



The Kamshaft February 2016

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Calendar of Events

** Kamloops Chapter Events*

- *Feb. 21st Bowling*
- *Feb 24th General Meeting*
- *Mar 2nd Executive Meeting*
- *Mar 6th Group breakfast 9:30 am at Cece’s Restaurant (Formerly ABC)*
- *Mar 9th Swap Meet Meeting*
- *Mar 27th 46th Annual Easter Parade **[Starting from the Dunes Golf Course]***
- *Jun 4th 32nd Annual Swap Meet at Logan Lake*
- *Jun 10-12th Back Road Tour to Harrison Hot Springs*

The Steering Column {President Dave Dickinson}

We had our first and second Executive Meetings and they were very positive. I was very pleased with all the input that was received from the directors.

I believe we are going to have a great year if everything manages to get done.

The Easter Parade this year is a little different this year as it will starting from the Dunes Golf Course. Even if you do not have a vehicle to drive in the parade come on out and enjoy a pancake breakfast and give a hand with the line up as it takes many hands to make the parade a success. The Marque this year is “Volkswagen”

Hope you can make it to the meeting wearing your name tag

14 of us made it for the Group breakfast and it was suggested that we do it again Sunday March 6th.{see calendar}

MEET YOUR 2016 Executive_[continued]

Boy is my face **red** as when it came to introducing your 2016 Executive in the January Kamshaft I missed including Director John Bone

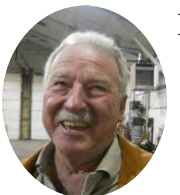


John is sort of a quiet guy maybe that is why I missed him. He has been a member since 2000. John is an excellent mechanic and can be found working behind scenes on many club projects. Many thanks to Niki and John for providing the club with our club roster. I believe we are the only Chapter that provides such a thing for their members.

I would also like to introduce two other members not on the Executive but play in big part in the club.and they are Dick Parkes & Ray Henry.



I don't know how to introduce Dick our most active member as I believe he as been involved in every job the club has had since joining in 1973. He has worked on our many restoration projects, been Editor of the Kamshaft and still a supporter with his “Behind the Doors” monthly column. He has organized the Easter Parade and has been Mr. Santa Claus for more years than even he can remember. Dick and Joy were awarded in 2011 for their passion and devoted service with a “Life Membership” to the Kamloops Chapter.



Ray said that he was now retired {I hear this is only a rumour} that he would now have some spare time so he agreed to take on the position of the Swap Meet Chairman. Ray joined the club in 2003 and has helped with the Ambulance restoration, past Swap Meets and served on the Executive for seven years.

He is looking forward to the Swap Meet but does state that he sure would appreciate the help of other members as it not one man's job.



Bowling will take place **3:00 pm Sunday Feb. 21st at BowlerTime 1200 8 street** on the North Shore. Supper at the Whitespot to follow at 5:30 pm. Contact Ken Hoshowski 250 579 8966 if you are coming to bowl or to enjoy supper with the gang.



MY 1919 490 Chevrolet

{Reprinted Copy of an email sent to Earl Smith Editor of the CFV Chapter Newsletter by Bob Chambers}

Hi Earl,

As a 35 year member of the Kamloops Chapter of VCCC, I always enjoy receiving newsletters from other VCCC groups.

Your Jan issue brought back lots of good memories from past years. The 1919, 490 Chev shown in your Jan issue was restored by myself here in Kamloops.

I purchased this car about 1989 from a chap in Salmon Arm BC. It was a pretty worn out vehicle, – well rusted all over and mostly rotten wood body parts, – but it was mostly complete with the original engine in place. When I transported it home to Kamloops I took lots of good natured ribbing about paying money for a pile of junk.

I started restoration –[slowly I might add] in early 1990's. In 1993 restoration was on hold for 5 years when I lived and worked in Indonesia and Thailand. Upon return to Canada in 1998 life got back to usual. I finished the restoration in 2004. Incidentally, I did all the work except the engine rebuild machining. Pick the right weather day and a reasonable paint job is doable in your back yard!

Naturally with a 20 hp engine and mechanical brakes it was not a vehicle to drive in modern day traffic. We had fun in parades, local club tours and May tours.

