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Mission Statement

The El Dorado Early Ford V8 Car Club is based in El Dorado County, California and is dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Ford, Mercury, and Lincoln vehicles designed and built by the Ford Motor Company from 1932 to 1953. Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month. Locations change so check newsletter for location.

President's Message



Fall has fell and Spring has sprung and here we are already a third of the way through 2022. It's amazing how fast time flies by!

The weather is getting better day by day and it's certainly time to break-out the old cars and take them for a spin around the block. Car shows are popping up in our area with shows being scheduled in Sutter Creek, Cameron Park, El Dorado Hills, Jackson, and even downtown Placerville. I'll be sure to keep you all up to date on local shows and car-related events. In the meantime, get your old car ready for the good weather and the next classic car cruise! Rex

Meeting Minutes Early Ford V8 Club

The El Dorado Early Ford V8 Club February monthly meeting was held at the Round Table Pizza in the Safeway shopping center at 5:30pm on Feb 3rd. We had 18 members in attendance, so happy to see Bert Keeler. Meeting was called to order at 6:19pm. Opening remarks by Rex and note of the following events in our area: Sat March 26th Greg's Pool Works 5th annual car show in El Dorado Hills, March 26-27 Pleasanton Car Show Alameda County Fairgrounds, April 10th Stockton Auto Swap Meet at San Joaquin Fairgrounds, April 23rd Sacramento Swap Meet in Woodland at Yolo County Fairgrounds, April 24th Spring Turlock Swap Meet at Stanislaus County Fairgrounds, April 26th thru May 1st Kool April Nights in Redding, April 29th-30th-May 1st Autorama Car Show at Cal Expo, and May 21st Motherlode Cruise in Jackson. There are many more to come of which we will try to keep you posted. The minutes from the January meeting, as posted in the newsletter, were approved. Jo gave her treasurer update, we have a good balance, there are a few members who have yet to pay their dues, Jo will check with them. Discussed that several members were

unable to open the January newsletter as sent from Sandy, Rex will coordinate with her to work out the problem. Judi "Miss Sunshine" reported that all members were well except Sandy, who is getting better. Any accessories questions, Art is your go to guy. Judy Madison is our only birthday in February, the 18th, and no anniversaries this month. Rex extended congrats to new officers and directors. Rex also brought flyers and shared information on the Western National Meet being held in Wenatchee, Washington on July 10-14. Also discussed how many might be interested in a car display and cruise on June 19th at Prairie City Landing in Folsom. Breakfast will be held at the Diamond Springs Hotel on Saturday February 5th at 9:00am. March meeting will be held on March 3rd at Colina de Oro in Diamond Springs. Men's luncheon will be held on February 17th at Danette's Brick Oven Pub, and the lady's luncheon will be held on February 17th at Applebee's in Cameron Park. The ladies March luncheon will be on Thursday March 24th, place to be determined. Men's March luncheon will be on Thursday March 17th at the Habit Burger next to O'Reilly's in Save Mart/Target Plaza. The group discussed possible locations for future dinner meetings. Patty will check out and get menus from the Breakroom in Shingle Springs, the Forester in Camino, and the Smith Flat House in Placerville to look over and discuss as possibilities. Also update on the Christmas Party mix-up, one of the cooks at the Forester came down with Covid, and that is why they were closed on such short notice. They had to test and clear all employees before serving the public. Jim Moore shared some important information about making sure your gas cap is a vented gas cap. Again, want to thank Milo & Jo for opening up their home for the January meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm. Submitted by Secretary, Patty Plant

Meeting Thursday March 3rd

The March Meeting will be Thursday March 3rd at the Roundtable Pizza on Main Street in Placerville. Dinner at 5:30PM with meeting to follow.

Breakfast Saturday March 5th

Breakfast will be Saturday March 5th at Mel's downtown Placerville at 9:00 AM. Bring your Classic...weather permitting.

2022 Breakfast Schedule

April – Don & Barbara
May – Art & Michelle June -??? July -???
August – David & Karen
September – Milo & Jo
October – Howard & Judy
November – Rex & Sue
December- No Breakfast Christmas Party

Sunshine Report



I was able to get in touch with most of our club members with the exception of Bert Keeler, Ralph Adams and Sandra Morgan.

Everyone else is doing fine considering our ages. The Brewers are doing well considering have 2 deaths in the family. Jim Moore had some skin cancer removed from his hand/arm but he is getting along ok. Sandy Barisic was released from her doctor regarding her hip surgery, but he knee still has a few more months before it is fully healed. Otherwise she is doing well. ☺ Don and Diane Haynes' grandson is recovering from his head injury but still has to have surgery in April to repair the skullcap. The Lucas and Plants were camping out in the cold weather. Patty was losing at cards ☹. They were all healthy and having a good time camping. ☺☺ Judi

Ladies Luncheon

Thursday February 17th a group of 7 Early Ford V8 ladies met at Applebee's in Cameron Park for lunch. Also had 2 guests from Albuquerque, New Mexico, Susan and Ruthie, friends of Patty Plant and Judy Lucas. Was a great time, the food was good, and enjoyed viewing Judi Lewallen's art/painting. Sandy was doing great, getting around with just a cane, go girl.



