

# “The Headliner”

Newsletter of the Northern Ohio Regional Group #20  
Early Ford V-8 Club of America  
Our 54<sup>th</sup> Year

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**Mission Statement:** “To preserve and authentically maintain vehicles manufactured by the Ford Motor Company for the model years 1932 through 1953 inclusive, and to serve as an accurate and technical source of information concerning these automobiles for the benefit of its members as well as the general public.”

## Presidents Message

Hi fellow V-8ers,

Happy New Year to all. Now that 2023 is here I am looking to a fun filled and enjoyable upcoming year.

We just had our annual installation banquet Held at D’Agnese’s Restaurant in Akron. We had 33 members and wives in attendance. We enjoyed a good meal, a lot of conversation and companionship. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves as much as I did.

This year we are going to handle the car events a little differently. Instead of trying to preplan driving events in advance, we will try to have short notice day trips. This may pique more of your interest. Instead of planning an outing months in advance something of interest will be brought up, published in the newsletter the month before, the date will be announced along with the meeting place and times. Those interested will meet up and off we will go. Hopefully there will be more interest this year. There may be an overnight outing latter in the summer or early fall.

Neal Garland is checking places to meet for our monthly lunch outings. He would like to publish a schedule for each upcoming three months. Some dates will be during the week, others on a Sat. This may help folks to plan ahead. Anyone that has any ideas PLEASE BRING IT UP.

Spring is just a few months away so it may be time too start thinking of getting the toys out and freshening them up for the upcoming season I am looking for a fun and interesting 2023. Let’s make it happen

See you all down the road,

*Jack*



## Officers & Board 2023

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*Ed Carr called and Told Craig that Past Member Paul Eipert Died*

## February Speaker

Our February speaker is member Ginger Posar. Ginger will speak on Medicare, how the program works and suggested methods as to how to deal with the Medicare system.



## NORG Meeting Minutes

*We did not have a meeting in January . As a result, there are no minutes to publish*

### **NORG Headliner Wins Honorable Mention in Early Ford V-8 Club National Newsletter Contest**

Annette and Craig, your NORG Headliner editors, were honored this year's National Newsletter contest. We are not sure of how many total entries were submitted but there was a 1st, 2nd & 3rd , 5 "Honorable Mention" awards that were 5 percentage points of the top 3. In addition, there were many "Participation" awards. We do not have any sophisticated equipment. Your editors use their personal computer, a scanner and ink jet printer to create the Headliner.

*Your NORG Headliner depends upon contributions from our members to be a successful. Your photos and text on club activities, ladies hobbies and recipes, technical information, and information and/or photos of your restoration are needed to keep your Newsletter interesting.*

*Please send us your material, we can re-write if necessary.*

*Thank You  
Craig & Annette*



### **NORG COOKIE BAKERS 2023**



February	Ginger Posar
March	Steve & Karen Kronen
April	Sharon Bukszar
May	Steve Klein
July	Pat & Barb Rooney
August	Regis & Beth Schilling
September	Kathy Kessler
October	Bonnie Sykes
November	Diane Francis

## Luncheon Schedule

*Activities Chairperson Neal Garland has scheduled luncheons for February. These are casual. If you can make it fine, if not OK. This will eliminate attempting to reserve seats and then members cannot attend. Luncheons are as follows:*

**Thursday, February 23:** Meet at Canary's Family Restaurant located at 28981 Lorain Road in North Olmsted. Plan to arrive at 11:30 a.m. The phone number is 440-777-9411.

**Wednesday, March 22:** Meet at Chicago Deli and Restaurant located at 34390 Aurora Road in Solon. Plan to arrive at 11:30 a.m. The phone number is 440-248-8018.

