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PREZ SEZ...

Fellow MSRA members and friends,

The summer rod run season has blown right past us (as is usual in Montana) except for one last hurrah – the Townsend Fall Fest and its car show on October 5th. The Fall Fest is well done and the car show is a good show. Surprisingly, the weather is regularly quite spectacular! Our upcoming meeting is in Townsend is on the same day as the car show. I hope you can join us there for both events.

On the agenda is the MSRA and participating car clubs scholarship activities. We need to get this program, which is our primary mission, shifted into high gear. Steve Sorg is our scholarship committee chairman and will undoubtedly lead a spirited discussion. We will also discuss next year's operating budget and take preliminary nominations for Street Rodder of the Year for 2014 (final voting in February 2015).

As always, please share your thoughts and ideas with us about MSRA.

See you in Townsend!

Bob Degenhardt

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 5, 2014 AT:

Betsy's Restaurant, 219 Broadway St., Townsend, MT **Sunday**, October 5, 2014 • 10:00 a.m.

NEW MEMBERS & IDEAS WELCOME

MAY 10, 2014 BUTTE, MT

The May 10, 2014 meeting of the Montana Street Rod Association was called to order by Bob Degenhardt, President, at 1:05 PM at Highlands College of Montana Tech, Butte, Montana.

There were 17 members in attendance. The meeting sign-in book was circulated for members and guests to sign. There were three guests present, George Smith, a member of the Pioneer Street Rods in Butte, Terry Bartle and Sonny Adams.

Bob Degenhardt thanked the Pioneer Street Rods for hosting the meeting and providing lunch. The meeting was held in conjunction with the NSRA Appreciation Day and Safety Inspections conducted by Tony Patrick, NSRA Western Montana Representative, and Tom Taylor, NSRA Montana Safety Inspector.

Minutes of the February, 2014 meeting were printed in the newsletter. Tony Patrick made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. The motion was seconded by Roger Boom. The motion passed. Elizabeth Scholl made a motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter. The motion was seconded by Bob Stredwick. The motion passed.

A report on the new MSRA printer was given by Marilyn Patrick.

Greg Staples, Treasurer, was not present at the meeting so there was no report given. However, the report will be included in the next newsletter.

Bob Degenhardt reported that a \$500.00 check was given to MSRA by the Hi-Line Cruz'n Association, Havre, MT. This check was given to the Scholarship fund.

Roger Boom gave a report on the MSRA Picks for 2014. All car club sponsors have requested an MSRA plaque for their events this year. The Pioneer Street Rods and the Helena Valley Timing Association have received their plaques. Roger will ensure that the other clubs will receive their plaque either by mail or by asking an MSRA member who will be attending a particular event to take the plaque with them. MSRA members are being asked to make the pick at the various events and follow the guidelines for the picks.

COMMITEE REPORTS

A scholarship committee has been formed and members are Steve Sorg, Chair; Marilyn Patrick, Pioneer
Street Rods; Elizabeth Scholl; Roger Mudd, Helena Timing
Association; and Max Cederberg, Hi-Line
Cruz'n Association. Other MSRA members are welcome to join the committee. They will hold a meeting following the regular MSRA meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

MSRA is hosting a 40th anniversary cruise to Loveland, Colorado in June. Members participating at this time include Steve and Judy Sorg (cruise captain), Tom Reeves, Bob and Fran Bradley, Jim and Kelly Rowlatt, and Bob Basso/Phil Goeschl. Hotel arrangements are being made. Other MSRA members are encouraged to join this group on their adventure.

The Helena Valley Timing Association will be again hosting their Blast from the Past event in Helena on June 26-28, 2014. Roger Mudd gave a report on this event and encouraged members to make their hotel reservations if staying overnight.

The Pioneer Street Rods will host their annual charity cruise on July 12, 2014 in conjunction with the Montana Folk Festival. The event will take place in the heart of the Folk Festival in uptown Butte. Members were encouraged to make their room reservations if attending and staying overnight.

