



“THE BLOW-BY”

FEBRUARY 2011

HENRY'S HALF-TONS MEETS ON THE SECOND
SATURDAY OF THE MONTH AT 9:00AM

Officers are:

President: Jim W.
Secretary: Carol C.
Activity Director: Dean H.

Vice President: Conni N.
Treasure: Sharon J.
Newsletter: Jan H.

The January meeting was held at McCools Pub & Grill on January 8th. Twelve members were present. In the absence of the President the meeting was called to order by Vice president Conni N. Treasure report was given. Dues are due for this year.

OLD BUSINESS:

With the closing of Marli's in Boring we need to find a new location to have our meetings. The February 12th meeting will be held at McCools Pub & Grill again at 9:00 a. m. The location is at the shopping center at Sunnyside road and SE 122nd. If you have a place that is more central for all members please let us know.

FROM THE PREZ:

As most of you know, I have been out of the loop since late November. I had a hip replacement on November 28th and while the actual surgery went well, I experienced a serious infection in my blood from staff infection which I got from being in the hospital. On December 6th, I was rushed back to surgery and they opened me up again to drain the nasty stuff and promptly put me on powerful antibiotics for the next five weeks. The total stay was 58 days. I am doing pretty well now, but my stamina and overall weakness is apparent. This is one tough way to lose weight.

In an attempt to get the club rolling for 2011, I would like to go over several things.

We need to plan whatever activities the club wants to do for the year. I feel strongly that the club members should have input on this subject. So, please bring your ideas to the meeting and feel free to voice your opinions. Several ideas have been “kicked around”, a day trip to Tillamook, Or, to check out the very large blimp hanger, while at Tillamook, we could tour the cheese factory. Another day trip could be a run up to Hood River to check out the air museum and the Naked winery. Another possibility might be to tour Marlo Treits shop and check on the progress of his two engine salt flat racer. I can contact Marlo if there is interest in doing this.

I am going to try to generate a new club roster for 2011. I hope to have it ready by the March meeting.

In closing I want to thank all the club members who supported me while I was recovering from my surgery. I am hesitant to list individuals for fear I might forget someone. Thanks one and all for the cards and the gifts, I will never forget the generosity. I hope to see ya at the meeting on February 12th.
Jim W.

UP COMING EVENTS IN OUR AREA:

Salem Roadster Show		Feb. 12 & 13	
Early Bird Swap Meet	Puyallup, WA	Feb. 19 & 20	
Rod & Custom Show	Central Point, OR.	Feb. 19 & 20	
Swap Meet	Keizer, OR.	Mar. 5	503-738-0128
Swap Meet	Astoria, OR.	Mar. 12	503-325-0341

LIFE EXPLAINED:

On the first day, God created the dog and said, “Sit all day by the door of your house and bark at anyone who comes in or walks past. For this, I will give you a life span of twenty years”. The dog said, “That’s a long time to be barking. How about ten years and I’ll give you back the other ten.” So God Agreed.....

On the second day, God created the monkey and said, "Entertain people, do tricks, and make them laugh. For this, I'll give you a twenty-year life span." The monkey said, "Monkey tricks for twenty years? That's a pretty long time to perform. How about I give you back ten like the dog did?" And God agreed.....

On the third day, God created the cow and said, "you must to into the field with the farmer all day long and suffer under the sun, have calves and give milk to support the farmer's family. For this, I will give you a life span of sixty years." The cow said, "That's kind of tough life you want me to live for sixty years. How about twenty and I'll give back the other forty?" And God agreed again.....

On the fourth day God created humans and said, "Eat, sleep, play, marry and enjoy your life. For this, I'll give you twenty years." But the human said, "Only twenty years.? Could you possibly give me my twenty, the forty the cow gave back, the ten the monkey gave back, and the ten the dog gave back; that makes eighty, okay?" "Okay," said God. "You ask for it."

So that is why for our first twenty years, we eat, sleep, play and enjoy ourselves. For the next forty years, we slave in the sun to support our family. For the next ten years, we do monkey tricks to entertain the grandchildren. And for the last ten years, we sit on the porch and bark at everyone.

If you have something you would like put in the news letter you can e-mail me at jheldore@aol.com.

Keep on trucking.....

Jan

Don & Connie Nagel's Truck!!

I bought a '56 F100 in about 1989 and drove it for a couple of years. It was all stock and a little scary to drive. I hope it will be a comfortable daily driver when I am finished. I stored it until 2008 then completely disassembled it. I sand blasted the frame, boxed in the areas around the front and rear suspension, and welded in the Mustang II front cross member.



I am a little short on space.



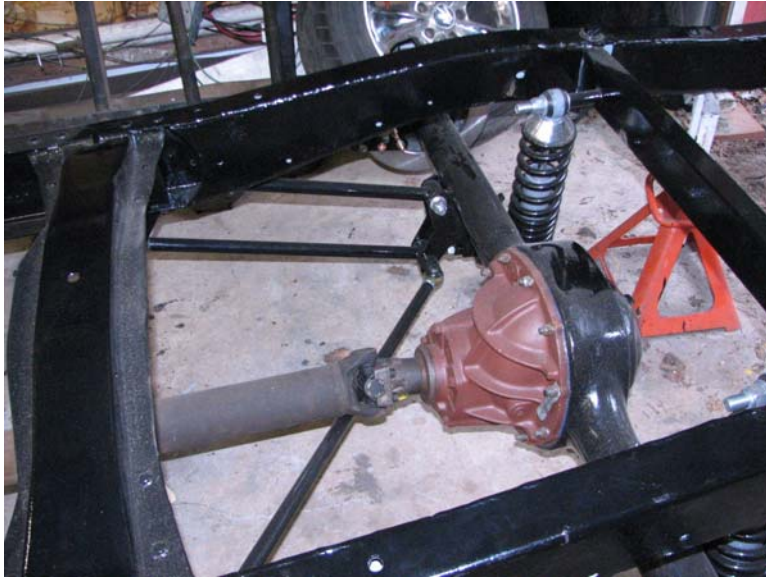
Since I do all of the work by myself, I set up a chain hoist so I could flip the frame single handedly.



Here's the front cross member and power rack. I used Chassis Saver to paint the frame. It is similar to powder cote. Brake fluid doesn't seem to affect it.



Front disc brakes.



9 inch rear end and 4 bar suspension



Rear disk brakes



Power Brake booster



351 M with C6 transmission



The engine and tranny has been sitting for more than 20 years and has less than 50k miles on it.



I had to build a custom oil pan for the engine.

I have just finished the brake lines and am sure that the next step will be a big challenge for me just like every step has been so far.