



## Bluewater Region – Running Board News June 2022

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Friday, June 9, 2022

Your executive has a busy agenda for Bluewater Region and we value your participation in attending these events. I need your attendance at as many Nursing and Retirement Homes as possible. It is very rewarding to see the smiles on the faces of the residents – we brighten a shut-in's day and they have missed our visits for the past two years. There are lots of other tours and events happening also. Please see the details in this issue of the Running Board News.

I have just spoken with Sharlene Irish, Chair of the Tour to Yesteryear – to date they have received approximately forty (40) registrations and the Tour will now go ahead as planned. The fee schedule as shown on the Registration Form is firm with no increase in hotel or meal costs. **Please consider going if possible – a good time is guaranteed.**

**Next executive meeting Monday, July 11, 7:00 pm at Wayne's all welcome, please R S V P to 519 376 6787**

Wayne

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[www.bluewatercarclub.com](http://www.bluewatercarclub.com) – our website

If you have access to a computer, please check us out.

Updates on the status of events, announcements, pictures, and newsletters, etc. will be here for you.

You can also stay informed of the National ACCCC events, news, and information at [www.acccc.ca](http://www.acccc.ca)

## Tour To Yesteryear – July 24-30, 2022

### 2022 Tour to Yesteryear

*Sudbury Ontario*



This year the Antique and Classic Car Club of Canada will celebrate its 64<sup>th</sup> Tour to Yesteryear.

This event is in danger of being cancelled. If you are at all interested please contact the Hosts asap or call Wayne Hynd for more information.

The "Tour to Yesteryear" is a week-long summer tour, hosted by one of 12 Regions. This years Hosts are the Rideau Lakes and Kawartha Lakes Regions. These tours take place in a different Ontario location each year. Typically, about 75 to 90 vehicles

participate in the tour. All active members of the A.C.C.C.C. are invited to attend.

The 2022 tour will be held in the City of Greater Sudbury, Ontario - Sunday July 24th to Saturday July 30st 2022. You can download the Registration form here -

<https://acccc.ca/Library/components/gallery/TTY/2022infosheet.pdf>

For more info go to <https://acccc.ca>

Recurring upcoming events for your consideration and pleasure

### CRUISE NIGHT'S:

Meaford starts on June 7<sup>th</sup> and is every second Tuesday

Southampton starts on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and is every Thursday until August 25<sup>th</sup> - 5:30 - 9:00 pm

Sauble Beach meets on Tuesday events starting June 14 and goes until September 13<sup>th</sup> – Meet at Sauble United Church on Bruce Rd 8 (on the way into Sauble from Hepworth).

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### MEAFORD LONG-TERM CARE – June 15 – 1:30 – 3:00 pm

135 William Street, Meaford, ON

Plan to meet at the facility for 1:30 and as always, enjoy your time with the residents with reminiscing and remembering. This is one of our Community Events and we always appreciate the fact that as many of us possible attend to make this a great event.



## LEE MANOR REHABILITATION & NURSING

876 6th St E, Owen Sound – Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>

The plan is to meet for lunch at Kelso Beach, 808 2nd Avenue East, Owen Sound at 12 noon. Bring your own lunch and lawn chairs. We will then proceed to Lee Manor, for 1:30 pm – a time of reflection and entertainment for both the residents and

ourselves. This is a community service event – So please consider attending any and all of these Long-term Care facilities as you are available.



## NON-CLUB SPONSORED EVENT – Rocklyn Annual Father's Day Car & Tractor Show - Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

BBQ food, 50/50 draw, beer garden, music. Brunch in three sittings: 10, 11, 12 or takeout – advance tickets only, adults \$14, kids 4-12 \$7. Call or text 519-377-3573, e-transfer [rocklynas@outlook.com](mailto:rocklynas@outlook.com). Give name, # of tickets for adults and/or kids. Spectator admission: \$5 or \$10 family, Vehicle admission: free admission for vehicle and driver.

