



Newsletter



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

March 2011



Bus Trip and Wild About Wheels are the up-and-coming events for March, so plan on attending if you can. As you may or may not know, the bus tour to Bowman was canceled in January due to bad weather and road closure. Now we are going on the 5th of March and we have even more people signed up. Thanks to Don Ladner, Don Tucker, and me, for chipping in \$100 to help make the trip a success. We are getting some pretty nice 'snacks' for the trip. No one will go hungry anyway!

Wild-About Wheels show will be move in on the 18th of March with the show starting on the 19th and ending on the 20th. Anytime after 9 or 10 am we will be accepting cars. Thanks to Jason Bratvold for letting Warren use his scooter for lining up the cars in buildings, and thanks to Warren for the car line-up assistance. Warren always puts a little 'twist' on things at the show. Myself and Jerry Black are in charge of the show as far as the Cruisers go, so the only thing we ask is that if you are willing to donate an hour or two to help at the club booth, that would be appreciated. Call and we'll get you a time that is convenient for you. Thanks in advance to Dean at the Homesteaders Restaurant for providing the chili for the Friday lunch that set-up day!

The snowmobile & Motorcycle auction I was planning on holding in conjunction with this show has been cancelled. Now I can work on my auction in Hazen and start on Devils Run Auction in June.

We hope to have some interesting Wednesday night activities this year. Assisted living and nursing home visits will be at a minimum. We will be leaving earlier this year; however...we will be leaving at 6:30 from Hardees instead of 7. Better to go a bit earlier. If you are late or can't make the 6:30 depart, you can always call the 'hotline' to see where we are headed. (852-KARS (5277)).

The 1956 project with the kids is really coming along well. The body has been placed on the frame, the car is all painted and cut and buffed. It is blue and white and it looks pretty darned good! Three kids are involved so far and I would imagine that will be all, but more are certainly welcomed at any time. So if you have a child (10-15 range) or grandchild that would like to see how a car is assembled, give me a call, and the schedule for this will be made available to help.

Well, as you can see, things will be getting busy for the summer. Please free up your Wednesday evenings for some family fun and let's go Cruis'n together.

George

If anybody would like to be featured (or knows somebody who would) in the Member's Spotlight Section of the Newsletter, please toss me an email (ladytech@live.com) or find me at one of the meetings. I promise, the interviews are realitively painless. =D

Also, let me know if you have anything you want to put in the newsletter (e.g. For Sale, Events, Jokes, Various Car shows or pictures, ect).

Kaekilia

Newsletter Editor

Minutes of Dakota Cruisers General Meeting

February 2, 2011

Vegas Motel

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order by President George Masters at 7:30 PM.

Board members present: George Masters, Jerry Black, Joanne Larson, Larry Haug, Randy Hysjulien, Bob Larson, Greg Olson, Doug Frazier, and Betty Trzpuc.

New members and guests were welcomed. Forty five people were present.

Minutes of Last Meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented.

Treasure's Report:

The Treasure's report was approved as presented.

Committee Reports:

- Wild about Wheels (George Masters-Jerry Black) is set for March 19th and 20th. Move in day is March 18th and the chili will be donated by the Homesteaders Restaurant and also sub sandwiches will be available for Friday's lunch.
- State Fair Collector Car Show (Bob Larson) no report.
- Motor Magic-(Larry Haug-Greg Olson) Larry stated the SIDNE go cart has been reserved for the event. The committee is considering having a van or two for the kids paint on. A live band will be playing Saturday night at The Flickertail Gardens.
- Season Finale- (Randy Hysjulien-Doug Frazier) Randy announced the registration flyers are almost complete. The Board is checking out bands for the event, with one of them being Past Due out of Fargo. Rooms have been reserved at the Vegas.
- Christmas Party (Joanne Larson-Linda Black) will be December 10th at the Grand International.

