



The Kamshaft

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EASTER PARADE

Line Up 2015



Calendar of Events

**Kamloops Chapter Events*

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| *Apr 21st | <i>Easter Parade (9 am Pancake Breakfast Parade at 1 pm)</i> |
| *Apr 24th | <i>General Meeting</i> |
| Apr 27th | <i>Meet The Machine [Kamloops Pow-Wow Grounds]</i> |
| Apr 27th | 29th South Okanagan Okanagan Swap Meet at Oliver. |
| May 11th | White Post Swap Meet at Tappen Gates open 8am |
| May 17-19th | <i>61st VCCC May Tour Nelson BC. "Cruising the Kootenays"</i> |
| May 24-25th | Coastal Swap Meet at Abbotsford |
| July 1-31st | <i>All July is Collector Car and Automotive Heritage Month</i> |
| July 12th | <i>NAACC Collector Car Appreciation Day</i> |



Editors Remarks: - Happy Easter I do hope that you will be able to participate in this years Easter Parade. Dick Parkes does a fabulous job in organizing the parade however, he can only do so much himself, so if you can help him with parking at the Dunes Golf Course at the start of the parade or Riverside Park at the end please contact **Dick 250 573 5740 or rparkes@telus.net**

It was nice to have new members come out for our semi annual Adopt A Road program. *{see page 4}*

I do hope that someone of our group attending the May Tour in Nelson organizes a travel package so we can have some fun travelling as a group on the way over and back.

Thanks and please keep the articles and photos coming as it is your newsletter. *Dave*

Vernon Swap Meet

As Sue and I had to go to Kelowna on Saturday March 30th we left Kamloops a little earlier and on the way we stopped by the Swap Meet in Vernon. It is not very big however it was nicer this year compared to last year when you needed a winter coat along with a toque and mitts.

We did not find anything that we personally needed but did get to talk to some old friends as we only get to see them and visit at Vintage Car Club events.. *Dave*



Important

SOME LAST MINUTE REMINDERS FOR OUR **49TH ANNUAL EASTER PARADE** **SUNDAY APRIL 21st**



- **Easter or Vintage dress is encouraged but not required.**
- **Even an Easter Bonnet adds to the event.**
- **If the ladies can bring a small box of their favorite cookies for the coffee table, that would be appreciated. They were a huge hit last year.**
- **Due to some additional events happening at the Dunes, parking is going to be extremely tight and more parking attendants may be needed to sort out the traffic. Please call Dick at 250 573 5740 if you can assist.**
- **The pancake breakfast starts at 9:00 am and runs to 11:00 am.**
- **The parade vehicles can register any time after 9:00 am and right up until 12:45 pm.**
- **Similar to last year there will be ***NO*** RCMP escort and all Parade vehicles must travel with the traffic and obey all traffic signals**
- **If you are available to drive one of the club vehicles please call John Bone at 250 579 2199**
- **Parade starts at 1:00 pm from the Dunes Golf course and ends at approximately 1:45 pm at Riverside Park. Would be nice if you could keep your car there until at least 3:00 PM**
- **Any questions? Please call Dick Parade Chairman 250 573 5740**
- **Thank you**
- *Dick*



Dennis Karpiak (Passed away Feb. 23)

Dennis was a well known Kamloops Cardiologist who served the Interior of BC with his vast knowledge for many years.

He was also an advocate for Organ Transplant and encouraged others to Register as a Donor.

He himself had been the recipient of a Liver Transplant a number of years ago.

Dennis joined the Kamloops Vintage Car Club in 2016 and at Hot Night in the City in 2018, he won an award for his 1965 Corvette Roadster



Spring Adopt A Road

It was a beautiful day for our semi-annual Adopt A Road clean up. For the new members that do not know the routine. We meet at the Heffley Creek Firehall (by the sawmill) for coffee at 10, then at 10:30 we start the clean up. We do the road in front of the sawmill and from Highway 5 over to the Heffley Creek Hall. We had 16 club members come out. With this amount of members helping the job is very easy and we manage to get it all done in approximately 1 hour.

Following the clean up we stopped off at the Rayleigh Pub for lunch. It was nice to have new members Bernard & Maryanne King, Harm & Debbie Fransen come out and join in for the day.

Hope you can find time to join us in the fall as we will be doing it again.

[Editor's Note: - As the city is helping us with storage for our club vehicles I feel being part of the City's Adopt A Road program is very important regarding our club having good relationship with the city.]



