



MMOCC Newsletter –

APRIL 2021

*Mid Mo Old Car Club
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SHOW AND TELL

The Thursday, April 22, 2021 Meeting will start at 6pm at the BluTaco at 135 City Plaza in Holts Summit. Get your food as early as 5pm and come on down and socialize. Meeting room in the basement.

The meeting will be SHOW AND TELL, so bring an item of interest and try to stump fellow members.

MMOCC President Lyle Rosburg

Denmark barn find – 1938 Mercedes Benz Cabriolet Type B Model 320

Late in 1979, a car was dragged out of a collapsed barn/garage in Skaelskor, West Zealand, Denmark and a “For Sale” sign was hung on it. Lauritz Lauritzen, a Mercedes mechanic, purchased the car January 1980, after it being in the barn since 1959. Mr. Lauritzen spent eleven years restoring the 1938 Mercedes Benz Cabriolet Type B Model 320, one of only 34 manufactured and after research, it was determined to be the only one built in the Mannheim, Germany factory.

Previous damage uncovered

During restoration it was discovered the vehicle had previous repairs from damage it had received. Body repairs had been made with tin patches, the right rear wheel shaft was bent and there was probably a telltale dent in a running board. The previous repairs matched the damage to that of well documented damage to a vehicle involved with an assassination of a high-ranking German Nazi official during World War II.



The Man with the Iron Heart

Reinhard Tristan Eugen Heydrich (1904-1942) served immediately under Nazi Reichsfuhrer of the Schutzstaffel (SS) Heinrich Himmler. As evil as Himmler was, Heydrich was a fanatical worker and carried out plans initiated by Himmler. Heydrich was in charge of the Gestapo, Sicherheitsdienst (SD) Security Service, Sicherheitspolizei (Sipo) Security Police

and Deputy Commander of Bavarian Political Police. He was the key architect of the Holocaust. Under his oversight, hundreds were executed and thousands were sent to concentration camps. He had many nicknames including: The Blond Beast, Butcher of Prague, The Hangman and Adolph Hitler called him "The Man with the Iron Heart".

Operation Anthropoid

Reinhard Heydrich was sent to Prague, Czechoslovakia and appointed Deputy Reich Protector of that area. His job was to squelch Czech resistance fighters and increase war production in the factories. 28 December 1941 two men, along with some assistants, who had trained in England, parachuted into the Prague area to carry out the assassination of Heydrich, which was called Operation Anthropoid. Jan Kubis (Czech) and Jozef Gabcik (Slovak) were part of the Czech resistance and government in exile in England. They trained with the British Special Operations Executive – Special Group D. On 27 May 1942, Heydrich was travelling to his office at Prague Castle from where he resided nine miles away in a nearby chateau with his family. He was



later scheduled to fly to Berlin for a meeting with Adolph Hitler. It is believed he was to have been offered a transfer to occupied France and Belgium to carry out similar duties. Heydrich normally rode in the special edition green Mercedes Benz, which he had personally driven home from the Mannheim factory, with the top down and no security escort as to show no fear. As his driver slowed the car to round a hairpin curve, Gabcik pulled out a British Sten submachine gun, but it jammed. Kubis then threw a modified British No. 73 anti-tank hand grenade which landed outside the vehicle near the rear passenger side tire fender. Fragments passed through the car fender with metal, pieces of horse hair upholstery and uniform fabric imbedding into Heydrich, causing injury to his back, spleen, diaphragm, collapsed a left lung and fractured a rib. Kubis and Gabcik fled the area. Heydrich underwent surgery and was improving but then went into a coma and died from sepsis on 4 June 1942. His driver, Johannes Klein, received a severe leg wound after Gabcik shot him twice with a handgun during a foot pursuit.

