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The Skagit-Snohomish Regional Group of the Horseless Carriage Club of America is a non-profit corporation with an active membership dedicated to the preservation of pre-1916 motorized vehicles, literature, accessories, history, and associated items.

Any person/family who is a current member of the Horseless Carriage Club of America, with interest or ownership in pre-1916 vehicles shall be eligible to apply for membership. Dues are **\$25.00** per year and include a minimum of 10 issues of the *Brass Ramblings* newsletter annually.

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President's Ramblings

Hello from sunny Arizona,

Linda and I will be back to Snohomish March 1. In the meantime, the February club meeting will be held Saturday February 18th. Several members will be attending the Puyallup Swap meet in the morning.

The meeting will be at 11:30 am at:
Charlie's Restaurant
113 E. Main St.
Puyallup, WA

There are several tours held this year. They all look interesting and should be fun. Please look over the club calendar below and join us with or without your car. Linda and I will be attending the National HCCA meeting and tour at Tulare in April and the September Skagit Snohomish Regional in Yakima. Thanks to the Brewers for organizing this tour.

We are planning a couple of day tours in the Snohomish/Arlington areas this summer. Let's exercise these cars.

If you have an idea for a tour, please let us know.

Next year the National is planning to do the convention that Don Plumb was planning before Covid. It's called Harrah's last Hurrah.

Please review the Calendar of Events and join us on a tour or swap meet.

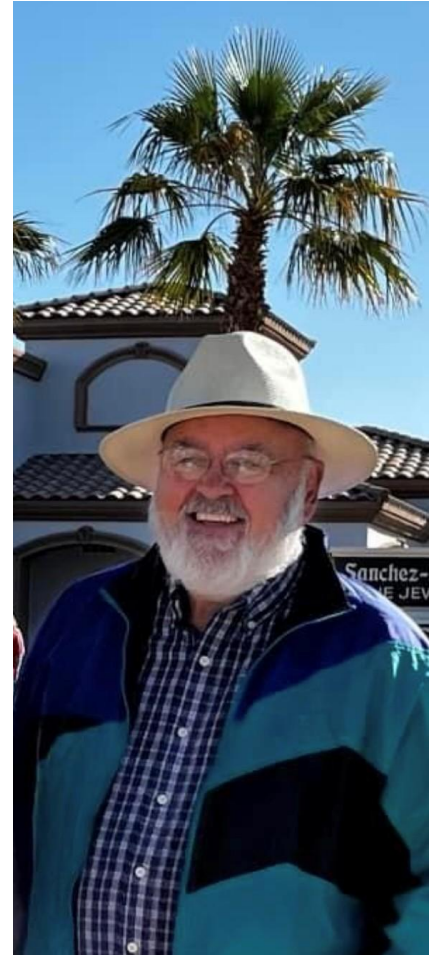
If you would like to present a program at the next monthly meeting, please contact Steve Schmidt.

Maybe you can entertain your fellow club members by sharing your hobby, showcasing your collection or talk about a recent car repair.

Let's make the newsletter more interesting with stories of your recent tour experiences or restorations. Please write up a short article, and Linda will add it to next month's newsletter.

Special thanks to Harold Musolf III and Dave & Elaine Ellis for filling in for me while we are gone.

Wishing you safe travels,
Steve Schmidt



From the Editor

Steve and I had a lovely visit with members Ray and Nancy Moore and Joe and Colleen Davies in Arizona. Ray's 1911 Model T Speedster was featured on "Driving Forward Builds." Click below to watch the installation of an Electric Exhaust Cutout.
<https://youtu.be/LZgkk9Ff0wg>



Robert Monsen has arranged our February Skagit/Snohomish Regional meeting location to coincide with the Swap Meet in Puyallup. We'll meet at 11:30 am at Charlie's at 113 E. Main Street in downtown Puyallup. So find your treasures at the Swap Meet and join us for lunch.

Bob also asked me to remind members and those who wish to be members to return the registration form to him. It will be used to create the roster. It's been a couple of years since we published a roster and we know that there are changes that need to be shared. If you paid dues in 2022, you're covered for 2023. If not, send your dues along with the form.



SKAGIT/SNOHOMISH REGIONAL HCCA
January 18, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Past President **Harold Musolf III** at 12:50 PM at Hubb's Pizza and Pasta in Arlington, WA.

We wish to thank **Dave & Elaine Ellis** for arranging our meeting location today

There were 17 members present: **Dave and Elaine Ellis, Larry & Aurore Fickeisen, Ken and Chris Findlay, Rick Gilmore, Donna McGinnis, Mike & Caroline Martin, Robert Monsen, Eric Musolf, Harold Jr. and Ann Musolf, Harold III & Gayle Musolf, and Howard Musolf.**

The group welcomed guest and new member, **Malcom Bishop.**

Minutes: December Business Meeting Minutes be approved as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: **Bob Monsen** indicated a solvent balance and reminded members to send in their club renewal forms. There will be no dues collected for 2023. For those who have paid, the monies will be forwarded to 2024.

