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Horseless Carriage Club of America

HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



Re: HCCA Website Forums; Automotive Research Library; Hershey is Coming!; Mail Delay!
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Happy Labor Day!

- **HCCA Website Forums** – At the August 19th meeting of the HCCA Website Committee, approval was given to move the Website Forums into production! WAHOO! That said, as you all know, it may be sooner, or later, before the Forums are up on the site. There are still some technical hurdles to overcome, but we hope the conversion goes smoothly. Get those Forum questions, answers, technical articles, etc, ready so we can share our knowledge. Stay Tuned!
- **Automotive Research Library** – “The Automotive Research Library in La Mesa, CA is closed to the public for the next weeks due to COVID-19 safety precautions. Mac will allow one person in at a time, with an appointment. He will answer phones and take care of urgent business, but the doors are staying locked. If you need anything from the library, call during regular business hours Tuesday through Friday, 9-4 (Pacific Time). Leave a message if he is unable to answer, he’ll get back to you ASAP.” Email: research@hcfi.org; Web: www.hcfi.org;
- **2021 Eastern Fall Meet** – “The Hershey Region AACA, host of the 2021 Eastern Fall Meet, welcomes you to “We’ll keep runnin in 2021.” We encourage all members to register their vehicles for judging. A show plaque will be given to each registered vehicle when entering the judging field.”
”This year’s “Hershey” is going to be highly anticipated by so many of us. A year without our beloved event is nothing we ever want to experience again, so welcome back everyone!” . .
“This year, one of the anticipated treats for the fall show is the ability to visit the new national headquarters and library. Headquarters will be open Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. We will naturally have to limit the number of people in the building at one time. Parking is available onsite on Monday and Tuesday, but may not be for the rest of the week.” Read more at: www.aaca.org/Meets/aaca_calendar.html;
- **What else is going on?** – The latest from the HCCA Gazette and Website:
 - 61st Air Capital Tour, Junction City, KS, September 3 - 6, 2021.
 - Lansing to Dearborn Run, Dearborn, MI, September 9 - 10, 2021.
 - Old Car Festival at The Henry Ford, Dearborn, MI, September 11 - 12, 2021.
 - 75th Revival AAA Glidden Tour, Saratoga Springs, NY, September 12 - 17, 2021.
 - 21st Annual Antique Autos in History Park, San Jose, CA, September 19, 2021.
 - CoastNET 2021 Nickel Era Tour, Santa Maria, CA, September 19 - 23, 2021.
 - 1- and 2- Cylinder Tour, Lancaster, PA, September 19 - 24, 2021.
 - 2021 Red Flag Horseless Carriage Tour, Mount Pleasant, IA, Sept 22 - 25, 2021.
 - AACA National Fall Meet, Hershey, PA, October 6th – 9th, 2021.
 - Hershey Hangover X, Denver, PA, October 9 – 12, 2021.
 - 2022 HCCA National Convention and Tour, Howey-in-the-Hills, FL, February 20 – 25, 2022.
 - 32nd Annual Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet, Chickasha, OK, March 18-19, 2020.
- **HCCA Gazette Delay!** – For our foreign members, our *Gazette* printer made a warehousing error that resulted in the July-August Gazettes not being sent to the printer's foreign mail distribution center. Thus, they were not mailed out! This is being corrected. Foreign members will likely receive their September-October mailed issue before they receive their missing July-August mailed issue. On a positive note, The July-August Gazette is already posted on the HCCA Website, in the Members Only section, so you can read it there, while awaiting your own paper copy. Happy reading!

Doug Tomb / Douglas.tomb@verizon.net

Board Member – HCCA NN Editor ...

On June 16, 1903, the Ford Motor Company was established. Henry Ford was the founder. This was not his first rodeo, as he had previously operated the Henry Ford Company. He left that company and took his name with him. What became of the Henry Ford Company? They became known as the Cadillac Motor Company. What does any of this have to do with the photo of a BBQ grill? Hang on.

Ford's Model T, which would number in the millions sold, required 100 board feet of wood to build. Ford despised waste. His motto was, "Reduce, reuse, and recycle." He was also a nature-lover, an environmentalist of his time. His escape from the stress of life was camping in the great outdoors.