Nazi retaliation

A search for the assassins was conducted. Three weeks later, Kubis and Gabcik along with others who assisted them were cornered in Saints Cyril and Methodius Cathedral in Prague. Kubis and two others were killed in a two hour gun battle with 750 SS soldiers, in an upper level of the church. Gabcik and three others killed themselves in a crypt after repeated SS attacks. Cathedral Bishop Gorazd, church priests and senior lay leaders were arrested and executed. Two villages were destroyed which were blamed for assisting Kubis and Gabcik. In the villages of Lidice and Lezaky all men were shot and the women and children sent to concentration camps. Both villages were burned. Additionally in Lidice, those buried in the town cemetery were dug up and looted, all animals were slaughtered, a stream was rerouted, all roads to the village were removed, the entire village was covered in topsoil, crops were planted and the name removed from all maps. In Berlin on the day of Heydrich's death, 500 Jews were arrested and 152 were executed as a reprisal. It is estimated in total, there were 13,000 arrests and 5,000 killed in revenge of Heydrich's death.

The car is just an object with no political views

The tin patches to the sheet metal appear to have been repairs made during the war. Late in the war the car was driven to Denmark by two German officers. It was then used by Danish resistance fighters and police. After the war it was sold in a military surplus sale. Lauritzen was not glorifying anyone in the restoration of the car, but it was part of history and he said "the past was no fault of the car". On 26 June 2016 the car was sold at auction by Lauritzen. Since February

