

Wheel Tracks



Henry Ford made about
One Thousand
Model F Fords in 1905 & 1906.

It is understood, maybe,
thirty-five
remain in the world.

Two Model F Fords can be found in
Bill Erskine's barn.

Bill is pictured testing the cornering
abilities of this Model F!

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**FROM OUR PRESIDENT,
JAN SANDER**

In spite of widespread flooding, the intrepid VAE members gathered for a successful and delicious dinner and Annual Meeting last month at the Holy

Family Parish Hall in Essex Junction. This is a particularly beautiful and well-equipped venue.

To date, I have not received any requests to view a vehicle restoration completed within this year. If you have a newly restored vehicle, it is not too late. Please get in touch with me. The Restoration Award is given out at the January meeting.

As the year is winding down, and the holiday season is approaching, I thought I would share this poem that I wrote a few years ago. It is the automobile enthusiasts' version, of Clement Moore's, 'Twas the Night Before Christmas. I hope that it will bring a chuckle.

T'was the Night Before Christmas

Tw'as the night before Christmas, and
all through the garage,
Not an engine was humming, not even a
Mitsubishi Mirage.
The cars were all tucked away
For their long winter's nap,
Battery tenders all nestled to each
battery cap.
While visions of summer tours with the VAE
Danced in the heads of you and me.



Suddenly! There arose such a clatter,
I jumped up from my sleep to see what could be the matter.
I stumbled from the bed to the window,
And what should my wondering eyes see in the driveway below,
But a cherry red Dodge Ram with a clattering Cummins Turbo!
A chubby little elf in a red suit with a cheery face, his cheeks and his
nose all red
Nimble jumped down from the loaded truck bed.

Into the garage he went with a flash,
And up and down rows of tightly packed cars he went with a dash.
Stopping by each car in the narrow row,
To give each a gift. To the MGA, a new top bow,
A hood ornament for the Model A, new tires for the Pierce Arrow.
And, the best gift yet,
A new exhaust for the Corvette!
I knew in a moment this had to be St. Nick
Just then, he moved so quick,
He exited the garage, and jumped in his ride.
Waiting for the glo plugs he sat, with a big bag of new old stock parts by
his side.
As the Cummins clattered to life, the truck pulled away,
And I heard him call his steeds all by name - On Chevrolet,
Mercedes, Ford, Porsche, MG, Packard, Plymouth, and Delahaye!
Dash away, dash away all,
This is no time to stall!
I heard him shout, as he roared out of sight,
Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!

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**FROM YOUR
EDITOR...
GARY FISKE**



Wow! I just finished setting up Anne Pierce's Softer Side page. Christmas memories is her subject and I will bet, you will have no control...as you read her column, your special memories will come flooding back also. Even the sad ones are very special, if they happened around Christmas.

I just came from the mail box with a note from BJ Gonet and a Blue Berry Tea Cake recipe. The Gossip page mentions the Chevy-too-tight-engine story and the day it was to come to Wendell's garage, I wanted to be there. My curiosity was killing me and with one of the top old-car people in town (Fred Gonet), I knew it would be interesting. They had not arrived yet and the house was empty as I carried a few things into the kitchen. Mary always has some really great treats and when I spotted the Tea Cake, I had no resistance. Each of the three trips was rewarded with a "little" piece of Tea Cake. Later, I found that BJ had made the cake and I told her about my kitchen trips. She asked if I liked the cake and I told her I needed to make at least one more trip to give her an honest answer. My good manners kept me from having the last few slices. So, **Thank you BJ.** I will now find out if the cake is good or not. You might even find the recipe in Wheel Tracks some time soon.



Wheel Tracks received word today (11/7/2019), that Fred Cook passed away this morning. Fred is pictured in November of 2011 accepting the honor of calling our annual scholarship to Vermont Technical College the "**Fred N. Cook Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts Scholarship**". A well deserved honor after his many years of working with the college in promoting our club's educational mission.

There was never a gathering, a meeting or a club event that Fred's dedication to our club was absent. Always present, always ready to help.

Thank you Fred, we will miss you.

