

South Texas HET News

A BIG COUNTRY REGIONAL CHAPTER OF THE HUDSON ESSEX TERRAPLANE CLUB

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DRIVE YOUR HUDSON - GIVE A FRIEND A RIDE



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October meeting- at the Oscar store went off well except I was late and every one was waiting on me to order a cheese burger so we could hold is meeting!! I apologize to all for my being late. Haven punched a time card for 20 years on a job has made me a very on time dude and being late is not something I ever do. Not really something an President. should do? Knowing I was delayed leaving Austin for Temple The drive there was the fastest I have pushed my old 54 Hornet. Most times I drive like the old man I am becoming but this trip had me pushing the engine. To get up to speed in short order from stops , was punching the gas after the Hydro had reached 4th gear, (at about 25 to 35 MPH)!This has always seemed a bit different and too slow to be in high gear? Giving the gas a push to engage the down shift gave the engine what it needed to keep up with others leaving the stop lights, plus I found myself passing late model cars and the thought crossed my mind I was speeding and had myself open to getting stopped and ticketed. No matter, I have not had a speeding ticket sense 1984 and if I did get a speeding ticket I could accept that. I kind of figured a speeding ticket in a 54 Hornet would be a badge of honor and I could brag about that, (it be difficult to keep this beast tamed)! Ha. Also a good excuse as to my tardiness? I got very few thumbs up from others on the road, or if I did get any I missed them as I was all business due to the 4ply tires keeping my attention to the road surface, hoping to not start jumping about the roadway due to any grooved pavement. It seems these monthly trips are good for my old car and it just keeps running better and better. After about 10,000 miles on it's rebuild ,I have begun to trust it will perform. I do recommend my fellow Chapter member's drive their Hudson's as much as they can, just to keep them in good shape. Wheel & masters cylinders, , carb accelerator pumps , Gas tanks need to get that stale gas burned up, due in fact I think because today there be water in our pump gas, etc., we all know this? What a great break from everyday life to dedicate one day a month to stepping back in time and sit behind the wheel of an old car of FABULOUS pedigree!!! I am so grateful to the member of this HET club local and national for sharing all things Hudson... **Rod**

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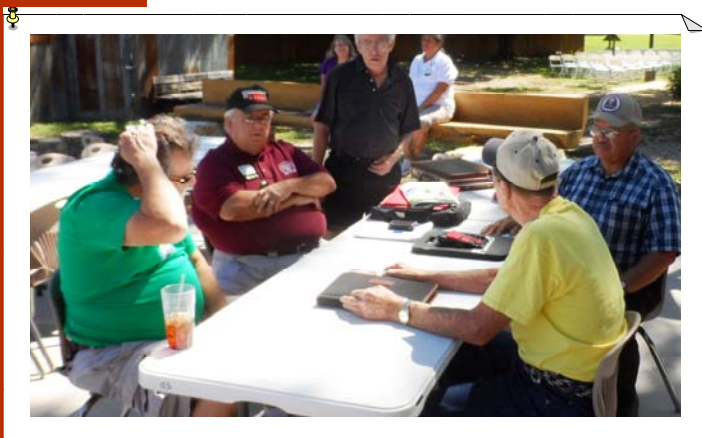
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South Texas Chapter Officers

October 2014 Meeting Notes



The 4th of October was beautiful fall day and as Yolanda and I began our short journey to the Oscar Store, I was pleased that the temperatures were in the high 80s versus the high nineties and 100 degree days we have had for our meeting days. A newly purchased chapter flag marked the location of our meeting. The flag announces to all that the STC of the HET Club is on site. More about this in Chapter Chatter. Mark Brians Hornet and Joe Clark's Jet were representing the marquee in the parking lot. Entering the restaurant we spied our small band of dedicated members in the far corner. It appeared then that our arrival was as usual, the last.

Actually we did not keep that distinction as Rodney was

delayed in starting and arrived about 1/2 your later. After a great order from the menu lunch and the arrival of president Lemmon, we retired to the patio where we commandeered a table in the afternoon sun. Calling the meeting to order at 1 PM, Rodney immediately asked to dispense with the reading of our previous meeting minutes and to accept as printed in the September issue of our newsletter. Motion was made and seconded. Steve Brookins was asked to provide a Club treasury report. The total balance in our checking account was reported at \$2340.67. He also noted that requests from the National HET Club for a chapter accounting report had been completed and the national treasurer was in possession of the required information.

