



CCC Newsletter # 12-13

Excuuuuuse me! I did it this time. With the late Thanksgiving this year I lost track of days and here we are in December. Oh well. I hope you all enjoyed a fantastic Thanksgiving, a bearable Black Friday, and are now about to enjoy a Merry Christmas or Happy Hanukkah!

I know we're all really busy with "other stuff" during this time of the year, but let's not get wrapped up in "stuff"! Remember, we all need to slow down and enjoy our friends and family during this very special time of year.

But speaking of going to fast . . . this brings us to our trivia question for the month!

- What daring young man (or woman?) was the first to reach the unimaginable speed of 100 mph in a car? Who would do such a thing, and where? Henry Ford . . . The Dodge Brothers . . . maybe they were testing at Indianapolis?

And a bonus question for the holidays . . .

- We all know that the first cars were usually chain or belt driven. So who came up with the idea of a drive shaft? As always, the answers will be at the end of this newsletter.



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OK, let's move on to the shows!

December 2013:

7th:

- **Folsom, CA:** *Christmas is for Kids:* A toy drive at the Home Depot, 2675 E. Bidwell St. Info: www.capcruz.com

7th-8th:

- **Indio, CA:** *Indio International Tamale Festival Car Show*; in downtown Indio, 100 Civic Center Mall (off Smurr and Requa), Hosted by KevaWorks, Inc. and the City of Indio. Entry fee \$30 for two-day event. Award categories; Pre-War Restored, Post-War Restored, Street Rod (up to 1959), Muscle Car, Sport, Truck and Low-Rider. Info: Lyn Hartley at 36101 Bob Hope Dr., Ste E5-420, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, (760) 832-8620 x 46, lhartley@kevaworks.com, or fax (760) 832-8621. WWW.tamalefestival.net.

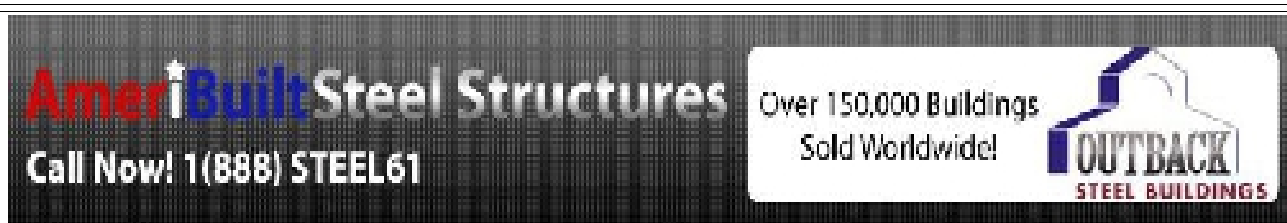
27th:

- **Hanford, CA:** *Der Wienerschnitzel Cruise Nites*; hosted by the Kings Area Road Relics (KARR) Club; Meet on the last Saturday of every month at the hot dogs & hot rods hangout located on 807 W Lacey Blvd. The good times roll from 5 p.m. until dark during the summer months and from 1-4 p.m. during the winter months (Nov-Feb) with raffles, 50's & 60's music, and some great meal deals. For more information, contact Der Wienerschnitzel at [\(559\) 584-9769](tel:5595849769)

January 2014:

9th-12th:

- **San Jose, CA:** *Silicon Valley International Auto Show*; at the McEnery Convention Center, 150 West San Carlos Street. Info: <http://www.motortrendautoshow.com/sanjose>



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February 2014:

Nada!

March 2014:

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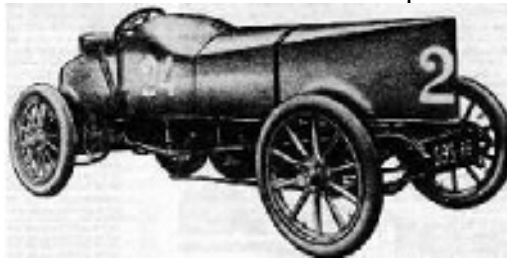
- **Chino, CA:** *12th Annual Corn Feed Run Car Show & Cruise*; presented by Kiwanis Club of Chino and City of Chino. The show runs 8am till 3pm and will be located in downtown Chino at the City Hall, 13220 Central Ave. Entry fee is \$20.00 before March 8th; \$25.00 after and includes tee shirt; spectators admitted free. Open to all

