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## Keep Your Eyes Open For Those Hudson Barn Finds

# President's Message

Dear NEC Members,

Happy 2015! This morning I "snowblowed" four inches of heavy, wet, concrete-consistency white stuff from our driveway so, I suppose it's safe to say that winter is officially upon us.

My winter projects this year are pretty much split between basement and garage. Now that Lindsey and Mike are out on their own, Beth and I are trying to eliminate all their prized possessions that seem to be growing roots in our basement (and attic). Whenever they visit (or we visit them) we try to sneak at least one of their "valuable treasures" into the trunk or back seat of their vehicle. Garage projects on the "to do" list are pretty much tending to routine old car maintenance – oil changes, tune-ups, tire rotation, chassis lubes and the like.

While it's cold and icy outside, planning is already underway for some great events in twenty-five! First on the schedule is our Winter Banquet at the Whatley Inn on March 14th. See the registration form in this newsletter and we hope to see you in Deerfield, MA for this fun time.

The NEC plans to make the 29th Annual Manchester (Vermont) Classic and Antique Car show the weekend of June 6th and 7th a BIG Hudson meet this year. The Palmer Inn will once again be the core motel for HET folks so, if you plan to go, make your hotel reservations early.

Hemmings Motor News announced last month that their 9th Annual Concours d' Elegance on September 25th-27th at the Saratoga Automobile Museum will feature the Hudson marquee. Your officers are discussing ideas to ensure the NEC has a presence at this event and as always, we're eager to hear members input.

Our Vice President/Meet Coordinator, Kelly is starting to assemble the Meet Schedule for the upcoming year. If you've hosted a meet in the past – please email or call Kelly to get your date locked-in for this year. As always, if you haven't hosted but, would like to organize a get together with your fellow New England Chapter members – please contact any one of your officers. We always want your ideas!

I wish you and your family, good health, happiness and a very Hudson 2015!

Jim

## Editor's Message

Greetings Members,

I hope everyone had a happy and safe holiday season. We're now a week into 2015 and our mild end-of-December has been replaced with a heck of a cold front. I heard today on the radio that Mt. Washington, in North Conway, NH, was -81 degrees today with the wind chill and -34 degrees without it. Yikes! It was -3 degrees in Stoneham when I left for work this morning and my car was not happy trying to start. It definitely took about 5 mins before things felt normal.

I have a request for any of our members out there that have a variety of parts that they are willing to part with (no pun intended). Often times I get random emails on the website of Hudson owners looking for certain parts. If I know someone that might have what they are looking for, I usually pass along the inquiry. I bet there are a lot more parts out there owned by our members that I don't know about. I would love to build a quick reference sheet that I can use which lists the member name and what type of parts they have. For example, I know that my dad has mostly 1948/1949 Step Down parts with a few some parts for 1954 Hornets. I'd list him as:

Ed Firestone  
1948-1948 6 cylinder Broughams/Sedans/Coupes  
1954 6 cylinder Hornet Sedans

Probably most important would be the years. The best way to get me this info would be via email. You can also mail me a list, just please try to write legibly. Once I get this list, I can publish it in our newsletter as a resource for our own members.

Regards,  
Greg

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## Passing of NEC Member

Our sincere condolences to the family of Ernest Yeaw. Ernest, who lived many years both in Nova Scotia and Rhode Island, passed away in December of last year. Ernest was a longtime member of the NEC.

