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Chrome in the Dome – March 15-16



The Eastern Idaho VMCCA has a special section at Chrome in the Dome this year – we’ll have four cars and a table with literature and membership forms.

We’re also having breakfast at Elmer’s Restaurant, 851 S 5th Ave. in Pocatello on Saturday morning starting at 9 a.m. Join us!

President’s Corner

Hi troopers,

Boy, another month has come and gone really fast. Last month’s meeting, for those that braved the wind and blowing snow, was great. We had a very pleasant Valentine’s dinner affair with a short meeting.

The main topic was the upcoming ‘Chrome in the Dome’ event at the Holt Arena on the ISU campus. We have five members who will showcase their cars at this event. Plan to join us at Elmer’s Pancake House, 9:00 a.m., Saturday morning for breakfast before heading to the car show at the Dome.

For those of us who are eager for spring, the Civitans will be hosting a ‘Springbrew’ from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., April 13, Civitan Park on the corner of Park and ‘B’ Street. Enjoy local craft beers and music. They are the ones that bring us ‘Alive After Five’ on Wednesdays during the summer and benefit various charities in our community.

Hope to see you at our monthly meeting.

Doug

CHAPTER EVENTS

Mar 15-16: Chrome in the Dome – Yale Harker

Apr 6: Idaho Falls Fire House #1 Tour – Mark & Diane Schwartzberger

May: Market Lake Clean-Up - Mark & Diane Schwartzberger

June: Swap Meet & Car Show – Larry & Clyde Christian

July: Show & Shine Pot Luck – Paul & Lona Joy Engbersen

Sep: Market Lake Clean-Up - Mark & Diane Schwartzberger

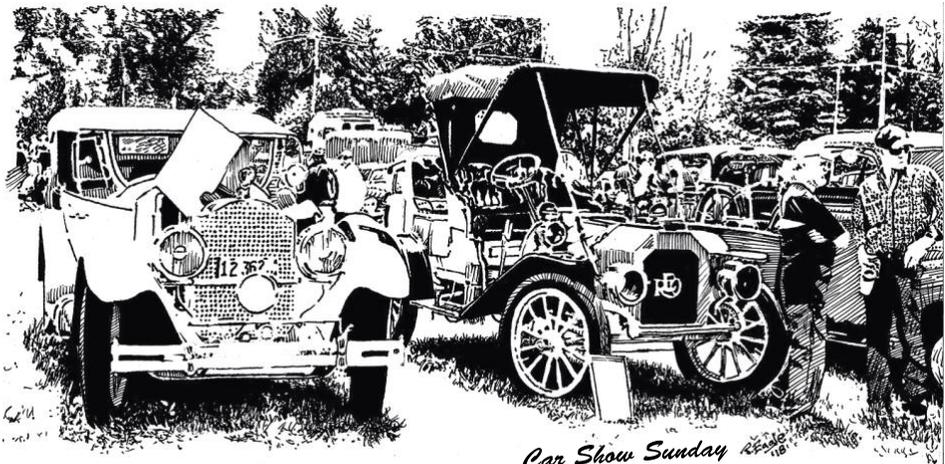
Dec: Christmas Party

Swap Meet and Car Show Poster

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SWAP MEET & CAR SHOW

Tautphaus Park Hockey Shelter, Idaho Falls, ID
June 15 & 16, 2019 ~ Saturday 8-6, Sunday 9-4



Car Show Sunday
Free Admission

For more information or reservations call
Larry Christian, 208-680-5005, 905candlent@gmail.com or Joy Eagle at joyfuleagle@aol.com

SPACE RESERVATION REQUEST - Please include space payment with your application.

- Space-10' X 12' [] \$25 one day (OUTDOOR ONLY) [] \$35 both days
Trailer space - 12' X 20' [] \$35 one day [] \$50 both days
[] Car for Sale Space - \$35 for both days

Date: _____ Name:(print clearly)_____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I hereby release the VMCCA Swap Meet; it's club and committee from any and all liability concerning loss of personal property and/or personal injury that might occur either directly or indirectly from my attending the Swap Meet.

NOTE: The State of Idaho requires vendors to collect Idaho sales tax. Spaces are to be vacated by 5pm on Sunday.

Signature: _____

E-mail Address _____ Telephone: (____) _____

Make Checks Payable to: EIVMCCA Mail To: EIVMCCA, P.O. Box 2347, Idaho Falls, ID 83403

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MEETING TREATS

- March 7 Gary & Dawn
April 4 Rich & Joy
May 2 Doug & Rhonda
June 6 Potluck
July Ken & Carol (BBQ)
August 1 Mark & Diane
September 5 Mark & Diane
October 3
November 7
December Christmas Party

Vintage Cars with Electric Heart Transplants

by Robert C. Yeager from the New York Times, January 10, 2019

They're classic cars fit for a concours d'elegance, a royal wedding or simply a quiet drive down a country lane. They exude vintage elegance, but lifting the hood reveals they're fueled by electricity, not gasoline.



