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Presidents Message

Hi All,

I am so sorry we had to cancel the Picnic in Stockton with Lou Van Anne and the Golden State Rambler club in July due to the weather being so hot. Next year I hope we can have it in April when the weather is cooler!

I am looking forward to our meeting in August in Napa at Johanna & Frank Smith's home.

I had one suggestion for Drive your Studebaker Day. How about we make our meeting Sept 18th our club's Drive your Studebaker day at the California Auto Museum. We will be displaying our club's Studebakers at the museum parking lot, 10am to 2pm. There will also be another car club there too. Food trucks will be there for lunch. This is a great way to have the public see our beautiful Studebakers.

Cruise Safe
Johna Pierce



Secretary Report

There is no report for July. Thanks Lou Van Ann for all your hard work! We 'll try again next year!

Next month I will add a little something for the newsletter. I will be interviewing some of our members next month starting with our club president Johna Peirce.

I hope to see everyone at Frank and Johanna Smith 's house next meeting in Napa.

Safety First
Linda Barnard



Welcome New Member!

Floyd Higgins
Red Bluff, CA
1956 Pick Up



NHRA National Event in Sonoma

By Pat Dilling

I attended the NHRA National Event in Sonoma Friday and was very excited to see this '53 Studebaker. It is owned and driven by Ken Ratzloff from Idaho Falls, Idaho. He built the car entirely by himself and is very competitive against the other pro built cars. He runs in the Top Sportsman class. The car runs consistent 6.8 second quarter mile times at over 200 mph. It is powered by a 780 cubic inch (WOW!) engine, not a Studebaker though. He chose a Studebaker because of the great aerodynamics and because it is something different from all the Camaros and Corvettes. It always excites me to see Studebakers at major events like this.



Upcoming Car Events

Online Car Show Calendar—<http://www.norcalcarculture.com/> For Weekly events and more, lots of Cars & Coffee and evening cruise nights.

Aug 15 Thompson Toyota Car Show, 140 Forni Rd, Placerville, 12 pm

Aug 21 Sloughhouse Social Car Show, 3249 Butte Slough Rd, Colusa, 11-4, 530-458-2118, FREE!

Aug 21- Lincoln Car Show, www.rodsnrelics.net Rich Ragan at (916) 408-1950, \$30 Adv, \$40 show day

Sep 4 – Back the Blue Car Show, El Tapatio Restaurant, 2100 Hwy 49, Auburn, 916-335-8566, texastoodie@yahoo.com

Sep 6 Nicholas Labor Day Parade

Sep 18 Bear River Baptist Church Car Show, 5911 Camp Far West Rd. Sheridan, 916-622-5354

Sep 18 – Park Community Church, Live Music, 3901 Wild Chapparal Dve, Shingle Springs, (530) 652-4171, \$25 show day

Sep 25 Loma Rica Lions Club Car Show, 5667 Fruitland Rd, Loma Rica, CA, 530-632-6285,

Sep 25 Swap Meet & Car Show, Yolo Cty Fairgrounds, www.sacramentoswapmeet.com

Sep 26 John M Studebaker Wheelbarrow Race, El Dorado Cty Fair Ground. display your Stude, Call Pat 530-218-0641

Oct 2 – Richard Sinnott Car Show, 1468 Simpson Lane, Marysville, 530-743-8713, Live Music, FREE

Oct 9 – Cars that Care, 8025 Waterman Road, Sacramento 95829, (916) 526-0234, www.southgaterecandpark.net/

Oct 15-17 – International Auto Show, Cal Expo, Details to come.



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June 25, 2021

Karel Staple Chapter SDC
c/o Mr. Louis D. Van Anne
5802 Land View Drive
Stockton, CA 95219-4602

Dear Mr. Van Anne:

Thanks to loyal supporters like you, the Museum was able to find innovative ways to evolve its programming and maintain a meaningful impact through an unprecedented 2020. We are delighted with the expanded reach we have developed across a variety of channels. The Museum looks forward to continuing its growth in 2021 while returning to many of its core operations and programs.

