



THIS MONTH
January 2009

- ❑ New Officers!
- ❑ Banquet Photos
- ❑ Calendar of Events 2009

NEXT MEETING:
SUNDAY January 18th,
2009
Regular Monthly
Meeting
6:00pm @ Denny's
Wilsonville



Christmas Banquet 2008



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Minutes of the SAAC NW meeting 16 November 2008...

President's Report

President Larry Cockerham brought the general meeting to order at 6:05 P.M. Larry thanked everyone for their appearance at tonight's meeting and wanted to remind everyone to send in their ballot or bring it to the banquet for the election of officers for 2009. Larry said that there would be a November and December combined newsletter that would be mailed out. Larry's meal came to the table, he hurriedly asked Gayle Gehring for her Vice Presidents report.

Vice President's Report

Gayle Gehring talked about the upcoming banquet, talked with Lynette Spohn about the ballots that will be mailed out and the need to have a guest speaker selected before the flyer could be sent out as well. Gayle announced that she now has a guest speaker lined up, Mr. Bill Murray from Oregon Raceway Park. He is one of the financiers of the new track in Grass Valley Oregon, he operates a business in Portland called Master Mechanics. Bill will be at our banquet to give an update on the facility and plans for the future. Gayle sent around a sign up sheet for all members at tonight's meeting that would like to attend the banquet. Those not present at tonight's meeting can send in their information to Gayle by e-mail or by phone. The banquet will be held on Saturday the 6th of December, 2008. The banquet will be held at the River Shore Bar and Grille in Oregon City, same location as last year.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Paul Blanchard read the meeting minutes of the SAAC NW 19 October 2008 meeting. Paul asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes as read, hearing none the minutes stand as read.

SAAC National Rep Report

Dan Jones is vacationing in Hawaii, Larry Cockerham said that there really isn't anything new to report from SAAC National.

Treasurer's Report

Ken Walker gave the check book balance and the value we have in our CD accounts. We still have a good treasury for our club.

Track Steward's Report

Mark Pendergrass said that he doesn't have anything to report until next year. The question was asked if we had our track date for next year, Gayle Gehring had hand delivered our letter of request to PIR for our track date. The track dates will probably be published after the first of the year.

MHRC Report

Alternate rep Paul Blanchard gave the MHRC report. The 4 November 2008 Meeting was attended by 9 clubs present with five absent. The new rep for the Scale auto builders club also known as SABA was introduced, Mr. Ron Martinolich. Ron is a well known model builder who is replacing the late Bob Paeth. Bob was an important figure in plastic model building, was elected to the modelers hall of fame in Utah, had spent several years at Revell model company in California before moving to Portland.

We had a guest at the MHRC meeting, the President of the MHRC Mike Conn introduced his brother Steve. Steve has a business where he imprints logos and pictures on T-shirts and hats. He has a process where he can print the



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SAAC NW EVENT CALENDAR...

Jan.18th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

Feb.15th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

Mar.6,7,8th- Portland Roadster Show

Mar.15th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

April 3,4,5th- Portland Auto Swap Meet

April 19th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

May 17th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

June ?- How about a day trip/picnic?????

June 21st- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

July 3,4,5th- Pacific NW Historics (SIR)

July 11,12th- Portland Historic (PIR)

July 19th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

Aug ?- How about a "Road Trip" beach/mountains ??????

Aug 16th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

Sept 5,6,7th-Columbia River Classic Road Race (PIR)

Sept 11,12,13th- End of The World Rod Run (Longbeach,WA)

Sept 20th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

Sept 26,27th- Maryhill Loops Hill Climb (Goldendale,Wa)

Oct 18th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

Nov 15th- SAAC NW Club Meeting 6pm Wilsonville Denny's

Dec ?- Holiday Banquet

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picture on the T-shirt and it is a permanent part of the shirt rather than a printed overlay, claims that they won't fade or wash out. Marlene Miller gave the treasurers report, said that the MHRC has purchased the trophies for next years show.

Mike Nettlingham, who is a member of the Northwest Datsun Z's car club said that a "Mr. K" who was responsible for bringing the Datsun Z cars to North America gave an interesting suggestion for the Portland Roadster Show. Mr. K is 99 years old and confined to a wheel chair, Mike would like to have a video conference call with him from Japan for a presentation at the show.

Newsletter Editors Report

Lynette Spohn didn't have anything new to add, would like to have newsletter articles on members cars.

