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STREET ROD LEGISLATION

I have talked with Frank Lee, Legislative Assistant to Senator W. Bradley, Chairman Commerce Committee, and he said that our bill, Senate Bill Number 416, has not come up for hearing. He wanted to know if anyone was going to write the Senator about the bill, and I told him I thought our members would. I want to thank all of you for writing at the last meeting, and for everyone who has written since the meeting. These letters are what will cause the bill to come up for hearing in the Committee.

Senator W. Bradley, Chairman
Commerce Committee
Pouch V, Mailstop 3100
Juneau, AK 99811

S.E.M.A.

Have you joined?

Wally Graham 274-7270

QUESTION:

"WHY SHOULD I JOIN NSRA, THEY AIN'T DOING ANYTHING FOR ME?"

A monthly magazine. Streetscene alone is worth the cost of a NSRA membership. Rod run coverage, tech articles, big swap and sell section, tips on clubs, upcoming events, etc.

A Fellow Pages Directory which is helpful, unique, and shows that thousands of street rodders nationwide are joined by a common bond, NSRA. They volunteer to list their name and phone number in order to offer their help should it ever be needed.

A nationwide network of reps, directors, advisors, safety inspectors, safety team members, etc., who are ready willing, and able to assist in most any matter.

A successful grass roots program of gaining beneficial legislative advantages, street rod licenses, beating down unfair legislation, etc.

Fun national and regional events by street rodders for street rodders.

National exposure to the outside world that street rodding is a clean family sport made up of people from widely different backgrounds and circumstances with common interests.

NSRA is largely responsible for the growth of street rodding. Without our organization there probably wouldn't be a readily recognizable sport of street rodding.

The NSRA Nationals. Truly "Giant" in stature. Nothing like it anywhere by any organization.

Comradery with over 21,000 folks who have lots in common. Street rodders are neat folks and NSRA Street Rodders prove every day that "Street is Neat"

A car club program that shows how to start a club, keep it going, and make it click. Also a discount program for membership for car club affiliation.

A safety program that allows us to police our own. The requirements are more stringent than most state and federal regulations. The NSRA Safety Program proves that our sport is safety conscious and that NSRA cares.

An insurance program. It's new and limited to certain states but it shows that we're trying to give the NSRA member help wherever we can.

A car show awards program which honors pure street rods. These NSRA awards are very prestigious.

Rod run merit awards which are presented by state reps at various rod runs throughout the U.S.

It's been said thousands of times before but the truth is that there is strength in numbers. We want you to help us so we can help you.

you (Mr. Rodder) still feel that "NSRA Ain't Doing Anything for You" then maybe we should ask, "Can Anybody Possibly Do Enough For YOU?"

"SPORT OF FUN"

by Ron Bunn

The month of March brought my usual moment of excitement as I opened my mailbox and with childlike expectation read my monthly newsletter from cover to cover. It's one of those moments which seems to be harder to find as I grow older and responsibilities increase, while available time for hobbies, and yes, even basic pleasures of just watching a sunset or taking a walk through the woods seems to decrease correspondingly. Street rodding is one of these pleasures that, like most of us, I enjoy a great deal. You might even say that I treasure the times when I can take my car out for a run and forget about the responsibilities of the world and just plain have fun.

I guess that's what this letter is all about. It's about years of working on and improving a car, saving for just the right part, learning a new skill so I can say, "I did it myself," and driving it through the rain and sleet and snow because it was all I could afford. It's also about the pride I feel from seeing the finished product as I had always dreamed it would be.

Since the car was finished, I've found that the quantity of times don't really matter so much as do the quality of the times when I drive it, or show it, or just tinker with it, because after all, this is supposed to be for fun. After many years of trying to improve it and countless hours of working on it, I really don't find it much fun to drive it through a rain storm only to get it filthy and then spend the next four evenings of what is already limited time to try to get it clean again.

You see, I feel that all of us that have grown up with this sport can truly say we've paid our dues. Whether we build it, drive it, show it, or stow it, this should be a sport of fun for each individual member. It can be fun, and it always will be for most of us, but each of us might find that pleasure in different ways. Whether it's in having a show street rod, a street street rod, or a beater street rod, as long as it's good clean, safe, family-oriented fun each member should have the right to pursue the sport without being pressured by peer members into driving or not driving their rods. That's what should be neat about street!

NEWS ITEMS

Harold Rounds has returned from Florida empty-handed. After all that time and expense the car was not what he expected, so he refused delivery. Upon his return Harold purchased Jack Neff's 1930 Ford Model A. This car received the Mayor's Choice award at last year's First Annual Anchorage Automobile Show and Shine on the Park Strip.

Jim Arnold is having new fenders put on his 1955 Chevy Bel Air Hardtop, getting it ready for "Autorama '80."

Mike Bulkeley will have his '27 'T' back on the road in June after a complete rebuild.

Ted Cadman has moved to Ketchikan and his new address is P.O. Box 7613, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901. Drop Ted a line and let him know that you are thinking of him.

Glen Whitson has returned from the south with a new car. A 1940 Buick Special four door. "Just ask the man who owns one."

Tom Snyder has broken his long-running tradition of nothing but Fords and bought a 1967 Jaguar Coupe.. Tom, how will that "Jag" run with a Ford in it?