## Thank You

We are so fortunate to have members who "step-up" and furnish support to our Club month after month. These members do this without fanfare. They are:

**Neal Garland** who schedules our luncheons

**Rich Jandrey** who provides our monthly speakers

**Frank Posar** our Vice President and V-8 Correspondent who composes articles of NORG activities for the V-8 Headliner

## 2023 Activities At A Glance



- **Friday February 17<sup>th</sup>** NORG February 2023 Meeting Stow City Center 7:30
- **Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>** Luncheon at Canary's Family Restaurant. **See Luncheon article above**
- **Friday March 17<sup>th</sup>** NORG March 2023 Meeting Stow City Center 7:30
- **Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>** Luncheon at Chicago Deli and Restaurant **See Luncheon article above**

## LAST CALL !!!

### 2023 Membership Dues are Due

Northern Ohio Regional Group Members your 2023 dues are due. Dues are still only \$30.00 which includes a Newsletter throughout the year as well as a 2023 Roster of members.

*See Page 4 for Membership Form*



**Northern Ohio Regional Group #20  
Early Ford V8 Club of America  
Membership Form  
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## NORG Installation Banquet

Thirty three NORG members and wives attended the 2023 NORG Installation Banquet at D'Agneses Restaurant in Fairlawn. The full course menu included appetizers, soup or salad and your choice of four entrees. The food was delicious and everyone enjoyed the afternoon. President Jack presented 7 NORG "Sparkplug Awards" to members he felt provided exemplary service over the past year to the Club

Past NORG President and Past National President swore in the 2023 Officers & Directors using the National Clubs Oath of Office. It was a wonderful afternoon and every thoughtfully enjoyed themselves.

**Members in Attendance**



**President Jack Presenting Spark Plug Awards**



# 2023 NORG Installation Banquet

Past President Swearing in 2023 NORG Officers



## Early Ford V-8 Club of America Oath of Office



Heavenly Henry, I want you to hear,  
What we're going to say tonight right here.  
Henry's not here, but if he was,  
He would bless these V-8'er's because,  
We are the best damnedest upcoming officers in this here state,  
That ever got in and drove a Ford V-8.  
On my Honor I'll do my best,  
To uphold the virtues of The EarlyFord V-8 Club and forget the  
rest.

As we stand here before you, we solemnly swear,  
That we will never own a Chevy Belair.  
Hudsons are a virtue and Nashes are great,  
But those of us here tonight do state,  
That the offices to which we have been selected,  
We promise will never be neglected!

J.R.Ballard Gene Riggs



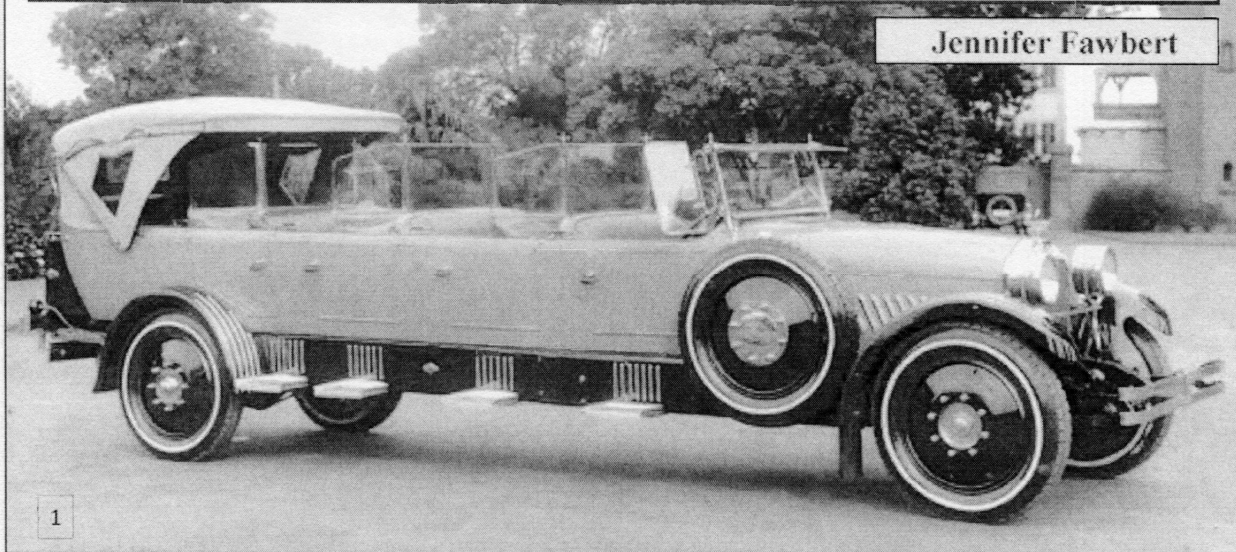
SO HELP ME HENRY !!

