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Nash's News

***Antique auto news from
Alaska's largest car club and most
northern region of AACA***



We held our first show of the year on June 4th. More pictures on pages 4 & 5.

From The Editor

- Bruce McIntosh



The last time I wrote here, we were still waiting for green-up. As I write this today we're swatting mosquitoes, choking on smoke, and probably thinking back fondly of cooler, wetter weather. Time makes it's march onward, and every year the clock seems to speed up a little bit. The summer season is fully upon us now, with regular Wednesday Night Runarounds and club events most weekends. If you haven't had a chance to turn out for one this year, you owe it to yourself to get out and enjoy the company while you can. To your editor it seems like we completely skipped over June and landed squarely in the middle of July. I know my to-do list seems to stay about the same length all summer - check one thing off and add another thing in it's place. I encourage you to add joining in on one of the club events to your list.

Unfortunately the Teddy Bear Show scheduled for the end of July has been canceled for this year. Hopefully it will be back again in 2023.

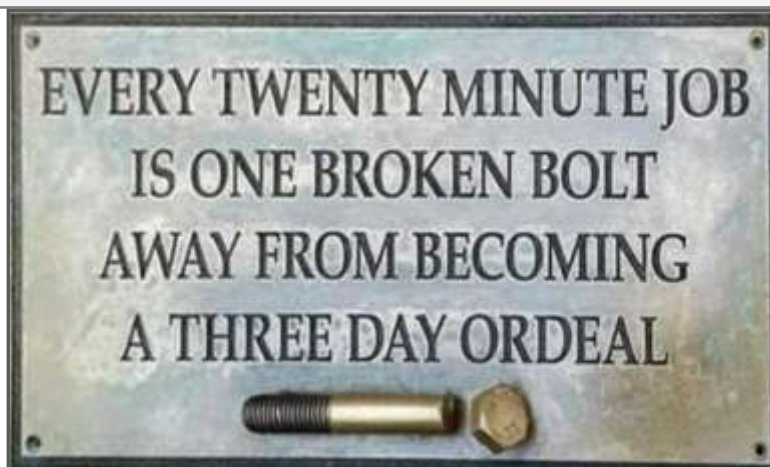
The annual Jay Ofsthun Show-N-Shine is happening again this summer in Anchorage on the Delaney Park Strip. This event is hosted by the Midnight Sun Street Rod Association and the Antique Auto Musers of Alaska. The main show is on Sunday, August 7th, with a pre-show get together Saturday night. Anyone interested in driving down to Anchorage as a group should contact either John McCarthy or Bruce McIntosh.

You can reach your editor at nashnewseditor@gmail.com with questions, suggestions, news, and for sale/wanted ads



For the most current club calendar, visit the VLNAACF website at:

<https://fairbanksaaca.org/>



June 9th Monderosa Poker Run

The first Poker Run of the season had a great turn out, 33 individuals paid their \$5 to join in the fun. There were 16 cars and the weather was amazing. This run's PPR, Rochelle Larson, fell and broke her wrist and was unable to attend. She was greatly missed!

The winners circle was an all- girl team! Gail Gardner, new member, won first place prize of \$82 with three Aces, Nancy Allen came in second, winning \$50 with two pair- Kings and 9s; and Martha Anders, Willy and my guest passenger came in third, winning \$33 with two pair as well- Jacks and 2s. A few extra prizes were given out--first guy and first gal to get an ace were John McCarthy and Martha Westphal. Lowest pair for a gal was won by Nee Nakprasit and for a guy was won by Paul Tekin. Worst hand was Bruce McIntosh. Over all it seems that all had a great time and were glad to get those cars out for a little run.

- Wilma Vinton



Poker Run winners, showing off their goodies. *Photo - Wilma Vinton*



June 4th Car Show

Our season opener was held this year at the True North Church on Airport Way, across from AIH. We had a good turnout, including a visit from the Kaknu Kruzers Club out of Soldotna.