NEW BUSINESS

It was reported that 5 business sponsors, 7-8 individual/couples, arid 1club sponsor had not renewed their membership for 2014. A list was passed around that listed the names of those who had not renewed. If anyone knows these folks personally, it was suggested that they be contacted about renewing.

A color printer has been purchased for use by the Secretary to print out the hard copies of the newsletters and other association correspondence. This way we can continue to produce the newsletter in color. The printer should prove to be more cost

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effective. This printer is expected to last about four years.

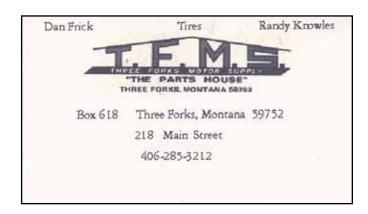
The next meeting date and location were discussed. A list of fall shows was discussed and two venues were decided as a location for the next meeting. Lewistown on August 9 and Townsend on October 5 were the favorite locations out of Libby, Billings, Lewistown, Townsend and Great Falls.

There will be a Father's Day gathering at the Stredwick property in Bozeman on Sunday, June 15, 2014. Roger Mudd said that 8 street cars are scheduled for the drag races on Sunday at Blast from the Past. The Colonial has blocked rooms and they are \$99.00 per night.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bob Stredwick. The motion was seconded by Gary Taylor. The motion passed.

Marilyn Patrick Secretary





INTERESTING INFORMATION & COOL STUFF

- Potato salad will have more flavor if you whisk together all the dressing ingredients and add it to the potatoes when they are warm. The potatoes will absorb the ingredients better, and the flavor will develop even more during refrigeration.
- This one is one I am really going to remember since it hits pretty close to home.....if you are cooking or frying food and you walk away for what you (I) think is only a few minutes and all of a sudden you smell smoke (yes, this has happened to me!), douse a kitchen towel with white vinegar, wring it out and wave it around the room. It clears out the smoke smell right away, and the vinegar smell goes away just as quick. I am going to buy me a gallon of this vinegar, by golly!
- Rubbing alcohol can be used to remove ballpoint pen ink from most upholstery.
- Ice Pack: Partially fill a strong zip-lock type sandwich bag with Dawn dish washing liquid, close and freeze. Just to be safe, double bag it. Freeze. The liquid soap stays cold much longer and it can be re-frozen many times. It will conform to the place you need an ice pack.

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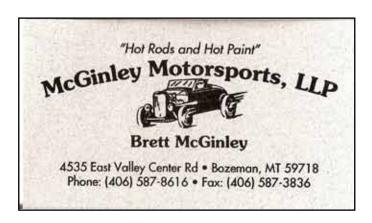
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LICENSE PLATES \$ -

PATCHES \$

SCHOLARSHIP MERCHANDISE \$75.00

Expense YTD \$1,085.91
PRINTING \$132.60
POSTAGE \$59.24

PLAQUES \$ -

EVENT WALLET CARDS \$ -

LICENSE PLATES \$ -

PATCHES \$ -

MISCELLANEOUS \$379.07

WEB SITE \$ -

ACCOUNTING \$ -

STATE REGISTRATION \$

TRANSFER TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND \$515.00

Expense Transaction Detail:

CK#	Date	Pay To:	Expense	Amount
3048	1/28/14	Scholarship	fund transfer	465.00
3049	1/28/14	E. Scholl	printing/postage	187.72
3050	2/18/14	Scholarship	fund transfer	50.00
3051	2/18/14	S. Sorg	postage	4.12
3052	4/9/14	R Degenhardt	inkjet printer	379.07

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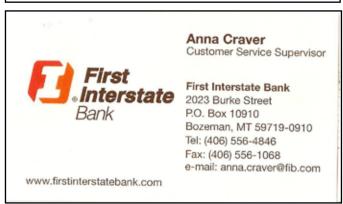


