

Early Ford V8 Club #109



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Contributions always appreciated.

*Regular club meetings will continue at Saanich
Baptist Church 4347 Wilkinson Id/*

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – January 10th, 2023

Start time 7:00 PM

THE EXECUTIVE CREW 2022



LEFT TO RIGHT.

**JIM BANKS TREASURER, AL WILLS SECRETARY,
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2023 109 club agenda and events.

Updates via email as they occur.

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
January 10	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 9:00
January 10	Annual General Meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 7:30
February 14	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 9:00
March 14	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 9:00
April 11	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 9:00
April 15	Shop Tour	Gord Allberg	TBA
May 9	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 9:00
May 27	Shop Tour	Details TBA	TBA
June 13	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist	7:00 – 9:00

		4347 Wilkinson	
July 11	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 9:00
July 16	Fords & Friends	Details TBA	TBA
July 27	Departure for Hot August Nights	Details TBA	TBA
August 19	Annual 109 club BBQ	Details TBA	TBA
September 9	Shop tour	Details TBA	TBA
September 12	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 9:00
October 10	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 9:00
October 14	Shop tour	Details TBA	TBA
November 14	Regular meeting	Saanich Baptist 4347 Wilkinson	7:00 – 9:00
December 16	Christmas Luncheon	Details TBA	TBA

Presidents Message.



As I close out my term as President, I wish to inform you all that I do so with a great amount of satisfaction and appreciation to each one of you. I am sincerely grateful for all that you have done to help me muddle through all of it.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve such a great club and become good with hundreds of fantastic people.

The 109 is certainly the envy of several other clubs and I encourage everyone to continue far into the foreseeable future.

Cheers, Chris Chown 250 595 0312 anytime.



Early Ford V8 Club R.G. # 109

Meeting Minutes December 11, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 2:37 PM by President Chown at the Central Baptist Church 7577 Wallace Drive Central Saanich, BC.

Opening Remarks: The President welcomed everyone and new members. He welcomed everyone to our 'daylight' meeting, held as an experiment to see how it works out for the membership.

Agenda as Distributed: Moved: Gary Nordstrom/Keith Smith - Carried.

November 8, 2022, Meeting Minutes: Moved Tony Cond/Bruce Somers - Carried.

Business Arising:

- Update on 109 Donations - President Chris gave an update on donations, which have totaled \$5500.00 for 2022 – letters of appreciation have been received.
- 2023 Dues - The President reminded that memberships are due by January 30, 2023. Please contact Jane Thomas ASAP.
- The President updated the nomination process, he will be stepping down effective January 31st, 2023, Vice President Mike Mortimer will take over the chair until a new President is elected.
 - o No nominations have been received for the Secretary position – Al wishes to step down, however will keep the website duties if preferred.

Correspondence:

- Gary Clarke updated the membership on the sale of the '39 Ford, which was sold through the listing in Rumbles, the seller was most appreciative
- Mike Hepple has advised that the '46 has been sold to a buyer in Florida.

Treasurer's Report: December 2022 – Treasurer Jim Banks is away on holidays; Vice President Mike Mortimer reported the balances.

- Moved Bruce Somers/Jim Jennings to accept the Treasurer's report – Carried.

Committee Reports:

- Auto Shop Program – Bruce updated the membership on the program of providing bursaries to Hight School Shop programs in the Victoria area. He has high hopes for the Auto Body program at Vic High.

Guests Speakers:

- We one new prospect Dentex on Princess Avenue in Victoria.

New Business:

- In House Auction – The President announced the project is now complete, with sales of \$200.00 the winners will be announced soon. There are some left-over items.
 - Fords & Friends Open Discussion – The President opened the floor to discussions on the 2023 show, he began by outlining the situation with Heritage acres and the difficulties we are having getting a firm commitment we can live with.
- Discussion from the Floor:
 - From Al Wills – this is a question of leadership, if we do not have chair(s), then discussion is moot, we cannot go forward. Once we have leadership, they can guide us through whether we want the show and/or what we want to do to change anything.
 - From Keith Smith – The negotiations must be done as a ‘Win/Win’ for both sides, we need to be a partnership with Heritage Acres. If they want a per head charge, then they should be collecting it.
 - From the floor -perhaps it’s time to look at another location.
 - From the floor - Heritage Acres is a wonderful facility, great other activities for the rest of the family, lots of shade, lots of great parking spots.
 - From Tony Cond – the washroom facilities were unacceptable – this must be rectified in the future.
 - From Don Friebe – The washroom renovations are now complete.
 - Perhaps pre-registration should be considered and/or a cap on entries
 - From Dave Wallace – Heritage acres is a public park; they may not be acting in the best interests of the residents of Central Saanich.
 - From the floor – perhaps a price hike needs to be considered!
- The President closed the discussions with thanks.