June Birthdays

8 - Willy Vinton
14 - Lambert Hazelaar
18 - Jerry Mustard
20 - Sue Cook
27 - Diana Lecorchick
29 - Paul Tekin

July Birthdays

1 - Ron Allen
2 - Ellie Tempel
11 - James (Clutch) Lounsbury
13 - Dick Ellsworth
20 - Jerry Krier
20 - Marily Naquin
21 - Ed McLaughlin
22 - Bret Helms
25 - Peter Lundquist
25 - Carrie Jurgens
27 - Karen Chanler
31 - James Brand
31 - Dan Schaaf

June Anniversaries

2 - Bernie & Judy Saupe
6 - Dan & Joanne Portwine
7 - Robbie & Doris Casey
11 - Scott & Linda Grundy
13 - Ron & Karine Dane
15 - Greg & Lois Oslund
17 - Dave & Deborah Rockney
18 - Dan & Lavonne Gullickson
20 - Peter & Denise Lundquist

July Anniversaries

1 - Roy & Brenda Wilbur
8 - Ross & Paula Beal
25 - Al & Ruth Haynes
28 - Hank & Wyan Grant



SUNSHINE REPORT:

Sent a sympathy card to Vonna Husby for the passing of her husband Fred.



Sent a get well card to Rochelle Larson who fell and broke her arm and had to have surgery to correct it.

Tracy McLeod is the Sunshine Contact. Please send her an e-mail if you know of a club member who could use a little "sunshine".

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Phone or Text: 907-378-0718.

For a postal mail address contact Tracy or a Board member.

President's Headlights

- Doug Cline, President

Seems I owe an apology making this newsletter late.

[editor's note: Nope, not your fault. That falls squarely on yours truly]

I've been running around with the intention of sending in a story and then having it slip my mind. I was out in the yard when a great idea came to my mind and I stopped what I was doing just to put it on paper.

Today is Father's Day. Watching the news or seeing the commercials today you may not know that. This is a day in which we are supposed to thank our father for what he has done for us: teacher, coach or simply an inspiration. It is our Fathers (or lack thereof) that have shaped our lives into the people we are today.

I remember listening to Bill Cosby many years ago talk about the role dads play in our lives. As soon as Junior is old enough to walk, he is given a football. Playing rough to teach him how to move and protect himself. Later he goes on to star in high school football; becomes an All-American College player, and then becomes a Super Bowl winner. All that work his father did to help mold him and get him there and what does he say when the camera turns to him? "Hi mom..."

My father was a good man. He taught me to drive on a back country road and then turned me loose to practice driving around the high school baseball field (at age 10). He taught me the love of nature as well as hunting and fishing. He taught me hard work is what is required to get ahead. He taught me love of country. Without his words of inspiration, I may not have completed over 30 years in the military. We all have road bumps in our lives and we look to see what our fathers have done for guidance (for good or bad).

My father would repair everything we had to get just a little more usage out of it. He taught me basic mechanics, when I would listen, and how to make repairs. Through the years I have come to wish I could just drive the older vehicles than the newer. Hard to work on a vehicle that is controlled by multiple computers today. The only real benefit to newer vehicles is gas mileage. The older ones just look "cooler".

Our fathers shaped out lives and we wouldn't be who we are today without their guidance. Some of us emulate our fathers and some of us may have used them as how not to be "that guy". One way or another our father molded us.

I know this should be about antique vehicles but, seeing that it is Father's Day, I thought a few words about dad were just as important. Enjoy either his presence or remembrance. He is worthy of having a day for himself.



Chena Hot Springs Poker Run

Once again, Bret & Cindy Helms led us on a leisurely drive out to Chena Hot Springs on June 25th. We had good weather, good food, and a good time.



MEMBER ADS

For sale - Grandma's 1968 Dodge Dart 4-door with a strong running slant six engine. 70,000 original miles! Body is straight, complete & accident free. Stored several years outside under a tarp. Trans working when stored, but has leaked fluid. Owner is asking \$500. Would make an excellent long-distance driver.

Call Scott Grundy for more info and photos at 907-322-9283.



1940 Plymouth convertible \$18,000. High book \$31,000; average sale price \$20,000. Fun car with extra items that convey with sale. Must go as I need the storage space.

Scott Grundy 907-457-3526



WEBSITE NEWS

Wilma Vinton has taken over as webmaster for our club website, and is working to update some of the very out-of-date material that has been resident there.

You can see the current newsletter, download any past newsletters, check out the officers listing, or view the full roster of our members with their cars listed along with emails and phone numbers.

