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Seems like just a few days back we were enjoying a beautiful week in Carson City with our "National" family and now we are just a few weeks from Thanksgiving.. I am not sure if time is flying by that much quicker or I just enjoy each and every day more so they just go by that much faster. There have been numerous events throughout the year, all around the country, and many of you have taken the opportunity to share those events with friends and family. After all, that is what makes our events so special, we are all family and every gathering is a family reunion.

The board had a vision of having more opportunities for us to gather throughout the year and across the country. I am happy to say that our vision is becoming a reality in 2014!! Besides the numerous "other" gatherings that will continue to take place all over the United States, there will be THREE NTBA events next year beginning in April in Ocala Florida. Dewey is working hard with a team to put this event together so watch the boards for more information. NATS will be in June with a pre-Nats event in Branson pulling together by Bill Darr for the early arrivers.. NATS will kick off on Thursday of that week and I assure you Rick Lucy, Lee Metcalfe and others are putting together a down home event unlike any other we have had in Mt. Home. Ceec, Mary and a few others have been working diligently to put together our event in Yakima Washington in August next year! I have previewed the agenda and I know everyone that attends will have a wonderful time there also!!!! Unfortunately I do not have the space to list every event that will take place in 2014 but PLEASE be sure to share all event information on the website so others can join you.

Thanksgiving is a time to reflect, appreciate, give thanks and share with others. As you enjoy your family and friends during the holiday be sure to remember those who are less fortunate. The smallest act of kindness creates a spot of joy for so many. God Bless and Happy Thanksgiving from your NTBA Officers.

Rolla Hessel

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Event Calendar

2014 Nationals	Branson,MO/Mt Home, AR	June, 22-29 2014	See Website

If you have an event you would like in the event calendar, send the info to:
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Trip to Carson City Nevada for the NTBA Nationals.....

Angel and I started this trip by going the long way around, through California then on to Nevada. On 6-9-2013 we left Artesia for Dos Palos Ca. to visit with John & Kathy Foppe on our way to Carson City. The first leg ended in Wilcox Arizona for the night & was a very uneventful leg..... The next night ended in Kingman Arizona



with some extremely fierce wind. That wind lasted until around midnight and this motorhome even with the jacks down rocked & rolled almost to the point of making Angel sick....No visiting in Kingman that night.....The next leg was to Bakersfield Ca. for the night at a very nice RV Park...

The next morning

I met with Ted Brown of Ted Brown Chassis fame.....He built lots of T Buckets back in his working days and we had a very good breakfast/visit, Boy talk about building TBuckets we did that



that morning for sure...On to Dos Palos for some visiting & cruising.....Arriving there around 5:00 pm.

The next two days were filled with lots of miles and great visiting.....Then it was time on Saturday to drive over some more mountains, my wife

is not really looking for-

ward to more mountain passes but here we go.....Some 8500 ft. tall passes almost had her in the back of the Motorhome. Finally we arrived in CC around 3:00 pm and the first cruise was on in less than one hour to the local NAPA store & then on to supper with about 7 buckets at a steakhouse on the north side of town.....Already you folks that did not come early to the Nats you'er missing





out.....Back at the Hotel/RV park some benchracing was done in the parking lot with around 15 buckets already in town..... Sunday was mostly a rest and visiting day at the 2013 Nats. Moved the



trailers to the trailer parking and checked out the T Buckets for the week ahead. Some cruising around town to check country.....Sure to drive but that local Baskin to meet Gilbert on the ground they have done a of getting it put gether.....



out the we did a lot of driving to eat and eating is what Bucketheads do...We found the Robbins ice cream store.....Finally got & Mary Ann Dixon, they are the boots here in Nevada for the Nats and so far great job to-



Monday was a bright and beautiful day in Carson City Nevada.....Some more cruising and checking out the sites was done today. Eating was at the top of the list so we had to check out all the food establishments. Great Mexican food was also located and another place to eat..& also we found the local

Baskin Robbins



woke day



again.....Tuesday we up to another great to see what might be available to explore in Western Nevada.

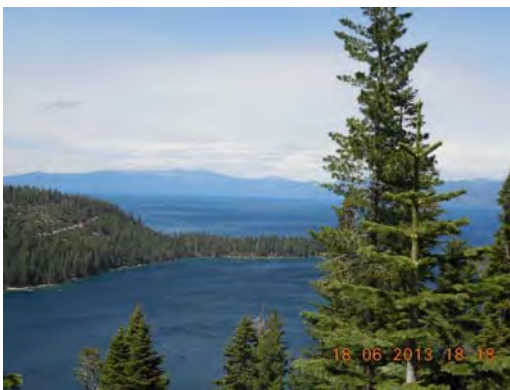


.....That soon became a trip around Lake Tahoe, about 120 mile Fun Run. with five T Buckets full of friends.....



It was somewhat cold on this run even with bright sunshine at 8000 ft high, about a 30 MPH wind blowing the sun don't help much.....Great lunch and then we found another ice cream joint in the mountains, naturally.....The trip was outstanding and if you ever get a chance to make this cruise in a T Bucket or for that matter any mode of trans-

portation, Just Do It.....Well as with any good thing there comes a time to do something constructive and that would be helping to set up the registration room at the hotel this afternoon..... that done supper and Yogurt (Yuck) was had.....Wednesday started out much different than we could have ever dreamed about.



The little Angel took a fall off of the steps leading into the motorhome and we got to spend the whole morning at the Tahoe Regional Emergency Room getting stitches and a sling for her banged up arm.....Other than sitting in the place for about 4 hours



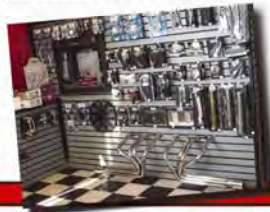
the hospital and the folks working there were pretty nice..... after that 2500.00 dollar trip it was lunch time, (Thanks for the company Foppes) so we just went back to the hotel and ate there. (After lunch we helped open the registration room to start getting all the Bucketheads lined up for the 2013 NATS..... Supper and rest was needed after that so not much cruising was done on Wednesday..... Thursday 6-20-2013 through the trip home will be in next month's newsletter thanks for reading this part..... Mike (lincolnut) Wade.....



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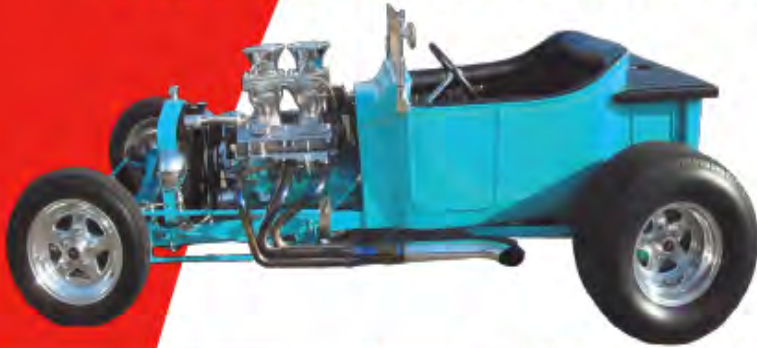
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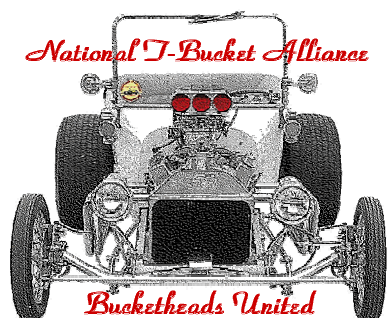


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