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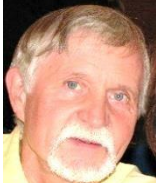
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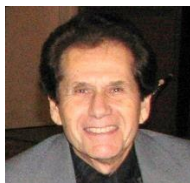
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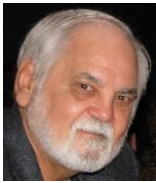


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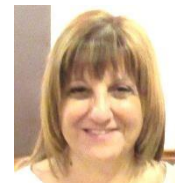


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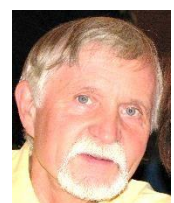
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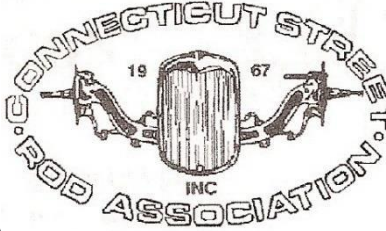


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MINUTES OF THE March 6 2024, C.S.R.A

SERGEANT OF ARMS: Rich Ronzello

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Accepted

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tom reported on building expenses and donations and legal fees

BUILDING INSIDE: Stove needed to be repaired , Fire extinguishers have been replaced, Met with new Atty

BUILDING OUTSIDE: Armand thanked Dave jr. for plowing the parking lot

DONATIONS: The three high schools fixed donation \$500, Ea.

NSRA: Nothing to report

4-Cs: Quiet

WEBSITE: In order

SOCIAL MEDIA: All set

CLUB APPAREL: Closet is full Knit caps are in

MODEL SHOW: May 19th after Cars and Coffee

SWAP MEET : Food coupons to replace funny money , Going to use the Vendors that support us not theirs

NEW BUSINESS: Change date of club picnic to Sept 22

NEW PROSPECT: Pete Standish

50/50 WINNERS: Debbie Caliendo Rich Lathrop

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

<i>Sheryl Morrell - 1st</i>	<i>Betty (Pear) Augustine - 17th</i>
<i>Sarah Lambert - 6th</i>	<i>Beth Tautkus - 18th</i>
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<i>Bette Dybick - 17th</i>	

APRIL 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THRU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5 Bingo Hot Wheels Drag Racing	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Dustoff & Early inspection	15	16	17	18	19 Hot Wheels Drag Racing	20
21 Cars & Coffee	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				



PREZ SEZ

Hi Everyone, March has been a busy Month in a number of ways. Tom Lambert and I met with a specialist from Carmody Law to begin looking into our nonprofit status. This has been a topic for a number of years and now we feel we have found a qualified group that will give us the information we need. Also underway is the proposed Billboard upgrade project. We still have a couple of details to work on with the company representatives as the permit process with the town is underway. The club winter CNN slide show was held once again. Last time we held the slide show was in 2019. Matt Fassbender our club "No Prep" drag racing champion volunteered to bring back the slide show along with Armand Couture. The show was a huge success! A trivia contest was held with the prizes being Paul Weiss Racing Fuel Funny car T shirts. Paul Weiss enjoyed the show and is looking forward to displaying his Fuel funny car at our Monday night CNN show.

The March Cars and Coffee was another full house event, even with a touch of rain early in the morning. A lot of interesting rides attended. Heck we needed more room for parking, so we opened the gate to the back yard for more room. Our fence and gate is getting tired so hopefully by the Dust Off we will have a new gates. We expect a big turnout so we will be using the back yard and field in April.

Along with our Cars and Coffee in May the same day the Model Show and Swap will take place as well. We expect another large gathering of vehicles so our backyard and field will be used once again. Also, the month of May being Swap Meet time there are two more meetings left where the changes and improvements for the Swap meet will be discussed. Swap meet chairman Tom Lambert and Felix Campagnuolo have been working together on the details. Needed updates will be discussed at the April meeting.