Old business - Name tags

New Business--

- Discussion about Goodie bags for the 2016 Big Country regional. Joe, Mark and Steve provided those present with their input to this project.
- Joe/Mark/Ken will get together in Waco to evaluate Hotel venues
- Discussion on advertising the regional... plan to complete the hotel selection and solidify the tour banquet etc details before Jan 2015 so advertisement can begin
- Joint meeting NTX and STX HET chapter ... Work with NTX to set a date for Waco Meeting

November and December 2015 meetings.

- Taylor Texas Car show—Taylor Texas Nov 1st - see flyer else where in this issue
- December meeting at Mark and Lorraine Brians in Temple Texas —Christmas Party December 13. Specifics will be posted to our chapter website, and in the November newsletter.

With no further business, at 2 pm, Rodney asked for a motion to adjourn which was made by Rick Heeke and seconded by Joe Clark.

Respectfully Submitted by
Kenneth Cates, Secretary

Approved By,
Rodney Lemmon, President

October 2014
Meeting
Oscar, Texas

Chapter Chatter:

South Texas Chapter is now on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/STHETCLUB>



Mark Brians— Mark has been busy on several Hudson and Studebaker projects. His journey to refurbish the gas tank in his newly acquired Jet has come nearly to and end. The refurbished tank is now complete and awaiting installation. Also after thinking about how to get more exposure for our club and chapter has generously procured a double sided feather flag sign that made it's debut at the Oscar Store meeting. What a great way to show off our chapter and let the public know about our club. **Thanks Mark!**

Joe Clark— is now the new owner of "PINKIE" a 1940 Hudson 2 door sedan. Mark Brians is the source of this car. Having had the opportunity to see this car, I am anxious to see Joe drive it at a future STX chapter meeting.

Dave Nault— recently the beautiful 54 Hornet coupe was being a bit obstinate when Dave went to start the engine. So after a lot of time and investment of treasure, a change of ignition wires has returned his Hornet engine to quick starting. As Dave related, after adding an electronic ignition module the engine seemed to require too much cranking during the start up phase. After the wire change

the engine spins over 2-3 times and is running. This puts a big grin on Dave's face... thanks for sharing Dave.

Rodney Lemmon - Rod has been very busy enclosing his car port workspace. His goal is to completely enclose the space making it a secure storage and working space. His efforts are readily seen in the attached picture. His theme is to create a 40s style garage. Nice work Rod!



WANTED AND FOR SALE

Send your ad submissions to the editor @ hothudsons@gmail.com

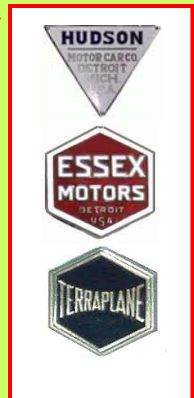
- **FOR SALE: 1950 Hudson 262 Engine, new clutch and rebuilt pressure plate w/3spd double lever OD transmission** Joe Clark 254-697-6822
- **Parts 1947 Hudson Super 6 Sedan** a parts car/selling parts— Mark Brians 254-939-3011
- **Wanted:** Recently acquired a 1947 Hudson Pickup what do you have to help me restore this truck? Rick Heeke 308hornet@gmail.com
- **For Sale: 1954 Super Wasp Hollywood 262 w Power Steering and Brakes, Borg Warner Automatic.** Hollywood has significant rust but is repairable. New floor panels, rocker panels and used Hudson rust free metal frame replacement pieces included with car. A 1954 Super Wasp 4door Parts car is included. Located in Waco Texas - **\$4000 firm** Ken Cates 254-744-0985.