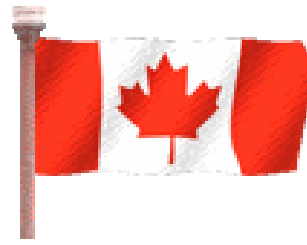


## GATEWAY HAVEN, WIARTON – JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>

671 Frank Street, Wiarton ON N0H 2T0

Gateway is hosting a Carnival Event for the residents and have invited us to bring a few cars – starts at 1:30 and will last about a hour. Contact Lynda Fischer at 519-534-3217 if you plan to attend. This is a Community Service Event.

An added option to this day is to make an afternoon and evening doing a little tour via Oliphant to Sauble Beach and attend the Sauble Cruisers Night starting at 5:00 pm. Lots of time to wander around the Beach area and grab a bite to eat. Russ Manson will be our leader on this one. We plan to do a larger tour event on August 18<sup>th</sup> at Gateway for their Big Tent Event.



OWEN SOUND LEGION

ROAST BEEF DINNER - \$18 per person



**June 24 at 5:30 pm**

RSVP to Mary or Murray Hall at 226-622-7454 or 519-270-8844 or [maryandmurray@hotmail.com](mailto:maryandmurray@hotmail.com) by June 22<sup>nd</sup>

This is always a good meal and our support to the Legion and the ladies who prepare the meal is always appreciated.

Your executive has decided to support this event on a regular basis.

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STRAWBERRY/BERRY SOCIAL – **Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**

1741 & 1761 Fifth Avenue West, Owen Sound

An **optional tour** before the Strawberry/Berry Social. Meet at No Frills WEST SIDE parking lot at **1:30 pm** for a 1:45 pm departure – approximate 50km tour. Arrive at **Kivells/Hynds at about 2:45 pm**. This is a fair-

weather event and will not happen if raining.

Bring your own main course, a berry dessert to share, your own lawn chairs, plate and cutlery. Water, Pop, Tea, Coffee, Dessert Plates, etc. will be supplied. Questions, please call Shirley at 519-371-2450. There will be an exchange table provided also.

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**FRIDAY, JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>** – DURHAM HOMECOMING & CAR SHOW WITH LIVE MUSIC – **11:00 am to 2:00 pm** - Location: In Durham at Credit Union Parking Lot on Queen Street. Contact John Lockner at 519-369-1200 or email John at [johnlockner44@gmail.com](mailto:johnlockner44@gmail.com). A public service event.

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**MEAFORD MEMORIAL DAY – JULY 1<sup>st</sup> – 9:00am to 3:00 pm**

**Bayfield Street on the Westside of the Harbour**

**Admission \$5 – proceeds for the Food Bank**

**Door Prizes – bring your own lunch or venture uptown to one of the many restaurants and bring your own lawn chairs. A public service event.**



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**GREY GABLES LONG-TERM CARE -JULY 19TH**

206 Toronto St South Markdale Ontario



Meet at roadside truck rest area just south of Owen Sound. We will leave there at 1:00 pm and travel down highway #10 to Markdale.

Our cars will be on display at Grey Gables Retirement Home from approximately **2:00 - 3:00 pm**.

When we leave there, we will travel to the **Maxwell area to visit Roy's Rads** and see his collection of Studebakers.

We will leave there about 4:30 pm and **drive north to Meaford** to participate in their cruise night along the waterfront. You may want to bring a picnic supper or eat at one of the many restaurants in Meaford.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Murray & Mary Hall at 1-226-622-7454 or 1-519-270-8844 or [maryandmurray@hotmail.com](mailto:maryandmurray@hotmail.com). This is a community service event.

