missed it.



← Start of Drive

After drive →



Had to watch for clearance while driving on the ferry as the water was still quite high



Cadillac left at Jerry's from Antique Tour
Marg helping Jerry serve ice cream cones



2015 Chrome on the Grass



The Kamloops Hot Rod Association put on their annual Chrome on the Grass show 'n' shine at Prince Charles Park on Saturday, July 25. There were 112 entries, down somewhat from last year (due in part to a poor weather forecast). As usual there was a great selection of outstanding classic vehicles and customs from local owners and out-of-towners. The Long Distance prize went to Ken Klassen, who drove his '69 Buick all the way from Calgary.

Club members did pretty well in the prize categories. Ernie McNaughton's exquisite '39 Lincoln Zephyr took the Vintage class, while Guy Arcand's '56 Chev pickup cleaned up in the Post '50's Stock Truck category. And Susie Bell was a surprise winner with her '66 Chev Corvair convertible as Best GM.

Congratulations to our club's three winners, and to all the other members who brought out their rides. **Chris Kempling**

Other winners were:

Import: Barry Head, '66 Volkswagen

Pre 50's Modified: Ray McFarlen, '39 Nash

Post 50's Modified: Wes Hendric, '55 Chev Belair

Pre 50's Stock: Claire Johnson, '47 Dodge

Post 50's Stock: Don George, '66 Chevelle

Pre 50's Modified Truck: Bob Wills, '49 Chev

Post 50's Modified Truck: Dave Pauley '53 Ford

Pre 50's Stock Truck: Sandy Kinlock '49 Chev

People's Choice Best in Show: Jordan Finnigan, '56 Chev 4x4

Best Ford: Tony & Phyllis Bradwell, '64 Fairlane

Best Mopar: Roland Deluce, '69 Road Runner



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A Thought to Remember Until Next Time: -

The trouble with being a good sport is that you have to lose to prove it.