MMOCC Newsletter –

NOVEMBER 2019

Mid Mo-Old Car Club PO Box 1594, <u>Jefferson City, MO 65102</u>

COMMUNICATING THAT OLD CARS ARE COOL!

What a great year we have had. One might consider it newsworthy and potentially the cover of the Saturday Evening Post.

If you have all enjoyed the hobby, the camaraderie, experiences, and fun. If you have not, try to get more involved. The more you get to know the members, the more fun the events will be. Old Cars are Cool!

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One way to get to know other members is to attend the MMOCC Holiday Bash on <u>TUESDAY</u>, December 3 at 6pm at the American Legion – 1423 Tanner Bridge / JCMO. We will have Fried Chicken and all the Fixins, paid for by the Club. <u>See</u> current RSVPs in following pages.

Our entertainment will be a recap of the year and a "Rob Your Neighbor Gift Exchange". Bring an item marked for your gender.

MMOCC President Lyle Rosburg



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. \$15 for T-Shirts, \$25 for the new humorous T-shirts, \$35 for collared shirts, and \$10 for hats. GREAT FOR CHRISTMAS!

Upcoming Events

A. NO November or December MMOCC Meeting.

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- Instead, plan to attend the Holiday Party on <u>Tuesday</u>, December 3.

B. Holiday Party.

- TUESDAY, December 3 at 6pm.
- American Legion 1423 Tanner Bridge / JCMO.
- Fried Chicken and all the Fixins. Paid for by the Club.
- "Rob Your Neighbor Gift Exchange". Bring a wrapped item marked for Male or Female.
- RSVP requested.

C. 2020 New Year's Day Cruise.

- Wednesday, January 1, 2020.
- Lunch and Garage Tours.
- Need garages in the Honey Creek / Tanner Bridge / Brazito area.
- Let Dennis Smith know if we can visit your garage (hint, hint: Tim Petty, Leonard Rutledge, Floyd Siebeneck, etc.)





2019 Officers:

President Lyle Rosburg
Vice President Dennis Smith
Secretary Vacant (it could be you!)
Treasurer Tom Webb
Historian Roger Hager
Events Chair Ron Clark
Car Show Chairs Tom and Karen Winters (YAY!)
Immediate Past President Nathan Fuller

MMOCC HOLIDAY PARTY

Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 5:30pm MMOCC Holiday Meeting.

American Legion at 1423 Tanner Bridge Road.

Fried Chicken and fixings with dessert (cost covered by the Club) Cash Bar available.

Bring a Wrapped Gift for exchange with your gender, as the Gift Exchange.

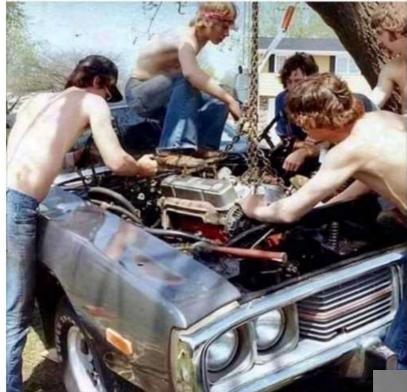
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SOCIAL NETWORKING AND COMMUNICATION

This was social networking back in the day.





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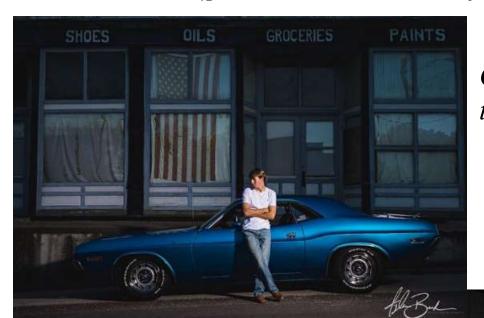
Watch for MMOCC events, pictures, and communication via the website of midmooldcar.club and on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/1301344509883151/

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?

As the new year approaches and the holidays wind down, what do you want to do? What activities should the club participate? Share your ideas, plan an activity, talk up a venue, participate, and make 2020 even better than the past!

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Tyler Beck Photography Senior Photo of MMOCC Member Matt Miller (grandson of Donald and Becky Weber)



Can you name that location?

Can you name that model car and year?

<u>FORD v FERRARI</u> MOVIE OPENED AT THEATERS THIS PAST WEEKEND Fun flick. Great race scenes.

HEMMINGS DAILY

Who is the underdog in Ford v Ferrari again?