MY STORY Part 4 Big Red: - By - Dave Dickinson

Like most young boys years ago we all wanted to be a fireman. Because I had been a volunteer on the fire department in Creston, and at that time the Government was pushing Civil Defense so while in Vancouver attending UBC I register for a Civil Defense Rescue course. Because of this, I had the opportunity to ride along on the weekends with the Rescue Crew out of #2 Vancouver Fire Hall Downtown East Side at 199 Main Street. I am glad it was before all the drugs hit the streets of Vancouver. We mostly dealt with fire calls, drunks and people cut up from bar fights. It was then I decided that it was not the career I wanted to pursue.

Trucks of Vancouver Fire Hall No. 2



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However still liking fire trucks 1970 I read in the newspaper that the Duncan Fire Department had a 1938 Bickle Seagrave pumper truck for sale. I always thought I should have a fire truck so I bought it.



My father was over visiting me when sitting at my office desk he read my mail dealing with the purchasing of this truck. He comes out of my office and comments, "I see we have bought ourselves a fire truck." Well maybe I should extend my visit here a little longer so we can go get it.

This came to me as quite a surprise as Dad really did not approve of my having what he thought was old cars around as he had seen

enough old cars as a GM dealer in Creston for some 30 plus years.. It turned out that I had to wait a little longer to pick it up as their new fire truck was slow coming from the factory so Dad did not get to join me.

When it did come time to get the truck I happened to know Lyman Sands the Government Agent in Duncan so he and his son delivered the truck to the Horseshoe Bay Ferry terminal to save me some time and the cost of a trip over and back on the ferry



On the way home to Cache Creek my son Darrell (Age 6) and I stopped at Bridal Falls Esso for some gas. While inside I heard this noisy commotion outside and when I came out from paying for the gas Darrell and the local RCMP were both busy playing with their sirens. Darrell on the truck and officer in his car. Can you imagine that happening today?



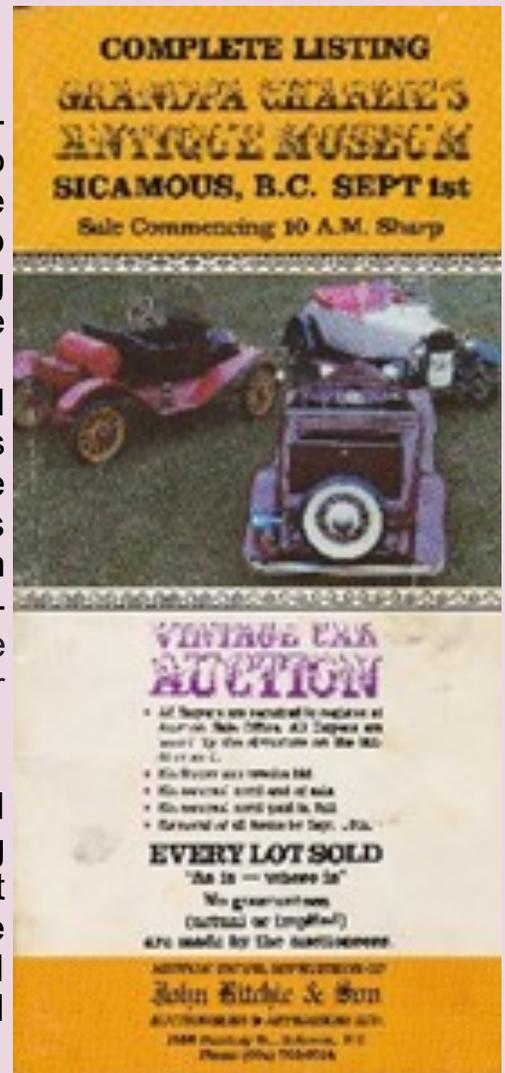
At the time Royal Bank was just getting started with Chargex [Now Visa] I put the truck in the Ashcroft Stampede Parade decorated up with advertising showing that you could buy just about anything with a Chargex card.

As the truck was fairly large with very poor gas mileage and no cab it really was not a practical vehicle to be riding around in very much with a wife and a couple of young boys. When I would put the truck in the shop at the Esso I had to make certain there was nothing against the back wall as if there was I could not close the overhead shop doors as the truck was so long.

I decided it was time to sell it and at the time I heard Grandpa Charlie in Sicamous was having an Auction as he was closing his museum. I contacted him and he said he would add it to the list of items to be sold. This auction was conducted by a three young fellows from Kelowna that were really just getting started in the auction business. Today they are known as the Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers operating in 12 countries with over 40 different permanent auction sites.

