# The Chalmers Automobile Newsletter

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This 2003 spring newsletter includes the annual membership list. During the past year, three new members joined and signed up for the newsletter. Welcome aboard to Doug McNair (#71) and Charles Badger (#72), both in California; and Jim Williams (#73) from Utah. A special note to all members: <u>please review your</u> address and car information and let me know if changes or corrections are needed. This will help maintain an accurate and correct database of surviving Chalmers automobiles.

The Chalmers Automobile Registry database currently consists of 120 cars (or major parts) and 107 owners (98 U.S., 4 England, 2 Canada, 1 Germany, 1 Netherlands, and 1 South America). Presently there are 61 active members, with 72 cars (or major parts), that subscribe to this newsletter.

#### AN OFFER FROM A MEMBER

Jim Stamper (#52) recently wrote me about his successful efforts in rebuilding the cork clutch on his 1914 Model 24 "Master Six". Jim told me that it was quite a job with very little information available and he had to learn a great deal about cork clutches. He is willing to share this newfound knowledge with registry members. Anyone who is interested should contact Jim to learn more about cork clutches.

#### CHALMERS CLASSIFIED

The Chalmers Classified listing is intended as a service for members to advertise Chalmers cars and parts that are for sale and/or wanted. Please contact me regarding items that should no longer be listed and passon your new wanted and for sale items.

#### WANTED:

- 1922/1923 hubcaps (posted 4/2000) contact Bob DuBois (#9).
- 1912-1914 Chalmers Model 12/18 "Six" (also 1910-1912 Model "Forty", 1912-1914 Model "36", or 1914-1915 Model 24/29 "Master Six") (posted 4/2000) - contact John Lehnert (#35).
- 1914 Chalmers Model 24 "Master Six" shop manual (posted 4/2000) contact Jim and Donna Stamper (#52).
- Model T Splitdorf magneto for 1912 Chalmers Model 11 (posted 12/2000) contact Al Shaw (#25).
- 1911 Chalmers Model "30" Pony Tonneau complete rear axle assembly (or any parts for it) (posted 7/2001) contact Fred Hoch (#38).
- 1908-1909 Chalmers-Detroit Model F "30" radiator (posted 10/2001) contact Alan Leclair (#42).
- 1923 Chalmers Model "Y" Jaxon disc wheels (one or more) for 24" tires (posted 2/2002)- contact Alan Maris (#56).

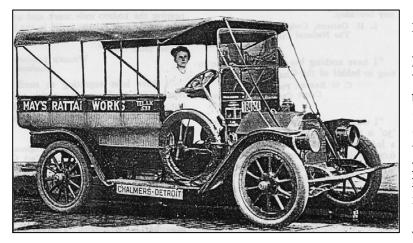
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- 1913 Chalmers Model 36 front wheel hub and left side bail handle sidelight (kerosene and electric) or a matching pair (posted 2/2002)-contact Lloyd Elliott (#26)
- 1912 Chalmers Model 11 "30" rear spring and running board toolbox (posted 2/2002)- contact Mike Morris (#65)
- 1915 Chalmers Model 26-C "Six-48" Entz starter/generator, oil gage, distributor, steering wheel, crank, hubcaps, speedometer, and other parts & photos of wood framing (posted 7/2002) - contact Scott Sandersfeld (#69)

## FOR SALE:

- 1916 Model 35-A "Six-30" parts and some sheet metal (posted 4/2000) contact Don Ohnstad (#19).
- 1909 Model F "30" engine cooling fan assembly (includes fan, hub, pulley, and bracket) in good painted condition with no rust for \$95 or best offer (posted 9/2000) contact Chuck Fanucci (#45).

### SOME CHALMERS HISTORY



This 1909/1910 Chalmers-Detroit "30" was originally a touring body style. It was owned by Bernard May of May's Rattan Works in Chicago, IL. They manufactured rattan goods for chairs, baby buggies, go-carts, etc. After purchasing it and using the touring car for both passenger and delivery duties, Mr. May decided to build a removable rattan delivery body for his business. On weekdays it was seen making deliveries in the

streets of Chicago for May's Rattan Works outfitted as seen above. Then on weekends, it was converted back to passenger use with the Chalmers touring body installed. Can anyone identify the exact year and model name for this Chalmers-Detroit?

That's all the news for now and I hope you find the membership list useful. It is provided for your convenience and assistance in Chalmers enjoyment. Please pass on your questions, comments, and other information for the next newsletter.

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