March Birthdays & Anniversaries

Rex Roden on the 25th

Anniversaries-Tom & Stacy
Rotundo on the 25th

Happy Birthday!



Men's Luncheon

The February Men's Lunch was attended by eight members who had a great lunch at Danette's Pub in Placerville. The March lunch is scheduled for Thursday March 17th at the Habit Burger Bar next to O'Reilly's Auto Parts at 12:00 Noon. Please let Rex know if you plan to attend.



Here's everything the head of a bolt can tell you

The fasteners that (literally) hold our beloved cars together often become an afterthought. If there is something holding two or three components together, it must be good enough. That attitude is acceptable some of the time, but the hundreds of nuts and bolts keeping everything in one piece are absolutely critical to safe and proper function of our vehicles. A lot of people can glance at a bolt and tell you the size of wrench needed to tighten it, but there is far more information encoded on the head of that bolt than head size. Let's take a look. I'll admit I am like many DIY folks who learn on the job. Depending on the project, we may or may not truly get all the information we need to be an informed mechanic. For something as crucial as hardware, however, it's worth doing a little research to make sure you keep the proper components on hand and know what you are handling so that, if something strips or needs replacing, you can swap it out with the appropriate stuff.

That is how I stumbled upon a video by Haas Automation, Inc that packed me full of enough info to make sense of nearly all the random hardware knocking around my junk drawer. Identifying metric versus inch hardware by the lines and numbers on the head is just the start of the analysis here, but an important one when working on projects that were assembled from parts that might have been sourced from four different continents. Being able to glance at a fastener, walk over to your tool chest, and grab the right wrench (and a matching nut or bolt) allows you to keep moving forward with minimal delay.

Upcoming 2022 Car Show Events in the Greater Sacramento Area

Thursday April 21st – Car Display Prairie City Landing Retirement Home - Folsom

Saturday April 23, 2022, thru May 3, 2022, Kool April Nights – Redding

Saturday April 23rd –Gene & Nancy’s Hot Rod BBQ - Granite Bay

Saturday April 23rd Casa Roble Car Show Orangevale

Friday – Sunday April 29, 30 - May 1st Sacramento Autorama

Saturday May 21st Motherlode Cruiser’s Show Jackson, CA

Saturday May 21st Townsman Car Show Loomis

Friday-Saturday June 10th -0 11th Peggy Sue’s Car Show & Cruise Sonoma Fairgrounds

Saturday October 16th – Hot Rod BBQ El Dorado

Contact Rex with questions regarding shows listed above

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Ponderous Thoughts

- The ability to speak several languages is an asset, but the ability to keep your mouth shut is priceless.
- Be decisive. Make a decision. The road is paved with flat squirrels who couldn't make a decision.
- Getting another set of teeth would be much more useful at 60 than at age 6.
- Trust science. Studies show that if your parents didn't have children there's a high probability you won't either.
- If you're not called crazy when you start something new, then you're not thinking big enough.
- Only in math problems can you buy 60 cantaloupes, and no one asks what the hell is wrong with you?
- "I'm 85 and my body is full of aches and pains." Well, I'm 85 and I feel like a newborn baby." "Really?" "Yep, no teeth, no hair, and I just wet my pants."
- Tip: Save business cards of people you don't like. If you ever hit a parked car accidentally, just write, "Sorry" on the back and leave it on the windshield.
- When I get a headache, I take two aspirin and keep away from children just like the bottle says.
- Just once, I want the username and password prompt to say, "Close enough."
- Life is like a helicopter. I don't know how to operate either one.
- Did you hear about the restaurant on the moon? Great food, but no atmosphere.
- If you see me talking to myself just move along. I'm self-employed, and we're having a meeting.
- "Your call is very important to us. Please enjoy this 40-minute flute solo.
- I envy people who grow old gracefully. They age like a fine wine. I'm aging like milk. Getting sour and chunky.
- Does anyone else have a plastic bag full of plastic bags, or is it just me?
- I hate it when I can't figure out how to operate the iPad and my tech support is asleep. She's 5 and it's past her bedtime.
- Today's 3-year-olds can switch on laptops and open their favorite apps. When I was 3, I ate mud.
- Tip for a successful marriage: Don't ask your wife when dinner will be ready while she's mowing the lawn.

**"The two most important days in your life
are the day you are born and the day you find out why"**

Mark Twain