Early Ford V-8 Club of  
America Oath of Office



# DAY'S 1923 WHITE CHARABANC

Jennifer Fawbert



When most charabancs and motor buses were a bit box shaped and very utilitarian in design there appeared on the streets of Sydney in 1923 an elegant vehicle that was hailed as the "Finest Touring Car in the Commonwealth, and equal to any in the world".

**Image 1: 1923 White, Day's Motor Service, Sydney. Image held by the MAAS Sydney, used with permission.**

The vehicle caused quite a sensation as it looked more extended luxury touring car than sightseeing vehicle. With its sleek coachwork, deluxe upholstery and fittings, four windscreens and smart rear quarter hood this handsome vehicle was the pride of Day's Motor Service, Sydney.

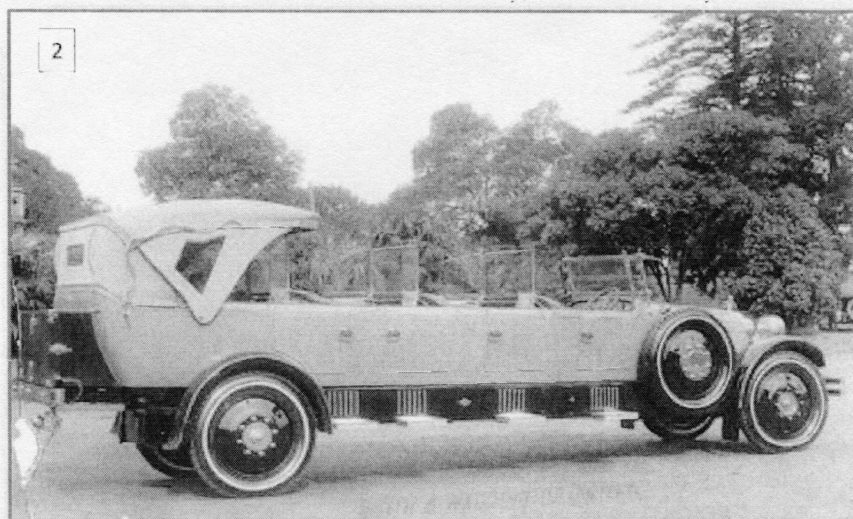
Norman L. Day had commenced in the tourist hire car business in 1913 when he took groups sightseeing to Bulli Pass and other scenic spots within reasonable distances of Sydney in a 1912 Brazier. In 1916 he purchased a number of Hudson Super Six cars, and was one of the tour operators who partnered with the increasingly important NSW Government Tourist Bureau which managed bookings for motor excursions in the vicinity of Sydney.

By 1920 Day had a motor garage at Vicker Street, Coogee, and was operating a fleet of 9 Hudson Super Six hire cars. His contract with the NSW Tourist Bureau had been successful and lucrative and in 1923 he purchased a special White 50 hp chassis and commissioned the firm of Smith and Waddington of Parramatta Road, Camperdown, to build a custom charabanc for it.

The Model 50 White was introduced in the US in 1921 and

specifically designed for the public service vehicle market. By 1923 White's special low frame bus chassis featured integrated brackets for fitting body work, a 55 hp engine, 4-speed gearbox, safety transmission brake and special ride improving springs.