In 2009 I moved the Chev to a storage place in Tappen BC, so as to have a bit more elbow room for other fun vintage car projects. A gentleman who had a summer home on the Shuswap visited the storage shop and offered to buy it. We came to terms and when he came to take delivery we had a wonderful visit. His name was Jack Brown, and he lives in Tacoma Wa. He was a personal friend of Harold Lemay. They were neighbours for years and Jack made an airstrip on his and Harold's property. Jack shuffled small planes about western USA and Alaska. Jack is a senior and walks with a cane and obvious walking slowness. I suggested that He might find double clutching and braking a demanding procedure. He responded by saying that He intended to store it next to his Model A and just enjoy viewing it on a regular basis.



What a SUPRISE- a year or so later! – a friend had visited the Lemay Auto Museum in Tacoma ,- and there was my 490 amongst all the other collectible cars!

The 490 is in a good home I think. Best Regards *Bob*
{As the car is now on display at the LeMay Museum}

Back Road Tour: - As it is limited to numbers you may be too late however if you think you would like to go please contact ***Bruce Bawtree 250 573 2344 or sbbawtree@shaw.ca***

When Ford Model T's were made in Regina!

Did you get to a summer fair this past summer?

I bet you did not get to see what the fairgoers to the 1919 Saskatchewan Provincial Exhibition in Regina did as they were treated to a Ford assembly line.



According to *Old Autos December 1st, 2014 issue* Lots of people knew that General Motors used to have an automobile assembly plant in Regina, which turned out Chevrolets, Maple Leaf tucks, Oldsmobiles, and Pontiacs off and on – from the late 1920's to 1930's The GMC building is still standing today in Regina is used by a variety of companies.

But Ford Model T's automobiles were assembled in Regina a decade before General Motors built its assembly plant in the city.

In the summer of 1919, a new Ford Model T was rolling off the Regina assembly line every 20 minutes.

But production of Model T's in Regina lasted just one week because it was only a demonstration at the Provincial Exhibition in July 1919.

The demonstration was put on by staff from the Ford assembly plant in Winnipeg, which had opened in 1916 and turned out Fords for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Ford decided to show how their cars were made at the Provincial Exhibition in Regina because Saskatchewan was a key market for Fords.

Car shoppers in Regina had plenty of choices with various dealers handling such makes as Chevrolet, Cole, Hupmobile, McLaughlin and Maxwell. But Ford was by far the sales leader when it decided to set up the temporary assembly line at the Provincial Exhibition.

The big news in *"The Morning Leader July 29, 1919"* was an automobile line in Regina even if it was only temporary could make from a simple frame consisting of a couple of steel girders to a completely equipped automobile operating under its own power within the brief span of 20 minutes. "The work was performed in a dozen major operations, the growing car, as part after part is added moving slowly by conveyor belt propelled by a Ford tractor without a stop towards the door whence it presently emerges in all the glory of a brilliant shine and ready for the street with a motor cranked by a self-starter" said the paper.

During the week long exhibition 72 cars were built and delivered to the Regina Ford Dealership.

Ford's display was biggest drawing card for the 1919 summer fair. 😊

{Ad in "The Morning Leader"}

SEE THE FORD

ASSEMBLING

PLANT

AT THE EXHIBITION

The Ford Motor Company will have in full operation every day at the Big Fair a Ford Assembly Plant that will turn out a complete Ford car every few minutes

We want you to see for yourself What we mean when we talk about Ford efficiency.

Of course you will interested.

Don't fail to see this.

**Saskatchewan Motor Co.
Ltd**



NAME TAG DRAW !!!

It was suggested by the Executive to have a Name Tag draw to encourage members to wear their name tags at the meetings. The prize will be \$5.00 per month added to the pot until it is claimed. You must be present and wearing your name tag to win the draw.

Your name printed on masking tape will not qualify.

January Name Drawn was *Virgil Lysgaard* but not a winner as he was not wearing his name tag.



