

MIDNIGHT SUN
STREET ROD ASSOCIATION



APRIL/MAY 1985

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COMING EVENTS

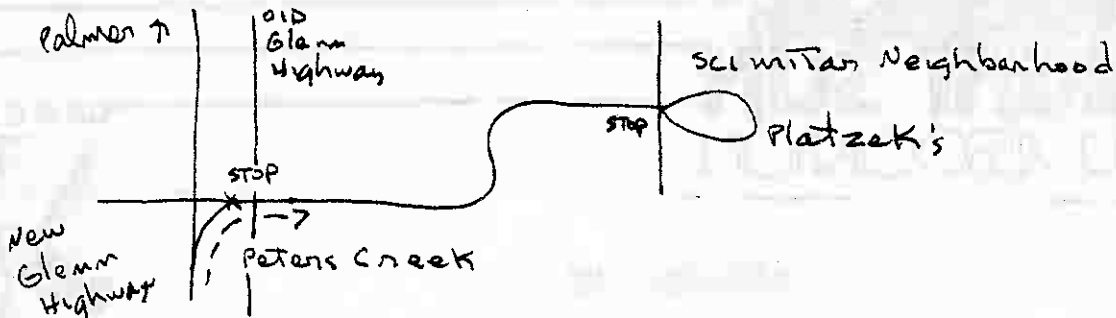
May 3-5.....	CANCELLED	Irvine's Car Show
May 17-19.....	Arctic Wheels Car Show, Fairbanks
May 25.....	.....	6th Annual KFQD Cruise
June 2.....	.....	Monthly Meeting
June 16.....	.....	2nd Annual Corroon & Black Fathers' Day Poker Run & Picnic
July 4.....	.....	Fourth of July Day Parades
July 18-21.....	.....	16th Annual NSRA Nationals, St. Paul
July 26-29.....	.....	Golden Days, Fairbanks
August 4.....	.....	7th Annual Show & Shine
August 10 and 11.....	.....	Gold Rush Days, Valdez
August 24.....	.....	Alaska State Fair Parade, Palmer

KFQD CRUISE

I talked with Marcus "In The Morning" Lewis at the Tulip Parade Friday the 10th, and he said the 6th Annual KFQD Cruise is "ON" to Eagle River. He said to listen to the radio for details.

MONTHLY MEETING

At our April meeting it was decided to have our next meet on a Sunday and make a picnic out of it. Sunday, June 2, at 4 p.m. will be the date and time, with the place being at Sunny and Bill Platzek's place in Peters Creek. To get there, go towards Palmer on the New Glenn Highway, get off at the first Peters Creek exit; at the stop sign, turn right and continue straight on up the hill and follow the pavement right to their place -- you can't miss it (it's the yard with acres of green lawn and the Scimitar Neighborhood sign). Everybody bring their own picnic for their family; there will be grills for barbecuing, and I am sure the club can spring for soft drinks and watermelon. There is lots of grass and a place to go if it rains. See you there.



POKER RUN

Sunday, June 16, will be the 2nd Annual Corroon & Black Father's Day Pcker Run and Picnic, co-hosted by Corroon & Black, Incorporated and our Association. The run this year will be held in the Anchorage Bowl (I guess some people don't like to drive - ed), and it is presently being put together by Run Chairman, Joe Piccione. We will discuss it at the next meeting. The dash plaques have been ordered, and we will be needing volunteers to make trophies. It should be a fun way to spend Father's Day.



John says, "Can you believe that crowd."



John and Ross
Enjoying a break at the Portland swap meet in 75° F weather.

JULY 4TH PARADES

If someone wants to drive in a parade on the Fourth of July, there are plenty to choose from; in fact, you can drive in two in one day if you wish. There is a parade in Homer, Seward, Anchorage and Chugiak. We can discuss these at the next meeting and you can make plans accordingly. On the 4th there is also an all-car-club picnic and the Chugiak parade organizers have asked for our involvement in their festivities also.



Bill Carlson giving loading instructions to John and Ross. Four people, luggage, parts - all in a Renault Encore.

Ross asking in his New England way, "What does this shit box have for an engine?"



GOLDEN DAYS

This year Golden Days in Fairbanks will be July 26-29. We will need someone to head up this trip to the Interior City. This run is always a lot of fun -- even in the rain.