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"The Softer Side"

A Column Shared by Anne Pierce (Left), Judy Boardman (Center) & Nancy Olney (Right)

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES TO LAST ONE'S LIFETIME from Anne

As I'm writing this, Thanksgiving is right around the corner, and with that comes the Christmas holiday season, which has me feeling a bit nostalgic for past Christmases.

My earliest memories, when I was a child, were spent Christmas Eve "tracking" Santa Claus (through the voice of weatherman Stuart Hall on WCAX-TV) as he made his way around the world heading, I just knew, directly to our house. Then before being herded off to bed, my two brothers and I would make sure there were milk and cookies waiting for Santa and Rudolph.

Come Christmas morning, the three of us would head to the tree to find, yes, Santa had arrived and marveling at the gifts and that the cookies and milk were gone!

After opening presents and having breakfast, we'd get dressed in holiday clothes and head off to my Dad's parents' home in Burlington, where there would be relatives and food (especially tourtieres) and more presents!! And then by late afternoon, we'd be on the road to Milton to my Mom's parents' house where, you guessed it, there'd be more relatives, food and....

....presents!!

Even today my brother Tom reminisces, not about what presents we may have gotten, but the fact that we were on the road again to see what lay in store for us. Can you tell that we were the only grandchildren on one side of the family and we had just two cousins on the other for so many years?

Now I could tell you about one of my Mom's earliest memories when we kids were little - oh, like the time she and her best friend, Deedee, who lived next door to us, got shnoekered on the Brandy Alexanders that my Dad had made. It was Christmas Eve, and they barely got toys wrapped and under the trees for us all - but that's a story for another time!

As I grew older, one Christmas stands out in my mind. In my high school years, after my third brother, David, arrived, my oldest brother, John, and I went to Midnight Mass with my Mom while my younger brothers would go to church at 8 a.m. on Christmas morning with Dad. Well, one year John, Mom and I got home around 2 a.m. after Midnight Mass, and my Mom asked if we would help her get the presents out and under the tree. John and I looked at each other like, Okay, but where the heck are they? We hadn't found her hiding spot, ever, in 15 years. Well, Mom beckoned us downstairs to the basement where there was an old (and I mean old!) sofa, and she proceeded to lift up the seat portion, and there, to our wondering eyes, was this very large storage area with gaily wrapped Christmas presents! She laughed and told us how we would bounce, jump and play on the sofa all year round, yet we never discovered her hiding place.

As time has moved on, I've lost my dad, grandparents, aunts, uncles, yet I've seen the addition of in-laws, nieces/nephews and, most importantly, my husband, to my family. Each Christmas season brings with it transitions - as one person steps out of my life, a new tradition is created, however small, to try to fill that void, and with that, I've said to myself many times: **Everything is new again.**

What are some of your earliest memories of celebrating the holidays? Do you remember the special people, long gone, you celebrated with? Is there one particular sight or sound today that brings back a pleasant memory for you? Don and I together wish all of our VAE friends a Merry and Joyous Christmas and holiday season, however you may celebrate it!





Dave's Garage by Dave Sander



Whack!

Broken windshields are not fun. Left unrepaired, chips easily, turn in to cracks, which requires windshield replacement. Windshields for older cars are becoming harder to find. Modern windshields are glued in place, requiring professional installation.

Windshield chips can often be easily repaired at glass shops. Some insurance companies will cover 100% of the repair. Insurance companies consider a windshield chip repair as a claim and may use this as a justification to increase your rates, just ask me how I know this.

Recently I tried my luck at do-it-yourself windshield repair. The results were very good. I had 7 chips in my Saab windshield and two on my Subaru. Having these fixed at a glass shop would have been expensive. I tried a \$10.45 "Rain-X" windshield repair kit from Amazon.

The kit came with a surprisingly high-quality suction cup, mounted resin injection tool, very clear instructions, a bottle of repair resin and a good supply of materials to make the repairs.

The tool mounts to the glass with four suction cups, and the directions were very clear and helpful. The resin is activated with sunlight. I highly recommend doing this repair on a dry, sunny day. The repair cannot be done in direct sunlight. The instructions recommend the actual repair be made in the shade, then placed in direct sunlight to cure. The repair only needs about ten minutes of sunlight to cure. I found doing the actual repair in the garage, then moving the vehicle in to the direct sunlight worked well. I did my repairs in the afternoon and was able to move the car to directly face the sunlight.

