

## BRICKYARD BULLETIN



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It was great to see so many members at the June meeting at Pit Stop BBQ! The meeting allowed us a chance to bring those in attendance up to date on the planning our committees have been working on. The deadline for registration is July 31, 2021. After that date a \$10 late fee will be added including if you register at the meet. This is the International Meet you do not want to miss! We are still looking for volunteers to help at the meet, setting up, cleaning up, parking & gate, hospitality, registration, assisting with the seminars, meetings, judging and representing the club with our Hoosier Hospitality at all events! If you have not registered for the meet and volunteered to help please do so NOW!

July 17th will be the Annual Bacon Back Yard Luau. We will be serving smoked wild Texas pork, and really look forward to seeing everyone there, grass skirt optional!

The storms June 18th & 19th caused a lot of flooding and damage especially in the southern part of the state. Our friends at the Brown County Drag Strip were completely flooded out. See page 4. The staging lanes and track where we had our Studebakers just three weeks ago looked like a raging river. I'd seen coverage of the flood on the news and it is just shocking when you see something so totally devastated by Mother Nature. I hope they are able to get it all cleaned up and ready for more racing fun this summer.

Nancy Bacon, Indy Chapter President

### SDC Meeting and Luncheon at Pit Stop Saturday, June 12, 2021

<u>President, Nancy Bacon</u>, thanked all who came. We had approximately 35 members and guests. Danny Taylor brought his son, Jason and grandson, Chase and his fiancé, Skyler. (R)

Nancy passed a sheet around for members to sign up to work various spots at the National. If you haven't signed up and want to work, please come and sign up.

<u>Treasurer, Tom Flynn</u> – Balance of \$4,892.50 with 73 paid members. The Studebaker Museum is having a car show on July 10 at the Oliver Mansion. We also had a motion to sponsor a car at the museum again this year and to sponsor a class of trophies for the Studebaker International Meet. Both motions passed.

<u>VP, Diane Elmore</u> – No report

<u>Secretary</u>, <u>Sandy Fox</u> – No report

<u>Activities Director – Charlie Griffith</u> (Becky) – Said that Bacons' Luau is next month and Dorans' pitch-in is in August. October, maybe the Creekside Inn, and the Christmas Dinner is in December (ha). These will be in the newsletter.



Every club has its clown. Ours is Danny Taylor. Clown Taylor even drove his 1955 President Speedster with *no air conditioning* to the meeting in 93+ degree weather.



Kathy Westcott won the 50/50 of \$65.00 (L).

Following the club meeting there was a Studebaker International Meet meeting. Those minutes are attached.

Submitted by Sandy Fox in the spotlight below!









### **News About Our Members**

Member, **Larry Hopkins** took a tumble, hit his head and had to have several stitches. **Berniece Snider** recently had a shoulder replacement and will start physical therapy soon and **Bob Fox** had foot surgery. The good news is they all appear to be on the mend.



### **Welcome Back**

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1950 Studebaker 1962 Daytona 1964 Avanti



Hello, all;

If you're interested, here's a direct link to the 59-minute "*Car Collecting in Indiana*" podcast of the June 5, 2021, *Hoosier History Live* radio show on which I was the guest of host Nelson Price. The topic is easily understood from the title. It was a lot of fun.

The introduction says the podcast was underwritten by **The Studebaker National Museum**, but it didn't cost the museum anything, so donors to that worthy enterprise need not fear their donations being frittered away. Rather, I paid for the podcast's underwriting on behalf of the museum, as a donation to the museum. (The invoice never went to The Studebaker National Museum; it was paid here.)

I was discouraged from promoting our **2021 Studebaker Drivers Club International Meet** in September 2021 because that would *date* the show. If we talked about that event, which I wanted to, this podcast, which is archived forever, would be obsolete after the meet. The show's producer and host didn't want that, so the 2021 SDC International Meet wasn't mentioned. *Know that not mentioning it wasn't my idea*, although I do understand and endorse the reasoning.

However, it looks like The Studebaker National Museum and The [Northern Indiana] History Museum's **Concours de Elegance at Copshaholm** will be held every summer, probably in July, so I was able to [ahem, immodestly...] promote that event as "Now, the premier collector car event in Indiana..." but did not mention the specific July 10, 2021 date of **this** year's production.

**Trivia:** The second caller identified himself as "*Ron; Bob's old buddy from The Purdue Reamer Club*." That turned out to be one **Ron Witt**, whom I had not spoken to for about 40 years! No particular reason; we just hadn't stayed in touch. The trivia is that Ron and his [then] girlfriend Janet were the couple who introduced Cari and I on a blind date in December 1968: Janet and Cari were roommates at I.U; Ron and I were friends from pledging The Purdue Reamer Club together. After the show, I got Ron's information from the show's producer and called him, and we spent the better part of an hour getting caught up. **Small world!** 

This is **audio** only; there is no **video**:

https://hoosierhistorylive.org/audio/2021-06-05-Car-collecting.mp3

Best. Bob Palma

### Concours d'Elegance at Copshaholm in South Bend

July 10, 2021 8:00 am - 5:00 pm www.concoursatcopshaholm.org \$15 Admission, Kids Free

The Studebaker National Museum is thrilled to host the Concours d'Elegance at the famous Copshaholm Estate in a garden-party setting that includes nearly 70 vehicles. For



the first time, the show will take place in South Bend, Indiana, and feature a variety of *Indiana-produced vehicles*. It will also feature some interesting new vehicle class names that are said to have a "Sense of Humor".

