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Cheap!

Fur Rondy Events

Fur Rondy kicked off with the annual parade that did not have as many car entries as in years past. We've seen clubs representing the new VWs, Land Rover, Mopar, BMWs, you name it. The Corvette Club and Mustang Club did not participate.

This year did have the Antique Motor Musers near the front, the Antique Power club had a few tractors, even the Harley Owners Group (HOGs) had a few bikes. But, the Fur Rondy organizers saved the best for last, US! We had eight cars this year.

Other Fur Rondy events opening weekend include the Grand Prix, the Antique Power Club exhibit, and the Antique Motor Musers Car Show that had over 40 cars exhibited.

Fur Rondy ended with the Corvette Club's car show at Alaska Sales & Service where our own Jim & Sumiko Heirston had their 1964 and 1996 Corvettes displayed.



Our parade entry included Kevin O'Halloran '60 Chevy, Butch Smith '65 Nova, Bill Hodges '69 Bronco, Tim Brass '66 Chevelle, Todd Bryant '56 Chevy PU, Jim Sumner '53 Sutudebaker, Lenny Olson '22 Model T, and Terry Kern Model A Pick Up.

Dues are Due

Your personal invoice for the year 2002 dues, or balance if you have already paid your dues, was mailed in January. You can pay at the next meeting or mail your dues to the club mailbox.

The bottom half of the form is the membership information we keep in the club database. Please review your address, phone numbers, and what we have listed for your collector car. If you don't know when you joined the club, please give it your best guess for the "Date Joined MSSRA" box and be sure to enter yes or no for the "NSRA Member" box.

Make any corrections you may have and either call Ray Elleven at 337-5860, drop it off at the next meeting, or mail it to the club mail box.

NEXT MEETING
TUESDAY
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7 PM

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Something to do

- Mar 1-3 The Alaska Motorcycle Show at the Egan Center,
an Alaska Motorcycle Dealers Association event
- Apr 26-28 Alaska Custom Car, & Cycle
at the Harry J. McDonald Memorial Center, Eagle River,
Presented by Performance Promotions 566-2346
- Mar 2-3 Classic Equipment & Toy Show, Northway Mall
an Antique Power Club of Alaska event
- May 4 Spring Plowing Demonstration, Palmer
an Antique Power Club of Alaska event
- May 4 Spring Auto Parts Swap Meet
a MSSRA event, contact Victor Knott at 349-7228
- May 4-5 Mayday Mayday
a Rally Productions event 243-2122
- May 11 NSRA Appreciation Day at B & C (Car Quest) in Eagle River
a NSRA State Rep and Safety Rep event
- May 18 KOOL Cruise
- Jun 21 Summer Solstice Rumble
- Jun 22 Transportation Expo, Transportation Museum,
Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry Wasilla
Fun, food, and entertainment for the whole family
- Jul 4 Parades in Anchorage and Chugiak
- Jul 12 14th Bear Paw Car Show, Eagle River
- Jul 13 Bear Paw Parade, Eagle River
- Jul 13 After the Bear Paw Parade picnic at Olson's in Eagle River
a MSSRA event
- Aug 3 Tastee Freez Pre Show & Shine Car Show
a MSSRA event
- Aug 4 Jay Ofstun Memorial Show & Shine
a MSSRA event on the Anchorage Park Strip
- Aug 10 Fall Auto Parts Swap Meet
a MSSRA event, contact Victor Knott at 349-7228
- Sep 28-29 Cottonwood Creek Toy Show, Wasilla
an Antique Power Club of Alaska event

Lower 48 Events

- Mar 1-3 Portland Roadster Show, Oregon Convention Center, Portland OR
- Mar 2 Pomona Swap Meet, Pomona CA
- Mar 7-10 Seattle Roadster Show, Seattle WA
- Apr 6-7 Portland Swap Meet, Portland OR
- Apr 17-21 Kool April Nites, Redding Convention Center, Redding CA
- Apr 18-21 Spring Carlisle Swap Meet, Carlisle PA
- Apr 25-28 Pate Swap Meet, Texas Motor Speedway, Fort Worth TX
- Apr 26-28 Western Street Rod Nationals, Bakersfield CA
- May 17-19 All-FORD Nationals Swap Meet, Carlisle PA
- Jun 2 Pomona Swap Meet, Pomona CA
- Jun 7-8 Antiques & Collectibles Swap Meet, Carlisle PA
- Jun 7-8 Goodguys 14th Hot Rod Nationals, Indianapolis IN
- Jun 14-16 All GM National Swap Meet, Carlisle PA
- Jun 21-23 Back to the 50's, State Fairgrounds, St. Paul MN
- Jun 28-30 All Truck National Swap Meet, Carlisle PA
- Jun 28-30 NSRA Rocky Mountain Street Rod Nationals, Pueblo CO

Gearheads Rejoice!