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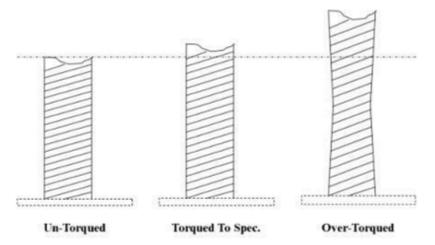


Torquing Wheel Lug Nuts / Lug Bolts

Over the years, we've seen firsthand the ramifications of improperly torqued lug nut and lug bolts. We've seen wheels come off, brakes damaged, broken and/or stripped lug nuts, bolts and studs. And unfortunately, we have seen this time-and-again from professional technicians as well as the do-it-yourselfers - all for one simple reason - they failed to properly torque the lug nuts or bolts on their vehicles.

Lug studs and nuts as well as lug bolts are designed with a specific grade of hardware with a certain amount of "stretch." Stretch? You might ask - Yes. Proper torque, which stretches the bolt, causes the threads of the stud/bolt to tightly mate and secure to the matching nut or threaded hole (within the axle or wheel hub) without working themselves loose. It's akin to mechanically securing the nut to the bolt - except that you can remove and re-tighten it repeatedly, as needed., yet, most bolt grades used for this purpose will retain its original size and properties (un-stretched) when properly torqued to specifications. The properties of the bolt has a slight spring affect when loosened.

The below are examples of bolts in the various stages of torque:



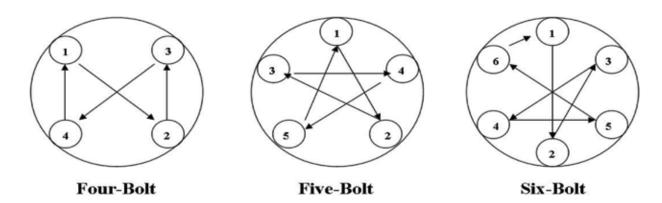
- 1. The first example is a bolt that is loose, with no torque applied unstretched.
- The second example is a bolt that is torqued to specification. There is a slight amount of stretch, but not enough to change metal/alloy properties of the bolt and it returns back to it's original shape and is ready for for retorquing.
- 3. The third example is a typical of an over-torqued bolt. Note that the bolt has not only stretched, but stretched to the point of changing the properties and yield strength of the bolt. The bolt now has a much lower tensile/yield strength and allows the bolt to flex, generate heat and fatigue. A bolt that has been over-torqued will be prone to cracking, shearing, loosening, or breaking off which can result in damage to the wheel and other related components.

Improperly torqued lug nuts or bolts can also result in:

- Warped brake rotors brakes grabbing, pulsating or overheated.
- Damage to the lug nut seating surface of alloy wheels.
- Wheel hub damage threaded wholes stripped out.
 It is also important to tighten lug nuts or bolts incrementally to the final torque specification, and doing so in the proper sequence.

The graphic below shows the three common bolt patterns and tightening sequences, appropriate for most automotive applications.

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It is prudent to recheck the torque specifications after a test drive the vehicle, especially with alloy or painted wheels. It is very possible to falsely torque lug nuts or bolts due to excess paint, debris, corrosion or a tight and binding centering hole over the wheel hub that allows the bolt or nut to come loose after the vibrations and rigors of driving.

When installing new wheels you should re-torque the wheel lugs after driving the first 50 to 100 miles in case the clamping loads have changed following the initial installation. This is necessary due to the possibility of metal compression/elongation or thermal stresses affecting the wheels as they are breaking in, as well as to verify the accuracy of the original installation. When rechecking torque value, wait for the wheels to cool to ambient temperature (never torque a hot wheel). Loosen and retighten to value, in sequence. Simply repeat the same torque procedure listed above.