CHAPTER , REGIONAL and NATIONAL MEET INFORMATION

The South Texas Chapter of the HET CLUB will hold all it's monthly meetings on the **1st Saturday of each month**. All meetings are planned to begin **AFTER Lunch**. We will start lunch at 12 Noon. Arrive early and share yourself and care with those less fortunate (those who do not own an HUDSON!) **Joe Clark Chapter Meet Coordinator... please contact him about our current schedule**

November Nov 1 Taylor Texas Car Show and BBQ, - Flyer in this issue

December December 13—Joint Christmas Part to be held at Mark and Lorraine Brians—Temple Texas— details in November Newsletter



SOUTH TEXAS HET CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Street Address _____ Phone _____

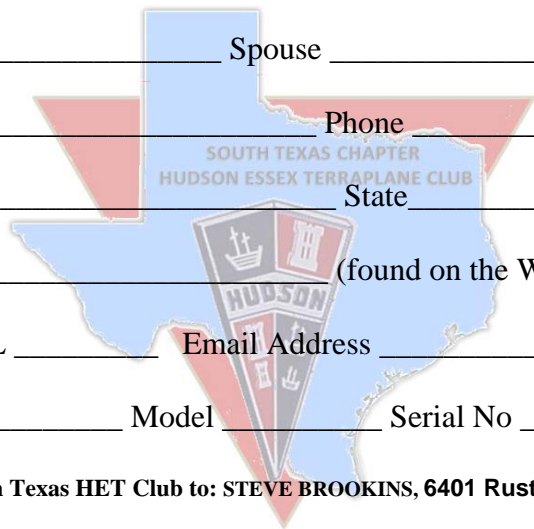
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

HET Membership No. _____ (found on the White Triangle News Label)

NEW _____ RENEWAL _____ Email Address _____

Hudson Cars Owned: Year _____ Model _____ Serial No _____ Engine No. _____

Mail check for \$15 Payable to South Texas HET Club to: STEVE BROOKINS, 6401 Rusty Ridge Drive, Austin, Texas 78731-3927





**November 1st 2014
Taylor Texas Classic Car Show**



10-4 PM- Taylor Texas 76501

It is free and they close off downtown for the show. Parking on Main street. 350 cars 2013





South Texas Chapter Flag notifies the public we are having a HET meeting

Thanks Mark Brians



Big Country Directorship

To all Big Country Region Members,

You may have noticed that the current White Triangle News (September/October 2014 issue) contains a Nominating Petition for Director of the Hudson Essex Terraplane Club. History tells me that this page is generally ignored by club members! Getting people to run for Director is like herding cats, as most everyone who is approached about running is reluctant to do so.

I want to encourage you to seriously consider becoming more active in the Hudson Essex Terraplane Club and either complete the petition or ask someone who is active in your chapter and would serve the club well to do so. We need people who are willing to invest their time and talent in keeping the Hudson Essex Terraplane Club strong.

Of course, there is no guarantee of being elected. The first time I ran, I lost. However, I wanted to take an active part in helping the club move in a positive direction, so I ran again and was elected.

Please read Aaron Cooper's comments that appear in the current issue of the White Triangle News under, "From The Driver's Side," then turn to page seven and review the Nominating Petition. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Time is of the essence, the deadline for submitting your petition to Richard Burgdorf is November 19, 2014

Sincerely,

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Mark Brians' Tech Tips

This time I have a few basic tips that maybe you can use.

First Tip: Have you had a control cable that is stuck or just stiff on your hood or some other application. I use this technique to free them up. I start by folding up a paper towel sheet into a 2x2 pad. I then hold it behind the cable and spray my favorite penetrating oil on the length of the cable and the towel controls the mess. By the time you finish the towel is saturated and helps to soak the cable. Then I take two small hammers and hold one behind the cable with one hand and hit the cable with the other hammer down the entire length. Do not hit it too hard to damage the cable but bounce it along with many hits. You may need to reapply the penetrating oil at this point. If the cable is free wipe it down with a dry towel. I then take another folded towel and use motor oil to give a more lasting lubrication. I have used this on some pretty rusty and stuck solid cables with good results. Do not try and force the cable to move just beat it up some more.

Second Tip: I found a vendor for Ranco automatic heater valve diaphragms also called climatizer valves. They were used on many makers and this kit has instructions and the diaphragm which is 95% of the leaks in these valves. The vendor is Dave and Janet Thibeault in Maynard Ma 978-897-3158. The kit is \$15 plus shipping and fits many different models and cars. He also does rebuilds on them if you are not up to it. He is a very nice guy. Keep those old cars rolling and the shiny side up *Mark*