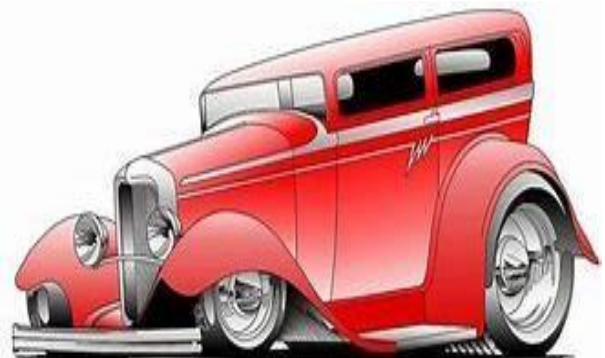
Now a word about the club meetings....At the end of the meetings I ask members to help clean up. Unfortunately, the clean up after our meetings have become a chore for the few members who care and a few wives as well. Most just up and leave- soon after taking leftovers! One last detail if you use the Keurig coffee machine take the old pod out and clean the darn thing for the next person! At the April meeting if this continues the Board has decided to stop the meals.

Ron San Giovanni

CLUB NEWS OUR CONDOLENCE TO Marilyn whose husband a former club member Tommy Pitruzzello passed away Feb,26. And to Mike Duffield whose brother James Duffield 82 years passed away Feb 27. And to Dennis Dagliere whose Aunt Sandy passed away March 12. Our thoughts and prayers go out to both families.

NEW PROSPECT: Pete Standish

DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER FEB 23rd



Rich Libassi - your "C.S.R.A. Historian" was nice enough to let us borrow all of his previous Nutmeg Motor Newsletters. I will be taking bits and pieces from them and sharing in each month's newsletter. Some things have changed, some remain the same! Laura San Giovanni

TID BITS FROM PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS:

1986:

President: Tom Falconieri

Vice President: Mike Cady

Club Dues are \$20.00

How did the club logo come about? Well, back in the "Stone Age" – around '67 or so, the original founding fathers came up with the present logo. The Grill Shell represents the body work, the Axle represents the mechanics, and the overall design represents the classic street rod. The original design was drawn up by Art Johnson we believe, minus the grill insert. We later added in the grill insert. The original guys are not in the club anymore, but that old logo will probably live on forever.

Congrats to the Goduti family – parents of a baby boy.

'86 Nostalgia Drags are August 10th Dan Burnham of National Speed plans to donate gift certificates for Class Winner and fastest Street Rod

Subscriptions to CSRA monthly Newsletter is available to those who want to know what's going on for \$10 a year

Fitzy, the track manager of Connecticut Dragway passed away. He was never too busy to answer questions or explain the rules in detail. He will be missed.

Membership voted to have a 20-year Reunion combined with the club picnic

Nostalgia Drags are canceled. After Fitzy passed, the land was sold by Maratta, Jr and the new owner does not want racing on his property

New venue for Nostalgia Drags will be New England Dragway, Epping, New Hampshire

Club Picnic -Need help with kids games and ideas for adult games. Audrey Fitting will be taking pics of members cars. Each member will get a copy.

New members voted in are Frank Reilly, Paul Cote, Walter Kukta and Gary Garrison

The Club Banner that disappeared some years ago has been found by Mike Lukonski

Christmas Party will be at The Cabin in Meriden

STUFF FOR SALE



If you have stuff to sell you can e-mail me at Junietoons@AOL.com

2/28/23Wanted - Finally found a very nice 1936 Mullins trailer box and a bare frame but I am now looking for a number of misc parts i.e springs that are inside the box on the sides and are attached

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HOW TO CLEAN INSIDE CAR WINDOWS

Time: An hour or less

Complexity: Beginner

Cost: Less than \$20



You don't have to drive very far down the highway to notice how dirty your windshield gets. It feels like you've got to wash your car windows every time you stop to get rid of a thin layer of dirt and bugs. You've probably noticed that the inside of your car's windshield can get pretty filthy too, especially if your windshield fogs up regularly. Fortunately, a good cleaning is pretty simple to achieve, in just a few steps.