So, how did it work? Surprisingly well. The repairs were at least as good as professional repairs I have had done. Some of the chips virtually disappeared. It was very hard to see them after the repair. Some of the larger chip repairs were still visible, but much less noticeable.



The VAE Education Mission

"Our Education Mission" is stated in our non-profit corporate resolution which began in 1953 when the VAE was born. The past 6 to 7 years have seen huge advances in our mission with the great connections we have made with the 16 Vermont career centers and the annual Golden Wrench Award. The "big one", of course, is our annual \$6,000 scholarship that we give the **Vermont Technical College** in Randolph, which is approaching \$150,000 over the many years it has existed..

The above are just two examples of the club's many endeavors. Another effort is our "Education Tent" that is in it's infancy. Our Shelburne and Waterbury shows have been the focus, so far. The Education/Outreach Committee is where the idea was born and especially from one member, Wendell Nobel. The hope is to grow the Education Tent into a major part of the club.

To date, seven members have created displays for the tent that involve transmissions, headlights, starters, buzz coils and others. More are needed if any of you would be interested in taking one on. Contact anyone in the committee for a list to choose from.

Here is an example that VAEer, Fred Gonet, has created.

A magneto display with its timer and four spark plugs. He has made a crank for it and when turned, you can see the spark that is sent to each of the plugs . Fred has made "one of those mysteries" into something we can easily understand.





Used To be....

Finders keepers, losers weepers



A man is reading his newspaper and says to his wife: "Michelle, look. Here is an article about how women use about twice as many words per day as men do."

The wife responds: "That's because we have to tell you everything twice"

Two elderly ladies, Mabel and Evie, meet at a café for a nice cup of coffee and a cake.

After a while, Mabel peers closely at Evie and says, "Evie, it looks like you have a suppository in your ear!"

"What?"

"It looks like you have a suppository in your ear, Evie!" says Mabel a bit louder.

"Oh," checks Evie, "you're right! Well, at least I know where my hearing aid is now."

Why do gas station managers keep their bathrooms locked? Because, they are afraid somebody might sneak in and clean them.

Two men talking on a bus:

"I've been riding this bus to work for 15 years now."

"Lord Almighty, where did you get on?!"

In a shoe shop:

These shoes might be tight for the next two weeks.

-Don't worry. I'll start wearing them on the third week.

Wife: "It's our wedding anniversary in a week, darling. How do you think we should celebrate?"

Husband: "With a minute of silence."



Wheel Tracks Academy

Let There Be Light From Wendell Noble

My collector cars are all pre-war (WW II that is) vintage with 6 volt positive ground electrical systems.

The consequence of this is that the lights are maybe adequate for being seen but not so good for seeing. I've envied those with more modern electrical systems that cars that



can actually peel away the darkness at night. In the last decade or so, we've seen light emitting diode (LED) in wide use for all sorts of applications in home lighting, traffic signals and automobile lights. They offer some hefty advantages over incandescent or fluorescent lights. They're very efficient, physically durable and, as far as I know, there is no significant wear-out mechanism for the diode itself.

What's not to like? I've been looking and hoping that a replacement headlight "bulb" would become available for my 6 volt cars. Thanks to VAE member Gene Wescott, I've found it. Gene learned about them by speaking with a fellow old car buff at the Mt. Sunapee car show. He was impressed by the brightness and low current draw of some LED headlight units he saw. Specifically, these are **Logo Lights from Creative Connections, Inc. of Duluth, Ga.** They are a direct plug-in to the original double contact bayonet base sockets. They are designed to work with 6 or 12 volt systems with positive or negative ground. An LED, like any other diode, conducts current in one direction only. Therefore these units must have some built in circuitry, such as a diode bridge, in order to function with either polarity. At \$29.95 each, they are a bit pricey but well worth it if they deliver what I want.

