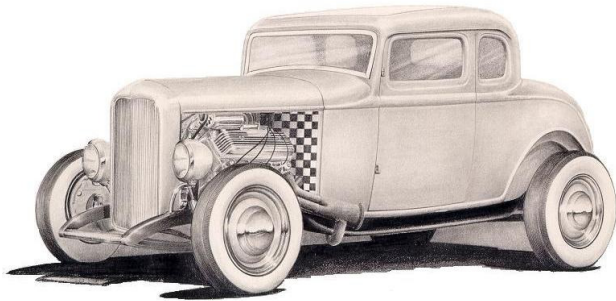


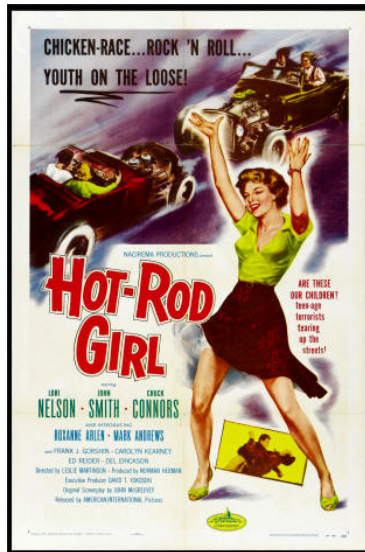


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She looks like she's heading for trouble!



At squeak from the front end.

Cuisin' down the highway in my 32
Hit the juice, Peel her out and put a mile in
Brush the dust off and blow off the dew.
Flash goes something – Uh Oh I hope I was smilin'

Hi fellow members and friends,

Good luck to the new committee, I know they will do us proud. We as members need to give them full support and help them out. I know that kind of thing certainly made our job easier last year.

I haven't got much to report re: club things or social outings etc as I have been very buuuuuuusy lately (personal/work not car things unfortunately).

Has anybody had a chance to check out the new Strommie 97's yet?
Trust a Pom to improve on an American icon - hey Mark and John???

I still haven't a chance to check out J.W. 's (read Jon Williams) pilot yet but its great to see that another member has a car that has been created by his own hands on the road. Well done Magnum!

Hopefully we will make leaps and bounds in the ever development of the web site this year. It is important to have it as a presentable representation, not only of our club but our proud history as well. More and more – people use the internet as the first point of contact, whether it's just checking out the web site of the club or obtaining contact phone numbers.

It is great to see that some of the magazines are finally including the 2009 Swap Meet details ... Hooray!!!

Well that's all from me for the moment.

Next edition we may have a **PRESIDENT'S COMMENT /SECTION**
... WOW! ... wouldn't that be something!!!!
Earth to Daniel. Are you reading me ... over?

Go too now and keep on roddin'

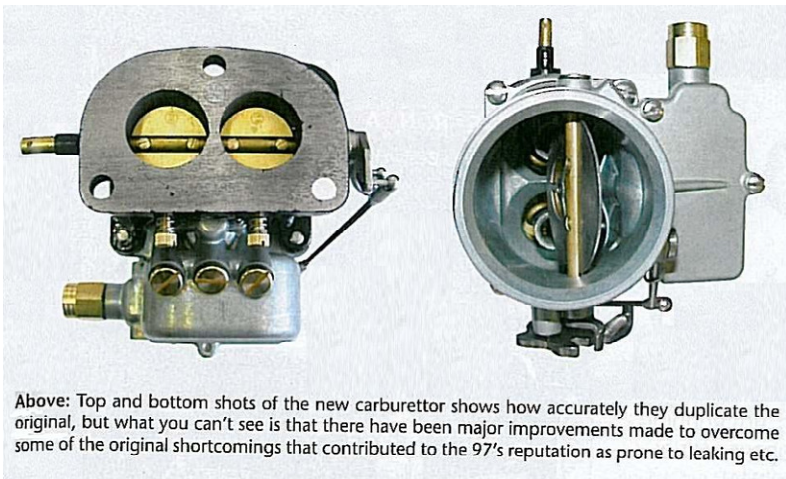
Phil Marmion

Tech Talk



The new improved Stromberg 97 and spare parts is available from Rocket Industries. The new carbies retain the 0.0045" main jets and a no. 65 power valve. The basic carbie retails at \$599.00AUS. and the reassurances are that they have been re-designed to eliminate the old leakage issues etc.

Rocket Industries can be contacted on 02 8825 1944



Above: Top and bottom shots of the new carburettor shows how accurately they duplicate the original, but what you can't see is that there have been major improvements made to overcome some of the original shortcomings that contributed to the 97's reputation as prone to leaking etc.

The Past was fast

Ed "Big Daddy" Roth (March 4, 1932 – April 4, 2001)

Big Daddy Roth – "Think Like A Fink"



Ed Roth was an artist and cartoonist who created the hot-rod icon [Rat Fink](#) and other extreme characters. As a custom car builder, Roth was a key figure in Southern California's "Kustom Kulture"/Hot-rod movement of the 1960s. He grew up in [Bell, California](#), attending [Bell High School](#), where his classes included auto shop and art.