The Merriam-Webster dictionary has included the word "Gearhead" in the 10th edition of the Collegiate dictionary. It is said to be slang for "the Technologically obsessed". WOW, Hotties and Noogie are also included.

(Ripped off from the Wot's A This!, the official newsletter of the Wheels of Time Street Rod Association, Lehigh Valley, Pennsylvania.)

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Pres Sez

by Jack Hill



The club has started off the year right. I'm telling you I was a little nervous about being the President, but at the last club meeting, several of you stepped up and took on the challenge of helping to coordinate various car club events. Its members like you who make the club fun. You all are to be congratulated for getting involved.

You really missed out if you were not at the first Garage Scene of 2002. It was held on February 2nd at Jim & Sandi Sumner's place in Chugiak and it was a success. There were approximately 12 club members present. Jim did an excellent job explaining the many aspects of welding. Some of the other knowledgeable club members such as Bill Carlson also had some pointers on welding. We even got a few pictures of the event to share. I hope that all the participants not only learned, but enjoyed themselves. If anyone still has questions or needs help on welding, please call and I'll try to help. The next Garage Scene is to be held on March 2 at 10 AM at Lenny Olson's garage in Chugiak and it will cover routing and installation of brake and gas lines ("plumbing") on a 1937 Chevy. We need some ideas for April's class and location. Everyone is encouraged to participate in these informal and instructional events.

I am sorry to say that I missed the Fur Rondy parade. I had to hand the whole thing over to Lenny as I had not realized that my godparent's 60th wedding anniversary party in Moose Pass was the same day as the parade. You don't get a second chance to participate in a 60th wedding anniversary, so it took priority. But I am a little disappointed about the parade as Carrie's horse club got 2 parade awards: best non-commercial equestrian entry and, the one that really hurt, the *Grand Sweepstakes Award* for the most original entry and judge's choice. We'll have to try harder next year and have street horsepower win.

As always, let's all have fun and remember street is neat!

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"The only fool bigger than the person who knows it all is the person who argues with him." Stanislaw Jerszy Lec

Membership Report

Life Members	9
Members	119
Total members as of January 31, 2001	128

Prospects

Main, Bruce	'57 Chevy
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Ramblins



About 12 people made it to Jim Sumner's Rod Shop to learn how to chop doors on his '35 Chevy Coupe. Here two observers watch Jim weld a door. . . Otto Binder brought home a neat Long Distance Award from the Edmonton Street Rod Association's Summer Cruise 17. It was an artist's rendition of his Dodge. The art work was by Gerard Blommaert a 50 something graphic artist with a passion for cars. His illustrations have been applied to everything including cars, T-shirts, and board games. He has applied his designs directly to vehicles including personal watercraft, drag racing cars, custom and classic cars, snowmobiles and motorcycles. Call Gerard at 780-468-7240 or check out his web site

<http://www.kustomking.net/kustkng/gerardbio.html>



What an award! An artist rendition of Otto Binders '34 Dodge Coupe

Prints Raffleed at the next three meetings

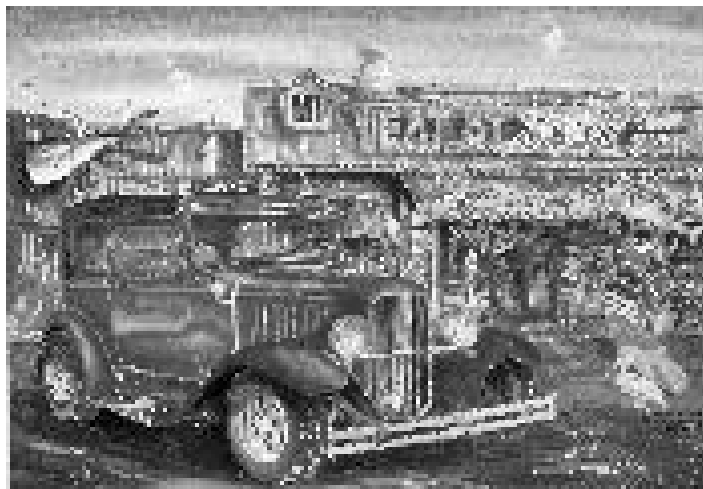
Artist Don Hudson donated three high quality framable prints for us to use as a fund raiser. We will raffle one each at the February, March, and April meetings. His prints are available in three sizes.

