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Alaska Sales & NAPA Sponsor Show & Shine

It's official! Alaska Sales & Service and NAPA Auto Parts are major sponsors of this years Jay Ofsthun Memorial Show & Shine. Alaska Sales & Service put up the cash to put on the event, including fees, dash plaques, and port-a-potties. NAPA Auto Parts will help the publicity. Last year, that was a week of advertising on KWHL, a top rated Anchorage Radio.

Both sponsors will have their name on all posters and advertising and have displays at the Show & Shine.

The Show & Shine is the longest running and largest car event in the State of Alaska. Attendees come from all over the state and sometimes from out of state.

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NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY
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Summer Solstice Rumble

The Anchorage Corvette Club, Valley Cruzers, the Aurora Air Cooled Club, Studebaker Club, and MSSRA held their first organizing meeting for the Second Annual Summer Solstice Rumble.

The plan is to meet at Alaska Sales and Service before the event and cruise to Mirror Lake in time for the 7 PM food feast, a pot luck like year. The Valley Cruzers agreed to cook all those great hamburgers and hot dogs for all those hungry participants. We hope to use the same grill from WEOWNA Company as last year.

The Corvette Club has a member who is a State Trooper. Maybe they can help with the escort from Alaska Sales & Service to Mirror Lake.

Once everyone arrives at Mirror Lake, there will assigned parking and a sign in table. Dash plaques will be given at this time. After everyone gets a chance enjoy the food feast, there will be a "Run Amuck Obstacle Course" using remote control cars, so tune up your RC and prepare to win. The Eagle River B&C CarQuest will once again sponsor a plaque for the car club with the most cars present.

The planning committee will meet at Mirror Lake on Wednesday the 8th of May at 6:30 pm. This meeting will be work out the final details such as parking, food service, sign-in table, and dumb games. . .duh? These organizations meetings are often a party in themselves and open to everyone. So bring a picnic basket and enjoy the meeting.

Dues are Past Due

If there is a red mark on your mailing label, this is your final notice.

Something to do

May 4	Spring Plowing Demonstration, Palmer *an Antique Power Club of Alaska event*
May 4	Spring Auto Parts Swap Meet *a MSSRA event*, contact Victor Knott at 349-7228
May 4-5	Mayday Mayday *a Rally Productions event* 243-2122
May 11	NSRA Appreciation Day at B & C (Car Quest) in Eagle River *a NSRA State Rep and Safety Rep event*
May 18	KOOL Cruise
Jun 8	Ronald McDonald House Fund Run, Soldotna
Jun 21	Summer Solstice Rumble
Jun 22	Transportation Expo, Transportation Museum, Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry Wasilla Fun, food, and entertainment for the whole family
Jul 4	Parades in Anchorage and Chugiak
Jul 12	14th Bear Paw Car Show, Eagle River
Jul 13	Bear Paw Parade, Eagle River
Jul 13	After the Bear Paw Parade picnic at Olson's in Eagle River *a MSSRA event*
Aug 3	Tastee Freez Pre Show & Shine Car Show *a MSSRA event*
Aug 4	Jay Ofstun Memorial Show & Shine *a MSSRA event* on the Anchorage Park Strip
Aug 10	Fall Auto Parts Swap Meet *a MSSRA event*, contact Victor Knott at 349-7228
Sep 28-29	Cottonwood Creek Toy Show, Wasilla *an Antique Power Club of Alaska event*
Nov 26	Elections
Dec 7	Annual MSSRA Christmas Party at the Petroleum Club

