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Cheep!

Christmas Party - Our Annual Christmas Party will be Saturday December 1, 2012 at the Eagle River Elks Club. 17111 North Eagle River Loop Road As of press time we don't know what's on the menu or price. Call Erik Johnson at 223-2610 for additional details.

There will be a Chinese Auction gift exchange and Most Active Member will be announced but only if Eric has received your points cards.

There will also be the drawing for the engine. The following is information on how to get your tickets.

350 Chevy Engine Raffle – Tickets are now available for the 350 Engine Contact Erik Johnson, Dave Taylor, KB Bettisworth, Ray Elleven, or any board member to purchase all the tickets you want.

If you don't know how to reach one of them, email "info@MidnightSunSRA.org"

Election of Officers – The November 29th meeting will be an important one, we will be electing our 2013 officers. At least two of our current officers will not run for re-election so now it's your turn to step up and lead us into the next year. If you are interested in filling one of these positions but can't attend the meeting let someone know by emailing "info@MidnightSunSRA.org"

If you haven't heard our next meeting is at the Senior Center Nov. 29th, 1300 East 19th Avenue

The Twenty Fastest Muscle Cars by Brian Edwards

From the mid to early 1970's a new breed of cars ruled the American streets. The majority of these were intermediate sized automobiles with large block engines stuffed inside. At first these cars were called "super cars" and over time they became know more accurately as muscle cars. The quarter mile was the performance standard and weekend drag racing became very popular.

Many of these cars pulled weekday duty as commuter vehicles, taking their proud owners to work and school. But, on the weekend the guys at the wheel were full fledged "amateur" dragsters. For the first time (and many would argue the only time) in American automotive history, high performance vehicles were available to the masses. The average Joe with a decent job could go to his local dealership and drive away with a ground pounding, tire smoking muscle car. Additionally, in a time before complicated emission controls and computer chips, an average Joe could actually working on his pride.

As the list of the twenty fastest muscle cars points out, the majority of the beasts had domesticated roots. The Road Runners, Chevelles and Chargers were all basic family cruisers. What made them special was those wonderfully powerful big block engines. Even the Camaros and 'Cudas were decent transportation for the young man with a couple of small children. Only the Corvettes and the Cobra were initially created as sports cars.

As everyone over this generation knows, the muscle car became extinct in the early 1970's. Rising fuel costs, rising insurance premiums and new safety concerns marked the end of this era. Today the original muscle cars are one of the hottest automotive collectables. Men of a certain age are aggressively bidding for the car of their youthful dreams.

So take a look at the list and see who really owned the streets when muscle cars reigned supreme. For more information about all the great Muscle Cars of the past visit Muscle Car Facts.



Rank -	Model - -	Quarter Mile Time and Speed - -	Engine - - HP - - TRANS - -	Source
1 -	1966 427 Cobra - -	12.20 sec @ 118 mph - -	427 8V - - 425 - - 4-Speed - -	CAR CRAFT 11/65
2 -	1966 Corvette 427 - -	12.80 sec @ 112 mph - -	L72 427 - - 425 - - 4-Speed - -	CAR AND DRIVER 11/65
3 -	1969 Road Runner - -	12.91 sec @ 111 mph - -	440 Six BBL - 390 - - 4-Speed - -	SUPER STOCK 6/69
4 -	1970 Hemi Cuda - -	13.10 sec @ 107 mph - -	426 Hemi - 425 - 4-Speed -	CAR CRAFT 11/69
5 -	1970 Chevelle SS 454 - -	13.12 sec @ 107 mph - -	454 LS6 - 450 - - 4-Speed - -	CAR CRAFT 11/69
6 -	1969 Camaro - - -	13.16 sec @ 110 mph - -	427 ZL1 - - 430 - - 4-Speed - -	HI PERFORMANCE 6/69
7 -	1968 Corvette - - -	13.30 sec @ 108 mph - -	427 6V - - 435 - - 4-Speed - -	HI PERFORMANCE 5/68
8 -	1970 Road Runner - -	13.34 sec @ 107 mph - -	426 Hemi - - 425 - - automatic - -	SUPER STOCK 12/69
9 -	1970 Buick GS Stage I - -	13.38 sec @ 105 mph - -	455 Stage I - - 360 - automatic - -	MOTOR TREND 1/70
10 -	1968 Corvette 427 - -	13.41 sec @ 109 mph - -	L72 427 - - 425 - - 4-Speed - -	CAR AND DRIVER 6/68
11 -	1969 Charger 500 - -	13.48 sec @ 109 mph - -	426 Hemi - - 425 - - 4-Speed - -	HOT ROD 2/69
12 -	1968 Charger - - -	13.50 sec @ 105 mph - -	426 Hemi - 425 - - automatic - -	CAR AND DRIVER 11/67
13 -	1970 Plymouth Superbird	13.50 sec @ 105 mph - -	426 Hemi - - 425	
14 -	1968 Road Runner - -	13.54 sec @ 105 mph - -	426 Hemi - - 425 - - automatic - -	CAR AND DRIVER 1/69
15 -	1973 Trans Am - -	13.54 sec @ 104 mph - -	455 SD - - 310 - - automatic - -	HOT ROD 6/73
16 -	1969 Corvette - - -	13.56 sec @ 111 mph - -	427 L88 - - 430 - - automatic - -	HOT ROD 4/69
17 -	1969 Super Bee - -	13.56 sec @ 105 mph - -	440 Six Pack - - 390 - - automatic - -	HOT ROD 8/69
18 -	1969 Boss 429 Mustang -	13.60 sec @ 106 mph - -	Boss 429 - - 375 - - 4-Speed - -	HI PERFORMANCE 9/69
19 -	1970 Challenger R/T - -	13.62 sec @ 104 mph - -	440 Six Pack - - 390 - - automatic - -	CAR CRAFT 11/69
20 -	1970 Torino Cobra - -	13.63 sec @ 105 mph - -	429 SCJ - - 370 - - automatic - -	SUPER STOCK 3/70