HOW DO CAR WINDOWS GET DIRTY ON THE INSIDE?

Condensation and dust inside of your car can create a cloudy film that builds up on the inside of your windows. Other factors can make the inside of your windows dirty too, including smoke, fingerprints and even something called off-gassing, i.e. the breakdown of plastic and vinyl components inside the car (it's what gives a vehicle that new car smell.)

It's important to keep the inside of your windows clean because it helps them defrost faster, and it's just safer. A thick, filmy layer on the inside of your window can cause problems with the glare, making it harder to see the road. Discover what are these little black dots on your car's windshield.

Fortunately, it's easy to clean the inside of your windows. Just follow these easy steps.

Wipe the Windows with a Dry-Cleaning Cloth

Wipe the inside car windows with a dry, reversible microfiber cleaning cloth, with a thick cleaning side and a fine drying side, working from top to bottom in an up-and-down motion. A microfiber cloth works



best because it doesn't leave lint, or other fibers stuck to the glass the way paper towels or regular cotton towels can. This prep step removes that nearly invisible filmy layer of dirt and dust particles that stem from the plastic, vinyl, and rubber in your car's interior.

Window cleaning© Veronica Graham Spray Window Cleaner on the Glass

Spray the car window cleaning solution directly onto another microfiber cloth.

Just a few spritzes at a time should do the trick. Avoid spraying the cleaner directly onto the glass. Too much cleaner can make the glass hazy.

There are a number of glass cleaning products that will work, but we recommend one that's specific for interior use in a car, such as Meguiar's Perfect Glass. That will help you avoid exposure to chemicals like ammonia while inside your car. Or make your own glass cleaner with equal parts distilled water and isopropyl alcohol, plus a capful of white vinegar.

Add window cleaner© Veronica Graham

Wipe on the Glass Cleaner. Rub the cleaner-dampened microfiber cloth in a circulation motion, again working from top to bottom.

The lower corners of the windshields can be tricky and nearly impossible to reach, so a reaching tool with a curved head, such as the Xindell extendable windshield reaching/cleaning tool with a 14-1/2-in. reach, works well. This tool is optional.

Reacher window cleaner© Veronica Graham

Dry the Glass. Wipe the glass dry with the other side of your dry microfiber cloth, or a fresh one, for a streak-free finish.

Repeat steps 2 through 4 until sparkling.

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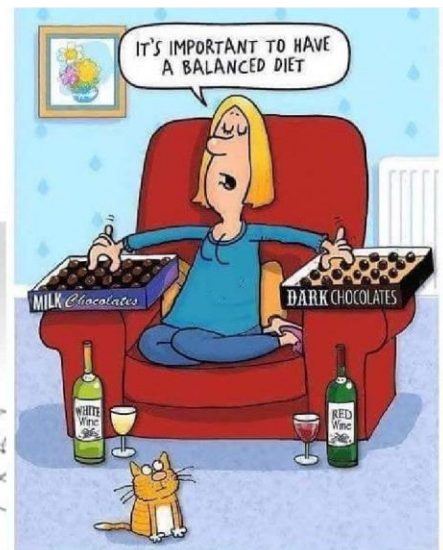
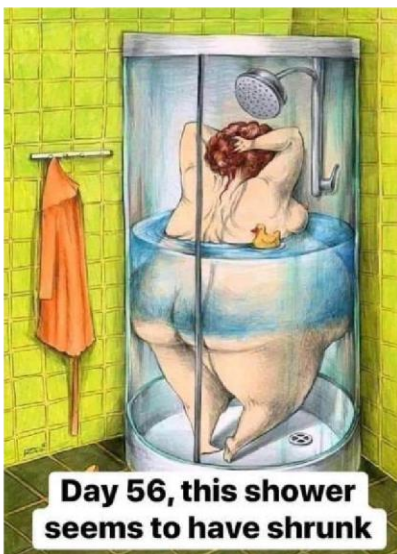
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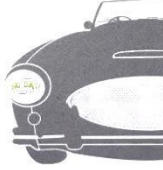
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Respectively,

Richard J. Annino

Haddam Veterans Museum

FIND THE TEN MISTAKES ON THIS PICTURE



THE ANSWERS ARE ON THE LAST PAGE

CSRA SLIDE SHOW



Because I didn't have my cell phone to take picture of a good night of slides, this is the only picture Sara sent me.