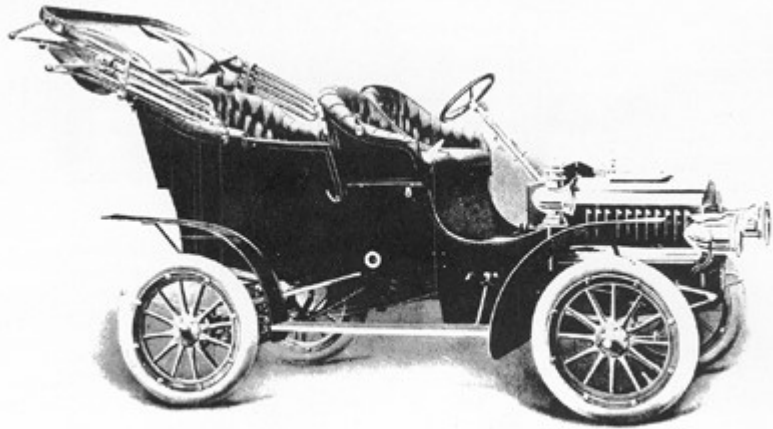
I ordered a pair to try out and was impressed enough to order two more pair. The Logo Light is shown in the photo compared to the old incandescent bulb. There is an array of LEDs on each side aimed so that the light reflects off the existing reflector and will be focused just as the incandescent would be. For the bright high beam all LEDs are powered. For dim lights only half of them are powered. The light is white and intense. I did some measurements and found that the LED unit draws only 190 mA for bright lights whereas the incandescent was drawing about 5 A. This is what I was hoping for, more light for much less power. **Now let's see what we can do for my stop and tail lights.**

Since LEDs are becoming such a big part of our lives, it would be nice to understand how they work. It's really pretty simple if you understand quantum mechanics. Otherwise, a bit of arm waving may clear things up. **Stay on the edges of your seats and I'll take a shot at explaining it all next month.**

From front page.....

It was over thirty years ago that Bill Erskine found his Model F Ford in Western New York, in a town named Angelica and not far from where he grew up. But, the Model F was not the focus of his attention then. The gent who owned the Ford also had a 1903 Rambler and an International High Wheeler that caught his eye.

So, in normal "**Bill Erskine' fashion**", he made a deal with the old-gent owner of the Model F. Bill would restore the Model F to running condition in exchange for the other two vehicles. The gent agreed to the exchange, BUT, Bill could only take pieces of the Ford at a time, never the whole vehicle. Bill went home with the Model F engine that day, while the Rambler and the International waited for him to complete his deal.



An example of a 1905 Model F Ford

Some time later, Bill returned the engine. It was restored, after many hours, and boxed very nicely in a wooden crate. He went home next, with the frame. Shortly, after beginning the frame work, Bill had a call from the NY police, it was found that someone had stolen the Rambler.

So, all work on the Ford stopped and in exchange for the work he had completed to date (plus some cash), Bill came home with the International High Wheeler and a 1916 Franklin.

Some twenty years later, Bill was visiting his family (not far from Angelica, NY) and decided to stop by a junk yard in the area. Guess what he found in the junk yard.....you guessed it....he found the stolen 1903 Rambler! The Rambler was later purchased by someone (not Bill) from the junk yard and a settlement was made with the original owner.

Now, fast forward 27 years. Bill had stopped by a few times over the years, hoping to make a deal on the old gent's Model F, but besides a nice conversation, he always went away empty handed....until three years ago. A deal was finally made and Bill became the proud owner of the '05 Ford. The engine was still in the crate that he had made for it but the body had deteriorated to the extent that it was unusable. A lot was missing and what was left could only be used as a pattern.

Bill made body patterns after taking many measurements from a Model F at the Ford museum. He then combined his measurements with two partial sets of patterns he had borrowed from people in Texas and Ohio and started building the wood body. About 120 hours of work in his wood shop produced his first body. It is important to note 'his first body' because someone in the Midwest had heard about the project and Bill agreed to build a body for him also. The second body is what you see on the front page. When the gent who wanted to buy the body changed his mind, Bill decided to continue, and build a frame for the second Model F, and close to 100 hours of work later, the steel work was completed. That is what you see him sitting at on the front page. He has found a second engine and most of the parts needed for a complete 2nd vehicle. Maybe the model F count is now 37, because of Bill Erskine's creativity!

