



# MMOCC Newsletter –

## NOVEMBER 2022

*Mid Mo Old Car Club  
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### A note from the President:

Top ten Mid Mo Car Club things I'm thankful for.

10. Living in a free country where we can own & enjoy cars/trucks/tools/garages.
9. Cruises. Bonus if your car has heat or air conditioning.
8. Car shows. Especially ones that have trees and shade.
7. Swap meets and junkyards. Need I say more?
6. Donuts at Jim's. Always a good time and thankful for Jim for hosting almost every Saturday rain or shine.
5. New Year's Day shop tours. The annual tour is always a good time, and it's fun to see what each one has been working on. A huge thanks to those that have opened their doors in the past.
4. Being blessed enough to own an old car or two and having a place to work on them. OSHA would not approve of my shop, but oh well. (see item 7.) Are you all up on your tetanus shots?
3. History and knowledge. I don't know about you, but I've learned a lot from this club. Not all of it is useful, but you know how that goes. (see item 6.) Keeping and preserving the old car hobby is as important to me as having old cars to work on. Future generations will still be enjoying these old rides long after we are done as their caretakers.
2. The scholarship and young members of the club. A huge thanks goes out to Todd and Linda for the idea of providing funds for young adults embarking on their life's journey. I know that the recipients truly benefit from the support of our club and show participants donations.
1. Each and every one of the members and their families. We have a great bunch of like-minded individuals who are always there to offer support, share information, and lend a hand when needed. This is a great club and I'm blessed to be a part of it. To all of you, a heartfelt thanks!

Have a great Thanksgiving and see you at the Christmas party! -- Tim Petty.

# 2022 Pebble Beach Concours D'Elegance

*By MMOCC Member Steve Hall*

One of my 'bucket list' items was to go to the Pebble Beach Concours D'Elegance which is held every year since 1950 (sans 1960 due to a scheduling conflict and 2020 due to COVID) at the Pebble Beach Golf Course on the 18th green with the Pacific Ocean as the backdrop. Jamie and I decided this year was a good opportunity to do this trip. We dropped our youngest off at MU on Wednesday morning, August 17th and were on a flight to California that afternoon to attend the 71st Pebble Beach Concours D'Elegance.

## Tour D'Elegance -August 18th

There are a number of activities in advance of the Concours one of which is the Tour D'Elegance, which was held on Thursday, August 18th. The tour consists of vehicles that will be judged in the Concours on Sunday. It's an opportunity to see many rare and significant cars moving under their own power. Vehicles that tie for best of show judging can break a tie if one of the vehicles participate in the Tour D'Elegance and the other didn't. One of the oldest rides was a 1900 De Dion Bouton "Firefly" tricycle with a 2 & 3/4 horsepower single cylinder gasoline powered engine started by foot cranking power. It was working, but I think it may



1900 De Dion Bouton "Firefly" Tricycle



1963 Chrysler Ghia Coupe Turbine

have been more comfortable to ride a horse! According to the Concours brochure a Firefly was driven in 1902 by a French racer Georges Osmont and reached a record speed of 67.8 miles per hour- Yikes! There was a 1963 Chrysler Ghia Coupe with a Turbine engine. These cars were loaned out to 50 people for a trial period. The program and most of these cars were scrapped in 1966. Only a handful of these cars remain. The turbine can run on a number of different fuels including tequila, soybean oil,

peanut oil, perfume (Chanel N°5 according to legend), kerosene and diesel. The Chrysler turbine sounded like a Hoover canister vacuum cleaner as it drove by.

### Gooding Car Auction- August 18th and 19th

Another staple of the Pebble Beach Concours week is the annual Gooding Auto Action at which a variety of exotic, rare, and expensive vehicles are auctioned off to the highest bidder. The highest grossing vehicle was 1937 Bugatti Type 57SC Atalante. Anticipated to bring over \$10 Million the sale gaveled in at just over that amount. The Bugatti was very nice with voluptuously sculpted coach work. Although I did notice there was an oil leak as it sat on the display platform which goes to show no matter how expensive the car there will always be something that needs fixing.



1937 Bugatti Type 57SC Atalante (note oil leak drip just behind the front right wheel)



Mercedes-Benz 300SL Gullwing roadster

Jamie's favorites were the Mercedes-Benz. A silver 1957 300SL Gullwing roadster and 1937 Mercedes-Benz 540K Sport Cabriolet A. Each of these vehicles estimate to sell at over \$1 and \$2 million respectively. There were two nice Auburn Boattail Speedsters: 1932 12-160A and 1936 852 SC and Several Packards that I would not mind having in my stable.



There was one Corvair at the auction, the 1960 Chevrolet Corvair Coupe Speciale concept with coach work done by the Italian firm Pina Farina. The car was estimated to bring over \$300K but bidding did not reach the reserve. Corvairs still have a long way to go to sell in this league.



Me with the Pina Farina Corvair (one-off concept car-1960 but updated three times. 1963 version is its current form)

### **Pebble Beach Classic Car Forum-**

I attended three forum sessions. The most interesting session was the Authentic, Restored, Replicated session on Saturday Aug 20th. Several experts discussed the various decisions and compromises that owners need to decide when embarking on a restoration. Restore the object to how the vehicle was when it left the factory or coach builder or restore it to a period when period correct accessories or owner specific elements were added in a later period. One of the experts suggested restoring to the period for which the vehicle has the most historical documentation (photos and other documents). So in the case of my 1961 Corvair, if I were to restore it, I should keep the 1980s Panasonic AM/FM with cassette player I installed under the center console in 1987 since that was a typical modification to this vehicle (and others) during that period and it's the period for which I have the most information about the vehicle.

