



Spark and Sputter

WAUKESHA OLD CAR CLUB

December, 2022 - January, 2023



2022

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Member Dues

Membership dues are \$40.00 per year. Dues are due on February 15 of each year. Members receive a 50% discount on dues by working a minimum 4 hours for the club throughout the year. Members who have not paid their dues by the due date will not receive credit for hours worked and will have their name removed from the club roster.

FEATURE CAR

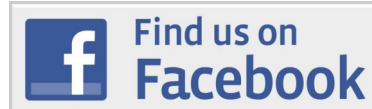
2000 Pontiac Firebird

Gregg Miller



I ordered my 2000 Firebird from the factory. I ordered it later in the year so as to get the car before the snow was here. I received it in the middle to the end of April. It has been garaged since new. It has never been driven in the snow and hardly ever in the rain. It has a five speed manual transmission, and T tops. It is in absolutely in new condition and 55,000 original miles. Obviously, I get comments from the younger people at the drive-through that have never seen a T top. I believe this car was the last model by GM to offer T tops. T-tops were also pretty much an exclusive to GM . It's funny because they call it some type of convertible and I have to explain it to them.

Thanks, Gregg



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Waukesha Old Car Club Meeting Highlights

October 10, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President, Ron Herman at 7:30 with 17 members in attendance.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was an introduction of the Officers and Board Members

There were no new members or guests.

Presidents Report:

Ron shared with the members what was discussed at the Board Meeting.

- The Board discussed the Frame Park Car Show. The Board recommends staying with the no pre-registration going forward as there were no problems at the gate. Everything went well.
- The Board will look into using food trucks instead of operating the food tent. This will allow the trucks to be stationed throughout the park and allow more variety of food.
- The Board recommends staying with a club member's car for the car show t-shirt.
- The Board is looking for ideas for club cruises. They would like to begin planning in January. Considering 1 or 2 day trips. If you have any thoughts or ideas contact Ron or Steve.
- At the December meeting the club will be electing 2 Board members and Vice-President and Secretary.

Vice Presidents Report:

- The club is looking for ideas for club activities, fish fries, custard stands or ??.
- We are taking applications for a Car Show t-shirt feature car.

Secretary's Report:

- No Secretary's report.

Treasurer's Report:

- Jim Young reported that there were 350 cars at the car show despite the weather. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented

Sunshine Committee

- There was nothing to report.

Old Business

- Ron is asking for input on any concerns from the car show
- The club wants to thank Lenny Litt for bringing the tent sides to the Picnic and Auction. It sure made a difference.
- Thanks to Tom Garibaldi and crew for organizing the picnic and auction.

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- The club is always looking for suggestions for speakers at the meetings and feature cars for the *Spark and Sputter*.
- Looking for ideas for the appreciation banquet.
- Looking for a member car to be used on the car show t-shirt.

New Business

- The floor was opened to nominations for Vice-President and Secretary and 2 board members.
 - Nic Gengler was nominated to the Board, accepted.
Dennis Wagner was nominated to the Board, Dennis was not present to accept or decline.
Steve Heinemann was nominated for Vice-President, accepted.
Linda Uebele was nominated for Secretary, Linda was not present to accept or decline.
- There is a date change for the Waukesha Christmas Parade. The new date is December 4, 2022.
- After the election at the December meeting there will be pizza and beverages

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm

Waukesha Old Car Club Meeting Highlights ***November 14, 2022***

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Herman at 7:30.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was an introduction of the Officers and Board Members. There were no new members or guests.

