

# RUMBLES

EARLY FORD V8 CLUB 109 MAY 2025



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# RUMBLES - THIS ISSUE

Welcome to the May edition of the Early Ford V8 Club 109 Rumbles Newsletter.

In this month's issue we feature Rob Bada's his rides and a wedding night to never forget!

Another great tour this past month from your Club 109 Events steering committee of Chris Chown, Gary Clarke and Mike Mortimer.

Plus, Ralf St. Clair takes a deep dive into the peculiar design of Ford's tapered hubs in this month's Sparks to Nuts article.

On the front cover - .

We hope you continue to enjoy the Rumbles Newsletter.

The Rumbles Newsletter will only get better with your participation. If you come across a great article, tech tip, joke or video you think other members would like, please send them our way. Contributions are always welcome and sincerely appreciated.

Send submissions to Rumbles via email to [don.landels@gmail.com](mailto:don.landels@gmail.com)

Cheers,

Don Landels & Ralf St. Clair



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# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

## Regular Meeting Minutes - April 8th, 2025

*Next regular meeting at Berwick House 7:00PM May 13th , 2025*

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm

**1. Opening remarks, Heidi Bada, President.**

Heidi welcomed members to the meeting.

18 Members in attendance

**2. Minutes**

The April minutes, distributed in March Rumbles, were considered approved

**Old business**

- a. May Day parade. Tony Cond spoke to members about the set up for the parade including signs which will be displayed in the bed of his truck. The signs are promoting the upcoming Fords & Friends show. Tony constructed a holder for the signs which we can use moving forward. Tony thanked Murray for obtaining the signs at no charge (\$400 value) from Sign Pad!
- b. At the last meeting we discussed members presenting their cars in the meetings, as we don't always know a lot about each other's rides. Mike Mortimer "volunteered" to go first, very bravely! Thank you, Mike.
- c. Dawson addressed the members about the need for more volunteers for the upcoming June 24<sup>th</sup> Swap Meet. Sign-up sheets were made available after the meeting.





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# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - CONTINUED

## 3. Correspondence.

No correspondence

## 4. Treasurer's Report.

Heidi Bada presented the treasurer's report in Alan Barr's absence.

Report approved by Chris MacKay, Second by Bruce Sommers.

## Committee Reports

Ford and Friends.

- a. Registration is now open. We are using Car Show Pro as the platform. Al Wills reported that 83 registrations have been received. Members are encouraged to sign up as soon as possible. If you need help Al is standing by. We are capping registrations at 225.
- b. Don Landels provided an update on sponsorship. We have increased our sponsorship rate and by all accounts sponsors have been very supportive. We have surpassed last year's sponsorship totals.
- c. Don distributed a small quantity of first run posters to members. Our posters will be printed the week of May 19th. We are printing posters and racks cards at this time.
- d. Next committee meeting will be announced by Ralf St. Clair.

Events – Gary Clarke

- e. The Hamish Crawford Tour at the Roost had 18 Members attending. By all accounts it was a well-received tour. Chris Chown has put together a certificate of appreciation which Gary will present to Hamish.
- f. Next event is a return to the BC Aviation Museum including an opportunity to have a group photo of member's vehicles in front of the Mars water bomber. Weather permitting of course. If you have any questions, please contact Gary. Please RSVP to Gary by Wednesday, May 21st. All entry fees are paid for by the Don McPherson Events Fund.



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# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - CONTINUED

## 5. New business

- a. No new business

## 6. Announcements

- a. Please sign up to volunteer for the Swap Meet after the meeting!

