



A Little Car News

The Monthly Newsletter of the Central Texas Micronuts Car Club in Austin, Texas

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The Micronuts' Frequent Biters Club meets Thursday, August 12th, 7:00 at Casita Jorge's on Hancock Drive. No winners allowed!

IN THE NEWS!



Continuing on a theme, here's an icon of **weirdness and coolness** (since 1936) which makes it a shoe-in for the Micronuts. Check out this press release:



Do you dream of riding to your wedding chapel inside an Oscar Mayer Wienermobile? Your day may have come.

After years of turning down pleas from the public to use one of its six, **27-foot long, 5-ton sausage-shaped vehicles**, the Madison, Wisconsin hot dog and bologna-maker decided to help 50 winners **live out their wiener wishes**.

"We always get requests", said Oscar Mayer Foods spokeswoman Sarah Delea. "We just thought, 'Hey, let's just open it up.'"

In May, Oscar Mayer started accepting contest entries in which **consumers write in to say what**

they would do with nine hours, \$5,000, a Wienermobile and an official "Hotdogger" driver. So far some **15,000 people** have written in, Delea said, including Jennifer Maslowski, who used the first-prize package to buy books for a youth literacy group she teaches. "**There's a lot of trunk space,**" joked Maslowski.

Down in Tulsa, Phil Farmer chimed in with pix of



his near-complete NSU Prinz resto.

As you can see, the interior is looking pretty good right about now. Phil is still on the lookout for headlamps, engine shroud, air controller and a few other goodies. Looks like he'll have a **nice new partner for his red Isetta**.

ProSource Glass International

Richard Tankel of ProSource Glass International contacted ALCN recently. His family owned Lo-Can International, a prime auto glass supplier for European/microcar restorers, for almost 50 years. **It was Lo-Can that came up with replacement Isetta windshields** as well as glass for Berkleys, Singer/Hillmans, BMW 700's and the Amphicar. In 2002, the family sold Lo-Can to a large

conglomerate and Richard has set off on a new venture of his own. His goal is to provide high quality glass for rare cars. He can make them in 25-50 unit runs for very reasonable prices and offers quick turnaround times. If you have a need for hard-to-find glass for your microcar, **email him at richart@prosourceglassintl.com** or **ring him up toll free at 877-345-2800**. Hey Richard, crank out a batch of Isetta rear windows and watch the line form to the left! Side windows, too.

For Sale: Barry Mann has his yellow and white 1962 Metropolitan hardtop on the market. With the exception of some minor rust on the rocker panels, the car is solid and 100% there. He has a new rebuilt engine for it that needs installation. **Asking price is \$2,200 USD.** If you're interested, **give him a buzz at (512) 837-5007 or email him at bman10602@aol.com.**



Note to mailman: If it won't fit in the mailbox, just leave it at the curb.



Looks like **Firemarshal Bill Waite** finally went and did it. He sold Kermit to a proud new owner in San Francisco. You sorta get the impression that he found a good home. **What's FB gonna do for an encore?** With his wife's new ordered-

to-spec MINI en route, he's ordered up a restored-to-spec *original* MINI Cooper for a stable mate. We'll keep you posted a little later

this year when the new cars arrive. Bill's pretty good about sending ALCN great pix and news so keep a look out. *Go for the Minilites Bill!*



Also for sale: 1957 BMW Isetta. 100% frame-off restoration 1999-2003. Includes service spares, artwork, documentation, etc. 500 miles since resto. **Give Bruce Fullerton a call at (512) 458-1144. \$17,500.**



Looks a lot like **Perry Bushong** of **Perry's Motorcycles and Sidecars** from up Fort Worth way loading Robert Mace's green mambo on his very cool aluminum trailer. Bubba

enrolled his car in Perry's **Isetta Obedience School** to get a nagging clutch problem fixed. It oughta be rockin' when it comes back to Austin in the very near future. Robert and **Bruce Fullerton** may actually get to have their long-awaited "Two Guys From Texas" tour of Austin.



A black '57 Chevy tried to upstage Bruce Fullerton and **Andy Amescua's** Isettass at the **Northcross Mall Father's Day Car Show**, but it didn't work. There was a

steady stream of folks dropping by all day long asking questions and snappin' pix. **Terry Sayther** made a cameo appearance in his BMW 502 Carrera Panamerica race car.

Keep the news and pix coming to brucef@austin.rr.com. See you in September!