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EARLY FORD V8 CLUB R.G. # 109

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JUNE 2024



Rick Dubois gets it right!

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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.

EARLY FORD V8 CLUB – R.G. # 109

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109 Club Executive 2024.

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*Always happy to help
with a little magic*



Regular Meeting minutes - JUNE 11TH, 2024

Recorded by Heidi Bada, VP, Club secretary.

The June 11, 2024 meeting of the Early Ford V8 Club 109 was called to order by President Mike Mortimer at 7:06 p.m. at Berwick House, 4062 Shelbourne St., Victoria, B.C. Minutes recorded by Heidi Bada.

Guests: none

1. Agenda distributed for May 14, 2024, meeting.
 - a. Consent agenda approved.
2. Minutes of May 2024 meeting:
 - a. Distributed in Rumbles Newsletter. Consent agenda approved.
3. Presentation/guest speaker – none this month.
4. Old Business – no business from past minutes.
5. Correspondence – none.
6. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Monthly report for period ending May 31, 2024, delayed at this time, stated by Jim Banks. Report will be brought up to date at next meeting.
7. Committee Reports:
 - a. **Swap meet** report by Chris Chown:
 - Many volunteers have now signed up
 - A few more are needed for Saturday June 22 setup – see Chris Chown
 - On Saturday, a BBQ will be held for volunteers or anyone present
 - Some volunteers will be needed for 6:00 am time slot during vendor setup
 - If volunteering, show up 15 minutes early to gather safety vest
 - Club members can bring items to sell at club's table; it needs volunteers too
 - Event is on **June 23**
 - b. **Fords and Friends** event 2024 update report by Ralf St. Clair:
 - Planning is well underway, no major problems
 - People seem enthusiastic the show is returning to Heritage Acres
 - **Setup:** July 13, 4:00 to 7:00 pm; **volunteers needed** (Ralf, 250-661-9471 or ralf@selkie.ca)
 - **Event:** July 14, 2024; show cars \$20 (cash preferred)
 - Cars will arrive starting at 7:00 am; public visitors begin 9:00 am
 - Elvis impersonator first set at 11:00 am; trophies at 1:00 pm
 - Cleanup 4:00 to 6:00 pm; good job gets \$300 back; social afterwards
 - Several food vendors and cold treats truck are signed on
 - Seeking more door prizes, ideally with donor's business card attached
 - 50/50 tickets arranged by Gwyneth Anderson; posters put up by Rosalyn
 - 10' x 10' tents needed; Bruce or Al will arrange that
 - Seeking a volunteer with a convertible to drive Elvis in
 - Discussed recipients of gate donations: Island Prostate Centre, Mustard Seed and West Shore food banks, and Women's Transition House
 - More volunteers welcome, so we can have short shifts and frequent rotation

8. New Business:

- a. **Selkirk Place car gathering** event, presented by Steve Peabody:
 - Recreation team requested 15 to 20 cars to gather for residents to see
 - Located near waterfront end of Jutland Rd.
 - Steve requested agreement for a show 1:00 to 3:00 pm; approved
 - Staff proposed date Aug. 24 or Sept. 7; members agreed on **Sept. 7** due to a conflict with Nori's club BBQ which is set for Aug. 24
- b. Next club tour: The **Roundhouse** in Vic West **June 15, 2024**
 - Arranged by Don Friebe
 - Show up with cars 1:00 pm for tour and group photos
 - Wear sturdy shoes; no washroom on site
 - Parking and entrance is at south end of the building; enter off Catherine St.
- c. **Berwick House car display June 29, 2024**, reported by Chris Chown
 - The club has been invited to show 8 to 10 cars for residents at Shelbourne location where we hold meetings
 - Looking for a range of car years; limited space so please contact Chris
 - The show is part of the club's relationship with Berwick House and their generous free room rental for club meetings
 - Show starts 1:30 pm and lasts approximately two hours.