## 7. Buy and sell

- a. Past Member Steve Butler has for sale his 1939 Ford 4-Door for \$15,000. Tony Cond mentioned the car and flathead are in very good condition. Contact Tony for more information.
- b. Hamish Crawford is looking for a flathead for restoration. Contact Gary Clarke.
- c. Friends from the 100 Mile Cruisers need a good quality radiator to fit a 1928 Ford Model A. Will consider options that would fit the original design. Please call Rob Vanzella at 250-589-9130 or Chris Chown 250-595-0312

## 8. The Odd Spot.

- a. Vic Nordstrom entertained the members with his License Math, and recited the CFUN AM intro for Red Robinson. Vic also brought some vintage tools to share with members including a bicycle wrench from the late 40's and his first ratchet set.

## 9. Member's Rides

- a. In our first Member's Ride, Mike Mortimer shared the stories of his rides. His first 1930 Model A which he had for 9 years and his current vehicle 1933 Ford 2 door sedan. It was fascinating to hear how through chance and good luck Mike was able to purchase the "33. It was the perfect start to the inaugural Member's Ride at the EFV8 109 meetings. Next month Bruce Somers is our feature speaker.



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# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - CONTINUED

## 10. Adjourn and 50/50.

- a. Gift bags: Bruce, Bill and Murray
- b. Money: Rosalind

As ever, the club expresses its appreciation of Berwick House for the hospitality and snacks.



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## MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT - HEIDI BADA

We've already had a fun start to the year with our bowling event and a successful tour to Hamish Crawford's shop and the Roost.

On Sunday, our club cars proudly rolled through the Victoria Day Parade, offering a great chance to connect with the community, promote Fords & Friends, and show off our vehicles. The sign in Tony's pickup promoting Fords & Friends looked great!

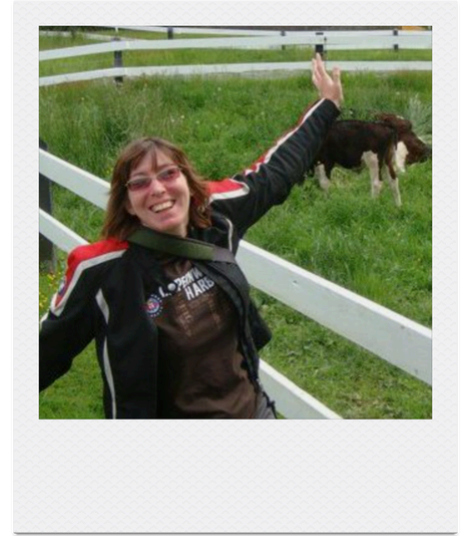
And there's more coming up! We're excited for the BC Aviation Museum Tour, which promises something a little different and a lot of fun. Plus, a club photo shoot of our cars in front of the Mars Water Bomber!

Looking ahead, summer is packed with highlights. We've got the Swap Meet in June, our club's own Fords & Friends Car Show in July, and Deuce Days the very next weekend. I encourage every member to register their car for the Fords & Friends as soon as possible. Be sure to let your car friends know that registration is open. If you run into any issues with the registration process, feel free to contact Al Wills for help.

Don't forget about the smaller get-togethers, too. Casual outings to coffee shops or weekend drives are great opportunities to enjoy your cars and each other's company. I'm looking forward to seeing you at our next event and don't forget our last meeting before Fords & Friends which takes place on June 10th

Best regards,

Heidi Bada  
President  
EFV8 Club 109



# 109 CLUB EXECUTIVE 2025

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# DISCOVERY / SHOP TOUR

## Hamish Crawford Collection - April 19th

We had a solid turnout with several 109 members and guests in attendance. It was a pleasure to see some old friends and great to have several ladies join in as well. Hamish has hosted the 109 in past years at his very unique collection/workshop in North Saanich. The collection is wide-ranging including horse drawn buggies, scale models airplanes, , memorabilia, tractors, farm equipment and many wonderful cars and trucks. The very exceptional collection of sports cars was a treat to see.

Hamish is an excellent host, and he took time to show 109 members the inner workings of his “shop” where he crafts collectibles and builds custom racing cars. One of the very best engines you will ever see is his Jag V12 and “E” type Jaguars featuring exceptional horsepower. Airplanes hang off the ceiling overlooking an incredible display of very distinctive autos. We enjoyed a warm informative personal tour by Hamish and look forward to doing it again in the near future. Thanks to Hamish when you visit the Roost Restaurant.