New Business

Mark Pendergrass asked about a phone call he received from Mr. Rich Marsubian who was present at tonight's meeting. He was interested in obtaining an authorized form 6578 for the Oregon DMV so that he could get SP or special interest plates for his 1978 Stallion. A general discussion followed with the consensus of opinion among members that we don't have a member who is capable of signing the authorization at the present time. The MHRC used to have a contact with the DMV who could authorize the verification of a special interest car. With the passing of MHRC member Alex Merwin who worked for DMV there isn't a current representative available.

Larry Cockerham mentioned that SAAC NW member Rick Young is presently hunting in, of all places, Afganistan. Rick is acting as a guide for a hunting trip for Big Horn sheep at a mountain with a 13,000 foot elevation. Rick will be back in time for our Christmas Banquet.

Fred Gehring mentioned that after surfing the web on the SAAC National web site he learned that FIA driver and Trans Am Mustang Coupe driver Bob Johnson passed away on the 20th of October. He had a stroke about 2 years ago and had never fully recovered. Bob Johnson and Tom Payne would go to all of the

National Conventions and bring their own special brand of humor to the Pg. 3 convention. Bob had driven the 260 Cobra as well as the Mustangs in competition for Shelby American, was a great driver, very instrumental in the success of Team Shelby. Bob Johnson related that at the end of his driving with Team Shelby, Carroll wanted to take some of his cars in the Ford Caravan along with transporters and spare parts to Bonneville to set some records. Carroll wanted to mark his farewell setting some land speed records in some of his cars before leaving his racing involvement with Ford. At the conclusion of their trip to Bonneville where they set some class records, Carroll said what am I going to do with all of this stuff? He offered it to Bob as well as a few others for \$10,000. Bob said no, what would I do with all of the cars, spares, transporters extra engines, tires and wheels etc.? Besides \$10,000 is too much money!

Dave Lennartz related that he was able to get all of the documentation for his Shelby Hertz car from SAAC National registrar Howard Pardee sent out via Fed Ex. Dave said that the price was reasonable. If anyone has an interest in obtaining documentation for their authentic Shelby they need to do it before it transfers to Shelby American where it will be more expensive.

Fred said that the new Registry has been released, Volume 1.

In Closing

With no further business to come before the membership, President Larry Cockerham adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: Paul R. Blanchard, Secretary



Thank you from the Prez...

Well as the year comes to an end.. Out with the old and In with the new. It's been a great ride as your President of SAAC N.W. the last 2 years and I want to thank all my officers and everyone that helped this club and its events.

Our new President Steve Thomas and V.P. Bill Meloy could use all of are support in the next year.

Come to the club meetings and try to make as many event as you can.. Even ask how you can help if anything.. Portland Swapmeet and Open track days.. It takes all of us to run and make this club work and not just a few.

I would like to see this club grow in the next year and bring in some new members.. I feel for this club to survive we need to bring in some younger new members.. New Ideas.. New Blood.. New Cars..

To go back to when I joined the club in the early eighties when most of us were in our twenties or early thirties and when you could buy a Nice Shelby or a Boss for the price of a paint job today. When Ken Walker would showed up at Silver Creek Falls event with a keg of beer in the back of his car just to get the party going. I want to also say that little race between Walker's 65' G.T. 350 and My 67' G.T. 500 ... Well I Smoked the GT350 till I Blew up my water pump.. By the time Gary & Ken got up to me I was already going 100 mph backwards on I-205.. So I don't like to show off to much so I just pulled over to the medium and waited till everyone got there to save me... Ya know I don't care who you are you got to like a story like that.. Anyone that has been in this club for any time has some good memories of a time or event we did together and there are more to come.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!

Larry C



have the Boss Mustangs join us as part of the Historics and then follow on after the Historics with our track day to help build participation.

In Closing

With no further business to come before the membership, President Larry Cockerham adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: Paul R. Blanchard, Secretary



Minutes of the SAAC NW meeting 19 October 2008...

President's Report

President Larry Cockerham brought the general meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Larry wanted to remind everyone at tonight's meeting about who they might like to nominate for officers for next year. Larry then asked if Secretary Paul Blanchard could read the minutes of the 21 September, 2008 meeting.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Paul Blanchard read the meeting minutes of the SAAC NW 21 September 2008 meeting. Paul asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes as read, hearing none the minutes stand as read.

SAAC National Rep Report

Dan Jones said that the law suit between SAAC National and Carroll Shelby has been settled, however as a condition of the settlement the information that has been collected over the years will be turned over to the Shelby American Museum in Las Vegas. The plan is that the information will be available to the owners of Shelby American cars only and not to the general public.

