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*Mr. & Mrs Santa Claus are all ready for
Christmas!!*

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!

Treasurer's Report Submitted by: Roly Lusted

HAMILTON STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB Finances Nov. 1 to Nov. 30-2022						
DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	DETAILS	DEPOSIT AMOUNT	WITHDRAWALS AMOUNT		BALANCE
Nov. 1 2022					Opening Bank Balance	\$ 2,992.18
Nov. 14, 2022	Withdrawal	Deposit Southcote 53		\$500.00		\$ 2,492.18
Nov. 21, 2022	Deposit	Membership and 50/50 Draw	65.00			\$ 2,557.18
Nov. 28, 2022	Deposit	Penny Sale and Silent Auction and \$70 rebate for Christmas Party CWHM donation to the draw for ride	557.00			\$3,114.18
Nov. 29, 2022	Withdrawal	Bank Fee		100.00		\$3,014.18
Nov. 30, 2022	Withdrawal			4.00		\$3,010.18
Total Deposits and Withdraws			\$622.00	604.00		
Bank Closing Nov. 30, 2022					Bank Closing Balance	\$ 3,010.18
					Cash on Hand	\$ 12.15
					Total	\$ 3,022.33

The Hamilton Chapter SDC newsletter, "The Bullet-Tin", is published bi-monthly to inform and serve its members. Permission is given to reprint articles from this newsletter as long as credit is given to the author and the Bullet Tin.

Deadlines for Submissions Dec. 31, 2022
Newsletter to be emailed January 8, 2023

Note:
When submitting an article, please use Word or RTF. Pictures should be in either Pdf or JPEG format.

Meet Our New Members

Robin & Randy Naisbitt



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Letter from the President

By: Peter Downey



Hello friends.

Another driving season is coming to a close although the weather of late has been reminiscent of early September and not November

Looking back 2022 saw us finally able to have more events in person and our return to the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. We experienced some great events, particularly Roger and Dreena's rambling Road Trip which saw us visit the Steam Museum and enjoy an great meal at the Danish Place.

Our Club represented well at several car shows and cruise ins. Thanks to all who attended any of these events. Some members decided to re arrange their collections, notably Bob and Janice Barrick, parting with their Daytona convertible and acquiring a 51 Commander, and Bob and Joanne Easton who acquired an Avanti , and announced that they will part with their Daytona 2 Door sedan. Dennis Kennedy and Sandy Cruzo have completed their 63 GT Hawk and it is gorgeous. Knowing how meticulous these members are, their new vehicles will no doubt be spectacular examples of Studebakers.

Our annual Christmas dinner was held on November 27th, 2022 at Southcote 53 restaurant. In all, we had 46 attendees. We did miss some who were ill. Our auctions were a huge success and the bidding was brisk. Thanks to all who donated items, it was very much appreciated.

In January our potluck lunch and card party returns after a 2 year absence. Details to follow as to timing etc. The date is January 15, 2023 at the Livingston Activities Centre in Grimsby. Cards, games, great food and most of all great camaraderie.

Keep your photos and stories coming. If you are undertaking a project over the winter, keep us up to date as to what you are doing. We would all be interested.

Happy Studebaking!

Vice President & Membership Steve Porter



Membership to the SDC is a requirement for membership to our chapter.

For membership only, it is \$12 in US funds. This is

membership only and no magazine.

Applications for both our chapter and the Studebaker Drivers Club can be found at the end of this newsletter and at this link . SDC Membership link.

https://studebakerdriversclub.com/?page_id=24654

Hamilton SDC membership link:
[Www.thehamiltonchaptersdc.ca](http://www.thehamiltonchaptersdc.ca)

P.S. our chapter dues are payable in January. Still just \$20. Bring your payment to the meeting on Jan. 15, 2023.

Social Media: Susan Lusted

Social media for our chapter is our website, and our Facebook page. Our website is up to date. We do maintain a very active Facebook page. It has lots of visits as monitored each week.

Our website page is located at www.thehamiltonchaptersdc.ca. It does contain pictures of members' cars. If yours is not there, please submit a picture in jpg format and we will display it.