Thank you to all 109 club members who attended and brought along friends and family. So glad you continue to support 109 club activities.

Special thanks to Gary Clarke for putting this all together, much appreciated.





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Photo credits:

Freida Eriksen; Lauri Stevens; Chris Chown.



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# SPARKS TO NUTS - RALF ST. CLAIR

## Taper Caper

I am really excited to announce that this is the last time (for a while) I'll be writing about wheels. But there is one more topic we need to talk about. And that's hubs. Not the most thrilling topic, you'd think. But when it comes to old Fords like Phyllis the '42 . . .

When you take off one of Phyllis' wheels (sounds vaguely rude, somehow) you find a brake drum with five studs coming out of it for the wheel nuts. In the middle is a very large nut held in place by a cotter pin. The hub is completely sealed, so as mentioned in previous episodes it's not possible to check shoe condition, or even brake adjustment, visually at all. If you think there's something amiss in the hubs you have to pull them off. This is a bit annoying, because there are many things it would be really useful to be able to check without taking it all apart, such as drum run out (circularity) and shoe clearance. Anyway, there you are.

The cotter pin comes out first. It's clear that Henry Ford owned a cotter pin factory as they are all over these cars. Then you need to remove the big nut. This is meant to be torqued to 200 ft/lbs. That's a lot of torque (and very little action). I think of it as three labradors at the end of a ruler or one labrador at the end of a metre stick (one argument for metric—it saves you a fortune in labradors). In any case, 200 ft/lbs is a LOT of torque. Out comes the breaker bar, with a bit of luck (and some sweat) the nut comes off and you move onto the next challenge.

The reason for all the torque is that the axle has a taper on the end and the wheel needs to be held onto this taper. I won't comment on the wisdom of using a taper fit for rotational force (okay, I will. The entire weight of this 3200lb car is trying to break the taper interference whenever the car speeds up or slows down. When you brake all the braking forces run through the taper. This is a huge amount of weight and force twisting the wheels backwards and forwards.



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## SPARKS TO NUTS - RALF ST. CLAIR

It's actually sort of mind-boggling.) However, do not despair! Ford engineers provide a handy dandy locating key to prevent the wheels coming off (literally). When you actually hold it in your hand the key seems like a very small piece of metal doing a lot of work.

Because it's a taper fit, you need a puller to get the hub off. So of course Ford designed it so that a generic Canadian Tire Pulls-All™ would work. Obviously, this is a joke. You need a specific puller that costs over \$100 and comes from the States (see the photo). It's designed not to damage anything. Pulling the hub off is still pretty nerve-wracking. It takes a lot of pulling. Generally, as I'm sure many of us know, pullers really just provide a bit of a tug in the right direction and sharp taps with a hammer do the work of loosening the joint. In this case, though, the puller is wound up really tightly. The metal bar, which is high tensile steel about ½ inch thick, visibly bends from the force. Meanwhile you tap the drum from as far away as you can get while trying not to think about how quickly it's going to let go and propel itself through the garage wall, the compost heap, and next door's Tesla.

At least you usually do. This was the case the second time I removed the hubs. The first time I simply removed the cotter pins and undid the big nuts easily by hand. Somebody (looking at you, previous owner) had missed the first "20" of the torque setting and gone straight to the final "0." I'm being absolutely accurate here. Since I owned Phyllis this is the one thing that came closest to killing me. Turns out the locating keys do actually work after all.

Inside the hub is a ton of nasty brake dust (do not inhale) and all the brake parts. Once the hubs are off it's really easy to work on the brakes because everything is right there in front of you. In my case, I replaced a few parts, made sure the handbrake cable was attached to something, and put it all back together. Oh, and spent quite a few dollars on a torque wrench able to handle a couple of labradors.



