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Early Ford V8 Club RG # 109



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Contributions are always welcome and sincerely appreciated.

Please send submissions to the Rumbles editor via email at cdchown@outlook.com or phone 250 595 0312 if you prefer.

Thank you in advance.

109 Club Executive 2023.



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2023 CLUB AGENDA & SCHEDULED EVENTS.

All events and dates are subject to change.

Information updates issued as soon as possible.

DATE	ITEM	CONTACT	
JAN 10	AGM/ & REGULAR CLUB MEETING	MIKE MORTIMER	
FEB 14	REG CLUB MEEETING	MIKE MORTIMER	
MAR 11	SHOP TOUR AVAITION MUSEUM	GARY CLARKE	
MAR 14	REG CLUB MEEETING	MIKE MORTIMER	
APR 11	REG CLUB MEEETING	MIKE MORTIMER	
APR 15	SHOP TOUR = GORDY ALBERG	GARY CLARKE	
MAY 9	REG CLUB MEEETING	MIKE MORTIMER	
MAY 28	109 FAVORITE RIDES GROUP	CHRIS CHOWN	
	PHOTO-ST. ANNS 9:00 AM		
JUNE 13	REG CLUB MEEETING	MIKE MORTIMER	
JUNE	SHOP TOUR TBA.	GARY CLARKE	
JUNE 25	VCC SWAP MEET	MIKE MORTIMER	
		CHRIS CHOWN	
JULY 16	FORDS & FRIENDS 2023	CHRIS CHOWN	
JULY	RENO ROAD TRIP	GARY CLARKE	
AUG	ANNUAL CLUB BBQ.	MIKE MORTIMER	
SEPT 12	REG CLUB MEEETING	MIKE MORTIMER	
SEPT	SHOP TOUR	GARY CLARKE	
SEPT	SPORTS DAY	ROB VANZELLA	
OCT 10	REG CLUB MEEETING	MIKE MORTIMER	
ОСТ	FINAL SHOP TOUR	GARY CLARKE	
NOV 14	REG CLUB MEEETING	MIKE MORTIMER	
DEC 16	ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY	ROB VANZELLA	

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – MAY 9TH, 2023.



Minutes recorded by Heidi Bada, 109 Club Secretary. Approved by Mike Mortimer- President.

The May 9, 2023, meeting was called to order by President Mike Mortimer at 7:12 PM. at Saanich Baptist Church, 4347 Wilkinson Rd., Victoria, B.C.

Vic Nordstrom introduced guest Art Davidson.

1. Agenda distributed for May 9, 2023, meeting.

a. Motion to approve the agenda by Don Landels; seconded by Al Wills

2. Minutes of April 11, 2023, meeting

a. Motion to approve April 11, 2023, minutes by Tony Cond; seconded by Bruce Somers

3. Business Arising From Minutes

a. Club nominations for President and Vice-president: none

b. Update on sale of parts donated by Gary Porter reported by Chris Chown: items were donated to the club as a preferred choice; Shawn Driver purchased the lot.

c. No other old business

4. Correspondence

a. None

5. Treasurer's Report

a. No monthly report for period ending April 30, 2023, due to illness.

b. Best wishes to Treasurer noted from members in attendance.

6. Committee Reports

a. VCC swap meet: June 25, 2023, event planning report by Chris Chown

10 volunteers signed up and more are welcome; contact Chris Chown if interested

Revenue from this event benefits the club.

· Setup on Saturday and event date is Sunday, June 25, 2023

b. Shop tours update by Gary Clarke

 \cdot Last month's event April 15 at Gordie Alberg's house was well attended and appreciated

• Gary Clarke wishes to step down after planning a tour for September 2023; a new committee chair will be needed

c. Fords and Friends 2023 update by Bruce Somers

· Event date is July 16, 2023

 \cdot 63 cars are registered; confirmation of registration can be obtained from AI Wills who keeps a list of registrations

• Car registrations are being taken now on FNF page of club website; payment by credit card method is available and preferred over e-transfer method

 \cdot Posters large and small and take away cards are now ready; distributed at meeting

• Now seeking more sponsors and door prizes; be courteous if reaching out to local businesses for donations – they may have already been approached

· Advertising is underway

• Seeking volunteers for setup on Saturday and running the Sunday event; signup sheets available at meeting • Prefer to not get new signs made this year; club will survive with hand-made signs as needed

 \cdot Members in attendance overwhelmingly voted a preference for no dogs nor bikes at the $\$ show

7. Guest speakers

a. Seeking a chair to coordinate guest speakers.

b. Tony Cond offered a presentation for the June 2023 meeting.