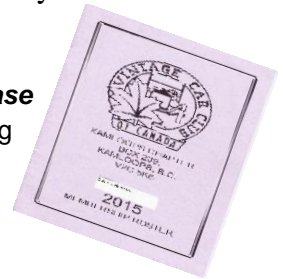
Editor's Remarks

If you would like to have your car's picture featured on the front page of the Kamshaft or the monthly calendar please send a **jpg picture** to kamshafteditor@gmail.com. A slight write up to go along with the picture would be appreciated.

FREE ADS: - Did you know that you can advertise free in the Classifieds as long as I have the information before each month's Kamshaft cutoff. The best idea is to fill out the sheet that gets circulated at the meetings.

This Kamshaft Issue will be your last if you do not renew your membership before February 29th.

If you would like to change any of your information or picture in the 2016 Club Roster please contact Dick Parkes rparkes@telus.net before the end of February. As he can only wait so long before going to print.



JANUARY CLUB AUCTION NIGHT: - Once again with the help of our club Auctioneer Dick Parkes and his trusted helpers John Foley & Don Potts it was a successful night. The auctioneer was hot but the crowd was a little cold as some items received only the starting bid. I heard some of the members commenting on how they felt they got such a fantastic deal that they would be back for the auction next year.



BEHIND CLOSED (GARAGE) DOORS

By: Dick Parkes 250 573 5740 rparkes@telus.net

Last month I told you what was happening in Ron Buck's garage, but was unable to get any photos. These photos show the completed 1.5 hp. International one-lunger engine and his new "Wall of Tools". A very interesting, and well displayed, collection.



Ken Finnigan gave me a call a few days ago to ask for some assistance in moving his '65 Austin Healey out of the storage garage, and up the hill in to the "working garage". Along with

Dean Mackley and another neighbour, we got the car up the steep grade in a few minutes and it is now safely parked in the garage and ready to go back together.



The photos show the car before it went to the shop in Merritt and how it looks now on the way into the garage.



Virg Lysgaard told me that he has some "new" cars so I went over to his place the other day to take a look. Virg has added three more Cadillacs to his collection; - an '82 Fleetwood Brougham 4-door, an '84 Seville 4-door and an '85 Eldorado coupe.



John Rostron, who moved to Chilliwack last fall, has finally decided to sell his '53 Nash and trade up (??) to.....another Cadillac.....an '80 Seville 4-door. [See Letter next page] The car appears to be a real cream-puff and John and Linda hope to use it on the Back Roads Tour.



Also last month, I featured Terry Shewchuk's Charger. Another car he has on the go is a 1970 Cuda. This car is in a shop in Westsyde where a new 440 engine has been installed and it is about ready to go to another shop in Rayleigh for the final paint. Awesome car. Another one that Terry brought back from Saskatchewan.



Ken Hoshowski has gone three steps forward and two back with his Star van project. After finally getting the engine running, he found water in the oil pan and after stripping the engine down again, found a hole in the side of one of the bores. The engine is now back at the machine shop. Ouch!

If you're wondering why I keep picking on the above-noted members, it's because they are some of the few that are restoring cars. I would be happy to feature **your** project. Give me a call. ©Dick

A LETTER TO DICK PARKES: -

Dick- -I have a good standing offer on the '53 Ambassador. Very reluctant to give it up but maybe it is time.



Anyway, to this end I started out looking for some kind of replacement that will keep me in the hobby and allow me to participate in some of the events.

Here is what I came up with- -look on Kijiji .ca and punch



in id # 1086757714.

I had it checked out 1st by Ron Garay and got his opinion. Travelled to Penticton last weekend and left the deposit to be completed in March. At which point I will drive it over to Merritt and have Didier install the A/C (all parts are with the car) and do up the little electrical gremlins. Also of course, do a complete tune up as it hasn't run regularly in 10yrs or so.

It isn't my kind of car- -drives more like a tug boat than a car- -but it is solid, clean, good leather, no mechanical issue that I can see. It actually drives well for what it is- - a 1980 Cadillac?? I Paid a Waaaay less than the asking price for it. Shows you what your \$\$\$'s can get you if you look.

May be able to collect it in time to drive it on the back roads tour this year. Wouldn't that be a hoot?

Your Comments Dick? Now be gentle with me, I am old and getting fragile.

Cheers John Rostron

PS: - Glad to see you have registered for this year's BRT to Harrison.