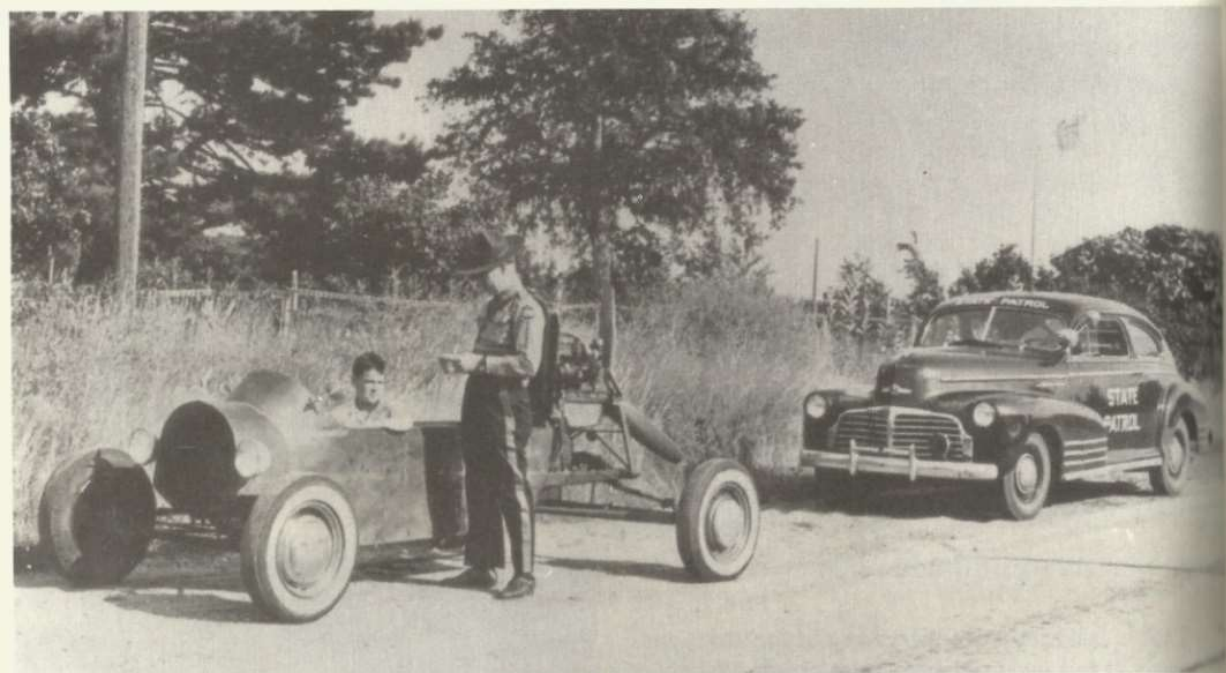


2018 it has been on display at the Egholm Museum in Denmark. A second Mercedes Benz 320 was altered to replicate the damage to Heydrich's car and had been on display at the Army Museum in Prague. It was then removed and is in storage at the National Technical Museum. It has been determined the "doctored" vehicle belonged to Heinrich Jockel, Commandant of a Czech Gestapo prison. Jockel was hanged for war crimes in 1946. In honor of his lieutenant, Heinrich Himmler in 1942, signed off on Operation Heydrich. This was the extermination of Polish Jews in German-occupied Poland. This phase, which ended November 1943, was the deadliest of the Holocaust. Approximately two million Jews died during this one operation.

Submitted by MMOCC Member Craig Haugen, Lohman, Missouri

SHIRTS:

We have increased our MMOCC Shirt Inventory. 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.



Trooper H.A. Hansen is concerned about the safety of the driver of this unique propeller-driven vehicle built in Paris, MO, in 1945.





Jeremy Paul Amick

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Another of the surviving links we have to Russellville's past is located on Jefferson Street, which is the garage now owned by Dennis Scheperle. Sometime around World War I, this building was known as the City Garage. In 1923, it was sold to siblings Louis and Roscoe Campbell, who named it Campbell Brothers Garage. The Campbells were so successful that they opened a garage in Enon in 1929. Roscoe passed away in 1962 and his younger brother Louis died in 1987; both are buried in Enloe Cemetery. (Photograph courtesy of Jim and Eve Campbell)

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Repairing—Service Stations 16
SPECIALIZED AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE — Dolco-Remy and North East Parts and ignition work, Delco Batteries, Harrison Radiators and the repair of auto radiators, Lovejoy shock absorbers, Klaxon Horns, Trico windshield wipers, New Departure and Hynlt Bearings, Gulde Head Lamps, AC Spark Plugs and oil filters and work on speedometers and fuel pumps with exchange, etc. This represents entire field of United Motors Service. Only authorized station in this district. Phones 1000-2000. JOHN H. RODEMAN, 413-415 West Main Street.



Upcoming Events that MMOCC Plans to Attend

A. April MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 6pm
- BluTaco at 135 City Plaza / Holts Summit.
- Buy your meal and come downstairs for socializing and the meeting.
- Sorry, wifi failed the last time at this location, so we cannot Zoom the meeting.
- SHOW AND TELL. Bring items of interest or to stump fellow members.

B. Capital Mall Cruise Night.

- Last Saturday of each month, April to September.
- April 24, 2021.

C. May MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 6pm
- BLOW YOUR HORN... bring a car with a horn or a horn without a car and we will check them out and hook them to a battery. Horn not working? Bring that car and let's trouble shoot.
- Location: Jim Martin's garage in at Route T and 2nd Street in Elston.
- Buy your meal and or ice cream at the Taste-T-Stop in Elston.
- Bring a chair and sit a spell.

D. Sheriff's Barbeque Car Display.

- Old Car display at the annual Cole County Sheriff's Barbeque.
- Tuesday, June 1 serving from 4-7:00 pm.
- Arrive when you can. Leave when you want. Bring a chair.
- BBQ pork steak or chicken.
- Old Car parking inside the Cole County Fairgrounds.

E. Missouri Moonshiners Street Rod Club Fathers Day Poker Run.

- Saturday, June 19, 2021.
- Registration at 9am at Deutches Heims at 87 Hwy CC in Linn (across from Missouri State Tech).
- Stops in Chamois, Linn, Loose Creek, Argyle, and ends at Westphalia Pizza no later than 3pm.
- \$10 per hand.
- For info, contact Tom at 573-644-4478.



SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION

Thanks to all that attended the March MMOCC meeting, but especially those that donated and bought items at the Auction.

Total proceeds from sales and donations exceeded \$350 for the Scholarship Fund.

Donations continue to be accepted and are appreciated.