His plan is to use the first body for the original frame and engine. He hopes to sell the second Model F Ford to help lesson the amount he has invested in the two projects. There might even be a Model F for sale in his Hershey space next October. Some of us will need to travel South next Fall to find out!

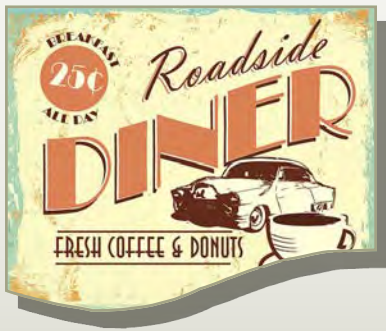
Henry Ford's first production vehicle was built in 1903 and called the **Model A**. It was a two seat runabout, it weighed 1250 pounds with a max speed of 30MPH. According to "Standard Catalog of American Cars", The Ford company cannot agree on the number of Model A's that were built, either 670 of 1708 vehicles.

In 1904, the company dropped the Model A and started production of **Models AC and C vehicles**. HP went from 8 to 10 and wheel base went from 72 to 78 inches. They also started building the more costly 24HP Model B that year with a price jump from just under \$1,000 for the AC and the C to \$2,000 for the B model. Production of the Model F series, according to the catalog, was also started in 1904 and continued in '05 and '06.

Following Model F, Ford had a Model K, a Model N, a Model R and a Model S, which took them to 1909 when their first Model T was produced, which we have all heard about. Then in 1928, Ford started using the Model A name again.

Model F Specifications.....

*2-cylinder engine, cast iron block	*Green body & cream colored wheels	*Cone clutch, chain drive
*127 ci. in	and running gear.	*Differential band brakes
*16 Horse Power	*Planetary transmission, speeds	*Wooden spoked 30 wheel
*84 inch Wheel Base	2F/1R	*Weight, 1400 pounds



The Roadside Diner

Holiday Fruit Cake



Edi Fiske

- *1 1/2 cups sugar
- *3 eggs
- *3 1/2 cups flour
- *2 tsp. baking soda
- *1 tsp. baking powder
- *1 pt. mincemeat
- *2 sticks oleo
- *1/2 cup maple syrup

- *1/2 tsp. salt
- *1 tsp. cinnamon
- *1/2 tsp. cloves
- *1/2 tsp. allspice
- *1 cup chopped nuts
- *1 cup dates
- *1 cup apple sauce
- *4 cups candied fruit

Cream sugar, oleo and eggs. Add mince meat, apple sauce and syrup. Sift dry ingredients together and add to first mixture. Add fruit, dates and nuts. Bake in a large tube pan at 300 degrees for 1 hour and 20 minutes. Cool in pan before serving. Better it sets at least a week.

Merry Christmas

Upper Engine Lubrication Treatment

A retired auto mechanic put the most light on the subject. **John Reighley** recently sold his auto service shop of many years and has many stories about hanging around a shop when he was a young person in the 50s.

One story, **not related to this**, is when a lady came to the shop with a complaint that her car had no power. She had been to many other shops, but they could not help her. John was in his early teens at the time, when the shop owner called him over to the lady's automobile. He told John to go to the bathroom and get a glass of water, and then to pour the water, slowly, into the carburetor while the engine was hot and running.

As John did what he was told, he remembers huge clouds of black smoke rolling out of the tail-pipe. The lady stopped in the next day and thanked the shop owner for "fixing" the car, it was just like brand-new! She returned for the same "water treatment" every month or two. The shop never charged her.

The explanation, as close to what John remembers, is Chrysler from that period would easily build carbon in the cylinders and the water somehow dislodged the carbon. Water is used, in airplane engines, for another purpose, even today. VAEer, Dave Lamphere, explains how water increases compression, when injected into a hot engine. Very important, especially for take-off, when maximum power is needed.

