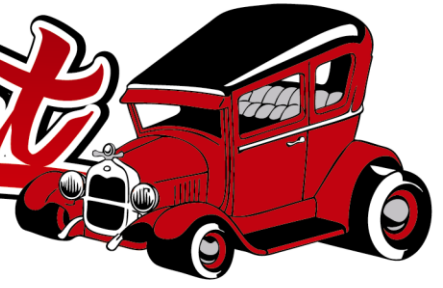


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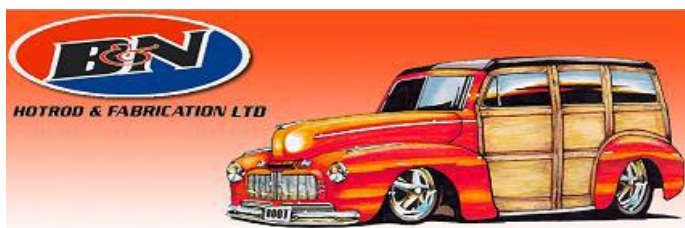


January 2025

SVABC / Winter Builds / Harrison's List



This beautiful 1957 Chevrolet Tudor Hardtop is owned by long time club member Jim Bardal. Currently the car has a small block and four speed stick. Plans are to upgrade to a 700R4 automatic transmission and then to drive the wheels off it. The car was restored a few years ago. The interior is still the original nostalgic tu-tone black & white... can't wait to see this beauty on our spring tour...



Club Executive 2025

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Pedlar's Post - Club items for sale

40th 45th & 50th Anniversary Two sided decals - FREE

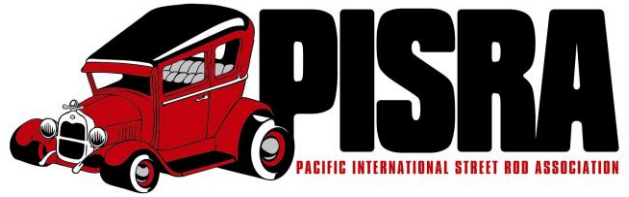
50th Anniversary plaques available - \$20 & \$5.00 postage

Club Plaques – orig. design - \$50.00 (4" X 6" sizes)

New 2025 membership shirts available from Grant Chitty



Our club signs have been a big hit over the years. We get a lot of interest from others are we park together and display our signs all in a row... If you missed the first run, don't worry, we can get yours made anytime and still at the same club price of \$100 + \$12.00 tax. The wooden easel is still available at Michaels and with a 50% off coupon, they work out to \$26.00 each so total is \$140.00. Second car addition is \$25.00 instead of buying a 2nd sign



Surrey, B.C.

Steering Column

I would like to start by thanking the outgoing executive team members who stepped up to help guide the car club over the last few years. We are hoping to start a short term commitment in hopes that more members will step up knowing they are not committed for life. (lol)

The next couple of monthly meetings will be held on a Saturday morning. This will allow more members to attend while avoiding the dark and wintry drives at night.

2025 is now here and most of us are itching to get the cars back out and the weather to warm up. There are a few members working on new rides, hopefully I can get enough info and updates later in this issue.

The Coastal Swap Meet has dissolved and from it spawns to new swap meets. Our swap meet last October which has moved forward to Sept 27th, and the BCHRA swap meet being held on May 30/31 at the Cloverdale Agriplex in Surrey.

Because the weather was so bad last year, and it was pitch black most of the day, we approached Maple Ridge and asked for a better day, maybe in September. The only date open was Sept 27th so we took it. Hopefully we will have better weather. We also adjusted the hours of the swap meet, it will be open 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. This will allow for more daylight during set-up we hope. So far I have five stalls reserved and more coming in as time gets closer. Last year we offered a free outdoor booth to each of the car clubs ... it was well received by the Loafers, Pharoahs & Roadmen ... should we do it again? It is a way to get the word out to other clubs... as swap meets are the life blood of our hobby.