Old Business:

- Raffle tickets-are in the printing process which we can begin selling on March 17th. The prizes and sponsors are: a new crate motor donated by Ryan Chevrolet, a remote car starter with installation donated by Minot Chrysler Center, and a set of tires donated by Tires Plus.
- Garage Tour to Bowman- which was scheduled for January 29th was cancelled due to the weather and road conditions. It will be re-scheduled, probably March 5th or 12th.
- Thank You Card- a thank you card received from PATH for the Christmas donation was read.

New Business:

- NDSRA Christmas Party- the Dakota Cruisers will be hosting the NDSRA Christmas Party in January 2012. George stated it usually is held the second or third weekend in January and they charge \$12.00 for the meal. Doug Frazier volunteered to chair this event and is recruiting Dave Alberts to co-chair.
- Buns for Burger Burns- M+H Gas will donate the buns for our burger burns this year.
- NSRA Fellow Pages-Gary Schaefer will be in charge of the NSRA Fellow Pages which is a national directory that lists all the people willing to help you out if you are traveling and have car trouble. Please see Gary if you would like your name added or deleted which will be submitted at the end of February.
- United Way Pedal Cars-United Way will be selling pedal cars to organizations to paint and they will be auctioned off at Motor Magic. All proceeds will go to United Way. The Board voted to purchase a pedal car. Greg Olson stated he will paint the car but does not do airbrushing.
- House Bill 1442- this bill is being presented to see that all vehicles are equipped properly for safe use, but several of the provisions would affect restored vehicles and street rods. Please call or e-mail your representative with your thoughts on this bill. George and several other members have contacted Dan Ruby to kill the bill. Bob stated you can go to www.bismarcktribune.com to find information on the Legislative session.
- Annual Dues- please pay your annual dues ASAP.
- Sound System- Rhonda Lorenz will take over the responsibility of the sound system at events and meetings.
- Poster Board- Ray Webb put together a display of pictures in memory of Dave Boen which was displayed at the meeting. Thanks Ray!
- Souris Valley Animal Shelter- Marlan St. Croix encouraged members to donate to the animal shelter and for \$20.00 a month you can sponsor a pet.

Announcements:

- February 23rd is the next Board meeting.
- March 2nd is the next general meeting.
- Check website for other events.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Trzruc, Secretary

Minutes of Dakota Cruisers Board Meeting

February 23, 2011

Hardees

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President George Masters at 6:30 PM.

Board members present: George Masters, Jerry Black, Larry Haug, Randy Hysjulien, Bob Larson, Joanne Larson, and Doug Frazier. Betty Trzpuc and Greg Olson were excused.

Ray Webb and Dave Alberts were also in attendance.

Minutes of Last Meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented on the website.

Treasure's Report:

The Treasure's report was approved as presented.

Committee Reports:

- **Wild About Wheels:** Move in date is 18 March starting at 10. Motorcycle/Snowmobile Auction has been cancelled. Chile will be provided by Dean Aberle owner of Homesteaders. Workers are still needed for all shifts/days.
- **State Fair Classic Car Show:** Entertainment has been signed for Wednesday night but the fair has not publicly released the name yet.
- **Motor Magic:** A theme for this years special vehicle area is being discussed. Van painting and SIDNE (impaired go-kart) will be part of the entertainment.
- **Season Finale:** A motion was made by Doug Frazier and seconded by Bob Larson to buy 2 reams of paper and ink for George to print the Season Finale registration sheets. Cost of printing a single color sheet is .25 at local printers. Discussion on getting another band since Firehouse is booked that weekend. Randy directed to contact The Dreamer Band for availability and cost and if available request booking them. Randy is to contact Carrie at the Vegas to ensure they hire a Karaoke person for Saturday night.

Raffle Tickets will be available for sale on 17 March, 5000 have been ordered.

Old Business:

- Winter Garage Tour to Bowman has been rescheduled for 5 March, Jerry Black has 22 folks signed up at this time. It will be promoted at the monthly meeting on 2 March.
- Car of the Year Banner is being printed with suggested changes.
- NDSRA Christmas Party was discussed, a motion was made by Doug Frazier and seconded by Joanne Larson to have the party on 14 January at the Grand International Inn. Committee members Dave Albert and Doug Frazier will be checking on prizes and ideas for the banquet.

