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President's Ramblings

Hi! Just a reminder that this year's Skagit/Snohomish Regional Tour is a KISS-type tour. There is NO registration fee and no registration form, and the meals are "on your own." To register for the tour, simply send an email to me at brassman@nwlink.com, and I will send you the tour directions that you will print.

The tour dates are September 12 - 16, 2022, with three full days of touring. The tour is centered at The Angel of the Winds Casino in Arlington, WA. [Check-in 9/12/22 and check-out 9/16/22]

We don't have a block of rooms. For the best rate, book early. Reservations can be cancelled with no penalty. The phone number for the tour hotel at Angel of the Winds is 360-207-2594. Call the hotel, don't use the website or other booking sites. To get a discount on the hotel room, gas, and dining costs, participants are encouraged to sign up for a Players Club Card in the casino **before** going to hotel registration when they arrive. The rate will be adjusted after showing the Players Club Card at the time of registration.

Hope to see many of you there!

Harold III



From the Editor

We have been out and touring this month! Finally, I have lots of pictures to share with those of you who participate from afar.

Our July and August meetings were in Whatcom County again this year.

Tour directors Harold III and Howard Musolf are busy, busy, busy preparing for the September Regional Tour in Arlington. In addition to Harold's club duties, he and Gayle recently moved from Ballard to the rural Arlington area.

Bob Monsen attended the Celebration of Brass II at the Gilmore Museum and has lots of news and pictures to share. Part One of his article is in this newsletter, but you'll have to wait until next month to read the rest.



Dave and Elaine Ellis's 1915 Overland at the July meeting

SKAGIT/SNOHOMISH REGIONAL HCCA

July 10, 2022, Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM by President **Harold Musolf III** at the Beach House of Mike and Marcia Yeakel on Lummi Bay following a morning tour around Whatcom County. Thanks were extended to **Mike and Marcia** for hosting.

Guest **Denise Martin** was welcomed. Twenty-six members were present including new member **Jeffrey Gibson**. Members in attendance included: **Tom Brethauer, Keene Brewer, Joe and Colleen Davies, Dave and Elaine Ellis, Ken and Chris Findley, Rick Gilmour, Les Gitts, Steve and Phyllis Hammatt, Mike and Carolyn Martin, Eric Musolf, Harold Jr. and Ann Musolf, Harold III and Gayle Musolf, Howard Musolf and Kathy Peterson, Steve and Linda Schmidt, and Mike and Marcia Yeakel.**

MINUTES

It was moved by **Ann Musolf** and seconded by **Eric Musolf** to approve the minutes of the May meeting as printed in the June Brass Ramblings. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of **Bob Monsen**, **Harold III** reported that the club is solvent.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Elaine Ellis reported that our members are well and that she has not sent any cards this month. **Marcia Yeakel** reported that **Barbara Beuzenberg** has moved into a nursing home and is very happy there.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business except to recognize Dave Ellis's birthday with a rousing chorus of Happy Birthday.

NEW BUSINESS

Harold III gave a report on the September Regional Tour centered at the Angel of the Winds Casino in Arlington, WA. Howard Musolf is the tour chairman and Harold III is his assistant. There will be no registration fee for the tour. Those planning to attend need only email Harold III at brassman@nwlinc.com and he will send the tour directions. There will be no tour book, tour bags, or banquet. All meals are "on your own." He also noted that "Clothing is optional."

The August meeting is August 5, 2022, at Berthusen Park [8837 Berthusen Road, Lynden, WA]. Members should gather at Mike Yeakel's shop [1650 Jill's Court in Bellingham] at 8:30 am and tour over to the park, or they can proceed directly to the Park, using the field behind for trailers, and enter by the North Gate and park for the car show by the windmill. Cars are asked to stay until 3pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:53pm with a group picture.



July Meeting and Tour

Mike and Marcia Yeakel hosted the July meeting on July 10, 2022. Mike arranged a nice tour from his shop in Bellingham to their beach house on Lummi Bay and back, and Marcia organized a very tasty meal. We were happy to have members from Canada attend and we welcomed a new member (Jeffrey Gibson) and his Seahawks themed brass Model T.



Tour host, Mike Yeakel giving Dave Ellis last minute directions



Les Gitts and Howard Musolf



The Martins were joined by their daughter in their 1915 Dodge Touring Car



Joe Davies in front of his 1911 Ford Torpedo



Steve and Linda Schmidt dressed up for the occasion.



Schmidt's Model T with original everything



Three former HCCA National Presidents, Keene Brewer, Mike Yeakel, and Howard Musolf



Rick Gilmour posed by Jeffrey Gibson's 1912 Model T Roadster



It was great to see Ken and Chris Findlay



Eric, Ann, and Harold Musolf Jr. at our rest stop on the tour.