# Automobile Trivia Questions

Borrowed from <http://local.aaca.org/bntc/kidskorner/trivia/1/quiz1.htm>

**1. Which automobile was the infamous John Dillinger's favorite car to steal?**

- A) Ford
- B) Chevrolet
- C) Buick
- D) Packard

**2. What year did Studebaker introduce snap-on fender skirts?**

- A) 1900
- B) 1915
- C) 1934
- D) 1955

**3. What auto company became the third place automaker in 1928?**

- A) Ford
- B) Chevrolet
- C) Chrysler
- D) Buick

**4. What year were rear-view mirrors standard equipment on production cars?**

- A) 1908
- B) 1916
- C) 1930
- D) 1955

**5. What year was the first speeding ticket issued in the U.S.?**

- A) 1895
- B) 1900
- C) 1902
- D) 1915

**6. What was the last year Ford's exposed the horn?**

- A) 1915
- B) 1928
- C) 1935
- D) 1955

**7. Which Michigan city prohibited the use of gasoline pumps at curbs in 1914?**

- A) Detroit
- B) Flint
- C) Lansing
- D) Saginaw

**8. Which automobile offered the largest engine in 1908, the Hupmobile or Model-T Ford?**

- A) Hupmobile
- B) Model-T Ford

**9. What year were gasoline engines first located under the hood in the U.S.?**

- A) 1895
- B) 1900
- C) 1915
- D) 1928

**10. What was the price per barrel of crude petroleum in 1901?**

- A) 5 cents
- B) 25 cents
- C) \$1.00
- D) \$1.50

**Answers can be found on Page 8 of the Newsletter**



# 2015 Winter Banquet

The 2015 Winter Banquet will be held March 14<sup>th</sup> at the (in)famous Whately Inn. We'll meet around 2:00 PM at the Pool side area of the Red Roof Inn in So. Deerfield, MA. Bring snacks and beverages to share. We will then head over to the Whately Inn for Dinner at 6:00PM. Please see registration form for meal choices. Once again the Club is subsidizing \$10.00 each member and spouse.

Reservations for the Red Roof must be made by February 14th to get the club rate. You need to call 413-665-3044 and mention the Hudson Car Club. That will get you a Regular room, 2 Queen beds for \$66.99. They also have rooms with Refrigerators (Deluxe) for \$69.99. Those that stay at Red Roof will most likely go to Grays Sugar House Sunday AM for Breakfast.

Meal choices at the Whately Inn are Baked Stuffed Lobster \$40:00, Filet Mignon \$43.00 and Chicken Cordon Bleu \$25.00.

This price is all inclusive and includes tax and tip. Remember to deduct \$10.00 for each member and spouse meal for Chapter Members!

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Member _____	Baked Stuff Lobster \$40.00 X _____ = _____
Guest _____	Filet Mignon \$43.00 X _____ = _____
	Chicken Cordon Bleu \$25.00 X _____ = _____
	Total _____
	Less \$10.00 each Chapter Member (\$20.00 Max) _____
	Grand Total _____

This is all inclusive and includes tax and tip.

Check here if coming to Red Roof Inn around 2:00 PM \_\_\_\_\_

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 Jerre Hoffman, 27 Howard Street, Chicopee, MA 01013-2618  
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Make payable to "New England Chapter HET Club"

# Compression Pressure for Various Ratios

Submitted by Per Christiansen via Tom Feininger of the Quebec Chapter. Info taken from a flat rate manual for 1925 to 1932 cars

This table indicates the reading that should show on a good compression gage for engines having compression ratios in the range of 4 to 7 to 1. Pressure shown on the table below should check with the actual gage reading within limits of plus or minus 5 lbs.

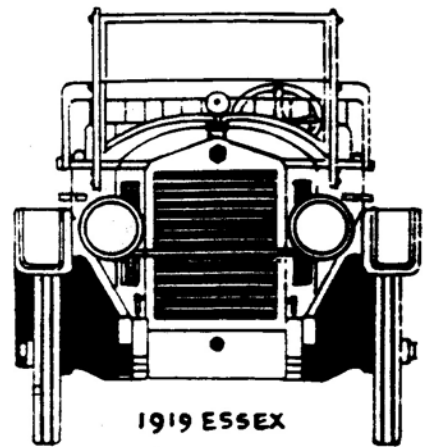
The values as given are based on the following test conditions:

1. Engine being turned at 150-170 r.p.m. Which is the normal cranking speed of the average starter
2. All spark plugs removed.
3. Carburetor throttle wide open.

<b>Compression Ratio of Engine</b>	<b>Gage Pressure in lb. At Cranking Speed</b>	<b>Compression Ratio of Engine</b>	<b>Gage Pressure in lb. At Cranking Speed</b>
4.00	55.5	5.50	88.5
4.10	57.5	5.60	90.5
4.20	59.5	5.70	92.0
4.25	60.5	5.75	92.5
4.30	61.5	5.80	95.0
4.40	63.5	5.90	97.0
4.50	65.5	6.00	99.0
4.60	67.5	6.10	101.5
4.70	70.0	6.20	102.5
4.75	70.5	6.25	103.5
4.80	72.0	6.30	105.5
4.90	73.5	6.40	107.5
5.00	76.0	6.50	109.5
5.10	78.0	6.60	112.5
5.20	80.0	6.70	113.5
5.25	82.0	6.80	114.0
5.30	84.0	6.90	116.5
5.40	86.5	7.00	118.5