Now, back to Upper Engine Lubes... Another story from John was about a different task he had, at the garage in the 50s. Customers would come in for an "upper engine lube" and most times, that was John's job. The belief, at the time, was that valve stems, tappets, etc. needed additional lubricating. There was even special pint cans the oil companies put out for this specific purpose.

John's job was to connect a small hose to the vacuum system on the car and while "pinching" the hose with his fingers, he would allow a little of "the special oil", at a time, be sucked into the engine from the can. When the level of oil in the can was down to the final half inch, he would then open the hose completely, the oil would get shucked in and the engine would quit. A half hour, or so, later, he would restart the engine and the job was complete.

Pictured, is an upper lube device made by Mobil Oil. The small attached can is where the oil is fed from and instead of "pinching" a tube, there is a needle valve used. It appears the device can "shut off" each spark plug that allows that part of the engine to build up oil a bit, for better lubrication. It also appears the device is built to do other tasks because of all the varied connectors. If anyone can further explain, Wheel Tracks will publish your reply.

This Mobil device was found, and borrowed, from VAEer, **Roger Dussault of St. Albans**. The deal was to find out what the heck it was all about. We have done part of your request, Roger. Maybe someone can help with the rest-of-the -story. **Wheel Tracks wonders what might have been charged for the "Tonic Treatment Service", back in the day?**





Mr. Les Skinner reminded WT recently, that we had not published his reply, when it was asked what we might guess he and Bill Sander were talking about, in this November 2018 picture. After some research....(we really hate letting Les know that he was correct) but...Les is correct. Les tells Wheel Tracks that he might have been trying to convince Bill to abandon the Democratic party and become a Republican.

Wheel Tracks believes Les might have been invited to "go jump in the lake"! Thus the expressions we see in the photo.

PS...Les tried very hard to use mean words when reporting his dismay of not having his reply printed in Wheel Tracks, but, try as he may, he could not. Les is such a nice guy.

Gael and Judy Boardman's '29 Chevy is sitting on Wendell Noble's lift at the moment. The mystery of the "too tight engine" has been solved. Fred Gonet had told Gael that he would look into the engine problem, and even though we have lost Gael, Fred has kept his promise. He and Wendell have spent some time with the Chevy and finding a solution. Many possibilities can cause an engine to be too tight, the most severe and expensive, of them might be located in the piston/cylinder area, which could mean an engine rebuild. As it turned out, the problem was the least severe, where two connecting rod bearings were simply too tight. Fred made some shims and the last we have heard, Wendell was installing them. Three-quarters to one thousandths of an inch is the correct tolerance they are looking for, lets hope when we see the Chevy next, we will hear that sweet sound of the straight-six engine.

There was this comment on our website from Randy Clark...Thanks for having the story of Gael and his Locomobile on line. Gael had told me the story years ago and it was good to refresh my mind about it. He sure enjoyed old things and you couldn't find a better person to do the things he wanted to do. Heaven is now a better place... R.I.P. my friend.

Koldpruf.... never heard of it, can't find any info on the net, but there it is, for sale in our classifieds this month! I did find a "City Service Clean Restroom" sign on eBay for \$270. There is also a 64 inch by 44 inch banner for \$795. Ours is only \$150...what a steal!



Bill Mraz told us about a mysterious shifting problem he is having with his '33 Dodge. He can not change gears by simply pushing the clutch and shifting. The clutch and linkage seems OK, but the gears just grind when he attempts to shift underway.

Here is the mystery....he can shut the engine off, push in the clutch and put the shifting lever into gear. He then, starts the engine with the clutch depressed, slowly release the clutch and go merrily down the street!

Bill has promised to pass the "mystery fix" on to Wheel Tracks but in the meantime, maybe you have an idea of what is going on. He might need your help if he can not find the problem.



VERY late news!!! The Milton Artist Guild (pictured left) had a really nice collection of VAE old-car pieces in their shop window this past summer.

VERY LATE, means the window display has returned to the VAE members barns now. Sorry, some of the staff at Wheel Tracks are really getting old these days.

You are not too late, however, to visit the Artist Guild store. It is located in the Milton Square Shopping Center on River Street.