When Prince Harry and Meghan Markle quietly sped off in a 1968 E-type Jaguar after their 2018 wedding, they made automotive history. Although completely "stock" in appearance, beneath their roadster's sleek, opalescent blue bonnet throbbed a heart measured in kilowatts. Indeed, the royal honeymoon coach was believed to be the first classic sports car converted

to electric power by a major automaker.

"In the collector world, this is a very exciting development," said McKeel Hagerty, whose namesake firm in Traverse City, Mich., sells vintage-auto insurance, tracks classic car values and conducts driver-owner surveys.

Shortly before year's end, another venerable British marque joined the trend, the newcomer being Aston Martin, the century-old automaker. (In October, Morgan Motor Company of England postponed plans to introduce an electrified version of its iconic three-wheeler.)

Aston Martin unveiled a reversible "cassette" system meant to offer owners the best of all worlds. Installed directly on the original engine and gearbox mountings, the zero-emissions EV powertrain is enclosed within its own self-contained cell or "cassette." If an owner wishes to compete in classic car shows or sanctioned motor sports

events, the original engine and transmission can be reinstalled in about a week's shop time, says Paul Spires, president of Aston Martin Works.

"We want to give our heritage cars greater longevity," said Mr. Spires, president of Aston Martin Works. "We'd hate for them all to just wind up gathering dust in museums, where no one can actually enjoy a classic Aston on the road." A secondary goal: staying ahead of global environmental "regulatory and social pressures," especially as they relate to automobile use in and around urban centers.

As with Jaguar's "Concept Zero" E-Type, the only external clue to the car's true power source is a glowing digital screen nestled in its dashboard. Both Aston and Jaguar say their electric cars offer handling and performance that's on a par with the originals. That works out to top speeds of roughly 120 miles per hour and modern-day-matching 0-to-60 acceleration times.

Wrote Car and Driver magazine of its August 2018 test drive in the Jag: "It handles rougher surfaces well and, despite some enthusiastic throttle applications, never felt short of traction." The review was headlined: "Battery Power Doesn't Ruin the Jaguar E-Type."



UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 28-Mar 2: Annual Membership Meeting and Awards Banquet, Las Cruces, New Mexico. Rich Blake (505) 474-7789 or rb3790@gmail.com

Mar 31-Apr 5: Chrome Glidden Tour, Gonzales, Texas. Pat and Jamie Crandall
Jamieandpat@gmail.com

May 5-10: Lewis & Clark (Regional Tour) Independence Missouri to Sioux City, Iowa. Mike Welsh
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Jun 9-13: One- and Two-Cylinder Tour, Marysville, OH. Rick Linder
icfigge@gmail.com

Jun 23-28: Heritage Tour, Dayton, Ohio. Rick Donahue (513) 574-5078

Sep 22-29: 74th Revival AAA Glidden Tour. Hosted by AACA Charlotte, North Carolina

Oct 21-25: Orphan Car Tour, Western, Colorado. Alex West
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Vintage Cars (continued)

Mr. Spires said a ride in Aston's converted 1970 DB6 MKII Volante — successor to James Bond's famous DB5 — conveys "an incredible sense of well-being." It may not deliver the same soul-satisfying sounds and smells as a half-century-old original, he acknowledged, but silently cruising through winding country lanes in a vintage top-down roadster offers its own rewards.

"We expect sophisticated global buyers, especially those who consider themselves socially and environmentally aware, to think more of Aston Martin," Mr. Spires said. "This adds credibility to our value as a brand."



Chevrolet Volt.

To be sure, electric automobiles are nothing new. Ferdinand Porsche unveiled the first hybrid-powered auto in 1900. Thousands of early electric cars, taxicabs, trucks and buses were built in the United States by firms like the Electric Vehicle Company. The hybrid Owen Magnetic a century ago, for example, used a gasoline motor to run its generator, a setup reminiscent of today's

Still, might not the Jaguar-Aston offerings rankle some purists as, well, heretical? "On the contrary," Mr. Hagerty said, "it bodes well for the collector hobby." Last year, for the first time, his firm recorded more requests for vintage-auto insurance quotes and greater usage of its valuation tools by Generation Xers and millennials than by baby boomers, he said.

Something of a purist himself — he still drives the 1967 Porsche he restored with his father at the age of 13 — Mr. Hagerty added, "If this gives someone a reason to buy a vintage car for the first time, it's awesome."

Even so, electric-minded collectors should brace for some sticker shock. Jaguar estimates something "in the region" of 300,000 pounds (a bit over \$380,000) for a fully restored E-type Zero, and then about £60,000 (over \$75,000) for a conversion.

Note: The complete article is available at
<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/01/10/business/electric-conversions-classic-cars.html>