

2019 Meeting Minutes

Okanagan British Car Club

Monday, August 12, 2019
Kelowna Golf & Country Club
Minutes by Secretary Denise Campbell

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm – meeting room bursting at the seams-38 people present

WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

John Risso – Kelowna (1950 Austin A40 pickup)

Kevin White – Kelowna (past member) added a gorgeous TR250 to his E-Jag and Healy 3000 stable.

GENERAL BUSINES

Review of recent events – a few members attended the Peach City Cruise in Penticton and there were 25+ cars at the President's Run and 52 people for lunch at the Campbell home. Thanks Brent for organizing the run. The leftover beer issue has since been resolved by our capable president.

Reminder that membership fees are due for 2019. **Advise prospective members** to go to the website at OBCC.ca and print off a new membership form if you have not already submitted one.

All members send payments via e-transfer (details on the website) or mail to OBCC c/o 482 Clifton Road North, Kelowna, BC, V1V 1H1

AUTOCROSS REPORT BY BRUCE STEVENSON

The Autocross in Kelowna is doing well. There is less attendance in Vernon. The College parking lot is no longer available for the runs and we are hoping that the University will approve the use of theirs. Autocross is important as funds go to the OBCC. We thank Bruce for his dedication to running the Autocross.

DIRECTORS REPORT

South Director – Les Brough

Les chatted about a visit to Area 27. Les also mentioned that he is working on the car run after the Rally in the Valley event. Brian Woods gave us some good info about being able to view Area 27 from a nearby hillside.

Central Director – Gary Stoutenburg

Gary said that the website is current with information. As many members are retired, Gary asked for feedback on doing a weekday breakfast/lunch run and a few hands went up. Also, members are welcome to arrange a breakfast/lunch/ice-cream run at any time. Just let him know so that he can send out a group email to everyone.

North Director – John Gallant

John had no report from the North, John is now 'between British Cars', as he has sold his Mini and has 'gone green' with a Hybrid SUV.

Past President – Brent Warne

Brent mentioned that it is nomination time for new directors and with a larger number of members now that we need some new blood to help run the club. It is a very easy job on all counts as the club only runs May-October. Many hands make for light work!

TREASURER'S REPORT BY DONNA STEVENSON

Donna reported that we have \$13,243.07 in our bank account.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Dennis that he is very pleased that the club is growing, and we now has 55 members,(over 100 people as members!)
- Dennis asked John Rizzo our newest member from Kelowna to talk about his Austin A40 pickup that he has owned since 1970 that he uses on the farm. He had acquired 4 more since this one but is now down to 2. Brian Woods now has modified one of John's Austin pickups on a Chevy S10 Chassis, proving that you really should not kill a British car.
- Dennis asked Kevin White, a past member who just rejoined again to talk about his recent purchase of a TR 250. Kevin told a very interesting and convoluted story about his partner's ex-husband's father- in- law (or something like that) culminating in the purchase of a spectacular Triumph TR250.

Dinner break at 6:45-7:20 pm

PRESIDENT'S REPORT CONT'D

- Rally in the Valley, the club's traditional event since 1993 is coming up on Sunday, August 24 from 11-3 pm.
- People can just show up any time after 10 am. He announced that members will get in for free and non-members will pay \$20. The Kamloops Club has been invited. Discussions were made on where to have dinner after the run and will be announced soon. (Since decided that the run will culminate at the Summerland Yacht Club.)

The following are the scheduled meeting/event dates

Monday, September 16, 6:00 pm at the KGCC.

Wednesday, October 23 - 6:00 pm at the KGCC. (Annual General Meeting)

UPCOMING EVENTS

McCurdy Car Show and Shine Every Wednesday through the summer

Park your car anywhere starting at 5 pm- 8 pm. No fee. Bring your chairs to hang out or go for dinner and enjoy a social evening.

Westside Days, West Kelowna every Friday evening

Just show up and park your car in the Lordco parking lot.

A & W Show for MS Capri Parking Lot Kelowna, Thursday, August 22

Any make of car welcome and no fee to attend. Contact Bill Sinclair for details.

Rally in the Valley, Peachland Saturday, August 24

This year it will be a show from 11-3 followed by a scenic and always interesting drive to the Summerland Yacht Club for dinner.

Brits invade Kaslo, Sunday, Sept 8

Only British cars held behind the Kaslo Hotel lakeside parking lot.

All Triumph Drive In, Penticton Friday, Sept 20 – Sunday, Sept 22

Largest Triumph event in Western North American. See their website for details. Most of our Triumph members are registered.

MEMBER ITEMS

Brent said that we all need to come up with a nomination for "Member of the Year" and it cannot be any previous recipient or the sitting President. Nominations will be accepted until the last meeting in September. Trophy will be presented at the AGM in October.

Bill announced that Stacey had his MGA featured in the British 'MGA Experience' magazine. Congratulations to Stacey! Bill Sinclair and 'Naughty Girl' were also previously featured in 'Triumph World' magazine. Bill suggested that our members should be proud that our club is now known around the world.

Stacey donated a 'make MG great again' hat and wall plaque in honor of his achievement. John Ward fought off all contenders for the hat and Neil Findlay reluctantly received the MGA wall plaque. Vivienne Findlay was not impressed.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:54 pm