Lower 48 Events

Apr 25-28	Pate Swap Meet, Texas Motor Speedway, Fort Worth TX
Apr 26-28	NSRA Western Street Rod Nationals, Bakersfield CA
Apr 27-28	GoodGuys 4th Annual Spring Nationals, Orlando FL
Apr 27-28	NMCA/NSCA Gateway International Raceway, St Louis MO
May 3-5	NSRA Nationals South, Knkoxville TN
May 4-5	Fun Ford Weekend, Houston Raceway Park, Houston TX
May 17-19	GoodGuys Great Lakes Nationals, Berrien Springs MI
May 17-19	Super Chevy, Texas Motorplex, Ennis Texas
May 18-19	Seattle Swap Meet, Monroe WA
May 18-19	NMSC/NSCA, Virginia Motorsports Park, Richmond VA
May 24-26	NSRA Mid-America Street Rod Nationals, Springfield MO
May 31-Jun 2	NSRA Nationals East, York Expo Center, York PA
May 31-Jun 2	All-Ford Nationals Swap Meet, Carlisle PA
Jun 1-2	NSRA Rocky Mountain Nationals, Colorado Fairgrounds, Pueblo CO
Jun 1-2	GoodGuys Summer Get-Together, Pleasanton CA
Jun 7-8	Antiques & Collectibles Swap Meet, Carlisle PA
Jun 7-9	GoodGuys Hot Rod Nationals, Indianapolis IN
Jun 14-16	All-GM Nationals Swap Meet, Carlisle PA
Jun 21-23	MSRA Back to the 50's, St Paul MN
Jun 28-30	Street Machine Nationals, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis IN

Our Deepest Sympathy

The members and friends of the Midnight Sun Street Rod Association would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Tammy Hocking. Tammy's father recently passed away.

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Pres Sez

by Jack Hill

The Garage Scene held at Lenny Olsen's garage on April 6 was another success. Lenny did a great job explaining how to do flame painting. He had a surfboard with flames on display and a hood with a taped flame outline. He went into which products work best and he went over various problems that could be encountered.

It should be noted that Tammy of Carquest in Eagle River has been donating door prizes for the last two Garage Scenes. She also lent Lenny some chip samples of different paints and a few types of products that help enhance paint. There were approximately 12 members present again and two more showed up a little late. The door prize drawing at this event was a $30 Carquest certificate. It was won by Ed Parks (but we think it was rigged).

We are going to have one more Garage Scene on May 4 in Anchorage TBA. Let Tammy at CarQuest in Eagle River know that we appreciate all their help and support!

Sears has stated that they are not interested in our car club or any car clubs meeting on their premises. I know that a number of our members have been checking on various locations for our cruise night. I recently contacted the Alaska State Troopers and we have received permission from them to meet in their front parking lot on the east side (5700 Tudor Road). (At a recent meeting with the Corvette Club, they suggested Hooters as another cruise take-off point.) For the time being, we will be using the Troopers. A special thanks to Capt. Hudson of the State Troopers and Murph O'Brien of DOT&PF for their help.

Sandi and Jim Sumner seem to have the "Rumble Nite" on June 21 well in-hand, but volunteers are always needed to help set up games and direct parking of cars, etc. We do need someone to help with the children games.

The car show is coming up this month. Jim and I will need help setting up the display and booth. We will be discussing that at this coming meeting.

Summer cruises will be starting in May – get those cars ready! As always, street is neat!

Membership Report

Life Members	9
Members*	124
Total members as of January 31, 2002	133
Members Dropped	-5
New Members	2
Total Members as of March 31. 2002	**130**

Prospects

Bruce Main	'57 Chevy
Dave Stevenson	'64 Mustang

* Includes 34 members who have not paid 2002 dues.

NSRA Report

by Ed Park
Alaska State Representative

The NSRA Dynamic Dual Paul Moll and Ed Park

Speaking for myself, as the Alaska State Representative, and for Paul Moll, Alaska State Safety Inspector, we invite all to our annual NSRA Appreciation Day on Saturday May 11 that will be held at B&C/Carquest in Eagle River from noon to four.

Tammy, the beautiful as always store manager, is a great host. Tammy, and her well trained and good looking staff, are there to assist us in every way. Not only does she make available food and drinks, but Tammy also has awards to give out to different categories. And as far as I know the ever lovely, Denise Evans, Territory Manager of Automotive, Aircraft and Fleet Finishes for PPG, will be there to answer questions and to give out her annual paint awards.

Now besides all the above NSRA members will receive their 2002 NSRA Appreciation pins, if you aren't a current member you can join or reup as the case may be, and Paul and his capable staff of inspectors can give your ride a safety inspection. If the car passes all 23 safety items then you will receive the 2002 NSRA safety pin. So come on out and get ready for summer.