Studebaker Drivers Club

HAMILTON CHAPTER

Founding Members

Ernie & Joan Preece
 Earl & Marie Randall
 George & Marlene Wingfield
 Hans Hilbrandt
 Elizabeth Finley
 Kevin Mullett
 Al Stevenson
 Gary Bowslaugh
 Al Coubrough
 Terry Silcox
 George Mills
 Matt Friend

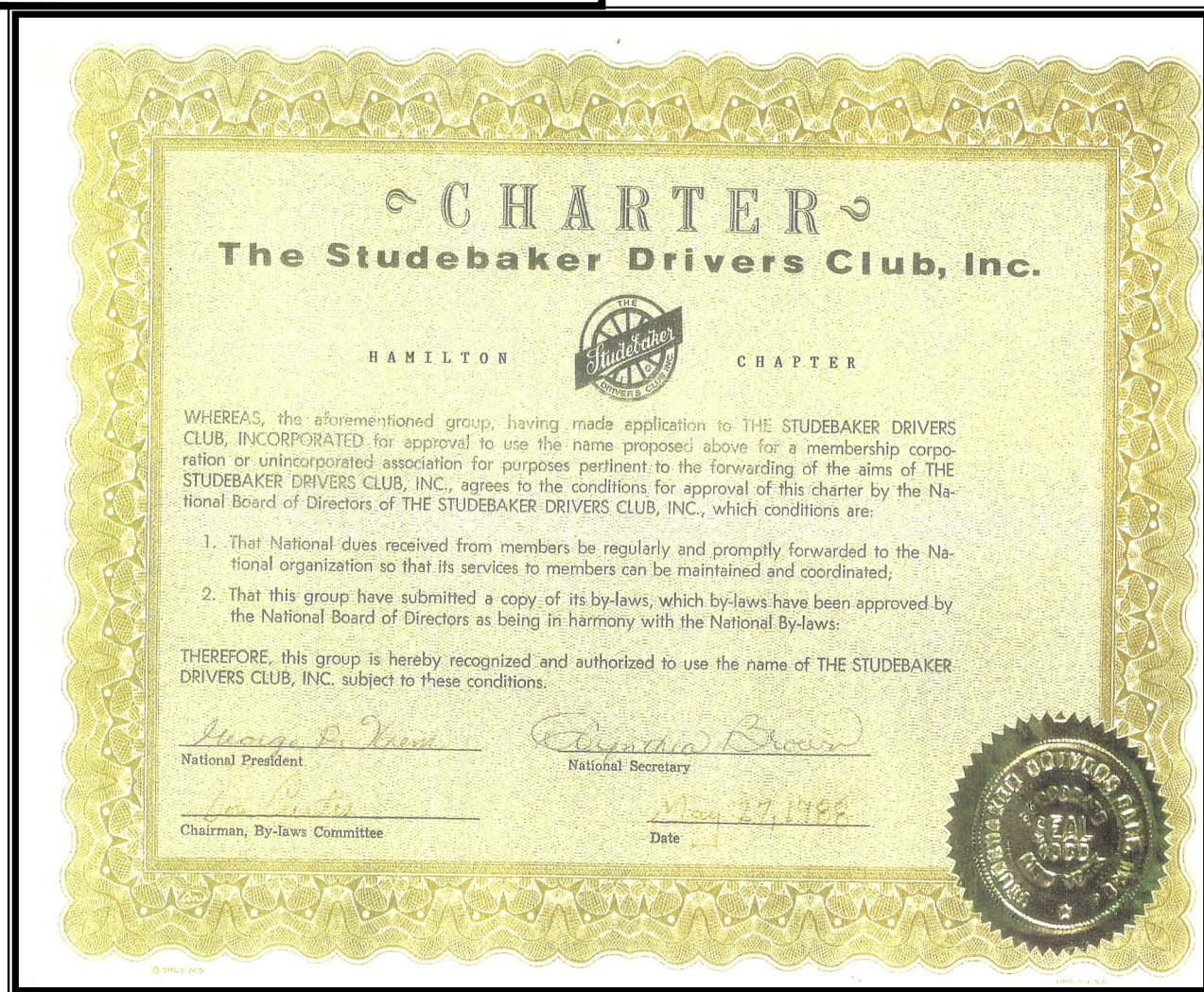
Formed November 22, 1987

To the left is a list of the members who started it all.



This is Ernie & Joan's car. The wedding was our member Steve Tournay's brother's.