Their hours are: Wednesday-Saturday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Sunday 11:00am - 3:00pm Phone number (802) 891-2014

With Christmas around the corner, you will find some very special gifts there.

Gary and Nancy Olney presented this car hood emblem (right) to Judy Boardman at our Annual Meeting last Saturday. The car brand is Owen Magnetic. The car was a hybrid electric luxury auto built in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, for two years in 1920 and 1921.

Judy and Gael has only one son and his name is Owen, a very gentle person with a great humor that you have to watch for, carefully, or you will miss it. We understand Gael chose the name at the hospital and it was quite some time later that he told his wife where the name came from. It was one of Gael's most favorite cars.

Is there an Owen Magnetic in your future, Owen Boardman?



VAE Trivia from Don Tenerowics



Q= What Year, Make, and Model is this car ?

A= 1933 Rockne Model 10

The Rockne was named after the famous Knute Rockne, who at the time was involved in the sales of the Studebaker. The car was designed as a low cost 6-cylinder car to replace the Studebaker 6. Production began in 1931 as a subsidiary of Studebaker, production ending in 1933, a victim of the depression.

Welcome New Members....

ROBERT & JANET MURRAY, Beaverdam, Virginia...1969 LOTUS EUROPA, 1993 MAZDA RX-7, 1997 LOTUS 7, 2000 BMW 540, 2006 LOTUS ELISE.

C. ALLAN WRIGHT, BERLIN, VERMONT...
1949 MERCURY SPORT SEDAN, 1951 FORD VICTORIA
1952 MONARCH (CANADIAN MERC.)



Coming VAE Events for 2019

December 8th, Sunday 11AM...

VAE Holiday party at the Steak House Restaurant, 1239 Barre / Montpelier Road. Buffet brunch or order from the menu (we recommend the excellent buffet; last time the buffet folks were finished eating before the menu items even got served). Buffet prices are \$14.99 for adults, \$12.99 for seniors, and \$6.99 for children under 12. Bring a wrapped gift (suggested \$10 to \$20 value) if you would like to participate in the exchange. We will not be doing the "Yankee Swap". Please RSVP by November 30 by email to charlieandmarion@comcast.net, by phone to 802-878-2536 or by phone or text to 802-734-4010. **Charlie and Marion Thompson**

January 2020.....

There will be the annual Memorabilia Display Event at the St. Andrews Parish Hall in Waterbury. Please be thinking about your club contributions to the "Silent Auction Table" for our education fund. Our totally awesome pot luck dinner will be served. Watch for the exact time to be announced by a John Lavallee email.

**UPCOMING
Events**

If you want the latest VAE events schedule, **John Lavallee** invites everyone to visit our website (vtauto.org) and click on "See all VAE Events"



Our Annual donation was presented to the American Precision Museum in Windsor on September 17th.

VAEers left is **Fred Gonet** and right is **Lloyd Davis**.

Accepting our donation is museum education pro-

Using a magnifying glass on the original photo, it can be determined the Vermont number plate is #5504.



The VAE has recently been given a book called "**Vermont List of Motor Vehicle Registrations**" for 1915

And

It has been determined the auto that you see in the picture is a 24HP Overland.

The owner of the car in the picture is **Mr. Guy Allbee**.

The Overland is the only auto in view, which might mean the village did not have many. Again, using the magnifier, all eyes seem to be on the car. The person on the "board" sidewalk, the three men in the buggies and even the lady just inside the post office on the left.

The bridge crosses the Lamoille River.

Wheel Tracks Classifieds

Free to all Enthusiasts



VAE Christmas Stocking Stuffers



The VAE has some great key rings for sale. They will be on sale at our Christmas Party or you can call Nancy Olney with your order. \$5 @ the party, \$6 to order w/t shipping
Nancy 802-873-3552

December Bumper Sticker...

Remember Stupid....

You have to drive it home

For Sale....

- **Over 200** factory sales brochures from mid 1970's through 2005. Most are Plymouth, Dodge, Chrysler and Imperial but also include some GM, Ford and Japanese makes. Also includes some Jaguar. All in very good to excellent condition. Sell by the piece or the whole works. Make offer.