9. Announcements:

- a. Heidi requested people who want to list items in the Buy & Sell section of agenda to heidibada@gmail.com or call 250-514-4726
- b. Nori's BBQ will be held August 24, 2024, at his home

10. Buy and sell:

- a. '49 to '53 radiator for flathead, for sale by Jim Banks
- b. Nori reported a **fundraiser at Saanich Peninsula Hospital** where you can donate car parts you don't need; bring your donation to them at the **June 23** swap meet
- c. Chris Chown has '47 parts for sale; details in Rumbles newsletter

11. Meeting Adjourned 8:01 p.m. Refreshments and 50/50 draw. Winners:

- a. Bill, Ralf, Shawn Driver, Jim Banks, Bruce Somers, and a few others
- b. \$62 cash 50/50 winner: Ian Gordon.

2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EARLY FORD V8 CLUB RG 109

As of June 17th , 2024. Subject to change.



DATE	EVENT	LEADER	CONTACT
JAN 14	CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON	ROB VANZELLA	
FEB 13	REGULAR CLUB MEETING ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS. FOLLOWED BY AGM	MIKE NORTIMER Chris Chown	
MARCH 12	REGULAR CLUB MEETING Guest speaker ICBC insurance	Mike Mortimer Don Landels	New location
MARCH 17	ST ANNS GUIDED TOUR 11:00 /1:00	Chris Chown	
APRIL 9	REGULAR CLUB MEETING Guest speaker — Island Prostrate Ctr	Mike Mortimer Bill Pritchard	
APRIL 26	HIGHSCHOOL AUTO SHOP TOUR On hold. To be rescheduled ASAP.	BRUCE SOMMERS	To be confirmed.
MAY 14	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
MAY 18	POKER RUN — 109 club cars.	GARY CLARKE	
MAY 25	ROAD TRIP — SALTSPRING ISLE	TBA	
JUNE 11	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
JUNE 15	ROUNDHOUSE TOUR — E&N	Chris Chown	
JUNE 23	109, VCC, TM SWAP MEET	MARC BROWN	Chris or Mike
JUNE 29	BERWICK HOUSE SHOW Shelbourne.	Gary Clarke	Gary Chris or Mike
JULY 9	REGULAR CLUB MEETING Final prep for FNF 24	Mike Mortimer Ralf St. Clair	
July 14	FORDS & FRIENDS @HERITAGE ACRES	RALF ST. CLAIR	RALF OR DAWSON
JULY 20	SHOP TOUR – TBA	Chris Or Mike	
AUGUST 17	SHOP TOUR Steve Thompson	CHRIS CHOWN	Confirmation
AUGUST 24	ANNUAL CLUB BBQ Live Entertainment TBA.	MIKE & Carol MORTIMER	
SEPT 7	109 SHOW AT GORGE HOSPITAL	Steve Peabody	Steve /Chris
SEPT 10	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
SEPT 14	CFB NADEN TOUR	TONY COND	
SEPT 21	SHOP TOUR	Bruce Somers	TBA
OCT 8	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
OCT 31	HALLOWEEN RUN – PRADE	Mike Mortimer	
NOV 12	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
DEC 14	CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON	OPEN	

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT.

MIKE MORTIMER



Hello #109 members.

Our June meeting showed a great response to all our upcoming events.. This month the club had the opportunity to tour the E & N Railway Roundhouse..

What a fantastic tour, it was like stepping back in time. Our tour guide Jimmy was very informative on the history of the buildings and what went on back in the day. This guy even has his own Locomotive, so kool! Many thanks to club member Don Friebe for setting up this great tour. Chris once again had his camera in hand for some interesting photos. This was a great day and tour for all.

Our next small car show event will be for the residents at Berwick House, Our June meeting showed good support and input from our membership for all our upcoming events.

Just a few loose ends to tidy up for our FNF 2024 SHOW. Lots of good stuff happening all summer, and car shows of course ! I hope everyone can get out there and enjoy this wonderful time of year.