On the next page I have included excerpts from the SVABC website. This is an important organization that works in the background helping the hobby exist. There are car clubs out there that have become large in numbers and they do not support the SVA because they say it doesn't affect them. This is sad because it is the SVA that gets us our collector plates and reasonable insurance... it is the SVA that gets us the definition of a modified vehicle. I remember sitting with Doug Curran when he wrote the definition of a hotrod for ICBC. Take a bit too familiar yourself with the SVABC site and how you can help..



What is the Specialty Vehicle Association of BC?

• SVABC is not a Car Club it is an Action group • We are an Association of like-minded people dedicated to the preservation and promotion of the Collector Vehicle Hobby. • 42 plus years as a voice for Vehicle Enthusiasts and Car Clubs of BC • The dues cover basic expenses, as all our Executive and Regional Representatives are volunteers. • Preservation of the benefits of the Collector Plate Program. • Represent all vehicle types, original or modified cars, trucks and motorcycles • SVA is your voice with Gov't Agencies, ICBC, Motor Vehicles, Inspection Standards, etc. Most Importantly: Our commitment is to represent you, our members, in dealing with Government, to preserve and promote the hobby.

SVABC Major Goals & Successes

- 1978 Dedicated Group starts the journey for a specialty plate for all Vintage, Stock & Custom Cars.
 - 1980 Registered as a Society.
 - 1990 Collector program (stock) announced
 - 2000 Modified Collector 1948 and prior
 - 2006 Modified Collector 1958 and prior
 - 2015 Registration of Collector age vehicles prior to inspection.
 - 2017 Modified Collector 1974 and prior
 - 2017 Including Replicas 1942 and prior
 - 2020 June Registration Issue, re passing of Spouse, removal without penalty.
 - 2021-22 Worked on adding a spouse to registration without penalty
 - Assisting members with ICBC's Collector Plate Program. Many additions to acceptable equipment and accessories
 - This does not include the SVABC, on a regular basis, assisting our members by responding to their questions/concerns or assisting them in dealing in general with ICBC's Collector Plate Program.
 - Assist in the registration of vehicle under restoration.

Check out the SVABC web site www.sva.bc.ca it has historic information about the SVABC, a list of directors, reports, and photo galley with a ton of pictures. We do appreciate your input so please do submit pictures of your events, of course a brief description would be great.

Your Support is Valued and Greatly Appreciated Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or wish to share information. Bob Kelly SVABC V.P.

E-mail bobsuek@shaw.ca C 250-488-5646

Or contact Grant Chitty in our club ... he is our voice and rep on the association..

EARLY HISTORY OF THE SVABC

Honour the Past & Embrace The Future

Before there was the SVABC, it was originally started out being called the Specialty Vehicle Council of British Columbia. It basically started out one evening in the basement of **Doug Curran's** parents' home in Port Moody in about 1978 or 79. Doug's father was a member of the Social Credit Party and received a monthly newsletter. I happened to be reading the newsletter and there was a small article that the provincial government was considering addressing the Motor Vehicle Act regarding modified cars and four wheel drives. Doug's dad said that we had better pay close attention to that as, with one stroke of a pen, we would all be walking. The newsletter stated that there was to be a hearing at the



Vancouver Court House on a certain date and if you wanted to have input into any pending changes to the motor vehicle code then you could make a presentation.

As Doug and I were members of PISRA, a local street rod club, we took it upon ourselves to try to do something about it. There was another street rod club in the Fraser Valley called the Fraser Valley Street Rod Assn. Knowing full well that the government pays attention to you when you represent a large group of people(voters,) we made arrangements to attend the hearing as a rep of these two clubs with their permission of course. Doug gave a presentation, very positive representing the hobby as there were a few high profile speakers who wanted modified cars period outlawed. Unfortunately I cannot remember their names. Slowly we started recruiting new clubs into the organization i.e. Kim Elliot of the B.C Four Wheel Drive Assn., Tim Kolosoff of the Van Mini Club, the BC Corvette Club, the Graffiti Car Club.

