

## North Stockton Rotary

09/17/24

Tuesday we had an offsite meeting at the **McClure** "Taj Ma Garaj" with 24 or more of his favorite four-wheeled friends. CHP Officer **Jon Schatmeier**, retiring this year after 25 years of service was also on hand to discuss Vehicle IDing & registration and **Dick** will discuss his vehicles.

Bill McDonald 24-25 NSR Presiden Lunch was Togo's sandwiches, or a veggie wrap, chips, and drinks.



Karen serving Togos Submarine
Sandwiches from the hood of her car!



The Taj Ma Garaj was NSR's offsite meeting place last Tuesday

As people arrived we walked through the garage eating our sandwiches and looking at each restored vehicle. They each had binders showing the entire renovation of the car from start to finish. When we finished lunch. President McDonald called the meeting to order and we saluted the flag. President Bill announce that on the 24th, you are all invited to another **Kendra** social: this time at the Boat House (The Boathouse at River Islands | American Restaurant in Lathrop, CA (boathouseriverisland.com). WHEN: Sept. 24, 5:30-7:30 WHERE: The Boathouse, 980 Lakeside Dr., Lathrop, CA DINNER: Appetizer from NSR.

RSVP: **Kendra Clark** at <u>kclark@kclstrategies.com</u> or phone 209-639-1825. Do this by

9/20/24.

Drinks and dinner are no host.

Bill introduced Dick McClure, car restorer and the owner of the "Taj Ma Garaj". Dick introduced CHP Officer Jon Schatmeier, retiring after 25 years for the CHP and head of the Vehicle Identifi-

cation department. The Vehicle Identification Number is engraved on no fewer that 16 places on new cars. This is the unique ID of each vehicle and auto part. To register a car, this number has to be verified and



The Boathouse at River Islands



Dick's exquisite early model Jaguar is autographed by Pink Floyd's drummer, Nick Mason

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09/24/24	Offsite at River Landing's Boathouse	980 Lakeside Dr., Lathrop, CA	5:30 to 7:30
10/01/24	TBD	TBD	Stockton Hilton
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Blue Tag with new VIN...

Certified. If a car isn't registered for 10 years it is purged from the system. If you restore old cars you find, most likely they've been purged. The CHP has the Blue Tags that can have the new vin number and you can register the car. Om the cars with computers, the vin number cannot be purged from that system. A great tool to fight crime.

Dick's first car of the collection was his neighbors at 1049 West Mariposa. The kids in the neighborhood used to get rides in that car. 1953 MG end-

ed up on risers in their garage. When Dick turned 16 in 1972. he had \$500 saved from his paper route and selling Cokes at the UOP Stadium. He told his Dad he wanted to buy the car. His Dad said OK. He went next door, knocked on the door and said Mrs Harlowvich, I want to money do you have, he said



1953 MG TDE, Dick's first car and project.

by the MG. She said how much \$500. She laughed and said no it's worth twice that! He was crushed and went home. When his Dad got home that night he told his Dad. His Dad said OK, here's what you do. I'll loan you \$250, you go back and offer \$750, and

> the debt is paid off. He went back and told her.



Jon and Dick explain the VIN process

The Jaguar XK120 fixed head coupe, the oldest car in his collection.



1955 MG Race Car #209.

she laughed and said, I like the offer, you can have it for \$750 don't worry about raking the leaves!! He's had that car for 52 years and it's part of the family.

The oldest car in his collection is the Jaguar XK120 fixed head coupe. What the Fixed Head Coupe refers to is that it's a hardtop, not a convertible or a roadster. Remember English parlance is different than American definitions of car parts are different. The front hood is called the bonnet. The roof is called the head and the trunk is called the boot. If you get a flat it's called a puncture. The Red 1955 MG Race Car has the number 209 on it. He figured it had something to do with the area code, but it didn't. He opened up the hood and started it up, and when it fired up, what a sweet warm low humm! Rough ride, no shocks, but sounds great!



say you'll rakes leaves, mow the lawn and clean her gutters until



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Meeting Tuesday at noon at the Stockton Hilton



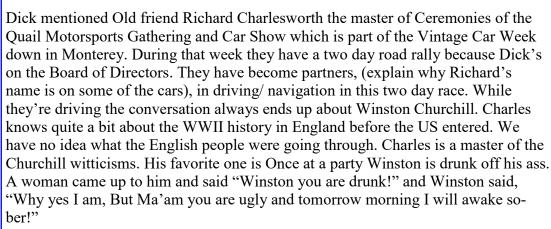


1954 Nash Healy Panin Farina

When you feel like driving one of the cars around town, which do you pick?

The reason I always have this 1964 Dodge Dart GT with a slant 6 cylinder, filled with gas and ready to roll is that it's so reliable. It can keep up with modern traffic and it has good brakes. You don't have to anticipate stopping. He spotted it in the Pic & Pull yard where they have a fenced in area with cars for sale. He looked in and saw the Dart, and he knew it would qualify for any event he'd want to enter it in because

it's a cool car. \$2000 was painted on the windshield. He went in the office and asked the guy if he'd take \$1600. He said well that's not enough, but I'll take \$1800 out the door. Dick said what's out the door mean? He said tax, license, salvage fee! Dick handed him a credit card! The tow truck driver delivered it the next day. They put a battery in it and pour some gas down the carburetor and it started right up!





1964 Dodge Dart GT



1958 Alfa Romeo #18, Blue, that Renee Zellwiger sat in and the show in Monterey.



1956 Porshe 356 Coupe. Not restored

**President Bill** gave **Jon Schatmeier** a kids book to sign in honor of his 25 years of service and thanked Dick McClure for another fascinating presentation. The bell wasn't there!





