Meeting Time/Venue – Discussion on daytime meetings – many members indicated that they cannot attend Sunday meetings. Most favoured the Tuesday evening time/location. Many were not in favour of the Central Saanich location as it is too far for most members – members from Sooke had to drive an hour to get there today.

It was hoped for a few day time meetings during this time of early darkness, however, most agreed evenings worked out best.

The President announced that Jane Thomas has received a special award from the VCCC – Congratulations to her – the membership gave a round of applause.

AGM Meeting Information Update

- The AGM must be rescheduled as we do not have a complete year-end financial information and complete executive slate. This info is required for our registration as a BC Society with the BC Registry. We hope to file by the end of January.
 - Treasurer Jim Banks will stay on for another term.

BUY & Sell Wanted/Needed:

- Gary Clarke looking for a 6v starter with an alignment notch.

Call to Adjourn / 50/50: The meeting was adjourned at 8:21PM with the 50/50 draw.

- Chris Chown, Al Wills and Don Friebe won Goodie Bags with gas cards
- Darryl Randolph and Bill Pritchard and Frances won Goodie bags
- Lynn Hamilton and Darryl Randolph (again!) – each won the cash prize.

Coffee, sandwiches, and treats arranged superbly by Carol and Mike Mortimer.

Minutes recorded by Al Wills December 11, 2022.

Please notify Al Wills of any errors or omissions.

Club News



The following information updates have been provided free of charge by several 109 club members. Thank you to everyone who submitted items to Rumbles.

Please send any updates you would like to share with the 109 membership. Phone if you prefer. Thanks in advance, Chris

A catch up on the owl nesting box presented to Rose and Norrie Spencer by the EFV8 RG 109.





August 2021 at the annual EFV8 109 club BBQ, Rose and Norrie Spencer are presented with an Owl nesting box. The box was designed and built by Rob Vanzella and Deanna Pfeifer at Rob's multi purpose home workshop. Several of these boxes have been mounted throughout lower Vancouver Island to strengthen and grow the local owl population.



Recently mounted at Rosemead Farms on a Douglas Fir tree at a height of about 30 feet. It is expected that this nesting box will soon be occupied by a barred owl

Barred owls are generalists, meaning that they will eat a variety of different prey. Their most frequent prey species are voles, mice, rats, shrews, squirrels, rabbits,

bats, weasels, moles, opossums, quails, doves, grouse, crayfish, frogs, turtles, and chickens or ducks. Small prey is killed and swallowed whole when the owl catches it. Larger prey is carried to a perch before being eaten in pieces.

Our thanks go out to Rose and Norrie for being such great 109 members and hosting the annual club BBQ.

HOT AUGUST NIGHTS ROAD TRIP

BY: GARY & ANN MARIE CLARKE.



MORE THAN JUST A CAR SHOW

HOT AUGUST NIGHTS

[Hot August Nights | Celebrating Classic Cars and Rock N' Roll](#)

GARY CLARKE is seeking interest from 109 members who might like to join in for a group road trip to Reno Nevada in summer 2023. The destination is the Hot August Nights event running through August 1 to 6. Departure date from Victoria would be July 27 with a 3-night 4-day travel schedule. Same return plan after the show.

Gary has made this trip several times in the past and offers considerable insight for great stop overs and accommodations. You don't have to drive or bring a classic car on the trip, and you are more than welcome to join in with your regular driver.

If you are interested and would like to have more information please call Gary at 250 652 9823 or email at monty57@telus.net.

Hope to see you join in and enjoy a terrific adventure.



2 photos taken before presenting the 109 donation. Kids where all over the 42 pickups honking horns and getting photos taken. Made some mothers there very happy that day. Rick's 80 year old mom Claudette is sitting in the truck missing in the photo but enjoyed participating.

Shawn,



Recently Shawn Driver along with a few EFV8 club members had the great pleasure of delivering our donation of \$1,000 to the Ukrainian Safe Haven in East Sooke. The day proved to be loads of fun for everyone attending and we are pleased that some of the club funds will go to another very needy cause.

Thank you to Shawn Driver and his team for making this happen.

FROM THE DESK OF GARY CLARKE – DEC 17, 2022.

I had a conversation with Tom Flegel, and he has a need to collect a lot of tools, fasteners, wire, wire connectors, nuts, bolts and washers. He also is looking for the following. 3/4-inch impact sockets, Pry bars, Electrical testing equipment, Air tools, 3/8 drive swivel sockets, Wrenches over 1 inch, Screw drivers, Crescent Wrenches, Vise Grips, Hammers, Pliers, Punches, Electric angle grinders, Bench grinder, Trouble light, light stand, Vise, Tool trolley, Floor jack, bottle jacks and jack stands. and I'm sure much more.