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## **ROCKWOOD TERRACE NURSING HOME**

575 Saddler Street East Durham

July 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:30

A community service event

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## **JOHN JOSEPH/HANNAH WALKER VISIT**

846 2nd Avenue West Owen Sound

August 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm

## **KELSO PINES VISIT**

1685 3rd Avenue W. Owen Sound

August 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm

A Community Service Event

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## **GATEWAY HAVEN – WIARTON**

### **BIG TENT EVENT**

August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

Cars should arrive at 5:30pm

**Live music, big tent, a food tent (hamburgers & fries)**

**Wiarton cars are also being invited**

**Party will be concluding around 7:00 pm**

**This is a Club Sponsored Event and a Community Event we fully support**

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**Bruce County Heritage Association Heritage  
Farm and Steam Show  
August 20, 2022**

**Hosting: Ford and Lesser Known Equipment  
Gates Open**

**Saturday at 8:00 a.m.**

**All antique cars are welcome – driver and 1 passenger free admittance**

**Beef Dinner tickets for dinner available on site - \$30 range**

**Fresh steamed corn served throughout the afternoon and early evening**

**Wagon tours around the facilities**

**Tractor Pulls can be very entertaining**

**Live music show in the afternoon and evening**

**A Community Service Event**



**ANNUAL CORN ROAST – Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Earl McComb's Smouldering Pines**

**1043 Silver Lake Rd, South Bruce Peninsula**

**More details yet to come**



**SHALLOW LAKE UNITED CHURCH  
SHOW 'N SHINE**

**75 Cruickshank Street, downtown Shallow Lake**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30 AM CHURCH SERVICE**

**10:20 SHOW 'N SHINE**

**Lots of prizes, live music and hot dogs**

**Contact: Colin Nelthorpe 519-376-7889 or Jim Norton 519-372-0011**



@ WIARTON KEPPEL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Cars, Planes & Coffee will take place **Saturday September 17, 2022** from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm at the Wiarton Keppel International Airport.

**IMPORTANT: If we would like to attend this event as a CLUB and be able to park together we are looking for a facilitator to take the registrations and liaison with Cobble Beach. Please contact Fred Parsons at 519-371-4149 or Wayne at 519-376-6787.**

Cars, Planes & Coffee allows individuals with 25 years and older vintage, exotic, and collectible vehicles to take part in this extraordinary automotive weekend. Cars that have been accepted for the Sunday Concours are not eligible to display at Cars, Planes & Coffee on Saturday.

Saturday's Cars, Planes & Coffee features a diverse group of vehicles that celebrate the automotive enthusiast's spirit. Proud owners of beautiful collectible vehicles will awake early, shine their prized automobiles and drive to the Wiarton Keppel International Airport to gather with like-minded enthusiasts for a cup or two of coffee.

All vehicles must be insured and driven/flown into their parking position unaided. Vehicles are parked in the order that they enter the registration area. We are unable to offer preferred, reserved, club or specific parking.

Every entrant must go through a **2 step registration process**. Showing an airplane or collectible car will cost each entrant a \$20 minimum donation per vehicle (which covers admission for 2 people) additional passengers are \$5.00/each. All monies received will go to the Owen Sound Regional Hospital Foundation. This event is open to the first 150 registered vehicles.

Gates open to registered vehicles at 8:00 am and all vehicles must be pre-registered. Registered vehicles must load in between 8:00 am and 9:00 am. Non-Registered vehicles will not be accepted at the gate. **All vehicles must be registered by August 31, 2022.**

Cars, Planes & Coffee is open to the public from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm.

Gates open to participating vehicles at 8:00 am, and all vehicles must be pre-registered.

Registered vehicles must load in between 8:00 am and 9:00 am.

Non-Registered vehicles will not be accepted at the gate.

All vehicles must be registered by August 31, 2022.

All vehicles must stay in place until 1:30 pm.

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN.** Cars, Planes and Coffee Registration

<https://www.cobblebeachconcours.com/cars-coffee-2022>





FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Coffee hour at 8:30 am at McDonald's, in Owen Sound on the Sunset Strip.

ALL ARE WELCOME - PLAN TO JOIN US

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NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING – Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup>  
at Wayne's at 7:00 pm. All members welcome.