Thanks again to the #109 membership for their continuing support.

Best Regards,

Mike Mortimer
President

Message from the Editor. Chris Chown.



The EFV8 109 is truly blessed with so many good folks willing to get involved and contribute in so many ways. Without such good folks doing their best we would be doomed to failure.

The recent efforts by the F&F 24 steering committee are a prime example of such strong dedication to the club, ensuring that we have a great show on July 14 at Heritage Acres. Thank you in advance to everyone who pitched in.

Our recent "club tour" at the Roundhouse in Esquimalt turned out extremely well. It was especially gratifying to see some members who are somewhat challenged to overcome physical challenges and take part in the event. In addition, we are so pleased to have several new members and guests join us. A really good indication that our club is headed in the right direction for the membership.

It was exceptionally great to see Carol and Bob Liggett come out and say hello.

Finally, I am elated to report that my 47 is home. The never ending "minor adjustments" are happening as we speak. I hope to fill you in with all the details (if you can handle it) along with a photo storyline ASAP. Definitely will attend the FNF 24 at long last!

If you wish to comment on any action or lack thereof please feel free to send in your comments to the Rumbles editor. All feedback is important to help the 109 continue on the path of positive improvement. Email is sincerely appreciated please.

Thanks to everyone for all your time, energy, and great support.

Cheers, Chris Chown

CLUB NEWS AT LAST!

**VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO DON FRIEBE FOR
PUTTING THIS GREAT DAY TOGETHER!**

The Roundhouse Tour – June 15, 2024.

E&N Division – Canadian Railroad Historical Association.



109 members test for weight & strength .



The EFV8 109 recently enjoyed the hospitality of the E&N Division Canadian Railroad Historical Association at the Roundhouse in Esquimalt. We enjoyed an excellent presentation by Jim Sturgill Sr. and Jim Sturgill Jr. our tour guide. Jim Sr. is a retired locomotive engineer and his son is employed by Bayveow Developments, owner of the buildings and all the land. The adventures of discovery were around every corner and it was fascinating to see so much unique history right here on the island.. One of the highlights was to learn that Jim Jr. actually owns his own diesel locomotive and a “speeder” both on display and in full working order. ***How many people do you know with their own personal locomotive? Seems like this would be excellent subject for BBQ chit chat.***

Our guided tour lasted about two hours and we saw a great volume of items that were used by the E&N and CP (Canadian Pacific) Rail on Vancouver Island. The railroada industry in the early days of steam power was truly a creative environment employing hundreds of wokers in the shops and up and down the rail lines Many items still in working order with unique stories about use and operation.



A “bottle jack” used to lift axels and in early days lift steam engines. Rotates to move axels from underneath.



An incredibly powerful compressor used to supply air power for numerous air tools amongst other things



RE-Railer

This unique item is called a “RE-RAILER” it is used to get rail cars & engines back on the rails after a derailment. Cars were pulled back on the tracks guided in place. Ingenious for sure.



Big entrance door is the last original main door. 1913



First edition locker room!



Just in case you don't know what this is I will tell you. The tube pipes mounted horizontally on the inside of the exterior wall is the original heating system. Still in good shape throughout the building. The very large single glaze windows probably were a drawback to heating efficiency, but look great.

The Roundhouse



Designed in 1912 and completed in October 1913, the E&N Railway Roundhouse is located in Victoria, BC.

The site is comprised of three sections: the locomotive roundhouse and two attached structures that housed various shop facilities for the servicing of steam locomotives. The roundhouse building was built to a segmental-arc plan and features a curved front and rear wall constructed of solid red brick. It contains ten stalls that face onto an operational turntable with an 85-foot diameter. The machine shop is a rectangular brick building that abuts the rear southeast corner of the roundhouse. The roundhouse complex is surrounded by associated site features, notably the turntable, sidings and tracks, and two freestanding brick buildings which are components of the industrial complex and are contemporary to the roundhouse. The official recognition refers to the area enclosing the 10-stall roundhouse building with attached machine shop, both on their footprints, and the detached turntable in its circular pit. This area also includes approach tracks. The space between the main building and the turntable is also part of the designated place.