Tom also mentioned that he needs to buy a new Tire machine for mounting and balancing tires. He told me that his tools were not covered with insurance, and that all his equipment melted in the fire.

PLEASE LOOK IN YOU SHOP, CRAWL SPACE, ATTIC OR UNDER THE MASTER BED AND SEE IF YOU CAN SPARE ANYTHIG THAT CAN HELP TOM AND HIS FAMILY, IN THE NAME OF THE EFV8 CLUB.

Anyone wanting to donate, contact Gary Clarke phone 250 652 9823. email monty57@telus.net.

I will pickup, sort and deliver to Thomas Fleger. Anyone wanting to help in this endeavour please contact me. If anyone has something that isn't on the list that they think might be helpful, please call Gary

Cheers, Gary

Three days after Thom Flegel's family business — Bowser Automotive — went up in flames, his fiancée, Grace McMahon, gave birth to a baby girl.

Undeterred, they called the baby Poppy Jane Phoenix Flegel, determined to see the business rise, phoenix-like, from the ashes of the Dec. 6 fire.

"It's crazy because at about 9:50 on the 6th the fire had started, and on the 9th about 9:50 we were holding baby," Flegel said. "It's the only thing that's kept my hope."

They face many hurdles, however, starting with damage to the trailer the family lived in behind the business, which included an Esso gas station. For the time being, the new parents and baby are staying in his mother's motor home.

"[The trailer] is going to need to be either repaired or replaced," said Flegel. "The fire department was able to keep it, so the fire didn't burn the trailer down."

Boxes of diapers and other baby things are no longer usable, and "years and years of tools" are gone, he said.

Both the trailer and business, which has been in the family for over 30 years, are insured, but Flegel, 29, said getting the business back to the way it will take considerably more than they will receive from the insurance.

He said he was alerted to the fire last Tuesday when he got a call from the alarm company about motion in one of the repair bays. He went to investigate, and found the bay filled with smoke.

He realized a tow truck was on fire and took an extinguisher to it. "It looked like it might actually stop and then it just flared back up," Flegel said.

The fire took off after that. The cause and origin are still under investigation.

Fortunately, there are still two intact tow trucks so he can continue to provide some of the services the business has provided over the years, including mechanical work, towing and welding.

Flegel said he feels awful for his nine employees, and for the fact that the business is a big part of his mother's retirement plans.

"It's just absolutely brutal," he said. "I feel responsible for all these employees, and it's Christmastime."

He said the business had just been crowned champion of the local Christmas-light contest before the fire.

Flegel said he has been around the shop most of his life — his first job as a 10- or 11-year-old was pressure-washing the tow trucks and cleaning the shop floors.

From there, he earned his red-seal tickets in welding and automotive mechanics and took over the operation when his father died a couple of years ago.

Deborah Nicol, who has organized an [online fundraiser](#) to help the young family get back in its feet, said the business has been an important part of the community, located about 20 kilometres north of Qualicum Beach, and is known for its personalized service.

"The stories of community members being helped out of precarious positions with Bowser Towing, to the pride and professionalism of a red-seal mechanic who went the extra mile to ensure the safety of the people in our community are a testament to this iconic business," she said on the online fundraising page.

"We ask you to rally around the Flegel family, who have often come to you in your times of need. The monies from this fundraiser will help the family to begin again."

The reaction from the community and all the support the family has been getting in the aftermath of the fire have been overwhelming, Flegel said.

"It means a lot to us, and it's been such a help."

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Let's get this and help out as much as we can. That's what good islanders do for each other. Chris Chown.

Visit this great website at www.naacc.ca

You are an affiliate member through the EFV8 109. 2023 membership cards will be delivered early in the new year.

A quick word about liability insurance for the 109.

Our club will renew insurance coverage with the National Association of Automobile Clubs of Canada for the year 2023. There are a few changes including cost but nothing prohibitive. Working with NAACC is the best choice we have for the best possible coverage for all our members as well as extensive coverage for the club directors and officers. A full description of the critical items is attached for your personal review.

If you have any questions please give me a call. Chris Chown 250 595 0312 anytime.



Gordie's Walkabout.



If you can't guess where this is ask Gordie.

Gordie Thomas is an avid hiker who enjoys extensive walks throughout the Capital Regional District on a weekly basis. The walks are usually focused on parks, nature trails, shorelines, and older residential neighborhoods. There never seems to be a shortage of interesting, unusual places to explore or photograph. The events take place in all sorts of weather

lasting for a few hours, and sometimes include a coffee break at a local coffee shop/snack bar. This is not only a great pastime, but it produces excellent cardio benefits as well and best of all it's absolutely free. Gordie is happy to share information on any of the walks with you and will be a regular feature of the Rumbles in the future.

