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**Bitterroot Valley Dusters:** Regular meeting third Sunday afternoon of each month at places previously decided upon in Hamilton area.

**Bozeman Antique Auto Club:** Regular meeting second Friday of each month at random locations in Bozeman.

**Capital Carriages:** Regular meeting second Sunday of each month, 2:00 p.m. random locations in Helena.

**Central Montana Trail Dusters:** Regular meeting fourth Thursday of each month at places previously decided upon in Central Montana area.

**Flathead Pioneer Auto Club:** Regular meeting first Sunday of each month at Flathead Electric Co-op in Kalispell.

**Goggles & Dusters:** Regular meeting first Tuesday of each month at Elk's Lodge, 934 Lewis Ave at 6:00 p.m. (unless otherwise notified) in Billings.

**Great Falls Skunkwagon:** Regular meeting first Friday of each month, 7:00 p.m. Eagle's Lodge 1509 9th St So in Great Falls.

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What a great spring and summer touring season we have had! After cancelling last year's Fall Tour, Hamilton agreed to put on this Spring's tour. What a great tour it was! Smoke last year and a wonderful drenching rain during the event this year. The Great Falls club put on a fantastic International Tour in July with almost 100 cars and 200 people. If you missed it, you missed seeing many wonderful cars and our neighbors to the north. Next year's event is in Saskatoon and should be a great tour. Plan to attend if you can to be with great car people in a beautiful setting.

The Fall Tour in Helena just concluded and was a wonderfully planned and executed event with an interesting and fun tour train ride Friday evening. After the tour, we had a great dinner,

with a Board meeting that followed. At the Board meeting the votes for the election of new officers were tabulated. It pleases me to announce that Dan Costle was elected President and Fritz Seitz will be your vice president. They should provide great leadership in the years to come. On Saturday morning we had a fantastic tour to Boulder Hot Springs. We were fortunate to see the great restoration work performed to bring this facility back from former days. And again, if you missed this, you missed a great tour.

I hope everyone enjoyed this year's tours and functions. Everyone I talked to said this was a busy year. I am happy to report membership

is up about 60 people from last year. Great job, Clubs! Keep it up and let's continue this trend.

The upcoming tours are—Spring 2019 in Lewistown and Fall of 2019 will be hosted by Butte, Spring of 2020 will be Great Falls, and Fall of 2020 is in Billings. It just doesn't get any better than that! Let's see more people at these events to support the local clubs and our state association. I know "you people" can do it!

I hope this finds our members and cars in great shape. Happy holidays and a Happy New Year!

Doug Winz, President

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*Thank you for your help!*

## In Memory

*Jack Wright*

*Winston Wanstrath*

*Jerry Jenkins*

*Bernie McDonald*

## Montana Pioneer and Classic Auto club

September 7, 2018

## Fall Board Meeting

Helena, MT

President Doug Winz called the meeting to order. Sie asked for the roll call. There were 3 officers, 8 clubs and 17 directors present and Fashion Consultant Kathy. Minutes of the Spring board meeting were read. A motion to accept, it was seconded and passed.

Treasurers report by Mary Seelmeyer. As of August 31, 2018 Russell checking \$4,219.83 Russell C.D. \$10,435 the total of all accounts is \$14,728.79 the report was given by Bill Caffyn. Motion was made to accept, second and passed. Bill made a motion for Mary to move \$5,000.00 from savings to a CD at the Russell Federal; the interest is 1.5%. It was seconded because being the savings account has no or very little interest. Motion was passed.

**Old Business:** President Doug asked for the 2018 Fall tour in Helena. Darrell gave a run down of the week events and everything is going as planned. Doug asked if Lewistown had a report for the 2019 Spring tour. Sie reported the date is June 21-23, 2019, and no other info. Watch the January Times and the web site montanapioneerandclassi-

cautoclub.org. Then Doug asked if Butte had a Fall tour report for 2019, there is no report at this time, check the website for info.

Doug asked if the ballot committee had a report for the 2019 President and Vice President. The Betty and Karen accounting firm reported for President was Dan Costle by 60 votes and Vice President Fritz Seitz by 60 votes, congratulations to both. Betty then made a motion to destroy the 2018 ballots second by Roger, motion passed. Doug then gave a run down on the club website it's working very well with lots of information. The clubs need to use it more.

**New Business:** Doug gave some dates for 2019 and 2020. The Spring installation board meeting is April 26-27, 2019 at Great Falls with the swap meet. The 2020 Spring tour is at Great Falls, Montana. The 2020 Fall tour is at Billings, Montana. Thank you to the clubs for hosting these tours, well into 2020.

Carol Rusted asked if it was possible to give the year a member joined their club in the next Roster. Bill will ask Mary if that would be possible. Doug also mentioned for the next Roster if

the clubs could have their secretaries get the paid members information to Mary as early as possible. In the past there has been problems. That would give Mary and others time to proof read the information.

Doug asked if there was any other business. Harold Olson and 5 other past Presidents recommended Sie Schindler as an honorary member, all the past Presidents approved it. Sie thanked Harold and others for this honor.

Other past events were given. The International Tour at Great Falls was well attended. The National V-8 club toured Montana this summer. The tour started in Billings then to Kalispell area to Helena and back to Billings. With around 40 vehicles everyone had a great time. The State Antique Chevy club started in Hamilton then on to Missoula area, it was a very good tour. It is great the local club members that are also members of other auto clubs National or State help do this. It's the cars that bring the people together to make new friends. With no further business, meeting adjourned.

Secretary Sie Schindler



# Club News



## EXHAUST

BITTERROOT VALLEY DUSTERS

Joann Hosko, Reporter ([joann.hosko@gmail.com](mailto:joann.hosko@gmail.com))

Before beginning this quarterly submission for the TIMES, I glanced back at what I had written in June. It ended with a wish for safe travels during our short season of pleasant weather and happy motoring. I think, then, of one of our members, David Vial, who along with his granddaughter, sustained severe injuries in separate motorcycle accidents, this summer. They are both healing, and it all could have been much worse. In life, bad days often begin no differently than good days.

And since the spring tour, Dick and I have spun crazily through four more tours. Late June took us to the Franklin Westrek in Fortuna, CA, with his 1929 130. The first week in August, we hosted the Big Sky Region Vintage Chevrolet Club of America annual tour, here in Hamilton, with cars from MT, ID, WA, and MN. The last week of August, we trailered the 1936 Town Sedan to the Pacific Early Six tour in Alturas, CA. And we saw many of you at the fall tour in Helena. We hate to see it end, but are about toured out in time, energy, and the pocketbook.