General Torque Specifications

Hardware Bolt or Stud Size	Typical Torque Range in Ft/Lbs	Minimum Number of Turns of Hardware Engagement
12 x 1.5 mm	70 - 80	6.5
12 x 1.25 mm	70 - 80	8
14 x 1.5 mm	85 - 90	7.5
14 x 1.25 mm	85 - 90	9
7/16 in.	70 - 80	8
1/2 in.	75 - 85	8
9/16 in.	135 - 145	8

Wheel lug torque specifications are for clean threads that are free of dirt, grit, etc. If applying an anti-seize lubricant, it is important to note it can be applied only on the threads of nuts or bolts. The lubricant must not be used on either seat of the hardware of the wheel. With the seat being the main point of friction where torque is measured, extreme caution must be used if an anti-seize lubricant is applied to the threads as excess can either drip or be pushed onto the lug seat resulting in inaccurate torque values.

A thread chaser or tap should be used to remove any burrs or obstructions of the threads allowing the lug hardware to be turned by hand until it meets the wheel's lug seat. Once lugs are snugged down, finish tightening them with an accurate torque wrench. Use the appropriate crisscross sequence (shown above) for the number of wheel lugs on your vehicle until all have reached their proper torque value. Be careful because if you over-torque a wheel, you can strip a lug nut or hub, stretch or break a stud or bolt, and cause the wheel, brake rotor and/or brake drum to distort.



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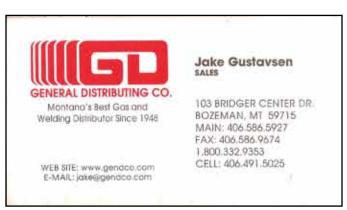




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- Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?
- Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway...
- If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?
- Why does Goofy stand erect while Pluto remains on all fours? They're both dogs!
- Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he likes to stick his head out the window?
- Why are you IN a movie but ON TV?
- Why is "bra" singular and "panties" plural?





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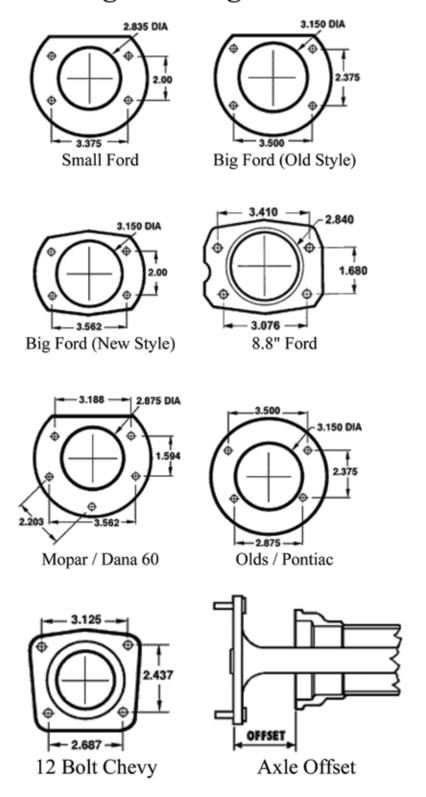
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Tuesday, June 3rd through Monday, June 9th

Five cars made the trip to the Goodguy's show at Loveland, CO in June. We drove mostly two lane highways on the trip through Yellowstone and Teton National Parks. The scenery was spectacular. At the end of the Goodguy's show, we went our different ways and all made it back home via different routes and on different days.

We stopped at WyoTech in Laramie, WY on the way to Loveland and toured the Auto Upholstery and Street Rod Fabrication shops and spoke with students and instructors in each program. When we came back out to our cars to resume our trip, we were greeted by quite a few students and instructors who were on break and checking out our cars. It was nice to talk with them!

On the return trip, two cars returned to Bozeman through Cody, WY, across the Chief Joseph Highway and over the Beartooth Highway. Lots of snow and beautiful scenery!

Below are some photos from the trip.





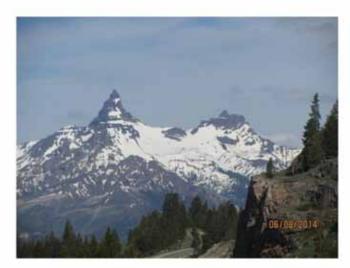




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