New Business:

- Discussion on providing our grill and cook to the Velva Golf Course during the Wednesday Cruise resulted in Dave Alberts asked to talk with the manager about reimbursing the club \$75 for mileage and propane usage if we bring our grill.
- Rich from the Boys Ranch had approached Larry Haug about the Dakota Cruisers supporting their motorcycle fun run in the future. It will be announced and members will be made aware of it when a date is finalized.
- We will have a Wednesday evening cruise to the Gun Range this year with a presentation by the Bomb Squad after supper.
- Wednesday outings to the assisted living centers will be reduced this year, at this time we only have one scheduled.
- Rental fee for inside storage of the balance beam was discussed, George will get with Andy Thurston to determine the yearly fee.
- New safety inspectors for the club will be Rod Krause and Doug Frazier. Shirts will be ordered to designate these special folks and the great job they do for the members and club.
- Dave Alberts suggested moving the start time of our Wednesday Cruises from 7 to 6:30. All agreed we would try the new time this summer.

Announcements:

- General meeting will be 2 March, 7:30 at the Vegas.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Randy Hysjulien

Help **Kill** Bill 1442!!

Introduced by Representatives Dan Ruby, Edmund Gruchalla

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-21-45.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to modification of motor vehicles.

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 39-21-45.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

39-21-45.1. Modification of motor vehicle.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person may not operate upon a public highway a motor vehicle of a type required to be registered under the laws of this state with a weight of ~~seven thousand pounds~~ 16,000 pounds or less with alterations or changes from the manufacturer's original design of the suspension, steering, or braking system of the motor vehicle. ~~The weight must be computed on the basis of the unmodified and unloaded weight of the motor vehicle and without regard to any ballast that may be placed in the vehicle.~~

2. An inspection certificate from the department or highway patrol is required after the completion of all modifications before the motor vehicle with vehicle modifications from the manufacturer's original design of the suspension, steering, or braking systems may be registered.

3. As to bumpers, motor vehicle height, tires, and ~~permitted modifications~~ fenders, the following requirements also apply:

a. The motor vehicle must be equipped with front and rear bumpers.

b. The maximum body height permitted for the motor vehicle is forty-two inches. Measurement of body height is made from a level ground surface to the floor of the cargo area. Air or hydraulic suspension systems used to change body height may not be actuated while the vehicle is in motion. The vehicle body must maintain a generally level stance and body and bumper heights referred to in this subsection must be maintained while the vehicle is in motion.

c. The maximum bumper height permitted is 27 inches. Measurement of bumper height is made from a level ground surface to the highest point on the bottom of the bumper.

d. The vehicle may be modified in accordance with the following:

(1) Any modifying equipment must meet specialty equipment marketing association standards or federal motor vehicle safety standards.

(2) If tires placed on a motor vehicle have a diameter greater than that of the tires on the motor vehicle as manufactured, those tires must comply with ~~department of transportation requirements~~ federal motor vehicle safety standards.

(3) The maximum outside diameter permitted for tires is forty-four inches

(4) A horizontal drop bumper may be used to comply with the bumper height requirement of subsection 3. The horizontal bumper must:

(1) Be at least three inches in vertical width;

(2) Extend the entire horizontal body width; and

(3) Be horizontal, load bearing, and attached to the vehicle frame to effectively transfer impact when engaged.

(5) The maximum lift permitted in the suspension system is four inches

e. A part of a motor vehicle must not extend below the lowest part of a wheel rim except tires and electric grounding devices designed for that purpose.

f. All wheels and tires must be equipped with fenders designed to cover the entire tread width. Tread width is the portion of the tire that generally makes contact with the road surface. Fenders must cover the entire tread circumference from at least fifteen degrees in front, to at least seventy - five degrees to the rear, measured from the vertical centerline at each wheel.

g. A person charged with violating this section has the burden of proceeding to show that the modifications are permitted under this section.

h. Vehicles owned by law enforcement agencies, the military, firefighting agencies, and ambulances may be modified without regard to this section.