The rest of the summer in review: Twenty-four attended our July 8 meeting, at the Babcock/Hosko Museum in Grantsdale. Bill

Meuchel and Boyd Cobb BBQ'd burgers, to which we added the usual tasty choices of potluck sides. We welcomed new members Dan and Sarah Sutherland and sons John and Josh. Treasurer Joann reported that the BVDs made a profit of \$1,155.56 for the State on the Spring Tour, in spite of our relatively frugal registration fee and because of the food and hospitality our members prepared and provided. Thanks again, to those who attended.

July 28 saw a few of us displaying pre-WW II cars for Daly Days at the Daly Mansion. Dick and I took the 1929 Franklin and the 1936 Chevy, representing the rich and the poor. Ross Dutton showed his 1936 Cadillac; Dan Dutton brought his 1937 Cadillac, and Allan Dutton drove his 1937 Ford pickup. Lee and Shirley Hopkins brought their 1939 Lincoln Zephyr. It was maybe the only day in July with precipitation, localized over Hamilton and the Mansion!

There were 15 present on August 12, at Lee and Shirley Hopkins's BBQ'd chicken and potluck eating and meeting. We welcomed new members from Florence, Cody Rolshoven and Alyssa Sprague. Cody has his grandparents' beautiful 1929 Model A roadster

pickup. Some of you may remember Bob (deceased) and Kathleen Hauck from the Missoula Hellgate Club. And the BVDs said goodbye to member Winston Wanstrath, who passed on a few days prior.

Several of our members displayed vehicles at the Ravalli County Fair: Boyd Cobb - 1948 Dodge Power Wagon; Allan Dutton - 1937 Ford pickup and 1927 Model T Touring; Dan Dutton - 1936 Ford Coupe; Ross and Wendy Dutton - 1941 Chevy Coupe, 1928 Chevylac roadster; 1916 Model T Town Car, 1968 Mustang, and 1946 Willys Jeep; Bob Schumacher - 1969 Buick convertible; David Anderson - 1965 Chevy Impala convertible and 1965 Impala hardtop; Shirley Sorenson - 1977 Camaro; Bill and Kathy Meuchel - 1968 Shelby, 1965 MG Midget, and 2001 Harley Sportster. Arlene Beavers and David Ross helped with sitting and driving, and Bill and Kathy spent all the days and nights there, with their trailer, guarding the display. While others worked, Dick and I went to play in our Chevrolet.

Finally, our September 16 meeting was held at the beautiful ranch home of Shirley Sorenson, with the Bitterroot Valley below us and Blodgett Canyon behind us. If not the most beautiful set-

ting in the Valley, it is certainly in the running. Shirley generously provided her own beef for BBQing by Bill. Potluck dishes were added to the mix. It was a blue-sky day. The existing officers were shooed back into office. President – Bill; VP – Boyd; Secretary – Arlene; and Treasurer – Joann.

Lee and Shirley have volunteered as photographers of Club events,

and we now are on Facebook, for anyone who wishes to follow us. Personally, I am a Facebook lurker – one who looks (once in a while) at others' posts, but almost never responds or posts. At the rate people who have apparently never had (or admit to having) a life are casting stones at people who may have, posting much of anything seems like a risky busi-

ness. But anyway, we are now out there, and what bigger way to spend a lot of time, than online.

To all – have a lovely fall and a great Holiday season. If the past is prologue to the future, it will be the New Year before we know it. Take care and we hope to see all you all, somewhere down the road.

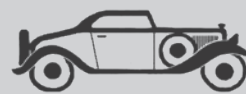
## Can you identify this dashboard???



Look for the answers in the January edition of the Times.



## Bozeman Antique Auto Club



Stu Coleman, Reporter ([atascoleman@wispwest.net](mailto:atascoleman@wispwest.net))

On a rainy Saturday, June 23rd, the club toured along Bridger Canyon Road from Bozeman to the town of Wilsall and the Bank Vault Bar and Grille. Wilsall, incidentally, took its name from Will Jordan of the Jordan-Robertson Company cattle ranch in the early 1900s. The unfavorable weather, no doubt, held the vintage machinery to a minimum, but several brave souls brought out old vehicles that would not melt in the rain. They included Erv and Jan Hintzpeter's 1978 Corvette, John and Connie DeVries' 1965 Volkswagon Beetle, and Bob and Joanne Nitcy's 1955 Chevrolet pick up truck. As they say in New Zealand, "Good On You" for bringing them out.

Also in June all that could, made a run to the Dairy Queen in Belgrade for ice cream of your choice. Rose (isn't she a peach) Cain set up the tour and all thanks to her as last year's social wasn't so well received, but that is another story.

July the 24th the club descended on the Hintzpeter's beautiful home on the banks of the Gallatin river, albeit a rather steep bank! The weather was perfect and so was the food, setting and hospitality. We know about Erv and his passion for Packards, but did you know about Jan and her many sewing achievements, including things like quilts, place mats and carrying bags. She is so talented and creative in her

sewing projects.

July always means the All Original Show in Billings and several members attended with their cars. Of course, Erv Hintzpeter was there with his yellow 1936 Packard business coupe (Erv was a winner in his class last year and was not permitted to enter the competition this year, but instead enjoyed being placed in the "Winner's Circle"). John De Vries attended as well, but did not bring his winning 1937 Packard Super 8 Touring Sedan from last year's show. And Ray D'Ardenne drove his 1963 Split Window Corvette coupe and entered it in the show. This is a 350 ci Rochester fuel injected power plant in shinny black paint with just enough chrome to really set the car off.

Funny thing happened to Ray and his Split Window while on the field. A fellow came up to him and said, "I designed your car for General Motors!". Just so happens he did! It was David R. North long time retired now and living in Billings. In fact, the Norths are long time residents of the city and his father donated the land to Billings and that is why it became known as North Park! David was expected to follow his father and grandfather into the real estate and investment business but instead followed his talents to the prestige Art Center in Pasadena, California and became a designer of

automobiles.

