



President's Notes

It is now the beginning of August, a month has passed since the 2007 International Meet in Rockford. And a lot has happened since the last newsletter. On April 29 The greasy Chicken Run, May 27 Silver Springs Auto show at the Sandwich fair grounds. On June 3 a picnic at Blackwell Forest preserve (it rained a little Bit) June 16 was the Highland Games in Oakbrook (Bagpipes and cicadas made a interesting combination). From June 28 to July 1 was the International Meet at The Clock Tower in Rockford we had an excellent turnout of Mets (70 Mets). I want extend a Thank you to the members of the Illini Mets and Wisconsin Met Set who put together a great meet. We have more events coming up real soon so check the web site for details.

See you soon,
Bob G.

P.S. Pictures of some of these events may soon appear on our web site.

New Illini Mets Webmaster

Mark Hardy has graciously offered to take over the Illini Mets website. Mark is very knowledgeable, and has already made some very good improvements to the site. You may email suggested content for the website to him at gnash@illinimets.org. Thank you, Mark!

Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 19, 2007, Orphan Auto Picnic, Aurora, Illinois. See flier in this issue.

Sunday, September 9, 2007, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Sandwich Fair Auto Show, Grandstand Infield, Please refer to the entry form elsewhere in this issue, or on the website.

Saturday, October 6, 2007, Johnny Appleseed and Antique Shopping Run, Meet at the Greenlee's House 9:30 a.m., Pick apples, eat warm, fresh cinnamon donuts, and shop!

Saturday, November 3, 2007, 1:00 p.m., Membership Meeting, Oakfield Family Restaurant, 27 W. 229 Geneva Rd., Winfield, IL

Mets Left Out in the Rain

Some pictures of the Blackwell Picnic on June 3. Pictures by Mark Hardy. In attendance were Gary B., Nancy M., Gail B., Rick K., Mark H. Marge & Bob G. The day started out sunny, but the rain came and went quickly. It sure made the Mets Look shiny.

Marge & Bob G.



THE ILLINI METS, THE ILLINOIS CHAPTER OF THE METROPOLITAN OWNERS CLUB OF NORTH AMERICA

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Greasy Chicken Run 4/29/07!

On April 29 Greasy Chicken Run was held at James Dean garage. 5 Mets showed up Gail B. , Nancy M., Mark H., Marge G., and Bob G. all Mets got Lubed and 2 got oil changes. Jim was Great to work with , our thanks to Him. Afterwards we went to Del Rays for lunch. Ryan B. rode shotgun in my car to get the road pictures.

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2007 Highland Games

Here are some pictures of the cars at the Highland Games. John Winston was there along with Marge and myself. About 25 cars this year.

Bob Greenlee



Mets Around the Clock

Photos by Bob Greenlee



Looking for LLOYD ♥ Calling all CROSLEYS ♥ Ready for RAMBLERS ♥ Insane for ISO ♥ Itching for ISETT4S
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17th annual

Orphan Auto Picnic

Sunday August 19th • Aurora Illinois

11 AM - 5 PM

Enjoy a relaxing day of fun, food,
and vehicles!

- No admission fees!
- Games & prizes for kids!
- Complimentary beverages
- Rare, spectacular, and bizzare orphan vehicles
- No judging
- Raffle

Open to orphaned* makes and models at least 10 years old.

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It's a picnic! Some first timers are surprised to find we don't provide the food. Nope, we provide beverages; you bring what you want to eat!

More BBQ grills! • More porta-potties! • More parking!

info: 815-469-2936, Larry • web: <http://www.ccecorvair.com/OAP/>

*Please see additional information and map on reverse side

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Important Announcements

Rain date now added. We've been pretty lucky so far with no complete rain outs, but we know our number is going to come up sometime. Towards that possibility, if it looks like rain on picnic day, or has rained heavily the days before, call 877-COR-VAIR or 815-469-2936 for a recorded message as to whether or not the rain date of one week later, August 26th will be used.

Orphans only please. The OAP has become a very popular event. Some folks try to convince us that a Buick woodie or a Ford retractable are an orphan because that body style or car with that feature are not made anymore. Full size autos built in the '20s have the same lineage as those produced today. So, as beautiful and desirable as these cars may be, they are not orphans. And as the OAP has grown, we are often filled up by noon and have to turn genuine orphans away. So, be forewarned, we are going to be stricter than before about the orphan auto qualification. If you have a full size car made by a company and division still in business, chances are it does not qualify as an orphan. A discontinued body style or name alone does not make a car an orphan. As always, if you are in doubt about your car's eligibility, call or email ahead for confirmation! Non-qualified cars will be directed up to regular spectator parking.

What's an orphan? An Orphan is a car or light truck whose manufacturer is no longer in business. Some examples are American Motors, Checker, Crosley, Frazer, Kaiser, Nash, Packard, Studebaker, Hudson, and Willys.

We also accept discontinued divisions or model lines even if the manufacturer is still in business as long as the model name is not being currently used. Examples include Corvair, Edsel, Desoto, Falcon, Valiant, Imperial, Nova, Tempest, and Cimmaron.

Imported cars are acceptable if the manufacturer is out of business (Triumph, MG, Sunbeam) or if the brand is no longer imported to the USA (Fiat, Peugeot, Citroen). Certain models of other makes are also allowed (air-cooled VW, Isetta, Jag E-type), but call to verify others first.

If you have a full size car made by a company and division still in business, chances are it does not qualify as an orphan here or anywhere else. A discontinued body style or name alone does not make a car an orphan. As always, if you are in doubt about your car's eligibility, call or email ahead for confirmation! Non-qualified cars will be directed up to regular spectator parking.

Vehicles for display must be at least 10 years old!



SANDWICH FAIR AUTO SHOW
Douglas and Nancy Carter
1109 E. Arnold Road
Sandwich, IL 60548

The show is held on the race track infield from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on Sunday, September 9, 2007. Registration begins at 8:00 am. Complimentary rolls and coffee for early arrivals will be available. All cars are eligible through 1985. This is a SHOW ONLY, there will be no judging. **A \$10.00 registration fee is due the day of the show.**

Pre-registration can be mailed to the superintendent before August 31, 2007 with a check to the Sandwich Fair Auto Show in the amount of \$8.00. Pre-registration entitles the car and occupants into the fairgrounds the day of the show.

Checks payable: **Sandwich Fair Auto Show**

Mail to: **Douglas Carter, Superintendent**
1109 E. Arnold Road
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815-786-2927

ENTRY FORM

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Thank you, Gail Brandys, for the following list:

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August 17: MOPAR, Crystal Lake
August 17: Convertibles, Downers Grove
August 20: 50's and 60's cars, Lockport
August 22: Convertibles, Naperville
August 24: Imports, Downers Grove

October 5: 50's cars, Wheaton