Below, is the official charter which was signed by the SDC on May 27th, 1988.



Upcoming Meetings: All are subject to current Covid guidelines, closures, and Hamilton SDC policies.

ONTARIO, 15th, Grimsby, Hamilton Chapter to meet at the Livingston Activities Center, 1 p.m., potluck at 4:00 p.m. Cards and games at 2 p.m. Contact: Roly Lusted, lin93@sympatico.ca or 905-945-0027. Website: www.thehamiltonchaptersdc.ca. Crossroads Zone. qq

ONTARIO, 22nd. Morriston, Ontario Chapter hosts its annual Badenoch Swap Meet 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. at the Badenoch community Centre (Old School House) near Morriston, Ontario. All Ontario Chapter, Hamilton Chapter, Canadian Avanti Owners along with all Studebaker enthusiasts are welcome. Free Attendance. Bring your surplus Studebaker parts to sell or want lists. Drive your Studebaker to this event. Food is available. Contact: Paul Revell, 905-584-7050. Email: paulrevell01@gmail.com. Website: www.ontariosdc.ca. Crossroads Zone.

Happy Birthday Joan Preece.

Joan's 2022 was not that great. She spent 3 months in the hospital and had the great good fortune to be taken home by her Grand Niece Krista. She was under 100 pounds at that time. Now, she is gaining weight, learning how to walk. This picture was taken the day after we visited her in Milton. Joan donated a lot of memorabilia from the Hamilton Chapter. On our first page of the website there is a story of how she and her husband Ernie started our chapter.



Ta Da!! All Done
and ready for its
closeup.

63GT Hawk

Dennis Kennedy



Birthdays: November

Nov. 4 Thelma Chapman
Nov.11 Carmen Dannunzio
Nov. 14 Denise Stowell
Nov. 14 Harrold Ferrier
Nov.18 Janice Barrick
Nov.18 Christina Worrone
Nov. 20 Dennis Kennedy

December

Dec. 7 Lorraine Cronkwright
Dec. 21 Laura Newell
Dec. 22 Stu Chapman

Anniversaries

Nov. 6 Margaret & John Ernst
Nov.14 Denise & Bob Stowell
Dec. 7 Christina & Peter Worrone

The Hamilton Chapter Celebrates International Drive Your Studebaker Day

By: Susan Lusted

Our chapter celebrated on Sept. 16 and also on Sept. 17th. On the Saturday, Roly & Sue Lusted attended a cruise at a senior's residence in Elfrida winning a trophy for their '64 Avanti. All in all a very nice day. On Sunday, our chapter met at Studebakers in Welland for its September meeting and then a fish fry. It was a somewhat overcast day and only a few cars arrived. Check them out.

Roly & Sue Lusted's 1964 Avanti R1 at the Summit Senior's residence. Lots of cars, prizes and trophies.



Our chapter VP and his wife Kathy took their 58 Commander to the site of our commemorative plaque and took a picture.

Bob Barrick and Dennis Kennedy took their vehicles to a show in Fonthill. For Dennis, it was the first trip out for the beautifully restored '63 GT Hawk.



The bar was nearby and the tent proved great for the overcast day

1956 Goldenhawk Wayne Hamilton & Sharon Pearce



1989 Avanti Steve & Barb Wohleber Came all the way from north of Sudbury for IDYSD



1964 Studebaker Kevin & Della Mullett

The yellow 1964 is owned by Peter Downey and Joan Kemp. Both nice drivers.

Another truck owned by John Sawyers



A new tow vehicle for the Sawyers catering trailers.



1963 Convertible George and Donna Graham



1963 GT Hawk Ray Wise & Laura Newell



Lake Erie Perch, Fries and Coleslaw, Yum..



Janice Barrick and Pat Patterson with another one.

These T-Shirts were donated by members of our chapter and Pat made them into two quilts.

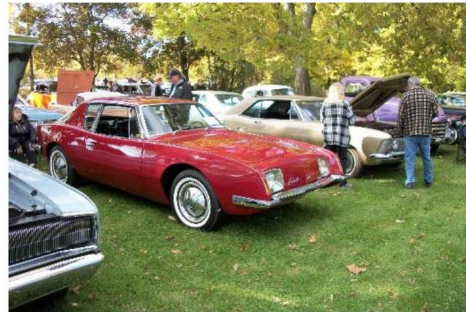
A very nice remembrance for the recipient.