Frustrated by the mountains of sawdust his lumber mills created, he and his partners sought a way to utilize the scrap wood and sawdust into a useful (and profitable) product.

An idea came to him one day as he was camped with some friends in the wilds of Michigan. After his party spent a long time collecting sufficient wood for a campfire, an idea sprang in Ford's mind. Upon returning back to the lumber mill, he shared the idea with some of his partners and set to work on it.

The idea? Lumping a fistful of sawdust and cornstarch with a bit of tar to form a briquette. After charring it, it performed exactly what Ford imagined it would. He then built a charcoal briquette factory adjacent to his lumber mill where the waste from one became the fuel for the other.

A new Model T was now frequently sold with a bonus bag of Ford Charcoal Briquettes, so you could drive into the woods to camp and not worry about finding campfire wood.

So now you know. Ford not only created the modern automobile industry which takes millions to work and back each workday, but he also created the weekend grilling and camping industries.

In 1951, the Ford Charcoal Briquette Company was sold. The new company was named after Ford's real estate partner who helped him find the land to supply wood for building the early Ford automobiles- E.J. Kingsford. Kingsford Charcoal is the largest producer of charcoal briquettes in the world.



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Re: Hershey Fall Meet; Marian Welch Award; Publication Awards; HCCA 2022 Convention;
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- **AACA Hershey Eastern Fall Meet** – From the AACA Speedster: “The Hershey Region AACA invites you to make the pilgrimage to antique car Mecca this October. Come join the over 250,000 visitors who come each year to experience Hershey. The Hershey show is considered the largest true antique car show in the world and includes a flea market with over 9,000 vendor spaces, a car corral with about 1,000 antique cars for sale and culminates in a great car show with 1,200+ vintage cars on display.” Stop by the HCCA tent in the Red Field, have a seat, grab a soda, and meet other HCCA members in person.

- **Marian Welch Award Nominations** – The Marian Welch Service Award is the Horseless Carriage Club’s most prestigious Honor, awarded to members whose dedication and service to HCCA has had a huge impact on our club and the hobby.

Members are now asked to submit to the HCCA office, on or before October 31, 2021, recommendations of candidate(s) to be considered by the Board of Directors.

The Qualifications are:

Member for minimum of 10 years;

Active involvement at the local and National levels;

Different **Leadership Positions** held;

Demonstrated **Outstanding Service**;

Dedication and, Consistent and Continuing Service shown.

Since this is the highest honor that can be given to an HCCA member, nominations should include the following information: Membership length; Leadership positions held; Activities performed; Types of Service at the local and National levels; Efforts to promote Club values; and the Helping and Mentoring of others.

Please send member nominations and information to:

Awards Committee Chairperson

c/o HCCA Office

3109 Fish Canyon Road

Duarte, CA 91010-1506

The Marian Welch Award nominations can be submitted by email as well. The nomination and supporting documents should be in a document attached to the email. Please send the email to: andyauto@hotmail.com
c/o Andy Wallace, Awards Committee Chair.
See the September-October 2021 Gazette, page 52, for complete details.

- **Publication Awards** – Alex Huppe will be judging the HCCA Publication Awards for 2021. He has asked that presidents of all Regional Groups and Affiliated Registers submit examples of their publications to his email address at: alexhuppe@aol.com
The deadline for submissions is December 15, 2021.

- **HCCA 2022 National Convention & Tour** – Howey-in-the-Hills, FL. Planning to attend? Information and registration forms can be accessed from the hcca.org website. Please reserve Now! <https://hcca.org/calendar/>
If you have questions, contact Andy Wallace for further details, at his email above.

- **Gazette Back Issues Online** – Need to look at a back issue of the Horseless Carriage Gazette? Can’t find that old copy of Gazette issue #4 from 1966? No problem.