The biggest obstacles in the beginning were the restoration crowd as their attitude was that this didn't affect them, even though John Carlson was on board representing the Vintage Car club and Richard Head was with the Studebaker club. To raise funds for the organization, other than most of us taking money out of our own pockets, we put on a car show in the Mission arena in 1980. It was called the Specialty Vehicle council of B.C Parade of Wheels. I cannot remember how much we made but I still have my dash plaque. When we went to register in Victoria as a nonprofit society the government would not let us use the word council as we were not a rep of a group of councils, therefore we had to change the name of the organization. As all the early meetings were held in my basement in Port Moody, hence the early Port Moody postal box.

At this point there were only about six to ten member reps and the decision was made to call it the SVABC which it is to this day. Many of us attended many a meeting with various clubs in the early days to promote the organization, some were positive and some not so but that's what it took. In the early eighties I was one of the founding members of the Early Ford V8 club and at that point could not carry on the work in the SVABC but have always supported it as a paying member.

– Dennis Groundwater





AUTO / ANTIQUES SWAP MEET

“PISRA’s **2nd** Annual Haney Fall Swap Meet”

Saturday September 27th, 2025 Albion Fairgrounds,
23448 105th Ave, Maple Ridge BC



*Hot Rod Parts, Muscle Car parts, Vintage Cars, Automotive
Paraphernalia Collectibles, Toys, Memorabilia, License plates*

Hours – 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM **Admission** - \$5.00 per person

Stalls = Inside (10' x 10') = \$35.00 Outside = \$30.00

O/S Drive through stall 40' - \$45 “Book early to reserve your spot”
(Vendor set-up @ 7:00 am)

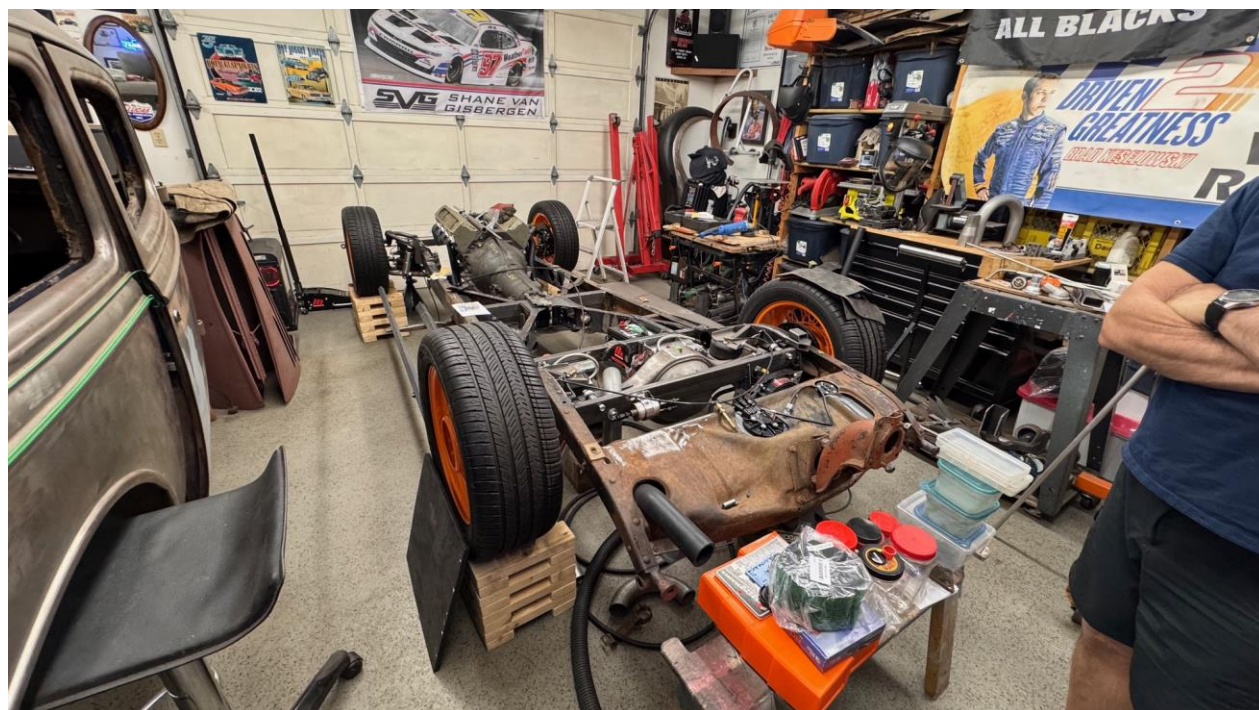
tudor32@pisra.com Phone: 604-220-0542 (Rob)