17" x 25" -High quality museum grade Giclee print on Hahnemuhle German watercolor paper. Limited Edition of 350 signed and numbered for \$350.00.

10.5" x 14" High quality midsize print on archival mat paper limited edition of 950 prints signed and numbered for \$50.

9" x 12" High quality small print on 80 lb exact matte coated paper. Open Edition-each print signed for \$20.00.

Buy a chance on a print at one of the next three meetings. If you miss out, you can contact Doug Hudson at 360-715-8798 or check out his web site at classic-art-spirits.com.



This months raffle print, "Eat at Joe's", a '32 Ford at a Joe's Crab Shack in Newport Beach, CA.

A Quiz For People Who Know Everything"

- (1) There's one "sport" in which neither the spectators nor the participants know the score or the leader until the contest ends. What is it?
- (2) What famous North American landmark is constantly moving backward?
- (3) Of all vegetables, only two can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons. All other vegetables must be replanted every year. What are the only two perennial vegetables?
- (4) Name the only sport in which the ball is always in possession of the team on defense, and the offensive team can score without touching the ball?
- (5) What fruit has its seeds on the outside?
- (6) In many liquor stores, you can buy pear brandy, with a real pear inside the bottle. The pear is whole and ripe, and the bottle is genuine; it hasn't been cut in any way. How did the pear get inside the bottle?
- (7) Only three words in Standard English begin with the letters "dw." They are all common. Name two of them.
- (8) There are fourteen punctuation marks in English grammar. Can you name half of them?
- (9) Where are the lakes that are referred to in the "Los Angeles Lakers?"
- (10) There are seven ways a baseball player can legally reach first base without getting a hit. Taking a base on balls-a walk-is one way. Name the other six.
- (11) It's the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen,

canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form but fresh. What is it?

(12) Name six or more things that you can wear on your feet that begin with the letter "S."

Answers on page 6.

Time Goes On

Believe it or not but 8.02 PM on February 20 this year will be an historic moment in time. It will not be marked by the chiming of any clocks or the ringing of bells, but at that precise time, on that specific date, something will happen which has not occurred for 1,001 years and will never happen again.

As the clock ticks over from 8.01 PM on Wednesday, February 20, time will, for sixty seconds only, read in perfect symmetry 2002, 2002, 2002, or to be more precise - 20:02, 20/02, 2002.

This historic event will never have the same poignancy as the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month which marks Armistice Day, but it is an event which has only ever happened once before, and is something which will never be repeated.

The last occasion that time read in such a symmetrical pattern was long before the days of the digital watch and the 24-hour clock - at 10.01 AM on January 10, 1001. And because the clock only goes up to 23.59, it is something that will never happen again. (Ripped off from the internet)

Federal Scrappage Plan in the works

From *Driving Force* the electronic newsletter of SEMA

By now, you may have heard of U.S. Senate Bill 1766, Section 803. If not here's the scoop. In an effort to address the nation's "energy crisis," Section 803 of U.S. Senate Bill 1766 seeks to federally fund state-run scrappage (car-crusher) programs for vehicles over 15 years old. People who scrap their vehicles will receive a minimal payment and, if they choose to buy a new fuel-efficient vehicle, an additional credit towards that purchase. Obviously, the convenient scapegoat here is older vehicles. However, scrappage won't address the overall problem of national fuel consumption. In fact, scrappage is a public policy fraud. Here are the facts on this legislation:

1) This legislation requires that scrappage programs crush EVERY car. There is no special dispensation for collector vehicles and no parts recycling. In other words, if a little old lady turns her '65 Le Mans in for crushing, it'll be crushed into a block of metal—along with all the parts for restoring a '65 GTO. For every Mustang II crushed, there's one less front suspension available for a street rod project.

2) Cars scrapped are typically second or third cars that

sit idly in someone's side yard until a scrappage program offers a "bounty" on older cars. These cars are not driven and have little effect on national overall fuel economy.

