



Century Toppers Rod & Custom Car Club

Minutes – regular monthly meeting Jan. 20, 2016.

Meeting called to order @ 7:40 p.m.

Attendance: 20 members present, with new member **Les Pickell** present for the first time, as well as visiting this evening, is guest and former member **Don Delaney**.

Secretary's report: The November minutes were distributed by email, with no errors reported.

Motion: To accept the Nov. minutes as distributed made by **Bill Campbell**, seconded by **Ron Cain**. All in favour, none opposed, carried.

Treasurer's report: Our treasurer **Lloyd Houston** is out of town this week; however we will be reviewing the financial results of our Christmas dinner dance as the first order of business.

Old Business:

Christmas Dinner Dance:

We sold 75 tickets for the evening which generated **\$3750.00** in revenue, and our total expenses came in at **\$3919.59**. The club ended up subsidizing the event to the tune of **\$169.59** which was significantly lower than the amount authorized at our September meeting. On top of that, we generated a donation to the CHEK TV Christmas Fund of **\$760.00**. This money came from the table lamp auction - \$350, 50/50 revenue - \$210, and two \$100 donations from **Chris MacKay** and **Morry Rozon**. With some smart shopping and effective funding requests by **James Robinson** and **Bob Bentham**, these boys were able to get a 10% discount from Thrifty's Foods and a 15% discount from Kirby's Source for Sports.

Four of our old club cars dropped off **\$850 worth of goods** -- 10 fully stocked food hampers and 10 items of sporting equipment, with **Bob** managing to get 15 seconds of fame for our club on live TV with **Ed Bain** during his weather forecast.

A big thanks goes out to **Doug Sproxtton** who had the winning bid on the lamp, **Marlin Ball** who made and donated the lamp for the auction, as well as **Chris MacKay** and **Morry Rozon** for their cash donations. Thanks goes out, as well, as all those member volunteers who helped make this evening memorable. You know who you are --- thanks.

The evening was a great success and the executive has received some positive feedback; particularly for the music bingo competition ran by **Len Levere's** daughter **Breanne**, who when asked, did an impromptu acapella song for us; as well as the dance music with the new deejay location which was much better than last year.

We have booked Gorge Vale for next year; however we are exploring other options to possibly add some variety. To that end, **Gord Strongman** is sleuthing out the Royal Colwood Clubhouse as a alternative venue location for 2016. More details to follow as the year progresses.

Website review:

The executive has contacted an acquaintance of **Bob Bentham's** named **Don Marshall** to have a look at our website challenges. Our objective is to find a **local** individual who can sort out any issues as they arrive. It is expected that the executive will meet with him prior to our next meeting and work on getting our website up to date.

Club Apparel:

Newly ordered and re-ordered shirts are here and will be handed out, once payment has been received, at the break. **Bob Bentham** has all the details.

Rock and Roll for Little Souls:

The organizers of this function have decided on clustering the affiliated vehicles together representing the different car clubs in the city. Our representative **Marlin Ball** will fill in any required details as the date draws near. About 6 – 8 cars will be needed to represent our club.

ICBC Informational Seminar:

On a follow up from last year, we will be trying to organize this conference for sometime this year, and re connect with Megson Fitzpatrick Insurance Services who volunteered to provide space for this event. Look for more details at the next meeting.

Club Facebook Account:

The Century Toppers Facebook page has been created, however **Bill Campbell** needs some help to setup the front page graphics. **Ron Cain** has volunteered to help and they will meet within the next couple of weeks. Once finalized this closed group will go live and club members will be authorized to comment and add content.

Club Picnic/Poker Run:

Gyro Park at Cadboro Bay has been secured for **July 3rd**. Discussion followed on possibly having a food vendor in place this year. We will investigate the feasibility of putting this together.

B R E A K --- no 50/50 draw this evening

New Business:

2016 Schedule of Events:

The executive and our coordinators have put together a tentative schedule of events for the year.

Bill Campbell went thru the schedule month by month looking for feedback and suggestions from the floor. Several items were suggested for discussion such as the trip to the Sechelt car show, a May 8th Mother's day visit to the Victorian residence, and casual coffee get togethers on Saturday mornings. Look for a final edition of this to be posted on the website.

Remembrance for an old car enthusiast:

Bill Campbell mentioned that a friend and local car guy **Geoff Moncrieff** had recently passed away after a long and reoccurring battle with cancer. His celebration of life is to be held at the Capital City Yacht Club in Sidney on **February 21 starting at 2:00 pm.**

NSRA Inspections for 2016:

Bill Campbell is willing to do vehicle inspections to obtain the NSRA Safety Sticker for 2016. Those who are interested should contact him and he will set up a date to do a bunch of them maybe one Saturday morning.

Annual Dues Review:

Discussion followed on the state of our current finances. The club barely draws sufficient funds to maintain a wash between our income and expenses on an annual basis. We have been dipping into our reserve bank balance to provide the extras that comes with enhancing the events we put on throughout the year. It is recommended by the executive that we consider a dues increase this year. After more comments and suggestions it was decided, by those in attendance this evening, that the annual dues should rise this year to \$50.00.

Motion: That the club dues for 2016 should be set at \$50.00, made by Ken Black, seconded by Bob Rivers. All in favour, none opposed --- carried.

An invoice letter indicating this change will be forwarded to our members shortly.
Paid up this evening are John Fleury, Bill Campbell, Ron Cain, Jim Cain, and Las Pickell

Guest Speakers for our meetings:

A couple of ideas for guest speakers were suggested for upcoming meetings. Greg Underwood from Brian Roberts Electric was suggested as well as Hugh Carroll from Waterless Engine Coolants. We will try and schedule these individuals if they are willing. Anyone having other ideas is asked to forward them to any one of the executive.

Possible Inter-club Activities:

During his door prize hunt, **Len Levere** happened to visit Sleggs Lumber Sales where he met manager **Jim Edwards**. When **Len** mentioned he was there representing our club, **Jim** was interested, as he is the president of the local Mustang Club of Victoria. He suggested that his club would be interested in doing something together with our club in the future. This is an idea worth exploring.

Buy and Sell:

Al Breen – is looking for headers for a flathead motor.

James Robinson – is looking for a 200 4R transmission

No other new business - Motion to adjourn made by **Len Levere** seconded by **Al Breen**
Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Upcoming Events in February:

**Sunday brunch: Sunday, February 7th at 10:30 am. at Spinnaker's Brew Pub,
308 Catherine St.**

**Garage Tour: Sunday February 21st at 9:30 am at Bob Paintons garage,
1037 Tillicum Rd.**

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 17, 2016 – 7:30 pm at the Victorian Seniors Res.