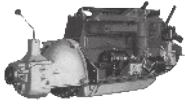
# Triva Answers

- Question 1** - The correct answer is: A) Fords
- Question 2** - The correct answer is: C) 1934
- Question 3** - The correct answer is: C) Chrysler
- Question 4** - The correct answer is: B) 1916
- Question 5** - The correct answer is: C) 1902
- Question 6** - The correct answer is: C) 1935
- Question 7** - The correct answer is: A) Detroit
- Question 8** - The correct answer is: B) Model-T Ford
- Question 9** - The correct answer is: B) 1900
- Question 10** - The correct answer is: A) 5 cents



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ADVERTISING INFO: 1) Ads for NEC/HET members have priority; others on a space available basis. 2) For sale ads run for three months and must have prices. 3) Advertiser must give notice of renewal or cancellation. 4) Send ads to Greg Firestone, 32 Warren Street, Stoneham, MA or e-mail to [newenglandhetchclub@gmail.com](mailto:newenglandhetchclub@gmail.com) .

## Cars for Sale

- \* 1928 Essex Super Six Sedan with 29k original miles. Four suicide doors with original blue/black paint and like new, always covered, interior. Excellent nickel plating and glass. No rust or dents ever. Runs great \$12,500. (Agawam, MA) Call Bob 413-478-9415 or [bobhager4@netzero.net](mailto:bobhager4@netzero.net). Pic on club website. [10/14]
- \* 1927 Hudson Super 6 Brougham, original with all options available at the time. Stored in heated garage in Hiram, ME. Asking \$12,000. Contact Normie at 207-625-4053. Pic on club website. [6/14]
- \* 1927 Hudson 4 door sedan. Barn stored since the 1950's. 45k miles, not running. Needs roof, believe to be complete. Needs interior, wood is good. Stored in Woodstock, VT. Asking \$6,000. Tom Murray - 781-272-8253 [10/13]

## Miscellaneous

- \* 1934-36 Fender Lamp Lenses, Hudson #BO109800; HALL #14249. Exact fit, high quality, USA made, original-type glass replacements. Satisfaction guaranteed - these can not be told from the originals! Price: \$50.00 each plus shipping. Email: [1934hudson@charter.net](mailto:1934hudson@charter.net), Jim DiGiorgio, 101 Elm Street, Pepperell, MA 01463, PH: 978-433-1919 [11/11]
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- \* Original design Hudson 3 piece air conditioning brackets \$200.00, Stainless steel roof antennas for 48 thru 57 Hudsons \$65.00, Universal 12 volt electronic ignition conversion kits by Crane Cams for Hudson Distributors \$110.00, 6 and 12 volt battery tenders \$16.00 each. All prices plus shipping. Joe Stinnett, 7953 Stone Rd., Apopka, FL 32703-8970 Ph 407-222-0524, [jastinnett@earthlink.net](mailto:jastinnett@earthlink.net) [11/11]

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\* 1937 Terraplane 4d body. Has doors but otherwise gutted. Frame also cut. Clean MA Title. \$600. 1952 Hornet fender skirts, good trim \$50. Believe 1935 face plate for tire case with hubcap in good shape \$150. Looking for 37 Terraplane parts to trade. Contact Michael Bentinck-Smith, 520 Brook Rd, Milton, MA 02186. Call 617-698-7471 between 6-8 pm. [3/14]

## Wanted

- \* Wanted for 1937 Terraplane Utility Coupe:
  - (2) Front Fenders (No rust out)
  - (1) Grille assembly, complete or partial
  - (1) LH trunk latch assembly and inside door handles
  - (1) Head light switch (1) LH Tail light assembly
  - (1) Optional complete RH tail light assembly with fender mount
  - (1) Trunk lid medallion
  - (1) Rear valance that bolts between rear fenders under trunk lid
 Any leads appreciated. Sedan parts might fit. [Karlmystic@aol.com](mailto:Karlmystic@aol.com) or 860-460-9606 - Karl Vucich
- \* For 1932 Essex 5W Coupe: Glove boxes, seat frame, hub caps for wood wheels, radiator cap, hood ornament, complete tail light, wire harness. Contact Tracy Vera, 163 Allstow St, Cambridge, MA 02139. Tel: 617-799-0845. [10/13]

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