Scholarship applications are due July 31 and are available on the website at <https://midmooldcar.club/scholarship>

F. THE GREAT RACE visits Rolla (COVID postponed from 2020).

- June 22, 2021 at noonish.
- The Great Race has a lunch stop in Rolla. East Fifth Street at 11:45am.
- Caravan from Gerbes near Eastland leaving at 10am.
- Check out the cars and talk to the drivers.
- In 2018, the Epples from Jefferson City hosted MMOCC at their hanger and taught us about The Great Race. They will participate again in 2021.
- Coordinated by MMOCC Member Larry Rhea at 573-606-9266.

G. Argyle Knights of Columbus Car Show.

- Argyle, Missouri.
- Saturday, August 7 at 11am.

H. Ozark Ham and Turkey Festival.

- Downtown California, Missouri.
- Saturday, September 18. 9-4.
- MMOCC caravan from the Farmers Bank of Lohman in St. Martins departing at 8:30am.
- “Cars and More” Show (Cars, Tractors, etc.) and small-town Parade (optional).

I. MMOCC Old Car Round Up and Show.

- 52nd annual.
- Saturday, September 25.
- In conjunction with JC Oktoberfest.

J. Bicknell Engines –Spring Trip – Rolla.

- Date to be determined during the Winter/Spring of 2021.
- MMOCC Member Bill Bicknell (970-218-1352) invites us back to Rolla.
- Caravan leaves Gerbes on Eastland at 9am.
- Arrive about 10am at 410 North Elm Street / Rolla.

K. USS Aries Road Trip.

- A weekend day in (now) May/June/July (depending on the water level). Date TBD.
- Leaving from Gerbes on Eastland.
- Tour of the USS Aries in Gasconade, Missouri (confluence of the Gasconade and Missouri Rivers).
- Restored Hydrofoil Guided Missile Gunboat.
- Pack your own lunch and beverages. Arranging for a port-a-potty.
- <https://www.ussaries.org/>

L. Kelsey Tire – Vintage Tire/Cars.

- Date to be determined.
- Caravan leaving Schultes at 8:30am arriving about 9:30am
- 1190 East Highway 54 / Camdenton.
- Tour until about noon.
- Lunch after at a location TBD.
- Coordinated by MMOCC Member Richard Heidbreder (573-690-1826).

M. Eugene PTO Car, Truck, and Bike Show.

- Cole R-V High School in Eugene.
- Saturday, November ?? from 9am to 2pm. Registration ends 11am.
- \$15 pre-registration. \$20 day of.

N. ETET (Eddie Tremain Ethanol Tour).

- Date to be determined, but has to be a weekday. Sorry, they do not do weekend tours.
- Tour of POET Biorefining (Ethanol Plant) at 809 North Pine in Laddonia, Missouri.
<https://poet.com/>
- Depart North Jefferson City Commuter Lot at 8:15am, arriving in Ladonia at 10ish for a 90 minute tour.
- Lunch at Hobo Bar and Grill at 106 Chestnut in Laddonia.

O. 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).

P. State Technical College of Missouri (Linn) Tour.

- Auto Section was included with the Poker Chip Run East on 10/10/2020, but much more to see at State Tech! More tours to be scheduled. Dates to be determined.
- Coordinated by MMOCC Member Rick Mihalevich (573-690-3545).

Q. Old School Drive In Theater.

- Spring/Summer 2021. 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>

R. NO November or December Meetings.

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

S. MMOCC Holiday Party 2021.

- Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 6pm.
- American Legion / Tanner Bridge / JCMO.
- Bring a gift for your gender for the "Rob Your Neighbor" Gift Exchange.

T. 2022 New Year's Day Garage Tour.

- Saturday, January 1, 2022.
- Lunch and Garage Tours.
- Need YOUR GARAGE as a destination.
- Contact Dennis Smith at 573-680-2505.



Officers:

- President Lyle Rosburg
- Vice President Dennis Smith
- Secretary Vacant (it could be you!)
- Treasurer Larry Rhea
- Historian Ron Bandelier
- Car Show Chairs Tom and Karen Winters
- Immediate Past President Nathan Fuller

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