What other cars had the North designing influences you ask? One he worked on directly with John DeLorean was the first Pontiac GTO and he tells an interesting story about John. He said, that his boss (head of styling) and John's boss (head of Pontiac) were both out of town at the Paris Auto Show, and so John said we are going to have a little fun. I'll have my guys at Pontiac put the big-car Bonneville engine in the little Tempest. It's going to be a real "Stormer" and I need you to do a body for it. Do a sketch that will fire the guys up."

David had heard that the guys at Ford (many went to school with him) were doing a special project for Lee Iacocca (which became the Mustang). So he did a drawing showing the two new cars on a drag strip. Of course the little Pontiac was winning!

When he gave the drawing to DeLorean, he said, "This is great, now do one more thing. Sign your name real big, as one of us is sure to be fired, and it isn't going to be me!" At the time GM had a strict policy against performance cars. Needless to say, neither got in trouble and as they say, the rest is history.

The summer good times just kept rolling for the club as we all met at the Vintons on Little Bear Road in Gallatin Gateway for brats, hamburgers, and pot



luck in July. This is always a fun venue because of Richard's "Big Boy Toys" in his fantastic machine shop and his Diamond T truck collection. After supper and a short business meeting conducted by Rose (she's a peach) it was a solemn walk to Richard's Cemetery and to view those no longer with us. The headstones (or I should say grilles) announced those once proud marques hence buried forever. I won't mention them all here, but two caught my eye, the first was Biederman which had been on a fork lift. The company had a reputation for being a "tougher-than-nails" Cincinnati

manufacturer of mining equipment, and the other was Buffalo Springfield (no not the band, although some might think they should be buried), but an early producer of industrial vehicles.

And I would be amiss if I didn't mention Richard's wife, Karen's collection. It is a world class (at least in my eye) collection of dolls, over a thousand at this point and still counting! Richard pointed out that she has many more dolls than he has vehicles and it seems unfair, but with Karen present, I mentioned that when taken in weight, his collection was the heavier!

The weekend of August the

18th and 19th gets a little crazy in this part of the woods with the annual Manhattan Potato Festival on Saturday and the Bozeman Main Street Cruise In on Sunday. The Main Street car show is by far the larger of the two, but if you want little town atmosphere, choose Manhattan. And that is what this reporter did for our "coming-out" party for the 1955 Chevy pick up truck in its dark metallic red 2015 Chrysler 300 paint color (Mopar called it "red velvet" for what that is worth). It was five years in the restoration process starting life as a long wheel-based six cylinder farm truck and ending up



*Stu and Jeanne Coleman's 1947 Hudson Super Six, Louis and Sharon Cantarutti's 1937 Slant Back Ford 2-door and Erv and Jan Hintpeter's 1936 Packard 120 Business Coupe at the Chokecherry Festival in Lewistown*



as a short-bed small block 350 ci with a 350 turbo automatic. When I brought it home in its patina of a hard life, Jeanne said it was mine, but now that it is finished and presentable, it is hers and even has a name, "Clifford". Funny how that works!

I knew that the Manhattan parade was small town when the city garbage trucks were cleaned up and in the parade! Actually the car show venue was quite pleasant with the cars parked along four blocks of a shady street. Along with the '55, Erv brought out his 1936 Packard coupe, Jim Cain his 1964 Dodge Polara 2-door hardtop and Roy Lingreen his 1930 Franklin Town Sedan. And Roy and Erv were rewarded with recognition trophies in the shape of small gasoline pumps.

Rich and Gay Hovey showed the club colors the next day on Main Street with both their 1968 Cadillac De Ville convertible and their all original 1965 Plymouth Barracuda. They were joined by lots of other club members that were lookers.

It is home! Larry Bode went to Great Falls to fetch his 1966 Plymouth Fury II convertible home which is now a very very bright red. These are large cars

on the Mopar C body platform and were shared with the Dodges and Chryslers too. Larry has the original 440 ci engine and four speed manual all rebuilt and ready to go. Of course everything else has to be put in too. He estimates about a year to full completion. The clock has started. Now that Larry's baby is home, my 1965 Barracuda is up in Great Falls and is next!

An alternate to the Fall Tour in September for a few BAAC members was the Chokecherry Festival in Lewistown. Don't you wish the summers were longer in Montana and events weren't scheduled on top of each other? The Festival is a big deal in the central part of Montana with crafts and food vendors numbering in the hundreds lining Main Street. But last year, the event sponsors added an auto show near the court house and it had grown to about 70 plus cars this year. Three members displayed at this "No Judging-Trophy Show" and were parked side by side. Erv and Jan Hintz-peter brought out the 1936 Packard dual sidemount, yellow Business Coupe, Louis and Sharon Cantarutti their dark maroon-red 1937 Ford 2-door slant back, and Stu and Jeanne Cole-

man the 1947 Hudson Super Six 2-door sedan in Acadia Blue (in Hudson speak). And there was the Charlie Russell Choo-Choo that runs concurrently with the Saturday affair.

And how can I forget not adding a few words on the "What-The-Hay Montana Bale Trail" on Sunday. This delightful loop show cases just what you can do with hay and imagination. There were 50 plus original variations of hay sculptors with the hay-bale signs just so you weren't confused at what you were looking at. For example there was, "One Cute Puphay", and "Wile E. Coyotehay", and "Tom-Hay-To", well you get the idea. The 22 mile tour goes between Hobson and Windham and if you were smart (which we were), includes a mid-tour stop in Utica for home made pie put on by the Utica Women's Club.

If that wasn't enough of a varied venue for the BAAC quarter, we concluded with a "Dessert Potluck" at Russ and Karin Lude-man's September 12th. There was a wide variety of sugar delights and everyone ate more than one. As I heard it said in the South, "It don't get no better than that, do it!"



# Capital Carriages

Glyn Verzatt, Reporter ([verght@bresnan.net](mailto:verght@bresnan.net))

Surprise! Another summer has come and gone! How do I know this? Well for one thing lawn watering has slowed down, no more tomatoes coming on and I am cleaning up the raised garden beds. Fastest summer ever.

Capital Carriages survived the fall tour. It was a good tour due mostly to the efforts of Darrell Beckstrom and his few helpers. Early on there was some concern about meals as initial arrangements had been made with Jorgensen's, they decided to get out of the food business and the 4 B's took over. Seems there was little need for concern as the food was good, service was good and the price was in the ball park. We had 36 couples and 19 singles registered, which made for a good-sized group. The entertainment was good and I heard no complaints from any one. The video taken from a drone is available on the Montana Pioneer and Classic Auto Club web site, it is well worth watching as the cars came down

main street in Boulder and every one was covered. Jim Black won People's choice for his Crosley Hot Shot, formerly owned by Gregg Pollack and restored by Garry Guettler. Garry had his Chevrolet Speedster at the tour, Chev frame, 4-cylinder engine, home built aluminum body and dual straight pipes, which drew a lot of attention.