Sunshine Committee Report: No report

Old Business:

A roster needs to be sent to Sharon Gooding.

Next Meetings:

February 18, 2023 – Robert Monsen will plan location

March 22, 2023 – Howard Musolf is in charge of arrangements

April 23, 2023 – Dave and Elaine Ellis (12:30)

New Business: The following events were announced.

February 18-19 – Early Bird Swap Meet in Puyallup

March 31-April 2 – Portland Swap Meet

April 13-15 – Tulare Swap Meet

April 16-19 – HCCA National Tour, Visalia, CA.

Adjournment: It was moved by **Dave Ellis** and seconded by **Robert Monsen** that the meeting adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Ellis

ONLINE RESOURCES CREATED BY OUR MEMBERS

Steve Hammett hosts the on-line Single Cylinder Cadillac group that is all about the Copper Cylinder Cadillacs (1903-1914)

www.EarlyCadillac.org

◆This is the meeting place for anyone interested in the copper water-jacketed, one- and four-cylinder Cadillac automobiles from 1903 through 1914. Join with us in a discussion of all aspects of finding, documenting, restoring, preserving, driving and enjoying these early examples of quality automotive engineering design features from Alanson Brush.

◆Initially built from the remains of the original Henry Ford Company, the Cadillac Automobile Company started in August, 1902 and was later led by Henry Leland. 2,500 cars were reportedly built by the end of 1903. Later, Buick Motor Company acquired Cadillac Motor Car Co., on behalf of General Motors on July 29, 1909. Henry Leland and his son Wilfred left Cadillac in 1917.

◆Winner of the 1908 Dewar Trophy (interchangeability of parts) and the 1913 Dewar Trophy (electrical system) for outstanding automotive design, these early Cadillacs set the standard for much of the American automotive excellence during the 20th century.

Group Information

- www.earlycadillac.org



The Early Cadillac Group

EarlyCadillacGroup@groups.io

All about the Copper Cylinder
Cadillacs (1903-1914)

www.EarlyCadillac.org

Steve Schmidt started a Facebook group called Single Cylinder Cadillacs.

The group continues to grow with about 1,500 members currently who own or are interested in the Single Cylinder Cadillacs. These cars were manufactured from 1902 until 1908.

Pete Wood from London has been researching these cars for many years and has posted somewhere in the region of 5000+ photos of early Cadillacs to the group page.

Join us today.



The image is a screenshot of a mobile phone displaying a Facebook group page. At the top, the status bar shows the time 4:29, signal strength, Wi-Fi, and battery icons. Below the status bar is a navigation bar with a back arrow, a hamburger menu, a profile picture of a vintage car, the group name 'Single Cylinder...', a search icon, and a shield icon. The main content area features a large photograph of a dark red vintage car with a black top, parked on a paved surface with trees in the background. An 'Edit' button with a pencil icon is overlaid on the bottom right of the photo. Below the photo, the group name 'Single Cylinder Cadillacs' is displayed in bold black text with a right-pointing chevron. Underneath, it says 'Public group · 1.5K members'. There are two buttons: a red 'Manage' button with a shield icon and a grey 'Invite' button with a person and plus icon. At the bottom, there are four rounded buttons: 'Featured', 'Photos', 'Files', and 'Reels'.