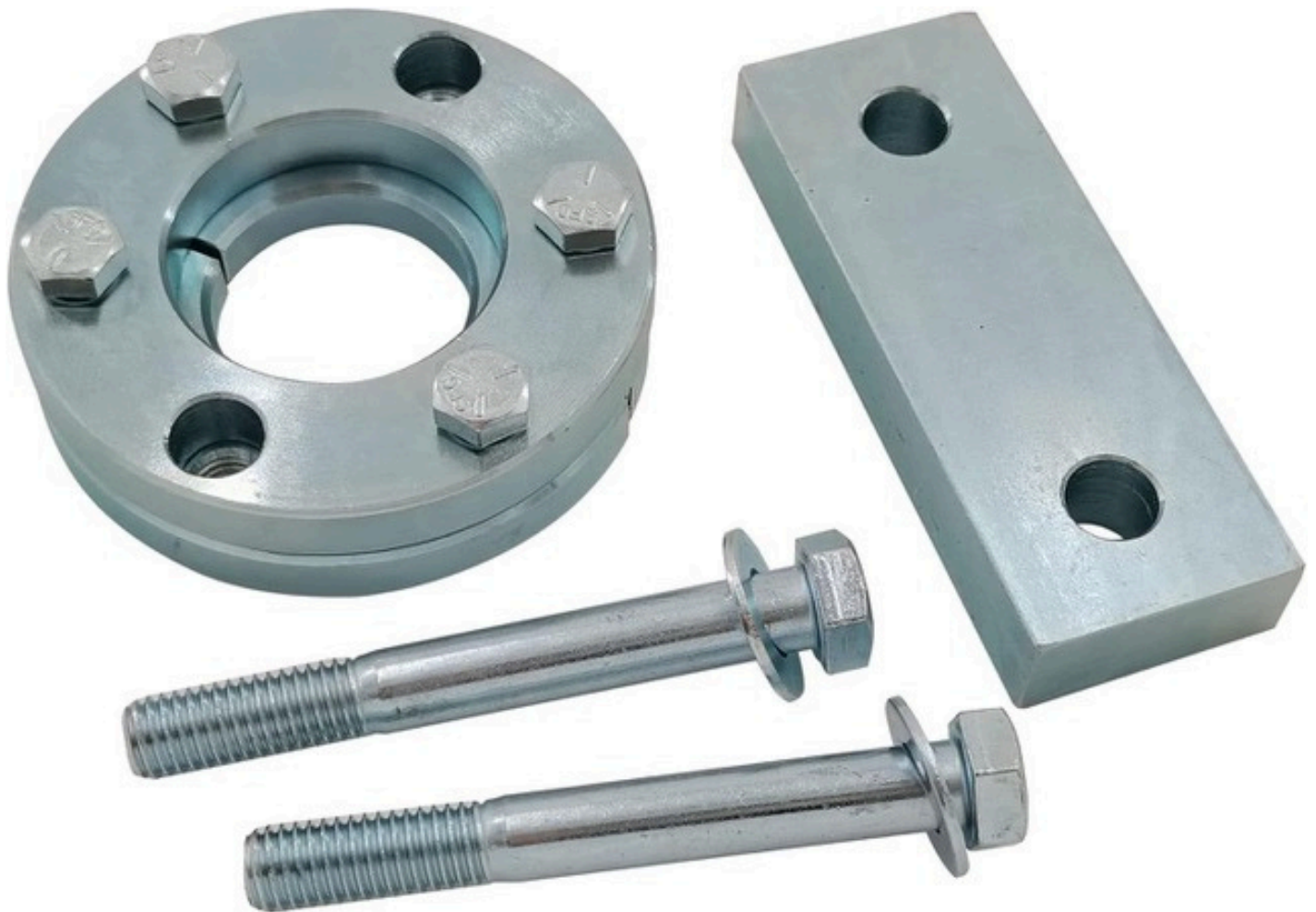


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## SPARKS TO NUTS - RALF ST. CLAIR

If there is a morale to this story, and in fact all the brake stories, it is that when you buy an old car you can never assume the previous owner has done everything the way it needs to be done. My big lesson (one that I'm still learning) is that unless you buy Jim's Mercury you are going to be spending a lot of time and money just making sure the car is safe and sound. It's worth it, and it's fun to do, but I'll never believe "Needs nothing, ready to drive" again!

