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BE IT EVER SO HUMBLE...

The Illini Mets, The Illinois Chapter of the Metropolitan Owners Club of North America



Special Interest Articles:

- Two Events -International Met Meet Kenosha 2011 and Orphan Car Picnic

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The 4th of July has just passed us, I hope that everyone has had a safe holiday with their families. Half of 2011 is now behind us - where did the time go? The Kenosha meet is just around the corner. The plans for the meet have been smoothly coming together.

A recent update from Larry Hurley show that 117 registered people, 44 Mets and 20 states represented. These numbers will change as the meet gets closer.

On Saturday June 25 some of our members got together at Augustino's on North Ave. and Route 59 for dinner then drove to the Cascade Drive-in to watch the new movie Cars 2. Three Mets, an AMC Pacer, and 10 members and friends enjoyed good weather and the movie. After the Kenosha meet, the month of August has an event scheduled for every weekend.

As a reminder, if you haven't paid your membership dues, they are due at the beginning of

each year in January. This change was made several years ago to make it easier for the secretary/treasurer to keep track of the membership. See you all soon at Kenosha. Bob G.



Bob Greenlee, Pres.

P.S. If anyone needs some help with their car or wants to get a tech session going, let us know. We will be glad to help.

For any questions, contact Bob and Marge for any questions at rlgreenlee@wowway.com (Bob Greenlee) or margsmet@wowway.com (Marge Greenlee). Thanks!

DON'T MISS TWO GREAT UPCOMING EVENTS

The International Meet is almost upon us. On July 27 – 30, 2011 held in Kenosha, Wisconsin "Hometown for AMC/Nash." This event will be held in conjunction with "Kenosha Homecoming Car Show" and the participating clubs will be AMO, AMCRC, Nash and MOCNA. The featured car will be, the one we all know and love, the Metropolitan.

The headquarters hotel will be the Comfort Suites. As of today, the Comfort Suites are booked so you may have to check with other lodging. There are several hotels and motels in the area.

Joint activities with other car clubs will be a car show at Kennedy Park (along Lake Michigan) and a host of other activities. MOCNA events will include a Friday Fish Fry, auctions, vendors area and Saturday night banquet.

The Wisconsin Met Set and the Illini Mets will be hosting. Please see enclosed registration form.

The Orphan Car Picnic is another great event to see and be seen at with your Met. Larry Claypool has sent a message to me to add to our newsletter:

Our 21st edition of the orphan auto picnic will be Sunday, august 21st this year, and this time around we are featuring the British invasion'. All Brit marques are invited to park in and around the main pavilion this year. We are also featuring the British invasion on our special event license plates which can be displayed on your already licensed car for 60 days prior to the picnic. The plate features a MGB, TR6, and an E Type; more details on the plates and the OAP are at http://www.ccecorvair.com/oap/

I wanted the Met club members to know ahead of time that we will **not** be including the Mets with the British invasion feature this year, but will include them the following year when we feature Nash/Hudson/Metropolitan/AMC. The reason is just one of space. We get very good support from the MG/Triumph groups and feel those two groups plus the odd Jag, Morris, Sunbeam, or Healy will use up all our available room in the pavilion as the Corvairs did in 2010. Adding Mets to the mix will just overflow it. The number of Nash/Hudson/Mets/and AMCs, however, is (we hope) just about right to fill up the pavilion without overstuffing.



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Illini Mets Calendar

Wednesday, July 27 through Saturday, July 30, 2011

International Met Meet hosted by Wisconsin Met Set and Illini Mets

In conjunction with "Kenosha Homecoming Car Show" Comfort Suites, Kenosha, Wisconsin

Sunday, August 7, 2011

21st Annual Vintage Transport Extravaganza

Illinois Railway Museum, Union, IL Sunday, August 21, 2011, 10:00 a.m.

Annual Orphan Auto Picnic

Kendall County Fairgrounds - see enclosed flyer

Sunday, August 28, 2011

"Mets & Jets"

Air Classics Museum, Sugar Grove, Illinois

Sunday, September 11, 2011

Sandwich Fair

Sandwich, IL

Sunday, September 11, 2011

British Car Festival

Oakton Community College - Des Plaines Campus Des Plaines, Illinois

Sunday, September 25, 2011

End of Summer Picnic with the Greenlees

Please contact Bob at rlgreenlee@wowway.com or Marge at margsmet@wowway.com

Sunday, October 16, 2011, 5:00 p.m. Sawa's Old Warsaw Restaurant, Broadview, Illinois

Sunday, November 6, 2011, 12:00 Noon

Membership and Event Planning Meeting

Oakfield Family Restaurant 27W229 Geneva Road, Winfield, IL

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NEW ON SALE! Illini Mets 2011 International Meet t-shirts are for sale. The event may have happened but it isn't too late to get your tee as a souvenir of the event. They are \$10 and you can purchase them from Marge Greenlee.



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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

I hope everyone's Indendence Day weekend was a lot of fun. I had the Met out for most of the weekend. It is probably more than I had it out last year. I went to the Voodoo Kings Cruise night and met up with John Judge on July 2 (picture at the right of this message). That is always a great cruise night. It was a little bittersweet not having my co-pilot Ming riding along though. I did most of my errands and met friends all weekend driving the Met. I won't be bringing it to Kenosha. However, 117 people (with 44 cars) will be there and 20 states represented. I am sure there will be more attending.

I will try to keep cruising around Chicago and nearby suburbs in the Met. I am sorry to have missed the Cascade event but I was attending my first Jimmy Buffett concert. Hoping to see everyone at the next event (remember to check the calendar). Have a great and safe remainder of the Summertime. Stay cool! Hope to see you soon at either an event or a local cruise night!

Any stories, news, ads or contributions, or if you may know a

color printer that will give us good rates, give me a call at 773-622-0388 or email me at erd1@sbcqlobal.net.



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