I don't know how many years after the truck sold. I had a call from the Duncan Fire Department stating they would like to buy it back as it had been their first pumper. I said I did not have it and did not know where it was. Oh well according to the government records I was still the registered owner. They said they would keep looking.

Never did hear if they managed to find it.



{MY STORY to be continued}



Elaine Jones is our sunshine lady. If you know a member that could use a ray of sunshine contact: -

Elaine at joneselaine28@yahoo.ca or 778 470 0369.

Elaine sent Mal Dixon a Get well card.

MEMBERS PHOTOS

I received this photo of Bernard & Maryanne King's 1967 GMC Palm Bay Motor home.

If you would like to have your car featured in a future issue of the Kamshaft send a **jpeg photo** of your car to kamshafteditor@gmail.com



2019 Back Road Tour

June 7th – 9th

Space is Limited

Contact Bruce Bawtree for details

250 573 2344

abbawtree@shaw.ca



May Tour Update

At the Governors Meeting in Merritt April 6th the Governor from Nelson gave update on the upcoming May Tour.

At that time they had room for 9 registrations or 18 people. So if you feel you want to come contact **Josh Smienk at jsmienk@shaw.ca 250-229-5601.**

If you are having your car judged check the **VCCC.com web page** in regards to judging has there has been some changes made.

Spring Garage Tour

It turned out a great success as it did not rain as the weatherman had predicted.

There was 14 Vintage cars and 49 people came for the tour of the 7 garages.

We enjoyed a nice lunch at the The Dunes Golf courses with lots of socializing.

More to come in the May Kamshaft.

CLASSIFIEDS WANTED 

Horn Button & Luggage Rack 1963 MG Midget
Mal Dixon 778 220 5072

GM Steel Wheels 2 14"x 7 " **Robert 250 377 5336**

1953 Belvedere Name tags for front fenders
***Don Potts dolip52@gmail.com**

Valve Cover that is suitable to be used for a Valve Cover Race Car.
Ken Hoshowski 250 579-8966 hosh1941@telus.net

1964 Comet Cyclone Rear Quarter Panels
250 571 8885

Small light weight fishing boat
Keith 250 828 0050

CLASSIFIEDS For Sale

Box Liner 55-57 Chev PU \$40.00 *Guy 250 573 2825

1958 MG Coupe \$2,000
2 klfinn@telus.net Ken Finnigan 250 573 5222 klfinn@telus.net

1953 MG TD Roadster \$35,000 Fully Restored
***Ken Finnigan 250 573 5222 klfinn@telus.net**
1958 MG Coupe \$2,000 Fully Restored
***Rich V. 250 828 2318**

1960 4 dr Frontenac \$750.00 Project car Includes rebuilt 6 cyl engine
***Rich V. 250 828 2318**

CLASSIFIEDS For Sale



Ford 1930 Model A \$20,000
 Completely restored . The engine is a Model B with approximately 14,000 miles on it since it was completely overhauled. New tires, perfect interior and comes with Columbia overdrive. No rumble seat. All parts used in restoration from dealer George Moir. Car has been in heated storage since 2014. Located at Quesnel, BC.

*For more information, please contact *Andrea 250-255-6228 or email: andreagruschuk@gmail.com*

2 Rare S.H.O. Ford Taures 1990 V-6 5 spd \$1,000.
and a 1994 5 spd Lowered \$600.

Corvaire 1966 \$1700.00 obo 110 HP Body never touched Motor runs, good clutch & tires. Very driveable.,

***Jake Surline 250 573 3373**

1931 Dodge \$2200.00 Solid body etc. Needs full restoration.
Bob Andersen 250 828 2073 andersenbob@hotmail.com

1996 Chevy Lumina \$1,000 o.b.o White Sedan Rebuilt engine in 2011. Tires in very good shape (comes with 4 winters - not on rims that are also in very good shape) Has been well maintained (regular oil changes etc) Runs well. Odometer: 319,182 but less than half of that is on a rebuilt motor.

***Julian Slotylak at (250)372-7954**

Steering Wheels Harmonie Antiques 250 554 3534



A Thought to Remember Until Next Time: -
WHY DO THEY LOCK GAS STATION TOILETS?
ARE THEY AFRAID SOMEONE WILL BREAK-IN AND CLEAN THEM?