**Old Car Trivia**

Q: What was the first official White House car?

 A: A 1909 White Steamer, ordered by President Taft.

 Q: Who opened the first drive-in gas station?

 A: Gulf opened up the first station in Pittsburgh in 1913.

 Q: What city was the first to use parking meters?

 A: Oklahoma City , on July 16, 1935.

 Q: Where was the first drive-in restaurant?

 A: Royce Hailey's Pig Stand opened in Dallas in 1921.

 Q: True or False? The 1953 Corvette came in white, red and black.

 A: False. The 1953 'Vett's were available in one color, Polo White.

 Q: What was Ford's answer to the Chevy Corvette,
 and other legal street racers of the 1960's?

 A: Carroll Shelby's Mustang GT350.

 Q: What was the first car fitted with an alternator,
 rather than a direct current dynamo?

 A: The 1960 Plymouth Valiant

 Q: What was the first car fitted with a replaceable cartridge oil filter?

 A: The 1924 Chrysler.

 Q: What was the first car to be offered with a "perpetual guarantee"?

 A: The 1904 Acme, from Reading , PA. Perpetuity
 was disturbing in this case, as Acme closed down in 1911.

 Q: What American luxury automaker began
 by making cages for birds and squirrels?

 A: The George N. Pierce Co. of Buffalo , who made
 the Pierce Arrow, also made iceboxes.

 Q: What car first referred to itself as a convertible?

 A: The 1904 Thomas Flyer, which had a removable hard top.

 Q: What car was the first to have it's radio
 antenna embedded in the windshield?

 A: The 1969 Pontiac Grand Prix.

 Q: What car used the first successful
 series-production hydraulic valve lifters?

 A: The 1930 Cadillac 452, the first production V16

 Q: Where was the World's first three-color traffic lights installed?

 A: Detroit , Michigan in 1919. Two years later they experimented with synchronized lights.

 Q: What type of car had the distinction of being
 GM's 100 millionth car built in the U.S. ?

 A: March 16, 1966 saw an Olds Tornado roll
 out of Lansing , Michigan with that honor.

 Q: Where was the first drive-in movie theater opened, and when?

 A: Camden , NJ in 1933

 Q: What autos were the first to use a
 standardized production key-start system?

 A: The 1949 Chryslers

 Q: What did the Olds designation 4-4-2 stand for?

 A: 4 barrel carburetor, 4 speed transmission, and dual exhaust.

 Q: What car was the first to place the
 horn button in the center of the steering wheel?

 A: The 1915 Scripps-Booth Model C. The car also
 was the first with electric door latches.

 Q: What U.S. production car has the quickest 0-60 mph time?

 A: The 1962 Chevrolet Impala SS 409. Did it in 4.0 seconds.

 Q: What's the only car to appear simultaneously
 on the covers of Time and Newsweek?

 A: The Mustang

 Q: What was the lowest priced mass produced American car?

 A: The 1925 Ford Model T Runabout. Cost $260, $5 less than 1924.

 Q: What is the fastest internal-combustion American production car?

 A: The 1998 Dodge Viper GETS-R, tested by
 Motor Trend magazine at 192.6 mph.

 Q: What automaker's first logo incorporated the Star of David?

 A: The Dodge Brothers.

 Q: Who wrote to Henry Ford, "I have drove fords exclusively when I could get away with one It has got every other car skinned, and even if my business hasn't been strictly legal it don't hurt anything to tell you what a fine car you got in the V-8"?

 A: Clyde Barrow (of Bonnie and Clyde ) in 1934.

 Q: What car was the first production V12, as well
 as the first production car with aluminum pistons?

 A: The 1915 Packard Twin-Six. Used during WWI in Italy ,
 these motors inspired Enzi Ferrari to
 adopt the V12 himself in 1948.

 Q: What was the first car to use power operated seats?

 A: They were first used on the 1947 Packard line.

 Q: Which of the Chrysler "letter cars" sold the fewest amount?

 A: Only 400, 1963, 300J's were sold
 (they skipped" "I" because it looked like a number 1)

 Q: What car company was originally
 known as Swallow Sidecars (aka SS)?

 A: Jaguar, which was an SS model first in 1935,
 and ultimately the whole company by 1945.

 Q: What car delivered the first production V12 engine?

 A: The cylinder wars were kicked off in 1915 after
 Packard's chief engineer, Col. Jesse Vincent,
 introduced its Twin-Six.

 Q: When were seat belts first fitted to a motor vehicle?

 A: In 1902, in a Baker Electric streamliner racer which
 crashed at 100 mph. on Staten Island !

 Q: In January 1930, Cadillac debuted it's V16 in a car named
 for a theatrical version of a 1920's film seen by Harley Earl
 while designing the body, What's that name?

 A: The "Madam X", a custom coach designed by Earl
 and built by Fleetwood. The sedan featured a
 retractable landau top above the rear seat.

 Q: Which car company started out German,
 yet became French after WWI?

 A: Bugati, founded in Molsheim in 1909, became
 French when Alsace returned to French rule.

 Q: In what model year did Cadillac
 introduce the first electric sunroof?

 A: 1969

 Q: What U.S. production car had the largest 4 cylinder engine?

 A: The 1907 Thomas sported a 571 cu. in. (9.2liter) engine.

 Q: What car was reportedly designed on the back of a Northwest Airlines airsickness bag and released on April Fool's Day, 1970?

 A: 1970 Gremlin, (AMC)

 Q: What is the Spirit of Ecstasy?

 A: The official name of the mascot of Rolls Royce,
 she is the lady on top of their radiators.

 Q: What was the inspiration for MG's famed octagon-shaped badge?

 A: The shape of founder Cecil Kimber's dining table.
 MG stands for Morris Garages.

 Q: In what year did the "double-R" Rolls
 Royce badge change from red to black?

 A: 1933

 Trivia...Ford, who made the first pick-up trucks, shipped them to dealers in crates that the new owners had to assemble using the crates as the beds of the trucks.