An example of a Ford hub puller, available from many different sellers



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## MEMBERS' RIDES

### ROBERT BADA

This month we feature our interview with Robert Bada a long time member of the Early Ford V8 Club 109. We are also changing the format to make it easier for members to participate in this feature. I sent Robert 7 questions to answer. With the help of his daughter, our Club President Heidi Bada here are Robert's responses. Enjoy!



#### **What was the first car that truly captured your heart and what's the story behind how you acquired it?**

It was a 1950 Meteor convertible. Paid \$495 in 1958. We had it for 10 years. Donna was my girlfriend at that time, and we went all over the place in that car. Even to the Yukon in 1961. I was on vacation. Donna, her dad, and I went to the Yukon where I had a job and they stayed for three months. They flew home to Victoria, and I stayed on with my job almost another year.

#### **What's the most memorable road trip or event you've attended with your classic car and what made it so special?**

Driving to the Yukon (Victoria to Elsa, Yukon) in the 1950 Meteor convertible was memorable. We broke down at Carmacks, Yukon and slept in the car overnight. We got rescued the next morning. They towed us to Carmacks then off we went on our way to Elsa. On my way back next spring, that car hit a moose, and I had to get it fixed again and I was able to drive it back to Victoria. What else... [we] painted the car purple. 😊

On another occasion, we ran out of gas on our wedding night. After the reception, and heading to our Sooke home, and at Doodney Flats, the car ran out of gas. It was October 4, 1963. We weren't rescued until the night shift of Sooke Sawmill was driving by.

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### ROBERT BADA



Robert and his late wife Donna

#### **Challenges and lessons while maintaining or restoring your cars.**

I did my own mechanical work until just a few years ago. I don't recall any particular challenges right now.

#### **The style of cars you are most drawn to?**

1950s cars, like the 1958 Retractable. Its design is appealing. I own one.

#### **Has your interest changed over the years, and do you have any advice for new collectors?**

The sooner you start having a classic car, the longer you'll have to enjoy it.

#### **Rewarding aspects of classic car ownership, besides the cars.**

The people. Mingling with people in the car community. I enjoy the camaraderie. Going to car shows. Swap meets are fun, looking for parts. We went to out of town car shows like the Retractable club's convention; we attended in Puyallup, Washington, Squamish, B.C., and Chilliwack.



# MEMBERS' RIDES

## ROBERT BADA



Robert and his prized Ford Coupe

### What classic cars do you have now, or have owned?

There's so many and most I won't remember. We've had some beauties:

- 1935 3-window Ford Coupe
- 1936 3-window Ford Coupe
- 1949 Ford, my first car
- 1957 Monarch Turnpike Cruiser
- 1958 Ford Retractable
- 1957 Ford Retractable
- 1961 T-bird, for Donna
- 1963 T-bird
- First hot rod: 1930 Model A Cabriolet with flathead V8 with Eddie Meyer speed equipment
- 1930 Model A standard roadster shown to me by Ken Showers in 1965 and it's the same one I have to this day
- 1939 standard Ford Coupe bought from Michael Power in 1996. Car was in the last Fords and Flowers show, and I still have it
- 1926 Model T Coupe
- 1926 Model T Roadster pickup