Please say hello to Gordie and let him know what you think and include any spots that you thinks he would like to see. Lots more to come!

The Ladies Page!



Joy Adamson (Jan. 20, 1910-Jan. 3, 1980)

Joy Adamson was a noted conservationist and author who lived in Kenya in the 1950s. After her husband, a game warden, shot and killed a lioness, Adamson rescued one of the orphaned cubs. She later wrote *Born Free* about raising the cub, named Elsa, and releasing her back to the wild. The book was an international best-seller and earned Adamson acclaim for her conservation

efforts.



Françoise Barre-Sinoussi (Born July 30, 1947)

French biologist Françoise Barre-Sinoussi helped identify HIV as the cause of AIDS. She shared the Nobel Prize in 2008 with her mentor, Luc Montagnier, for their discovery of the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

Potential headache ahead.

Fun quiz for the deep thinkers and head scratchers in the 109.

If you are stuck, you will find the answers on the last page.

1. Two boxers are in a match scheduled for 12 rounds. (Pure boxing only. There are no kicking or takedowns). One of the boxers gets knocked out after only six rounds, yet no man throws a punch. How is this possible?

2. I have a large money box, 10 inches wide and 5 inches tall. Roughly how many coins can I place until my money box is no longer empty?

3. What tastes better than it smells?

TECH TALK

If you have any technical issues you would like to share, please submit to the Rumbles editor. Questions, suggestions welcome.

THE FORD FLATHEAD - JUST IN CASE YOU FORGOT!

The **Ford flathead V8** (often called simply the **Ford flathead**, **flathead Ford**, or **flatty** when the context is implicit, such as in [hot-rodding](#)) is a [V8 engine](#) with a [flat cylinder head](#) designed by the [Ford Motor Company](#) and built by Ford and various licensees. During the engine's first decade of production, when [overhead-valve](#) engines were used by only a small minority of makes, it was usually known simply as the **Ford V-8**, and the first car model in which it was installed, the [Model 18](#), was (and still is) often called simply the "Ford V-8", [after its new engine](#). Although the [V8 configuration was not new](#) when the Ford V8 was introduced in 1932, the latter was a market first in the respect that it made an 8-[cylinder](#) affordable and a [V engine](#) affordable to the emerging [mass market](#) consumer for the first time. It was the first independently designed and built [V8 engine produced by Ford for mass production](#), and it ranks as one of the company's most important developments.^[1] A fascination with ever-more-powerful engines was perhaps the most salient aspect of the American car and truck market for a half century, from 1923 [until 1973](#). The engine was intended to be used for big passenger cars and trucks;^[2] it was installed in such (with minor, incremental changes)^[3] until 1953, making the engine's 21-year production run for the U.S. consumer market longer than the 19-year run of the [Ford Model T engine](#)^[3] for that market. The engine was on [Ward's list of the 10 best engines of the 20th century](#). It was a staple of hot rodders in the 1950s, and it remains famous in the [classic car](#) hobbies even today, despite the huge variety of other popular V8s that followed.

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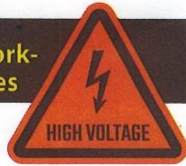
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IF IT SAYS:

IT REALLY MEANS:

Rare model.....	Nobody liked them when new either
Older restoration.....	Can't tell it's been restored
Needs engine work.....	It's been frozen for 30 years
Uses no oil.....	Just throws it out
No rust.....	Body and fenders missing
Rough.....	It's too bad to lie about
One owner.....	Never been able to sell
No time to complete.....	Can't find parts anywhere
Needs interior.....	Seats are gone
Rebuilt engine.....	Has new spark plugs
May run.....	But it never has
Low mileage.....	Third time around
Many new parts.....	Keeps breaking down
29 coats hand-rubbed paint....	Needed that much to cover rust
Clean.....	It sat out in the rain yesterday
Best offer.....	About what I expect to get
Always driven slowly.....	Won't go any faster
Prize winner.....	Hard luck trophy 3 times in a row
Stored 25 years.....	Under a tree
Real show stopper.....	Orange with purple fenders
Easy restoration.....	Parts will come off in your hand
Ready to show.....	Just washed it
Top good.....	Only leaks when it rains
Good investment.....	Can't depreciate any more

Potential hazards of working with electric vehicles



- the presence of high voltage components and cabling capable of delivering a fatal electric shock.
- the storage of electrical energy with the potential to cause explosion or fire.
- components that may retain a dangerous voltage even when a vehicle is switched off.
- electric motors or the vehicle itself may move unexpectedly due to magnetic forces within the motors.
- the potential for the release of explosive gases and harmful liquids if batteries are damaged or incorrectly modified.
- the possibility of people being unaware of vehicles moving as when electrically driven they are silent in operation.
- the potential for the electrical systems on the vehicle to affect medical devices such as pacemakers.



