



# *The Cruisin' Chiefs*

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## *About This Newsletter*

Welcome to the latest edition of *The Cruisin' Chiefs*, a monthly newsletter distributed to Members of The Manitoba Pontiac Association and organizations/companies dedicated to promote the preservation, restoration and admiration of all Pontiac, Buick and Oldsmobile vehicles. The Members encourage interest in this hobby and the showing of these vehicles in tours, cruises and displays.

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## *A New Year and a New Look*

A sincere and heart-felt **Thank You!** is extended



by all Members to **Lorraine Buckmaster**, the previous Newsletter Editor. Without her tireless commitment, the past year's Newsletters would not have been enlightening and entertaining. The incoming Newsletter Editor hopes that the standards set by Lorraine can be upheld, and in

keeping with that trend, a new look is incorporated.

## *Meeting Minutes*

The November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, held at Park Pontiac Buick-GMC, was opened by President **Mike Clayton**.

Treasurer **Bernard Harfield** was unable to attend, but his comments concerning the assistance by all Members with the Blue Bomber parking lot activities was expressed on his behalf by the President. Membership Chair **Rick Johnson** was unable to attend. Newsletter Editor/Webmaster **Lorraine Buckmaster** reported that there were no issues, and Social Chair **Maxine Clayton** provided dates and outlines for upcoming events.

**December 7<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Party at the Downtown Pony Corral, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The Christmas Party will also be the December General Meeting.

## Important Dates

- \* **December 20**  
World of Wheels
  - \* volunteer commitment
  - \* vehicle guarantee
- \* **January 6**  
Executive Meeting
- \* **February 27**  
Bingo Bowling with Impala Club

**February 27<sup>th</sup>** – Bingo Bowling with the Impala Club. Dakota Lanes, times TBA. Fees in the past have been in the \$10.00 range, and a silent auction has been held. MAAC Representative **Wade Weber** requested



a person for MAAC meetings; Secretary **Terry Yurett** volunteered. **Wade** noted that MAAC dues of \$57.00 for the Club, plus \$1.00 for each member, are due in January. He also indicated that former Bison/Keystone Racing will be holding a reunion on October 2, 2004 at the Transcona Country Club. The last race was held in 1976; for more information, contact Gord Foreman at (204) 832-1623.

**Wes Grycki** has agreed to Chair the World of Wheels 2004 Committee. His plans are, as expected, incredible ... but he **needs people commitments no later than December 20 for:**

- \* Volunteers
- \* Vehicles

**New/Old Business:**

Alternate locations for monthly meetings were discussed, with Murdoch Mackay School being one possibility; its location made it unfeasible. The President will contact management at Park Pontiac Buick-GMC to determine if the larger staff lounge could be used.



The previous MPIC “special interest” vehicle status may no longer be applicable. All Members are encouraged to check with their respective Autopac agent in this regard.

Elections for the 2004 term were

(N = Nominated; S = Seconded):

- \* President – Mike Clayton – Wade Weber N; Wes Grycki S
- \* Vice President – Darren Kellner – Darren Kellner N; Wes Grycki S
- \* Secretary – Lorraine Buckmaster – Darren Kellner N; Bernard Harfield S
- \* Treasurer – Murray Brown – Mike Clayton N; Wade Weber S
- \* Treasurer – Janice Boyes – declined
- \* Treasurer – Gord Skulmoski – declined
- \* Newsletter/Website – Murray Brown – Terry Yurett N; Wade Weber S
- \* Membership – Rick Johnson – Mike Clayton N; Terry Yurett S
- \* Social – Maxine Clayton – Lorraine Buckmaster N; Darren Kellner S
- \* Nominations closed at the November meeting; if voting is required, it will be held at the December meeting

**John** and **Sophie Kondracki** have graciously offered their home for the Summer 2004 Party. The tentative date is August 21<sup>st</sup>.

*President's Message* by **Mike Clayton**

**Season's Greetings!**



At this time of year we sit back and reminisce about the happy times. It was an exciting year for the Club, winning 1<sup>st</sup> Place at World of Wheels, holding our own show at Park Pontiac in August on the hottest day of the year, cruising and participating in other shows, and of course being at our recently held Christmas Party.

I extend my sincere appreciation to all that have assisted with the Club's activities these past twelve months. And I am especially pleased to thank **Terry Yurett** for her dedication as Secretary. She will do a great job for the Club as the 2004 MAAC representative.



On a serious note, I cannot over-emphasize the need to have Members contact **Wes Grycki** by e-mail at [pontiac\\_man\\_56@hotmail.com](mailto:pontiac_man_56@hotmail.com) or by telephone at (204) 444-2917. **Please contact him by December 20th and volunteer your talent and skill sets for the World of Wheels 2004 display.** In 2003 the

Club's members were thrilled to win 1<sup>st</sup> Place, and we want to win that same accolade again in 2004! But if we don't have some volunteers ... and some cars ... there will not be a display.

That would be most unfortunate – especially with a Club that has the people and the cars that can produce a knock-'em-dead display. I have seen Wes's preliminary concept, as have a few others, and trust me ... it is a WINNER!

Like your car, our '65 ragtop is now nestled in the garage under wraps waiting for Spring to come. I look forward to seeing all of you at the next Meeting in February.

Have a Happy Holiday Season, and Maxine and I wish you the Best in the New Year!

***Ready, Set, Access!***

When is the last time you poked around the Club's web site? Do you have the web site book marked? If not, click here ...

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***Christmas Party 2003***

Santa Claus and a very pretty elf showed up at



the annual Christmas Party held on December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Downtown Pony Corral. As always, everybody had a great time, as can be attested to by the smiling faces in the accompanying photos throughout this issue.

A great **Thanks!** to the Management and Staff at the Pony Corral for attending to everybody's needs, and a warm hug to Santa and his elf (with her Halloween Hat), **John and Bev Dyck** ...



President **Mike Clayton** welcomed everybody, extended Season's Greetings to all, and had two major issues that were addressed:

- \* **Maria Cadieux** had graciously accepted the responsibilities of Treasurer for the forthcoming year; **Murray Brown** removed his name from the nominations.
- \* Volunteers for a working committee and commitments for cars for display for World of Wheels 2004 had to be provided to **Wes Grycki** no later than December 20<sup>th</sup>. If there were no cars committed, and no offers of assistance, there would be no display.

With no further items on the agenda, the President indicated that the meeting was therefore adjourned and everybody settled in for a sumptuous feast and laughter.

they made every kid's eyes glisten ... especially the son of **James and Sherri Walker** and **Mike and Maxine Clayton's** grand daughter ... **Dave and Crystal Anderson's** little tike.

The annual Christmas Party was also the time for the December meeting.



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