- There was an open discussion regarding changes to next years car show.
- Some of the ideas discussed were the possibility of using food trucks to handle the food service. Also if the food service is changing, questions arose as to how members will earn hours to offset dues.
- Hosting a silent auction and or a 50/50 raffle.
- The club is accepting nominations for the feature car for next years car show t-shirt. If you are interested if having your vehicle featured, contact Ron Herman or Steve Heinemann for more information
- At the December meeting the club will be voting for Officers and Board members.
After the election the club will have pizza and beverages.
- The club will be collecting items for the Waukesha Food Pantry. Items that are in need are non-perishable food items and personal items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes toiletries as the food panty can not purchase those items. Cash donations are also welcome.
- Looking for ideas for club activities. Such as cruises, my garage activities or speakers for the meetings. Please share your ideas with any board member so as to enhance the club.
- There is no new information regarding the Appreciation Banquet. It will be held in the same location as last year.
- The Lionel Train Club will be hosting an open house the weekend of November 26-27, 10am to 5pm. They have a very nice train layout. Bring the family and grandkids



Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm

Vehicle storage tips from Hagerty Ins

1. Select a dry, dark location for storage preferably with limited access. Concrete flooring is best at keeping away moisture. If you must store your car on a gravel or dirt floor, place a plastic barrier under the vehicle, and place carpet pieces or plywood under the tires.
2. Give the vehicle a good wash/wax. Putting on and removing a vehicle cover will lead to unwanted scratches if the car is dirty.
3. Fill the fuel tank (preferably with premium) and add fuel stabilizer. Be sure to run the vehicle to move fuel stabilizer into the carburetor, fuel rails, injectors, etc. The fuller the tank, the less room there will be for air, which carries moisture that can lead to fuel contamination and the formation of rust within the tank.
4. Change the oil and filter right before putting away the vehicle. The clean oil will reduce the risk of harmful contaminants working away at your engine during storage. You will be ready to go in spring.
5. Check the antifreeze. Using a refractometer, float type testers can become less accurate over time.
6. Check tire air pressure, add air if necessary.
7. If you are storing your car offsite, some insurance companies may require you to inform them of the address of the offsite location. Check with your insurer to determine your policy's requirements.
8. Place baking soda refrigerator packages in the interior and trunk areas.
9. To keep insects and vermin out of the car, put a plastic bag over the air cleaner/air inlet and exhaust pipe(s). You also can cover these with aluminum foil and tape securely. Place mothballs in the tailpipe and around the outside of the car or insert steel wool into the tailpipe.
10. Place the vehicle on jack stands. This step avoids tire flat spots and adds longevity to the suspension because it is not supporting the vehicle's weight during storage.
11. For your battery, take one of the following actions: Unhook the battery by removing the negative cable first and store it separately never on a concrete floor and preferably where it will not freeze; or leave the battery in the car and put a battery tender on it if there is power available. That way if you want to start it a few times in the winter you do not have to put the battery in and out.
12. Close all the windows.
13. If the vehicle will be exposed to freezing temperatures, be certain to remove personal items that may freeze, or burst if left in the vehicle.
14. There are varying theories about periodically starting the vehicle. Unless you get the engine up to operating temperature for a good 10-plus minutes to burn off the water vapors that initially develop at startup, starting is not a good idea. Anything less will leave water in the combustion chamber and all exhaust components.

Post vehicle storage tips from Hagerty Ins

1. Once your car is uncovered, inspect it for any signs of insect or vermin damage.
2. Charge the battery for a minimum 24 hours.
When reinstalling the battery into the vehicle, attach the positive cable first.
3. Remove the baking soda units. If you forget them, they may spill during driving.
4. Check all fluid levels. It's a good idea to check the for floor leaks.
5. Check the tire pressures. Add air if necessary
6. Remove plastic bags, (aluminum foil) from air cleaner/air inlet and exhaust pipe(s).
7. Apply the brakes ensure they work and that you have a good pedal. The steel brake lines can rust out and leak, and vermin can chew through the rubber brake hoses.
8. Start the vehicle and check for any fluid leaks.
9. Give it some extra time to warm up, and check the lights, horn, etc., while the temperature begins to rise. Drive it slowly for a mile or so. Some components such as transmissions and rear-ends require movement for full/proper lubrication.
10. After driving a bit, check it again for leaks, etc.
11. Your car cover may have become dusty over the long winter months give it a good cleaning according to the manufacturer's instructions.



