

DAKOTA CRUISERS



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

January 2015

“SHIFT’N GEARS FOR 20 YEARS”



Well, by the time you get this it will be 2015! I hope you had a great Christmas and New Year. This year of 2015 is going to be another banner year for the club! We already have some new things in “the works”! Wait till February?????? The January meeting will be held on the 7th at the Vegas Motel. As usual, it starts at 7:30 PM. There is also a Board meeting that evening at 6:30 at the same place. Then on the 20th of Jan. in Bismarck, the annual NDSRA meeting will be held at the Comfort Inn. Each year the meeting moves around, and this one it is held there. I think we will be hosting this event in Minot in just a few years. (I have to check!) This coming year (for two years) I will become the President of the organization. Should be fun! Car update: The Mark II is almost done. I am doing a tune-up and oil change on the ol’ girl and then it will go to a show or two! The 52 MG TD is in Lake Park, MN getting all put together. Yesterday the team at Midwest Rod & Custom got the car running for the first time in over 20 years. They had an oil pressure issue with it being too low, but with a little ingenuity, shimmed the spring of the oil pump and pressure went from 20 lbs. to 40! It’s on You-Tube and I got to see the video of it running! That was really neat. Christmas party was a fun time. Those that went got a surprise envelope that evening! Of the \$50 they spent per couple, \$40 of it was returned! It was the Board’s way of saying Merry Christmas to all of the Cruiser members attending this event. Cost of the evening became only \$5.00 per person. I wanted to thank Lynn Amundson and Sue Hamilton for heading up one of the Best! Thanks Ladies. The Club 20th Anniversary quilt did well – bringing in at the live auction right at \$700 for the Cruisers. It is now hung out at the Clubhouse in its new home! Thanks Lisa Krebsbach for

doing a great job on the quilt. Friday lunches continue to be a big hit for about 12 to 15 members. We usually go to a restaurant for this activity, so if you would like to join us you are always welcome. Also, the “ideal” Friday lunch is at someone’s garage or shop, so if you want to host one of these, call me and we’ll get setup for one of the Fridays in the coming year! Well, that’s all for now. Happy New Year and this might be the year you say: “2015 is the year to get involved in the Dakota Cruisers!!!”

See ya soon,

George



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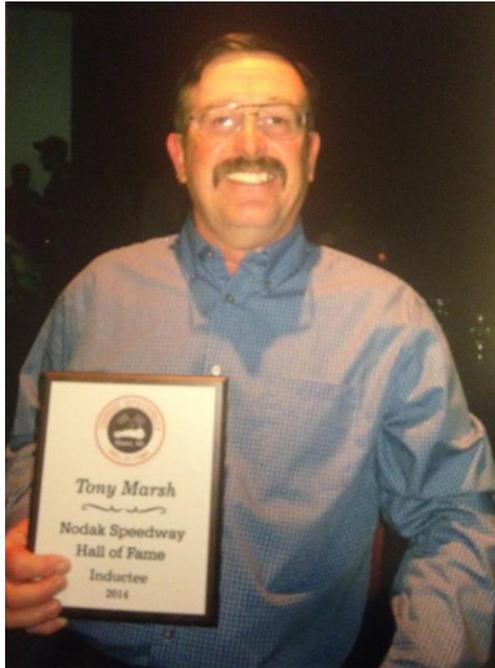
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A great honor is bestowed upon one of our members:

Tony Marsh has been chosen to be one of the 2014 inductee for the Nodak Racing Hall of Fame. (As written in the Nodak Racing Bulletin) He is of the most successful drivers in the history of the Nodak Race Club. Tony's career was full of victories, championships, and sometimes controversy. 1976 would be Tony's first championship, followed by two more titles in 1980 and 1981 in the Street Stock class. In 1986 he won the season championship in another class, the Dakota Modified division. Later, Tony would grab the headlines of many Minot Daily News Sport pages of 1980's, since he won the majority of those weekly feature races. Tony continued to drive the familiar white numbered 80 machine from Velva, well into the early 1990's, when he initially decided to go into retirement. He became active again on the track in the 2000's briefly. He raced at the Geographical Speedway and a few other venues until his final retirement.

Tony has raced in an era when track records and results were not saved permanently as we do now. If they were, it is believed that Tony's true track records would be much higher than previously thought.

Tony was known as an astute competitor who could drive as hard as he needed to put himself into victory lane. Sometimes his hard drive caused many of the drivers and fans to either love him or develop a strong dislike of him. In spite of all this attention, Tony still managed to stay focused and acquire four championships making him one of the most successful Nodak Speedway drivers of all time. Tony also has the unique honor of whose very active fan club members who would not only create and post banners but also were very vocal in the stands at every weekly Nodak race.