As we emerge from the pandemic, in-person programming is being reintroduced at the Museum. May and June featured record-breaking crowds for our popular Cars and Coffee event series with additional dates planned for August, September, and October. The *Concours d'Elegance at Copshaholm* co-presented by LaVine Restorations and The JBS Collection is set to return with a stellar showfield of 80 vehicles on July 10, 2021. We hope to see you at one of these events soon – follow us on social media or visit our website to stay up to date.

Our newest exhibition, *Manufacturing Victory*, is the result of a groundbreaking partnership with our Campus neighbor, The History Museum. Visit this exhibition to explore the impact South Bend and the surrounding communities have had on defense production from 1857 through today. Don't miss our other special exhibition, *AM General at 50*. This exhibition celebrates the 50th Anniversary of AM General and shows how AM General's roots can be traced to Studebaker through Kaiser Jeep, and explore how AM General continues to produce groundbreaking technology today.

Even as we reintroduce many popular in-person events, we are excited to continue our investment in digital content. New videos and blog posts are uploaded regularly. Be sure to follow us on your social media platform of choice to stay informed!

Please consider a donation to our Annual Fund to ensure the Museum can return to full speed and continue to grow. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Studebaker National Museum. See you at the Museum soon!

Sincerely,


Patrick Slebonick
Executive Director

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the Karel Staple
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ADVERTISEMENTS CARS, PARTS, SERVICES

August 2021

Cars For Sale

These are all pickup trucks. All run and are currently licensed and driven.

1949 - \$15,000, 1949 with 4 speed - \$22,500, 1951 - \$27,500, 1953 - \$19,900, 1954 - \$19,900,

1955 flatbed - \$19,900, 1956 long bed - \$17,900, 1957 long bed - \$28,000, 1957 - \$18,000, and 1958 - \$19,900. **Contact Larry Jones 530-933-3941 or email lwj1@yahoo.com**

1960 Lark VIII - \$17,500. **Contact Larry Jones 530-933-3941 or email lwj1@yahoo.com**

1959 Studebaker Scotsman Pickup - completely restored with a 1962 OHV 6 cylinder engine, 3speed transmission. **Contact Steven Richardson 530-673-6634 orsteverchef@comcast.net**

51 Business Coupe - Great condition, everything done - paint, chrome, upholstery, tires. \$12,500. **Contact Steve Martin 925-285-6171**

Parts for Sale

Two Stainless Steel Exhaust mufflers by Silvertone Exhaust Systems. These are medium tone construction. Used less than 1000 miles. They were replaced with Quiet Tone. \$120.00 each. Local pick-up only, or delivery to Karel Staple meeting. Sold as a pair only. **Contact: Perry Knopf fpstude@aol.com, 916/425-3207**

Cars/Parts Wanted

Need clock and radio for 1954 Commander Coupe **Contact Jim Goodland 707-718-6787**

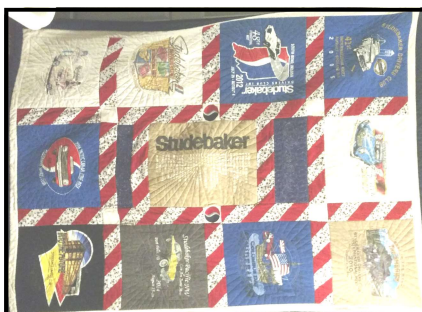
I am looking for a restored 1950 or 1951 Studebaker four door with a manual transmission / overdrive. If you know of one, please call me **@ 704-599-5885 ~ Jeff King jeffking@att.net** (Charlotte, N.C.)

Dean Sumpter will no longer be doing the want ads do to family illness. We hope things get better for you and your family.

Paid Advertising

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\$25/year for non-members



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Would any of our members like to take over the want ads Editor position from Dean?

Let me know.

Brian

Karel Staple Chapter CALENDAR for 2021

- August 22 Sunday- Napa CA Frank and Johanna Smith hosting.
- September 18 Saturday- California Auto Museum Sacramento
- October 17 Sunday– Olivehurst Ca Pat and Kate Dilling
- November and December to be determined.