Special shout out to Don Friebe for all the great work in putting this shop tour together for the 109 club. Well done and very much appreciated.



IN THE KNOW

Ken Mariash has his way, a pivotal piece of Vic West property will join his existing Bayview development, morphing into the long-talked-about Roundhouse at Bayview Place. “We started this in the late ’90s. I knew it was a dangerous proposition,” recalls the Saskatchewan-born developer and Focus Equities owner. “Behind the scenes, it’s been a nightmare.” That’s due to vocal public skepticism, and city demands that led to many iterations and a revolving door of designers and architects. But in late January the nightmare was finally over when Victoria city council, in a 7-2 vote, approved a rezoning bylaw that allows Focus to break ground on its 10-acre chunk of land, once an industrial site. The approved plan now allows for nine condo/ apartment/hotel buildings ranging from 10 to 32 storeys. That will mean 1,870 residential units with about 12 per cent of them (215) under the “below-market” rental rate. The site’s heritage buildings, including the former E&N Railway roundhouse, will be remediated and 70,000 square feet of commercial space is promised. Mariash is even thinking about a Ferris wheel and promises the public/ commercial area will be even better than Granville Island. “It’s going to be a cool marketplace,” he says. But Mariash predicts it will take about a decade to realize his Bayview vision due to numerous factors: pre-sales of condos, slowed by high interest rates, need to be finalized; securing complex building permits takes a long time; finding qualified tradespeople is a challenge. Being able to build tall, rather than low, is an advantage, especially since floors on the upper levels, which promise dramatic harbour and mountain views, sell for more than the first six or seven floors. “If you can do something that’s elegant, it’s easy to live with,” he says. Victoria Councillor Chris Coleman was one of the seven who voted for the rezoning. He acknowledges the go-ahead proved controversial, with thousands of letters and emails flooding the city on both sides of the issues. But the carrot was the lower-cost rentals and supportive housing. “It’s a balancing act, chasing housing,” Coleman says. The loathing expressed by some over Bayview’s high-rises was misdirected, he adds. Vancouver has 60-storey-plus buildings; at about half that height, Bayview’s 32 floors are preferable to short, squat structures. “It’s about change. When you’re taking on density, you know people can be opposed,” Coleman says

The F&F 2024 is picking up speed under the excellent direction of co-chairs Ralf St. Claire, and Dawson Valgardson. The support committee is working hard and has several new directions to make this show stronger than ever.

The need for 109 club members to assist on show day is critical! You are all encouraged to contact Ralf or Dawson to volunteer if you haven't already done so. Many hands make light work!

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The 50/50 winners in June!



Surprise grab bag winners:

Bill, Ralf, Shawn Driver, Jim Banks, Bruce Somers, and a few others

Ian Gordon won the cash prize of \$62.00 Time to buy him a beer!

The front cover.



*A great addition to the 109 club is this 1946 Ford pickup owned and operated by **Rick Dubois**, spending most days in Sooke. The 46 was a rebuild rescue in Saskatchewan by Rick and his father. A daily driver that is driven every day and still works. Some upgrades are not really visible until you lift the hood or crawl underneath. His Mom is a big fan and frequently joins in on 109 club events!*

Jim Banks reports that his immaculate 1950 Meteor won “Best in Show” at the Millstream Market show. Jim is a great example to us all as he always takes the time to promote the 109 club at every opportunity. Thank you Jim for all you do. Sorry but there are no “Winners” photographs from Millstream, so here’s one from the recent poker run at Berwick at Royal Oak.



A “Hot off the press” update on the 47 Ford Deluxe 8. By Chris Chown

As some of you might know I have been expecting my 47 to be back home in my cozy shop very soon. I am so very happy to report that this has actually happened. I can't say enough about all the superb work, creative craftsmanship and superior technical skills by my very good friends, FRASER KAYE & KATIE HILL, in completing this total rebuild.