8. New Business

a. Club photo shoot May 28, 2023, update by Chris Chown

· St. Ann's is booked; it's a Sunday

· Some cars are already registered

• Event will be cancelled if weather is bad; in that case, the photo shoot could be done at the Fords N' Friends show

· Booking holds use of grounds from 9:00 am to noon

Please let Chris Chown know if you want to attend.

· The booking includes a tour for the club on a later date

9. Announcements

a. Jane Thomas is still healing at the Victorian and expected to return home soon

b. Fran Riley is seeking a storage parking space for a short term.

c. Al Clark is being inducted into the Canadian Hall of Fame -

d. June 7 is a celebration of life for George Apted at SVI Rangers

10. Buy and sell

a. 1931 Model A Ford 5-window Coupe for sale: appraised at \$50,000, in North Saanich; Chris Chown has contact info.

b. Collection of shoebox parts: '50 to '51, asking \$200; contact Dylan Goddard

c. 1959 Corvette grille parts in excellent condition; contact Chris Chown for contact info

d. Shoebox for sale: Meteor, asking \$32,500; contact Lew and DJ Williams

e. Whitewall tires for Meteor: biased, \$25 each, quantity 5, size 15"; contact lan Gordon.

11. Meeting Adjourned 8:06 p.m.

a. 50/50 draw Grab bag winners. Chris Chown, Tony Cond & Bob Mortimer

Cash winner Denny Mounce-



Presidents Message.

Mike Mortimer

To all #109 members, Hopefully everyone is enjoying the hot weather that we are having. A good time to get all those old Fords out for a cruise. Our May meeting showed some positive input on various topics. FNF show committee has done a wonderful job of organizing this event. There will be a shop tour sometime in September. Just to let you know DON LANDELS has stepped up to be the club chairperson for guest speakers. We still have to fill the Vice President's position hopefully a club member will step up. Our JUNE meeting hopefully shows a larger membership turnout, we like to have everyone's input, this truly benefits our club. Once again thanks for your support.

Mike Mortimer Live life, Be Happy



Message from the Editor. Chris Chown.



The 109 is truly fornatue to have several members who take the time to contribute items for the club newsletter on a continuing basis. For this issue we have some excellent photos from Laurie Stevens and a new discovery on interesting history publications by Floyd Clymer Publications. We all love a good joke and appreciate submissions in good taste. No political, sexist or racist items will be published. Personnaly I truly enjoy updates on any project work or additions to your fleet so please consider how you might share so much good stuff with fello club members. If you need assistance with posting or email please let me know. **Thanks agsin to all of you, Chris Chown Editor**







JIM BANKS: It is a true pleasure to advise you that our club treasurer is finished with his latest medical adventure and is now resting comfortably at home. We all wish Jim the very best and look forward to seeing him soon.

FORDS & FRIENDS 2023. REGISTER NOW.



Please note that everyone (including 109 club members) is required to preregister online and pay the registration fee of \$20.00. This change is mandatory so efficient tracking and gate control is possible. If you need information or reimbursement contact Bruce Somers at your first convenience. NEW MEMBERS: We are very pleased to welcome <u>CAM PRENEVOST</u> and DAWSON VALGARDSON as the newest members of the 109. Both are now listed in the club roster, and we will post photos of their favorite rides on the website as soon as we have them. Welcome aboard Cam and Dawson.

CLUB EXECUTIVE

The 109 club continues our path of continuous improvement as we strive to fill executive positions. At present we are seeking two members to sit as President and Vice President. It's not as tough as it sounds and proves to be very personally rewarding. Please give serious consideration at your very first opportunity. Need more information? Call Chris Chown or Mike Mortimer. Thanks in advance!

CLUB PHOTO SHOOT

The photo shoot has been postponed due to circumstances beyond our control. A new date will be announced as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience.