Thursday Night Cruise

We meet at the Sears parking lot at the corner of Northern Lights & the Seward Highway at 6 PM departing at 6:45 PM. Don't have a street rod or cool car? Bring out the regular family car. The objective is to have fun cruising the streets and roads of Alaska.

Thursday Cruise Night Schedule is subject to change! If only a few cars show or questionable weather, an alternative destination will be announced that night.



2013 Schedule

We will be posting a tentative schedule and destinations soon, if you are interested in a specific location let us know so we can see about adding it to the schedule.

Check for the Sun Spam on your e-mail or visit the web page. wwwMidnightSunSRA.org

Busy Winter JP Williamson

Well everyone, we are well into winter and hopefully you have your project in the garage by now. It's time to start the work we put off all summer while we cruised the streets of Anchorage and braved the road to Fairbanks or Seward.

I know I have more on my plate than I need and wish there was more time in the day to complete everything I need to do. Like most gearheads or carnuts I grab these things from the backyards or driveways of people who had big dreams for that pile of parts I just drug home. One of these days I'll realize I can only drive one at a time and should be concentrating on my dream car which at this time is a 1964 -68 Ford, Falcon or Mustang, Pontiac Firebird or maybe it's a Mercury Cougar of the same years, or it could be one of the old F100s I have, who knows.

What I'm trying to say is this winter for a lot of us will be full of welding, grinding, primer and paint with hopes of having a nice ride to walk around Thursdays at Sears, park at Bear Paw or on the grass for the summer solstice rumble at Mirror lake. As a club we have a great bunch of cars and owners some are one of a kind and some are more common but unique in their own right.

So let's roll up our sleeves, dust off those tools and make that car cool or get that cool car rollin. We all like to see new faces at the table and grills in the parking lot Thursdays. It doesn't matter it is a Rat Rod, Hot Rod or Muscle Car, we enjoy seeing them all.

You never know all of your hard work may just pay off. Several of our club members have won top honors at multiple shows in 2012 and some won more than a trophy, isn't that right Kim. Each one of these cars/trucks get the winters off for cruising but spend that time either getting painted, polished, modified or just pampered in a heated garage.

Looking forward to the 2013 season trying to keep the fluids inside, the tires round and the paint on the car.

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Inside Dry Storage

Space Limited Located in South Anchorage
\$150 per car per month Call Victor Knott at 529-5996

1997 Ford Thunderbird LX— leather, sport package, sun roof. Family car since new, great driver, well maintained. \$3700 firm. Call "Will" @ 907 978-0336

WANTED—Front fenders, hood, grill and splash pan from a 1951 Ford. Contact Ray at AlaskaCarNut@gmail.com or call him at 907 529-5860

WANTED— 1934-36 Ford or Chevy pickup street rod, either finished or near completion. Call Steve Johnston 244-8763 or email him at Steve.Johnston@halliburton.com

Model T Chassis : Engine cranks but doesn't run, there is a large array of additional parts, to include tire wheels. \$1000 Call Kurt at 344-5554

1956 GMC Pickup—V*, manual tranny, no dents, body in excellent condition just needs timing work. It was running last summer—lots of power. Priced for quick sale \$4500 OBO. Call John 907-750-5424 or email thinkpinck@yahoo.com