Look for me in the passing lane very soon.

Once the fine tuning and inevitable adjustments are complete I will endeavor to write the story of this remarkable undertaking and share it with you all!

Thank you to Fraser & Kate from their home in Nelso, B.C.



VICTORIA'S 2024

SWAP MEET

Sponsored by:



THE AUTOMOTIVE SOCIAL EVENT OF THE YEAR

Sunday, June 23, 2024

Gates open at 7:00 a.m.

Saanich Fairgrounds - 1528 Stellys Cross Road

Autos – Trucks – Parts – Literature – Tools – Collectibles

Admission - \$5.00 per person - Open to the public

Parking - FREE!

Outdoor Stall - \$20.00 - first come, first served - set-up starting 6:30 a.m. Sunday

Early set-up on **Saturday starting at 10 a.m. -- enter grounds via West Gate only.**

Please call for more info.

Food Concessions on Site

Separate area for **Collector Car Show** - bring your car to show while you shop!

For more information contact:

Early Ford V-8
Chris Chown
(250) 595-0312

Victoria Chapter, VCCC
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(250) 514-4468

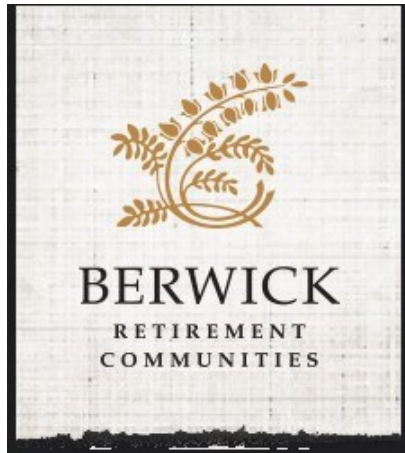
Torque Masters
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The annual swap meet urgently requires your support. If you can help out on show day please register ASAP. Contact Chris Chown 250 595 0312 ASAP. Thank you to those who have already signed up.

Signed up members will receive a phone call this week with time slots and further details.

[Looking forward to seeing you there](#)

June 29th, 2024



Time to say Thank You to Berwick House Shelbourne St. for all the excellent support and consideration extended to the 109 club.

The 109 has been given the opportunity to express our appreciation to the good folks at Berwick House on Saturday June 29th. Start time is 1:30 PM. Finish at approximately 3:00PM.

As most of you know Berwick has been extremely generous to the 109 by providing space and support without fail. This allows us to conduct regular meetings in their theater room, the second Tuesday of every month. The facility is complimentary, and we will express our gratitude by holding a small car show exclusively for residents and staff at Berwick.

This opportunity is a perfect way for 109 to give back in a tangible way that will benefit the good folks at Berwick and the 109 as well.

The following members have stepped forward and we say “Thanks to each of you for your continued support and participation in the EFV8 109.

GARY CLARK

TONY COND

MIKE MORTIMER

JOHN SHEPHERD

GORDIE THOMAS

GARY BARLOW

JIM BANKS

BILL PRITCHARD.

The Ladies page. Good, bad and ??



Anne Bonny this might be the bad one

[Anne Bonny](#) was an Irish pirate who trolled the Caribbean Sea with pirate John (“Calico Jack”) Rackham in the 18th century. Rackham was wise to go against common thinking that women were bad luck on board a ship. Bonny and the crew had a successful run hijacking and pillaging merchant vessels. When they were captured in 1720, Bonny escaped execution because she was pregnant. When she was released, she went to live in South Carolina, where she proceeded to lead the rest of her life in an uneventful domestic fashion.

What retirement is all about!



Dr. Marie Curie A really good one

Clean mathematician and researcher Marie Curie teamed up with her significant other, Pierre, to find two compound components in the occasional table: polonium and radium. This significant work saw that there was a connection between radioactivity and the weighty components of the occasional table and prompted a lot of progression in medication.