The club steak fry was held at President Paul Christofferson's home. We had a good turn out but it was hot. I helped Paul with the steaks and had to pull out because of the heat. Lots of good side dishes provided by the club ladies. The fund raiser BBQ held in July was a bust, profit of less than 3 bucks and if I and the wife had turned in receipts for what we furnished it would have been a loser.

Thursday evening cruises continue, 2 times a month, and that is about all that is going on around here.

We did have a member who has been in the shadows for

several years show up at the tour. Newly retired, and had his 53 Chevrolet sedan there. Hope to see more of him.

A few weeks ago, a group of us took the Thursday Cruise to the Dinner Bell at Gold Creek. This is a one night a week operation featuring family style dining. They have two menu items, Chicken 3 times a month and the last Thursday of the month Meat Loaf is on the menu. Great food, great dessert, excellent service and at 15 bucks affordable for most any one. If you have a chance you have to do it. Call about a week ahead for reservations as the dining hall holds something like 120 people and it is full to the brim every Thursday.

We need to wrap this up, still looking for a replacement for the '52, hope to find something soon. In the mean time I am working on my 1991 S-10 Blazer which by the way is classified as an antique.



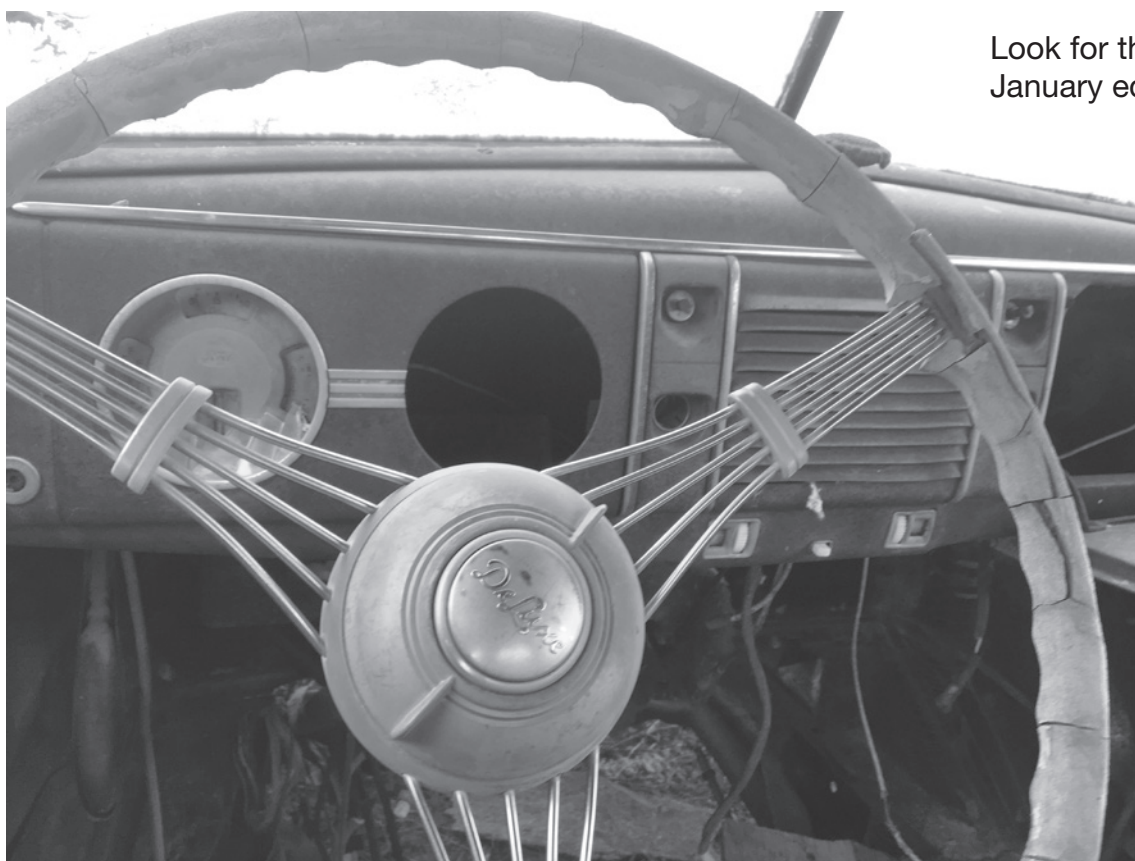
## Central Montana Trail Dusters

Sie Schindler, Reporter

Fall is in the air and the black-birds are heading south, smart birds. The July drive and dinner was in Judith Gap, home of one of the largest number of wind generators in Montana. The turnout was down but with good food and fellowship. The 4th of July event was well attended by many. In August the drive and dinner went to Winifred, Montana where all the new buildings were built by once a local person with a desire to keep Winifred nice looking. Now, September was a busy month. The club hosted a car

show along with the Choke-cherry Festival weekend. There were around 65 vehicles from Billings, Bozeman, Great Falls and other areas. A big thanks to Dan, Sherry and Jordon Stilson for getting this done. Also, new members were signed up. On Sunday the club had some members go to Utica for a car showing along with the "What the Hay" bales display. Frances and myself attended the State club show and tour at Helena. That was a very great weekend. We drove to Boulder, Montana then to the Boulder Hot Springs

for lunch and toured the old hotel. A very nice, but old building with lots of history. Then on the 30th we are driving to Monarch, Montana with burgers and then to Belt, Montana for more fellowship and maybe a beer. We are joining the different car clubs from Great Falls and hope the weather will be nice. Our October meeting is going to be at Larry Carrells place with a pot luck dinner then we will finish the year with the Christmas party at Jack's airplane hangar and driving gifts to the Kiwanis club "Gifts for the Kids".



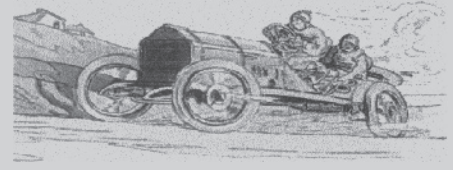
Look for the answers in the January edition of the Times.

