

## 5<sup>th</sup> Merrickville European Classic Car Show

**Sunday, Sept 22, 2024 – Time: 10.00am to 4.00pm**

**Location: Merrickville Fairgrounds, 446 Main Street West**

Let me tell you about this show, which is especially for classic cars of all European marques – future European classics are welcome as well. The Merrickville European's reputation as "The show where you'll see rare cars; and cars you've heard of, or seen in a movie, but never thought you would see in real life; and some cars you've never even heard of." was reinforced with last year's outstanding display of beautiful cars.

For planning purposes, please register by sending me an e-mail with your name/town, phone #, e-mail, make, model and year of your car. As in previous years, there is no entry fee, there are no judges, no prizes, no vendors, no food trucks – just beautiful cars that exemplify European styling and engineering. As there is no entry fee, you won't be out of pocket if your plans change for any reason, and you decide not to come.

Having officially been dubbed "Canada's Most Beautiful Village" by Communities in Bloom, and with more designated heritage buildings than any other Ontario community of like-size, Merrickville is a unique and vibrant Victorian village on the Rideau Canal. While you're here, check out the studios of some of our local artists, including the glass-blowers – which now includes a craft brewery. Stop in at the Blockhouse National Historic Site and learn the history of the Rideau Canal and its many locks between Ottawa and Kingston – no one has yet invented a better way of getting a boat up a hill !! Although there have been some adaptations. Souvenirs (and washrooms!) are available at The Depot,. There are washrooms at the Community Centre as well.

Visit the stores where you'll find exclusive fashions, home décor, fine foods, antiques, previously loved books and records (real vinyl ones!), gifts and hand-made candies; and yes, if you're already looking for a new ornament for your Christmas tree, you'll find one here.

Hungry? There are restaurants and cafés to suit all appetites and wallets; and when it's time for a cooling treat, look no further than Stella Luna Gelato Café or the Downtowne Ice Cream Shoppe.

For those who may want to make a weekend of it, there are numerous B'n'Bs and Air B'n'Bs in the area: The Boathouse at Lock 17, Burrits Rapids, and accommodations at Merrickville Guest Suites and the Baldachin Inn. There is also the Lions' Campground by the river.

Looking forward to welcoming you and your car to Merrickville on September 22 for the 5th Merrickville European Classic Car Show. Until then, enjoy the summer – drive safe.

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**Registration info required please: (name/town, phone #, e-mail, make/model/year of car)**

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