While the men went to watch the slides, it seems the wives went in the Board room and start drinking and having a good time taking about all the stupid things we did when they went cruising and car shows.

JOKES SENT IN BY JERRY VERONIES

NUDITY: I was driving with my three young children, one warm summer evening, when a woman in the convertible ahead of us stood up and waved. She was stark naked! As I was reeling from the shock, I heard my 3-year-old shout from the back seat, “Mom, that lady isn’t wearing a seat belt!”

A GROUP OF HOT DOG LOVERS



THE ONLY PERSON PAYING ATTENTION TO WHERE THEIR GOING IS THE FRONT PASSENGER

Today's deep thoughts...

Perhaps you can relate to some of these! SENT IN BY JERRY AUGUSTINNE

If a bottle of poison reaches its expiration date, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?

Which letter is silent in the word "Scent," the S or the C?

Do twins ever realize that one of them is unplanned?

Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty.

The word "swims" upside-down is still "swims".

Over 100 years ago, everyone owned a horse and only the rich had cars. Today everyone has cars and only the rich own horses.

If people evolved from monkeys, why are monkeys still around?

Why is there a 'D' in fridge, but not in refrigerator?

As I've grown older, I've learned that pleasing everyone is impossible, but pissing everyone off is a piece of cake!

I'm responsible for what I say, not for what you understand.

Common sense is like deodorant. The people who need it the most never use it.

My tolerance for idiots is extremely low these days. I used to have some immunity built up; but obviously, there's a new strain out there.

It's not my age that bothers me - it's the side effects.

I'm not saying I'm old and worn out, but I make sure I'm nowhere near the curb on trash day.

As I watch this generation try and rewrite our history, I'm sure of one thing: it will be misspelled and have no punctuation.

As I've gotten older, people think I've become lazy. The truth is I'm just being more energy-efficient.

I haven't gotten anything done today. I've been in the Produce Department trying to open this stupid plastic bag.

Turns out that being a "senior" is mostly just googling how to do stuff.

I want to be 18 again and ruin my life differently. I have new ideas.

I'm on two simultaneous diets. I wasn't getting enough food on one.

I put my scale in the bathroom corner and that's where the little liar will stay until it apologizes.

My mind is like an internet browser. At least 18 open tabs, 3 of them are frozen, and I have no clue where the music is coming from.

Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall, and when it rang, I picked it up without knowing who was calling.

LITTLE JOHN IN THE HARTFORD PARADE



HERE'S WHY YOU SHOULDN'T WARM UP YOUR CAR IN THE WINTER © Sasha Ivanova/Shutterstock

If ice has formed in your car lock, grab a straw. And put the end of the straw right up to the lock and blow into the straw. Also, the warmth from your breath will melt the ice, but it takes longer.

Why You Shouldn't Warm Up Your Car in The Winter.

When it's frigid outside and you have to drive to some sort of destination, there's only one solution to fighting the ridiculous cold: Warm up the car. Just start it up a few minutes before hopping in, giving your cabin and your engine time to warm up before hitting the road. Plus, it's supposed to be good for the life of your engine, right?

Wrong! Warming up your car in winter before driving it is actually terrible for your engine. According to Popular Mechanics, driving your car right away is [the fastest way to warm up your engine](#), and will actually prolong the life of your engine instead of letting it sit idly before driving. Answering the old question on whether you should warm up your car.