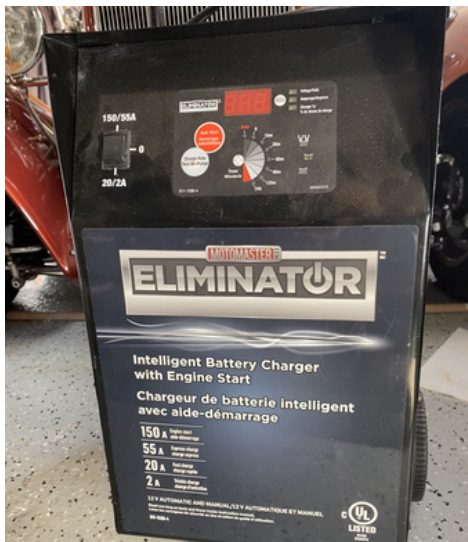
# MARKETPLACE

FOR SALE - call Alan Barr -250-896-8620 | a.barr@shaw.ca

Jet ¾ inch Model No SW7521 Socket set : \$250.00



Motomaster Eliminator Battery Charger.,  
Intelligent Battery Charger with Engine start : \$175.00





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## MARKETPLACE

FOR SALE - Past Member Steve Butler has for sale his 1939 Ford 4-Door for \$15,000. Tony Cond mentioned the car and flathead are in very good condition. Contact Tony for more information. 250-532-7420

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FOR SALE - Walt Burgess is offering this '29 Ford for \$48,500. You can see the car up close at this year's Fords & Friends. IF you want to take a peek sooner you can contact Walt at (250) 744 - 8140



# MARKETPLACE

**Have some extra parts or a transmission or two? Send us an email to have them listed in the Marketplace.**

FOR SALE - Oxygen/acetylene kit. (hoses, regulators torch, tips, cutting torch)  
In good condition. \$50.00. Call Tony Cond 250-532-7420

FOR SALE - Steamer Trunk. For more details call Gary Barlow 250-479-4736

## **Found on the web - Would you consider this a real bargain?**

Each month we'll feature a classic found on the internet for sale. This month's car is a [1925 Ford Pickup](#) and it's yours for only \$8,000 USD.

The private seller says it has only 300 miles on a rebuilt, balanced motor. New tires, new radiator, new seat cushions, new top, truck bed floorboards have been replaced, new 6v alternator, no rust very solid, repainted in 2012. Hand crank to start. Runs and drives great. Selling as is. You will have to drive it or most likely ship it up from Crawfordsville , Iowa