1761 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, Owen Sound, ON

RSVP to Wayne at 519-376-6787

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**Reflector editor position has been filled – thanks to Allan and Betty Hubbell from Kent Region for taking on this very important job. Their email is [abhubbell1980@gmail.com](mailto:abhubbell1980@gmail.com) if you wish to submit an article.**

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## EDITOR'S NOTE

We have listed quite a few events for your information - some are Club events and some are information for your use. I will list all of these events on a “frig sheet” showing dates and locations only.

You will need to refer to this newsletter for complete details. We will endeavour to keep the information as current as possible, but always feel free to contact any one of our Board Members for clarification if required.

If you would like to see an event posted in our Newsletter or you are able to assist with planning a tour to go along with any one of these dates, we would gladly like to hear from you. Contact President Wayne at 519-376-6787. Thanks.

## 2022 Bluewater Board

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You may or may not be aware that members from our Bluewater Region Car Club have a working schedule at the Grey Roots Museum in the Bluewater Garage. We are currently looking for Volunteers who like talking to the public and sharing stories with them. The time frame

involved would be July 1 to Labour Day at a schedule time. Please contact Murray Hall for more information: 1-226-622-7454 or Stephanie at Grey Roots 519-376-3690. Apparently there is an information/training session next Thursday at Grey Roots at 3:00 pm, which you might find helpful.

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## 1948 Bluewater Garage – Grey Roots Museum

With a small office area, two service bays, and an indoor grease pit, this 1940s-style, *White Rose* rural automotive garage was designed with input from the

Bluewater Branch of the Antique and Classic Car Club of Canada. Completed in 1992, its first life was at the County of Grey-Owen Sound Museum site.

The building was moved to Moreston Heritage Village in late 2005 and opened to public visitation in the spring of 2007.

Many rural garages evolved from blacksmith shops, so the garage was placed near the museum's "smithy" so that visitors could understand the similarities and changes in technology and tools when horse-drawn carriages and early automobiles existed at the same time and had to share roads and mechanics!

Donors have provided vintage automotive equipment, and there is a gravity-type "clear-view" gasoline pump out front. Grey Roots' 1936 Chevrolet tow truck and 1930 Ford Model A Deluxe Coupe are often on exhibit.



**Fun fact:** Many Grey County families used to put their cars "up on blocks" for the winter (to save the tires), employing horse-drawn sleighs for travelling in the wintertime right up until the 1940s when roads and snowplowing were greatly improved.

Another fun fact: On display there is a 1926 Dodge donated by Gilbert Rice and a 1946 Monarch Coupe donated by ????. If you are aware of who donated this

vehicle, please advise Sharon at 519-372-0011

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## Tribute to Gilbert Rice



On January 15, 2022, the Bluewater Region of A4C lost one of its last founding members, with the death of Gilbert Rice at the age of 95 years.

Gilbert was born and raised in the hamlet of Massie (near Owen Sound), where his dad was a blacksmith. From an early age, Gilbert and his brothers took an interest in old cars. Gilbert's first job was as a mechanic at a local Chrysler garage and then he switched careers and spent the rest of his working days with the Owen Sound fire department.

Gilbert was a true gentleman and was always willing to help other antique car collectors solve mechanical problems. He restored a number of vehicles including a 1950 GMC half ton truck, a 1932 Plymouth sedan, a 1936 Plymouth convertible, a 1940 Ford convertible, a 1954 Ford convertible and a 1926 Dodge sedan which he donated to the Grey Roots Museum.

Gilbert and his wife, Evelyn participated in many Tours to Yesteryear, some in their 1940 Dodge coupe and some in a 1968 Mustang. His daughter, Elaine now has the Mustang convertible and his son, Murray has the 1931 Model A Ford roadster.

Gilbert was a man of many talents. He played the fiddle with a local group and was active in his church. In 1986, Gilbert was awarded "Honorary Citizen of the Year" by the city of Owen Sound. He also received the Ontario Museum Association "Volunteer Service Award of Excellence" in 2016 and the Sovereign's Medal for Volunteering (the highest award in Canada for volunteering).