Roth is best known for his grotesque caricatures — typified by [Rat Fink](#) — depicting imaginative, outsized monstrosities driving representations of the hot rods he and his contemporaries built. Although [Detroit](#) native [Stanley Mouse](#) (Miller) is credited with creating the so-called "Monster Hot Rod" art form, Roth is accepted as the individual who popularized it. Roth is less well known for his innovative work in turning hot rodding from crude backyard engineering where performance was the bottom line into a refined art form where aesthetics were equally important, breaking new ground with [fiberglass](#) bodywork.

In the 1960s, plastic models of many of Roth's cars, as well as models of [Rat Fink](#) and other whimsical creatures created by Roth, were marketed by the [Revell](#) model company.

Numerous artists were associated with Roth, including painter [Robert Williams](#), [Rat Fink](#) Comix artist [R.K. Sloane](#) and [Steve Fiorilla](#), who illustrated Roth's catalogs.

Roth was active in the field of counterculture art and hot-rodding his entire adult life. At the time of his death in 2001, he was working on an innovative hot-rod project involving a compact car planned as a radical departure from the dominant "tuner" performance modification style. In his later years, Roth's telephone number was listed in the directory, and he encouraged fans to contact him: he was always generous with his time and enthusiasm.

A Roth custom feared lost for many years was the subject of a number of articles in automotive enthusiast magazines in the summer of 2008. The [Orbitron](#), built in 1964, was discovered in Mexico in late 2007. The car, in dilapidated, inoperative condition, had been parked for quite some time in front of an adult bookstore in [Ciudad Juárez](#). The owners of the shop were also the owners of the car. It was purchased by [Michael Lightbourn](#), an American auto restorer who did extensive business in Mexico and who in turn repatriated the car to the United States. The [Orbitron](#) has since been restored to its original condition by the present owner.



Rockabilly Fightings

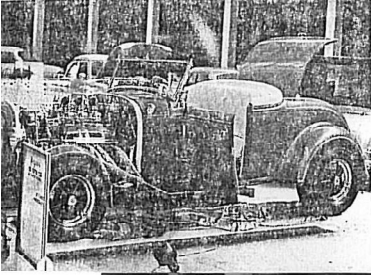
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Straight 8's:	Sun 2nd Sun 2nd Fri. 14th Sun. 23rd Sun 23rd	Young & Jacksons CBD 3:00PM Mcawbers Tavern Belgrave 6:00PM Northside Rock Epping Daveys Hotel Frankston 3:00PM Mcawbers Tavern Belgrave 6:00PM
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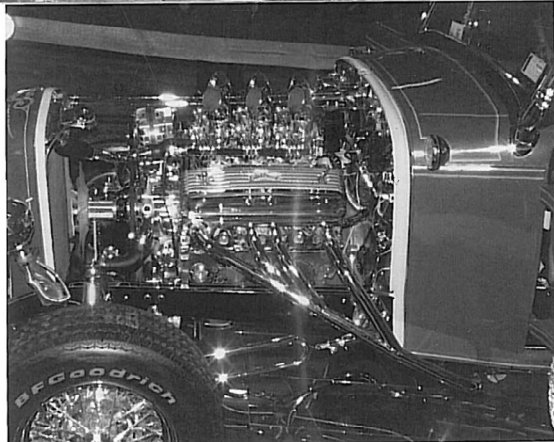
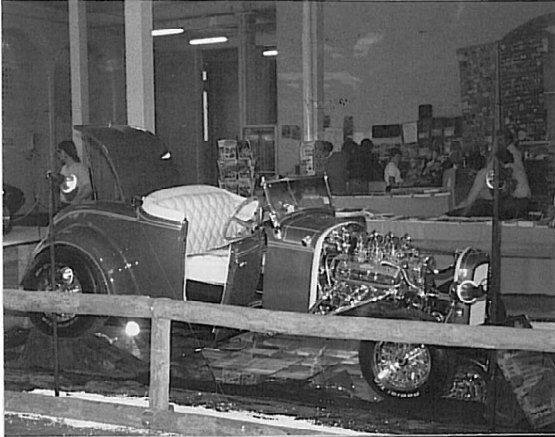
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Detonators	Sun. 6th Fri. 11th Sun. 13th Sun. 20th Sat. 26th	Young & Jacksons CBD Ferntree Gully Hotel FTG Young & Jacksons CBD Frankston RSL Frankston Monash Hotel Clayton
Straight 8's	Sun. 6th Wed. 16th	Mcawbers Tavern Belgrave Sandown Park Hotel Noble Park
Atomic Hi Tones	Fri. 4th Sat. 12th Sun. 20th Wed. 30th	Noble Park F.Club N. Park Monash Hotel Clayton Ferntree Gully Hotel FTG Sandown Park Hotel Noble Park
Phil's Band	All month	in Phil's garage (I'm a drinking man with a guitar problem)

Member's Cars



Pat Mantzaris 1932 Ford Roadster won top car at the show. In metallflake blue features, complete chrome engine, trans rear and front end. Member of Pegasus Hot Rod Club.



CON+PAT MANTZARIS' 'RHAPSODY IN BLUE'. THESE PHOTOS TAKEN AT 1984 MELBOURNE HOT ROD SHOW SHORTLY AFTER BEING SOLD. NOTE CHANGE OF WHEELS FROM 'ENGLISH'S SPOKES'.



This must be the rear end of the news letter ...



Ben-Hur (1959) *the original race movie!*

Hugh Griffith:

“You've seen my horses.

They need only a driver who is worthy of them”