This year the car show will be held at the Copshaholm Estate in the landscaped Italianate gardens of the 2.5 acres estate. The estate is a historic landmark and is on the National Record of *Historic Places* as a Registered American Treasure.



June 19, 2021 - From WRTV, you probably recognize this photo as the location of Studebaker Nationals and Orphan Car Drags in Bean Blossom, where we gathered on May 29<sup>th</sup>.

Ind. — Heavy rain fell through parts of Central Indiana Friday and overnight Saturday, causing flooding in several counties.

PHOTOS: Flooding and storm damage across Central Indiana

Brown County:

Bandy Russell, owner of the Brown County Dragway, shared this photo of flooding at the Dragway.

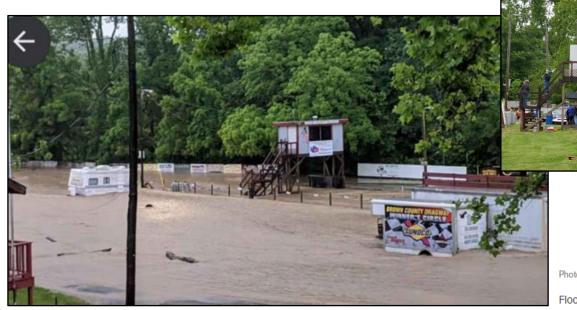


Photo by: Photo Provided/Bandy Russell Flooding in Brown County, Indiana



#### BLEEDING YOUR BRAKES

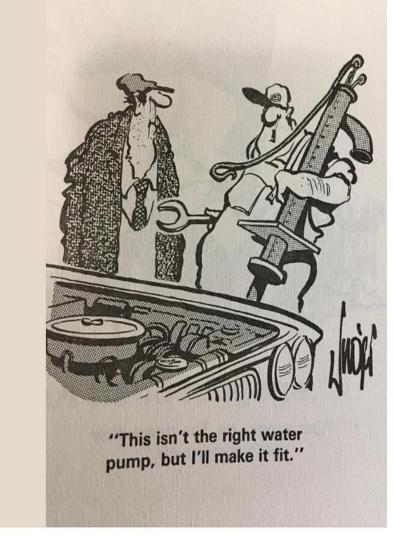
By Malcolm Berry

One maintenance item on a car that almost no one does is bleed their brakes. Hydraulic brake systems attract moisture over a period of time. If you

don't do something to get the moisture out of the system, brake components will rust. This includes the master cylinder and wheel cylinders. Once the rust pit's the bore of the wheel cylinders, you usually have to replace them.

Every few years, you should completely bleed the brakes. You need to bleed each wheel cylinder until you see clean fluid coming out. When you do this, put a clear plastic tube on the bleeder so you can see when the clean fluid has traveled completely thru the system. You should start with the wheel that is the farthest away from the master cylinder. Begin with the right rear--then left rear--next the right front and last--the left front.

CAUTION: During the bleeding, make sure you do not let the master cylinder get completely empty. That will let air get into the system and then you'll have to start over again. DON'T FORGET--Standard brake fluid destroys paint!



Bob Barrick ▶ Studebaker Addicts (international)
June 6 at 8:24 AM · 🏵

### Too much oil can cause windage

### (In a car, that is----)

Windage is defined as: 1 - The disturbance of air around a moving object - 2 - Deflection of a projectile caused by wind - 3 - The part of a ship exposed to wind. These definitions are in the Webster's Dictionary. What is not in the dictionary is when the word is used pertaining to a car.

Windage is a term used when excess amount of oil in the motor crankcase is whipped into a froth even though anti-foaming agents have been put into the oil at the time of refining and blending). The spinning crankshaft whips the oil into a froth and the lubricating effectiveness is severely reduced to a point that it would have a similar effect as in not having oil in the system. Due to improper lubrication, the motor will be damaged, albeit that will happen over time. You do not want this to happen. The amount of oil that you put into the motor is specified by the car manufacturer. Do not exceed the amount that is specified or you motor could seize up as a result.

If your car is taken to a garage or a lube shop, be sure to check the oil level on the dipstick before leaving the shop. If the dipstick show excess, don't let the mechanic tell you that it does not matter. To him, it doesn't matter as it is not his car. Have the shop remove the excess oil and protect your investment.

