# **MMOCC** Newsletter –



**JULY 2020** 

Mid Mo-Old Car Club PO Box 1594, Jefferson City, MO 65102

# **ACTIVITIES**

We started off the year strong with a great New Year's Day Garage Tour, Roaring 20's photo shoot, Bicknell Engines tour in Rolla, Missouri Military Museum, St. Patrick's Day events... and then Coronavirus took over the news.

Fortunately, MMOCC continued to develop ways to enjoy our cars with Zoom calls, unofficial cruise nights, Swinging Bridges, and Flag Day Cruise. As things further opened, we benefitted from Cars and Coffee at Jim Logan's and the Kenny Braun-be-Que. Larry Rhea put together a great Poker Chip Run (thank you, again, Larry!)

What it helped us realize is that OLD CARS ARE COOL under any circumstance and helped us get through those odd times.

Even now, lots of events are getting canceled all during 2020, but that leaves plenty of open schedules to fill with car-related activities, we just need to figure out what those are. Can you help with a Cruise, a Rally, a tech topic, etc.? We need some activities to fill the void. Anything is game... just be creative!

Speaking of creative, my wife decided we should re-create a Norman Rockwell drawing. I CHALLENGE YOU TO DO THE SAME! Get others to help, so give a fellow member a call and we can put it together! Your re-creation can be prominently displayed on the MMOCC website and Facebook. (The Swimming Hole re-creation, is to the right.)



MMOCC President Lyle Rosburg

# Are There Enough Old Guys Left to Keep Vintage Car Clubs Going?

Not forever, for sure, but for a while, as we find at the Horseless Carriage Club's annual Holiday Excursion.

BY MARK VAUGHN

Dec 31, 2019

It wasn't that long ago that the Horseless Carriage Club's Southern California region had over 200 members. To participate in one of the club's drives required a 1915 or older car. And there were plenty of those. Now, however, there are not only fewer old cars left in running order but fewer old guys



interested in or able to keep them going. Is it a symptom of a national disease in collector cardom?

The annual Holiday Motor Excursion of the Horseless Carriage Club of Southern California may be a harbinger of things to come for car clubs, as older members age out and fewer and fewer younger members step in to crank the starters and advance the sparks.

"Our membership is down," said HCC member Vicki Trepanier, as she signed up drivers in this year's Excursion. "Now you have drivers who are less active. It's not easy starting one of these big old cars with a hand-crank starter."

"Twenty years ago we had 200 members—we're at 85 now," said Horseless Carriage Club president Pete Eastwood. "Kinda the whole car thing's shrinking, ya know, aging out."

This one belongs to Ed Justice Jr. of Justice Brothers, just down the The club's annual Holiday Excursion still draws about a hundred cars, but the cutoff date was raised to 1932 or earlier to ensure more participation. As in previous years there was a healthy crowd of drivers, passengers, spectators and journalists at the Excursion this year, held Sunday, Dec. 29. It's one of the must-do events on the Southern California car calendar. Beverly Hills collector Bruce Meyer always shows up. Jay Leno drives in one of his enormous roadsters. And luminaries from within the insular world of old cars are there in great numbers.

The cars are still pretty fascinating, models you don't see anywhere outside of Pebble Beach's Brass Era classes or, sometimes, at less grandiose cars and coffee events. This year there was a huge 1927 Autocar truck, surely one of the heaviest carriers of its day, with payloads of up to 6 tons in 1921. Where else are you going to see something like that?

There were Brass Era Cadillacs and Packards, and a 1914 Rambler, from the days before Nash bought them. Ed Justice Jr., president of Justice Brothers, drove in the Excursion in a 1930 American Rambler, part of an extensive collection of mostly race cars his family sponsored that are kept at

company headquarters just down the road. There were also stately old V12-powered Lincolns, an Auburn boattail speedster and one guy who brought a 1913 Bugatti T-22 Torpedo.

"This is really, really the real thing," said the Bugatii owner/driver, Alan Travis. "It's completely original."

And he drives it as often as he can, too—not just in events like this.

"I drive this to Costco," he said.

The car has been shown at Pebble, but Travis prefers gatherings like these "where I can talk to the real drivers and builders of these cars," he said.

#### **SHIRTS:**

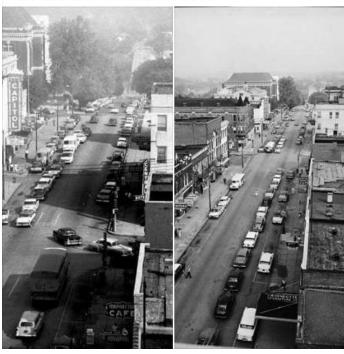
We have increased our MMOCC Shirt Inventory. We have T-shirts in gray and white, collared polo-type shirts, and a humorous T-shirt addition. If your shirt looks dingy, time to upgrade! Shirts available at future meetings and events with <u>new pricing</u>. \$20 for collared shirts. \$15 for t-shirts. \$10 for hats.



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DUES ARE DUE for July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. \$20. Mail to POBox 1594 / JCMO 65102 or bring to the next meeting.





# **Upcoming Events that MMOCC Plans to Attend**

#### A. Sonic Summer Nights – MMOCC Caravan.

- Always the Third Saturday of the Summer Months.
- July 18 caravan leaves Schultes at 3:30pm.
- Sonic in Versailles.