Jeff Koch on Nov 15th, 2019 at 9:00 am



Does America champion the underdog? The pull-yourself-up-byyour-bootstraps tales of the little guy making it big, the evergreen story of heart and determination overcoming the odds to make it to the top. remains inspirational. Boris Becker, an unseeded 17-year-old, winning Wimbledon in '85. The 1980 Olympic "Miracle On Ice," seeing the American men's hockey team take it to the Russian crew. Buster Douglas knocking out Mike Tyson. Niki Lauda returning to racing at Monza just six weeks after his horrific Nurburgring crash, and losing the world championship to James Hunt by a single point. Rudy. Books are written

about these triumphs; songs are written and sung; legends are forged in the moment. Or does America love a dominant winner? Dynasties run thick in American sports—the Green Bay Packers in the '60s, the New York Islanders in the first half of the '80s, the Chicago Bulls of the '90s, the Yankees from '49-56 (and '97-03), and Richard Petty, Dale Earnhardt, and Jimmie Johnson each claiming seven NASCAR drivers' championships in their day. Each victor will have their detractors, but most of us can't help but admire a well-oiled machine (however literal or figurative) racking up the victories and championships. History is often written by the winners, after all.

And so it has been written into American high-performance lore that we spanked the Italians three years on the trot at LeMans. In retrospect, of course Ford won LeMans three years running with its



Was Enzo a scrappy underdog that challenged Ford to achieve new heights, or the fall guy for a giant corporation to cast as a rival?

GT40. It had millions of dollars to throw at the issue. (Issue? The issue was one of ego: Hank the Deuce and II
Commendatore couldn't come to terms on the sale of Ferrari to Ford, so Ford decided to teach Ferrari a lesson.)

It could be sportsmanship, it could be good old-fashioned competition. Or it could be bullying. Consider that Ford sold 2.1 million cars in 1965 in America alone. At the time, the Blue Oval had additional factories throughout Europe, Africa, South America, and Australia to build hundreds of thousands more. Whereas Ferrari was fiercely independent, selling a handful of

largely hand-built road cars every year with the sole intention to pay for the race machines that helped burnish the legend of the Prancing Horse. In 1965, Ferrari built 740 cars—the most populous year of Ferraris up to that point—and a 275/GTB long-nose started at \$13,900. That's a gross of just under \$10.3 million. Ferrari's racing efforts (in those days before sponsorships were plastered all over an F1 car's flanks) had to cost way less than that. Ford was going to buy all of Ferrari outright for \$10 million.

Yet who was the underdog here? It's up to interpretation. Ferrari had spent 20 years honing its craft in the world of sports cars; Ford had to piece together a scrappy team of hungry racers, fighting off the accounting department all along the way. Ferrari made bespoke sporting and gran turismo machines for the rich and famous; Ford made Galaxies and Falcons, and knew little of building sports cars.

Or is it in fact a tale of equals: two massive egos in a battle of the bank accounts, fought on the public roads of rural France? Ford's yin to Ferrari's yang?

I'm reminded of talk among performance fans around twenty years ago, when hopped-up Hondas became a thing on American streets. The greater old-car performance community felt threatened—and often responded by puffing up their chests with pride in bench-racing sessions nationwide. "Yeah," said more than one muscle car owner I encountered in that era, "I smoked that Honda but good!" Well, no kidding. You should. You've got double the horsepower, no emissions equipment to speak of, and traction going to the proper wheels for hooking up and hurling forth. If anything, those street machine owners should be embarrassed that a Honda, with half the number of cylinders and a third of the engine displacement, with the wrong wheels getting the power at a standing launch, could even be considered a threat. Such was the case with the LeMans cars. Ferrari's race cars had 4-liter V-12s under their engine covers; Ford elected to use 7-liter engines (427 cubes) in their GT40s. Surely the

miracle here isn't that Ford won with its under-stressed V-8; it's that Ferrari could even get close with an engine roughly half the size.

Underdog tales are thick in our collective national lore. Clear back to David and Goliath, the mismatch of the big bully versus the smaller, agile fighter is a legendary tale. This weekend, I'll go to see Ford v Ferrari along with most of the rest of the moviegoing nation. It's got good reviews and word-of-mouth, a solid cast with Matt Damon and Christian Bale, and it should end up on top



With approximately 200 employees at Le Mans in 1966, it's tough to call Ford an underdog. It's easy to understand why Ford v Ferrari sets up Shelby and Miles as the Davids against internal (Ford's bureaucracy) and external (Ferrari) Goliaths.

of the box office charts. But I wonder what movie I'm going to see. Previews make it look like it should have been called Ford Smashes Ferrari. How good a story can it be if Goliath (the expected winner) actually wins? And how does a multi-billion-dollar company fall into the role of David?



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THE MASTER AND HIS APPRENTICE

MMOCC Scholarship Winner and Member, Joshua Schubert, has made significant progress on his 1930 Model A with the help of Wes Scott. Progress is being made!