VCC, TORQUE MASTERS, 109 CLUB SWAP MEET

 The 109 is in partnership with the VCC and Torque Masters to help host the Annual Swap Meet at Saanich Fair Grounds, on June 25th. Please let Chris or Mike know how you can contribute a little time and energy. We need to provide strong support to keep this important community event operating far into the future.

Swap Meet 2023

• Sponsored by:



The Automotive Social Event of the Year!

Sunday, June 25, 2023 - Gates open at 7:00 AM Saanich Fairgrounds - 1528 Stellys Cross Road

Automobiles, Trucks, Parts, Literature, Tools & Collectibles Open to the Public Free Parking Outdoor Stalls - First come, First served Set-up starting on Sunday: 6:30 a.m. ** Early set-up on Saturday starting at 10:00 a.m. ** (Enter the grounds via the West Gate only)

The following link will take you to the website for THE SPECIALITY VEHICLE ASSOCIATION of BC. A very good site with excellent information about many things connected to specialty vehicles. Check it out.

News (sva.bc.ca)

Gord & Sarah Alberg Shop Tour April 15, A roaring success!

Over the years the 109 has had many excellent "shop tours" all around southern Vancouver Island thanks to long term member Gary Clarke. On April 15 Gary crowned his long list of 22 tours with one of the very best ever.

Attended by over 40 members and friends, our club experienced superb hospitality of Gord and Sarah Alberg at their unique home in Saanich. We were treated to an excellent buffet lunch prepared by Sarah and a few of her friends. There was almost too much food but several of the 109 team did their level best to reduce the inventory and decimate a wide selection of desserts.

The tour allowed our club the special insight into one of the most interesting and unique collections of racing equipment and rare muscle cars from the 1960^s & 70^s. There were several "retired" race cars from an illustrious racing career by Gord and his team.

We were also treated to a close view of an impressive review of machine fabrication equipment in one of the very best shops ever. Everything was spotless and perfectly organized, clean and tidy.

Our special thanks have been extended to Gord and Sarah for hosting such a great experience and creating so many fantastic memories. We look forward to seeing you both again very soon.

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Thank you for hosting the Early Ford V8 Club 109 An excellent shop tour - April 15, 2023.



















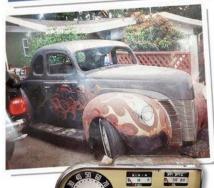




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NEW DATE & LOCATION TBA..

MAIN ENTRANCE AT ST. ANN'S 835 HUMBOLDT ST. REGISTRATION IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED

On Sunday, May 28th the 109 club will he favorite rides. The location selected approach road facing the front Street, shown in picture.

shoot for our members' entrance along the primary Ann's. The gate is on Humboldt

Postponed until further notice. The staging will start a me space reserved for the 109 only so we won't conflict with to have a professional photographer involved as well as any c wishes to take personal shots. We intend to post the updated to website as the current one is quite dated. Obviously, it is best we have a strong turnout. Please mark your calendar!

ou register at your very first opportunity so we can arrange for Please i Please contact CHRIS CHOWN at cdchown@outlook.com or 250 a great sl 595 0312 for full details. Thank you all.



A blast from the past by Marie Jennings.

Hello ladies,

We hope all of you are well and enjoying the current beautiful weather. Like me, I'm sure all of you were getting house-bound and needed a change of pace. Chris has kindly asked me to put something together for a V8 Club Ladies Page. It took me a while to think of a topic we could all relate to and came up with *"what to do in times when we are shut in with illness, weather or what-have-you."* So, I am going to share with you what I have done through winter months. With the wonderful weather, I have now put this aside and I am out in my garden, my most happy place. I was hoping some of you would share what you have been doing through these months. Maybe we can inspire others to start new hobbies or pick up something they did in the past which has been put aside and needs to come out.

