

# DAKOTA CRUISERS



## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

May 2014

“SHIFT’N GEARS FOR 20 YEARS”



Well, the hot thing today and for May is that we are going to start "CRUISING!!! May 17th at 9 am we will be going on our cruise to the home/ Bed & Breakfast of the Myers family in Williston. We have a special road to take to avoid construction and truck traffic and delays. We will be meeting at Hardees on S. Broadway between 8:30 and 8:45 and leaving precisely at 9 am. Yup 9 am! We will cruise together to the B & B to see a wonderful collection of Fords---Mustangs, drag cars and something really special. It is scheduled to be a nice day (I have connections), but we go rain or shine on this one. Lunch will be provided for all. We do need a head count, so please let us know if you will be coming.

I see lots of you wearing your new club jackets. I think they look really nice. We will be placing another order soon, when all of our out of state buddies return, so if you do want one, just let me know and I will order it!

The web site has been updated and tailored for Sheri to manage it in a fine manner---as always. We just needed some administrative work to be done, and that has been taken care of, so it should be good for a long time!

There will be a Collector Car Auction in Crosby on the 17th also. I am not involved with it, but if you would want info on it, contact me at 701-240-6771. Also, I am holding my Collector Car Auction in conjunction with the Devils Run. As of this writing, I have about 30 cars and trucks consigned. Twenty one are listed, with more pictures coming every day! Check it out at: [www.masternd.com](http://www.masternd.com). Call me if you want info on that or and Devils Run activity. Devils Run is one of the season 'kick-off' events out of town, and it is one of the BEST!!!

The weekend after that is Clastiques Rod Run in Bismarck, and the following day (Sunday), is Buggies and Blues in Mandan. Some caravan to that or both of those events.

Car update: Well, Jerry and I finished the 57 Chevy and I showed it at the Toppers Car show in Fargo last month. The Nomad is well under way and coming along nicely. The Mark II---good news was that there is very little rust in the car. Two spots at bottom of front fenders, a few dents along the way, and passengers door had some bondo in it to be removed and corrected correctly! The MG is just on hold for now, so more later on that.

Busy and short summer month should have you doing a lot of fun things with your car or truck. We have to enjoy these nice days and evenings while we have the. I talk to guys and gals in the "Southern hemisphere" (AKA Arizona, Florida and Texas) and they have car events every weekend, some every week night and others that meet for coffee every morning. WOW, sometimes I ask myself if I could handle that! Maybe someday!

All for now. Get involved and lets have some good cruising times this summer. They say it, and I hear it all of the time, but LIFE IS SHORT!!!

George  
"Shift'n Gears (as your President) for Twenty Years"

# Announcements

Cruiser news: Congrats to Ron Boen picture in Goodguys mag May 2014 issue page 108. Keep it clean, no Arizona dust. See another picture of Ron Boen's car on page 130/131 same issue. Ron Bohn pictures in Goodguys magazine were taken last year event, just added to the magazine.

Cruiser News: Wes Rydell (Grand Forks) wins Americas Most Beautiful Roadster Award at 65th Grand National Roadster Show in Pomona.

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## Minutes of the Dakota Cruisers General Meeting

April 2, 2014

Vegas Motel

### 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, Rita Webb, Roger Lee, Doug Frazier, Joanne Larson, and Lynn Amundson.

Welcome to all members and guests. 61 in attendance

### Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented.

### Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

### Committee Reports

- Season Finale September 12, 13, & 14 - Board members are chairing the event. The board is asking club members to sign up and help out on a committee.
- Christmas Party December 13, Grand Hotel - Lynn Amundson & Sue Hamilton
- Motor Magic August 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> - Committee Chair Ron Penfold. The next meeting is Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Raffle Tickets

- Dave Alberts Committee Chair - The raffle tickets have arrived and are ready for pick up. The club is once again asking each member to buy or sell at least one book of tickets. The club member who sells the largest number of books will receive free admission to the Christmas party. Dave has a sign-up sheet for selling tickets at Devils Run. Please let him know if you can work a two hour shift.

### Old Business

- 20 Year Anniversary jackets- The jackets have arrived. Please contact George for jacket pick up.
- Quilt Update Lisa Krebsbach – The quilt was on display at tonight’s meeting. Lisa did an amazing job. The stitching design on the quilt is hot rods. The backing is a Route 66 theme. The quilt will be auctioned off at the Christmas party. Thanks again, Lisa!
- Summer BBQ Runs- The club is asking for six volunteers per month to sign up and help with set up, clean up, coolers, and pop. There are two cook outs per month. We are still in need of volunteers to fill the open dates for May, July, and August.  
May-  
June - Joe & Dennis Uhrmacher, Curt Yuly  
July-  
August – Greg & Cara Olson
- Web site updates - Please send photos and profiles to Sheri Saltveit. People like reading about members car experiences, and we would like to be updating the website information on a regular basis.

### New Business

- Cars of the Year – Nominations will start in August and end at the general meeting in September. Voting will be held at the September meeting. If your car is nominated we would like to have a photo to display the night of voting. The two categories are: 63 & older and 64 & newer. If you are going to nominate a car, please check with the owner to make sure they are willing to accept. The Cars of the Year do have to make a commitment to display at the shows we participate in.
- Presidents Spring Cruise – We are cruising to Myers B & B in the Williston area. The date is May 17<sup>th</sup>. If you plan on going please contact Jerry Black. The Myers’ are providing us with a lunch so they need a head count.
- All Dakota Cruiser events and sale of clothing, and raffle tickets, will be in US Funds only.
- Ward County Historical Society, Dan Caswell – The Antique Car Club has partnered with the Ward County Historical Society to run the car display. They are starting out with horse drawn modes of transportation and then early motor cars. They will be changing out the display every 30 days and incrementing forward with the years of cars. They are also looking for large mirrors to give the display building a feeling of space and light. If anyone has any other automotive signage or advertising these can also be displayed. The display would be committed for 30 days and must have insurance and the historical society would not be liable for damages. The Grand Opening is May 17. There will be music, burgers, and hot dogs available for a freewill donation. If you have a vehicle or any other items you are interested in displaying please contact the Ward County Historical Society.
- Drawing- There was a drawing held for members in attendance for five sets of tickets to the Shrine Circus.