**Image 2: Smith and Waddington charabanc. Image held by the University of Melbourne Archives, used with permission**



Local White agents, Dalgety Limited, at the March 1923 Sydney Royal Show displayed "A Model 50 White bus chassis ... This is the first of this make to be landed in Australia and is one of the few motor lorry bodies to be built specially for 'bus work, having an exceptionally long wheel base... (and) a good road clearance. The 30-passenger bus versions, modelled on the American White buses, were offered by the agents

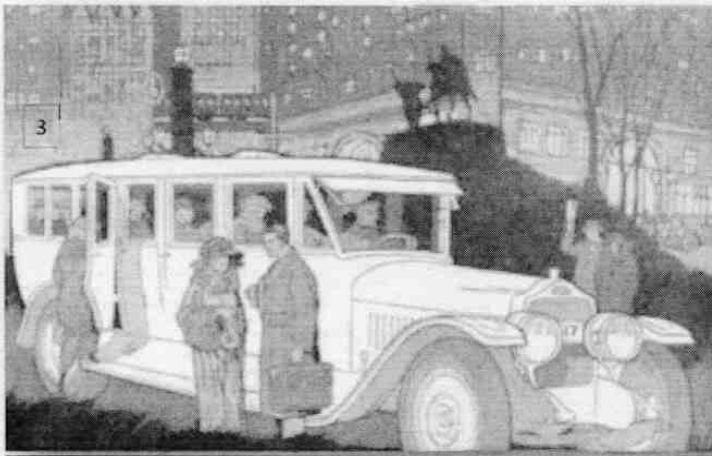
in mid-1923, one going into service on the Milson's Point to Balmoral route that was claimed to run safely at 40 mph, and furthermore, that it was more super car than motor coach.

The reputation of the White Motor Company's trucks and buses was well established among transport operators so it is little wonder that Day chose the special Model 50 chassis made by White for carrying 15 passengers in hilly country, it seemed eminently suitable for

sightseeing tours of the Illawarra and the Blue Mountains.

The firm of Smith and Waddington had begun in 1921, with a partnership between coachbuilders A L. Fairs and Arthur S. Smith and cinema owner Frank Waddington. They aimed to be builders of bespoke motor car bodies for high end vehicles, allowing owners to express individual tastes in the design and construction of their cars. Smith drew the





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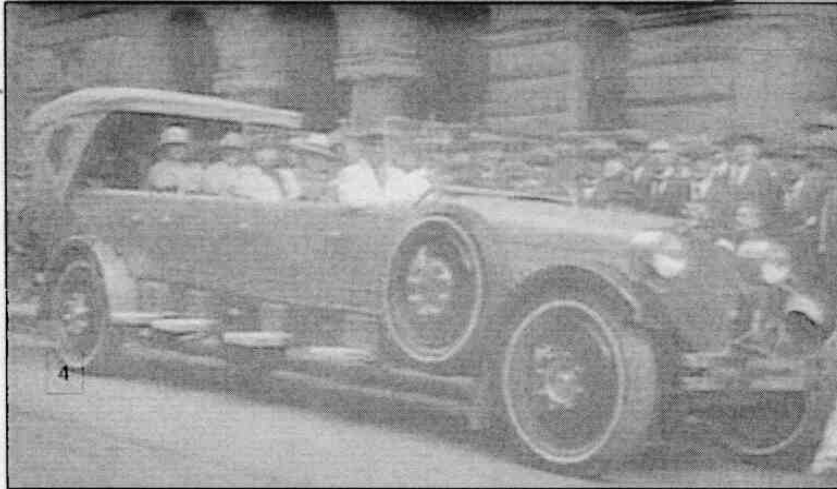
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mountain tours (though the photo in CMA# 27, pg.21 does show the White at historic Hartley Court House). In fact, in 1924 Day was using 7-passenger Cadillac tourers on the Bulli and Jenolan runs.

**Image 5: Day's brochure, 1924**

What happened to the White or at least its beautiful



body work? While a 1929 advertisement from Day's Motor Service shows the White, a large tourer and a Parlour Coach, there is no mention of the charabanc in the company's advertising or articles after 1923, nor in the Tourist Bureau information after early 1924.

It would be interesting to know what became of the White charabanc.

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**Image 3: 1923 White Motor Company USA advertisement**

See New South Wales (1927, December)

designs and had a reputation for creating "well-proportioned motor bodies".