Through the dark winter months this year I began to get rid of the over-burden in our house. It was during this time that I realized what a wise woman my mother had been, very quietly in the background. I was cleaning out an old trunk and came across her scrapbook. The collection in her scrapbook was extensive and so very interesting. I was inspired to search further into family pictures and history and before I knew it, I was putting together a Family Album. The more I found, the more I searched and was thrilled to find information, pictures, historic backgrounds that went back to the 1700's. It ended up with my having to make two albums. One on my Dad's family history from the 1700's starting in Scotland and one starting in the 1900's at Cobble Hill where my Great Grandfather and his brothers homesteaded in the late 1800's. I thought this might be a rather dry and uninteresting task, but found it to be a real archeological dig and I was excited by what I found. Family Search and Ancestry.ca provided so much information and I was able to add more history. You know, it was rather like buying an old car and finding old history, pictures and stuff in the glove box or in the tool & parts box. Fascinating and fun!! I have included the opening page of the album which shows the 4 brothers, the house my grandfather built and the forest they had to

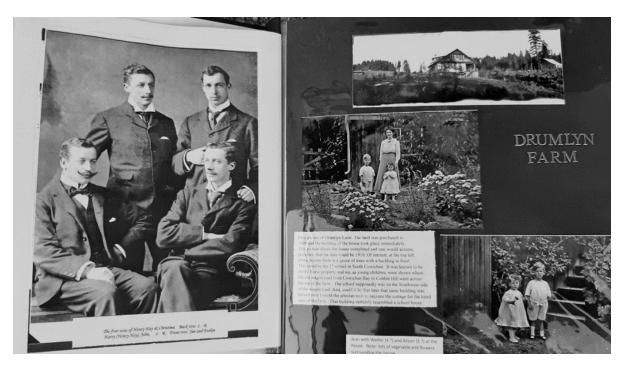
clear to make usable land for livestock and food crops. It was quite eye-opening when I compare it to what it is today. So much has changed!! I'm so glad Mom kept a scrapbook. She was a wise woman.

The big day is coming soon, so I'm wishing all mothers, past and present, a Happy Mother's Day. And especially fond thoughts of my dear Mom who has long passed.

In the process of sorting pictures and paperwork, I found something absolutely wonderful for all you men. My Dad's homemade tractor with my 10-year-old brother at the wheel. Jim says it was the remains of a Chevy 410/complete with 2 transmissions, a Model T truck rear axle, wheels with wooden spokes, no heater, a piece of tin for a roof and it could probably climb a hemlock tree if the bark would stay on it. It was assembled by my Dad and his friend, Bobby Maxwell, out of spare parts found in several barns around the Cobble Hill/Cowichan area. It was built out of necessity, as the old horses had passed on. Tractors were rarely available immediately post war, as all metals had been taken for the war effort. So you made do with what you had. It worked well and my brother learned to drive this vehicle by the time he was 12. My Mom also learned to drive it and she would be in the driver's seat hauling in hay in the blazing hot days of August. Women were made of strong stuff back in those days.

Enjoy the picture guys. I thought you would get a chuckle or two out of it.

Marie Jennings







https://www.nationalgeographic.co.uk/video/tv/the-james-bond-cars

If you want a fun time check out this link to Car SOS. I am sure you will enjoy the series from National Geographic about car restoration. It will bring a smile to your face and perhaps a tear to your eye.

Cheers, Chris

Adapting Tremec's Popular T5 5-speed Manual to Ford's Flathead V8 Engine

By Jason Lubken 9/22/2022

So you're ready to make that upgrade to the popular T5 5-speed manual transmission? Completing the swap can certainly raise some questions when it comes time to select the right parts for the job. There are a number of things to take into consideration, including flywheel and clutch, adapters, and of course the transmission itself. With a little help from Speedway Motors we can make the process a little more pain free by sourcing the right parts the first time. So, read on and see what it takes to put a modern overdrive transmission behind our Flathead when sticking with three pedals.

What Cars Use T5 Transmissions?

The first T5 five-speed transmissions were originally manufactured by Borg Warner as early as 1982 and continued production has since been taken over by **Tremec**. Due to the abundance of availability and variety of interchangeable parts, the T5 is one of the most popular American-made manual transmissions among hot rodders today, following its predecessor - GM's four-speed Muncie. The T5 offers gear ratios that are a great match for most Flathead vehicles, especially gaining the fifth-gear overdrive.

What T5 should I use?



Tremec's TKX 5-speed manual transmission handles up to 600 lb-ft of torque!

