



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

MARCH 2019

“SHIFT’N GEARS FOR OVER 20 YEARS”

We’re not even going to start this off talking about the weather, so let’s get into it. The Car Show a few weeks ago which was the “Wild About Wheels Car Show” (changed to the Magic City Car and Trade Show) was a bit sketchy with the weather as cold as it was, but



I think it was a good show with all aspects of the hobby represented. Congratulations to all of the winners in the categories selected. This show is put on by the Magic City International Dragway and The NODAK Speedway. Let’s keep it up and as the Cruisers, we support, but have no financial investment in this activity. Thanks to all of the members who helped with the ‘manning the booth’ at this show.

SWAP MEET AT THE MOOSE: The March meeting will bring another swap meet to the meeting. Tables will be around the ball room with items for sale by members, so bring ‘stuff’ for sale and clean out that shop or garage for the meeting. Larger items---bring a picture, otherwise, bring the real thing!

MOVIE AT SUMMERSET COURT will be Feb. 23rd and we will start out with a Doo-Wop video music concert about 1:15 with the movie “TUCKER” starting around 2 pm. Come join us and enjoy a nice movie theatre and free popcorn!

SUPER RUN: The Super Run is the club activity for the year. Being held in Brandon, Manitoba it is the first weekend in August. Block motels are set for us and we will be listing them on the Club web-site: www.dakotacruiser.com Don’t procrastinate with regards to Passports!

NDSRA Run to McCluskey is that same weekend, so lots going on this August!!!

CLUB CLOTHING: The first order has been placed and we will have the clothing articles in hand shortly. They are really nice this year. We are offering a lot of variety for the 25th!

SEASON FINALE: Lots of things here: Second weekend in September will be filled with classic cars from all over the area! The one big change this year—(one of many)—will be the Friday day car shows in a few small towns around the area. Hotrod Rodeo will still be Friday evening, Sat car show downtown, evening banquet at The Clarion, and Sunday breakfast at the clubhouse. Lots going on. Another BIG CHANGE is that LIFETIME MEMBERS were promised free Season Finales, and we will honor that up until August 1st. Any Lifetime Member registering by August 1st will be FREE. Starting August 2nd, they will be charged full price. Any lifetime member that wants to pay some money toward the event is surely welcome to do so. This year's event will be one for the books.. Stay tuned and please help spread the word to anybody that might not read this message. Thank You.

May 18th will be a fun day and possibly a fully fun weekend. First of all, we will have the Presidents Spring Cruise heading out to Ray to see the famous collection of Mustangs and specialty FORDS of the Meyers family. Food will be provided, but maybe we'll ask for a desert 'pot-luck'. That is always nice. I said possibly a full weekend because there is (in the planning stages) an indoor car show and music concert(s) at Dakota Square or at the Auditorium. Stay tuned for details!

I think that is all I have to say this day, so enjoy the week and come to our movie Saturday and plan on the March Meeting at The Moose with the swap meet.

George Masters, President

Jamestown Valley Street Machines has new magazine called "The Rumbler" This magazine now extends to over 45,000 email readers. They would like to know if members would like to have this magazine sent to them. <http://www.jvsm.club/>

Email Skovy to have it sent to you. - skovy@donwilhelm.com

Super Run Host Hotels

Premier Hotels

Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre 204-725-1532

3550 Victoria Avenue Brandon, MB, R7B 2R4

Use group booking 410965 & tell them you are with Super Run

7 min (3.1 km) via Park Ave

\$110.99 single, \$120.99 double

Clarion Hotel and Suites Brandon 204-728-5775

3130 Victoria Avenue Brandon, MB, R7B 0N2

Tell them you are with Super Run

5 min (3.0 km) via Park Ave

\$105.00 single, \$115.00 double.

Additional Partner Hotels

Days Inn 204-727-3600

2130 Currie Blvd.

Brandon, Manitoba R7B 4E7

4 min (1.8 km) via MB-10 N

Tell them you are with Super Run

\$129.00 Standard Room, \$159.00 Suite

Motel 6 204-726-4000

815 Middleton Avenue Brandon, MB, R7C 1A7

9 min (7.1 km) via 18th St/MB-10 N

Tell them you are with Super Run

\$109.00 Standard Room, \$139.00 Studios

The Golden Era of Hot Rods

<http://oldtimer-hotrod.com/history-hot-rods>

The end of World War II may have put an end to early hot rodding but it certainly did not diminish the passion for them. In fact, the golden era of hot rods was just beginning to take roots.

With time on their hands and money in their pockets, California servicemen had a burning new desire to build dream cars. With the mechanical and metalworking skills gained in the military, hundreds of hot rodders and fans flocked to the dry lakes races in southern California. All over the state and even across the country, street racing caught on, which could be dangerous and even fatal sometimes. Hot Rods did attract a lot of negative publicity for themselves showing the darker side of American youth.