National News

- **Gazette Indexing is LIVE!** – Do you enjoy reading the HCCA Gazette? How about back issues of the Gazette? How about reading Eighty Years of Gazette back issues, going back to 1939? Well, you are in luck.
Thanks to the efforts of Peter Findlay, and the Gazette Indexing Committee, you are just a few click away from being able to do that. And, on your very own home computer.
Here's how: This is a Members Only Benefit!
Starting on February 1st, go to the HCCA Website. <http://hcca.org> Once there, you will need to Log In with your HCCA Member UserID and Password. If you have trouble logging in, contact Webmaster Brad at: brad@hcca.org
Next, go to the Members Only section, the Member Dashboard.
Look for the following link: <https://fms4704data.triple8.net/dload.htm> This link will take you to the HCCA Gazette Indexing Application Download site.
If you have a Windows PC, follow the directions on the Left. If you have a Mac, follow the directions on the Right.
Read the directions carefully. Follow the directions. Watch the Videos, as they are very helpful! Then, try out the Indexing Application yourself.
If you have trouble, that is OK. Brad and Peter are here to help. I did it myself, and it worked well. I spent the rest of the afternoon looking at articles in past Gazettes on Chase Trucks, and U.S. Long Distance runabouts.
Good luck, and Happy Researching.
- **2024 8th International Tour** – Tired of going to the same old places? How about Australia for a change?
The 8th HCCA International Tour is all planned, and will be hosted in Australia in 2024. Tour planners are currently requesting Expressions of Interest (EOI) from members, to help them in their planning.
The tour will be held in the Tweed Valley in Australia. The Tweed Valley is on the East Coast of Australia, just south of Brisbane. A little bit north of there is the Gold Coast, and further north, Cairns. Say no more!
Go to the link, and express your interest: <https://hccasea.org/> And, by the way, the Tour will be held May 26 thru June 1, 2024. Make plans now!
- **Celebration of Brass III** – You don't want to miss what has become THE premier event for Brass Era cars in the Midwest, the Celebration of Brass III and HCCA National Tour! This year taking place July 13th thru 18th, 2023. Be there to support your Club!
The Gilmore Car Museum at Hickory Corners, Michigan, will again be the place to be this summer for pre-1916 automobile, truck, motorcycle, and bicycle enthusiasts.
Plan to join the fun, with or without a Brass Era vehicle, for the Car Show, Swap Meet, Car Games, Educational Demonstrations, Vintage Fashion Review, on-site activities, and social events.
Please help to make the dream of the Museum of the Horseless Carriage, to be built at the beautiful Gilmore Car Museum campus, become a reality.
We can only accomplish this by receiving the generous contributions of people like you who realize the importance of the history of Brass Era automobiles, and the need to have a dedicated museum to tell the story. To register for the Celebration of Brass III:
<https://www.museumofthehorselesscarriage.org/event/celebration-of-brass-iii/> Or, find out more about the HCCA Museum: <https://www.museumofthehorselesscarriage.org>

Doug Tomb / Douglas.tomb@verizon.net

Board Member – HCCA NN Editor ...

2023-24 Calendar – Subject to Change

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

2023

Feb 2023

- Feb 18 Skagit/Snohomish Regional HCCA Meeting at Charlie's [113 E. Main Street, Puyallup, WA 98372] at 11:30 am. Host: Robert Monsen.
- Feb 18-19 Early Bird Automotive Show and Swap Meet, State Fairgrounds, Puyallup, WA. Details at website: <http://www.earlybirdswap.org> Registration form on Page 9.

March 2023

- Mar 17-18 33rd Annual Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet. Host: Mike or Susie Erslund, (405) 224-9090
- Mar 18-19 Almost Spring Swap Meet. State Fairgrounds, Puyallup, WA
- Mar 22 Skagit/Snohomish Regional HCCA Meeting. Host: Howard Musolf. Location and time to be determined.
- Mar 31-Apr 2 Portland Swap Meet, Portland Expo Center.

Apr 2023

- Apr 13-15 Pre-War Swap Meet and Automotive Jamboree, Tulare Fairgrounds, 215 Martin Luther King, Jr Ave, Tulare, CA 93274. For information/registration for the swap meet, contact Bill Bennett at Cell (559) 967-0112.
- 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. Mail to Don Azevedo 42167 River Knolls Place Coarsegold, CA 93514 cell (925) 301-5315 or (559) 580-7065 or email at 2023hccanationaltour@gmail.com Info and form on Pages 10 and 11. [Microsoft Word - Registration form.docx \(hcca.org\)](#)
- Apr 23 Skagit/Snohomish Regional HCCA Meeting at 12:30pm Hubb's Pizza and Pasta, 21102 67th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. [360-435-9349]

May 2023

- May 20-23 Monroe Spring Swap Meet, Evergreen State Fairgrounds, Monroe, WA

June 2023

- Jun 14-17 Keystone Hill Climb and Endurance Run, Whidbey Island, WA (See details on Page 12).

Sep 2023

- Sep 9-11 Skagit/Snohomish Regional HCCA Fun in the Sun Tour, Yakima, WA. Hosts Keene and Christine Brewer (509)969-9494.
- Sep 18-23 Bellingham Red Carpet Tour. Host: Seattle/Tacoma HCCA Regional Group

2024

- May 26- Jun 1 8th International HCCA Tour in Tweed Valley, NSW, Australia. Host: Russell Holden, 757-434-0056

Classifieds:

Wanted:

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

For Sale – Several have sold. These are left.

For sale from the estate of Jim Beuzenburg

1911 Maxwell AB Roadster

1914 Model T Ford Touring

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

Wanted: Model T Ford Roadster body, any condition. Prefer original steel body.

I am making a pickup.

Jeff Gibson, Bellingham, WA
(360) 319-9927





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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