Employing some 150 workers in January 1923 and becoming by the end of that year one of the largest motor body producers in NSW with 200 employees, the company bodied a number of Rolls Royce and Hudson cars, the firm being favoured by Dalgetys the importers also of those makes. As well they turned out handsome open and closed bodies for a range of vehicles including Turcat-Mery and Peugeot, Stutz, Wolseley and Chandler cars. In 1924 they became more involved in building up-to-date and good-looking motor bus and coach bodies, a line of work they became renowned for. The firm had a complete factory on Parramatta Road for fabricating, assembling, painting and upholstering vehicle bodies and they installed a modern nickel plating and brass finishing plant in 1923, a unique feature for such a business at the time.

From Norman Day's design for the White Smith and Waddington built a handsome and luxurious 15-passenger touring car, the finished charabanc measured 24 feet (7.3 metres) in length. The body was finished in pastel green with nickel bright-work.

Windscreens were affixed to the front, second and third seats making the vehicle appear as a quadruple phaeton and the hood that could be fully extended, fully

folded or quarter cover the rearmost seat. Smith and Waddington had pioneered the manufacture of Californian tops in Sydney and their expertise in this is clear in the sophisticated rear quarter hood on the White. The four rows of seats were upholstered in leather and finished for comfort, each spacious row had its own doors and step plate.

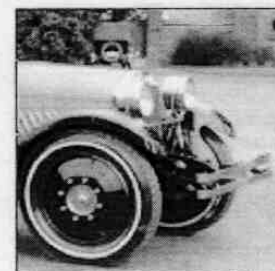
The White's first passenger carrying run was from the Tourist Bureau's Challis House offices on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 1923 for 10 invited guests to Bulli Pass and the National Park. The vehicle was driven by Norman Day and it reportedly handled the roads thus, "The car behaved throughout like a perfect lady. She glided down the hills, swung confidently around the turns, and negotiated steep gradients so gracefully".

**Image 4: Leaving Challis House, 1923**  
Image held by State Library of NSW.  
<https://search.slnsw.gov.au/permalink/f/1evtue2/ADLIB110112849>

Daily tourist runs to Bulli were then scheduled for the White with the journey to occupy the whole day, returning sightseers to Challis House at 5.30 pm. The Touring Car was also intended for 3-day tours to Jenolan Caves and the Blue Mountains, but in the course of this article's research nothing indicates that it consistently did the

*This article was printed in Issue 28 of Country Motor Australia and authored by Jennifer Fawbert.*

*Your editors found it interesting because the vehicle, a 1923 White Charabanc was manufactured by the White Motor Company located on St. Clair Avenue here in Cleveland Ohio*





The Early Ford  Club of America

**Summary of November 12, 2022 National Board Meeting  
Held Via Zoom  
Early Ford V-8 Club of America**

Meeting was called to order by President John Caldwell at 10:02 a.m. CDST

Minutes of the August 13, 2022 board meeting was approved. Email vote on publishing the 35-26 Ford Truck book was approved.

Report on the club's financial report by Treasurer Dave Rehor was received and approved.

**National Meets  
2023**

60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Grand National Meet at Dearborn, Michigan June 11-17 sponsored by the National Board of Directors, Bruce Nelson, Chairman. There have been over 138 registrations for the Grand National meet so far. Hotel reservations are up and running for online or phone in hotel reservations. There will be a welcome dinner instead of the ice cream social. The bus tour and lunches for the Auburn tour are finalized. The your choice raffle chair is already receiving quality items for the raffle. Tours of the Benson Ford Research Center is still up in the air, but communication is on going. The tour of Henry and Clara Ford's restoration and home is limited to 150 persons. Bruce is also working with the Yankee Air Museum in Ypsilanti on opportunity to ride in the Ford Tri-Motor as part of the "tour on your own" activities. 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary participation by Regional Groups is highly encouraged and a room is being set up to promote Regional Group history for display. This will be an excellent event and as it is only put once every 5 years it should not be missed.