RAMBLINS'

Charles Stennette now has his 1959 Corvette home to stay from the body shop and he is ready to cruise. . . Jim Hemmesch is building a car to run in the sports car races at Tanna Cross. . . Bill Groetts has a 1969 Dodge Charger for a daily driver. . . After three months of battling with an American supplier, Ross Jardine finally got his new torque converter; while he was waiting for it he installed a pre '69 Cadillac tilt-telescope steering wheel in his '36. . . John LaFournaise is looking for a new body (for his Cuda), so if anyone can help him give him a call. . . Mark Lewis has gone in with Woodman and Starner in opening Classic Parts Plus, Inc. . . Robert Dickerson bought a '34 Chevy three-window. . . Pual Moll bought a '68 Cougar. . . Bill Demming's '32 Ford is looking pretty trick. . . Bernie Edwards injured his hand on the job. . . Ron and Beth Bunn are anxiously waiting for the birth of their first child. . . Tom Sabata has his killer '33 Ford five-window back on the road. . . Kerry Kimura painted his '40 Ford 2-dr black. . .



The much celebrated 1965 Chevrolet of Jeff and Stephanie's. Not only does this truck look good but it can tow good too.

Jeff and Stephanie Johnson are our newest members and they are a much welcome addition to our Association. Jeff is one of the main principals of Grayling Jet Boats with Stephanie being an employee of Alaska Mutual Bank in Eagle River.



FLEA MARKET

Saturday, May 4th, was our annual spring auto parts flea market that was held at the First National Bank parking lot across from the Sullivan Arena. We had fourteen vendors and a cool but nice day to sell, buy and trade car parts (the lie swapping was free). It was a good time.

April - May, 1985

SAFETY NEWS

By William P. Demming
State Safety Inspector

POKER RUN:

On April 28th, the MSSRA held a Poker Run at Our Lady of Compassionate Care parking lot. The Safety Inspection Team consisting of Tom Snyder, Bernie Edwards, Ross Jardine and myself inspected three cars; Bernie's '34 Ford Sedan (passed); Wally Moon's '67 Camaro (failed) and Joe Piccione's '55 Crown Victoria (passed with Safety 23 Pin). Thanks to Tom Snyder for bringing his ramps - they are a real time saver and we'll be using them again.

SAFETY 23 PINS:

Well, finally, the Safety 23 pins are here and I know you'll like them. Already we have six recipients of the pin; Harold Rounds, Ross Woodman, Gordon Halkett, Jim Stanley, Charles Stennette and Joe Piccione. Congrats to those that have passed all 23 items on the Safety Inspection Sheet. Thanks to Joe Konkell for the design and Walker Radiator for sponsoring the pins again this year.

WHY VEHICLE INSPECTIONS?

I was asked at the Poker Run, "why inspect my car?", i.e., what advantage is it to have an NSRA inspected vehicle. The question has bothered me somewhat since then. Some may think that attaining a safety inspection sticker is a status symbol. However, I don't think this is the reason most people have the Inspection Team review their vehicle. Many rodders work on or build their own cars and to have an unbiased Inspection Team check out their workmanship lets them know if they are building their car safely.

Another important reason to have your car inspected is the one reason that the Inspection Team and I have seen countless times. One may overlook an item that the team picks up. An item that could have been serious such as a fuel line too close to an exhaust pipe or tire, a loose steering component or missing critical fasteners. These are important items - maybe even life or death items. After all, the most important reason to have your car inspected is to save your life.

BRIGHT BULB UP-DATE:

For anyone interested, the "Bright Bulb" discussed last month is now available - write to Ron Francis. Latest Street Scene has more comments on the bulb. Send money - these babies aren't cheap.

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Open Woronzof to motor sports

There is room enough in Anchorage for many interests, many activities, many experiences — and for that reason the city should approve plans for a motorsports park at Point Woronzof.

Supporters of the motorsports park want to use 300 acres at Point Woronzof to build 10 miles of trails and racing ovals for motorcycle, snowmachine and three-wheeler enthusiasts. The plan has been studied and supported by the municipal planning department, parks and recreation department and parks and recreation advisory board. The Point Woronzof site has been selected as the best of three possible locations, the others being Point Campbell and Bird Creek.

