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 1954 - Nash - Hudson - American Motors - 1962

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• MEETING SCHEDULE •

March 27: Lynn Schulte

April (date TBD): Highway Clean Up

May 29 - Lori & Al Reinholz
 Trolley Car Show at the Lake Harriet Train Depot

June (date TBD): Jean & Dave Boe

July (date TBD): Denise & Tim Furlong
 Also: July 27-30 MOCNA Int'l Meet, Kenosha

August 7 - Agnes & Gary Froehlich
 Car show in Fergus Falls
 The Metropolitan is the Featured Car

• PRESIDENT'S CORNER •

Hi all, it has been one longgggggg winter so far but spring is just around the corner. They say this has been the 2nd snowiest winter and we are just shy of the snowiest on record. I remember the winters of 1969 and 1981-1982. I remember in 1969, my brother, younger sister and I dug tunnels in the backyard and build a snow fort that lasted most of the winter. In 1982, we had two large snowfalls in a row and I remember being stuck in my apartment for days because we just couldn't get out of the parking lot. This year my biggest memory is the back breaking amount of snow we have had to shovel. Does snow get heavier with age?

The few days of almost 50 degree weather were wonderful. So much of the snow had melted that you could actually see above the snow piles. Unfortunately, Mother Nature decided to give us a new blanket of snow to replace the old one and the snow piles are just as high as they were a month ago. But, spring is less than a month away.....we only have to make it through March Madness and then we shake off winter, dust off our cars and hit the open road.

~ Lori

• TELL US ABOUT YOU •

Please tell me about you and your Met!
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• KENOSHA MEET •

The MOCNA International Meet will be July 27 - 30, 2011 in Kenosha, Wisconsin, "Hometown for AMC/Nash." This event will be held in conjunction with "Kenosha Homecoming Car Show" and the participating clubs will be AMO, AMCRC, Nash and MOCNA. The featured car will be the one we all know and love, the Metropolitan.



The headquarters hotel will be the Comfort Suites. The rates start at \$69 and to make your reservation, please call 262-857-3450 and ask for the 'Met rate.'

Joint activities with other car clubs will be a car show at Kennedy Park (along Lake Michigan) and a host of other activities. MOCNA events will include a Friday Fish Fry, auctions, vendors area and Saturday night banquet. The Wisconsin Met Set and the Illini Mets will be hosting.

• Editor's Corner •



• MFM MEETINGS •

May 29th: Met Meeting at the Lake Harriet Trolley Car Depot for the Annual Vintage Car Show. Free. 4200 Queen Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Your hosts: Al & Lori

Aug. 7: Fergus Falls Classic Car Club Annual Show at the Fergus Falls Fairgrounds.

The Metropolitan is the featured car!!

Your hosts:

Agnes & Gary Froehlich



• MET MEMBER STORIES •

by Jerry Christensen

I bot my first Met probably in 1974 -- It was a 1958 conv with an underhood light, tauneau cover, back up lights, fully adjustable fender mounted mirror composed of 7 parts, and of course and radio and heater --

One day while driving in south Minneapolis I spotted a Met -- I stopped and looked at it and left a note with my telephone number -- I got a call and bot another Met -- This was the yellow one and in about 1976 --

Then one day I got a call from Percy Schultz who also owned a Met and was innerested in starting a Met Club -- I said shure and at the appointed time I showed up at the Schultz estate where I met Richard Osmundson, Warren Price, a kid with a Yellow Met that had 23k on it (he wudn't drive it if there was a cloud in the sky), Ralph Zierott and of course the Schultzes -- This was the beginning of MFM --



One day Bill Balcom (MegaMet owner) called and said he had a Met for sale (he had 5) and I bot another one (the grey one) -- I even bot a replacement engine from him!

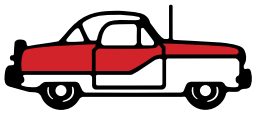
• FOR SALE •

METROPOLITAN BUSINESS/CALLING CARDS

Personalized for you: Approx. \$45. set of 250.
Specify early or late model Met, your personal
color scheme, Nash or Hudson logo. Even write
your personal story to fit on the back of the card!!
Please contact Lynn: (612) 334-3440

Larry & Alice Nelson
Metropolitans from MN

"Old Car Lover"



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Met Facts:

The Metropolitan was designed
in the USA by William Flajole an
outgrowth of the experimental
NXI and NKI models developed in
1949 and 1950 by Nash Motors,
then a division of Nash-Kelvinator.
Built by Austin Motor Company
in Birmingham, England
(later known as British Leyland),
the "Met" was sold by Nash,
Hudson and AMC dealers in the
USA and Canada from 1954-1962.
Of the 94,986 cars shipped
in that period only 18% were
convertibles.