The new postwar America saw a golden time for hot rods which became a hot craze with the young people. In an effort to present the hot Rods in the right light, in January 1948, the first Hot Rod Exhibition was held in Los Angeles. Some 10,000 spectators attended the exhibition, and viewed the positive qualities like craftsmanship, engineering and safety of the hot rods. Robert E. Petersen's newly-formed Hot Rod magazine, boasted a circulation of 300,000. This clearly marked the soaring popularity of hot rods.

Southern California Timing Association (SCTA), founded in 1938, and the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA), founded in 1951, helped a lot in reversing the negative image of hot rods. Civic-mindedness and cooperation between hot rodders and police developed on a positive note. The result was organized straight-line courses instead of the clandestine street racing. This golden age for hot rods saw many enthusiasts turned to building cars exclusively for racing while others were modifying cars primarily for looks rather than performance.

Customizing laid stress on the bodywork while hot rodding sole stress was the engine performance. Severe top-chopping, lowering, or channeling, the entire frame to within inches of the ground was some of the favorite techniques involved. As the golden era of hot rods progressed, details like pin striping, scallops and flames were brought to the level of high art. Custom cars became striking, with strong expressions of individuality. By the end of 1950s, the competition between hot rodding and customizing had grown very fierce.

General Meeting Minutes February 6, 2019

Present: Board Member present: George Masters, Detrick Thomas, Cara Olson, Brian Olson, Greg Olson, Dennis Zieman. Kayla Streitz and Priscilla Jevne. Approximately 35 general members attended.

A. Call to Order

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Welcome New Members/Guests

D. Meeting Minutes approved

E. Treasurer's Report

F. Committee Report

1. Motor Magic (Greg/Cara/Kayla) so far everything is going well
2. Magic City Car & Trade Show
 - a. Start bringing in cars at 9:00 a.m.
 - b. Registered vehicles get precedence
 - c. Volunteers are needed
 - d. So far 20 vendors and 48 cars are registered
 - e. There will be a swap meet.
3. 25th Anniversary (Brian and Detrick)
 - a. 75 rooms at the Clarion have been blocked off with a rate of \$79.95 / \$79.99
 - b. Registration is \$60/ Couple before August 2, 2019 includes one t-shirt, 1-mug and dinner for two people. Life time members are free but if they register after August 1, 2019 they pay the regular late registration fee. \$70 late registration fee.
 - c. Thursday is registration, Friday is a Cruise, Dinner, and Hot Rod Rodeo, Saturday car show downtown, dinner and dancing.

G. Old Business

1. NDSRA Regional Director is **Wally Renfrow**
2. Clothing website
 - a. Is up and running. Only a few ordered so far
 - b. We will purchase a small amount to sell at meetings
 - c. 1st deadline for ordering will be February 15th.
3. Brandon Super Run
 - a. First 50 Dakota Cruiser members that register will be reimbursed by the club.
 - b. Make sure to have a passport and make hotel reservations.
 - c. On this same weekend is the NDSRA run to McClusky.
4. February 23RD is a movie at Somerset Court. (Tucker)
5. Jacket Exchange is going well. Exchange your old warn cruiser jacket with \$25 and get a new cruiser jacket (see George).

H. New Business

1. Swap Meet at March Meeting (6th)

I. Upcoming Events

1. Magic City Car and Trade Show (February 9th and 10th @ All Seasons Arena)

J. Announcements

- a. Next General/Board Meeting – March 6th at the Moose Lodge
- b. Friday Lunch – noon at Mi Mexico
- c. Next Cruise – Hardee's
- d. Next Wednesday Dinner – Hacienda on February 20th at 6:30

K. Meeting adjourned 8: 12 p.m.

March upcoming Events

March 1 Noon Luncheon at Applebees

March 6 monthly meeting at the Moose, come at 5:30 p.m. if you would like to order off the limited menu – 7:30 p.m. – Board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

March 8 Noon Luncheon at Buffalo Wild Wings by WalMart

March 13 Wednesday night cruise to Hardees South – 6:30 p.m.

March 15 Noon Luncheon at Parker Center

March 20 Wednesday night cruise to Hardees South – 6:30 p.m.

March 22 Noon Luncheon at Grizzlys

March 23–25 51st Annual World of Wheels, US Bank Stadium, Minneapolis, MN

March 27 Wednesday supper TBA – 6:30 p.m. RSVP to Bill at 240-5803

March 29 Noon Luncheon at Starving Rooster

March 30–31 61st Annual Rod & Custom Car Show, Memorial Arena, West Fargo, ND

March 29–30 58th Annual Draggins Rod & Custom Car Club of Saskatoon – for more information email info@draggins.com.

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NEXT MEETING MARCH 6, 2019