Can you  
identify this  
dashboard???



# Flathead Pioneer Auto Club

Dave Cooley, Reporter ([cooley@centurytel.net](mailto:cooley@centurytel.net))



Your Secretary was off to a Graduation in Seattle when the Club went on the Stonehenge Air Museum Mini-Tour, but President Merry Nelson took notes as follows:

"As for our tour to the Stonehenge Air Museum, it went quite well I think. It was a pleasant day out and we had 9 cars plus 2 motorcycles.....

Jeffery Sweet and his guest Gene...1931 Model A

Chuck Covey and his guest Mike...1935 Ford 5 window coupe

Chuck Vernon...1951 Plymouth Convertible

Leon and Merry Nelson...1955 Mercury Convertible

Rand and Linda Robbin...1956 Imperial

Tom Caudill and Jerry Young...1959 Ford Galaxie

Barbara Cameron and guest Gene Watne...1963 Mercury Comet

Nick and Loretta Poncelet...1976 Chevy Vega

Ben and Norma Bewley with their motorcycles...Goldwing and 3 wheeler, respectively

Rob and Michelle Desch in a 1950's Ford.

"Dick and Cappy Whited joined up with us at the Trego Pub for lunch along with daughter Terri and her friend Cheryl and granddaughter Torey with her friend Kevin and daughter Sophia in their modern cars.

"With 26 people to serve at the Pub, we had ample time for visiting before continuing on to the Muse-

um. It was a kind of "do your own thing" day. Bob and Glenda Smith stopped in at the Pub to say "hello". They were busy planning a Model T tour route. I believe the Bewley's left the group at that point to head home. The rest of us went to the Museum where we enjoyed a guided tour with numerous "human interest" stories about the airplanes. Then a number of us left the group for home while several went to check out [the full size replica of the original] Stonehenge.[which is in England]."

The weather couldn't have been better for our "Progressive Dinner" Mini-Tour on July 22nd with blue skies and temperatures in the low 80's. At about 1:15, almost all of us gathered at the parking lot of the "Lucky Pick" Bar and Casino at the junction of MT 35 and Lake Blaine Rd. We left at 1:30 and drove East on Lake Blaine Rd. and south on Foothill Rd. to Dave and Linda Russell's place for appetizers. There were others at the Russell's when we got there, so to the best of my recollection the group included Ben & Norma Bewley, Ron Buentemeier, Dave Cooley, Rob & Michelle Desch, John & Carmen Franklin, Gary and Sandy Gudmundson (old members who are in the process of rejoining the Club), "the Girls" (Phyllis Anderson, Alice Peca and her guest), Duane and Patty Markuson, Mark Nelson, Art Olson, Ivan Polus, Kayla Raindancer and her Mom (Kayla's guest), Rand and Linda Robbin,

Jeffrey Sweet, Chuck and Kathleen Vernon, and about a dozen antique cars. Merry ordered dinner for 35, and I think there might have been a few more than that.

From the Russell's we continued South on Foothill Rd., and south on Echo Lake Rd., crossed MT 83 onto Swan River Rd., crossed the Swan River and turned left on MT 209 into Ferndale and to the Leon Nelsons' for the Main Course. The Ham and Scalloped Potatoes were catered by Vista Linda, the Baked Beans cooked by the Nelsons, and the dinner Rolls brought by the Robbins. Apologies if I left anyone out! We had a very pleasant lunch in the shade in the Nelsons' back yard, followed by a brief meeting concerned mostly with upcoming events. Chuck Vernon reported that Doug Morton is having a full-time job fighting Lung Cancer these days and that there have been victories on both sides, but also that Doug has been looking better lately. Please let us join his friends and family in prayers and best wishes in support of Doug and his family.

At 4:45 we were off to Lyle and Loretta Aklestad's V-8 Museum in Bigfork for dessert and a look at some great old cars. I don't know who prepared all the fantastic desserts, but I know that Loretta made at least two of them and Alice Peca made one, and they all got rave reviews! I guess that we all know that Lyle has been letting go of a few cars over the last few years, but the

collection still stands up very well – it includes many excellent cars and it was great to see them again!

Fire Season had definitely started when we gathered at 1:30 PM at the new Cedar Creek Motel in Columbia Falls for our Thursday August 9th mini-tour to Whitefish Lake and Big Mountain. We had lots of smoke, but it was not bad enough to smell. There were many forecasts of worsening fire conditions.

Our views were obscured to varying degrees depending on our locations, but the weather was in turn kept cooler by the smoke and occasional clouds above, so the temperatures were pleasant all day. Those hardy souls who presented themselves for the Tour included Lyle and Loretta Akelstad, John Barr, Dave Cooley and his guest Jens Kaiser, a former German Exchange Student back for a visit, Gib & Judy Davis, the Girls (Phyllis Anderson, Fran Meerkatz, and Alice Peca), Doug Morton (who looked great!), Leon and Merry Nelson, Art Olson, Dave and Linda Russell, Bob and Glenda Smith, Jeffrey Sweet, Chuck Vernon, and Dick & Eleanor Whited. My apologies if I missed anyone! There were 12 antique cars brought by the participants. The Tour was ably designed, led, and written up by Bob Smith – everybody enjoyed the venues despite the smoke. Those who went to the top of Big Mountain didn't get home much before 7:00 PM, so it was as full afternoon! Many thanks, Bob!!

Life being short, the original plans were modified slightly to accommo-

date going directly from Columbia Falls by back roads to Loula's Café in Whitefish for Pie (in accordance with the wise saying, "Life's too short – eat dessert first"). While at Loula's, Chuck Covey came in from a sizeable work project to say hello and make sure we all got seated and were well attended to by the wait staff. After dessert at Loula's, we went out East Shore Drive to the Northwest end of Whitefish Lake. From there we did a U-Turn and came back to the Big Mountain Road and climbed up to the Base Lodge at Whitefish Mountain Resort. We parked our cars, and took Chairs #6 and #1 to the Summit House on the top of Big Mountain. The breezes were cool but pleasant on the way up and we had a headwind strong enough to lift your hat on the way down. The resort has installed a number of adventures to attract Summer people (Zip Line, Mountain Bike Trails, a solo "Bob-Cart" (?) track, etc. which the Tourists seemed to be enjoying. None of our group took advantage of these rides. That story might have been different about 40 years ago had we and the rides all been there!