A great option would be picking up a T5 from a Chevy S10 or GMC Sonoma pickup between '82-'92. One advantage to using a T5 from a pickup is the shifter position was close to that of the old Ford Top-Loader. The T5s used in Camaros had shifters designed to sit at an angle towards the driver, as did those from the Fox-era Mustangs (though not as severe

an angle). Typically the earlier T5 transmissions used mechanical speedometers, while later models used electronic speedometers, therefore it's a good idea to keep in mind what gauges will be used. Of course a GPS speedometer is always an option as well!

As the hunt for a quality used T5 transmission is becoming more difficult, Speedway offers an alternative option from Tremec, the **TKX five-speed**, which is designed with multiple shifter locations to work with a variety of applications. The TKX has the same, if not better, features as the outgoing TKO series in a more streamlined case. This means less tunnel/floor modifications are required (and sometimes none at all) to accomplish your 5-speed swap.

How Do I Identify a T5 Transmission?

There is one positive way to identify a T5, which is by locating the metal ID tag bolted to the tail-housing of the transmission. After you've identified the code, there are many useful **web sites** with ID tag databases for the T5 that can be found on the web. Another good way to identify a suitable T5 candidate is by looking at the input shaft. Most of the S10 and Sonoma transmissions will have a 1-inch 14-spline input shaft. Camaros often used a 1-1/8-inch 26-spline input shaft. Common Ford transmissions used a 1-1/16-inch 10-spline input shaft. We don't have room to get into it here, but many enthusiasts have used the Camaro and Mustang T5s by **converting to the S10 tail housing**.

What Adapter Do I Need to Mate the T5 To a Flathead V8?

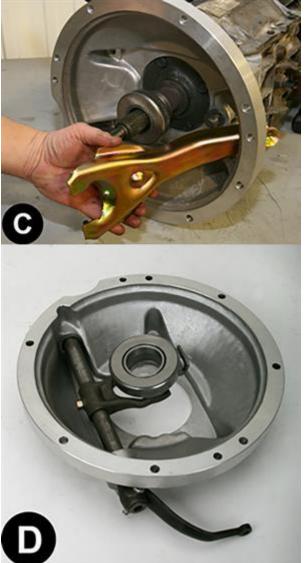


Speedway Motors offers several Flathead Ford transmission adapters for your 5-speed swap

A First things first, lets take a close look at the transmission to bellhousing adapter. Depending on the application, Speedway offers two options: the (left) **916-28914** and (right) **916-28912** (also matching alternatives from **Offenhauser**).

This factory adapter is required on later model Flatheads for the transmission adapter to bolt to.

B Both options will adapt any '32-'48 Ford and Mercury Flathead V-8 flawlessly, but note that later Flatheads like the '49-'53 Ford and Merc 8BA engines will need a factory 3" bellhousing adaptor, found on '49-'52 Ford 1/2-ton pickups and '49-'50 Mercs. This also requires a matching starter plate or cover assembly to mount the starter.

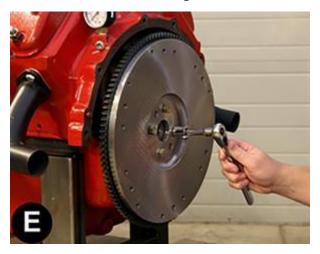


The top adapter uses a clutch fork (or hydraulic) with GM clutch components, while the bottom adapter is designed to use Ford clutch bits.

C/D The major difference between the GM-style 916-28914 (**photo C**) and Ford-style 916-28912 (**photo D**) is how the clutch and release assembly will be used with each. The 28914 is machined with a large window to accept the updated GM-style clutch release fork and release bearing assembly (PN **916-29510**). It is also the preferred option if using hydraulic clutch release components. The 28912 is designed for use with

the original Ford arm, **release shaft**, **clutch fork**, and **bearing**, which is a perfect option if you're using it with an original chassis and pedals. Note that with the original Ford style linkage you will have to fabricate your own bearing return spring bracket.

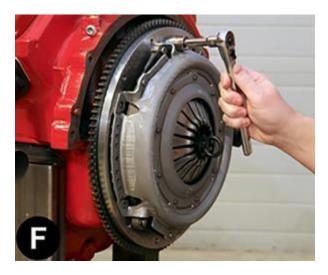
Can I Reuse My Stock Flathead's Flywheel?