4. The director may adopt rules to implement this section.

As of February 25th, the bill passed (there were 59 YEAS to 34 NAYS). The bill now goes to the Senate for hearing, potential amendment, floor vote (pass or defeat), and Governor action.

The bill now does two things: 1) changes application of NDCC 39-21-45.1 from “weight of 7,000 lbs.” to “16,000 registered gross weight” or 8,000 actual gross weight; and 2) calls for an interim legislative study of “regulations of drivers and of motor vehicles in NDCC...”

The Street Rod exemption of NDCC 39-21-52 is not effected by HB 1442 but only applies to pre-1949 vehicles so any vehicle under 8,000 lbs. would be subject to NDCC 39-21-45.1 (bumpers, tires, lift, etc.).

Now , here’s how you can help stop the bill from passing:

There are two ways to prevent passage of a bill.

- One is by directly lobbying either the representatives or their constituents, presenting opposing views and possible negative ramifications of the plan or policy.

- The second is by securing the aid of the other branches of government : the executive and/or the judiciary.

Depending on the power of the Governor in the state, he could influence the bill or even veto it once it is passed. The judicial branch may have reason to influence the bill if it appears to contravene existing precedent or the state constitution. Often it will require that a bill be passed before its constitutionality is determined, but judges sometimes will express opinions that sway the eventual form of legislation.

Contacting Governor Jack Dalrymple:

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<http://governor.nd.gov/contact-us>**

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701-328-2200

CLASSIFIEDS

Updates from Stan Orness:

Devils Run info and entry forms can be had by going to www.greaterdakotaclassics.com.

For more information, check out www.greaterdakotaclassics.com

I have heated storage available for classic cars for the winter months. The charge is \$250.00 for 6 months. Location in Southwest Minot.

Contact Norm Hoiland at 720-1989 or 838-5725.

Thanks.

For sale: 1956 Ford 292 complete engine. \$150.00

Don Swanson 720-5342

Needed, two or three members interested in helping with NSRA Vehicle Safety Inspections for 2011.

Contact: Dave Alberts 838-4309

George Masters 852-5010

If anyone has an ad they would like placed here, please send an email to ladymech@live.com or talk to George or Kaekilia.

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Fun and Games!

How to Play Sudoku

There is only one rule:

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 thru 9.

When you fill all the grid right, Congratulations!!! You win the game!!!

9								
	1				3		7	
4	2			6				
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		5	7		1			
			8					
		7					1	
				2				4

Can you find the 10 objects below in the picture?



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MARCH

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2 <i>Meeting at the Vegas</i>	3	4 <i>Noon Luncheon</i>	5 <i>Winter Bus Trip to Bowman with stops in Dickinson and Richardton</i>
6	7	8	9 <i>Hardee's Night</i>	10 <i>Boise Roadster Show</i>	11 <i>Noon Luncheon</i> <i>Boise Roadster Show</i>	12 <i>Boise Roadster Show</i>
13 <i>Boise Roadster Show</i>	14	15	16 <i>Hardee's Night</i>	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	18 <i>Noon Luncheon</i>	19 <i>Wild About Wheels Car Show</i>
20 <i>Wild About Wheels Car Show</i>	21	22	23 <i>Hardee's Night</i>	24	25 <i>Noon Luncheon</i> <i>World of Wheels</i>	26 <i>World of Wheels</i>
27 <i>World of Wheels</i>	28	29	30 <i>Hardee's Night Board Meeting</i>			

Send up-coming events and dates to George at gem@min.midco.net or to Kaekilia at ladytech@live.com

Look for more events online at www.dakotacruiser.com/calendar.shtml !

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Next General Meetings at the Vegas:

March 2, 2011 | April 6, 2011