Winter Car Storage— Inside warm storage in Palmer only \$450 for the season. Call Gerri at 746-4676

1950 Ford Pickup – This project includes a '50 Mercury V8 flathead in good rebuild-able shape. Truck is complete but 50% disassembled. Front end is done, new springs, kingpins, frame/firewall paint. Asking \$2500 OBO for the whole package. Will sell with out engine for \$1000. Contact Jim 907-351-3115 or email takecare@alaska.com

1932 Ford Roadster—Glass body, new Chevy Crate motor, 9 inch rear end and all the parts to put it together, Aks \$18,500 Contact Ron at 688-7664

Do to limited space, pictures can be seen on-line on the MSSRA website. www.MidnightSunSRA.org
Or contact the person listing the item to view or get pictures e-mailed to you.
JP

1975 Ford U-Haul Van – Big 20 foot box, outfitted with "D" type-rings & ramps for cars. Man door on the side. Good for Storage or transport.
Only \$5,000 o.b.o, Call Kurt at 344-5554.

1967 Camaro—Runs, drives, licensed with clean title. As is, with 350ci, Saginaw 4 speed. Comes with a new 377ci built by AC machine, extra 10 bolt rear end with 3.73 posi gears. 700R4 trans and new sheet metal parts. \$17,000 firm Call Larry Hembree at 349-5806 or
E-mail cherylhembree@gmail.com

1957 Ford Fairlane—2 Door Sedan, 312 V8 engine, automatic, runs good, new interior and the tires are fair. Extra parts including patch panels. Ask \$6995 o.b.o. Call Herb at 338-0095

1940 Ford Parts—Have two 40 foot containers of '40 Ford parts that must go. Including a Coupe and two or three Pickups. Big parts include body panels, frames, engines, transmissions, etc. Too many small parts to list. Contact Dave McKay at 306-6283 Buy allot part

1963 Thunderbird (Project Car) - Front suspension has been overhauled, the car was stripped to bare metal and recoated with DP90LF and it includes a new engine in the crate. Reassembly had started and needs to be completed. Only \$6000 OBO. Contact Larry or Cheryl

1947-53 Cab over Chevy Project Truck—Cab is on a 1981 Chevy Dully frame with no engine or transmission. Lots of extra parts including a Kenworth sleeper. Only \$1500 Call Keith at 355-8456.

Position Available MSSRA has an opening for Membership Chairman. Duties: process membership application: send welcome letters to new members; maintain membership and dues records; print address labels for the newsletters; submit membership report for the newsletter, web site, and Board of Directors. If interested, contact President Erik Johnson at 349-9900 or Ray Elleven at 337-5860

Membership Report

Total Members as of December 31, 2010	*185
Members dropped	-25
Reinstated	1
New Members this year	18
New Member since last month	
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Total Members as of Oct 31, 2012	*179
* Includes 11 Life Members	

Most Active Member – Who will be the 2012 Most Active Member? We won't know until the point's cards are turned in to President Erik Johnson. Turn in your point's cards no later than November 29th, that's the same day as the November meeting and election of 2013 officers. The member with the most points wins!

Steven "Butch" Novak 1947-2012 – A celebration of life will on November 13, 2012 at the Marriott Hotel for Butch Novak, one of MSSRA's charter members. Butch remained a member until the early 80's and recently retired from Spenard Builders Supply. His obituary is posted on our web site.

**Get Well Terry Kern
We're all pulling for ya!!**

ADDRESS CHANGE Club Jackets—Jacket Junction has been bought out by Rayville TNT Sports. They are located 726 E 15th Ave between Gambell and Ingra in the same strip mall as Dooley's.

Swap Shop! Overflow for the winter months

1932 Ford Roadster - The roadster is already built and 95% finished. New tranny (pro built) from Las Vegas (\$6,000.00) and new blower with custom kick down. \$10,000.00 was into it before I was able to see it so it would run properly. This is a turnkey hotrod. Owner has a laundry list of upgrades that were done to the car. He only put roughly 160 miles since purchased. The entire car has less than 400 miles on it. Have receipts and documentation for almost everything that was done by me. Contact Leonard Cestaro at len.italia@gmail.com

1972 Chevy 2 1/2 ton - Runs and drives fine. Think it needs brakes. Will accept any reasonable offer. Contact Bill Brown 276-3221 or 441-9261 or b.brown@bobsservices.com

1970 Chevy 1/2 ton - Project truck, started as a father son project and stalled. No engine or transmission, just a rolling chassis. Asking \$1500.00. Contact Bill Brown 276-3221 or 441-9261 or b.brown@bobsservices.com