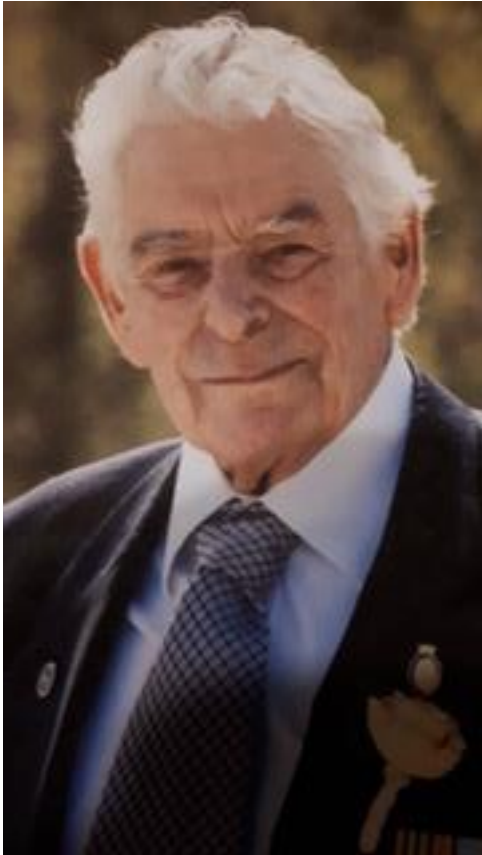
On May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, an internment service was held for Gilbert. Several members of Blue Water region toured from Owen Sound with their antique cars to Massie for a luncheon with the family and then to the cemetery to honour a great man and a life well lived. I met Gilbert in the fall of 1963 and we have been the best of friends ever since. The world needs more people like Gilbert Rice!!

Submitted by Murray Hall

# Remembering Bob Alexander

Remembering Bob Alexander... Robert Alexander, a Korean War veteran, passed away in the wee hours of June 6, 2021. He was 91 having just celebrated his birthday on May 26, 2021.

Whether volunteering at the Bluewater Garage at the Grey Roots Museum and Archives, spending time with friends vending at flea markets, driving around Owen Sound in his 1947 Ford pickup, chatting with friends at the Royal Canadian Legion over a cold beer, or leading the annual Remembrance Day Parade in Owen Sound in his 19563 M38A1 army jeep, Bob was a familiar face to both young and old for many years!!



Bob loved his family life, his vehicles (Fords!!), the military connections he had and Grey Roots Museum and Archives where he volunteered for well over 30 years! He worked for the Ontario Department of Highways and the Ministry of Transportation for almost 35 years and was the go-to guy should snow bound Ministry vehicles run into trouble and need roadside repairs!

In the early 1970s, Bob built a 1947 Ford pickup that became rather well known around the city of Owen Sound....and he always had a smile on his face when driving that truck and waving to friends!! He also had in his Ford collection, a 1931 Model A Victoria, a 1939 Ford Cabriolet and his 1953 Jeep.

Bob was a long-time member of the Antique and Classic Car Club of Canada, Bluewater Region from its early days as a region and supported so many friends who came to him with old car issues over the years, always ready to lend a hand or offer sound advice!! He was a strong voice at the Grey County Museum (which is now the Grey Roots

Museum and Archives) and advocated for the Bluewater Garage which came to fruition and is still an amazing place for young and old to visit to gain some firsthand knowledge of past times in automobile history!! He loved to tell stories from past times to both young and old as they passed through the garage and made life so interesting for all!!

Bob was predeceased by his wife Esther in 2005 but is survived by his children Bill, Nancy and Dave and families.

Bob Alexander (aka Mr. Ford in our area at least) will be in our hearts and minds for years to come. We are deeply saddened by the passing of Bob....such a great friend to so many over the years of Ford-ing as a longtime member of the early Ford V-8 Club of America and the Antique and Classic Car Club of Canada...sharing a beer, stories and laughter at club gatherings and other functions...always ready to offer advice on any early Ford related subject, Bob will truly be missed by all who knew him and called him Friend.

Respectfully submitted by Fred Parsons