METROPOLITAN GREETING CARDS

Produced for and available on the MOCNA web site.
Set of 4 with envelopes, 4-1/2" x 6" blank inside.
Professionally printed, suitable for any occasion!
Get them here in town and save the postage.

Please contact Lynn Schulte:

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• WE GET LETTERS!! •

I was just browsing through the chapter websites
today from the MOCNA website to see what the
other chapters have been up to lately. I was pleased
to see your Newsletter updated again.

You mentioned in an article that your members
toured the car collection of Mike Ellis in August
and he had a '57 Coral & White convertible in his
collection. We know that MET very well. We sold it
to Mike (a really nice guy) on Dec. 20, 2007.
We had bought the MET for \$200 in 1982 from my
brother. We restored the MET and kept it in that
beautiful condition and were very pleased to know
that Mike liked it so much and wanted to add it to
his collection.



Hope to see the Minnesota members at Kenosha
in July.

Happy Met-ing.

Karen & Lowell St.Clair #2758

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Lowell St.Clair's Met Rod

• MET FOR SALE •

1960 METROPOLITAN FIRETRUCK

\$29,500

Hyman, Ltd.

2310 Chaffee St. Louis, MO 63146

PH: 3145246000 FAX: 3145240340

Website: <http://www.hymanltd.com>



• METS ATTEND EVENTS •

SAVE THE DATE... 5/14/2011 (rain, shine or snow!)

**INTERMARQUE 2011
SPRING KICK-OFF**

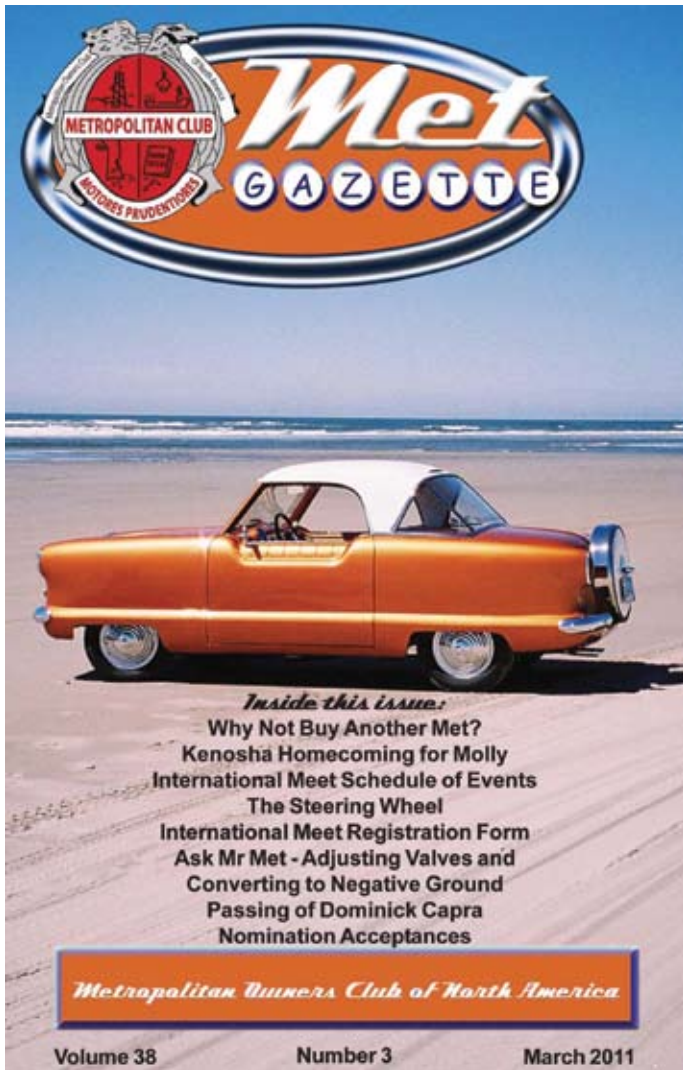
**COMO PARK
St. Paul, MN
10 AM-3 PM**

**1986 OR OLDER IMPORTS.
PLACEMENT STARTS AT 9AM.**



Lynn and Jean heading to the InterMarque Spring Kick-off at Como Park last year. We are hoping for better weather this year.