Our September mini-tour was to join the Glacier Street Rod Association's club garage tour ending up at the home of Mark and Tina Colby for lunch. It is a charitable event in support of the Toys for Tots Foundation, so you could have some lunch in return for the donation of a new toy still in its original packaging. I saw the pile of donated toys – it entirely filled the bed and cab of an International Pickup, so it

looked like a success. The excellent lunch was catered by the DeSoto Grill (the old "Forge").

Your Secretary's attendance was somewhat abbreviated, mostly because he couldn't keep up with his Model T, his favorite hat blew off and it took 45 minutes to find it, and he had a late start to begin with! The garage tour went to 4 or 5 GSRA Club members' shops which included the new "Barn" that our member John Barr built this last winter. There were a number of our members at the Lunch including the Akelstads, the Barrs, Dave Cooley, Chuck Covey, Rob Desch, "the Girls", the Gudmundsons, the Leon Nelsons the Russells, Bob Smith, and no doubt others whom I didn't see or have forgotten!

Of course, there were many GSRA folks and a large group of their Street, Rat, and Hot Rods as you would expect to see – a lot of fabulous work, for sure. After the lunch a number of folks came to your Secretary's garage to see some Model T's, etc. I made up maps of how to get to the Creston Center, but some folks had a hard time finding my garage in the Creston Center – my fault! I was about to put out some arrows, etc., but people started arriving and I didn't get it done – my apologies!

Well, it's back to that time when Touring isn't as pleasant as it is in other seasons, so we try to catch up with all the projects, small and large, these old cars seem to provide for us. I never seem to get them all done, but best of luck to the rest of you!



# Montana Pioneer & Classic Auto Club Fashion Winners



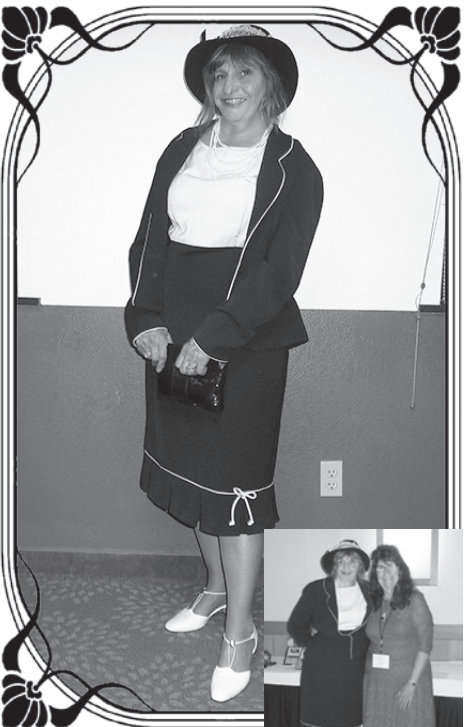
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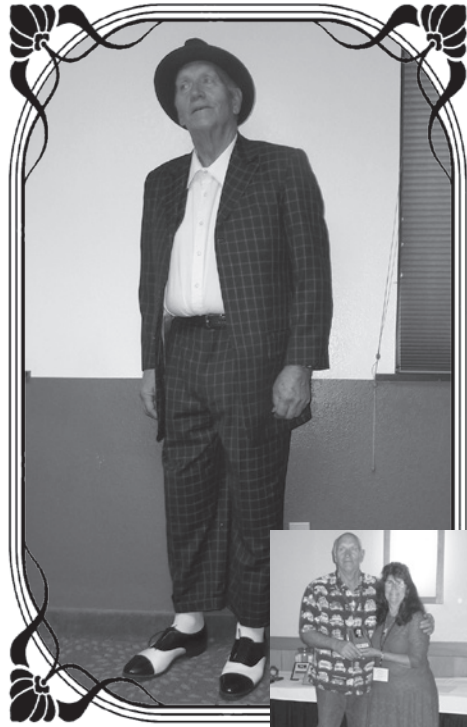
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## Montana Pioneer & Classic Auto Club Winners

### Post War Cars



Roger Thomsen  
1951 Mercury



### Closed Cars 1955-1965



Richard Anderson  
1956 Mercury



### Closed Cars 1966-25 yrs old



Jeff Stevens  
1993 Lincoln



### Foreign Cars



Mike Doran  
1975 Mercedes



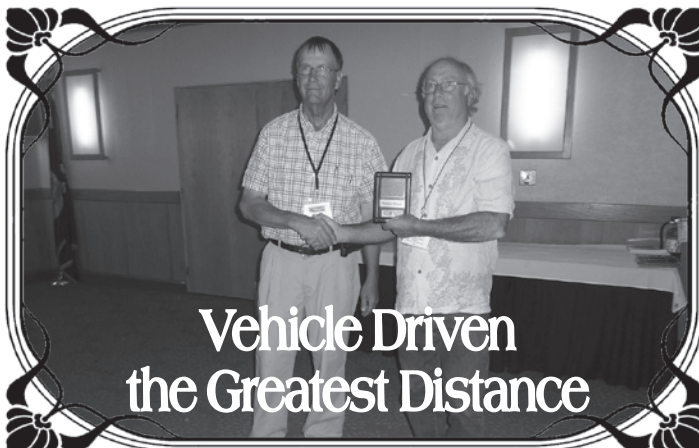
### Modified Class



Darrell Beckstrom  
1966 GMC P.U..



### Vehicle Driven the Greatest Distance



Dan Dutton  
1936 Ford



## Hard Luck



Leonard Jappe  
1952 Chevy

## Refund Check Registration



Bill Caffyn  
1929 Model A Pickup

# Montana Pioneer & Classic Auto Club People's Choice was a Tie Winners



Jim Black  
1949 Crosley Hot Shot



Richard Andersen  
1956 Mercury





## Goggles & Dusters

Roger Thomsen, Reporter

Fall is upon us! A good time to drive your old cars – pleasant but not too hot. The summer has been crazy busy – zip, zip, zip. Seems that every weekend is full of car shows, tours, picnics, etc. Everyone wants a car show – large or small. And they think we are just dying to show off our cars. I'd rather be out driving them.

The exception is the Billings All Original Car Show that occurred on July 21st. This is a show where the cars are all original or restored to 90% or better original. A group of people from the Goggles and Dusters and the other Billings vintage car clubs got together eleven years ago to start this annual car show. This year's show featured 160 mostly original cars that are at least 35 years old. The cars are arranged by make in order by year. Rumor has it that next year there will be a National Model T Meet the week of the 2019 All Original Car Show in Billings. The T's will join the show. So next year should be special.