Most prominently, it drove the way to the improvement of the x-beam, which permitted interior symbolism to be utilized for finding without the requirement for open a medical procedure, and radiation treatment for treating disease.

During WWI, Marie, and her girl Irene brought versatile X-Beam machines and radiology units to the forefront, which permitted more than 1,000,000 injured troopers to be dealt with. Curie procured a Nobel Prize in Physical science in 1903, but one more in Science in 1911, the solitary lady to have been regarded two times. The Curie Organization in Paris, which she established in 1920, is as yet a significant disease research office today. **Al this was done without a computer**



Betty White- A great lady & alltime favorite.

Betty White, a legendary figure in the world of entertainment, was born on January 17, 1922, in Oak Park, Illinois. With a career spanning more than seven decades, White made significant contributions to television, film, and radio, establishing herself as a beloved icon both nationally and internationally. She had one of the longest running ...more

ANOTHER "PERSONAL EXPERIENCE" STORY

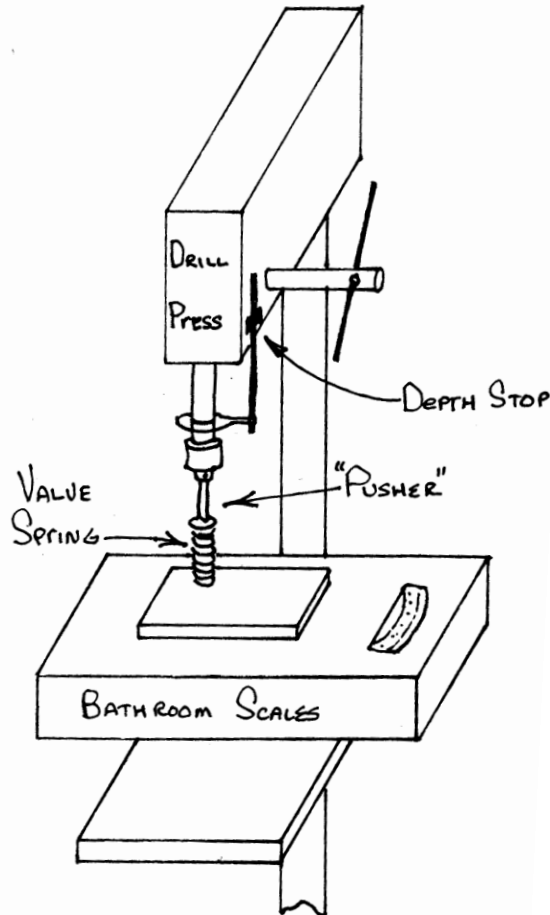
Simple Way to Check Valve Spring Pressure

BY WALLY SKYRMAN, CENTRAL POINT, OREGON

In doing engine overhaul work, it is essential to check the valve springs to see if they still retain the necessary tension on the valve for correct operation. While valve springs are inexpensive they are not always readily available, so if the old ones are re-used, we must check out the old springs. Most of the larger machine shops have commercial spring testers where their frequent use warrants the cost of the machine.

Shown here is one easy way of checking valve spring pressure with equipment that you probably have on hand or can get very easily. The idea is to use the quill of the drill press to push against the spring while the latter is resting on the bathroom scales. Chucked in the drill press is a "pusher" made from a stud, nut, and washer to enable a square push on the spring to be made. The depth stop on the drill press is set when the spring is under tension to minimize shift of the scales under load. Most shop and motor manuals give the dimension to determine the setting of the depth stop, that is, so many pounds of pressure at a specific length of the spring. Once the depth stop is set, it is a simple matter to check all your springs in quick succession.

[Editor's Note: May we suggest that this same set-up can be used to check old clutch springs for proper tension under compression?]





SYNTHETIC OIL VS. CONVENTIONAL OIL.