Craig Van Batenburg, founder of Automotive Career Development Center (ACDC) in Worcester, Mass., addresses an AIA event.

holes should be done every time you're going to put them on. Just cuff the end and squeeze to increase the pressure inside the glove. If air escapes, those holes will allow a current leak.

When it comes to your preparation for work on hybrid and plug-in electric vehicles, nothing comes ahead of proper education about how to avoid fatal risks.

"What techs need is safety training. Without that, they can get themselves in a lot of trouble. There's a lot of stuff you can do wrong," said Van Batenburg. "But he doesn't want his students to be afraid. He wants them to be confident around electricity. "You have to get them over their fear. People can't learn when they're afraid."

He says the aftermarket is waking up to the inevitability of an electric future... but they can start their training now, and ease into the complex work.

"If you stay away from cars that plug in the wall, the repair work is easier, safer, simpler, and more cost-effective. That's where the money is right now. The cars are all around you. They need work," he said. "Once you've gained the hybrid market and you feel you're really good at that, then add cars that plug into the wall." ■

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COMPLIMENTS OF JIM BANKS.

Why Jay Leno's steam car caused a gasoline fire

Yes, steamers (sometimes) run on gas. And kerosene, and naphtha, and many other combustibles

[Daniel Strohl](#)

11/16/2022



Screenshot from Jay Leno's garage

As we've all learned this week, following Jay Leno's widely reported incident with a steam car that left part of his face burned, steam cars often use gasoline to fire the boilers that produce the motivating steam. However, that wasn't always the case, with gasoline coming and going out of fashion for steam car operators over the years and with some steam cars even fitted for burning multiple types of fuel.

Multiple outlets reported early this week that Leno, the former "The Tonight Show" host who currently showcases his and others' cars via his CNBC show "Jay Leno's Garage," suffered burns to his face on Saturday while clearing a clogged fuel line on a White steam car, one of several steamers in Leno's collection. Leno has told [Variety](#) that he is fine and "just need a week or two to get back on my feet."

The reports raised a number of questions among enthusiasts about the fuels used in steam cars. Even though steam cars are considered external combustion, do

they still require gasoline? Weren't kerosene and other fuels also used to fire the boilers?

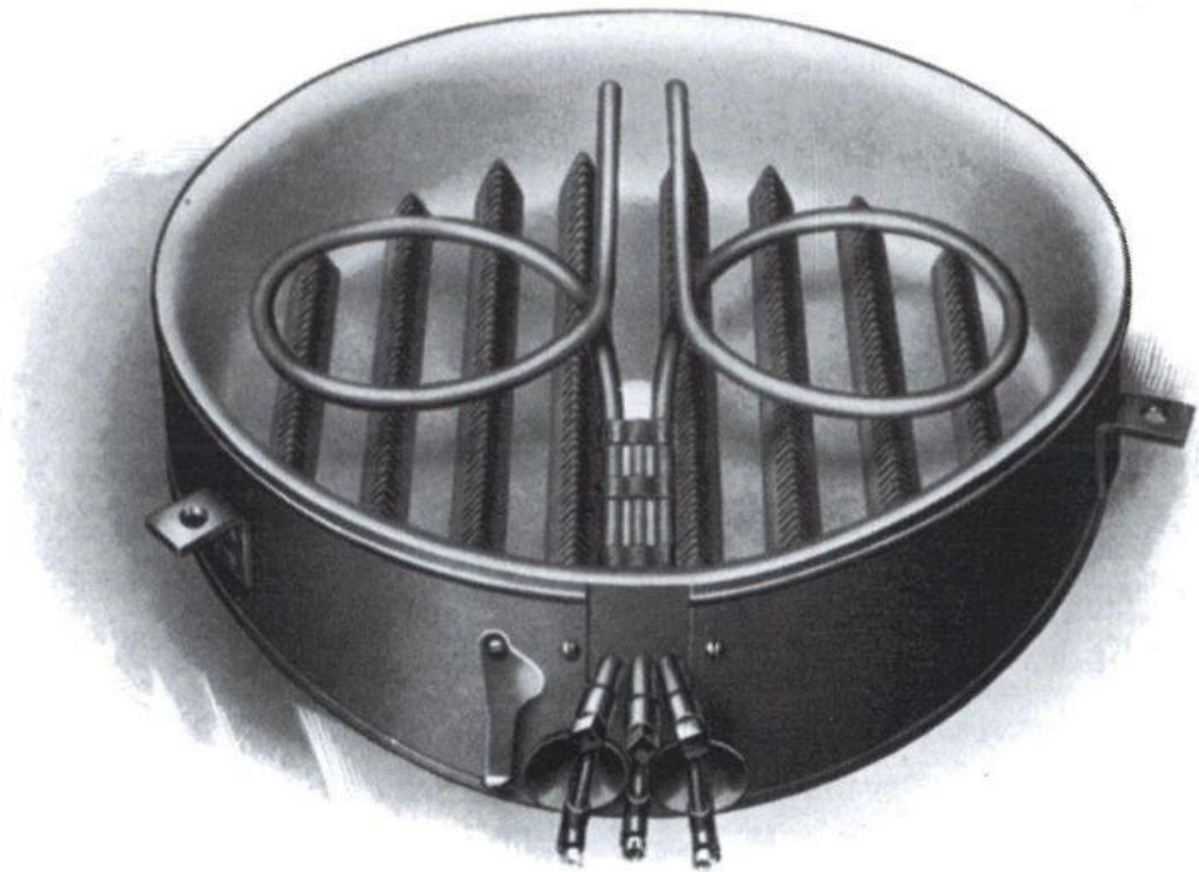
Yes and yes, according to [Stanley Museum](#) Archivist Jim Merrick, who noted that prior to 1910, Stanley cars used gasoline as both main fuel and fuel for the pilot burner. The Stanley twins, in fact, had pioneered not only the commercially viable steam car but also the use of liquid fuel - in their case, gasoline, at the time a byproduct of kerosene distillation that was widely available at drugstores for use in lighting lamps - in a steam car's operation. Prior to the Stanleys, steam automobiles used wood, as seen in the [operation of the 1769 Cugnot fardier a vapeurfardier a vapeur](#), or more commonly coal, as was the case with [Sylvester Roper's Boston-based experiments](#) in steam power.