Ruthven Cars in the Park 2022

This year saw the return of the "Cars in the Park" at Ruthven Castle in Cayuga. This is a National Historic Site that was built in the early 1800's of sandstone brought across Lake Erie from Ohio. There was a fantastic showing of cars, lots of prizes and it was a great day.



A pretty foggy start to the day



1964 Avanti R1 Roly & Sue Lusted



Steve & Kathy Porter's 1958 Commander



Bob & Janice Barrick's 1965 Wagonaire. Built in Hamilton and sold in Grimsby from Ollie Packham'



Jim Cumisky's 1955 Pickup



Kirby & Carol Oglesby's customized pickup.



Suzan & Larry English's 1965 Daytona



A 1958 Packard Owner unknown.



Heading home down the escarpment a great day at Ruthven.

**Thrilling Experience in a 1955 Studebaker
Champion
Submitted By: Roger Hill**

It was back in the year 1955. At this time I lived in Edmonton, Alberta and worked as a construction supervisor on the building of a pulp mill in the town of Hinton. Approximately 200 miles west of Edmonton, Hinton is located in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, and about 50 miles east of Jasper. The road to Edmonton was paved. The first 50 miles east from Hinton, toward the town of Edson, consisted of long, grinding slopes, and from there the road was very crooked and narrow to about forty miles from Edmonton. From there, it became four lanes, and one could make good time on this last homeward stretch.

The busily-travelled Hinton/Edmonton road for some strange reason became a "race track" around 4:30 pm on Fridays. And on Monday mornings the topic was usually "bragging stories" from some 200 construction workers, where each of them seemed to have made the trip in an increasingly shorter time. More and more speeding tickets were issued by members of the local RCMP (Royal Canadian Mounted Police) detachment, who were well aware of this Friday night event.

At the time, I was the owner of a 1951 Champion Starlight Coupe. It was certainly no race car, by any means, but it would travel comfortably between 75 and 80 MPH in overdrive once she was wound up and beyond the long sloping and climbing grades to the east between Hinton and the town of Edson.

One particular Monday I had to leave my faithful Stude in Edmonton for repairs, and got a ride to Hinton. On Friday I arranged a ride back home to Edmonton with two construction workers who were commuting in a new Champion four door. I had heard stories about their fast driving, but I was young and high speeds did not bother me.

So, come Friday afternoon - off we were! It was in the fall but the roads and weather were fine. Almost immediately the throttle went to the floor, stayed there except for shifting to second, again for shifting from second to overdrive at 60 MPH, and finally to shift into third. It made me suspicious right away, but I thought it was "necessary" as we were immediately climbing a long grade. Just before the shift into third, a 1953 Oldsmobile 98 with four construction workers inside, passed us as if we

from our driver. And I wondered about that.....

Then the incredible story came out! A bet of \$200.00 had been made that our Stude would beat the Olds to Edmonton! At first that did not bother me too much, especially since the Olds soon disappeared into the distance, going very fast, while we were somewhat laboring in that grade.

But, what goes up....must come down! Our Stude driver's right foot never left the floorboard, which resulted in going down the grade at 110 MPH! Fantastic, I thought, sitting in the back seat, leaning over the front seat backrest, admiring the speedometer! My own Stude was a six, too, but, boy this '55 Champ sure had more power! Studebaker really improved that six alright by increasing its cubic inches and horsepower!

The town of Edson had a speed limit of 30 MPH but we flew through it at 60, the first time in 50 miles the accelerator had been released somewhat. By now, I not only watched the speedometer, but also for the RCMP. Maybe they were chasing the Olds, as it was still nowhere in sight.

Before the town limits, the accelerator again was to the floor and it stayed there for some 60 miles, right to the point where the road became very twisting and narrow. By now it was dark. I knew from my own experience that some of the curves could hardly be taken at 65, but that did not bother the driver of the '55 at all. He took these curves at incredibly dangerous speeds and now I began to worry some!!

The car did fine, held the road well, screamed in every curve, but the driver seemed to have the situation under control - I hoped! All of a sudden, the taillights of the Olds came in sight. It obviously did not corner as well as the Stude, and what scared the hell out of me was the fact that we somehow managed to pass the Olds in a tight curve, with lots of screaming from the tires and doing 80 MPH. And the Stude went faster and faster until the Olds' headlights disappeared!