LATEST BUMPER STICKER

HE WHO DIES WITH THE MOST TOYS . . . STILL DIES

Prints Raffeled at the next Two Meetings

The last of three prints donated by artist Doug Hudson will be raffled at the April meeting. Nat Gardner has won not one but the first two of the raffle prints. Show up to the April meeting and find out if she can do it again.

The prints are available in three sizes. 17"x 25"-High quality museum grade Giclee print on Hahnemuhle German watercolor paper. Limited Edition of 350 signed and numbered for $350.00.

10.5" x 14" High quality midsize print on archival mat paper limited edition of 950 prints signed and numbered for $50.

9" x 12" High quality small print on 80 lb exact matte coated paper. Open Edition-each print signed for $20.00.

Buy a chance on the last print at the next meeting. If you miss out, you can purchase a print by contacting Doug Hudson at 360-715-8798 or check out his web site at classic-art-spirits.com. He now has five car prints, a couple of farm tractors prints, and many other neat the art things.

Perhaps the Great Alaskan 4th-of-July should be called the Great American 4th-of-July. This 1939 Studebaker dressed in bright patriotic colors graced a roadside fireworks stand near Wasilla. The print is called the "Great American Spirit"!

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Garage Scene Thanks

A big Alaska thanks to Tammy Hocking & crew of the Eagle River CarQuest store. They donated tubing and a door prize, won by Ross Jardine, for the March Garage Scene. CarQuest also donated the paint for the flaming Garage Scene in April. Thanks again for all your support.

Another Alaska thanks to Jim and Sandi Sumner for hosting the first Garage Scene this year, chopping doors.

A bigger Alaska thanks to Lenny and Anne Olson for hosting not one but two Garage Scenes this year.

Jacket Junction has Moved

Jacket Junction, the neat folks who have our logo and sell us neat club jackets have moved. They are now in the University Center Satellite mall on the Old Seward Highway.

Sears Doesn't Like Us

For years car clubs have used the Sears parking lot at the corner of Northern Lights and the Seward Highway as a meeting point for week night cruses. The meeting times are during store hours have not effected parking in any way. We park at the far end of the lot away from to doors and do not disturb the customers.

You may have heard that we, and other clubs, are not meeting in the Sears parking lot anymore. Last year, there was a person claiming to Sears management told one of members on cruse night to "Get the off their parking lot!" Carr-Gottstein property management, the owner of the property was contacted and said they had no input on who their tenets let use or not use the property.

President Jack Hill contacted Sears management and talked to the store manager. He was very arrogant and stated that under no terms will the lot be used for car clubs to meet.

It's a shame the Sears has become such poor corporate citizen. The next time you need tools, tires, cloths, or any other product Sears sells, consider going some place else. We don't need a business with this type of attitude.

THINK ABOUT IT! ! ! !

TEAM WORK. . . MEANS NEVER HAVING TO TAKE ALL THE BLAME YOURSELF.

Come Cruise with US

- Meet at the Alaska State Trooper's east parking lot at 5700 Tudor Road at 6 PM and depart at 6:45 PM.
- The MSSRA invites you to join us on our Thursday Nite Cruises.
- We promote use of regular/family cars, not just street rods, for members or guests currently without street rods.
- Objective is to have fun cruising the streets and roads of Alaska.
- Note: Thursday Cruise Nite Schedule is subject to change! If only a few cars show or questionable weather, destination will be announced that night.

May 9	Pick-A-Cruise
May 16	Tastee Freez @ Jewel Lake & Raspberry
May 23	Eagle River Run*– Burger King
May 30	Arctic Roadrunner
Jun 6	Eagle River Run* – North Slope Restaurant
Jun 13	Kincaid Park Potluck-BBQ
Jun 21	Rumble Night @ Mirror Lake
Jun 27	Potluck/BBQ at Otto Binder's in Palmer
Jul 11	Girdwood Lions Park
Jul 18	Pick-A-Cruise
Jul 25	Denali Steak House in Palmer
Aug 1	O'Bradys at Tudor & Muldoon
Aug 8	Arctic Roadrunner
Aug 15	Bella Vista* at Peters Creek
Aug 22	Pick-a-Cruise
Aug 29	Tastee Freez @ Jewel lake & Raspberry

*Eagle River Runs – may go to various members garages and check out their special projects.