- **Four 14" wheels** and wheel covers from my uncle's 1970 Dodge Charger. Wheels and covers in excellent condition Fit many 1960's and 70's B body Mopars. Sell only wheel covers set for \$95 or wheel covers and wheels.\$150.

- **1976 and 1978** Chrysler, Plymouth and Dodge shop manuals, each two volumes and covers all models. Both in excellent condition, \$25 each or \$45 both.

- **1940's Cities Service** KoldPruf antifreeze service station banner very rare and in very nice condition. Size is 3ft x 5 ft and with brass grommets for easy display. \$150

- **Antique Arcade** cast 1927 Buick sedan. 8" long and very nice condition. \$500 obo.

- **1923 Essex** Parts list. original booklet, not a reproduction.\$20.

- **Divco Model UM and UMB** Service parts list dated Feb.1, 1948 and separate Divco Instruction Book. \$15 for both.

- **Motor's Auto** Repair Manual - 1957 in mint condition \$15.

- **Classic Convertibles** 64 page full color book in as new condition. Includes US and foreign convertibles. \$15

- **Dodge truck service** manual C-3 dated June 1956 covering 6 and V-8 models \$15.

Chris Barbieri - cgeeb99@gmail.com [preferred] or 802 249 -272 limited service area

For Sale.... 1930-31 Ford 4-speed transmission....a 1928 AA Ford worm-drive rear-end with wire wheels and a 1929 AA Ford worm-drive rear-end with tires on wheels. Complete package only...\$150.00

One model T Ford steering sector with a rebuildable 17 inch steering wheel, 1924 or older. 54 inch long. Complete \$130.00
Ellie & Marvin Ball 802-425-3529

For Sale.....

- **1964 Corvette Sting Ray** brochure. Full color, 8 pages, 9"x12" and in very nice condition. \$15.

- **The Ford 1957 Almanac** for Farm, Ranch and Home. Size 5" x 7" in color and 176 pages. Unusual piece in excellent condition. \$10.

-**1957 - 58 VW** owners manual in fair to good condition. \$10

Chris Barbieri cgeeb99@gmail.com [e-mail preferred as limited cell service at 802-249-0272]

For Sale....

***1947 Hudson** Super 8 sedan, 23K miles. Complete, drives, needs some TLC work. Stored for many years. Price neg.

***1932 Cadillac** generator, radio and manifold.

***1936 Packard** Model 120 mechanical and body parts.

***1937 Packard** 120 engine block with insides.

*1925 Studebaker Light 6 and Special: mechanical and body parts.

***1932 Buick** 57S mechanical and body parts

Also For Sale..... Small part time business for an antique car lover who is about to retire and would like extra income. Must be honest, ambitious, and enjoy repairing small items Call Roy Martin 802-862-6374

Wanted.....from VAEer, Don Craig,

A good friend of mine is looking to purchase a 49-50-51 Ford Business Coupe. Call Mark 1-514-346-1909. Thanks

For Sale... 1975 MGB. New PETRONIC Distributor coil and plug wires. I got it running no smoke but needs valve job, a top and work. Good interior, exhaust and suspension. \$1300 oro. 802 782 9522
Craftmen2@gmail.com



For Sale....Parts for

sale, like these in the photo and many more.

John Sandvil
802-933-2982



For Sale.... *Five early 1930's Chevy wire wheels \$225.

***1928 Chevy** engine \$400.

***Early 50's** Allice Chalmers model C tractor, a little rough but runs like a champ \$1500.
Fred & Susan Spencer, Mountain View Inn
p.802-496-2426

VERMONT AUTOMOBILE ENTHUSIASTS

Please Send Dues or Address Changes to:

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Baxter Weed is the Automotive Technology instructor at the Cold Hollow Career Center in Enosburg Falls, Vermont.

He was very surprised when he walked into his classroom on October 24th, and found it filled with reporters, friends and family.

Baxter has amazing skills as a teacher and the Harbor Freight Corporation agreed by awarding him \$50,000.
The VAE Congratulates You, Baxter Weed!



December 2019

**Check the date after your name,
Your VAE Membership
might need to be renewed.**

From the Ken Barber Collection....more notes on page 10

