

THE LOW DOWN

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ARLINGTON AREA STREET RODS ☺ November, 2010

Meeting Times and Place

The meetings in November will be held at on the first Thursday (November 4th) and on the third Thursday

(November 18th) of the month at the **Dixie House Cafe** on Lancaster in Handley.

YOUR 2010 AASR OFFICERS

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

November is finally here. It is time to elect new club officers. This election takes place at the second meeting in November. Here is what happens according to the clubs Bylaws: "The Nominating Committee shall consist of all of the officers of the club. Such committee shall present a slate of new Officers that they recommend for election... . No member's name shall be placed in nomination for an Office of the club unless such person has agreed to serve in the Office for which that person was nominated. At the time of elections nominations will be accepted from the floor and from the Nominating Committee."

Please don't be bashful. Your club needs you. If you would like to serve as an officer of the club tell the officer that currently holds the position that you are interested in. If you are asked to serve by an existing officer: volunteer. We have a great club but the only way to make it better is for more members to get involved. If you haven't yet been an officer; what better time will there be than now.

Bill Geer

P.S. I have enjoyed being your Editor this year but other commitments prevent me from being able to continue next year. So the club needs a replacement. Please let me know if you are interested.



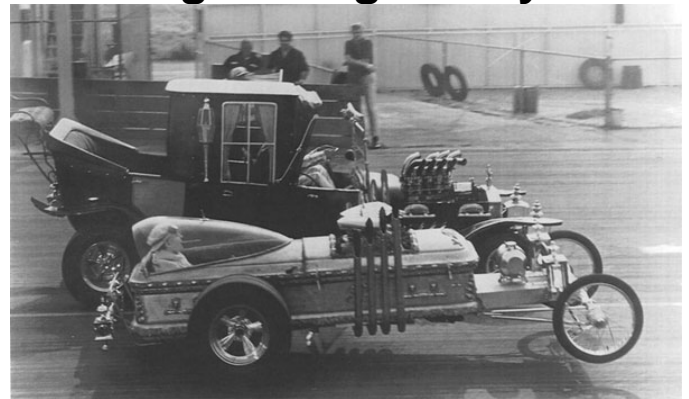
AASR Christmas Party

The AASR Christmas Party will be held Saturday, December 11th starting at 6:30 p.m. at Bob and Betty Deavers' new home located at 8 Beechcreek Lane, Ft. Worth, TX 76134 (817-378-4008). Members whose last names begin with A-L will bring an appetizer to the Deavers' house. At 8:30 p.m., the party will move to Bill and Kathleen Ancona's new home located at 10500 Barbara Sue Ct., Crowley, TX 76036 (817-297-4828). Members whose last names begin with M-Z will bring a dessert to the Anconas'.

For a map of these homes and how to drive between them please see the last page of this newsletter.
Gary Cox

In Recognition of Halloween:

Drag Racing TV Style



Herman Munster, far lane, and Grandpa dueled at Lions in a ghoulish go that was featured on the popular television show.

KEY TO THE HILLS

Perfect weather and a beautiful area of the Hill Country are a winning combination as far as many Arlington Area members are concerned. It's what entices so many to return year after year to the Key to the Hills Rod Run in Boerne, held this year Oct. 8-10. Nine members made the trip, Bill Ancona, Jerry & Donna Caldwell, Bill Geer, Jerry & Jerri Johnson, Joe Knipstein, Mick & Sandy Parkerson, Les & Glenda Stephens, David & Beverly Yarbrough and Gary & I. Everyone stayed at the Meyer



Bed & Breakfast on Cypress Creek in Comfort. Gunther's Restaurant in Comfort was chosen for the club dinner Saturday night.

Gary and I have decided to buy the famous T-shirts that many Austinites wear saying "I Survived 35", but they intend to add the work "barely"!! The I-35 route home by way of New Braunfels was chosen by Gary because he felt he could make better time on the interstate, and after all, on a Sunday afternoon what could possibly go wrong? Unfortunately, quite a bit!! Traffic was almost at a standstill from South Austin heading into town. By the time the yellow '46 had driven a mile past the city limits, something under the hood was knocking badly. The car was dying and having to be started over and over again. Limping into a gas station at the first available exit, Gary and Steve Muck (who thankfully was traveling along with us) diagnosed the problem as a broken rocker arm. Gary called Dave Kenny to drive to Austin with his trailer. Being the good friend that he is, Dave left immediately to make the long drive down. I rode to Burleson with Steve Muck and his girlfriend, Pat. I was in bed asleep when the two weary street rodders pulled into the driveway in Burleson around 1:00 a.m.

Early Monday, Les Stephens came to the house, and he and Gary looked under the hood more thoroughly. It turns out that several spark plugs are beat up from loose unknown internal pieces, and the engine will have to be rebuilt or replaced. Thank goodness, it's the end of the season for streetrod events because the 46 Ford will not be going anywhere for a long time.