Treasurer's Report

Ken Walker gave the check book balance and the value we have in our CD accounts. Ken said that he now has all of the expenses accounted for our track day and gave the balance after expenses. We still have a good treasury for our club.

Vice President's Report

Gayle Gehring talked about the activities for the remainder of the year as we are winding down for the year. Gayle mentioned that we are going to have our annual Christmas dinner at the River Shore Bar and Grille in Oregon City, same location as last year. Gayle mentioned she is still looking for a guest speaker, has some ideas in mind and will let us know at a future date. The banquet will be held on Saturday the 6th of December, 2008.

Newsletter Editors Report

Lynette Spohn didn't have anything new to add, would like to have newsletter articles on members cars.

MHRC Report

Alternate rep Paul Blanchard gave the MHRC report. The 14 October 2008 Meeting was attended by 12 clubs present with two absent. A question arose regarding the web site, it was noted that not all member clubs had a link to the MHRC web site. It was noted that we should have a committee available to review all applicants of Roadster Show participants, as a solution Roadster Show manager Don Van Dinter said that he will be at the Roadster Show meetings an hour earlier, will have the participants application forms for all who may have an interest to review. It was suggested that we have a committee to handle the trophy's as well. It was also suggested that we should have a \$150K bond available to cover the event in case it was canceled due to an act of God, Ice storm, etc. President Mike Conn said that he will look into obtaining a bond. There will be membership cards issued to Hall of Fame members for them to attend the show for free and to bring in one guest, and as many young people under the age of 12 that they wish. Marlene Miller said that she will laminate some membership cards. Treasurer Marlene Miller gave the treasurer's report noting that all of our bills have been paid. The Portland Roadster Show Budget has been approved. Dan Jones asked about participants and whether we would be able to field the show floor with quality cars in light of current economic conditions. It was

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1. Richard Copsey
2. Ray Clack

Alt MHRC REP

1. Paul Blanchard

National REP

1. Dan Jones

Track Steward

1. Mark Pendergrass
2. Ed Nieger
3. Don Knapp

Web Master

1. Rick Sattler

New Business Continued...

Mark Pendergrass mentioned that we need to select a date for our track day for next year. After much discussion it was decided that we would like to have the dates of the day after the Historics Monday the 13th of July, as our first choice, Tuesday after the Labor Day Holiday September 9th as our second choice, the third choice will be left to the track steward.

Larry mentioned that he is working with Mark Hovander of Washington SAAC to have a Boss reunion in Portland next year. Larry said that he would like to

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3. Bill Stephens

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2. Don Knapp
3. John Bradshaw
4. Bill Meloy

Secretary

1. Paul Blanchard
2. Jo Ann Meloy

Treasurer

1. Linda Donahoo
2. Dave Lennartz
3. Jo Ann Meloy
4. Bob Parker

Newsletter Editor

1. Lisa Bogdon
2. Lynette Spohn
3. Gayle Gehring

noted that at present even the top dollar builders have a back log of orders for six figure cars. While the MHRC doesn't have close ties with a lot of the top California builders at present, most require tow money and a guarantee to appear. It is a fee that is cost prohibitive for us at the present time. Dan asked about judging, it will be handled by ISCA again this year.

Track Steward's Report

Mark Pendergrass gave his presentation said that we received some cones that he had on back order, there were some lime green ones that were still coming. Mark said that the club trailer is now parked at his house he will throw a blue tarp over the trailer pretty soon.

Gayle hand delivered the letter to PIR for our track day requests, the first was for the Monday after the Historics, the second was for the Tuesday after Labor Day and the third was for a Monday in August, the 17th.

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1. Dan Jones

These are some things that will need to be modified for the track day for next year.

We purchased some new cones, Mark said that he will stencil the cones to make sure that it is known that they belong to SAAC NW.

Gayle Gehring wanted to give special recognition to Mark Pendergrass for his willingness to accept the responsibility for the management of a successful track day! Thank you Mark!

Secretary's Report

Secretary Paul Blanchard read the meeting minutes of the SAAC NW 17 August. 2008 meeting. Paul asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes as read, hearing none the minutes stand as read.

MHRC Report

Alternate rep Paul Blanchard gave the MHRC report. The 9 September 2008 Meeting was attended by 14 clubs present with none absent. President Mike Conn wanted to have club reps ask for volunteers from each club to make sure that we can schedule more people for different shifts, so that no one is working for too many hours at a time. Treasurer Marlene Miller gave the treasurer's report the deposit for the Convention Center has been paid for the 2009 show.