Next Board Meeting – April 30, 2014

Next General Meeting – May 7, 2014

Prime Steel Grand Forks, Alerus Center – April 12-13

Majestics Car Show Regina – April 12-13

Call the Hotline 852-KARS or check the website for updates and other events.

### Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Amundson, Secretary



*If you own a home with wheels on it and several cars without, you just might be a redneck.*  
Jeff Foxworthy

Calendar of Events

**May 2014**

- 2 Noon Luncheon call the Hotline
- 7 Meeting at Vegas Motel-7:30 p.m.
- 9 Noon Luncheon call the Hotline
- 10 BLT Day at Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Minot - 9 am to 4 pm  
82nd Annual Band Day and 38th Annual Classic Car Show, The Car Show starts at 11am until 5pm
- 14 Wednesday night cruise to Hardees at 6:30 p.m.
- 16 Noon Luncheon call the Hotline
- 17 President's Cruise to Williston to Meyer's Bed and Breakfast - more information to come
- 18 41th Annual Art Olson Swap Meet and Car Show, public gates open at 8 a.m., Bonanzaville, West Fargo, ND
- 18 Pioneer Auto Club presents the Acres of Iron Car Show, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Main Street, Mandan, ND
- 19 Roughrider Chevrolet Association Show-n-Shine, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bis-Man Elks Lodge 1199, 900 S Washington St, Bismarck, ND
- 16-18 Dakota Spring Fling 2014 - Rapid City, SD
- 22 Wednesday night cruise to Somerset Court - leave Hardees at 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Wednesday night cruise to Hardees at 6:30 p.m.
- 23 Noon Luncheon call the Hotline
- 28 Wednesday night cruise to Hardees at 6:30 p.m.
- 30 Noon Luncheon call the Hotline
- 30-June 1 Run, North America's Hottest Car Show and Rod Run, Devils Lake, ND



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For Jerry and Spanky



## Ralph Teetor Invented Cruise Control

Ralph Teetor, a prolific (and blind) inventor, invented cruise control. Teetor, blind since the age of five, built his first car, a one-cylinder, by the age of 12. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Pennsylvania. His first job post-graduation was to develop technology for steam turbine rotors used in torpedo boat destroyers during W.W.I.

Ralph Teetor became a mechanical engineer for the Light Inspection Car Company, a company founded by his family that later was renamed the Perfect Circle Corporation. The company provided piston rings to car companies such as Packard, General Motors, Chrysler and Studebaker. He soon became the Vice President of Engineering for Perfect Circle and later the President.

In 1945, Ralph Teetor received his first patent on a speed cruise control device. Early names for his invention included "Controlmatic", "Touchomatic", "Pressomatic" and "Speedostat" and finally the familiar name of "Cruise Control". Teetor thought of inventing cruise control after a jerky car ride. He was being driven by his lawyer, an avid talker, who would slow down and speed up while conversing. Cruise control was first offered in the 1958 Chrysler Imperial, New Yorker and Windsor car models. By 1960, cruise control was offered on all Cadillacs.



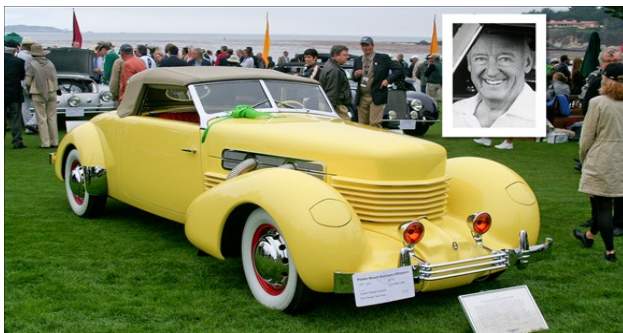
## Timeless automobiles and their legendary designers

### BUGATTI TYPE 57SC ATLANTIC | JEAN BUGATTI

Although other automakers experimented with aerodynamic models, nothing on the road in its era was as outrageous as the [Bugatti Type 57SC](#). The Type 57 Atlantic debuted as the Aerolithe (French for "meteor") at the 1935 Paris and London Motor Shows. Production Atlantics were powered by a supercharged 3.3-liter double-overhead-cam straight-8 engine. The body was to be fabricated with a magnesium and aluminum alloy called "electron." It proved difficult to weld, so the designer, [Jean Bugatti](#) (son of company founder [Ettore Bugatti](#)), assisted by Joseph Walter, used rivets to join major sections.

### CORD 810/812 | GORDON BUEHRIG

Named for Cord Corporation owner and entrepreneur [Errett Lobban Cord](#), the 1936 Cord 810's features include front-wheel drive, independent front suspension, a streamlined body with pontoon fenders and an "alligator" hood, a V8 engine with aluminum heads, and a 4-speed Bendix pre-selector transaxle with vacuum/electric



shifting. The horn ring, covered gas filler cap and hidden headlights are all American firsts. More than any other car of its era, the Cord's styling celebrates the art deco movement. The 810's coffin-shaped hood is surrounded by horizontal rows of slatted cooling louvers. Curvaceous fenders and an exquisitely arched roofline complement the angular hood, tall waistline and low windows.

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June 4 & July 2, 2014