Connie Cox



Gunther's for Dinner. Good Friends, Good Food and Good Service.



More Gunther's



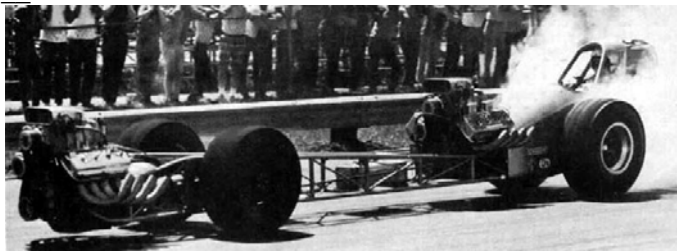
Even more Gunther's.

THINGS WE SHOULD KNOW BUT PROBABLY DON'T.

As it turns out, this "filler" article from last month's newsletter generated quite a bit of interest. A few people pointed out that Susan was not Phyllis Diller's daughter but while that was wrong it was not the item I fabricated. This is the lie which no one caught:

14. The dash used to hyphenate a word was called a "dork" in old England.

Better luck next time.
The Editor



Not all new ideas from the '60's were good ones; Exhibit A is Noel Black's two-engine, four-wheel-drive Top Fueler from 1967.

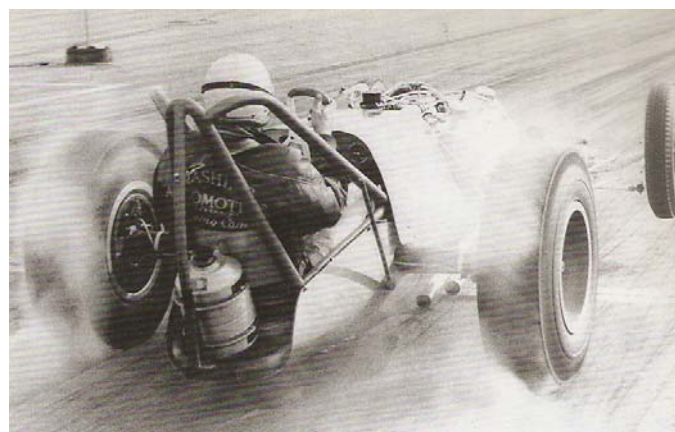
Oxymorons

1. Is it good if a vacuum really sucks?
2. Why is the third hand on a watch called the second hand?
3. If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know?
4. If Webster wrote the first dictionary, where did he find the words?
5. Why do we say something is out of whack? What is a whack?
6. Why does "slow down" and "slow up" mean the same thing?
7. Why does "fat chance" and "slim chance" mean the same thing?
8. Why do "tug" boats push their barges?
9. Why do we sing "Take me out to the ball game" when we are already there?
10. Why are they called "stands" when they are made for sitting?
11. Why is it called "after dark" when it is really "after light"?
12. Doesn't "expecting the unexpected" make the unexpected expected?
13. Why is a "wise man" and a "wise guy" opposites?
14. Why do "overlook" and "oversee" mean opposite things?
15. Why is "phonics" not spelled the way it sounds?
16. If work is so terrific, why do they have to pay

you to do it?

17. If all the world is a stage, where is the audience sitting?
18. If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?
19. If you are cross-eyed and have dyslexia, can you read all right?
20. Why is bra singular and panties plural?
21. Why do you press harder on the buttons of a remote control when you know the batteries are dead?
22. Why do we put suits in garment bags and garments in a suitcase?
23. How come abbreviated is such a long word?
24. Why do we wash bath towels? Aren't we clean when we use them?
25. Why doesn't glue stick to the inside of the bottle?
26. Why do they call it a TV set when you only have one?
27. Christmas - What other time of year do you sit in front of a dead tree and eat candy out of your socks?
28. Why do we drive on a parkway and park on a driveway?

Submitted By: Jerry Wallace



I love this picture. All guts and glory and very little safety equipment. This guy's helmet should save the paint on the roll bar in the event of a rollover.

Recommended by Members

(I will reprint this list for the remainder of the year to remind each member to let me have any names they want to recommend to complete this list and make it more useful.)

The following shops have been recommended by our members. If anyone else has a shop they would be willing to send a good friend to or use themselves; please let me know and I will add them to this list.

Alignment

Automotive Alignment, Inc.
1111 Hwy 287 S.
Kennedale, TX 76060
817-478-5472
Bob Samuel, Jr.
Carter Samuel

Auto Machine Shop

Marks Auto Parts and machine shop, 2400 SW Wilshire (hwy 174), Burleson, 817 447-1176. They speak performance.

Arlington Automotive Machine Shop, 511 E Main St, Arlington, 817-261-9022, engine work.