3) This legislation cannot guarantee that cars surrendered for scrappage will be replaced by more fuel-efficient vehicles. Nothing prevents someone from using the money they were paid to crush a fuel-inefficient vehicle to buy another vehicle that gets even worse gas mileage.

Write your U.S. Senators. Tell them you oppose Section 803 of S. 1766. Tell them about your car. Tell them what the hobby means to you, your family and your community. Information on your U.S. Senators is available at www.enjoythedrive.com/legislative/contact_legislator.asp or via the SEMA Washington, D.C., office at 202/783-6007.

SEMA is proud of the efforts SAN members have made to help defeat Section 803 of S. 1766, the Energy Policy Act of 2002. We have also been fighting this legislation inside the beltway. The two, in combination, are a powerful punch.

Keep those letters coming!

Newly Introduced Legislation

Note: The following bills are not laws. They have been recently introduced and are currently being considered for adoption by the respective state legislatures.

Safety Inspections - Mississippi H.B. 306 would eliminate the motor vehicle safety inspection program.

Tags, Titles and Registration

Indiana S.B. 116 would permit antique vehicles to display an authentic or reproduction year of manufacture license plate.

Indiana S.B. 211 would provide registration requirements for specially constructed vehicles.

Miscellaneous - Vermont H.J.R. 158 would honor the accomplishments of Mr. Terry Ehrich, president of Hemmings Motor News.

Latest Bumper Sticker

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Sign at a street rodders shop

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Things to Ponder

Abe's son Morris arrived home from school puffing and panting, sweat rolling down his face.

"Dad, you'll be so proud of me," Morris said, "I saved a dollar by running behind the bus all the way home!"

"Morris, you are a stupid boy!" said Abe, "You could have run behind a taxi and saved \$12.00!"

A boy, frustrated with all the rules he had to follow, asked his father, "Dad, how soon will I be old enough to do as I please?"

The father answered immediately, "I don't know. No male has lived that long yet."



The Antique Auto Musers' Fur Rondy Car Show wouldn't be the same without Robbie Robinson.

“Answers To Quiz”

1. Boxing.
 2. Niagara Falls. The rim is worn down about two and a half feet each year because of the millions of gallons of water that rush over it every minute.
 3. Asparagus and rhubarb.
 4. Baseball.
 5. Strawberry.
 6. The pear grew inside the bottle. The bottles are placed over pear buds when they are small, and are wired in place on the tree. The bottle is left in place for the whole growing season. When the pears are ripe, they are snipped off at the stems.
 7. Dwarf, dwell, and dwindle.
 8. Period, comma, colon, semicolon, dash, hyphen, apostrophe, question mark, exclamation point, quotation marks, brackets, parenthesis, braces, and ellipses.
 9. In Minnesota. The team was originally known as the Minneapolis Lakers and kept the name when they moved west.
 10. Batter hit by a pitch; passed ball; catcher interference; catcher drops third strike; fielder's choice; and being designated as a pinch runner.
 11. Lettuce.
 12. Shoes, socks, sandals, sneakers, slippers, skis, snowshoes, stockings.
- ...Well, now you know! Feel any smarter?

Swap Shop

Swap Shop ads are a service of the Sun Runner and the Midnight Sun Street Rod Association for it's members and other individuals who wish to advertise an item or vehicle for sale. Advertisements are printed on a space available basis. Contact Ray Elleven, Editor of the SUN RUNNER at the address located elsewhere in this newsletter or call him at 337-5860. All phone numbers listed are area code 907 unless otherwise noted.

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1970 Chevrolet Fleet Side Short Bed - 2 wheel drive project truck. \$500.00 or reasonable offers considered. Call Victor at 349-7228 (3/02)

1971 Chevle SS Coupe - 350, Powerglide \$10,000 plus invested must sell \$5,000. Call Don 907 357-9221.(4/02)

1985 Ford F-150 4X4 - New summer & winter tires, all mounted. New clutch, pressure plate, flywheel, throughout bearing, fuel pump, power brake booster. \$3,600. Call 522-1790 (3/02)

1985 GMC S-15 "Jimmy" - 350 Chevy Engine (.30 over), 750 CFM Holley Carb, B&M ratchet shifter, Headers with 2" Flowmasters, Performance gauges, Ladder Bars, Fast. A fun little summer street or strip ride. Only \$5,000 or best offer. Contact: Jim Hart 488-2276. (3/02)

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