Since
1971

Members Rides – Winter projects.... Grant Chitty



1935 Chevrolet Tudor Sedan – 6.2 Ltr / 495 HP





Grant's new ride has come a long way... full of the latest tech it will still showcase the old school look and feel of a true hotrod.

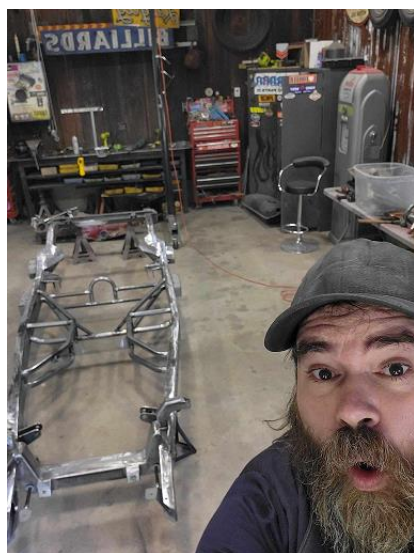


Surrey, B.C.

Shane Traquair's Winter Project



**383 Small Block Chev – mechanical FI converted to electronic.
Joe hunt Magneto, 4L60E transmission, Ford 9" Rear end.
Four Wheel Wilwood Brakes. Aluminum Halibrand wheels 15x10 7 15x5.5**



Quick tip – always make sure the wife like the view from the driver's seat... you never know when you might need her to drive you home... lol



November 14th Minutes

20 in attendance 7:13pm start
No outstanding business
Treasures report - Les Woodward Motion to accept - Heidi Balshaw 2nd - Dave Balshaw
We did well with the swap meet! New date set and paid for in September 26/27th. We paid the full balance.
Correspondence - none
Newsletter came out - great job done
Canadian hot rods - has an article about Rob Petty's car online
Auto plan has Les Woodward's car - Miss November - in their calendar
Membership - 79 Membership expires at the end of the year. 2025 membership is online already.
SVABC- no updates. Grant forwards all emails from them to all club members.
Question about security on line - Grant says we are safe and secure. Payments are under PayPal no risk to ourselves.
Coastal swap meet - we got seed money back and profit. We still have a portion of the bank balance we will be receiving in the New Year.
Christmas dinner - fully booked! December 7th 6:30 pm
Tours/Runs - October run went really well!
Motions - for sale to public of neon sign - all were in favour.
Meeting adjourned

Election - Dave Campbell is now running the meeting

Rob Bedard is stepping down as chair - Rob Petty has offered to step in.
Rob Petty's has asked - Is there anyone interested in editor - Alex Mielen (Tony Nominated),
Rob Petty has asked for an assistant for the swap meet - Ben has stepped up.
Dave Campbell is stepping down as co-chair - Les Woodward has stepped up
Treasurer - Rob Bedard has accepted the role
Membership - Grant Chitty has agreed to stay on
Secretary - Wendy Campbell is stepping down Fran Petty and Kelli Dunbar to share duties
Tour coordinator - Tony Pare & Dennis Pare will share the role
Historian - Ron and Maureen Wenger will stand
Family Affair director - Tony Pare has stepped up for this role

December meeting we cancelled due to busy time of year... & Christmas party was the week before. Any business will be pushed to the January meeting.