Beautiful, I thought, now we can take it somewhat easier, and mentioned this - in a shaky voice - to the driver. "Like hell!!!" was the reply. "Soon we'll be on the four-lane and the Olds might overtake us there!"

We got to the four-lane and the Stude was kept at a

steady high speed until the city limits of Edmonton where a "speed cop" overtook us instead. Finally, the accelerator was released and a speeding ticket was "accepted". And then from the rear came the Olds, cursing driver and all! They had never seen a crazier driver than our driver, and I agreed. But the bet was won, and I admired that little Stude!

Even though my own car was still being repaired at Mills Motors, the Studebaker dealer, I refused the '55 owner's offer to come back to Hinton with them on Monday.

This story was reproduced with the permission of Art Unger, editor of the BC Interior Chapter newsletter "Tempo" at the time. The original author was M. J. (Glen) Oosting, of 150 Mile House, British Columbia. It was also republished in the December 1982 edition of the Ontario Chapter's "Studebaker"



Read about this beauty on the cover of the November Turning Wheels.

Belongs to Gord & Fanny Linkletter of our chapter. .

Brenda Tattersall on the left and Pat Patterson on the right. Pat made a quilt for Brenda from T-shirts that Brenda's late husband Cliff had and some were donated by members of our chapter. This is the finished product. How cool is that?





STEERING AND ALIGNMENT TIPS

Submitted by: Roger Hill

The steering bellcrank pivot in most post '49 Studebaker passenger cars has a grease nipple that is reached through a hole in the rear of the front crossmember. The pivot often wears out because it is never greased. Cars up to and including 1962 have a pivot with needle bearings while cars from 1963 to 1966 have pivots with bushings that wear out more quickly. The pivots in the new cars can be quite simply replaced with pivots from the pre-1963 cars. They are easy to change and bearings are available from bearing sales houses and of course, studebakervendors.com

(With a little updating, that was by Curtis Lagasse from the Edmonton Chapter.)

If you have had, or plan to have a front end alignment of your Studebaker, be sure to check the position of the clamp on the inboard end of the tie rods (the end that attaches to the center steering bellcrank. The clamp bolt should be positioned to face forward or away from the engine oil pan. If it is facing to the rear it is possible for the bolt to puncture the oil pan if a sharp bump is encountered with the wheels turned significantly to either side. (With a little editing, this was thanks to Ted Enticknap from the Washington Dictator via the BC interior Chapter's Tempo newsletter and Art Unger, editor.)

Now this is not what you want to see!!!



59th Studebaker International Meet September 12-16, 2023



Visit scenic Manitowoc and Two Rivers, Wis. on September 12-16, 2023!

Northeast Wisconsin is a beautiful place in late summer - and the Wisconsin Region Studebaker Drivers Club will have a wide range of great activities planned for the 59th SDC International Meet. Stay tuned for more details! **We'll see you there!**



Lake Michigan Car Ferry
Ludington, Mich. to Manitowoc, Wis.

Wisconsin Maritime Museum
featuring submarine USS Cobia

Two Rivers, Wis.
Home of the Ice Cream Sundae

Enjoy the hospitality of our friendly community.



Bob & Janice Barrick's latest project a neat '51

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NATIONAL SDC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Annual Fee: \$52 Payable in US Funds

New memberships begin on the 1st of the month nearest date of receipt of your application and are for 12 months. This includes 12 monthly issues of Turning Wheels, the award winning National SDC magazine.

Send completed application and your check or money order payable to SDC for \$52.00 to (New Members 1st year only \$46.00):

The Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 1715
Maple Grove, MN 55311-6715
(or 763-420-7829 for Visa or M/C)

Name _____ Spouse _____
Address _____
City _____ Prov _____ Postal Code _____
Phone _____ Birth date: _____
New _____ Renewal _____ Date _____

Please list your Studebakers below
Year _____ Model _____ Body Type _____
Year _____ Model _____ Body Type _____

Fee is \$12 without the magazine subscription. This can be completed online also. www.studebakerdriversclub.com/joinsdc.asp

Hamilton Chapter SDC Membership

Annual Dues: \$20.00 Jan.-Dec.