pre '72 cars, all working show trucks and all motorcycles. 430 vehicles last year! 13 block cruising from 10:00 to 1:00; open header contest; awesome trophies; huge raffle plus great food and music. We have a huge display of operating antique engines set up by the WPA. All proceeds go to Local youth & senior charities of the Chino Kiwanis. General info Walt Pocock cornfeedrun@aol.com or 909-591-4162. Vendor info Josh Munchjunch@cityofchino.org or 909-334-3488 [Click here for the flyer](#) and [here for the registration form](#).

Man, this is really slim pickings, I hope the shows start rolling in soon!

And now, the answers to the trivia . . .

Wow! The first guy (yep, a guy) to drive 100 mph was Louis Rigolly! And can you believe it was way back on July 21, 1904 in Ostend, Belgium. To accomplish this feat, Mr. Rigolly drove his 15 liter (Yes 15!) Gobron-Brillie down Ostend-Newport Road to an unheard of speed of 166.66 Kilometers per hour. That translates to 103.56 mph!



So while you may think “Ford Fast” on Raceday, just remember that Henry wasn't the first to go 100mph!

And now the answer to the bonus question . . . The drive shaft was invented by Louis Renault (French) in 1898. So there ya go, Henry lost out again! (Do you see the pattern here? Two major automotive events/developments happened across the pond!)

And now under the category of “Being Late” . . .



The picture above is my truck in front of our apartment in Great Falls, MT. We're trying to get back home in time for our car club Christmas Party, but the weather is not cooperating. It is supposed to

snow for the next few days, and then we will have another 5 days of sub zero temps . . . you know, the stuff black ice is made from. Since my truck is only 2 wheel drive, I'll be sitting the storm out right here. Oh well as they say. I hope someone from my club remembers to put a doggie bag together for me at the party!

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With that, I bid you farewell for the year, and turn you over to my wife with her feature; Creative License . . .



December 2013

For your reading entertainment this month, I have listed several vanity plates from Volkswagens:

BED BUG	FUZY BNY (fuzzy bunny)
I♥Z BUG (I love the bug)	MY♥V BUG (my love bug)
CURVBL (white bug painted like a baseball)	R THNG (VW Thing)
FRFRNGN (Fahrvergnugen – the pleasure of driving)	FAT BUG
BUGZLLA (chartreuse, new bug – bugzilla)	EW A BUG

Below are some funny statements made by car owners:

XQUS YU (excuse you)	STINJEE (stingy)
GD GLLY (good golly)	SPRKL I (sparkly)
LIKE DUH (duh, no explanation needed)	UMM YEAH
HOTTEY	BOOKGUY
IB FOXC (I be foxy)	CHINN UP
PLAY DR (hmmm)	ASHPPER (a shopper)
IBDQEEN (I be 'de' queen - don't mess with her!)	SAYWHUT
GIRLEY	FXYGRMA (foxy grandma)
ANIM82D (animated? Animate 2D?)	PSHAW
WADYNO (whaddy know)	Y B OLD (why be old?)

Some signs or business names that were spotted here and there:

<i>"Don't Let Your Nose Run Wild"</i>	Billboard for allergy clinic
<i>"Now Serving Angry Chickens"</i>	What???! Sign at Burger King in Utah
<i>"Tree Amigos"</i>	Tree Service
<i>"Moose Joose Saloon"</i>	In Lincoln, MT
<i>"Mooseum"</i>	In Lincoln, MT
<i>"Cram A Lot"</i>	Self Storage, Rochester, WA
<i>"Partners In Grime"</i>	Cleaning Service in Merced, CA
<i>"Sign Broken, Message Inside – God"</i>	Sign outside church in Sun River, MT

While we were in Montana for Thanksgiving, we collected more plates for your viewing pleasure! There seem to be a lot of vanity plates in Montana; and I will include them soon. Please send me any crazy signs, vanity plates or other fun stuff at Snowmassey@yahoo.com Thanks to some of you CCC newsletter readers who have already sent me some fun plates. I appreciate your input. Drive safe.

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- Janet Massey