



Bluewater Region – Running Board News

APRIL-MAY - 2025



President's Report

Hello all..

Well..what a winter we have been through...thankfully the calendar now says it is indeed SPRING...and our thoughts are turning to hitting the road yet again with our antique and classic vehicles! It gives great pleasure to welcome new members into our midst ..and hobby, and we look forward to having you in the Bluewater Region of the Antique and Classic Car Club of Canada!!

Your executive has been very busy putting together a most interesting touring season for us to all take part in, and enjoy each others company as we tour the beautiful Grey Bruce area and avail ourselves to requests from area retirement communities for antique vehicle displays to perhaps re-ignite memories from the past for so many residents while connecting with each other in our great hobby as well..! We, as a club, are always looking for new ideas and places to explore, so if you have an idea for a tour or a meet somewhere in the area or beyond, please step up and let's make it happen!!

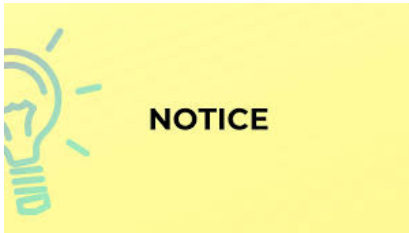
Our annual touring inspection takes place at Reg Nobles Garage on Highway 26 just west of Meaford on Saturday, May 10 (with a rain date of May 17)...many thanks to Reg and helpers for yet again taking the time to make this event happen to keep us all safe going down the road!! (A safety sticker is mandatory for folks taking part in the annual Tour to Yester-..Year ..and yes, HELPERS are needed to make the day move along smoothly by aiding in the safety check!!..lights, horns, etc.)

Many other events are in the planning stages as well and special thanks to Sharon Norton who brings us all up to date in our newsletter...!! Don't forget to check in with Murray and Mary Hall to book your space with our club folks at the Owen Sound Legion suppers - your support has been truly appreciated!!

Please continue to check the Calendar of events for updates as time passes and I look forward to seeing you all down the road...!! All the best for a wonderful touring season..!

All the best ..!

President Fred, 519-371-4149



At our monthly executive meeting this week, April 14th, we learned that Cobble Beach, along with Georgian Bluffs and Brightshores Hospital Foundation will be hosting Market & Motors – May to October. Since Rob McLeese is a member of our Club, we decided to show our support of this monthly event, and volunteered to help them out with parking, etc. We wish them well with this endeavour and trust you will show your support as well.



COBBLE BEACH
Concours d'Elegance
& MOTORING FESTIVAL

Location: Cobble Beach Resort (221 McLeese Drive, Kemble ON.)

Dates: May 5, June 2, July 7, August 4, September 1, October 6
Time: 5:00pm to 8:00pm

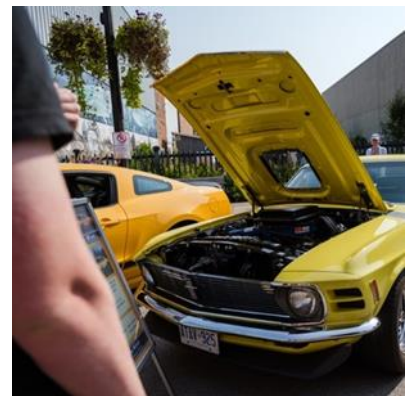
We (Cobble Beach) are excited to partner with the Township of Georgian Bluffs to bring you the all-new Market and Motor Nights at Cobble Beach. Join us on the first Monday of every month from May to October, from 5-8 PM, for an unforgettable evening featuring a classic car cruise and a vibrant community vendor market. This family-friendly event is open to the public and will go on rain or shine!

COBBLE BEACH CLASSICS CRUISE NIGHTS

Don't miss out on the Cobble Beach Classics Cruise Nights – a must-visit for car enthusiasts of all makes and models this summer! In celebration of the Cobble Beach Concours d'Elegance, come enjoy a variety of incredible vehicles, from vintage classics to modern marvels. Whether you're a proud owner or simply a fan, everyone is welcome! Want to showcase your ride? Bring a \$10 cash donation, which will go directly to the Brightshores Hospital Foundation.

GEORGIAN BLUFFS COMMUNITY VENDOR MARKET

Explore a wide variety of local goods at the Georgian Bluffs Community Vendor Market. From fresh produce and artisan products to unique creations from local makers, this is the perfect opportunity to shop local and support our community.





OWEN SOUND Royal Canadian Legion

CHICKEN DINNER

April 25th

Time: 5:30 pm

Tickets: \$18 each

For reservations, please call Murray or Mary Hall at 1-226-622-7454 by Wednesday, April 23rd. Thanks.

If you want to mark your calendars, the dinner dates going forward are May 30 (Meatloaf), June 20 (Ham & Scalloped Potatoes), September 19 (Spaghetti) October 24th (Roast Beef) – all \$18 each and last one for this year is November 28 (Turkey) at \$22). Call Mary or Murray by the Wednesday before the date.