That's not to say the Stanleys' decision to use gasoline was universally adopted thereafter. Leon Serpollet, the French steam-car pioneer, discarded coal for a fuel source in favor of kerosene - also known in many parts of the world as paraffin. While gasoline remained relatively inexpensive at the turn of the twentieth century and was known to vaporize easily, making it suitable for use in a steam car, kerosene was even cheaper and perhaps more widely available and offered higher BTU output, though it was known for an unpleasant odor and for incomplete burning, leading to sooty deposits that could clog the burner's jets. That said, as Lord Montagu of Beaulieu and Anthony Build wrote in [their 1971 book on steam cars](#), gasoline had one major drawback over kerosene as a fuel for steam cars: the potential for blow-backs and flare-ups.

This not infrequently happened when running downhill using no steam with the main fire shut off so that when the diaphragm valve re-opened, the fire did not re-light and the vapor liquefied in the cooled burner and flooded the fire-box with petrol, which then flared up when the driver tried to relight the burner. Paraffin burners were prime to similar misbehaviour, it is true, but the risk of a serious blaze was less great.

Experienced Stanley owners soon became accustomed to the routine of shutting off the fuel lines to main and pilot burners, throwing open the bonnet and just waiting for the flames to die down; but there is no denying that the spectacle was thoroughly disconcerting to the ordinary bystander.

In fact, as they later expanded, the gasoline-fired type of steam car "did not sell in France where there was official objection to it because of the fire risk (which was probably exaggerated) and where, in some departments, it was illegal to operate." Similarly, "this propensity to flare up in public... led many ferries and most public garages to insist that steam cars must be manhandled with their fires extinguished."



Stanley burner, showing vaporizer and mixing tubes. A slotted cast-iron plate completely encased. In effect a huge bunsen burner, giving perfect combustion

The 1914 dual-fuel kerosene burner for Stanley steam cars. Image from the Stanley Museum Archives, via Kit Foster

However, as Kit Foster wrote in his book, "[The Stanley Steamer: America's Legendary Steam Car](#)," once the Model T and the electric starter secured the internal combustion engine's lead over steam and electrics in the early automobile industry, gasoline - the fuel of choice for ICE vehicles became far more expensive than kerosene. Steam cars, though not primarily motivated by liquid fuels, were widely known to be less fuel efficient than internal combustion vehicles, so to balance out the costs, even the Stanleys switched from gasoline to kerosene for their burners, claiming that by doing so, their customers could reduce the cost of fuel by "more than half."

Even those Stanley owners who initially refused to convert to kerosene found that the introduction of leaded gasoline in the mid-1920s led to lead deposits that plugged the vaporizer and burner jets, so many of the holdouts converted to kerosene-fuels burners by that point. However, the pilots were still fueled by gasoline, and as Foster wrote, "that still left a problem with lead deposits in the pilot nozzles, which some owners circumvented by using one of the few unleaded

gasolines available, Amoco premium or marine 'white gas.' Others used naphtha or mineral spirits."

