

CARS, CARS AND MORE CARS surrounded Sawhill Park Saturday for the annual Saturday in the Park car show.

Car show brings in many people

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Almost every year, depending upon the weather, the Saturday In The Park car show, grows. Last year, the weather was cold and windy. On Saturday, the clouds loomed overhead but, by mid morning, the sun had peeked out giving some warmth.

The weather was ideal, said Nancy Schultz, one of the coordinators.

Consequently there were 141 entries at the show. Antiques, restored and rebuilt vehicles, along with motorcycles, were lined up around the park including the north side of the city park. There were entries from Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Oklahoma and Wyoming. Coming the longest distance were Jim and Nancy Lichtenberg, Cedar Bluffs, Neb., and Dave Major, Benton. Both cities are 365 miles from St. Francis.

Throughout the day, food was served, games were played, strawberries and marshmallows dipped in chocolate, rides were enjoyed on the people mover and the firemen's train, and most of all, there were many people looking at the array of vehicles and talking to others who either just enjoyed looking at the vehicles or remembered when a certain vehicle was the "thing to have."

Winning the Chicken Bingo were Dean Witte, Vernon, Colo., and Dawn Fry, St. Francis.

Those looking aren't the only ones having a good time. Mrs. Schultz said Allen Major, from Evergreen, Colo., loves to come to St. Francis, saying it is his favorite show.

He likes the people and the community, she said, noting that he also loves shopping the Methodist Church Thrift Store and was wearing a hat and shoes, each sporting a green tag from the store.

The show is sponsored by the Cheyenne County Cruisers. Everyone present was encouraged to vote for the "People's Choice." This year's People's Choice went to a 1937 four-door Ford belonging to Walt and Davon Moore, Littleton, Colo. The special club award went to Billy SamlerThe oldest participant was Ed Brunswig of Haigler, Neb.. The youngest participant was Tod Mastin of Oberlin.

Other winners included:

Antique: First, Chriss McDiffett, Norton, 1930 Chevy Roadster; second, Ed Brunswig, Haigler, 1930 Ford Model A.

Street rods: First, Walt and Davon Moore, Littleton, 1937 Ford five-window; second, Steve Schoen, Burlington, 1934 Chevy Coupe; third, Jake Brooks, Scott City, 1937 Chevy Coupe; fourth, Gary and Mary Jo McCallahan, WaKeeney, 1934 Plymouth Coupe; fifth, Dave and Bev Posson, Norton, 1949 Mercury Coupe.

Cars-1950: First, Ross Rodenbeck, Colby, Mercury two door; second, Sandy Callalhan, Centennial, Colo., 1952 Chevy two door; third, Allen Major, Evergreen, Colo., 1955 Ford Ranch Wagon.

Cars-1960s: First, Garrett Sundstrom, St. Francis, 1964 Ford Galaxie; second, Cliff Moser, Sedalia, Colo., 1969 Pontiac GTO convertible; third, Bruce Bolen, Johnson, 1969 Chevy Camaro; fourth, Nathan Thomas, Goodland, 1969 Chevy Cheville; fifth, Marge Bretton, McCook, 1964 T-Bird.

Cars-1970s: First, Shawnie Butts, Goodland, 1972 Ford Mustang Mach 1; second, Steve Schoen, Burlington, 1970 1/2 Chevy Camaro; third, Leroy Thomas, Goodland, 1977 Pontiac Grand Prix; fourth, Eddie Brunk, St. Francis, 1970 Ford Mach 1.

Cars-1980-1999: First, Debbie Lawson, Norton, 1980 Pontiac Trans Am; second, Martin Hilt, St. Francis, 1987 Chevy Iroc; third, Loren McAfee, Bird City, 1987 Buick Grand National.

Cars 2000-present: First, Diane Krayca, Goodland, 2004 Chevy Corvette; second, Gordon Kenney, Foxfield, Colo., 2007 Corvette.

British cars: First, Paul Dico, Centennial, Colo., 1968 Triumph TR-250; second, Dennis Dawson, Oakley, 1965 Sunbeam Tiger; third, Brooks Turner, Centennial, 1959 Triumph TR3-A.

Picture: First, Pah, and Shipley Speed, Alexand, 1940

Pickups: First, Bob and Shirley Sproul, Almena, 1949 Ford F-1; second, Goerge Rose, Araphoe, Neb., 1953 Willys Overland; third, Maurice "Skippy" Johnson, Goodland, 1955 Chevy 3100.

Under 18: First, Alex Draper, St. Francis, 1968 Chevy Camaro.

Under construction: First, Clay Zimbelman, St. Francis, 1939 Chevy Master 85.

Motorcycle: First, Phillip Reitcheck, Goodland, 1973 Norton 850 Roadster; second, Tod Mastin, Oberlin, 2004 Chopper; third, Travis Kechter, Cheyenne, Wyo., 2009 Harley Davidson Night Train.

Winners of drawings

Set of tires donated by St. Francis Tire, owned by Mark and Toby Cooper, went to Steve Schoen, Burlington; an \$80 gift certificate donated by Kansasland Tire, Goodland, Willie Weems, was won by Russell Holmes, Limon, Colo.; free registration to 2010 show, Loren McAfee, Bird City; a 7-inch buffer and bag, Allen Major, Evergreen; creeper, Dave Nicklos, St. Francis; jack and stands, Jack Callahan, Centennial, Colo.

Jewelry box, Pat Wagoner, Colby; chamois ringer, Joel Cox, Wallace; Battery charger/tester, Danny Krayca, Goodland; Coors mirror, George Rose, Arapahoe, Neb.; Quillo, Dean Whitte, Vernon, Colo.; Budweiser mirror, Daryl Hoss, Goodland; engine stand, Craig Austin, Salina; DVD player, Rob Lawson, Norton; lubester, Andrew Devischer, North-Glenn, Colo.; Harley Davidson Pub Light, Travis Kechter, Cheyenne, Who., Moon eyes clock, Patrick Case, Parker, Colo.; Coke clock, Merilee Leach, Bird City; \$500 cash, James Berg, Evergreen, Colo.



EDDIE SCHULTZ brought his 1960s Pontiac to the show. Eddy Dankenbring, right, visits with him.







ALTERNATOR TOSS there were a number of people gathering to toss the alternator into tires at the car show on Saturday. Above, Ashlynn Lambert tosses while Jesse Pacheco looks on; clockwise, Teagan Landenberger tested a treat from the chocolate fountain; manning the fountain were Susie Walz, left, and Mila Bandel (Shalyn Zweygardt is helping, too); Stan and Neva Wahrman served lunch..