The reasoning has to do with how modern internal combustion engines work. By letting your car sit to warm up, it's actually putting extra fuel into the combustion chamber, which can get onto your cylinder walls. Because gasoline is an excellent solvent, too much on your cylinder walls can dissolve the oil that lubricates your cylinders, leading to shorter life on crucial components.

Driving Your Car Will Warm it Up Quicker than Idling

Of course, hopping into a cold car is never a fun task. Although driving your car will actually warm up your engine faster than idling, it still means driving for a period of time in a cold vehicle. And, it also means dealing with the frost on your car windows before they warm up. Fortunately, you can easily defrost your windows in 30 seconds with this [simple car window defrosting trick](#).

Why Do People Warm Up Their Car?

Now if warming up your car in winter is actually terrible for your engine, why did people even do this in the first place? [According to USA Today](#), these practices comes from the use of cars with carburetors—a fuel delivery system that preceded fuel injection that did require warming up beforehand. Some people would have to wait up to 10 minutes before even getting into a car, deeming it safe enough to drive with a warmed-up engine. Nevertheless, cars and technology have drastically changed since the 1960s, which means this old practice is no longer required.

Instead, just give it a minute and start with an easy drive. Flooring it right away obviously isn't the solution but easing yourself into a drive will help to warm your engine faster than you originally thought.

COUPLE PAID \$100 FOR ABANDONED CAR



they found in a storage unit — Elon Musk bought it from them for nearly \$1 million.

In 1989, a couple from Long Island, New York paid roughly \$100 for an unclaimed storage unit. It was a blind auction, meaning neither they nor the seller had any idea what was inside.

When the couple opened the unit, they were in for what would likely be the surprise of their lives: Buried under some old blankets sat a [1976 Lotus Esprit sports car](#) used in the filming of the 1977 James Bond film "The Spy Who Loved Me." In the movie, the sports car famously transforms into a submarine and fires missiles while underwater.

Years later, none other than Elon Musk bought their find for nearly \$1 million.



The sports car one of eight used in the filming of the Roger Moore Bond movie, but the only one that operated in underwater scenes had been put in the storage unit after filming and remained there, forgotten for more than a decade until the New York couple (who have remained anonymous) came along.

At first, "they really didn't know what it was," Doug Redenius, co-founder of the Ian Fleming Foundation, which authenticated the car, told NBC News in 2013 of the couple, who ran a business renting construction tools. They had never even seen a Bond film.

"They had no idea how valuable their discovery was."

The husband had planned on fixing the sports car's dented roof and making other improvements. But after they loaded the car onto a truck and set off for home, truckers contacted them via CB radio to let them know they were hauling a James Bond car, according to Redenius.

The husband later went out and rented the movie on VHS and saw what he had, Redenius told NBC. **Related video: Inside the \$24 billion world of classic cars**

Snapped up by Musk

After the couple "cosmetically restored" the vehicle, they displayed it in occasional exhibits over the next two decades before deciding to put it up for auction in 2013.

Redenius added in the 2013 interview that he had heard about the car's existence years after the couple started exhibiting it, and he sought them out. He authenticated the car with the original builders and put the couple in touch with RM Sotheby's, telling the couple if the car sells for what we're hoping, that money will give you a very comfortably for the rest of your life. Enter Elon Musk.

The Lotus sold at auction at RM Sotheby's in 2013 to a secret buyer. It was later revealed that the new owner was Musk, and he reportedly paid \$997,000 for the car.

Musk said he'd grown up watching the Bond movie.

It was amazing as a little kid in South Africa to watch James Bond in 'The Spy Who Loved Me' drive his Lotus Esprit off a pier, press a button and have it transformed into a submarine underwater.