The Quotes of Comedian Steven Wright:

- 1 - I'd kill for a Nobel Peace Prize.
- 2 - Borrow money from pessimists -- they don't expect it back.
- 3 - Half the people you know are below average.
- 4 - 99% of lawyers give the rest a bad name.
- 5 - 82.7% of all statistics are made up on the spot.
- 6 - A conscience is what hurts when all your other parts feel so good.
- 7 - A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
- 8 - If you want the rainbow, you got to put up with the rain.
- 9 - All those who believe in psycho kinesis, raise my hand.
- 10 - The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.
- 11 - I almost had a psychic girlfriend, but she left me before we met.
- 12 - OK, so what's the speed of dark?
- 13 - How do you tell when you're out of invisible ink?
- 14 - If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something.
- 15 - Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm.
- 16 - When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
- 17 - Ambition is a poor excuse for not having enough sense to be lazy.
- 18 - Hard work pays off in the future; laziness pays off now.
- 19 - I intend to live forever ... So far, so good.
- 20 - If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?
- 21 - Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.
- 22 - What happens if you get scared half to death twice?
- 23 - My mechanic told me, "I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder."
- 24 - Why do psychics have to ask you for your name?
- 25 - If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.
- 26 - A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.
- 27 - Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
- 28 - The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.
- 29 - To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.
- 30 - The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.
- 31 - The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.
- 32 - The colder the x-ray table, the more of your body is required to be on it.
- 33 - Everyone has a photographic memory; some just don't have film.
- 34 - If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.
- 35 - If your car could travel at the speed of light, would your headlights work?



1948 Willys Overland Jeepster

1948 was the first year of production for this vehicle. Production only lasted for 3 years due to poor marketing and competition from other makes. This vehicle was only offered as 2 wheel drive with a 4 cylinder motor. It was marketed as a Phaeton (no roll up windows). It was hard to compete with the other manufactures of the time who offered a metal roof, roll up windows and a v/8 motor thus ending its production in 1951. My Jeepster was previously owned by a long time friend who had it stored in his garage for 50 years and last licensed in 1985.

I first rode in this vehicle in 1971 and always hoped I could become the owner of it someday. I normally like my cars low and loud but on this build I am going back to my 4x4 racing roots. This Jeepster is now a 4x4 sitting on a Jeep Wagoneer frame. Running gear is a 350 Buick motor, Turbo 400 Tranny, PS/PB, tilt column and SW gauges.

New suspension lifted the rig up 7.5". The frame is also being extended to lengthen the wheelbase. Exhaust will still be loud.

It is now running 32x11.5" BFG all-terrain tires mounted on 8" aluminum rims.

Body work is nearly finished with wiring and paint yet to be completed. I am hoping to have it on the road (or off road this spring). A full cage roll bar will also be installed.





44th Annual Spring Swap Meet
Sunday, March 30th, 2025
at the Fairgrounds in Maple Ridge, B.C.
On Lougheed Highway west of 240th.



Vintage, Hot Rods, Antiques, Performance,
Collectibles, Toys, Memorabilia

Open to public between 8:00am and 2:00pm Admission \$5.00 per person
 Child under 12 FREE

Outside parking and inside handicapped parking FREE.

Inside parking for vintage cars \$5 for each occupant

Vehicle for sale \$15

Inside stall with table 10 x 10 feet \$35	Outside stall 10 x 20 feet \$30
Drive through stall outside 10 x 40 feet \$45	No stalls available over 40 feet

Book early now for a booth!

For Booth or Info Contact VCCC

Phone: Ron (604) 477-3954 Email: diahne@shaw.ca



The teacher places four worms in four separate test tubes:

1st in beer 2nd in wine 3rd in whiskey 4th in mineral water.

The next day the teacher shows the results to the class:

The 1st worm in the beer is dead! The 2nd worm in the wine is dead!