All of the Gazette issues, from 1938 up through 1973 have been scanned, and can be accessed on the web. Go to: <https://archive.org>

This is the Internet Archive. From their site: “The Internet Archive, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, is building a digital library of Internet sites and other cultural artifacts in digital form. Like a paper library, we provide free access to researchers, historians, scholars, the print disabled, and the general public.” Search on “Horseless Carriage Gazette”. Happy reading!

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Board Member – HCCA NN Editor ...

SR HCCA Tour September 30, 2021

The day was glorious and attendance was respectable!

Thank you to John Pearson for setting up a terrific day on Thursday Sept 30.



We met at Pacific Market in Sebastopol at 9:30 and departed at 10:00AM. Many happy faces and big smiles in anticipation of a long overdue day out in the old cars!

John & Linda Pearson, Guy & Michelle Smith, Don & Pam Johnson, Bill Scales and Cinda Craven, Kim & Trees Simoni, Stan Ramondo, Jim Flint and Linda Eggleston were all present!



We departed heading out Pleasant Hill Road and on to Bloomfield Road. Once past Bloomfield we took Gericke over to Fallon-Two Rock Road and into Tomales. From there we wound south on Highway 1 through Marshall and into Point Reyes Station. The weather and temperature were PERFECT and there was almost no traffic!



After a leisurely lunch (wood fired pizza) in Point Reyes Station, we headed back north on Hwy 1 (where Don & Pam departed for Petaluma via Point Reyes-Petaluma Road). When entering Tomales, we hooked a left onto Dillon Beach Road, then onto Valley Ford-Franklin School Road and followed that all the way into Valley Ford.

After touring along Freestone-Valley Ford Road

and then east on Bodega Highway towards Freestone and Sebastopol, our group split up and headed for home. It was a perfect day out-and-about, FINALLY!! We all agreed that weekday touring is the BEST and will likely start touring on Wednesday every month (so Vicky Porter can join us too!) Let's see what we can make happen in October!

Kim Simoni





Yes, even Stan had a car running this time !!

Santa Rosa Horseless Carriage Club Meeting Minutes:: September 9, 2021

Attending:

Stan & Kathleen
Linda E
John & Linda
Guy & Michelle
Don & Pam
Dick W
Kim & Trees

Meeting called to order by Stan Ramondo, 6:13 PM

Treasurer's Report (Linda Eggleston): \$1329.86

Motion made and approved that anyone that paid their SRHCCA dues for 2021 will have them 'credited' to the 2022 year.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

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- The Millerick brothers had their L29 Cord at Pebble Beach (they are local). Stan Ramondo will reach out/contact them about joining our local Santa Rosa HCCA
- Motion made and approved for SRHCCA to donate \$300 to the effort to build a Brass era building at the Gilmore Museum in Michigan (see latest Gazette, Museum of the Horseless Carriage at The Gilmore). Kim to provide contact and payment details to Linda E

Committee Reports

Tours (John Pearson)

- Sept 11: Cloverdale Car and Motorcycle Show, Cloverdale downtown
- Sept 12: Santa Rosa - Cars and Coffee, Coddington Shopping Center
- **Sept 30 (Thursday): Santa Rosa HCCA Tour;** time & route TBD. Trees will send email to members to gauge interest!
- Oct 24: Geyserville Fall Colors & Vintage Car Show, downtown Geyserville
- Oct 25: Wheels & Wings Car Show, Pacific Coast Air Museum

Sunshine Report (Linda Pearson)

- Gail Shaw has had a stent put in and is doing well. He's moved to an adult community in San Jose (near his son). Is considering coming up for a tour/ride-along.

- Vicky Porter contracted covid (was already vaccinated). She's doing well, said it was more like having a summer cold.
- Jay Whited is now home and walking outside with a walker

Membership

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Editor

- Trees will fill in for online edition of Sidelights for the next 1-2 months. Still need someone to take on this position and ensure mailed copies get sent to those members who don't do email.

Meeting Adjourned by Stan Ramondo at 6:52PM

NEXT MEETING: Oct 21 at Handline, 6PM

Respectfully submitted by Kimberly Simoni, Secretary

Birthdays Anniversaries &



September October Anniversaries

Max & Laura Meyer - Sept 5th

Dick & Ann Winterhalder - Oct 10th