Depending upon year and what adapter you use, the Flathead's factory flywheel may be retained.

E The clutch and release assembly will affect your choice of flywheel. If you're using the GM-style adapter, the stock Flathead flywheel will need to be drilled to accept the GM-style pressure plate. Or you might consider a matching flywheel from Speedway like PN's **910-15627** ('32-'48) or **910-15629** ('49-'53), which are drilled to accept both Ford and GM-style pressure plates. If you choose the Ford-style adapter on '32-'48 engines, the original flywheel requires no modification if you use a stock 9- or 10-inch pressure plate. But an 11-inch flywheel will need to be re-drilled to accept the smaller 9- and 10-inch pressure plate assemblies. Also, '49-'53 engines will require the use of a '40-'48 9- or 10-inch pressure plate and may require the original flywheel to be re-drilled to match.

What Pressure Plate and Clutch Do I Use?



Your adapter choice will determine pressure plate diameter and style (diaphragm or Long style).

F If you're using a GM-style bellhousing adapter, you'll also need to use a Chevy-style throwout bearing along with a diaphragm style pressure plate. The diameter of the Chevy-style release bearing is too small to work with a Ford-style pressure plate assembly. One option commonly used with a GM-style adaptor kit is the 10-1/2-inch diaphragm style pressure plate like PN **910-15637**. Then all you're left with is matching a clutch disc with your pressure plate/flywheel assembly and input shaft. If you choose the Ford-style adapter, it requires the use of a 9 or 10-inch '40-'48 Ford-style pressure plate and matching T5 clutch disc. The Ford adapter also requires a '32-'48-style throw out bearing and collar assembly like PN **910-25620**. Because there is a bellhousing interference issue with all 11" pressure plates and '49-'53 9.5-inch passenger car pressure plates have internal engagement finger interference it is best to avoid using these parts.

BUY & Sell.





Need some wide whites? Ian Gordon has a set of 5 originals he is looking to move. Great for a roller. 250 392 0537. (not exactly as shown)

New listing by DJ & Lew Williams.

1950 Meteor Coupe. Asking \$24,000. USD..

A freshley refurbished classic 50 Meteor coupe located in Victoria. Multiple upgrades including paint and upholstry. Solid running gear with loads of power when you need it make this daily driver a real head turner. Call Lew Williams at 250 661 2092.

Features:

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- ✓ Chevy front clip
- ✓ Skirts
- ✓ Chrome reverse rims
- ✓ LED lights complete
- ✓ New paint with matching interior.





For Sale. 1941 Ford Super Deluxe Coupe



Bone stock original. Price reduced ask Fran for details. The vehicle has had extensive mechanical work 5,000 miles ago (\$14,000 parts/labor) and has 51,000 miles showing on the odometer. Rust free undercarriage, frame and wheel wells and no dents... all original steel in great condition. The car is insured and can be test driven anytime. My car is an original survivor car...and the classic 239ci (100hp) Ford V8 flathead runs like a top with its beautiful natural hot rod rumble lol! To view or make an offer please contact Frances Riley at 250 888 6654.

Email ! <u>RUTOO@hotmail.com</u>

49 - 51 Shoebox parts just in case. First \$200.00 takes it all. Contact Dylan <u>dylangoddard@shaw.ca</u>