What remains is for the community to accept that there is room enough here for diverse interests. The Point Woronzof area, to be sure, is a place where "quiet sports" enthusiasts can go to ride a bicycle, enjoy a sunset or watch the tide flow. It is a visually attractive area, if not entirely unspoiled. But it is most assuredly *not* a quiet place, for it is at the very edge of Anchorage International Airport. Jumbo jets taking off do not leave an impression of serenity and peace.

Neither do motorcycles and snowmachines. But just as the city needs room for a busy, noisy airport, it should make room for motorsports enthusiasts who will assuredly find *somewhere* to ride. If the Point Woronzof facility succeeds, there will be less reason for motorized recreationists to invade the properly reserved quiet places in Anchorage — Chugach and Eagle River state parks, the Campbell tract, Russian Jack Springs, Kincaid Park, the greenbelts, private property.

Measures can and should be taken to ensure public safety and respect for the surrounding environment at Point Woronzof. Proper supervision and operation of race facilities can and should be guaranteed. The Point Woronzof site is out of the way and no serious nuisance to anyone. Let 'em start their engines there — and leave the rest of the area in peace.

Is there any reason why a person should trailer a car to a rod run? I can only think of one case where trailering a car is acceptable. I feel no animosity to anyone who trailers a T-bucket type of car to a rod run that is more than 50 miles from his home. The guy who travels 1,000 miles to a rod run in a T-bucket might argue with me but I can't blame a guy who is 6'3", married, with a couple of kids not wanting to drive very far at 60 MPH (nobody does 55) with no top, stopping every 75 miles for gas (they only hold 10 gallons of gas). You'll have to listen to your wife gripe about her hair being tied in knots and your little one will be crying all night because her sunburn hurts. You'll have to wear the same smelly clothes all weekend because there was no room for luggage, and you'll walk around like a hunchback because your legs won't straighten out. Lord help

IF IT CAN'T BE DRIVEN.....
..... IT AIN'T A STREET ROD.

you if you break down because there wasn't room for a tool box either.

On the other hand, there are people with A's, B's coupes and trucks that trailer because they don't want their paint scratched, or their chrome tarnished. Maybe they just finished doing it up special so they can win a top ten award, or there was a chance of rain and they didn't want to get it all dirty or it doesn't have windshield wipers.

I don't agree with it and don't like it either. If your that afraid then leave the car and yourself at home. If you don't drive it then save it for the car shows because that's what it is, a show car. If you can't afford to repaint your candy paint job every year then don't use a candy color. If your afraid of ruining your leather upholstery then use vinyl.

What it comes right down to is this, if it can't be driven in the rain or down the road it ain't a street rod.

Lone Star Street Rod Association
'Street Light', Temple, Texas



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April 9, 1985

Dear Ed Parks,

On behalf of the Alaska Chapter of The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, I would like to thank you for your time and volunteer assistance during our recent "Moments for MS" campaign.

Dollars were raised in our fight to find the cause and cure, and assist those with MS. An important educational message also reached the general viewing audience of Channel 11.

Your support during this week was greatly and deeply appreciated.

Many Thanks.

Sincerely,

Barbara Wakeley

Barbara Wakeley
Executive Director

BW/jh

May 24, 1985

CAR POKER RALLY

The Club Poker Rally was just the right event to get the Club members feeling the symptoms of Spring Fever. The weather was cooperative, even a nicer day than last year. Some club members must have been skeptical as only eleven members participated in this first driving activity of the season. Ed Park was this years activity chariman, and he was good enough to put together the route and select the Poker Run Stops. Joe Piccione and his lady Sue Day, added a little extra fun into the afternoon with a Scavenger Hunt in conjunction with the Poker Rally. The Best Poker Hand Plaque was won by Charlie and Jerry Stennette driving their '64 Falcon Sprint with a Poker Hand of four 9's. The Best Score Plaque went to Clyde & Mary James driving their '56 Chevrolet who managed to come up with 23 out of the 25 items possible on the Scavenger Hunt. I wonder if they went home? The Hard Luck Award was won by our club President himself, Ed Park. Ask him if changing tire size ever affects steering clearances, he also knows a good drive thru Car Wash designed for Corvair Convertibles. It was a lot of fun for all who attended.