Directions to August meeting at Napa

From Sacramento & east

- **I-80 West to exit 39B for CA-12 Napa/Sonoma**
- **Follow 6 Miles**
- **Right turn onto Ca-12 north Napa/Sonoma 1.5 mliles**
- **Right CA– 221 Napa/Lake Berryessa**
- **Right turn at Shelter ave. (Arco Gas Station on corner)**
- **Follow to corner of Shelter ave & Coronado ave your there!**

From the bay area & west

- **I-80 East to exit 33 CA-37 Napa /Novato Automall Columbus pkwy**
- **Bear left CA-37 Napa**
- **Bear right exit 19 Ca-29**
- **Right turn CA-29 North Sonoma Blvd 7 miles**
- **Right CA– 221 Napa/Lake Berryessa**
- **Right turn at Shelter ave. (Arco Gas Station on corner)**
- **Follow to corner of Shelter ave & Coronado ave your there!**

Frank said he would BBQ chicken

**Our Pot Luck System only works when you follow the breakdown listed below.
Sometimes, not even then.**

Members with the last name starting with A thru G—Bring a Main Dish or appetizer

Members with the last name starting with H thru M— Bring a Dessert

Members with the last name starting with N Thu Z—Bring a Salad

National SDC Application

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Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 1715
Maple Grove, MN 55311-7615

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Membership dues are \$20 Annually

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2. _____
3. _____
 Year Model Body type

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Total enclosed:	\$ _____

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Tech Tip

Studebaker Mike

Dating a Tire?... SAY WHAT!

How to read a Date Code on car tires. Know how old your tires are on that Studebaker you drive? Most of us know how old the milk is in our fridge, but don't know how old the tires are on our cars. It's easy to tell when milk is old, but tires don't smell different when they get old.

I'm not going to re-write what has already been written. I will hit some highlights and reference two articles on the internet that did a good job of explaining how to read tire date codes.

4 digit date codes started in 2000, 1st two numbers, the week of the year, last two number the year. 3 digit codes were before 2000, again 1st two, the week of the year, the last single digit the year of the decade they were made. The problem, which decade was it???

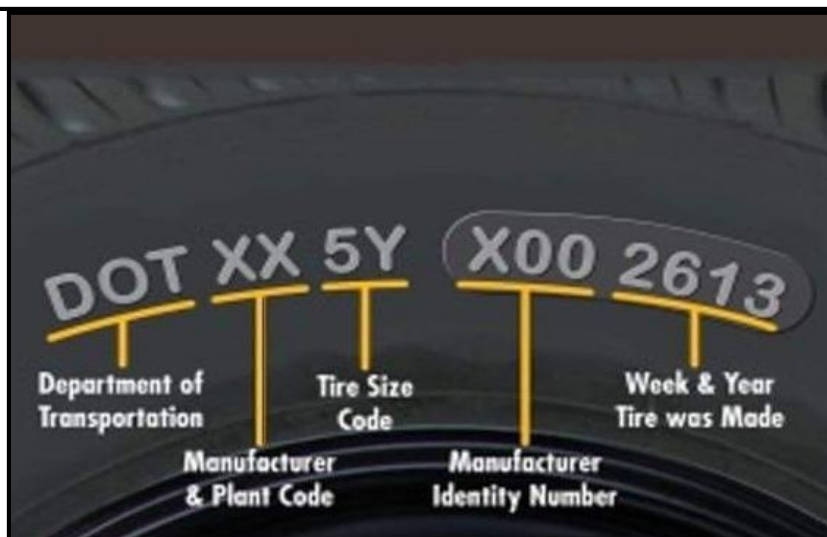
When should tires be replaced? I've seen recommendations range from 6 to 10 years for radial tires. Depending largely on the environment the tires have been exposed to.

Bias ply tires do last longer than radial tires. How come and why? That's for another time.

<https://www.hemmings.com/blog/2016/07/07/open-diff-when-it-comes-to-tires-how-old-is-too-old/>

<https://www.hagerty.com/articles-videos/articles/2010/02/16/tread-carefully-with-older-tires>

So after acquiring this nugget of knowledge, the next time your in the tire store for a set of tires, the additional question you should be asking is, "What's the Date Code on those tires?" I wouldn't settle for anything less than 6 months old.



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