Nowadays, according to Foster and Merrick, it's not uncommon for Stanley operators to use gasoline or kerosene as the main fuel (depending on whether their cars are so equipped) and either hexane or Coleman fuel for the pilot fuel. Montagu and Build, who wrote their book [during a brief renaissance for steam power](#), noted that contemporary steam engines "could be made to function on fuels as diverse as eau-de-Cologne or powdered camel dung." Even running gasoline requires constant maintenance, as Montagu and Build wrote. "The vaporizer gradually lost efficiency as hard gums and varnishes were deposited on the inside of the pipes under the intense heat, and the multiplicity of tiny jets required more frequent cleaning than they usually got."

As for the fire in Leno's garage, nothing in the media reports suggests that the abovementioned flare-ups had anything to do with the fire in Leno's garage. Rather, [TMZ](#) reported that it happened while he was working on a 1907 White 30hp steamer, a [Cleveland-built](#) car that used gasoline rather than kerosene for both its main and its pilot fuel. In the [episode of Jay Leno's Garage focusing on the 1907 White](#) (included above), Leno confirmed that it remained gasoline-fueled. Foster speculates that if Leno was using compressed air to clean out the fuel line, perhaps during the necessary cleaning of the vaporizer jets, "the resultant spray would have been nicely atomized flammable fog" that any stray spark could have easily ignited.

Buy & Sell.



WANTED BY GARY CLARKE:



6 Volt starter to fit an 8BA flathead. Looking for the design that has a three-bolt attachment with one through an outside edge lip. Does not have to be in working order.

Please call Gary at 250 652 9823 or email directly at monty57@telus.

FOR SALE. VIC NORDSTROM.



1941 TUDOR. ALL ORIGINAL AND READY TO GO AS A DAILY DRIVER.

OPEN TO OFFERS FROM 109 CLUB MEMBERS FIRST.

CONTACT VIC AT 250 589 5631

OR 250 652 5631.

An exceptional offer on a great original.

1940 Ford coupe for sale. \$55,000 C

1940 Ford for sale. Information is courtesy of Nanaimo VCCC Member Clay Thompson.

This car is a great find, local car, Clay.

Frame off restoration 1700 miles ago. Contact Fred De Marco demarcofred@gmail.com



FOR SALE: 1955 PONTIAC 2 DOOR HAEDTOP. \$22,000 C



This beautiful 55 is up for sale by club member KEITH SMITH.. Extensive high quality restoration on a rare true classic. If you are interested please call Keith at 250 479 3618 or email at smithks@shaw.ca

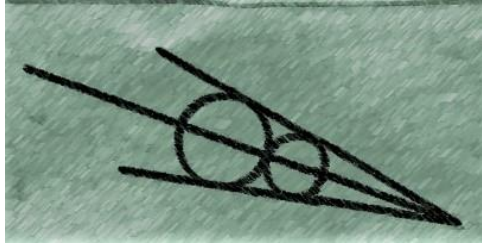
A Classic 1939 Ford 4 Door. Asking \$18,000 CAD.



- ✓ 1939 Ford deluxe sedan owned since 2008
- ✓ Car has 40 Ford Headlight buckets to facilitate front turn signals
- ✓ One professional repaint done in 2012
- ✓ Original interior original flathead V-8 on comer tires.
- ✓ 6 V optima battery runs and drives solid.
- ✓ First year of hydraulic brakes new master cylinder installed in 2020
- ✓ Open to serious offers more pictures and video available upon request.

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EARLY FORD V8 CLUB RG #109.

AUCTION FINAL RESULTS (SO FAR)

CLOSING DATE FINAL IS OCT 31/22



**Craftsman portable air compressor.
2-HP, 17 gallon with hoses. Some damage on cover case.**



Three-ton jack – good roller. Alltrade professional



Heavy duty jack stands. Two ratchet types and two lever lock. Sold as a full set only

Sears Craftsman **portable** sandblaster system



Sears Best Craftsman Spray Gun



Last one of a world-famous transmission collection. Needs a good home. Open to any reasonable offer. Test drive available in your own vehicle anytime, UDOIT. Will paint it if needed.



Who doesn't want a near perfect collect of **6 volt** Ford coils. Eight in total. Just think how good this will look on your fireplace mantle.



A great engine stand for your spare flathead. Works great and could be painted in a colour of your choice for a small additional fee. Pink is not allowed of course!



Northeast amber slow lites. 6 Volt exterior mounts. Original unused still in the display packaging.

FOR SALE: 1947 FORD FOUR DOOR.



Beautiful daily driver offered by FRED KROENING. Owner since 1985. Body off restoration with multiple upgrades and refurbishing. Built in Windsor Ontario.

A few of the features.