**International Meet**

14<sup>th</sup> Annual Early Ford V-8 National Meet hosted by Northern New Zealand Regional Group. Lower Hutt, New Zealand January 8-13, 2023.

**2024**

Eastern National Meet: The board approved the Eastern National Meet sponsored by the Mohawk Valley (RG 59) and the Western New York (RG 3) to be located in the 1,000 Islands Region at Clayton, NY on September 15-20<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Stay tuned for further information.

**National Driving Tours**



Lou Mraz submitted his report on "The Border Affair" tour September 16 that started in Trinidad, Colorado and ended 900 miles later on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, in Chama, New Mexico. 20 registrants from Colorado, California, Nevada, Arizona, Texas, Iowa, Illinois, Georgia and Pennsylvania joined the tour. Several major attractions including crossing the Continental Divide four times, Great San Dunes National Park, Colonial Spanish history and Native American history were observed. The tour was thoroughly enjoyed by all participants.

**Information on all club events are available in the V-8 Times and the National website.**

### **National Board Election**

A report on the National Board of Directors election was made by John Mason. Results will be tabulated after December 1<sup>st</sup> and results made public after January 1<sup>st</sup> when the new board members take office.

### **National Board Officers 2023**

The National Board Officers taking office January 1, 2023 are as follows:

Rick Claybaugh, President  
Steve Kronen, Vice President  
Connie Hall, National Secretary

### **V-8 Times Report**

Shannon reported that the November/December issue is going to the printer next week. The V-8 Times Golden Quill award has been received and was congratulated by the board. Content on articles for the V-8 Times is OK and she could always use more articles, especially technical articles .

### **Other Notes**

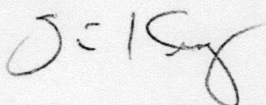
Membership: As the membership contest was canceled for this year, Connie Hall is looking at a fresh membership drive and will share with the board at the February meeting.

Face to Face Meeting in 2023: Discussion on time and location to have our Face to Face meeting for 2023. It was decided to hold the meeting February 5-8, 2023 at the Best Western Hacienda in San Diego, CA.

A committee has been set up to review certain bylaws that may need revision or deletion. The committee submitted their report and further action will be considered at the Face to Face meeting in February.

After all discussion was completed on the agenda items the meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m. CST.

Respectfully Submitted,



Steve Kronen, National Secretary



# Ladies Daisy Page

## Your Grandmother's Favorite Recipe

Ladies, do you remember a favorite food when visiting your grandmother? It may be a dinner entre a dessert or snack, If you do, please mail it to me.

If everyone will do this now, I will create a record of them and each month I will share one with our Club members on the Ladies Daisy Page

**Annette**

### Chocolate Roll

#### Cake Mix:

6 TBLS sifted cake flour	6 TBLS Cocoa
½ Tsp baking powder	¾ cup sugar Sifted (3 times)
1/8 tsp salt	4 egg whites stiffly beaten in separate dish
4 egg yolks well beaten in separate dish	1 tsp vanilla
Powdered sugar for dusting	

#### Filling:

1 ½ cups of whipped cream

**Oven:** Heat to 375°

**Cookie Sheet:** Grease a 15 ½ x 10 ½ x 1 cookie sheet lined with waxed paper.

#### Directions:

Sift flour once, measure, add Cocoa, baking powder, & salt, sift together three more times.

Fold sugar gradually into the egg whites a small amount at a time, add egg yolks, vanilla & the cake flour

Mix this very thoroughly

Pour onto the cookie sheet lined with waxed paper

Place cookie sheet into hot oven (375 degrees). Bake at 375 degrees for 13 minutes.

After 13 minutes, quickly remove and turn out at once on cloth dusted with powdered sugar.

Cut off crisp edges if necessary.

Roll up cake and let cool while preparing the whip cream. Unroll and spread the whip cream.



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- February Birthdays**
- 1 Debbie Madden
  - 4 George Hlavacs, Earl Peters
  - 5 Nancy Collette
  - 19 Eileen Sanders
  - 20 Don Brehm
  - 21 Ken Bruening
  - 24 Reid Firestone

**February Meeting**  
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