Conventional oil and **synthetic oil** have distinct characteristics and performance differences:

1. **Base Material:**

- **Conventional oil** (also known as mineral oil) is derived directly from crude oil without significant modification.
- **Synthetic oil** is synthesized from chemical compounds, often using a process called **hydrocracking** or **polyalphaolefin (PAO) synthesis**.

2. **Performance:**

- **Synthetic oil** generally outperforms conventional oil in terms of:
 - **Viscosity stability:** It maintains consistent viscosity across a wide temperature range.
 - **Thermal stability:** It withstands high temperatures without breaking down.
 - **Cold-start performance:** It flows better in cold weather.
 - **Oxidation resistance:** It resists oxidation and sludge formation.
- **Conventional oil** may be more prone to viscosity changes and breakdown under extreme conditions.

3. **Benefits of Synthetic Oil:**

- **Improved engine protection:** Synthetic oil forms a stronger protective film on engine parts.
- **Extended oil change intervals:** Synthetic oil can last longer between changes.
- **Fuel efficiency:** It reduces friction and improves fuel economy.
- **Reduced engine wear:** Better lubrication leads to less wear and tear.
- **Environmentally friendly:** Longer intervals mean less waste oil.

4. **Cost:**

- **Synthetic oil** is usually more expensive upfront but can save money in the long run due to extended change intervals and engine protection.

Remember that the choice between synthetic and conventional oil depends on factors like your vehicle, driving conditions, and manufacturer recommendations. Always consult your vehicle's manual or a trusted mechanic for personalized advice! 😊🚗

The FUN Page.

Paying For His Mistake

A husband and wife had a big argument. Frustrated and fed up, the wife called up her mom and said, "We fought again, I can't do this anymore. I am coming to live with you."

Mom said, "No darling, he must pay for his mistake. I am coming to live with you."

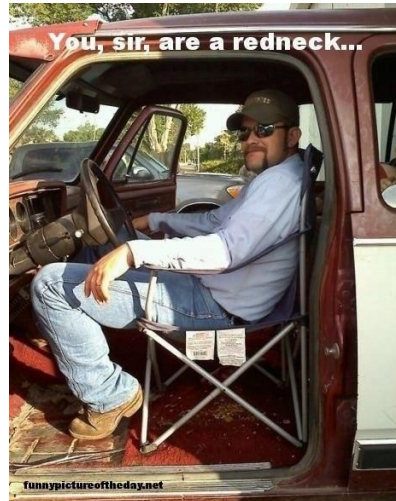
Skydiving

The skydiving instructor was going through the question and answer period with his new students when one of them asked the usual question always asked: "If our chute doesn't open; and the reserve doesn't open, how long would we have till we hit the ground?"

The jump master looked at him and in perfect deadpan answered: "The rest of your life."



Greater Victoria bike lanes project planning.



Are you ready for your next brain exercise?

Answers on the last page if you need them!

Q: How can you drop a raw egg from a height onto a concrete floor without cracking it?

Q: Two fathers and two sons are in a car, yet there are only three people in the car. How?



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WANTED:

A small Eastwood trim anvil with stand, a small [4-6 once] cross pean hammer, and a small Ball pean [4-6 once] trim hammer. I hope to take the dents out of the SS trim on the 49 Merc PU. CONTACT Bruce Somers at 250 478 9951 or Bsomers00@hotmail.com

FOR SALE.



Offering a 1953 Meteor for immediate sale.

Please call Jackson Brainbridge at 250 510 8434

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CDN.**

SOLD

FOR SALE – FRAN RILEY 1947 FORD BUSINESS COUPE.(The latest one)



\$28,000.00 OBO. Please call Fran at 250 888 6654

FOR SALE OR TRADE:

Two brand new water pumps to fit an 8BA flathead. Still in the boxes. Open to offers. Please call Chris at 250 595 0312.

Wanted! Robert Bada is looking for a quality painter to paint his 39 coupee. Willing to pay cash to the right person at the right price. Please call Robert at 250 478 5167.