Bessie pointed out the beautiful view from the deck.



Dave and Elaine Ellis drove their 1915 Overland Touring Car

August Tour and Farming Days in Lynden

Les Gitts was our host for the August 5, 2022 meeting. We gathered at Mike Yeakel's shop in Bellingham and toured to Berthusen Memorial Park in Lynden where we displayed our cars and enjoyed the activities at the annual Farming Days.



Les Gitts restored this train and operates it to give rides around the park



Eric Musolf, Bob Monsen, and Mike Yeakel with Mike's brass Buick



Harold Musolf, Jr and Ann with their 1915 Model T Touring Car

Report from Celebration of Brass II at the Gilmore Car Museum (Part 1)

By Robert Monsen

The Gilmore Car Museum is billed as the biggest of its kind in North America. It does have a lot of cars and one there stands out not because of its rarity or amount of brass but simply because of its weight! It weighs six tons 12,000 lbs.!

Shortly after Aileene and George Blincoe were married in 1945, they bought a 1942 Pontiac Coupe for \$200. They liked that car very much and after George passed away,



Aileene was still yearning for another 1942 Pontiac Coupe. Her daughter, an art person, told her mom that she would get that car for her. Her daughter *sculpted* the car out of bricks, and had it transported to the Gilmore where it was reconstructed next to the Shell gas station exhibit.

It does weigh the 6 tons so is not a car that you would kick the tires on unless you had steel toed boots on, and it might not be a good idea even then!



2022-23 Calendar – Subject to Change

Please submit calendar updates to Linda Schmidt promptly, as future planning depends on this information.

Sept 2022

- Sep 12-16 Skagit/Snohomish HCCA Regional Tour. Host Howard Musolf and Harold Musolf III. Angel of the Winds Casino, Arlington, WA. Email Harold for details and tour directions, Brassman@nwlink.com
- Sep 15-17 Can-Am Tour in Bellingham. Hosts John and Renee Aldrich. jwa98360@gmail.com

Oct 2022

- Oct 4-7 AACA Eastern Fall National Meet. Hershey, PA. [May also be on Monday.] HCCA Booth Red Field, Row 30. HCCA BBQ at noon on Thursday. HCCA Tent volunteers needed. Contact: Bob Ladd at jbohladd@ptd.net or call 717-269-5508.
- Oct 8-10 Hershey Hangover XI, Morgantown, PA. Sponsors: Susquehanna Valley Regional Group and Snapper's Brass and Gas Region AACA. Hosts: John McAnlis and Jeff Leshner- 610-639-1977. Email: hersheyhangover@gmail.com
- Oct 23-27 HCCA National Tour. Circle Missouri Tour, starting and ending in Columbia, MO. Sponsor: Great Plains Brass Touring Register. Host: Chris Paulsen 316-648-7887, cp7254@hotmail.com
- Oct 23-27 California Rendezvous Tour, Paso Robles, CA
- TBD Late October meeting and possible tour. Need host. Contact Harold III.

Nov 2022

No Skagit/Snohomish meeting planned for this month

Dec 2022

- Dec 11 Skagit/Snohomish Holiday Party at 12:00 noon. Hosts: Dave and Elaine Ellis. Farmhouse Restaurant, 13724 La Conner-Whitney Rd., Mt. Vernon, WA 98273. 360-466-4411.

2023

- Apr 16-19 HCCA National Tour and Convention. Visalia, CA. Sponsored by Tulare County Horseless Carriage Club, Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club, and Salinas Valley Horseless Carriage Club. Tour Chairman: Don Azevedo.

FIRST AUTOMOBILE RACE IN THE WEST OCCURS IN ST. LOUIS TODAY.

There Are 35 Horseless Carriages in St. Louis and They Cost \$70,000. But "There Would Be Many More, in Spite of the Expense, if the Streets Were Not So Bad," Say Automobilists.



DEMI MAIL FLYCART, OWNED BY JAMES CAMPBELL, Grand and Hickman Aves.



STANHOPE, OWNED BY A. W. NIEDERHAUS, 3524 LINDELL BLVD.



STANHOPE, OWNED BY DR. JAMES G. ZIMMERT, GRAND AND BELL AVE. WOMAN.