August 5th saw another fun day. The Yellowstone Roaring 20's Car Club hosted its annual



*Boulder Hot Springs on state tour 9/8/2018*

picnic at Pioneer Park in Billings. All of the old car clubs were invited, including the Goggles & Dusters, the Model A Club, the Early Ford V 8 Club, and the Studebaker Club. Picture about 60 gorgeous vintage cars parked on Pioneer's emerald green grass under big shady trees. At least 100 people showed up and enjoyed good food and each other.

A number of Goggles and Dusters members also belong to other local car clubs. The Montana Chapter of the Early Ford V-8 Club has many dual members. The Montana Chapter decided to host a national driving tour for the V-8 Club. All National V 8 members were invited to come to Montana to see parts of our beautiful state. Some 53

car owners accepted the invitation and came to Billings to start the tour. The last week of August saw 40+ Early Ford V 8s touring from Billings to Great Falls, to the Big Fork-Eureka area, through Missoula to Helena, and back to Billings. Along the way, they stopped in White Sulphur Springs, the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center, and Seeley Lake, the Stonehenge Aircraft Museum, the Nine Pipes Indian Museum, and the Gates of the Mountains boat tour. They also visited Lyle Aklestad's Ford V 8 museum in Big Fork. The tour included cars from 17 states and Canada: Classic cars from Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Texas, California, Arizona, Colorado, Oklahoma, Wisconsin, Minne-





*Early Ford V-8 tour last week of August 2018*

sota, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and of course Montana. The tour was safe and mostly trouble free, impressing our visitors with our State's beauty.

The Goggles and Dusters September meeting was held at the 3 North Restaurant, which is 10 miles north of Billings on – you guessed it – Highway 3. With the road construction around Billings, it is a bit of a challenge to get there but worth the effort. The restaurant was rebuilt several years ago and is now an up-scale destination.

The weekend of September 7th, 8th, and 9th saw an exodus of old cars from Billings. The State tour in Helena attracted several of our members. The other attraction was the annual Miles City Car Show. Many of our members opted to head east to see the Miles City Car Show. I'm told it was a great show – 200 cars. I can only relate what I was told because Rich Anderson and I was in Helena and Boul-

der. The Helena Club put on a very nice tour (as they usually do).

It's still a good time of year to drive our old cars, but I'm beginning to hear about winter

projects that are in the planning stage. I'll try to report on these projects next time.

Until then, see you down the road



*4 Model A Fords in front of the Range Riders Museum in Miles City this spring, 2018.*

# Great Falls Skunkwagon Auto Club

Kurt Baltrusch, Reporter ([baltrusch@q.com](mailto:baltrusch@q.com))



This summer took a while to get here but then we simply had too much to do! The International tour, an Early Ford V-8 tour with some nice old Fords, then a Morgan car tour, and just now over 100 pre-1928 motorcycles on the Cannonball Run from Portland, Maine to Portland, Oregon kept us busy. The Cannonball provided a once in a lifetime view of some early motorcycles. As usual, Fritz Seitz took photos of all of the events, so if you are not on his mailing list, get in touch with Fritz.

The international tour was a great success thanks to John Rummel's leadership and everyone else just doing their thing to get the job done. We had a great Canadian participation and a nice tour to Ft. Benton and the Mehmke tractor museum. The heat was tough on the cars, especially those flathead Fords, but everyone was smiling. Next summer's 58th International in late June in Saskatoon sounds like a great tour. The fall tour in Helena also went very well and thanks go to the Helena members for a great tour.

Mel Rustad sold his 1964 Dart convertible and has an engine and

transmission ready for a friend's 1938 Dodge pickup in Chester. John Rummel found a tractor attachment for a Model T and is hoping to acquire that to install on one of his T's. This is a smaller, chain drive unit and we are trying to find more information on it. Tom Foster sold his 1976 Rolls Royce and Al Smith bought a very nice 1966 Ford Thunderbird. Harold Woyth is working on his straight 1952 GMC Pickup. Bruce Bull is getting ready to paint his 53 Kaiser and is working on his 39 Ford Railway Express truck as well.

Harold Woyth also picked up a couple of vintage motorcycles including an NSU and a 1941 Tor-nax, a rare German motorcycle. He has the repair manuals for that but they are all in German. We were trying to translate that when my son Joe was visiting and he went to an app on his phone for the translation. He just took a photo of the page and it then shows up in English. The wonders of the Internet never cease to amaze (and scare) me.

The annual corn feed at Ryan Dam was well attended and a nice outing. We also toured some new senior living homes and were

treated very well at those. The Dairy Queen ice cream social was also well attended. Several members went to the Original Car Show in Billings and also to a concert by the Old West Trio at the Charles Russell Museum. No matter where we go, the people seem to be very interested in our cars.

The Rocky Mountain Model T Club hosted a tour out of Great Falls in mid-September. We toured some back country including St Peter's Mission and the Mullan Road, and guides Ida Johnson, Don Peterson and Jack Stimac did excellent jobs of describing the history in the area. John and Barb Schultz from Worley, Idaho brought their newly completed Ford pickup which consisted of a Ford truck cab on a car chassis. While Ford never produced that combination, I have always thought it would make a great car.

Congratulations go to long time secretary Sie Schindler on his election to honorary status.

Sadly, we lost long time member and past president Bernie McDonald recently. He had been ill for some time.