New Business

Mark Pendergrass wanted to give special recognition to Bill Stevens for his participation in the tower during our track day, and to Dan Jones as well. The question was raised as to why we have chosen to purchase the services of corner workers as opposed to having our own people man the corners. The issue of being insured came up, it is better that we use professional turn workers for their SCCA credentials as well as being EMT trained.

Bobst Cobra Cruisin in Vancouver that was held on the 20th of September. Shelby Team Driver Allen Grant was the featured speaker, he gives a good presentation as always.

Treasurer's Report

Ken Walker gave the check book balance and the value we have in our CD accounts. Ken gave the balance after expenses for our track day we have a small negative balance from the participation at our most recent track day. We will need to pay a \$2.00/entrant fee to Friends of PIR. We still have a good treasury for our club.

Newsletter Editors Report

Lynette Spohn didn't have anything new to add, still needs newsletter articles on members cars.

Track Steward's Report

Mark Pendergrass gave his presentation said that we had a good track day, no incidents with oil spills or anything of that nature. We had 45 cars present for the track day. One question that Mark had was for the track expense by PIR for a \$200.00 sweeper fee, Mark said that no presence of the sweeper was evident. There was a 3% surcharge fee that will be questioned also.

Lynette Spohn said that there was some communication error from the web site, in that at the top of the web page it said "Full" many participants felt that it meant that the number of registrations was full and that no more applications would be taken, rather than reading the second line which said "full track course for driving". Mark said that he wanted to have the Track Pack notice on the web site stating that people could send in their money to the treasurer for Track Day. After the funds were recorded a track pack could then be sent out to the participant. Instead the entire track pack was published on the web site.

Track Steward

1. Mark Pendergrass
2. Ed Nieger
3. Don Knapp

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New Business Continued...

Fred Gehring mentioned that he received a forwarded e-mail via the Patchings regarding long time member of the past Mr. Don Alexander who is working in Reno in television production. Don has left the station where he has been working and is now in business for himself.

Fred mentioned that the Koni challenge was won by the Mustang FR500C coupe they now have won the National championship series for North America. One of their top drivers is Jack Roush Jr.

Fred asked if anyone in the area has been able to purchase any gas that doesn't have the ethanol blend? Fred said that gas can be purchased in Salem at Marc Nelson oil products, 1977 Claxter Rd. N.E. Salem, OR 97301. The fuel depot is accessible from the Salem Parkway. They have above ground tanks where they can sell 92 octane gas no ethanol unleaded. You need to bring your own containers to fill. They can't pump directly to your car. At the time Fred purchased the 92 octane no ethanol unleaded (10-17-08) the price was \$3.499 per gallon. They can sell 110 octane leaded gas that is Sunoco racing fuel. If you would like more information you can access their web site at www.marcnelsonoil.com. Their phone No. is 1-800-523-7676. Fred said that they have no problem in getting non ethanol fuel. Good news if you want to run old fashioned gas. *Pg. 9*

In Closing

With no further business to come before the membership, President Larry Cockerham adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: Paul R. Blanchard, Secretary



2008 Banquet

Minutes of the SAAC NW meeting 21 September 2008...

President's Report

President Larry Cockerham brought the general meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Larry thanked the members who were in attendance at tonight's meeting then turned the meeting over to Gayle Gehring our Vice President for her report.

Vice President's Report

Gayle Gehring talked about the road tour to the Park on the River at Santiam where they met up with Dale Schulte. Russell placed a cell phone call to Dale announcing the fantastic news while the Gehrings were at her side. Russell was able to get into the 200 MPH club at the Bonneville Salt Flats. Russell was at Bonneville racing his employer's replica Daytona Coupe made by Factory Five Racing. Congratulations Russ, more details to come in the next months newsletter.

The Columbia Crest Winery Tour will be held on the 5th of October, a Sunday, it has been well attended by SAAC NW in the past. It is a fun show with all Ford participation.

SAAC National Rep Report

Dan Jones said that the law suit between SAAC National and Carroll Shelby has been settled! Dan said that there won't be any public information come out about the settlement, that same information has been printed in the Snake Bite, the monthly publication for SAAC National.

The report is that they had a successful National Convention this year, while pre-registrations were down the attendance on the days of the event were very good. SAAC National no longer has responsibility for the SVTOA which is dedicated to the new high performance Ford cars, it has been taken over by another group. Larry Cockerham wanted to give mention to the Scott and Laura