2nd ANNUAL CORROON & BLACK FATHER'S DAY POKER RUN & PICKNIC

The Corroon & Black Father's Day Poker Run and Picnic is only a few weeks away. This years event is guaranteed to be bigger and better than last years with a lot of enthusiasm and willingness to help on the part of Club members and the staff of Corroon and Black. We have decided to keep the Poker Run and Picnic in town this year to encourage participation of all car owners. We have chosen a site for the Picnic following the Poker Run that will be accommodate over 200 cars. Dash Plaques will be given to the first 75 cars registered so make your commitment to attend the event early. The flyer and registration form will be available at the KFQD Cruise and the next club meeting on June 2nd. We still are looking for Club members to volunteer, as it takes a lot of team effort to make an event of this nature a success. If we can make this event memorable for all area Clubs, hopefully they will take the challenge to put on a Run themselves and make theirs better.

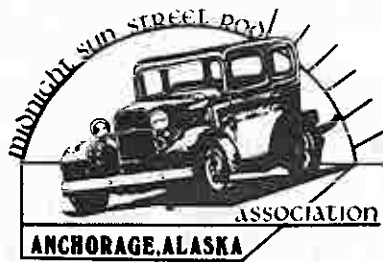
It is rumored that the Alaska Mustang Owners Association lost the Volleyball Challenge to the Midnite Sun Street Rod Association at the Show 'N Shine, might be preparing to regain their title. Flyers will be distributed to all area clubs and individual car owners in the next weeks. For additional information, contact Joe Piccione 562-2266/562-1962.

ARCTIC WHEELS CAR SHOW

The Arctic Wheels Car Show held May 17th thru the 19th was an impressive site for all who attended. This years show was held in the North Star Terminal in Fairbanks. The facility was large enough to hold the 80 vehicles displayed. From the outside, the buildings just looked like a warehouse but once inside, the buildings took on the appearance of a show-room of chrome and beauty.

The hosting club, the Artic Wheels Car Club, definately knows the meaning of love. This show was different from most car shows with proceeds going to the Alaska Crippled Childrens Association. The community support of area residents and business was amazing. But with all the work involved in putting on a Car Show of this quality, Dean King Show Chairman and the Arctic Wheels Club members still had time to welcome those of us who just came down for the weekend without even showing our cars.

Special thanks to the Arctic Wheels Car Club for your hospitality and congratulations on a successful show.



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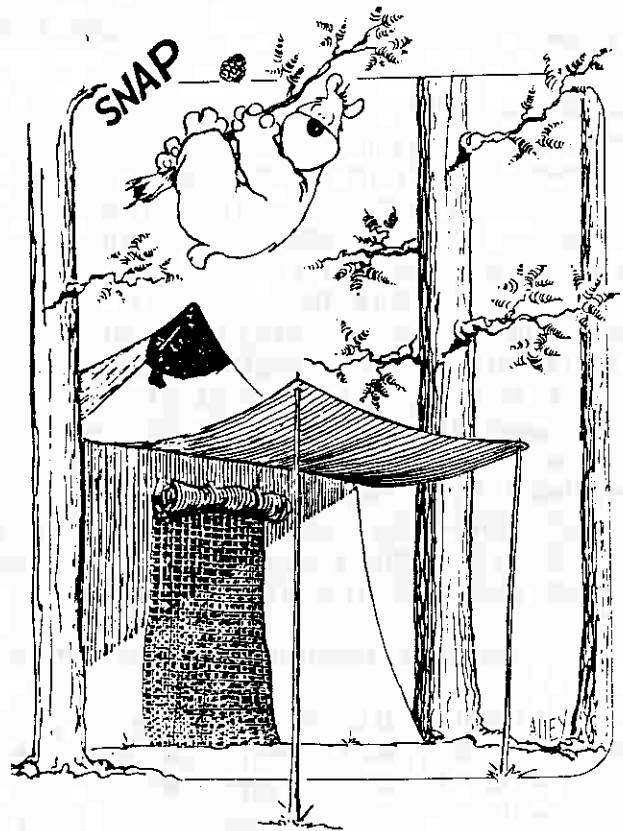
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"CLAIRE, WHAT WAS THAT NOISE OUT THERE?"

MILLIONTH MODEL



The above picture is of the 1,000,000th Lincoln built since its introduction back in September 1920 by Henry M. Leland. What is this model year?

Below are six other auto brands for you to match to their correct millionth model year. Note: use 1950 twice.

AUTO	MILLIONTH YEAR
1. Plymouth	1950
2. Mercury	1934
3. Packard	1935
4. Mustang	1947
5. Cadillac	1966
6. Pontiac	