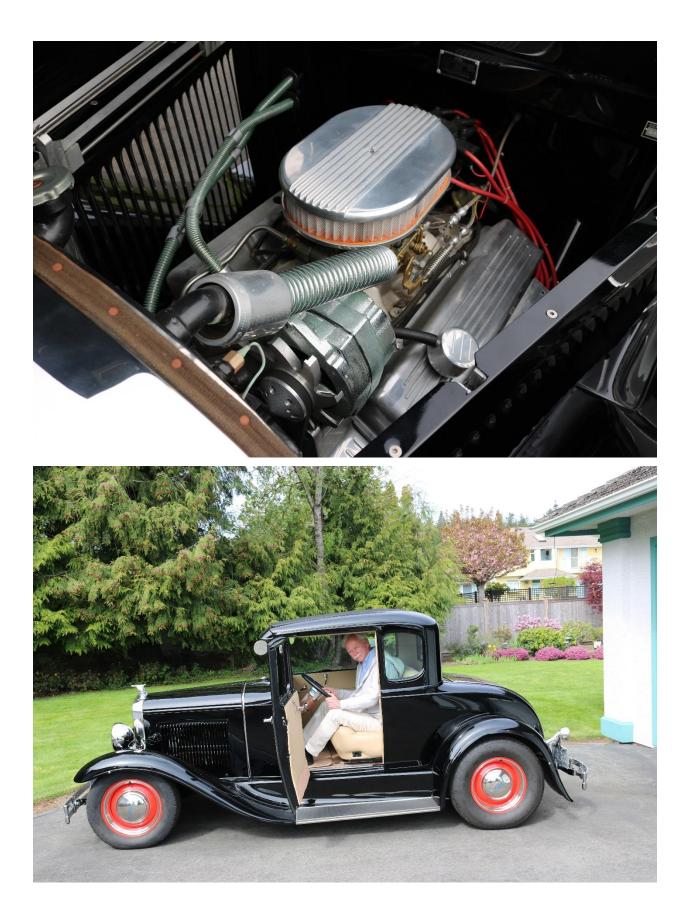
For Sale and ready to roll.

A show stopper 1931 5 window coupe.











This beautiful Model A is a once in a lifetime opportunity to purchase a very special Ford with a wonderful pedigree and a lovely history to go with it.

The coupe features several custom modifications created and installed by Bruce Bowman (deceased) and his wife Rosie. The attention to detail is truly impressive and it is easy to see all the TLC that went into the build.

Main Features:

- * Engine 350 cu.in. Chev Carburation
- * Transmission GM automatic
- * Steering Manual
- ★ Brakes vented front disc / rear drum.
- ★ Exhaust all custom
- * Radial tires all rated 5 excellent
- ★ Paint quality Black rated as 5 excellent.
- * Upholstery custom leather. Bench seat. Matching trunk panels & carpet.
- * Car audio included but not yet installed.
- ★ Mileage 002473 KMS.
- * Documentation Extensive documents available on all rebuild components

and mechanical applications.

This vehicle has been appraised for sale in February 2020 at \$50,000.00 CDN. Appraisal was done by Oceanside Auto Appraisers of Qualicum Beach. The car is fully licensed and has seen limited use over the past several years. It fires on demand and runs smoothly with the excellent carbureted engine dual exhaust pipes.

If you wish to view this coupe, please contact Chris Chown at <u>cdchown@outlook.com</u> or Rosie Bowman at <u>rosiebowman@shaw.ca</u>.

Please respect the owner's privacy. Serious buyers only.

Thank you.

2023 Committees:

"Always glad to have your help!!"



Fords & Friends 2023	Bruce Somers	Primary Committee,	2023
High School Shop Awards	Bruce Somers	Appointed by Bruce S.	Oct 2019
Newsletter	Chris Chown	all members	2014
Phone Committee	Norrie Spencer, Dave Wallace, Bob Mortimer	As needed	Jurassic period
Website development	Al Wills	Heidi Bada	2017
Membership	Jane Thomas	Chris Chown	2022
Christmas Luncheon	Rob Vanzella	Chris Chown	2020
5/50 Refreshments	Mike Mortimer	John Shepherd	
	Jim Banks		2017
Community Liaison	Lew Williams	As needed.	2018



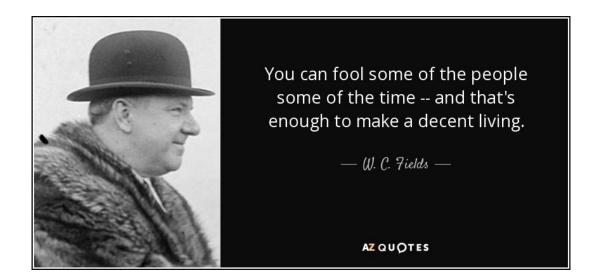
What does this mean?

Cut and run...(hasty departure)

This expression dates back to the days of square rigged sailing shipswhen on occasion the urgent need to get underway could be anticipated. In preparation the sails were secured to the yards with light ropeyarn that could be cut to let the canvas fall quickly thus enabling the ship to sail at once. Figurativley, one cuts and runs when making an uncerermonious and hasty departure.