• A MET MOVES ON •



Former members Jane & Brian Nelson have sold their modified Metropolitan to Bill Eggert in Denver. There is a great article (and photo on the cover) in the current *Met Gazette*.

We have great memories of meetings at the Nelson home and in that amazing garage. We will always miss Jane and Brian and their special little car. ~ LTS

• MEETING MINUTES •

January 23, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

Mets from MN Annual Meeting 1:00 pm - Elsie's

ATTENDANCE: Ken Huber, Charles Test, Bob Schlink, Larry Nelson, Al & Lori Reinholz, Tim Furlong, Lynn & Tim Schulte, Dave Irey, Helen & Jerry Christensen, Jean & Dave Boe, Richard Osmundson

Secretary Report: Laurie was unable to attend with the last (Nov.) meeting minutes. The December meeting had been cancelled due to winter blizzard.
Treasurer's report: Ken didn't have the details; however, last month expenses were negligible. Also, 2011 dues are due; please send check to Ken asap.

Old Business: As Jerry pointed out, since Nov meeting minutes were not available, there was no old business to discuss.

New Business:

1. Richard received a DVD from Dept of Transportation re highway clean-up safety. This DVD will be reviewed at the Feb & Mar meetings. There are now 2 state dept's that need to be notified when clean-up is done so bags can be picked up.
2. Richard has the lola registration/information form. See Richard if interested.
3. Ken had work done at Thomas Auto Body in Crystal. He wants everyone know they are a good place to go and they give a cash discount.
4. National MOCNA meet is in Kenosha, WI, July 27-30. Planning to attend: Lynn, Tim & Denise; tentative attending: Richard, Lori & Al, Jean & Dave.
5. For 2-year extension on website, \$72 is due. Motion made & carried (1 dissenting vote) to renew. Ken will issue check.
6. Officer elections: President -- Lori Reinholz
 Vice President -- Jean Boe Secretary -- Laurie Kopp
 Treasurer -- Ken Huber (by acclimation: Librarian -- Al Reinholz)
7. Meeting calendar: Feb - Lynn Mar - TBD
 Apr - TBD May 29 - Lori & Al / Lake Harriet Train Depot
 June - Jean & Dave July - Tim & Denise
 Aug 7 - Gary Froehlich / Fergus Falls Car Show
 Sept - Neal & Alice James (tour) Oct - Ken & Donna
 Nov - Jean & Dave Dec - TBD
8. 2011 Awards: 8 or more car shows: Bob, Lynn, Lori and Jean
 4 or more meetings w/car: Lori and Lynn Bob is the keeper of the Traveling Trophy with the highest accumulated points for 2010.

The business meeting was adjourned at 2:45. Jean Boe, VP

February 13, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

At 3:40, Lori R. called the meeting to order at Lynn Schulte's home.

ATTENDANCE:

Charles Test & Jeanie, Bob Schlink, Al & Lori Reinholz, Tim & Denise Furlong, Lynn & Tim Schulte, Dave Irey, Jean Boe, Sheryl Sikora, Laurie Kopp, Nancy Applequist (Lynn's sister)

Secretary Report: Jean neglected to bring a copy of last month's banquet meeting minutes.

Treasurer's report: Ken was not able to attend meeting.

Old Business:

1. Discussion/review of banquet highlights.
2. Met notecards: Call Lynn. Cost is \$4/pack.

New Business:

1. Aug meeting is Aug 7 in Fergus Falls w/Gary Froehlich host. There is a car show & the Met is the featured car. At this time, Lynn, Laurie & Al, Jean & Dave planning to attend.
2. NATIONAL MET MEET: in Kenosha WI. 7/27-31/11. At this time planning to attend: Tim & Denise, Jean & Dave, Laurie & Al, Lynn, Sheryl.
3. BUSINESS CARDS: See Lynn if interested in ordering.
4. Tim "knows" someone who has a Met for sale...call Tim for details.
5. Lori mentioned that since she had been Secretary for 3 years, she was "passing the torch" to someone else. Election will be held next month.
6. Meeting calendar:

Mar -- TBD Apr -- TBD

May 29 - Lori & Al / Lake Harriet Train Depot

June -- Jean & Dave July -- Tim & Denise

Aug -- Gary Froehlich / Fergus Falls

Sept -- Neal & Alice James Oct -- Ken Huber

Nov -- Jean & Dave Dec -- TBD

The business meeting was adjourned at 4:15. Jean Boe, VP