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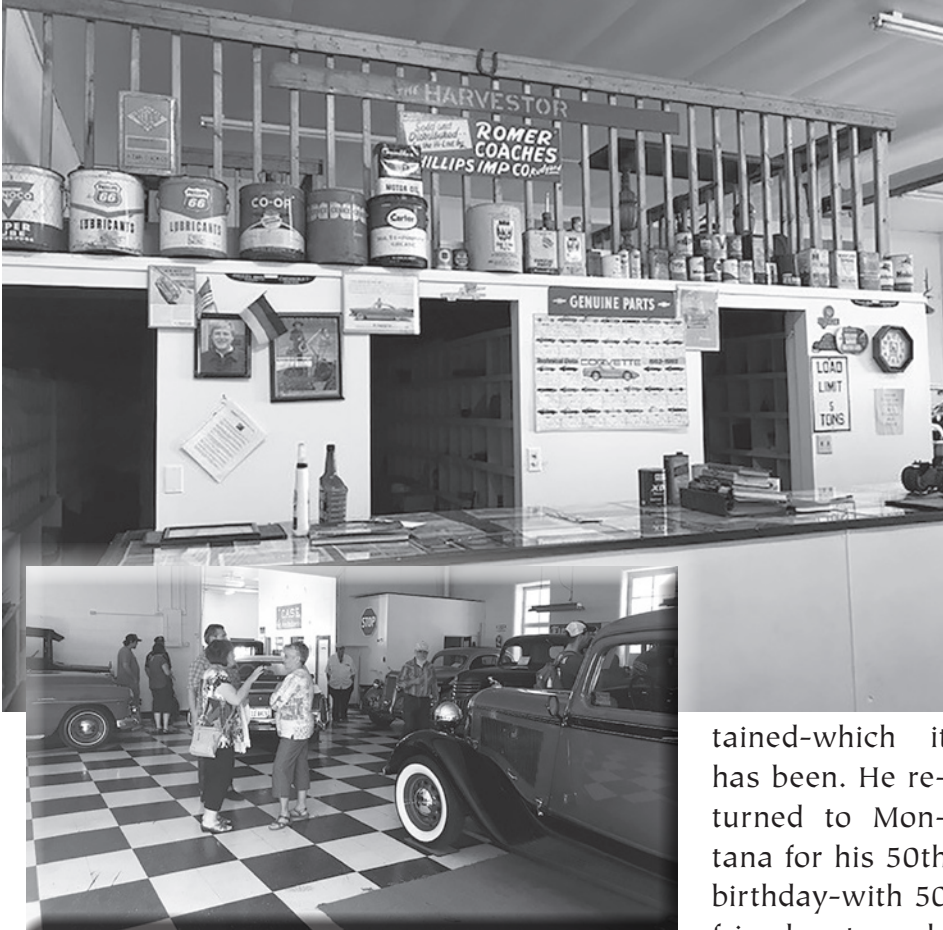
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# Hi-Line Auto Club

Judy Tempel and Renee Kralic, Reporters



It's just not another car in a museum...its part of a "Once upon a time" story.

And so it began. A German gentleman traveled from Germany to the United States and spent some time traveling and incidentally ended up in Rudyard, MT. Michael Flessner – apparently a somewhat car buff – visited the Rudyard Car Museum/Collection. He was intrigued! He eventually bought the Car Museum and donated it back to the community with the stipulation that it be developed and main-

tained-which it has been. He returned to Montana for his 50th birthday-with 50 friends- to celebrate. This was

in May of 2008. They stayed in Fort Benton and happenstance there was a community fundraiser for a Fort Benton teacher Audra Merger-Bonilla. She was 40 years old and had been diagnosed with stage four ovarian cancer. This 1953 Buick belonged to Morger-Bonilla's father, "who lovingly cared for the classic car and had offered it as a fundraiser to help his daughter with her fight with cancer."

As luck (?) would have it, Andreas Maltzan, one of the Ger-

man 50 won the classic car in the raffle. "When hearing the story of Morger-Bonilla's 6 year old son, Grayson, riding in the 1953 Buick with his grandfather" he and Birthday Boy Fleissner "came up with a perfect plan. The Buick will spend the next 10 years on the Rudyard's car museum until Grayson is old enough to drive it, then it will be given to him".

This beautiful two-tone shade of greens Buick is in original condition. The beautiful obviously cared for car is still in the Rudyard Museum but because the 10 years is up it may not be its' home forever. So if you're up on Hi-Way 2 and are near Rudyard you might enjoy a stop at the Rudyard Car Museum to view this little bit of history and the many other autos, memorabilia, license plate, and other in-







## Missoula Hellgate Auto Club

Perry Francis, Reporter

On July 5-8, five cars and nine folks represented the Hellgate Club at the International Meet in Great Falls. The Skunkwagon Club organized a great meet and tours and took advantage of some of the interesting things to see and do in the Great Falls vicinity. Friday's tour to Fort Benton was in the high ninety's and to the drivers of old cars vapor lock is usually on our minds. A few cars succumbed to this dreaded affliction and to their drivers, the support vehicle and trailer was a welcome sight.

The Bee Hive rest home/retirement center in Missoula invited

five old cars to their open house on July 21. The management and residents were most hospitable and among other things provided live music and catered food courtesy of Famous Dave's rib house.

Five cars and seven members attended the Fall Tour in Helena. As always, the Capital Carriages organized an outstanding tour and proved that there are always new things to see and do in the Capital City. Jeff Stevens original 1993 Lincoln won best of his class in the judged competition.

Sam Johnson, Doug Ruffato and Mike Martin organized a cooperative effort and installed new rear

springs in Sam's 1959 Olds Super 88. These co-op projects are a large benefit in being a member of a car club.

The Hellgate Club elected a familiar slate of officers for 2019: Dave McIntosh, Fred Williams, Cathy Smyers and Karen Winz for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. This is a repeat of 2018.

We have returned to our Fall/Winter mode with monthly pot luck meetings at the American Legion Hall. Even though it is Fall/Winter, Fred has some interesting tours scheduled for October. More on that next time.



1927 Chevrolet Speedster - Owned by Gary Guettler





## Vintage d' Fenders

Dar Costle, Reporter

Greetings from the Vintage D'Fenders!

We would like to thank Helena for their hard work on the Fall Tour! A great time was had by all in attendance. The history involved with the trolley ride, the presentation & the hot springs was fascinating. And most importantly, it's always good to visit with old friends!

What a busy summer! And

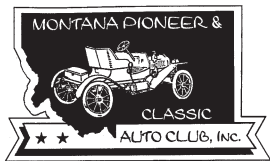
no one is quite sure of when it passed us by. There's always too much to do. We've managed to have some outdoor meetings, but will be headed inside now. Most of the members have managed to make a few different shows here & there, which is always fun.

Some of you may recognize the "ruffian" that was recently the Grand Marshal at the Boulder parade & show. I think

he also deemed us worthy of a brief "guest appearance" at the Saturday night banquet, but didn't stick around. I did notice the hard luck stories were much shorter this year - coincidence maybe? Congratulations to "Mr. Dean"

Enough for now, we'll all stay tuned for coming attractions. Enjoy the fall colors & cooler weather.





**Montana Pioneer & Classic Auto Club**  
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