- 1. 8BA with solid lifters, shaved heads, new cam, excellent compression.***
- 2. 3 Spd. Transmission has been refreshed with some gears, washers new clutch***
- 3. Rear end is 8" stock.***
- 4. Tires a 15" new black walls Bias ply design***
- 5. New upholstery kit installed, as well as a new headliner.***
- 6. Body is in excellent shape – no rust! High quality black paint.***

For further information please contact FRES KROENING AT 250 478 6046 OR EMAIL if you prefer at fredtk@shaw.ca anytime.

An excellent daily driver for years to come. ASKING \$19,000.00 C.

2022 Committees:



“Always glad to have your help!!”

DON'T BE SHY, STEP UP ANYTIME.

THERE'S ALWAYS ROOM FOR YOU.

Name	Lead Hands	Supporting members	Date Formed.
Fords & Friends 2023	Vacant	Primary Committee, TBA	ANNUAL
High School Shop Awards	Bruce Somers	Appointed by Bruce S.	Oct 2019
Newsletter	Chris Chown	all members	2014
Tours	Gary Clarke Chris Chown	All welcome	2016
Phone Committee	Norrie Spencer, Dave Wallace, Bob Mortimer	As needed	Jurassic period
Website development	<i>Al Wills</i>	Chris Chown	2017
Membership	Jane Thomas	Lew Williams	2022
Christmas Luncheon	Rob Vanzella Deanna Pfeifer	Chris Chown Mike Mortimer	2020
50/50 Refreshments	Mike Mortimer	John Shepherd	2017
Community Liaison	Lew Williams	As needed.	2018

The History Spot.

One of the stranger objects on display at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, Michigan is a vial containing the last breath of Ford's idol and former employer Thomas Edison. As the great inventor was dying, Ford convinced Edison's son to sit beside Edison's bed a glass test-tube, then capture his last breath and seal the tube with a cork.



During World War I, Ford took to the skies when he founded the Ford Airplane Company. While the company didn't achieve the success Ford had hoped, it did create the sturdy and now-iconic Ford Tri-Motor airplane, which was produced between 1928 and 1933. A Ford Tri-Motor even appears in "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom."



Fun Facts About Thomas Edison

- His middle name was Alva and his family called him Al.
- His first two kids had the nicknames Dot and Dash.
- He set up his first lab in his parent's basement at the age of 10.
- He was partially deaf.
- His first invention was an electric vote recorder.
- His 1093 patents are the most on record.

Time for a little Aesop

The Two Goats

Two Goats, frisking gayly on the rocky steeps of a mountain valley, chanced to meet, one on each side of a deep chasm through which poured a mighty mountain torrent. The trunk of a fallen tree formed the only means of crossing the chasm, and on this not even two

squirrels could have passed each other in safety. The narrow path would have made the bravest tremble. Not so our Goats. Their pride would not permit either to stand aside for the other.

One set her foot on the log. The other did likewise. In the middle they met horn to horn. Neither would give way, and so they both fell, to be swept away by the roaring torrent below.

It is better to yield than to come to misfortune through stubbornness.

JUST FOR FUN

Rib Ticklers at last....

A guy looking in the classified for a used car...

sees a new Corvette listed for \$50. Thinking it's a misprint, he decides to go check it out anyway. Arriving at the sellers residence, it's a dream car, not a scratch on it and it runs great.

"Ma'am, I want to buy this car. But the paper said it was only \$50, what do you really want for it?"

"That's right, \$50 and it's yours!"

"Excuse me for being nosy, ma'am, but why are you selling it so cheap? Is it stolen or something?"

"No, it's my husbands car. He ran off with his young secretary last month, and two days ago I got a telegram from him saying to sell the Corvette and send him the money!"

A drummer needed a car, but only had \$200

A drummer desperately needed a car, any car, to get to work, but he only had \$200. He called his friend who owned a used car lot and explained the situation.

"You're in luck," the friend told the drummer. "I've got a brand new Jaguar. Runs great. Looks great. For you, only \$200. One small problem: it doesn't have any doors."

The drummer let out a mournful sigh and said "that's no good – how'm I gonna get in?"

A friend of mine is really into tattoos and recently had both arms done in full sleeve tattoos. The right arm is done like those flames you see on old hot rods and the left is done to look like the flames of hell.

First night with the new tats, he went to a pub wearing a singlet to show off his new art, but was refused entry....

No fire arms allowed.

The answers you have been looking for!

1. Two boxers are in a match scheduled for 12 rounds. (Pure boxing only. There are no kicking or takedowns). One of the boxers gets knocked out after only six rounds, yet no man throws a punch. How is this possible?

Both the boxers were female

2. I have a large money box, 10 inches wide and 5 inches tall. Roughly how many coins can I place until my money box is no longer empty?

Just one, after which it will no longer be empty.

3. What tastes better than it smells?

A tongue

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Thank you all for your support and participation!

So long until next time!