# UPCOMING EVENTS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – EFV8 RG 109 – **AT NAR 12, 2025.**



Primary Steering Committee: Gary Clarke, Mike Mortimer, Chris Chown

| DATE           | EVENT   | Notes                         | Contact                   |
|----------------|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Jan. 14        | Regular meeting   | 7:00 Berwick                  |                           |
| Feb. 11        | Regular meeting. Executive elections                                    | 7:00 Berwick                  |                           |
| Mar. 11        | Regular meeting   | 7:00 Berwick                  | Ralf St. Clair            |
| Mar. 29        | Shop tour – Al Lambeth Whiplash Custom 10:30 at CT Sidney               | N. Saanich                    | Gary Clarke               |
| Apr 5          | Bowling Blowout   | TBD<br>Hosted by 109          | Steve Peabody             |
| Apr. 8         | Regular Meeting   | 7:00 Berwick                  | Ralf St. Clair            |
| <b>Apr. 19</b> | <b>Roost Discovery Tour – START AT 10:00AM – no host lunch at 11:15</b> | <b>Spectacular collection</b> | <b>Gary C<br/>Chris C</b> |
| May. 9         | Shop Tour   | TBD                           | Open                      |
| May 13         | Regular Meeting   | 7:00 Berwick                  | Ralf St. Clair            |
| <b>May 24</b>  | BC Aviation Tour – Mars Martin 11:00                                    | TBD                           | Gary C.<br>Chris C        |
| June 10        | Regular Meeting   | 7:00 Berwick                  | Ralf St. Clair            |
| June 21        | VCC. TM, 109 Swap Meet  | TBD                           | Open                      |
| June 29        | Poker Run   | TBD                           | Gary C<br>Chris C         |
| July 8         | Regular Meeting   | 7:00 Berwick                  | Ralf St. Clair            |
| July 13        | FNF 2025  | Heritage Acres                | Ralf S.<br>Dawson V       |
| July 20        | Deuce Days  | Victoria                      |                           |
| Aug. 9         | Berwick House meet & greet  | Berwick on<br>Shelbourne      | Chris C.                  |
| Aug. 16        | Shop Tour   | TBA                           | Open                      |
| Aug. 23        | Club BBQ at Rosemead Farms  | TBD                           | Open                      |
| Sept. 6        | Selkirk Place meet & greet. 1:00 PM                                     | TBD                           | Steve Peabody             |
| Sept 7         | Fort Rodd Hill - Tour   | TBD                           | Chris C                   |
| Sept 9         | Regular Meeting   | 7:00 Berwick                  | Ralf St. Clair            |
| Sept 14        | Garden Railroad tour  | TBD                           | Gary C                    |
| Sept 20        | Shop Tour Lauri Stevens, Murray Anderson, Bruce Somers                  | To be announced               | Bruce Somers              |
| Oct. 14        | Regular Meeting   | 7:00 Berwick                  | Ralf St. Clair            |
| Nov. 11        | Regular Meeting   | 7:00 Berwick                  | Ralf St. Clair            |
| Dec. 13        | Christmas Luncheon  | TBD.                          | Open                      |
|                |   |                               |                           |

Please note that all dates and details are subject to change. Change notification will be communicated as quickly as possible.

Any and all suggestions are welcome so please contact any member of the club executive with your ideas.



**Thank you for your continued support.**

**Looking forward to seeing you there.**



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# UP COMING EVENTS / BC AVIATION MUSEUM

**Let's go to Mars May 24th, 2025.**

a. Next event is a return to the BC Aviation Museum including an opportunity to have a group photo of member's vehicles in front of the Mars water bomber. Weather permitting of course. If you have any questions, please contact Gary.

The event will start at 10:00am at the BC Aviation museum - 1910 Norseman Road, North Saanich.

**Please RSVP to Gary ASAP!**

All entry fees for members are paid for by the Don McPherson Events Fund.



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# UPCOMING EVENTS / CAR SHOWS

A selection of local upcoming events!

For more details, check out the excellent Vancouver Island Hot Rod calendar

<http://www.vihr.ca/show-calendar>

## May

Sunday May 25 - West Coast Mopars Car Show / Coombs Fairgrounds

## June

Sunday June 1 - British Car Restoration Fair & Swap Meet / Saanich (Heritage Acres)

Sunday June 8 - Union Bay Classic Car Show Family Fun Day & Classic Car Show (Bay Days)

Sunday June 15 - Seaside Cruisers Father's Day Show n Shine / Downtown Qualicum Beach

Saturday June 21 - Saratoga Swap Meet / Show n Shine / Saratoga Motorsports park

Sunday June 22 - Victoria Swap meet / Saanich Fairgrounds

Sunday June 22 - Chemainus Rotary Car Show

## July

Tuesday July 1 - Saltspring Cruisers /Rainbow Road and Jackson Ave

### **Sunday July 13 - FORDS & FRIENDS 2025 / HERITAGE ACRES**

Sunday July 13 - Brits On The Beach / Ladysmith

Sunday July 13 - Oak Bay Collector Car Festival / Oak Bay Village

Sunday July 20 - Deuce Days / Downtown Victoria







## Fords & Friends 2025

The third committee meeting was held on April 15th. The meeting was hosted by Co-chairs Dawson Valgardson and Ralf St. Clair.

Among the many items on the agenda at the meeting, the decision was made to move forward with pre-registration for Fords & Friends. The majority car clubs on the Island have made the move to pre-registration for their shows using the platform Car Show Pro. We will also be using this platform, which is easy to use and also allows for participants and spectators to vote easily for their favourite cars on the app. It also makes the jobs for our judges a lot easier.