# All Makes Collector Car Show Saturday, September 11, 2021 9AM-3PM

At the 2021 International Studebaker Drivers Club Meet

### **Marion County Fairgrounds**

Enter through Gate #1A on Troy Avenue

You are invited to Join

the 2021 National Studebaker Meet

for a Public Collector Car show

Award winning Studebakers with Parts & Food Vendors
Pre-registration is \$15 per Collector Car—

mail form below pay by check only

Day of Show registration fee is \$25 per Collector car cash only

Fee per Collector Car covers driver and passengers

Admission with no Collector Car is \$10 per person cash only-

enter Gate #1A on Troy Avenue. Fairgrounds Gates opens at 8 AM

**Collector Car Registration Closes at Noon** 

Top 20 Awards, Best of Show and People's Choice at 3 PM Questions call: Larry Kennedy 317-908-6401 or indyhudson@comcast.net

#### **Pre-Registration Form**

Name
Full Address:
Phone & Email
Make & Year of Collector Car
One form for Each Collector Car. Enclose a check for each car payable to Indy Chapter SDC Intl Meet 2021
Mail by September 1, 2021 to: Larry Kennedy, 9350 Vandergriff Road, Indianapolis, IN 46239
Questions: Call Larry Kennedy 317-908-6401 or indyhudson@comcast.net
You will receive by return mail a Gate Pass. After parking, go to the Car Show registration tent.

Hard to believe we're working on events and meetings for 2022 already. I want to share some ideas and ask that if you know a good place to gather let me, Becky, at <a href="mailto:becinin@msn.com">becinin@msn.com</a> or Charlie at <a href="mailto:chazwork@msn.com">chazwork@msn.com</a> know. We're trying to touch each part of Central Indiana.

Creekside – Crawfordsville (northwest)

MCL – Castleton (northeast Indy)

Blue Bird – Morristown (southeast)

Bubbaz – Greenwood (south Indy)

Montgomery Steakhouse - Spiceland (east)

Mayberry Café – Danville (west)

Oasis Diner - Plainfield (west Indy)

El Azabache Mexican – Southern Plaza (Indy) Prodigy Brothers – Greenwood (south Indy)

September 8-11

Or if someone knows a good place for catfish somewhere near Monticello near a dam. Wink, wink.



### Questions from 2021...

Back in 1942, Studebaker was building an unlimited quantity of airplane engines, military trucks and supplying other materials for national defense. But they were still able to produce a limited number of passenger cars that year. Soon they (along with hundreds of other companies) would have to discontinue any production for civilian use, as they turned their facilities over to total wartime production.

My questions are: Would our United States companies be willing or able to do something like this today? Without imports do we have the manufacturing capabilities to supply a war effort? Would our spoiled citizens be prepared to sacrifice their luxuries and ration vital supplies to support a military effort? Sadly, I fear that 79 years later we have evolved into a selfish society and would be hard pressed to exhitit any wartime patriotism. WHAT DO YOU THINK?

### **Upcoming Events**

### Saturday, July 17 at 1:00 p.m.



🔰 at Joe and Nancy Bacon's.

1701 E. Lawrence Avenue, Indpls, IN. Joe provides the meat. Bring a yummy side dish.

### **Mark Your Calendar:**



**Saturday, August 14 at 1:00 p.m.** – Pitch-in at Dave and Beth Doran's home in Lebanon. 2717 E 75 N, Lebanon, IN. Dave has a work shop I think many would be interested in seeing. There is seating inside or outside. The Doran's are providing the meat, bring a favorite side dish.

**September 8 thru 11, 2021** – 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Studebaker International Meet at the Marion County Fairgrounds in Indianapolis, Indiana.

**Sunday, October 10 at 1:00 p.m.** - The Creekside Lodge <u>www.thecreeksidelodge.net</u>, 613 Lafayette Ave, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, (765) 361-0300. The club hasn't visited the Creekside in several years but it's good food, in the woods along a creek. It should be a beautiful view.

**Sunday, November 14 at 1:00 p.m.** – Annual Thanksgiving pitch-in at Mike Baker's Avanti Restoration & Service Shop at 4193 E. US 40 in Greenfield, 317-498-2288. This is always a big event for the club and we expect a good turnout so don't be afraid to bring a hearty sized side dish!

**Sunday, December 5 at 1:00 p.m.** – Christmas dinner at the Mayberry Café located at 78 West Main Street, Danville, IN 46122 <a href="www.mayberrycafe.com">www.mayberrycafe.com</a> (317)745-4067. Dinner will be in their upstairs room and order off the menu. **An elevator is available**. We need a head count, so at the November pitch-in I will be asking who plans to attend. No gift swapping but we will throw in a quick game or two.

### The Brickyard Bulletin

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Regular membership dues in the National Studebaker Club are \$24.00 for new members 1<sup>st</sup> year only. Renewals are \$31.00 per year, which includes 12 monthly issues of *Turning Wheels*, the National SDC Magazine. (Other memberships are available.) Application is available upon request or e-mail studebakerdriverclub.com.

National SDC membership is a prerequisite. Renewal INDY Chapter dues are \$18.00. Renewals are payable January each year. After March a \$5.00 late fee will be added. Application is available upon request.

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New member, Howe Clark's 1962 Lark Convertible

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