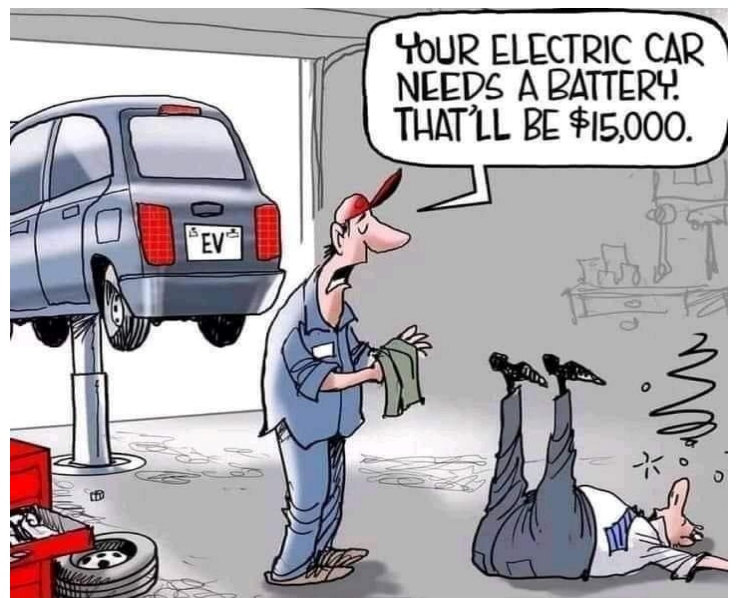
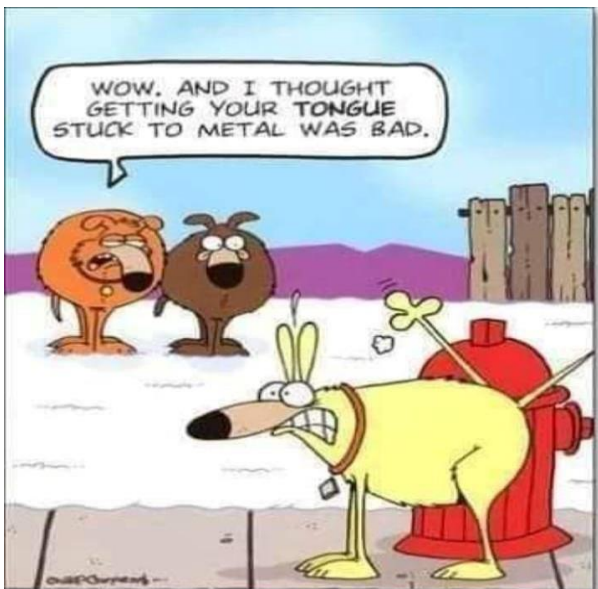
"I was disappointed to learn that it can't actually transform. What I'm going to do is upgrade it with a Tesla electric powertrain and try to make it transform for real," Musk told the auto blog Jalapic in a statement in 2013. To originally equip the Lotus for the movie, a marine engineering firm converted it into a functional submarine at a [cost of more than \\$100,000](#) (the equivalent of nearly \$425,000 today).

Nicknamed "Wet Willie," the car was used for underwater scenes, so when it sold in 2013 it had no wheels, only "articulated fins." It also couldn't drive on land, but it did actually work as a submarine, with ballast tanks to make diving possible. The car also featured "a bank of four propellers" in the back of the vehicle that let it move underwater while being powered by electric motors in a water-tight compartment.

During filming, the underwater scenes were performed by a retired U.S. Navy SEAL wearing full scuba gear with an oxygen tank, as the car's interior was filled with water, according to Sotheby's.

Recently, Musk said that the car served as part of the [inspiration for Tesla's new Cybertruck](#).

The 1976 Lotus Esprit submarine is not even the most expensive car from a James Bond film to ever go up for auction. In August, an Aston Martin DB5 that was used to promote the 1965 Bond film "Thunder ball" [sold at auction for \\$6.4 million](#) to an anonymous buyer.



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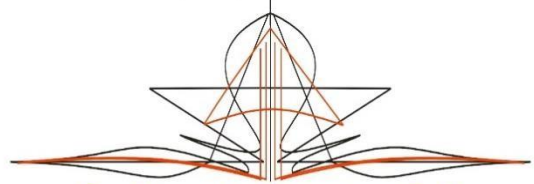
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