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KISSEL KAR MEET AT THE WISCONSIN AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM
A rare opportunity to see the world's largest gatherings of surviving Kissels



Meet Dates: Aug. 27-29, 2021

Free Public Car Show: Aug. 28, 2021 – 9 AM to 4 PM

Location: Wisconsin Automotive Museum, 147 N. Rural Street, Hartford WI 53027

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Description: The KisselKar Klub is planning a grand gathering on August 27-29, 2021, at the Wisconsin Automotive Museum. This is a rare opportunity to see the largest gatherings of surviving Kissels in the world.

Find the latest news about the event at the Klub's website www.kisselkar.net.

Public exhibition of Kissel vehicles from 1911 thru 1930 will be held Saturday, August 28, from 9 AM thru 4 PM. Kissels from across the United States are expected, including several examples of rare and iconic Kissel "Gold Bug" Speedsters. These Kissels will join the museum's extensive collection of rare vehicles that includes the largest collection of Kissels in the world. Attendance at the exhibition of member vehicles is free to the public; a nominal donation to the museum of \$5 is encouraged.

Another feature on Saturday of the meet is presentations by Klub members. A list of titles and abstracts will be available on the Klub website in July 2021. The presentations will be open to those registered for the meet or with paid museum admission.

Held at the extensive facilities of the Wisconsin Automotive Museum, many authentic vehicles besides Kissels from the 1900s through the 1980s can be viewed with paid museum admission or meet registration. Kissel owners from across the United States will bring their rare vehicles together for this historic public exhibition. The KisselKar Klub expects this to be the largest gathering of member-owned vehicles in decades. Some of the cars to be shown represent the only known surviving examples.

Incorporated in 1906, the Kissel Motor Car Company rapidly became respected as a manufacturer of stylish, exotic and rakish cars that were sold worldwide. Meticulously hand crafted in Hartford, Wisconsin, Kissel built cars, trucks, ambulances, hearses, taxis and other vehicles through model year 1931. There were only about 26,000 of these extraordinary vehicles produced, with fewer than 200 complete cars thought to survive to this day. Built in the American heartland and distributed around the world, these sporty vehicles featured cutting edge European styling and mechanical innovations which were the advanced engineering of their time.

Kissels were favored by many famous people of the 1920s. Kissel Speedster owners included Fatty Arbuckle (comedian), Bebe Daniels (actress), Ralph DePalma (racecar champion), Eddie Duchin (band leader), Amelia Earhart (aviator), Douglas Fairbanks (actor), Greta Garbo (actress), Gladys George (actress), Ruby Keeler (actress), William S. Hart (actor), Al Jolson (singer), Mabel Normand (actress), Mary Pickford (actress) and Rudy Vallee (singer).

Many Kissels are designated as Full Classics™ by the Classic Car Club of America. The CCCA describes these very special cars as being "distinguished by their respective fine design, high engineering standards and superior workmanship."



1910 KisselKar Model D-10 Toy Tonneau owned by Pat Farrell, Sedro-Woolley, Washington



1914 KisselKar Model 4-40 Touring owned by Lynn and Jeanne Kissel, Cameron Park, California



1923 Kissel Model 6-45 Speedster owned by Ronald Hausmann, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan



1929 Kissel White Eagle Model 8-95 Tourster owned by Lynn and Jeanne Kissel, Cameron Park, California