

Capital Carriages Car Club

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Helena Chapter of the Montana Pioneer & Classic Auto Club, Inc.

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Capital Carriages February Calendar:

Club Events: Car Runs: **July 12th** (Wednesday) – Big Bull in Winston 4:00 PM.
July 26th (Wednesday) – Chubby's in Clancy 4:00 PM.
General Meeting: **July 9th** (Sunday) – Family Roots Restaurant 12:30 PM

Other Events: Vigilante Car Show **July 8** Virginia City (Bale of Hay Saloon Check in)
Kenny Cook Mem Car Show **July 22** Kennedy Commons Anaconda
Whitehall Frontier Days **July 29** Registration 9:00 AM Legion St Park

During the June general meeting we discussed the Car Runs again and decided to move these to another new day and time. They will now be on Wednesdays at 4:00 PM. Our July general meeting will include setting the location and date for the August picnic.

The research for the “other events” part of this newsletter is taking quite a bit of time. Last month I found a summary for June. I didn't find one for July so I had to scroll through posters on a Facebook site looking for the shows closer to Helena. There are many Montana events in July so it was pretty slow going!

I enjoyed the Annual Tour in Kalispell. Only one other Helena member, Lynn Mockel, attended. I included more about the tour, along with some pictures, in the Times article. The drive up was quite a chore with road construction along one of the lakes. Not bad on the return trip since they were not working so both lanes were available for driving and there was no pilot car to follow.

Randall Vogel, Jeane Didriksen, Jim and Sharon Black, and I made the drive to Deer Lodge (in the rain) for the Territorial Days Parade and car show. The Blacks drove their 1964 Volvo, I my 1999 Trans Am and Randall his 2016 (I believe) Mustang convertible. The rain stopped after we arrived and it was a cool cloudy day for the more than 2000 spectators. All of us participated in the parade. Jim Sharon and I stayed for the car show. Based on my initial impression I thought most of the cars in the show consisted of hot rods but in looking through the pictures I found a fairly even split between restored, and unrestored, originals, and hot rods. I included a picture of a row of vehicles lined up for the parade, behind the old prison, in this newsletter.



The Black's entered their 1964 Volvo and I entered my 1999 Trans Am in this year's Blast from the Past Car show. Unfortunately, I didn't see any other club member's cars! I am not sure of the number of cars in the show but the Broadwater grounds were almost full. The day was sunny and cool, unlike the hot July days experienced in the past years, and without any June rain. A picture of a 1928 Marmon included in the show follows.



I couldn't resist the Marmon because it an automobile make I've heard of but have never personally seen.