Your committee is now working hard to secure our sponsors for the 2025 show and we will be printing the posters for distribution in early May.

The show will take place July 13th at Heritage Acres.

All members are encouraged to get involved in the committee and help shape this year's show. **Keep an eye open for an email from Ralf announcing the next committee meeting date.**

Register here or scan the QR code - <https://carshowpro.com/events/register/2378>



# CLUB NEWS

## Victoria Day Parade – May 19, 2025.

The club showcased the Early Fords V8 Club 109 and Fords & Friends in the May Day Parade on May 19th. What was shaping up to be a soggy parade day turned out to be sunny! ☀️

Here are some pics from the parade from inside Jim “Diamond” Banks Mercury and the signage which was carried in Tony Cond’s “51 Mercury M3



**ZZZZZZZZZZ**

An elderly woman went into the doctor's office. When the doctor asked why she was there, she replied, "I'd like to have some birth-control pills.

"Taken back, the doctor thought for a minute and then said, "Excuse me, Mrs. Smith, but you're 72 years old. What possible use could you have for birth control pills?"

The woman responded, "They help me sleep better."

The doctor thought some more and continued, "How in the world do birth control pills help you to sleep better?"

The woman said, "Simple, I put them in my granddaughter's orange juice every morning and I sleep better at night."

### **The Perfect Husband**

When I went to lunch today, I noticed an old lady sitting on a park bench sobbing her eyes out. I stopped and asked her what was wrong. She said, "I have a 22-year-old husband at home. He makes love to me every morning and then gets up and makes me pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit, and freshly ground coffee."

I said, "Well, then why are you crying?"

She said, "He makes me homemade soup for lunch and my favorite brownies and then makes love to me for half the afternoon".

I said, "Well, why are you crying?"

She said, "For dinner, he makes me a gourmet meal with wine and my favorite dessert and then makes love to me until 2:00 a.m.

I said, "Well, why in the world would you be crying?"

She said, "I can't remember where I live."



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# CLUB MEMBER NEWS

## Owls at Rosemeade Farms

Club member Norrie Spencer's grandson Colin Menzies shared some photos of Barred Owls that have been roosting in the owls house made by Norrie.

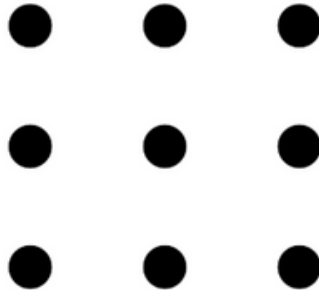




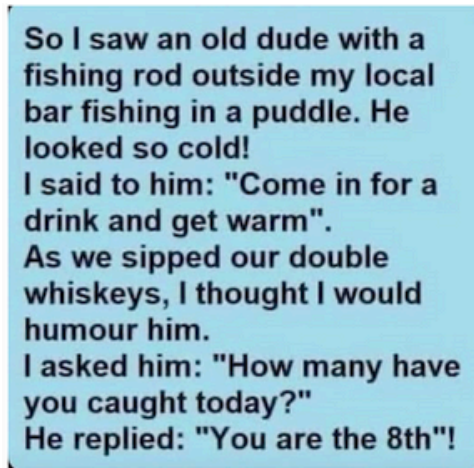
# FUN PAGES - CHRIS CHOWN

## Test your grey cells.

Can you connect all nine dots without touching any single dot more than once and not lifting your pencil off the page?



If you get stuck don't give up. The answer will be shown in the next Rumbles.



IT'S EASY IF YOU PUT YOUR GREY CELLS TO WORK!  
COMMENTS AND FEEDBACK ARE ALWAYS WELCOME, THANKS  
FOR SAYING HELLO.  
CHEERS, CHRIS CHOWN



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