

# Timber Cruisers Car Club Meeting

## September 12, 2023

### Attendees

Allen & Cathy Brogiotti	Alan & Paula Fong	Steve & Karen Edmonds
Richard & Debby Comstock	Ed & Dixie Lund	Arlan & Mary Ann Miesner
Don & Christine McLean	Mike Howard	John & Virginia Lackey
Deb Rife	Dave & Tana McClay	Margarette Craig
Jeremy Haladyna	Daniel Arroyo-Valenzuela	Jim & Sally Coxen
Loyd Hoke	Steve & Kathy Oliver	

### Call to Order

President, Richard Comstock, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. He asked members to move their chairs forward to help deal with the difficulty many experience in hearing. Don McLean led the way!

### Minutes

Steve Oliver moved and Daniel seconded to approve the minutes as presented. **The motion passed.**

### Financial Report

Treasurer, Paula Fong, reported that the Club's bank balance is \$9036.62. She said all bills are paid including our payment to the food bank.

### Old Business

Richard shared that many of our club members have won awards at area car shows this summer. Ed Lund won Best of Show in Union, Steve and Karen Edmonds won Best of Show in Joseph and also an best car award at Ocean Park where there were over 800 cars. Allen Brogiotti won Best of Show at BiMart. Congratulations to all!

### New Business

Jim Coxen announced that our next dinner cruise will be this Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, to North Powder. We will meet at the truck stop to leave at 5:00. He added that a woman who brought an MG to the BiMart car show will be our waitress in North Powder.

Don McLean shared that he has purchased a "new" car – a 1928 Willy's Whippet.

Jim said that Hermiston is going to be celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the release of the movie "American Grafitti" on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. They are trying to duplicate the cars that were in the movie. Daltons will be taking their Thunderbird. There will be a cruise in to the theater with food and drinks. The movie will be shown at 10:00 and 2:00.

There will also be a car show in Baker on the 23<sup>rd</sup> as a fund raiser for a splash pad in the park. Tri-Cities is sponsoring a Power in the Park car show this Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup>. Our Club presents a trophy at this show.

Virginia shared that the Rusty Wheels Car Club is having a “Cruise the Valley” also this Saturday starting at the Extension Center in Island City at 10:00am. They will have pulled pork sandwiches and drinks, 2 poker draws.

She said each participant is given an envelope of instructions geared to the type of car they are driving. She said it was lots of fun. Please let her know by Thursday if you wish to attend.

Richard said that he would like to have the Club revise the way we elect officers. We would like to have nominations made and a paper ballot for voting. By a show of hands, most members agreed that a change would be good. We will have more details upcoming. Richard said he would like to have nominations by the November meeting.

Mary Ann shared that she has been investigating the possibility of having our club attain non-profit status which would make us eligible to receive money from the county. John Lackey said that we need to have professional help to know exactly what this would entail and how much it would cost. Jim asked if that would mean we would be subject to tax audits. Don said that we would have to file a tax return. Dixie wondered if it would be necessary since we have such a large balance in our bank account.

Dave McClay made a motion to get professional input to pursue non-profit status. Mary Ann seconded and the **motion passed.**

## **Car Show**

Arlan explained the car show advertising in the Yellow Book which is sent to car clubs throughout the northwest. He said having the car show listed is free, but asked if we wanted to buy either a ¼ page add for \$355 or a ½ page add for \$495. Deb Rife moved and Daniel seconded to buy the ½ page add. **The motion passed.**

Arlan said that we also advertise in the Northwest Classic Auto Mall which does an email “blast” two times for \$10. He felt that this advertising was the reason we had about 60 more cars this year than last.

Arlan explained that his grandson, Kenrik Neustel, had taken pictures at our car show which have been posted on the Web. He did not ask to be paid, but Arlan would like the Club to buy him a \$100 gift card for Ace Hardware. **A motion was made and passed** to buy the gift card.

Arlan also shared that our mayor, Justin Rock, will be at our car show next summer and has agreed to give an award. Arlan felt that we should add a Rat Rod category for this award. Dave moved and Don seconded a motion to add this category. **The motion passed.**

Jim Coxen told us about the Friday night cruise at the Lewiston car show. He said that many restaurants and pubs served food and drinks on the sidewalks which helped to draw people downtown to watch the cars. Mary Ann said that we have decided to do our Poker Cruise on Friday night and keep the Cruise for Cash on Saturday.

## **Good of the Order**

Daniel will be in charge of the EOU homecoming parade registrations for our club. He said the parade is on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup> with line up at 4:30 at Fourth and Adams. Please contact Daniel if you wish to participate.

Richard shared some upcoming events which include:

- Gathering at Goss Motors – October 14<sup>th</sup>
- Trick or Treat downtown on Halloween
- Veterans Parade
- Christmas parade in LaGrande
- Christmas parade in Elgin

Jim is offering to make calendars again this year. He said that he has the camera and “calendar girls” ready, so if you’re interested in having a calendar made, please contact him.

### **Adjourn**

There being no further business, Richard adjourned the meeting at 7:10.

**Our next meeting will be October 10<sup>th</sup> at Cock n Bull Restaurant – dinner at 5:00 and meeting at 6:00.**