

Century Toppers Rod & Custom Car Club

<u>Minutes – regular monthly meeting Sept 16, 2015.</u> Meeting called to order @ 7:35 p.m.

Attendance: 19 members present, with guest Marie McKay (past member Brian McKay's wife)

Secretary's report: The August minutes were distributed by email – no errors or omission reported.

Motion: To accept the August minutes as distributed – made by Ken Black, seconded by Al Breen. All in favour, none opposed, carried.

Treasurer's report: There is no treasurer's report this evening as our treasurer **Loyd Houston** is away on a short holiday.

Old Business:

Mission Raceway:

As there has been very little interest in attending the raceway this fall, with only 3 positives from the emailed request for interest, so it is suggested that those who may want to go before the season ends, arrange to take a personal car and include any individuals who may wish to go along. We will postpone any club sponsored trip to Mission until next year.

Torquemaster's Sidney Show:

Our club members' participation was much appreciated by the Show organizers as we were successful in parking over 300 cars within an hour of the opening. The Torquemaster's organizing committee was very appreciative of our efforts again this year. **Bill Campbell**, this evening, thanked all those that volunteered their help. We had great participation this year with 22 members stepping up. Thanks particularly to **Bob Bentham** for taking the lead on organizing our team.

Campbell River Car Show:

Several **Toppers** attended this show in Campbell River which had a good turnout and fabulous weather. It's great to see this show becoming a more mainstream event as it has been rather rowdy in past years.

Christmas Dinner Dance:

In response to our questionnaire, the following is a summary of those responses as well as these evening discussions:

1. The majority of those who responded wanted to retain the music and dance component of the evening.

2. Although we tried to alter the date of the event without success, the event date is now firm and will be held on **Saturday evening**, **Dec. the 5th.**

3. The executive are determined to hold the ticket price at - \$50 a ticket.

4. As there was some displeasure with last year's music content, we will be contacting a new vendor for the evening. Live music was suggested by **Len Levere**; however the consensus was that the limited logistics of room size and costs have eliminated this as an option.

5. Suggestions from the floor for other entertainment included; a hypnotist, trivia, an auction, a random number draw for a prize by numbering individual chairs.

Motion: The members hereby authorize the executive to spend up to an additional \$500 to firm up the entertainment component for the evening.

Made by Lyall Atkinson, seconded by Chris McKay. All in favour, none opposed, carried.

Also, it was requested this evening by **Bill Campbell**, that all members start putting their efforts into securing door prizes for our event as they are part of making the evening a great success.

New Business:

Nominations for the executive:

Our October meeting will be open to nominations for our 2016 executive. All members are asked to consider offering their own name or nominating another member for any of our executive positions.

Social Media:

New member **Larry Irvine** suggested we consider creating a Facebook page as a way of creating better dialogue between our members. He would like to find a better way to access the experience and advice of other members, and is seeking an effective forum for topic discussions, whereby comments from different members could be accessed. Discussion followed on the pros and cons of this particular vendor. **Chris MacKay** suggested that other vendors may offer better security and will forward some suggestions to **Bill Campbell** for review. It was left that the executive will do some research with the Torquemaster's club who presently use this media, and report back at our next meeting.

New member:

Our guest this evening, **Marie McKay** has joined our club. Welcome **Marie**, it will be great to have a second female's perspective at our monthly meetings.

No other new business - Motion to adjourn made by Brian Pearce seconded by Bob Rivers Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Upcoming Events:

October Garage Tour:

Our tour co-ordinator **Mike Roy** has been on an extended vacation, so the garage tour slated for early October has not been confirmed this month, so it will be moved to November. Look for notification of a new date.

October Brunch:

We are trying to firm up a return visit to the **Sea Glass Restaurant** in North Sidney. Look for a notification of a date and time for this popular get together in October, possibly Sunday the 18th.

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 21, 2015 – 7:30 pm at the Victorian Seniors Res.