

Show & Shine: Event brings much show and shine

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the fender off the truck and making another one,” he said. “I only had one shot to get it cut off the right spot and get it mated with the other, but we got it done.”

The truck has much of its history documented in photos, something Vernam takes pride in, as it took a lot of work finding the photos, combing through the family’s archives. He even found one of his great grandfather with the truck.

Other than a couple of pieces of trim, the pickup is finished.

“It’s just as original as we could possibly do it,” he said. “How many vehicles do you see that last five generations?”

On Saturday, hundreds came out to show their appreciation of the vehicles and to vote for their favorites. Thirteen food and craft vendors were very busy catering to customers while emcee, Brett Hays, kept the crowd informed.

After the awards ceremony, a number of the car owners participated in a cruise down to Wallowa Valley Senior Living in Enterprise as well as the the Alpine House in Joseph which thrilled residents to no end.

Doug Crow, one of the originators of the festival, called this year’s event one of the best ever, with 130 vehicles entered into the books. Only the inaugural Show and Shine event has had more entrants, at 134. Crow also noted that attendance by people outside the area more than fulfilled his expectations.

The 50/50 raffle proved a boon for everyone involved as a lucky California family on vacation walked away with \$820 for their half.

“I told them to make sure and spend as much as they could in Wallowa County,” Crow said with a laugh.

Speaking of local, Crow said that all awards and trophies for the event were crafted by local artisans.



Photos by Ellen Morris Bishop

TOP A 1931 Packard 840 Phaeton, owned by Lew and Carol Baynes of Joseph, was among the many locally owned, stunningly restored vintage automobiles featured at the Main Street Show & Shine car show on Aug. 16-17. **LEFT** Quinton and Malia Mahew of Enterprise were more enthralled with Kodiak, a 9-week-old Great Dane puppy, than with any of the shiny vehicles at the Show and Shine. Lots of people brought their dogs to both the Friday night concert and the Saturday car show. **CENTER** Casey Kiser and the Jakewalk Saints played blues and rock and bluesy rock from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday in Warde Park, Enterprise, as part of the Show and Shine kickoff. **RIGHT** This 1935 Ford 2-door sedan is nothing but flame.

Crow also wanted to offer special thanks to Candy Bunn for all her work in putting the event together.

It seems like Dick Stangel and I get all the credit for this,” he said, “but Candy puts in six or seven months a year getting this together.

Without her, it would never get off the ground.”

Top three award winners:
Kid’s Choice” 1947

Dodge Power Wagon owned by Matt Serrine of La Grande.

People’s Choice: 1935

Chevy 3-window coupe owned by Rick and Diana Arnett of Kendrick, Idaho.

Best in Show: A 1940

Willy’s Coupe owned by Larry Soule of Roseburg. Soule won the Furthest Traveled Award at 500 miles.

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