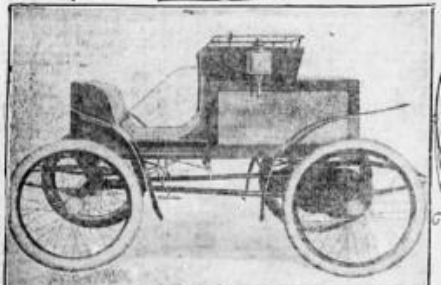
THOS. H. COOPER, 3713 WASHINGTON BLVD.



Mrs. HARRY GEER.



CARRIAGE, OWNED BY JOHN C. HIGDON, 3761 VON VERSON AVE.



CART, OWNED BY JAMES P. O'NEIL, 4437 LINDELL BLVD.



CA. WASE, OWNED BY JOHN J. FRENCH, 4322 WILST THIS ST.



FRENCH MOTOR CYCLE, OWNED BY A. L. DYKE, 3216 WASHINGTON AVE.

THE first official automobile race ever run in Missouri will occur today at the Fair Grounds. There were in the city of the United States alone, at the time the race will start at 2 o'clock. The drive is in two miles, or five times around a square.

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AUTOMOBILES FOR WOMEN.

MRS. HARRY R. GEER. I have thought of going out alone and venturing in an automobile in St. Louis, but I have been too busy to do so. I have been too busy to do so.

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Classifieds:

For Sale

1931 Plymouth P.A. Roadster
Many new parts Clean title
\$10,000 Let's talk
Les Gitts, Ferndale, 360-383-7626

FOR SALE

1911 Ford, Model T, Touring Car, beautifully restored by the noted Portland, Oregon Model T authority, the late Fred Lau. It is a show worthy restoration and was driven only eleven miles following its completion. The finishes and upholstery are unequalled. A complete portfolio of progressive restoration photographs will be provided to the purchaser. The vehicle, which is located in Portland, Oregon, is priced at \$65,000.00 (firm).

James Zordich (graygoosefarm@comcast.net)



My wife and I hope to resume touring with the Skagit-Snohomish Regional Group when the current epidemic has passed. Thank you. Jim Zordich

Wanted:

Clock face or visible gas pumps, old original porcelain signs, and oil cans. Call Tom 425-236-2747.

For Sale

For sale from the estate of Jim Beuzenburg
1911 Maxwell AB Roadster

1930 Plymouth Roadster- un-restored

1914 Model T Ford Touring

1950 Dodge Club Coupe

1929 Plymouth Roadster

If interested, please contact Jeremy Freeman (grandson) at monkeydeuce7@gmail.com or call (360)515-6537.

For Sale

G&B gas pump

Possibly produced between 1910 & 1915. It is all original, including tags, hose, etc. The black cylinder is solid brass, and it has all its original keys and nozzle. The price is \$500. If you would like to see it in person, give me a call on my cell. My cell number is 425-241-2929.

Paul Sauro



More pictures of the gas pump





MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION YEAR 2023

SKAGIT/SNOHOMISH REGIONAL GROUP HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB OF AMERICA

Regional Group Membership – Any person/family who is a current member of the national HCCA with ownership and/or interest in pre-1916 automobiles shall be eligible to apply for membership. Members are entitled to all Regional Group privileges, including receiving notices of club functions and newsletters, a roster of members, the right to hold office, and the right to vote (ownership of a pre-1916 automobile is a requirement for voting rights). Members agree to abide by all rules and regulations as designated by the bylaws of this Regional Group and the National HCCA. **Dues in the SKAGIT/SNOHOMISH REGIONAL GROUP are \$25.00 per calendar year and membership in the NATIONAL HCCA is a prerequisite. National dues are currently \$55.00 per year for Continental US residents. There is a \$10.00 increase across the board for National Dues.** <https://hcca.org/images/membershipApplication.pdf>

NAME: _____
Last name Applicant Co-Applicant

PHONE: (____) _____ NATIONAL HCCA# _____

ARE NATIONAL DUES CURRENT? Yes _____ No _____ *National dues must be current to process

CELL PHONES: Applicant:(____) _____ Co-Applicant:(____) _____

ADDRESS: Street: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ @ _____

____ Yes, correspondence by email is fine. ____ No, I need correspondence by mail

YEAR MAKE OF AUTO MODEL BODY TYPE

In compliance with the laws of the state of Washington, I certify that I have Automobile Liability Insurance (P.D. & P.L.) on my antique cars used for club functions. I also agree to make sure that the policy is in force for the entire year no matter when the expiration date is.

NAME OF COMPANY _____ NAME OF AGENT _____

POLICY # _____ EXPIRATION DATE _____

SIGNATURE _____ CHARTER/LIFETIME MEMBER: Yes ____ No ____

**Mail completed form to: Robert Monsen, 4423 Grandview
Drive W, University Place, WA 98466**

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