Wanted. Clutch release throw out bearing and hub assembly for 1949 1951 Ford-Mercury. Please contact Dylan Goddard at dylangoddard@shaw.ca

Wanted. Looking for a complete clutch assembly to fir an early 8N Ford tractor. Please email Chris at cdchown@outlook.com or call 250 595 0312 anytime.

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The 1901 Ford "Sweepstakes" Race.

HENRY FORD'S ONE AND ONLY RACE - THE 1901 SWEEPSTAKES

HENRY FORD WINS HIS ONE AND ONLY RACE VERSUS THE FOREMOST DRIVER OF HIS DAY TO SECURE INVESTORS FOR HIS CAR COMPANY.

In 1901 the automobile industry was in its infancy, with cars viewed as expensive novelties for the wealthy, not unlike the very high-end, luxury cars of today. The public imagination largely associated automobiles with the car races that had begun to appear, with their unique constellations of high-speed vehicles designed for amusement. Most people could not dream of purchasing an automobile and still relied on other forms of transportation in their daily lives.

Henry Ford wished to transform this situation by mass-producing practical, reliable, and affordable cars accessible to everyone. He felt that someone should move the fledgling yet quickly growing automotive industry in this direction and wanted to be the one to do it. Ford could not, however, attract investors to pursue his vision of the mass-market car. He was not yet well-known outside of Detroit, and his first venture in car manufacturing, the Detroit Automobile Company, had dissolved in 1900.

To remedy this situation, Ford turned to the world of automobile racing. Car races were hugely popular and generated positive press for the winners. Automotive companies and engineers often demonstrated the superiority of their ideas through the winning machines they entered into these race cars. Thus it was that despite having no experience in racing, Ford and his associates decided to enter a "sweepstakes" race at the 1-mile oval of the Grosse Pointe Race Track. As Ford himself put it, "I never thought anything of racing, but the public refused to consider the automobile in any light other than a fast toy. Therefore later [that is, some time after the founding of the Detroit Automobile Company] we had to race."

Ford's opponent in this race was none other than Henry Winton, the foremost automobile racer in the country and heavily favored to win. To beat Winton, Ford and associates began work on the what was to become known as the Ford 1901 "Sweepstakes" car, named for this particular style of race. The Sweepstakes was technologically advanced, featuring an early form of fuel injection, a two-cylinder engine, handmade porcelain insulated spark coils (a forerunner to the spark plug), and an estimated 26 horse power. The car was recorded at 72 miles per hour over a half mile, beating the existing world record of 65.79 miles per hour.

On October 10, 1901 the ten-lap race was held at the Grosse Pointe Race Track. The crowd was behind Ford since he was the hometown boy from Detroit and Winton was from nearby Cleveland. Ford himself operated the car with Ed "Spider" Huff as the mechanical assistant. After three laps, Winton had pulled ahead by nearly 300 meters. As Ford became more comfortable driving, he began to gain ground, especially on the straightaways to the crowds growing encouragement. By the sixth lap, he had significantly cut into Winton's lead

further stirring the home crowd. At this point, Winton's car began to experience serious mechanical trouble with smoke visibly billowing from its exhausts. Ford's unique use of porcelain insulators and his fuel injection system in the Sweepstakes engine, however, was designed precisely to prevent this difficulty.

As a result, in the eighth lap, Ford took the lead for good, defeating the favored Winton to an ecstatic home crowd. One fan threw his hat up and when it came down he stamped on it. Another stood up in her seat ... screamed "I'd bet \$50 on Ford if I had it." Immediately after the race Ford retired from race-driving, stating "Once is enough." Against all odds, the unknown engineer had nevertheless defeated the world's greatest race car driver.

Ford's victory demonstrated his ability as an engineer and made him famous enough to receive financial backing. In 1903, eighteen months after the race, Henry founded the Ford Motor Company and put his dream of making a mass-produced automobile into action - something made possible by his one and only race, the 1901 Sweepstakes.

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- 2 They are grandfather, father, and son.

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