Mike Neher has recently acquired a Ford pickup with a very rare engine in it, an all factory Ford single overhead cam 427 cu in. Mike has agreed to pull the engine and will make it available for display at our Autorama '80.

NEW MEMBER

Don Wood, one of our fine members of the Army in Anchorage, was voted into the club after the March meeting. Don has two 1955 Chevys, a 2 dr. Hardtop and a pickup. We welcome Don, his wife Carol and their children to the club. ...



1980 MEMBERSHIP ROLLS

Paid up dues for 1980 and current membership in the National Street Rod Association:

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Jim Ard	5311 E. 26th, #3, 99504		337-5315
Jim Arnold	P.O. Box 263, Eagle River, 99577		688-3057
Frank Brookshire	30-384 E. Cherry Dr., EAFB, 99506		753-7103
Ron Bunn	6640 Foothill, 99504		337-3814
Ted Cadman	P.O. Box 7613, Ketchikan, 99901		225-9330
William Demming	4105 Montrose, 99502-		243-4752
Wally Graham	8531 Craiger Ct., 99507		349-4208
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Jennifer LaFramboise	5002 Lake Otis Parkway, 99503		344-0064
Evelyn Livesay	1213 E. 26th Ave., 99504		272-2884
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Chuck Lyons	3500 Iowa, 99503		243-4601
Charlie McKenzie	P.O. Box 246, Chugiak, 99567		688-2991
Mike Neher	SRA Box 304N, 99507		344-4051
Butch Novak	6761 Teshlar, 99507		344-7616
Ed Park	P.O. Box 496, Chugiak, 99567		688-3430
John R. Payne	SRA 376-P, 99507	<i>345-1612</i>	344-7963
Rob Robinson	7020 Potomac Dr., 99504		333-8082
Harold Rounds	1625 Bannister Dr., 99504		272-9261
George Schaefer	P.O. Box 10-412, 99511		344-1028
Tom Snyder	SRA Box 325F, 99507		344-9932
Charles C. Stennette	8351 E. 5th Ave., 99504		333-6978
Mike Stennette	8351 E. 5th Ave., 99504		333-6978
Glen Whitson	5002 Lake Otis Parkway, 99503		344-0064
Don Wood	1403 Columbine, 99504		277-7446

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REPORT OF PAST EVENTS

At our March meeting we had a very good presentation by Ron Kuczuk and Bob Rasmussen of the Anchorage Municipal Air Resource Agency of the Department of Health and Environmental Protection. We were treated to a very good slide presentation about the air quality in Anchorage and about the Anchorage Free Emissions Control Test provided by their agency. Bob was asked if he knew what a radical cam was, and he said that he thought it was someone from Cambodia. We want to thank them for the time and education.

On April 11, 12, and 13 our club had a mini show in the Boniface Center Mall. The Mall Association asked if we would show six cars over that weekend, and, of course, we said yes. A lot of thanks go to Charles Stennette and his 1971 V8-Vega, Jim Ard and his 1932 Ford Pickup, Margaret Hendrickson and her 1968 Firebird, Orvell Moore and his 1934 Chevy; and two non-members, Jeff Morgensen's 1955 Chev Bel Air and Lanny Siegel's 1950 Ford.

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A special thanks to Harold Rounds for coming out of his sick bed to bring his stanchions for the ropes and to the members who gave of their time to watch the cars during the time the mall was open. The cars looked really good!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

It sounds like the above-mentioned "mini" show (and that's exactly what it was; MINI) was terrific and everyone had a great time. Well, I'd like to give you a different kind of pat on the back.

I think it's sad, sad, sad that out of all the cars you people spend so much time talking about, Ed Park was only able to persuade four of you to show those cars - and had to turn to non-members to get the six cars that were committed to the Mall. If you don't want to participate in this kind of activity, would you please tell Ed so he doesn't have to go to the trouble of contacting each member individually - only to be turned down - due to lack of interest, for the most part. Or better yet, stop giving Ed's name to the public as a contact and let someone else do the coordinating and organizing and chasing around. If Ed spent as much time working on his own car as he spends on the club (and so much of it unproductive), we might get a ride in our own rod this summer.

Claire Park

P.S. If you're not going to support the Autorama '80 any better than this, I wish you'd cancel it now and we could make plans to enjoy the Memorial Day Weekend.

NOTE: The above discourse in no way reflects the opinion of your editor; it is merely the probably biased expression of sentiment on the part of a non-member (but very interested party) who feels much better by having said it.

FUTURE EVENTS

Our next meeting is Monday, April 28, at 7 p.m. at Hal and Margaret Hendrickson's house at 531 B Creekside in Muldoon. Go West on East 6th Avenue, off Muldoon Road, to Creekside and turn North on Creekside to the first duplex on the East side of Creekside (don't park on the West side of the fence). Besides being an important meeting prior to our Autorama, Vince Danicic of Alaska Electroplating will be there to tell us what he can do for us. Please come; it should be a good evening.

Our Autorama '80 is going full steam for May 23-25 at the National Guard Armory. We have inspected three cars in Fairbanks and we have asked the owners to enter them. Some of their applications have already been returned, and they are excited about us going up there in July. We have been talking to George Barris, the King of the Kustomizers, hoping that he would be able to be our special guest, but just recently he told us he can't make it. So we are working on getting him up here next year. The Autorama '80 'T' shirts are in!