Membership in the HAMILTON CHAPTER is open to any person who supports the purpose of the Club and is a member in good standing of the National Studebaker Drivers Club. This membership includes six bi-monthly issues of the Bullet-Tin, the chapter newsletter.

Send completed application and your check payable to **Hamilton Chapter SDC** to:

Steve Porter Membership Secretary
430 Plains Rd. W. Burlington On. L7T 1G9
Phone: 905-464-5726 Email: stephenjporter4@gmail.com

Name _____ Spouse _____
Address _____
City _____ Prov _____ Postal Code _____
Phone _____
Email Address _____
New _____ Renewal _____ Date _____
National S.D.C. Number _____

Please list your Studebakers below
Year _____ Model _____ Body Type _____
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Currently, our members have listed a number of automotive related items for sale. These can be seen at this link: www.thehamiltonchaptersdc.ca/Classifieds-July-Aug-2022.pdf. This list is updated monthly. Items that you wish to list can be sent to Peter Downey, email: PresidentHamiltonSDC@gmail.com

VEHICLES FOR SALE



Look no Rust free body , no issues with floor or frame and underside. Has its original 245 engine , which runs like a top, 3 spd OD and has only 33,000 miles . Has some headliner issues and an amateur interior job. Chrome needs replating . This car is an excellent car for a restoration and currently licensed and insured asking \$9,000 ... price reduced to \$7500 ! For a viewing appointment call Neale at : 519-448-1484

[https://www.kijiji.ca/v-classic-cars/brantford/1950-studebaker-commander-2-door-sedan-new-price/1629453693?](https://www.kijiji.ca/v-classic-cars/brantford/1950-studebaker-commander-2-door-sedan-new-price/1629453693?utm_campaign=socialbuttons&utm_content=app_ios)
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**For Sale: 13
995.00**

1959 Lark Regal 2 DR HT
See pictures below.

- Very Rare colour combination (Tahiti Coral with Arc-

tic White Top).

- Purchased from original, one owner family. Lady driven approx. 25,000 original miles in Victoria British Columbia.
- 259 CID V8 Automatic,
- Rust Free,
- Deluxe Cloth Interior, showing virtually no wear.
- Parked inside garage for 40+ years. All hydraulics serviced, Head gaskets and valve seals replaced. New heater core. Tires. Runs superbly well.

One more. Check this link. It is in Arizona. <https://www.cars-on-line.com/gen3-cars/col1/posting/101955>

Bill Ozzard

250-276-4421

bsozzard@gmail.com

PARTS FOR SALE

For Sale :

NOS taillight lens for 55 sedan \$30 pr.,

NOS 55 front turn signal lens \$40 pr.

NOS vent window weather strip 53-54 sedan \$20

Phone: John Koshty 905 938-5533

Passenger door from 1963 Hawk.

Complete and in reasonable condition. \$20.00

Contact: Peter@lampmanconsulting.ca or 905-



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PARTS FOR SALE

- Two front fenders for a 49 Studebaker
 - Email: Dan Calder
dan.calder@icloud.com
 - **Phone: 905-984-0268.** Fenders are very straight solid
 - Asking: \$500
- Other fender looks to be NOS

For Sale:
\$9.00 each. I have 2
air filters
Jim Anderson



Email: andersonjimbarb@icloud.com
Phone 905-627-3437

FOR SALE: 1955 to 1960 185 CID Cylinder head NOS (still in crate). I have 15 heads at \$150. Each (USD) to be picked up. Also, numerous 1949 to 1964 Studebaker Truck parts, (body, mechanical, and hard to find rare parts. Selling Studebaker Truck parts for 52 years. Send a list of what you need to Carmen Dannunzio c.dannunzio53@gmail.com or cell 484-886-6115

WANTED - complete FRONT drum brake assemblies for a SIX-cylinder Studebaker from 1954 to 1955. I want to switch my '53 Champion assemblies to the newer, better type for safety reasons. If you've switched your car to disc brakes, I'll take all your old parts. Also, if anyone else has just the 10-inch front drums for these cars in real good condition, I'd like to purchase these also. Please call Roger at 226-220-5275 (leave a message) or email studebakertracks@gmail.com

WANTED

1964 Daytona Hardtop
Contact: Barry Leppan
Email: studee64@cogeco.ca
Phone: 905-832-7569