If you know any member that needs a little sunshine please Contact Elaine Jones Our Sunshine Girl at joneselaine28@yahoo.ca 778 470 0369 Elaine sent cards to the following members: -

Get Well cards for Ernie McNaughton- as he had open Heart Surgery & Christl Nordal- as she had Hip Surgery

My 2015 Summer Holiday *{Continued}* By: - Jason Tasko

Here are some pictures of the cars that attended the Pacific Northwest Concourse Elegance at the LeMay's American Car Museum in Tacoma Washington. I register with my 1926 Chevrolet truck. It was a great show and I was pleased to be part of it.



A BON VOYAGE TO ED AND ELAINE

Ed and Elaine Shaw are charter members of the Kamloops Chapter and they have just recently left us to move closer to their daughter, Elizabeth, in Penticton. They had their house up for sale and didn't expect it to sell until spring, but when a sale came along they took the offer and only had a few weeks to make the move, so we didn't really have a chance to say goodbye. A tribute to them is therefore in order.



They joined the Kamloops Chapter in our start-up year of 1972 and were active right from the get-go. In the beginning, there were not many mobile vintage vehicles in our group but Ed usually had something different to enter in our Easter Parade or our mall car shows.

As you can see from the photos, they were always game to dress up in period costumes at our events.

Ed was the chairman of our first swap meet in 1986 where it was held at the original Powow Grounds on the Kamloops Indian Reserve, just east of the Husky station before moving to the KXA grounds 1990.

We have lost track of the number of vintage vehicles that Ed has owned and restored, but they would probably add up to more than all of the cars in some of the smaller chapters of the VCCC!

A partial list of those we remember is as follows but we have probably missed a few: - *{Only Ed & Elaine would know}*

1924 Model T Ford coupe
 1926 Model T Ford touring
 1917 Buick touring
 1930 Model A Ford tudor
 1911 McLaughlin touring
 1935 LaSalle convertible
 1942 Packard 4-door sedan
 1949 DeSoto 4-door sedan
 1959 Ford Thunderbird hardtop

1914 Model TT Ford truck
 1915 Westcott touring
 1919 Chevrolet touring
 1905 Oldsmobile
 1947 Oldsmobile coupe
 1941 Packard convertible
 1933 Rolls Royce saloon
 1926 Studebaker phaeton
 1953 Packard 4-door sedan

All of these vehicles were eventually sold. Club members Jerry & Vicky Wallin now own the 1911 McLaughlin and Ivan and Darleen Lajeunesse still have the 1947 Olds.





Ed and Elaine moved around a lot and eventually relocated from Kamloops to Merritt, then over to Keremeos and Penticton, and then back to Kamloops, but they still kept up their Kamloops Chapter membership so we kept in touch. Ed has struggled with diabetes for most of his life, especially in the last few years, but always had amazing energy and kept cranking out those restorations. We will miss their participation, their warm smiles and their companionship. All the best, Ed and Elaine. *Dick Parkes*

Their New Address: - Ed & Elaine Shaw #310 – 2912 South Main, Penticton, BC V2H 1L6

CLASSIFIEDS WANTED

CLASSIFIEDS For Sale

15" allow rims for Ford Ranger (Cheap)
*Keith 250 828 0050

1940 Ford Pick Up Interior Parts, Door & Window handles, Radio, Front Light & casing etc. *abeaumont007@yahoo.ca*

1939 Olds, Buick or Cadillac.
*Virgil Lysgaard 250 374 9690

Radiator Cap 1 3/4" Fine Thread internally *Ken Hoshowski hosh1941@telus.net or 250 579 8966

*1953 Plymouth Parts: - Transmission, Starter, Generator & More
Don Potts 250 374 1972
Dolip52@gmail.com

*Pontiac 70-76 Honey Comb wheels \$500 for set of 4
*Pontiac 70-72 Pontiac Parts Various items
Steve 250 828 0620

216 Chevy 6 cyl & 3 spd transmission all together. Running really well when taken out.
**Bob 250 851 6387*

Two Model A Trannys. Good running order and some other parts. Call for pricing *John 250 578 7477

A Thought to Remember Until Next Time: -

If you make a mistake it means that at least you have tried to do something.

That is better than not trying anything..