



# Little Car News

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

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**THE MICRONUTS NEXT GOBBLE-DOWN IS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, 7:00 AT CASITA JORGE'S ON HANCOCK DRIVE.**



If you have any questions, give Bruce Fullerton a buzz at 458-1144. See you there! And bring your camera while you're at it.



The **MiniCATS three-seater compact**, built by Luxembourg-based Moteur Developpement International, is displayed in this undated photo provided by the company Thursday Sept. 30, 2004. Record high oil prices don't worry the car maker as the **MiniCATS run on compressed air**. (AP Photo/MDI)



This triple-threat exhibits a typical reaction to the Micronuts cruising down Congress Avenue at the **Chuy's Children Giving To Children Parade**. The date is **Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**. If you're bringing your car, **plan on showing up around 8:30-9:00**. Our entry fee of \$50.00 has been paid.

The staging area is on San Jacinto, due east of the Capitol. You can park in one of the state parking garages for free but trailers will need to be parked on the street out of the staging area.



**Bob Nichols from Pullman, Washington** posted a bunch of pix of his newly inherited 1958 Canadian Isetta that's been hiding out in a garage where it was parked 25 years ago.

'Before' pix are posted at <http://www.cpd.wsu.edu/test/isetta/isetta.htm>



Bill Hornick from the rolling hills of West Virginia shot us a few pix of his bubble window Isetta that's getting ready for restoration. Bill has owned this car for 29 years and the day has finally come to whip it back into shape. Cool dolly!



Here's another shot of Bill's car. Looks like it's 99% there. Bill's dad spotted this Isetta on the way home from work back in 1975, plunked down \$400.00 for it and brought it home.



IBM and United Arab Emirates University jointly developed a "smart box" telematics system that can warn drivers if they're breaking the speed limit, record actions taken during an accident and even issue speeding tickets to offenders. The system combines cellular, GPS and voice recognition technologies to provide totalitarian control of the driving populus. Thanks a lot! The Isetta's looking better every day.

This next one just goes to show that we never know where the next pic and/or story is going to come from. Paul Schlesselman forwarded the following shot to ALCN along with a little background. This shot was taken circa 1988, probably in the Lamar and 6<sup>th</sup> vicinity. The legendary "Rag" ran an article on the two Isettas and one 600, pointing out that the owner had just gotten married and you can guess the rest.



Looks like a Euro license plate bracket on the red Isetta. Never seen one of those before. That's Paul's yellow/primed Ghia convert fourth from the left. Anyone know any background on these cars, where they ended up, etc.?



Hey! Paul's not through sending pix. This super sano white Isetta is a regular at Wichita, Kansas car shows. Finally, someone ponied up and tinted their

windows. Nice balance of sharp and stealth.



Thanx again to everyone for submitting your pix and news. Keep shovin' the mail and pix to [brucef@austin.rr.com](mailto:brucef@austin.rr.com).

Next month, we'll wrap up 2004 with our End o' Year edition. See you then