



## Meeting Minutes

### Okanagan British Car Club

*Held Monday Sep 25, 2023*

*Kelowna Golf and Country Club*

*Minutes Recorded by Graham Knight*

## PROCEEDINGS

*Meeting Called to order at 6:05pm by President Dennis Campbell, 29 Members in attendance.*

### President's address

- Dennis reminded everyone present that the Club does not pay for dinner so please ensure you settle your bill before leaving the building.
- Ian introduced his sister Marilyn from Vancouver joining us as a special guest.

### Reports

- Dennis gave a short summary on events that were held during the summer meeting break,
  - Some Club members attended the Vernon Cruise-In Car Show on July 9<sup>th</sup> this was in lieu of the Rally in the Valley event. The event is well organized and thanks to Nick, we had an area that was perfectly well shaded; members should consider adding this event to their calendar next year.
  - Our club joined with OECC from Kamloops recently on a run out to Merritt to view Peter/Cindy Ouimet's extensive car collection. The hosts were generous with their access and time; their cars, and the building housing the collection were outstanding; thanks go to Bev Kolosoff for organizing this event.
  - For the President's run this year, our club paid a visit to the KF Aerospace Centre for Excellence at Kelowna Airport July 22<sup>nd</sup> then on to Bertram Creek Park for lunch, finally Sun City Cherries for ice cream. The highlight of the KF tour was undoubtedly the photo opportunity of 17 British cars parked in front of a pristine de Havilland Mosquito. Thanks go out Dennis and Denise Campbell for organizing the day as well as to Chris Venning and the KF staff for an excellent visit; Chris is a guide at the Centre.
- Brent Warne reported on this year's Triumphfest meeting held in San Rafael, California. He drove his TR6 all the way there over 3,000 kilometers with very minor problems. He reported that there were over 150 cars there including a rare and pristine Triumph Italia.

- Graham Knight gave a brief Financial report; the Club is in excellent financial shape with a fairly balanced income/expenditure profile this year. The Club has 37 paid returning and 14 new memberships for a total of 51 this year.

**A 35-minute break at 6:45pm as dinner was served.**

### **General Discussion**

- Janet (not in attendance) sought feedback on the level of interest for holding an Off-Season Social meeting of some sort during the winter. The show of hands indicated that there is some interest in this.
- Tim Kolosoff reported attending the Annual Heritage Classic Car Show held in Langley in August to show his Jaguar; unfortunately, although it ran perfectly all the way there and won Best in Class and the Long-Distance award, it then decided it did not want to come home again and ended up coming home on a trailer.
- Patrick Saintsbury outlined an idea for an Event Support Vehicle for our club, this was inspired by a breakdown of one of the Kamloops Club vehicles on the way home from Merritt. Such a vehicle should naturally be of British origin and would need to include a trailer dolly as well. It would be fun to drive and would offer the members support should their “Precious” experience some mechanical issues. Patrick is trying to gauge club member support for both the restoration work involved and the club funding that will be required. Interested members should contact him for further details.
- Brent Warne discussed having another run of OBCC Car Badges made, the Club would have to purchase the badges and then resell them to members; we have a number of new members this year who may be interested. Motion was passed to spend approx. \$1,000 to have them made.
- Bill Sinclair attended the All Triumph Drive In held in Redmond. OR. He advised that 2024 this event will be hosted in Vernon, BC, July 26-28; given that this event is in our backyard, Bill stressed the importance of volunteers (no matter your make of car) needed to make the event a success; volunteers can sign up on the website. [2024\\_ATDI.pdf \(portlandtriumph.org\)](#)
- Paul Fotheringham discussed the upcoming car show at August Motorcars, Kelowna.

October 1, 2023

August Motorcars Presents: Revving For Our Heroes

Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 12:00PM – 3:00PM

We’re revving up to support our local heroes who’ve been fearlessly battling wildfires in our community. August Motorcars Presents: A car show initiative aimed at raising funds for our local first responders and beyond. Come out to see some amazing vehicles on display. Our showroom will be open to the public as well!

Car entry fee is \$100, Gen.Admission \$10 individual or \$30 Families, all proceeds to Charity. Contact Paul (250)808-5615 if you plan to attend.

- Chris Venning brought many diecast models of English vehicles; they are for sale at ½ price.

### **Future Meeting Dates**

- The next dinner meeting will be held on Monday Oct 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at KGCC; Please email Dennis Campbell ***campbelldennis45@gmail.com*** to confirm your attendance, this is important for KGCC to know for room size/catering purposes. This meeting will be our Annual General Meeting (AGM); as required by the BC Societies Act, we are obligated to elect a new Executive Board for the upcoming 2024 year. Nominations for the various Directors positions are needed; most critical is the position of President since Dennis will be retiring from this post at the end of this year. Please consider volunteering for any position; it is the volunteers that keep this Club functioning.
- Dennis has been canvassing for members to fill the position of President with a lack of success so far. He floated the concept of merging our Club into the Old English Car Club (OECC) as a District Chapter. This could be a less desirable path forward should we be unable to find volunteers to fill the Board positions.
- The winner of the 50/50 draw was Patrick Saintsbury.
- The Winner of the door prize was Judy Venning
- Terry spoke about getting the OBCC tent/banner displayed more in public ie at car shows and other events to raise awareness of our club particularly with younger people.
- Brent made a heartfelt speech that the Club is in great shape with new members and a healthy financial picture; but that we needed more action; instead of just suggesting ideas, take ownership and organize things; this is particularly true on events and runs.

***The meeting was adjourned at 8:06pm.***