Saturday Cruises

Jun 29	Summit Lake Lodge
Jul 20	Matsu Glacier Scenic Overlook
Jul 28	Lenny Olsen Race Day
	Asphalt Snow Machine Drags
Aug 17	Big Lake @ Hanger Restaurant *(Pending)*

Ramblins

Art Keller, retired Air Force and now civil service, is on duty in the Middle East for the next couple of months. His wife Jane wanted us to know that, "The heart and soul of his 1965 Cyclone Comet are with all of us while his body is over there. Hopefully, he'll be home in time to enjoy the June cruises and beyond." Good luck Art. Come back safely. . . Charter member Lundy & Lois Adkins got a little print in the November edition of the *GoodGuys GoodTimes Gazette*. A picture of Lundy's latest creation, a 1951 Ford Vicky with a 302/C4 power train was on page 34. . . Randy and Jennifer Ellwood are the proud parents of baby boy. Almost an April Fool's baby, Seth Allan Ellwood was born on April 2, 2002 at 1:58 AM. He weight in at 6 pounds 15 ounces and is 20 ½ inches tall if standing up. Older brothers JT and Hunter are excited about having younger brother. Mom and Dad are doing well and felling blessed. CONGRATULATIONS! ! ! . . .

Seat Belts – They Work!

By Sandi Sumner

Hey there friends and carnuts. I'm living testimony today to wearing seat belts. Before March 24th, I wore them now and then, and certainly not between home and Nordstrom's - notice I didn't mention a parts store or tool house.

Anyway, I was the passenger in a vehicle in Portland, OR (my driver was an off-duty lady cop), and we were T-boned by a teacher, who I've nicknamed "Lead foot". She ran a red light doing about 55 m.p.h.. (Maybe she was correcting papers while driving, having a Latte, talking on her cell, etc.)

The best part is that Jim knows how to cook and about dinner time it occurs me I need to lay down and snooze. Same things occurs to me when it's time to vacuum. ALWAYS occurs to me if a tire needs to be changed.

WEAR 'EM! As my daughter says, "Better a crushed booby, Mom, than a crushed body."

THINK ABOUT IT! ! ! !

WELL DIGGERS ARE THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO START AT THE TOP!

Swap Shop

Swap Shop ads are a service of the Sun Runner and the Midnight Sun Street Rod Association for it's members and other individuals who wish to advertise an item or vehicle for sale. Advertisements are printed on a space available basis. Contact Ray Elleven, Editor of the SUN RUNNER at the address located elseplace in this newsletter or call him at 337-5860. All phone numbers listed are area code 907 unless otherwise noted.

1965 Ford F-100 Custom Cab - long bed, Primo, 352 w/ 4 speed, all original inside and out, 39,000 actual miles. Purchased from original owner in Fairbanks last June. Must see to appreciate (etc, etc, etc) $6,000 obo. Call Mike at 343-7016, days or 332-6206, evenings and message. (5/02)

1969 Lincoln Mark III - 2 door, rebuilt 460 engine with approximately 10,000 miles. Exterior in good shape, interior in bad shape. $3000. 495-7970 work or 495-6627 home. (5/02)

1969 Chevelle - 396 SS Body and 427 cubic inch, 60 over engine. Edelbrock Performer RPM Heads and EFI. TH400 transmission. Invested well over $ 20000 in the car and asking $13000.00 obo. Call Walter at 495-1751 in the evening. (8/02)

1971 Chevelle SS Coupe - 350, Powerglide $10,000 plus invested must sell $5,000. Call Don 907 357-9221.(4/02)

1985 Ford F-150 4X4 – New summer & winter tires, all mounted. New clutch, pressure plate, flywheel, throughout bearing, fuel pump, power brake booster. Best Offer. Call 522-1790 (4/02)

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