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Call Lynnda 325-642-3772 or Rick 907-953-6376

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| Jan 24 | Monthly Membership Meeting
7:00 pm at the Senior Center 1300 E. 19th. Avenue The Senior Center is off 20th and Medfra where there is plenty of free parking.
<i>A MSSRA event</i> | May 18 | KOOL Kruze
Meet at the Sears Mall 8:00 AM then at Noon and cruise to Alaska Raceway Park
Contact Ron Clement at 275-2289
<i>a KOOL-FM event</i> www.kool973.com |
| Feb 23-24 | Fur Rondy Car Show
Bob's Services, 2009 Spar Ave (Off Post Rd)
<i>an Antique Auto Musher's event</i> http://groups.msn.com/AntiqueAutoMushersofAlaska | May 23 | Thursday Night Cruise |
| Feb 28 | Monthly Membership Meeting
7:00 pm at the Anchorage Senior Center | May 24-26 | NSRA Mid-America Street Rod Nationals
Ozark Empire Fair Springfield, Missouri
<i>an NSRA event</i>
www.nsra-usa.com |
| Mar 28 | Monthly Membership Meeting
7:00 pm at the Anchorage Senior Center | May 25 | Corvette Spring Reunion Car Show
Noon to 4 PM
Lithia Chevrolet of South Anchorage
Contact Margo Smith at 333-6993
<i>an Anchorage Corvette Association event</i>
www.alaskacorvette.com |
| Apr 13-14 | Alaska Motorcycle Dealers Association Bike Show Ben Boeke Ice Arena
<i>an Alaska Motorcycle Dealers Association event</i> | May 27 | Corvette Club Car Show
Noon to 4 PM
at the Northway Mall Sam's Club Parking Lot
Contact Margo Smith at 333-6993
<i>an Anchorage Corvette Association event</i>
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| Apr 12-13 | NSRA Southwest Street Rod Nationals
State Fair Park Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
<i>an NSRA event</i>
www.nsra-usa.com | May 30 | Thursday Night Cruise |
| Apr 17 | Thursday Night Cruise | May 31-Jun 2 | NSRA Street Rod Nationals East
York Expo Center York, Pennsylvania
<i>an NSRA event</i>
www.nsra-usa.com |
| Apr 25 | Thursday Night Cruise | Jun 1 | Dave Smith Memorial Food Run
Meet at Peggy's in Anchorage for breakfast, Lunch in Soldotna, Dinner in Seward, and Desert in Anchorage Contact Margo Smith at 333-6993
<i>an Anchorage Corvette Association event</i>
www.alaskacorvette.com |
| Apr 26-28 | NSRA Western Street Rod Nationals
Kern County Fairgrounds Bakersfield, California
<i>an NSRA event</i>
www.nsra-usa.com | Jun 6 | Thursday Night Cruise |
| May 1 | Thursday Night Cruise | Jun 7 | Colony Day's Car Show
6 pm to 9 pm Palmer
<i>a Palmer Chambers of Commerce's event</i>
www.palmerchamber.org |
| May 3-5 | 23rd Annual Alaska Custom Car & Cycle Show at the Harry J. McDonald Memorial Center located in Eagle River
Contact Derrick Snelson at 566-2346
<i>Presented by Performance Promotions</i> | Jun 13 | Thursday Night Cruise |
| May 3-5 | NSRA Street Rod Nationals South
Chilhowee Park & Exposition Center Knoxville, Tennessee
<i>an NSRA event</i>
www.nsra-usa.com | Jun 14-16 | Fairbanks Road Trip & Car Show at Lithia
Contact Margo Smith at 333-6993
<i>an Anchorage Corvette Association event</i>
www.alaskacorvette.com |
| May 4 | Spring Auto Parts Swap Meet
9 am to 4 pm Northway Mall 3101 Penland Parkway Anchorage, Alaska 99508
Contact Victor Knott at 349-7228
<i>a MSSRA event</i> | Jun 16 | Bailey's Father's Day Car Show
Noon to 4 PM at the Bailey's Superstore at 350 West International Airport Road and NO CHARGE THIS YEAR! This year they will strictly enforce No "works in progress" and No "premiered projects." Only show machines will be allowed. No "For Sale" signs. Call 646-4947 to make your reservation
<i>a Bailey's event</i> |
| May 9 | Thursday Night Cruise | | |
| May 11 | NSRA Appreciation Day
J & S Automotive 21065 Bill Stephens Drive Peters Creek and the Glenn Highway
Contact Lenny Olson at 688-6917
<i>NSRA State Rep & Safety Inspector event</i> | | |
| May 16 | Thursday Night Cruise | | |

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