Be sure to join our Coffee (or breakfast) gathering on the first Saturday of every month.

May 3rd – 8:30 am, June 7th, July 5th

Our Coffee Club is a great way to start off the month – with family and friends. Hope you can join us.



Regular Board Meeting

May 12th at 3:30 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion in Owen Sound at 1450 2nd Avenue West

Agenda to include summer tours, financial report, etc.

All are welcome.

I've never once been able to explain my car trouble to a mechanic without resorting to sound effects.

ANNUAL TOURING INSPECTION

This article in the last issue of The Reflector by Jody Sadler, our National Technical Inspector director truly explains to us why we need to pay heed to the availability of our Club's Car Inspection service. Of special interest is the need for those attending the Tour to YesterYear to have a copy of their current inspection on hand.

MAY 10 – 9:00 am to ? (Rain date – MAY 17th – 9:00 am - ?)

Reg Noble's Garage - 206066 Hwy 26, Meaford just west of Meaford

There will be coffee & snacks. We are looking for volunteers to assist with basic inspections of lights, horns, etc. Please contact Fred at 519-371-4149 if you are able to help out the Inspection Team.



by Jody Sadler,
Technical Inspection Coordinator

It is once again soon time to start enjoying our favourite four wheeled feats of technical marvel. The pleasure of your ride is due to road quality, vehicle creature comforts, reliability and technical design features of its era.

As you know our Touring Inspection Program helps ensure reliability and safety of your pride and joy. It is **STRONGLY** recommended that all Club recognized vehicles get

inspected each year. A current year inspection pass is also a **REQUIREMENT** for National events (TTY). Our program Club wide is healthy and has been steady over time; however, there is always room to see more vehicles at inspection events. The percentage of vehicles in the Club vs. those inspected can be improved.

In preparation for inspection check these simple things on your vehicle: lights, fluid levels, possible leaks, tire condition and pressure. Take it for a test drive. Notice unusual

noises, steering, tracking, and braking. Become one with the machine. I might suggest either before or soon after inspection, drive your pride and joy like your daily driver – run a couple of tanks of gasoline through it over a few weeks. Most problems will likely show themselves or disappear. I suggest it may also perform better after somewhat regular use. Don't forget to bring your fire extinguisher and current insurance slip to inspection.

Enjoy your T.I. event and happy motoring!

SUMMIT PLACE – 850 4th Street East, Owen Sound, ON
Intersection – 4th Street East, east of 8th Avenue Avenue East

DATE: June 10th (Rain Date: June 17th)

TIME: 7:00 pm (Meet and park by 6:45 pm)



GREY GABLES - 206 Toronto St. South, Markdale



Date: June 12th (Rain Date June 26th) more info to come.

Time: at Grey Gables: 10:30 am (Meeting time to be confirmed)

Details are still in the planning stage for a tour and perhaps lunch or dinner.

LEE MANOR - 875 6th St E., Owen Sound, ON

Date: June 17th (Rain Date: June 23rd)

Time: 1:30 am to 3:00 pm (set-up time: 1:15 pm)

Hope to see you there.



Meaford Long Term Care

199 Thompson Street, Meaford, ON

DATE: June 18th

Meet at the Meaford Golf Club,
408 Ridge Road at 11:30 for **Lunch**.

Meet at Home at 1:30 pm



STRAWBERRY SOCIAL – JUNE 21st (Rain Date: June 22nd)

JOIN US FOR A BRIEF TOUR AND STOPPING AT LARRY AND LYNDIA FISCHER'S AT 402294 GREY RD. 17, GEORGIAN BLUFFS FOR A POTLUCK DINNER – a suggestion is that those with a last name with K-Z would bring a first course item and A-J would bring a strawberry dessert item.

Your executive is currently assessing the idea of our Club attending this Classic Car Show at Shallow Lake Community Centre on June 21st instead of a tour. Weather permitting, we could meet up at this event, spend a couple of hours going into the Antique Show (cost is \$8) or just spending our time outside showing off our cars. As more details become available we will keep you posted. The Potluck dinner is firm.

If you would rather go on a tour, please contact Fred with your thoughts and/or plans for a interesting tour.

“My wife had her driver's test the other day. She got 8 out of 10.
The other 2 guys jumped clear.”

Rockwood Terrace Retirement Home Visit

525 Sadler Street East, Durham, ON
No date confirmed as of yet.

Southbridge Long-Term Care

1300 16th Avenue East, Owen Sound, ON
July 23rd or Rain Date of July 30th
More details to be confirmed



Grey Roots Moreston Heritage Village has approached us to ask if we would be interested in collaborating with them for a Car Show and Visit to the Heritage Village for the residents of Grey.

After a couple of meetings, we have agreed to participate and work with them to ensure that a beautiful event can take place.

Currently we are working towards **Saturday, August 9th, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm** with a rain date of Sunday, August 10th same time. More to come.