Friday Nights
FOXX VIEW LANES
Live Music 8-12pm
FOOD AND DRINK SPECIALS

Feature your car in the club newsletter

We need to hear from members about your special car. Don't be shy, as a member of the Waukesha Old Car Club you are entitled to bragging rights. We want to hear about your special vehicle.

- How did you find your car?
- How long have you had it.
- What condition was it in?
- Are there any interesting stories or mishaps?

All I need is 2-3 pictures and about a 1/2 page story.

Email me if you want to show your car. romer512@gmail.com



CANTATA LX

Mobility Vehicle

The **Canta** vehicle is a two seat vehicle from the Netherlands specifically created for, but not limited to disabled drivers. It was developed in 1998 by the Waaijbergen Mobility Company together with Delft University of Technology. In addition to the standard gasoline models that use a Honda engine. An electric model was designed for the German market, but has not been developed past the prototype stage. Being classified as a mobility aid it is only 42 inches wide thus unlike other micro cars it can be used on sidewalks, cycle paths and footpaths. It is said that the *Canta* would fit inside a Smart Car. In addition a driver's license is not required and there is no mention as to a minimum age to operate the vehicle. The *Canta* can be adapted for the needs of the driver, such as locating the controls on the left or right side or on the steering wheel. The seats have a wide range of adjustment and can swivel to ease entry and exit. The *Ride in Canta* model is designed so that a wheelchair user can enter via a ramp at the rear of the vehicle and drive while seated in their wheelchair. To facilitate entry, the vehicle can be lowered to the ground when parked and raised via hydraulics when the engine is started.

The basic model is the *Canta LX*, which has a 160cc engine and sells for €11,850 (\$11565) and comes in either red or white. For an extra €1,000 (\$980) you can choose the "*Exclusive*", which has a 200 cc engine and additional luxury appointments, and is also available in silver or green. Next comes the *LX Exclusive Plus* for €13,850, (\$13573) which comes with even more luxury appointments and a service package. Lastly, the *Ride in-Canta* sells for €18,500 (\$18132), which is out fitted to be driven from a wheelchair and has a built in hydraulic lift that raises the car up after the wheelchair rolls in at ground level.

The Dutch version of the *Canta* can reach speed up to 30 mph while the UK version can reach speeds up to 42mph.



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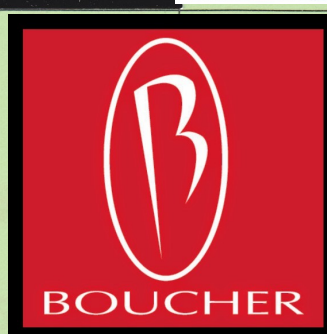
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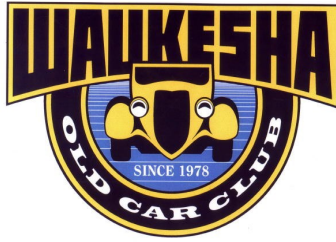
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Club Activities & Other Fun Things To Do

Calendar updated as changes occur

For information on upcoming car shows related events, check out https://wiscollectorcar.com/ http://www.wednesdaynightclassics.com/		
December	3	Holiday open house at Gateway Classics, Kenosha
	4	NEW DATE , Waukesha 59th Annual Christmas Parade. Must be lined up by 3:00 WOCC is unit #68 Parade begins at 4:00pm
	12	7:30pm Club Meeting at Foxx View Lanes, Election of (2) Officers and (2) Board members Board meets prior to meeting Pizza and Beverages after the meeting
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January	1	
	9	7:30pm Club Meeting at Foxx View Lanes, Board meets prior to meeting
February	13	7:30pm Club Meeting at Foxx View Lanes, Board meets prior to meeting
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Date and Location still to be determined		Club Appreciation Banquet
March	13	7:30pm Club Meeting at Foxx View Lanes, Board meets prior to meeting
	20	First Day of Spring



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Club Roster Update Form

Please use this form to keep your information in the club roster current

Return this form to the Vice-President when paying your dues

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Phone #1

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