



April 1, 2010

- **March Club Meeting** Eighteen club members, spouses and relatives had an excellent visit to Vermont Engine Service in Williston. The owner, Dean Thibodeau and one of his employees known as “Rat” did an excellent job of showing us around the large shop and parts room and explained many of the jobs they do as engine rebuilders.
- **Next Club Meeting** Our first meeting in April on **Tuesday evening April 6** will be at Bob Landry’s in Essex. We will spend some time checking out the progress on his ’59 Austin Healey “Bugeye” Sprite. It is nearing completion and should be on the road this summer and perhaps garner a few trophies.
 - We have lots of things to catch up on as to club business:
 - Where to host May and June meetings
 - Organizing the Events Committee and summer events.
 - Annual Scholarship
 - Scavenger Hunt
 - Donation in Paul Daigle’s memory
 - Web Site signing in
 - Newsletter via e-mail
- **Second April Meeting** The second meeting in April will be at Jim Ricker’s shop in Colchester. Jim is a “gearhead” that has been in this area for a long time and buys, sells, builds and modifies lots of cars. You will enjoy checking out his awesome shop with lots and lots of old parts, tools and what-not to look at. This meeting is on **Saturday morning April 17 at 10 AM.**



To get to Jim’s: He lives on Route 2 and 7 in Colchester just south of the intersection where you get onto Interstate 89 at exit 17. His driveway and home is on the east side of the Route 2/7 and his mailbox is supported by a vertically placed crankshaft from a 1958 Studebaker 289 CI engine.

- **Dinner/Party** The 2010 edition of the club dinner/party was a rousing success. We thank Bob Brunette for all his work in securing the 158 Main Street Restaurant for our use on the night of March 20. We had the upstairs room all to ourselves and the meal was excellent and very well accepted.

The awards ceremony went well as usual with the following awards given out:

Bright Idea Award given to Tim from Bob L for his idea and hard work setting up the Web site for the Champlain Valley Street Rodders

Builders Award given to Bob L from Jan for all the building he has done on his own vehicles as well as the helpful hand he has given to so many of his fellow rodders in the club.

Bright Idea Award plaque from Art to Tim.

Builders Award Plaque from Art to Bob L.

Paper Plate Awards

From Tim to Don: "*The Faux Door Award*".

From Tim to Stan: "*The Stroker Stan Award*".

From Tim to Dave: "*The Too Hot Rod Award*".

From Tim to Bob B: "*The Show Me the Money Award*".

From Tim to Art: "*The Art-isan Award*".

From Tim to Larry: "*The MATT Award*".

From Tim to Jan: "*The Club Unofficial Web Tester Award*".

From Art to Harold: "*The Better Late than Never Award*".

From Art to Bob Landry "*The Horse Before the Cart Award*".

From Art to Bob Brunette "*The Triple Double Award*".

From Art to Don: "*The King of E-Mail Award*".

From Art to Everett: "*The Kids-Go-Too Award*".

From Larry to Don: "*The 2 Horsepower Award*".

From Larry to Art: "*The Chair Painting Award*".



- ***Cruisin' to Dunkin'*** Several guys in the club and former members often go to Dunkin' Donuts in Essex Junction at 10 AM weekdays for a "cup of Jo" and a donut or muffin. Bob L, Art and Ev from our club and former members Bill Aaskov and Jim Stuart have attended and perhaps others have also. Join us if you can and care to! We usually spend an hour there bench racing and relaxing. Nothing too formal...we just show up if we want to.

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Don is making progress on his '55!
Hmmm...looks like something's missing!