VLNAACF Website: <http://fairbanksaaca.org>

CALENDAR

Vernon L. Nash Antique Auto Club

- **Note:** Cars-N-Coffee time is 8:00 to 10:00 am each Saturday at Great Harvest Bread at the Bentley Mall.
- **July 6, 13, 20, 27: Wednesday Night Runarounds** Meet out front in the Pioneer Park lot at 6:30 pm. We usually get rolling around 7:00 pm.
- **July 9: Poker Run** - Joyce and Paul Tekin. Meet in the Bentley Mall parking lot and leave after Cars-N-Coffee, 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.
- **July 12: Board Meeting @** Fountainhead Museum Garage 6:30 pm Members are welcome.
- **July 14: Membership Meeting @** Howling Dog Saloon, 2160 Old Steese Hwy. Arrive early for food and socializing, meeting starts at 7:00 pm.
- **July 16: Willy's Rallye** - Meet in the Bentley Mall parking lot and leave after Cars-N-Coffee, 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.
- **July 17: Harding Lake Picnic & Show** - Bob & Patty Meritt. 10:00 am until 3:00 pm
- **July 23: Golden Days Parade, Picnic & Raffle Drawing** - 9:00 am to 1:30 pm for the parade, then picnic and drawing in Pioneer Park, 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

Other Events

- **July 9: Vintage Show-N-Shine** - Farthest North Outpost, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, 1450 Karen Way, Fairbanks

Wednesday Night Runaround, June 22nd

Patty Meritt led the way for the June 22 Runaround. After a leisurely tour of downtown, we wound up at the UAF Community and Technical College on Barnette, where we were treated to some home-made goodies and a performance by Serevende, a local ensemble featuring African-style marimbas.



If you have tickets that are not sold, please bring them in. Also, if you have money from sold tickets, bring that in by July 8th so I can get everything tallied and in the box for the drawing .
Thank you, Rochelle



Vernon L. Nash Antique Auto Club of Fairbanks Annual Antique Car Raffle **2022**

Find us on  and at <https://fairbanksaaca.org/>

WIN this CAR!

See any car club member for tickets or buy them at Larson's Locksmith, 1249 Noble St., Fairbanks



1974 VW Super Beetle

Volkswagen
1600 cc engine—60 hp
4-Speed Standard Transmission

Drawing: July 23rd, 2022 at 2:00pm
Pioneer Park Square Dance Pavilion
Need not be present to win

\$5.00 / ticket or 5 for \$20.00

Only 3,500 tickets

Permit #2437

Yes, it really is a 1966 Ford F-100

I have owned this pick-up for 46 years now. It got wrecked when a little mail car turned left in front of me, then it sat for 26 years. With it sitting in the back corner of my shop I looked out the shop door window at the front of my Kenworth and one day I said I was going to rebuild my old pick-up. Pulled the box off and put it on the rotisserie I had just bought for this project. Now for a great learning curve - body work, painting but I did it all. Then the cab came in, also stripped the frame down, sandblasted it, painted it with POR-15. Needed to weld some new lower corner on cab. Went to Gene Winfield in California and learned some trick metal work and how to lead, got it painted.

Now for the new front end. Started with a 1985 Kenworth grill with some measuring from my Kenworth truck, some level work and a lot of measuring. I needed to narrow the grill 15 inches. Made 2 cuts and welded it back together and then started fiberglassing, learning as I went (yes there were some mistakes) but I overcame them.

Eventually I got it all painted and back together. Engine is a Ford 300 6-cylinder, ported head some, installed small camshaft, new bearings, pistons, rings, added headers, 4-barrel carb 390 cfm, new radiator. Added vintage heater and A/C, built custom dash (for speedometer it's a GPS). Some nice wheels, new radial tires, great driver.

- Marlen Pruett





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UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next **Board Meeting** is **Tuesday, July 12 at the FOUNTAINHEAD MUSEUM GARAGE**. Meeting starts at **6:30 pm**; no food. Board Meetings are open to members.

The **Membership Meeting** is **Thursday, July 14 at 7:00 pm** at the **Howling Dog Saloon** in Fox. Food starts at 6:00 pm. Bring a side or dessert to share.



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