The 3rd worm in the whiskey is dead! The worm in the mineral water is alive and well.

The teacher asks the class “what did we learn from this experiment?”

A child in the back responds: Whoever drinks beer, wine or whiskey, will not have worms...



June 13th – June 15th – Parksville – Qualicum Beach – www.seasidecruizers.com 550 car limit

A couple more pics of Jim's 1957 Chevy Bel air....





January 2025 Meeting

20 members met at Ricky's for our January meeting. It was held at 12:30, an attempt to make it easier for members to attend who find it difficult to driving during the dark winter months. We are planning the next two to also be daytime weekend meetings.

Our new treasurer, Robert Bedard, gave us his first of many financial reports. Vote to accept was first by Tony Pare', 2nd by Doug Nehm, all in favour....

Robert brought up the idea of buying accounting software to make the job easier for him and the next treasurer. He will do some homework and get back to us. The Coastal swap Meet had its last meeting and closed out the bank accounts. This is giving us one more cheque as the last of the funds are split.

Membership was away but renewals we rolling in... as great sign as this is always a bit of work early in the year. Please ensure you complete the membership application as this is a requirement of our Society. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or etransfer...

Haney Swap meet has some activity too ... we have received funds for a few booths and reservations for a few others too.

Tony picked up the BADASS Garage neon sign for the club ... it is to be used during functions and events to help draw attention to the club... BADASS is now to be our main swag supplier... t-shirts for members, hoodies etc...



Harrison's List BC & NW Washington www.autoeventlist.com

February For more information call corresponding number www.autoeventlist.com

15-16 Early Bird Swap Meet, Puyallup, WA (253) 318-6385

22 Island Vintage Events Extravaganza, Sidney, BC Open Vintage Event (250) 818-1463

March For more information call corresponding number www.autoeventlist.com

07-09 Canadian Motorsports Expo, Toronto (International Centre), ON Show (416) 962-7223

14-16 Portland Roadster Show, Portland Expo Center, OR Show (503) 232-4567

15-16 Almost Spring Swap Meet & Car Show, Puyallup, WA (360) 863-2877

15 Red Deer Collector Car Auction, Red Deer (Westerner Park), AB (888) 296-0528

16 Elites "Leprechaun Daze", Bellingham, WA Open (360) 380-2733

19-23 ELEVATE Vancouver Auto Show, Vancouver (Convention Centre), Show (778) 968-0440

22 Red Deer Swap Meet, Red Deer (Westerner Park), AB

28-29 Sun Valley Swap Meet, Vernon, BC (250) 308-4701

30 Golden Ears Swap Meet, Maple Ridge, BC (604) 477-3954

April For more information call corresponding number www.autoeventlist.com

03-05 PIR Auto Swap Meet, Portland International Raceway, OR (503) 307-5420

04-06 Portland Swap Meet, Portland (Expo Center), WA (503) 678-2100

07-12 Cherry Lane Mall Vintage Car display, Penticton, BC Vintage Car Display (250) 498-6020

11-13 9th Spokane Speed & Custom Show, Spokane (fairgrounds), WA (509) 362-7237

12-13 Route 99 Drag Race/Test n Tune, Lillooet, BC Open (250) 256-0116

18-19 Draggins 63rd Annual Car Show, Saskatoon, SK Open Car Show (306) 931-9181

20 Vancouver VCCC "Easter Gathering", Burnaby (Trev Deeley), BC Open (604) 433-3010

26 South Okanagan VCCC 33rd Automotive Swap Meet, Oliver, BC (250) 498-9680

26-27 SCCBC - CACC Road Race #1, Mission (Raceway Park), BC Race

27 11th Annual Country Car Show, Aldergrove (Secondary school) , (604) 856-2755

27 Cars & Coffee Steveston - (last Sunday-April-Sept), Richmond (Garry Point), 8:30-10:00 Am

If you are thinking about doing any of these runs, and are wondering if anyone else is?

Just email members72@pisra.com and ask your fellow members....