Mufflers

Chris's Muffler, 1102 FW Hwy, Weatherford, 817-613-0011

Oil Change

Bill's KWIK KAR Lube and Tune, 8624 S. Hulen, Fort Worth, 817-292-5061. Bill Ancona

Street Rod Buy/Sell

Classical Gas Motors, 4517 Willow Bend Drive, Arlington, 817-572-2261 Cris Lofgren

Street Rod Specialists

Dennis Baggett Street Rod Construction. 1820 Woodview, Alvarado, 817-821-6082

Pat Conner Street Rod Construction, 3308 Redstone, Arlington, 817-307-4828

Dave Kenny, Automotive Fabrication and Chassis Work, 3301 Redstone, Arlington, 817-683-6891

Marc's Automotive Repair, 4001 E. Belknap, Fort Worth 817-834-9905 All street rod work-soup to nuts- including A/C. Marc Byers

Gail Petsick, Fabrication, Aluminum Welding, Machine Work, 10917 Adiana Lane, Crowley, 817-454-7104.

Les Stephens, Precision Chassis Work, 412 Hoover Road, Burleson, 214-695-5463.

Street Rod Wiring

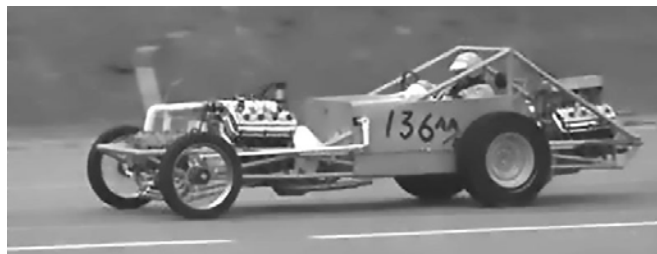
Jim Whittenburg, Parts and Service from trouble shooting to complete installation of wiring harnesses, 2015 Marigold Drive, Fort Worth, 817-999-5958.

Upholstery

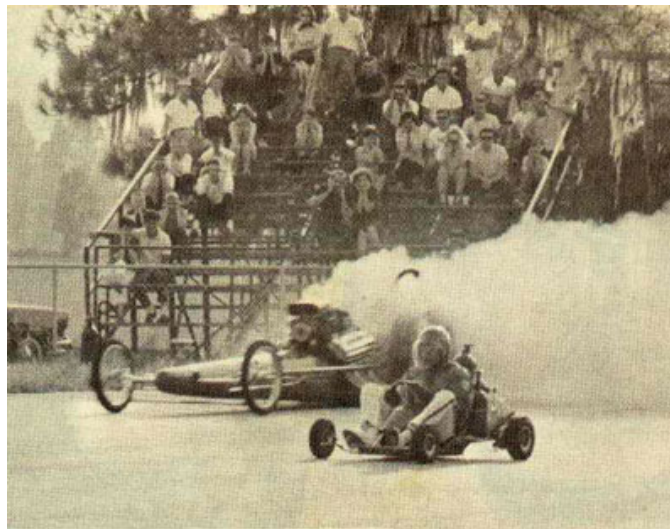
Keith Kirk Upholstery, 6316 Levy County Line Rd. Burleson, 817-233-9022, They did Ron Johnsons Lincoln.

Wheels

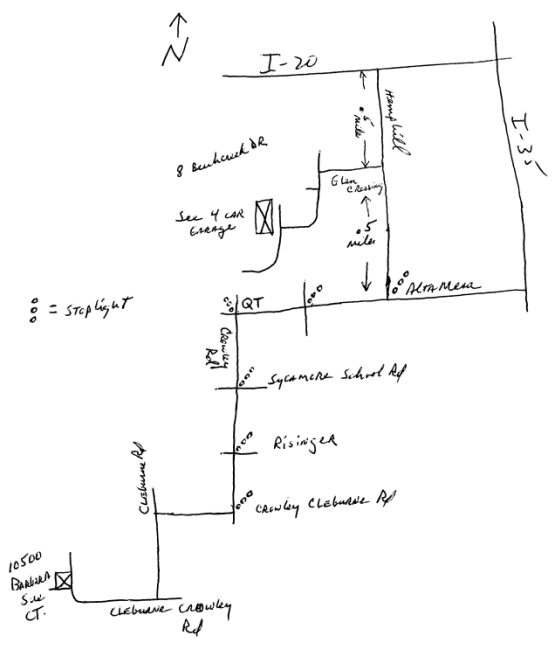
The Wheelsmith, 2121 S. Susan St., Santa Ana, CA 800-854-8937, Nostalgia wheels, has website



A couple of engines, four tires, a little extra tubing, a welder, and there's little that early drag racers couldn't -- and didn't -- try



Talk about "Run what you brung". I don't think this dude asked for a big enough lead.



Gary Cox's Christmas Party Map