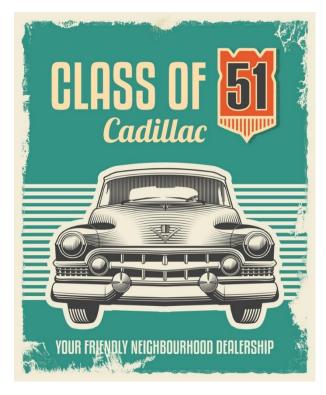
Swallow the anchor...(to give up life at sea and settle down on land).

This is exactly what Shakespeare's character Stephano sings about in The Tempest. "I shall no more to sea, to sea. Here I shall die ashore."



Just for the true Vintage collectors. Al Wills says he "remembers" these.





A little Hot Rod slang. Impress your friends and amaze your enemies!

Balanced: normally used to define balancing the rotating mass (crankshaft), but could also could refer to matching the weights of the pistons and rods.

Slammed: a significantly lowered vehicle, usually dropped as low as possible and still driveable.

A simple riddle or two. (answers on next pages somewhere.)

- 1. My voice is tender, my waist is slender and I'm often invited to play. Yet wherever I go I must take my bow or else I have nothing to say. What am I?
- 2. Until I am measured, I am not known. Yet you miss me, when I have flown. What am I

Somebody said:





<u>*Riddle Answers*.</u> Always easy when you already know the answers!

- 1. Answer: <u>A violin</u>
- 2. Answer: <u>Time</u>

Ready for a little more Henry Ford history?



"epic landmark private residence"

Built in 1924 for use by the Ford Motor Company, the Benson Ford (I) was original utilized to transport iron ore and related materials across the Great Lakes by the growing auto company. Measuring 612' X 62' with a molded depth of 32' and a carrying capacity

of 15,000 net tons at mid-summer draft, the ship was built by Great Lakes Engineering, Ecorse, Mich., and was launched April 26, 1924. High upon a promontory on South Bass Island in Lake Erie at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, sits the Owners and Captains Quarters of the former Great Lakes Shipping Boat, The Benson Ford. The boat was built by Henry Ford and named after his grandson many years ago. After fifty years of service on the Great Lakes, the Benson Ford was scheduled in 1986 to be scrapped at the Port of Cleveland, Ohio. On the top front section of the boat were the walnut paneled state rooms, dining room, galley, and passenger lounge designed by Henry Ford for his own pleasure while traversing the Great Lakes on business. This is when an Ohio husband and wife stepped in realizing that these elegant quarters would be a magnificent residence, if they could only be removed from the rest of the ship and brought to land. After many days with torches and cranes, the Quarters were removed from the ship and floated by barge some sixty miles west to the tranquil island of South Bass Island. Additional cranes were needed to lift the Quarters off the barge at the Island up a steep eighteen foot promontory to its final site on solid bedrock on a single family home lot. The Quarters became The Ship Residence, a private home on South Bass Island. ***please remember this is a private residence so be respectful if you boat past!***



The Benson Ford.

Just one joke because I can't resist!

Letter to a Nosey Mom

A mother enters her daughter's bedroom and sees a letter over the bed. With the worst premonition, she reads it, with trembling hands:

It is with great regret and sorrow that I'm telling you that I eloped with my new boyfriend. I found real passion and he is so nice, with all his piercing and tattoos and his big motorcycle.

But is not only that mom, I'm pregnant and Ahmed said that we will be very happy in his trailer in the woods. He wants to have many more children with me and that's one of my dreams.

I've learned that marijuana doesn't hurt anyone and we'll be growing it for us and for his friends, who are providing us with all the cocaine and ecstasy we may want.

In the meantime, we'll pray for the science to find the AIDS cure, for Ahmed to get better, he deserves it.

Don't worry Mom, I'm 15 years old now and I know how to take care of myself. Someday I'll visit, so you can know your grandchildren.

Your daughter,

Judith

PS: Mom, it's not true. I'm at the neighbor's house. I just wanted to show you that there are worse things in life than the school report card that's in my desk drawer...I love you!



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