#### B. Bescheinen Cruise In at Loose Creek.

- Saturday, July 18 starting at 5pm.
- Loose Creek, Missouri (it's not that big, so easy to find).

# SONIC SUMMER NIGHTS 2020 May 16th June 20th July 18th August 15th September 19th

#### C. July Meeting (Virus permitting).

- Thursday, July 23 at 6pm.
- HyVee Community Room (upstairs).
- Topic to be determined.
- This was originally the Wes Scott Swap, but Coronavirus changed those plans.

#### D. Capital Mall Cruise In.

- 4pm to 8pm.
- July 25 / August 29 / September 26.

#### E. Argyle Knights of Columbus Car Show.

- Argyle, Missouri.
- Saturday, August 8 at 11am.

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#### F. THE GREAT RACE visits Rolla. – (POSTPONED to 2021).

• Originally June 2020, moved to August 2020, now to June 2021 due to virus.

#### G. August Meeting.

- Thursday, August 27 at 6pm.
- Location and topic to be determined.

#### H. Truman VA and Vet Center Car Show.

- Truman VA Medical Center, Columbia, Missouri.
- Saturday, September 19. 10am to 2pm.
- MMOCC caravan from the North Jefferson City Commuter Lot departing at 9am.

#### I. Ozark Ham and Turkey Festival (California, MO). – (CANCELED for 2020).

#### J. Fall Car Classic.

- Sunday, September 20 from 9am to 4pm.
- Taos Countryside Park (Taos, MO).
- Fundraiser for Independent Living Resource Center.

#### K. September Meeting.

- Thursday, September 24 at 6pm.
- Car Show Details.
- Location to be determined. (Might be Stan Fast's back yard.)

#### L. Old Car Round Up and Show.

- Saturday, September 26.
- In conjunction with JC Oktoberfest.

#### M. October Meeting.

- Thursday, October 22 at 6pm.
- Car Show Recap.
- Location to be determined.

#### N. Eugene PTO Car, Truck, and Bike Show.

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

#### O. ETET (Eddie Tremain Ethanol Tour).

- Wednesday, November 11, 2020 (Veteran's Day). Sorry, they do not do weekend tours.
- Tour of POET Biorefining (Ethanol Plant) at 809 North Pine in Laddonia, Missouri. <a href="https://poet.com/">https://poet.com/</a>
- Depart North Jefferson City Commuter Lot at 8:15am, arriving in Ladonnia at 10ish for a 90 minute tour.
- Lunch at Hobo Bar and Grill at 106 Chestnut in Laddonia.
- Possible afternoon tour of Missouri Plant Science Center or Zenith Aircraft in Mexico, Missouri.

#### P. NO November or December Meetings.

• Attend the Holiday Party and New Year's Day Cruise, instead.

#### Q. MMOCC Holiday Party 2020.

- Tuesday, December 1, 2020 at 6pm.
- American Legion / Tanner Bridge / JCMO.

#### R. 2021 New Year's Day Cruise.

- Friday, January 1, 2021.
- Lunch and Garage Tours.
- Need YOUR GARAGE as a destination. Contact Dennis Smith.

### S. Kelsey Tire – Vintage Tire/Cars. – (POSTPONED FROM APRIL 2020).

- 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.

#### T. THE GREAT RACE visits Rolla (postponed from 2020)

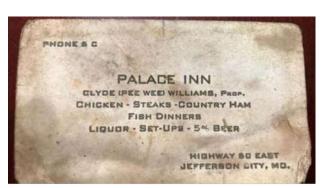
- June 22 at noonish.
- The Great Race has a lunch stop in Rolla.
- Caravan from Gerbes near Eastland leaving at 10am.
- Check out the cars and talk to the drivers.
- In 2018, the Epples from Jefferson City hosted MMOCC at their hanger and taught us about The Great Race. They will participate again in 2021.

#### INSERT YOUR EVENT HERE... Come on, you have ideas!!



Stener Nicoli Hillerud (1895-1968)
World War I
Private First Class
Company D, 7th Regiment, Engineers
Luxembourg City, Luxembourg (1919)
My grandfather's cousin, with an army vehicle,
during Luxembourg occupation after the 1918 armistice.
Submitted by MMOCC Member Craig Haugen, Lohman, MO





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#### Auto Accessories - Submitted by Craig Haugen.

#### Drizzle Gard

Now you can enjoy your favorite form of movie entertainment regardless of rain.

No longer will it be necessary to let rain spoil your fun.

Now you can keep your windshield clear and dry with a Drizzle Gard.

Simply attach it to your windshield and in a jiffy, you're enjoying the movie without constantly running your windshield wipers.

A Drizzle Gard will save you gasoline and wear and tear on your battery.

After the show is over, all you do is take off your Drizzle Gard, roll it up and it's ready to be used again, just like an umbrella.

So next time it rains, don't sizzle in a drizzle. Get yourself a Drizzle Gard and enjoy the show!

(Patent 15 Oct 1959-Delhi Manufacturing Corp., Delhi, LA)







#### **Officers:**

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Historian Roger Hager
Events Chair Ron Clark
Car Show Chairs Tom and Karen Winters
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## THE CIRCLE OF LIFE...





What happens when Old Car Guys get sent to a nursing home ...

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