CORN ROAST & POTLUCK

Date: August 24th

Tour to be arranged

Location to be arranged

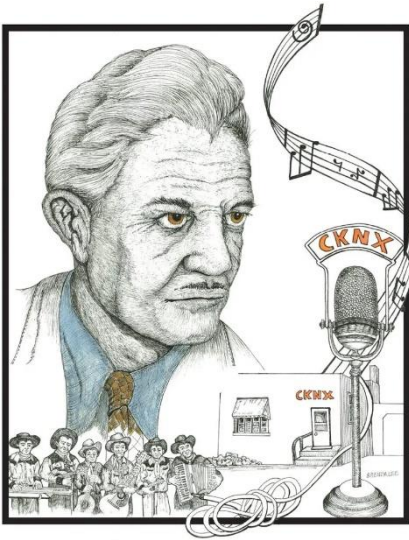
Potluck suggestion will be reversed from Strawberry Social.

Last name starting with A-M to bring a salad or meat dish
and last name starting with N-Z to bring a dessert

Many thanks to Earl McComb for many events for providing us with a beautiful venue and atmosphere for this special event that our Membership seemed to relish each and every year. We wish you well as you move on to a new home. Enjoy! We will miss Whispering Pines.



Radio Town: The Doc Cruickshank Story



By Nathan Howe

World premiere | Country musical | Local history

In 1926 Wingham, Ontario, self-described “tinkerer” Doc Cruickshank managed to build a working radio transmitter in his garage. Eventually blossoming into CKNX, one of Canada’s most influential radio and TV broadcasters, that transmitter ushered in Canada’s answer to the Grand Ole Opry. From The National Farm Radio Forum to the Saturday Night Barn Dance and The Circle 8 Ranch, Doc’s programming reflected his stubborn belief in the power of radio to unite people and build community.



BLYTH
FESTIVAL
original.canadian.theatre.

This newly commissioned country musical celebrates CKNX and its beloved founder, and features live performances of the music of Earl Heywood, the Ranch Boys, Ernie King, Cora Robertson and more.

Last year some of us participated in the trip to the Blyth Festival, and it was very well received, so we are planning on another trip to Blyth.

Some of you will certainly recall when CKNX radio was on the air, and of course, listening to the live performances of many celebrities from our past.

Your Board has secured a block of tickets (12) to go and see this show on September 3rd at 2:00 pm. Please contact Mary Ellen Parsons at 519-371-4149 if you would like to go, as soon as possible. Mary Ellen has to pay for any tickets she orders, so is taking small steps with pre-booking tickets. When the 12 tickets are sold and she has a waiting list she will order more. Apparently this show is proving to be very popular and could very well sell out quickly.

**“If the other driver had stopped a few yards behind himself
the accident would not have happened.”**



67th Tour to Yesteryear

A Place to Jive in 25!

Sunday September 7- Saturday September 13, 2025

Host Hotel is Best Western
2 North Service Rd St. Catharines, ON
905-934-8000 – **Room Rate \$179 per night**

Book under the group name Antique and Classic Car Club. Room rate includes Breakfast, coffee maker, fridge and parking. **Cut off date for booking your hotel room is June 30th, 2025**

We look forward to a great week of touring, renewing acquaintances and meeting new friends.

Tour to YesterYear online Registration

So please fill out the attached 2 forms and submit them.

The first form registers you the applicant and the second allows you to select your daily Itinerary, meals etc. Both forms need to be filled out to complete the Registration Process. Do the payment through E-Transfer and you can do the complete registration process without ever leaving the comfort of your phone.

The link to form: [**ONLINE APPLICATION FORM**](#)

If you are interested in attending this event, and want more information please contact our president, Fred Parsons. We currently have 4 couples attending.

CAR SHOWS AROUND THE AREA – 2025

First Monday of the month: Cobble Beach starting May 5th - 5-8 pm

Every Tuesday: Sunset Cruisers, Sauble Beach starting June 10 to September 9th – 5 pm

Welcome to SAUBLE BEACH
Sun, Sand & Classy Cars
Every Tuesday Night

Corvette Corral on Main Street
Classic, Antique & Modified on Lakeshore Boulevard

Cool Music From the 50s and 60s

SUNSET CRUISERS
SAUBLE BEACH

June 10 to September 9, 2025
5:00 p.m. to Sunset

Every Tuesday evening take a stroll along Lakeshore Blvd. & Main St.

50/50 Draw 8:00 P.M.
Proceeds to Bruce Peninsula Hospitals

AS SEEN ON → YouTube ROGERS facebook

Each Week - Car Owner's Ticket Draw to the September 14th Cobble Beach Concours d'Elegance

BRUCE PENINSULA HOSPITALS Foundation

August 16th – Bruce County Heritage Farm & Steam Show

September 7th – Annual Show 'n Shine, Shallow Lake United Church – 9:30 am for church and 10:30 for show. Hamburgs, hotdogs, muffins, coffee, etc by donation

As we receive confirmation of other car shows throughout the area we will keep you posted.