**Minutes of the Dakota Cruisers General Meeting
December 3, 2014
The Vegas**

Call to Order:

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

Board members present were George Masters, Jerry Black, Dave Alberts, Roger Lee, Doug Frazier, Joanne Larson, Rita Webb, Lynn Amundson, and Ron Penfold.

Welcome to all members and guests. 59 people present.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

Committee Reports

- Christmas Party December 13, Grand Hotel - Lynn Amundson & Sue Hamilton. The cost of the Christmas party is \$25 per person until December 10. After December 10 the cost will be \$30 per person.
- Motor Magic - Roger and George attended the meeting December 2, 2014. The flat track is adding a Burn Out, and Wheel Stand. There will be a model airplane display and Robs Dyno.

Old Business

- The Dakota Cruiser 20th Year Anniversary quilt will be auctioned off at the Christmas party. The bidding will open at \$200 and increase in \$20 increments. Only Dakota Cruiser members are eligible to bid.

New Business

- The Board reviewed moving the general meeting time to 7:00 pm. After discussion it was decided to leave the meeting time at 7:30 pm.
- 2015 T- shirts and sweatshirts should arrive in time for sales at the Christmas party.
- NDSRA Annual meeting January 17 2015 – Remember to vote for Minot's Dakota Cruisers Season Finale pick Ken & Lynn Amundson's 1957 Ford Del Rio. Mail in your vote or vote on line at NDSRA.com if you are a registered member.
- Winter Activity – If you would like to help plan and put together a winter club activity please contact any of the board members.
- Drawings for three \$20 gift cards for Primo restaurant. Winners Lynn Amundson, Rita Webb, and Linda Black.
- Special "Thanks" to Rita Webb and Doug Frazier, outgoing board members, for their service.

Friday, December 5 Lunch is at Montana Mike's 11:15am

Christmas Party – December 13, The Grand, Social Hour 6:00 pm

No Dakota Cruisers gathering December 24, 2014

Next Board Meeting – January 7, 2015 The Vegas 6:30 pm

Next General Meeting – January 7, 2015 The Vegas 7:30 pm

Call hotline (852-KARS) or check the website for updates and other events.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Amundson, Secretary

Calendar of Events

January 2015

- January 1** Happy New Year
- January 2** Noon lunch call the Hotline
- January 7** Meeting at the Vegas - 7:30 p.m.
- January 9** Noon lunch call the Hotline
- January 14** Wednesday night cruise to Hardees South
- January 16** Noon lunch call the Hotline
- January 17** [Annual NDSRA Meeting/Garage Tour/Christmas Party](#) - Bismarck, ND
- January 21** Wednesday night cruise to Hardees South
- January 23** Noon lunch call the Hotline
- January 28** Wednesday night cruise to Hardees South - Board meeting
- January 30** Noon lunch call the Hotline
- January 31** Winter Wheels Car Show, Jamestown, ND - 701-320-4246

HELP REQUESTED:

WANTED: I am looking a space to begin "prepping" (body work) for our 65 Olds Vista Cruiser. Either looking for a spot for a few months to work on it and leave it there, or I can remove it from the shop when I am done with a section, etc. All I need in the shop is good lighting, of course heat, and an air compressor to handle air tools. And of course the shop can be locked and secured. I am willing to pay a reasonable monthly rental fee. I will supply my own tools etc. Please give me a call if you can assist me. Thanx! Rod Krause 720-9227.

Can you help Rusty?

He is trying to find a particular car that he heard may be up in our area. The car was his son's in high school. This car is a 1975 Trans Am -- silver with a 70 to 73 front end on it. Auto, 400, black interior, he does not remember the rims but they were aftermarket. Have you seen this car? He is just trying to keep track of it in case his son might want it back. Thanks in advance for any help. -Rusty

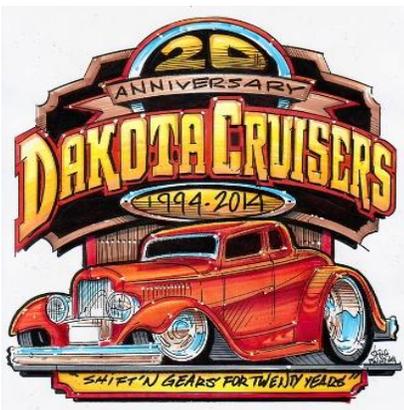
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Next General Meetings at the
Vegas:
Jan 7th & Feb 4th 2015