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From Our Kitchen to Yours

Perfect Crab-Stuffed Mushrooms

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons minced green onion
- 1 cup cooked crabmeat, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup dry Italian Style bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon dried dill weed
- 1/2 cup butter, melted
- 1 1/2 pounds fresh button mushrooms, stems removed
- 1/2 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- 1/4 cup dry white wine



Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).

Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a skillet; cook and stir green onion until softened, about 2 minutes. Transfer green onion to a bowl. Stir in crabmeat, bread crumbs, 1/4 cup Monterey Jack cheese, egg, lemon juice, and dill weed until well mixed.

Pour 1/2 cup melted butter in a 9x13-inch baking dish; turn mushroom caps in butter to coat. Fill mushroom caps with the crab mixture and sprinkle with remaining 1/2 cup Monterey Jack cheese. Pour white wine into baking dish. Bake in preheated oven until cheese is melted and lightly brown, 15 to 20 minutes.

Happy New Year to you!
May every great new day
Bring you sweet surprises--
A happiness buffet.
Happy New Year to you,
And when the new year's done,
May the next year be even better,
Full of pleasure, joy and fun.

By Joanna Fuchs

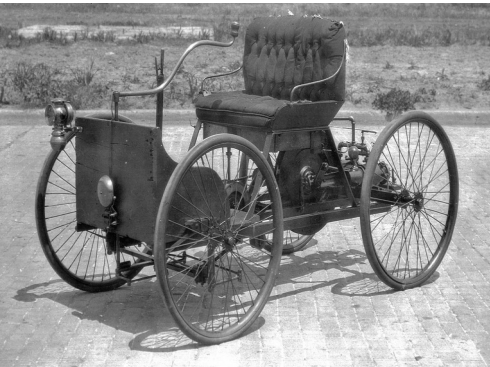




“Your success and happiness lies in you. Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulties.” ~ Helen Keller

Prewar Ford Benchmarks

HOW HENRY FORD CHANGED AMERICA FOREVER, ONE CAR AT A TIME
By Jeff Koch from the January 2019 issue of Hemmings Classic Car



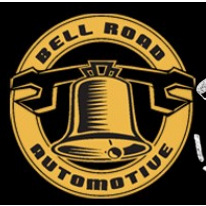
What makes an automotive benchmark? Is it technical innovation? Is it the ability to move a society, literally and figuratively, under its wheels? Or can it be measured in smaller increments, like lessons learned for the men who built them? Perhaps it is all of these?

1896 QUADRICYCLE

Henry’s first
In all stories, there must be a first chapter, a first step on the journey, an opening act. For Henry Ford and the automobiles that bear his name, that first chapter was the Quadricycle.

Ford’s interest in the horseless carriage began with a January 1896 issue of *American Machinist* magazine explaining the workings of the Kane-Pennington internal-combustion engine. Inspired, Henry (and a cadre of friends and aides) prepped what would be known as the Quadricycle, in part because it rode on four bicycle tires. Power came from a four-horsepower, two-cylinder engine that ran on ethanol; Henry devised an ignition system because the plans in the magazine did not include any. The transmission, which got power to the rear wheels via a combination of chain drive and a leather belt, had two forward speeds and could reach 20 mph. Steering was via tiller, and the fuel tank held three gallons. The Quadricycle weighed just 500 pounds.

On June 4, 1896, Henry Ford (after knocking down a wall in his shed so that he could actually get it out of the shop) took his Quadricycle for a drive—but not before sending his assistant, James Bishop, ahead on a bicycle to warn people of what was coming. It was proof of concept. The rest, as they say, is history.



5 Things You Didn't Know About New Year's

1. The Finns do it the weirdest

In Finland, each new year family and friends gather to burn metal in a pan for a ritual called "molybdomancy". The Finns inspect the shadows the metal casts by candlelight, as those shapes are supposed to predict the future. Although, this metal is customarily called “tin,” it’s actually sometimes lead, which, among other things, is known to spark severe mental illness... that might explain why this ritual has persisted for hundreds of years. And while that’s all pretty well and weird, the Finns aren’t alone: Ecuadorians burn paper-filled scarecrows, the Swiss drop ice cream on the floor, and people in Siberia plunge into frozen lakes while carrying a tree trunk -- all to ring in the new year.

2. The 8th most common New Year's resolution is to improve a relationship

Only around 40% of us will even make a resolution. While nearly all of those vows err on the side of improvement (e.g. start exercising, improve your finances, quit smoking), the 8th most common resolution is to get along better with someone else, according to a 2012 Harris poll. So, what’s the number one New Year’s resolution? Weight loss!

3. We celebrate on Jan. 1 because Julius Caesar said so

Why does the New Year begin on January 1st? Because our contemporary (Gregorian) calendar is based on the Julian one (named after none other than Julius Ceasar) and he made January month numero uno (which is Latin for "number one").

4. But New Year's used to be on March 20th

The first indication of a new year’s celebrations crop up around 2000 BC in the Middle East. Or, as its known in 9th grade history class, “Mesopotamia”. At that time, in 2000 BC, each year began on March 20th, AKA the vernal (or Spring) equinox. That’s the one where the sun crosses directly over the equator. Nowadays, celebrating New Year’s is illegal in much of the same region (e.g. Saudi Arabia). Fertile crescent? More like festive crescent!

5. January is named after a god with two faces

We have ancient Rome to thank for our year beginning in January. The Roman god the month is named after, Janus, was described as having two faces. That's not a catty put-down either. We mean he literally had double the mug. When depicted in ancient Roman art, one of Janus' faces looks forward, while the other looks back. You know, like how you do on New Year's. Mad metaphorical.



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New Year's Eve Jokes

1. My New Year's resolution is to be more optimistic by keeping my cup half-full with either rum, vodka, or whiskey.
2. Every year on New Year's Eve, when everyone's counting down the final ten seconds to ring in the new year, I get up off the couch and stand up. I stand up and raise my left leg and just leave it raised for a little while until the countdown finishes and midnight strikes, so that I always start the new year off on the right foot.
3. New Year? I just got used to this last one!
4. My wife still hasn't told me what my New Year's resolutions are.
5. "I promise not to make any bad jokes for the rest of the year."