### **Concours D'Elegance -Sunday August 20th.**

In addition to the usual judging classes there were special classes including unorthodox propulsion, 1932 Historic Ford Hot Rods, and Lincoln.

The unorthodox propulsion group had the 1963 Chrysler Turbine, Stanly Steamer, 1956 Citroen Traction Avant Saloon with a coal gasification system invented due to gasoline shortages, 1916 Owen Magnetic Model O-36, 1925 Julian Fleetwood Sport Coupe (with an

airplane radial engine mounted horizontally in the trunk), 1900 De Dion Bouton "Firefly" Tricycle, and several others.

There were massive town cars by Packard and 1923 McFarlan 154 Twin Valve Six Knickerbocker Cabriolet (first owned by film star Roscoe "fatty" Arbuckle).

The best in show went to a 1932 Duesenberg J Figoni Sports Torpedo. Bodied in France by coach builder Joseph Figoni. Over the years the body had been separated from the chassis but later reunited and restored to its present condition. I saw the car being judged and the judges wanted the owner to put the top down (presumably shows better for the honorary judges). It was quite a task to lower the top being careful not to damage anything and crease the top material.



1923 McFarlan 154 Twin Valve Six Knickerbocker Cabriolet

McFarlan Atlas Radiator cap



1925 Julian Fleetwood Sport Coupe, Radial Engine in the rear (prototype, never mass produced)





1930 Packard 734 Speedster Eight Roadster



1937 Talbot-Lago T150CSS, Figoni & Falaschi Teardrop Coupe

## MID-MO OLD CAR CLUB

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## MINUTES FROM 10/27/2022

Thank you to the Bandeliers for hosting the club meeting. We had a good turn out with guests from the local Mustang club. A special thanks to Ron for getting things ready in Paul's absence.

We had around 30 members and a few guests from the Mustang club tour Bandelier Mustang Connection and dinner at Pizza Haus. Tim Petty read the treasurers report. Tom and Karen Winter gave a recap of the car show. Bob Brandt let the club know about Bob Peitzmeyers funeral which will be Thursday. Obituary to follow. Angela and Brock Laws celebrated their birthdays and anniversary in October.

We had a nice discussion on current projects and enjoyed Ron's hospitality in Paul's absence.

Submitted by President Tim Petty

# Quick Guide to Identifying 1960-1966 Chevy Pickups

1960

Hood nostrils have 3 sections with blinker in the middle

CHEVROLET is stamped in the bottom of the grille



1961

CHEVROLET is stamped in the middle of the grille

Hood nostrils have horizontal dividers



1962

Hood updated

Single Headlights

CHEVROLET stamped on bottom of the grille



1963

Redesigned grille

Single Headlights with circular bezels



No more wrap windshield

Square headlight bezels

Emblem is a bowtie above the model located on the fender

1964

CHEVROLET is stamped in top of grille



1965

Emblem moved to outer cowl panel and changed to side-by-side rectangle



Emblem changed to rectangle bowtie on top and model name on bottom

1966

Emblem moved back to fender





# Upcoming Events that MMOCC Plans to Attend

## A. NO November or December Meetings.

- Attend the Holiday Party and New Year's Day Garage Tour, instead.

## B. Jim Logan's Warehouse Christmas Party.

- Sunday, December 11 starting 1pm.
- 120 West Tanner Way / JCMO (park at Central Church lower lot).

## C. MMOCC Holiday Party.

- Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 6pm.
- American Legion off Tanner Bridge.
- Bring a rob-your-neighbor gift for your gender.

## D. 2023 New Year's Day Garage Tour.

- Sunday, January 1, 2023.
- Lunch and Garage Tours.
- Need YOUR GARAGE as a destination.
- Contact Dennis Smith at 573-680-2505.

## E. Bill Bicknell Engines in Rolla.

- MMOCC Member Bill Bicknell has invited us back to his shop in Rolla.
- 410 North Elm Street / Rolla.
- Saturday, January 21 leaving Gerbes off Eastland at 9am, arriving in Rolla about 10am. Lunch brought in. In the case inclement weather, we will postpone a week or two.

## FUTURE AND UNSCHEDULED EVENTS

### F. Tim Petty's Drive In Theater.

- Date to be determined.
- Drive in Theater at the Petty Estate.
- Coordinated by MMOCC Member Tim Petty (573-694-2977).

### G. Old School Drive In Theater.

- Date to be determined.
- Newly opened Drive in Theater in Moniteau County.
- 34263 State Highway T near Hwy 87 south of Burghers.
- <https://www.facebook.com/Oldschooldrivein>

### H. 2023 – Audrain County Historical Society “Walk Back in Time”.

- September 22-23, 2023.
- Historical Event featuring pre-war cars (1940 or earlier).
- 501 South Muldrow / Mexico, Missouri 65265 / 573-581-3910 – Paul Baum at [walkbackachs@gmail.com](mailto:walkbackachs@gmail.com) and <https://www.audrain.org/events>
- More details and times to follow.

## MMOCC SHIRTS:

We have T-shirts in gray and white, collared polo-type shirts, and a humorous T-shirt addition. If your shirt looks dingy, time to upgrade! Shirts available at future meetings and events. \$20 for collared shirts. \$15 for t-shirts. \$10 for hats. **Contact JIM MARTIN at 573-864-4048.**



### Officers:

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