



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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September Meeting Minutes

Held on October 5, 2004 at the Boardroom of Park Pontiac Buick GMC on 1459 Regent Avenue W. President **Mike Clayton** called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. No guests or new members present.

Secretary **Lorraine Buckmaster** read last month's meeting minutes. Business arising from last month's meeting: Changing of Social Chair to Events Coordinator; Bomber parking lot "staffing" is a major concern. Regardless of past practices, the lot "staffing" is not designated as a duty of the Treasurer.

Social Chair **Maxine Clayton** is organizing a go-kart night at "Speedworld", with consideration to open the event to guests. The event planned for early January 2005; rates and costs to be established for group activity.



Important Dates

- * **October 24**
Samantha Spencer Birthday
- * **October 26**
Kara Lipski Birthday
- * **October 28**
Janine Bowie Birthday
- * **October 29**
Blue Bomber Football Game
- * **November 2**
GENERAL MEETING
- * **November 10**
Erica Wlasichuk Birthday

Treasurer **Maria Cadieux** was not in attendance; no financial update available. Membership Chair **Rick Johnson** was not in attendance; no new membership reported. Newsletter Editor/Web Manager **Murray Brown** was unavailable until later in the meeting; no updates reported.

Jim Bielby and **Wade Weber** will keep members up-to-date with MAAC. The next MAAC meeting is scheduled for November 2004 and official updates will be included in next month's Newsletter.

New Business

Bomber Games

With the end of the season fast approaching there are only a couple of games that we are needed to "staff" the lot. Volunteers are needed for Friday, October 29 with a 7:30 kick off.

Please contact **Mike** if you can volunteer an hour for the Club's major fundraiser, the Variety Club.

On September 26th at the End of Summer Cruise at the Pony Corral (Pembina Highway), **Wade Weber** was the grand prize winner of over \$3,000 in prizes this year. Congratulations **Wade!**

The Manitoba Pontiac Association's Annual Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday December 5th from 1 – 4 pm at the Pony Corral (downtown) in the Atrium. The cost is \$10 per member, and there is no charge for children. Santa will be appearing with gifts for the children.

Mike Clayton approached Peter Ginakes (Manager, the Pony Corral) with regard to the Club's monthly meetings, to see if they could be held at the Pony Corral (downtown) in the Atrium. Mr. Ginakes confirmed that there would no charge for the venue. Discussion to be brought forward, with a final decision to be established.

Financial statements are needed prior to end of 2004 for the new 2005 Executive. **Maria Cadieux** is to present statements at the November General Meeting.

Donations to specified charities and sympathy cards relating to members' immediate family was brought up. This practice will occur for Club members only. Flowers and/or cards will be sent to immediate family members only. All members were in agreement.

World of Wheels 2005

The event is being held from Thursday March 24th to Saturday March 26th, 2005. Set-up is on Wednesday March 23rd. **Wes Grycki** is unable to make the commitment for this year's show and committee.

Murray Brown has guaranteed his participation for this show with both his car and volunteer assistance.

A Committee needs to be established to follow through with the display. Bring your rides out by committing no later than the December 5th Meeting. It is hoped that the Club will have a "face" at WOW this year, as last year (2004) we opted not to do a display or feature any rides from the Club. The final Club display "theme" is to be established.

It was brought up that in the past members who had volunteered for WOW Security or the MAAC Booth, were paid and their "pay" for their respective shifts was given back to the Club. It has been established

that any earnings from volunteering at World of Wheels will be given directly to the Members who have volunteered their time to assist.

Social Events

Social Chair **Maxine Clayton** noted that more Members are needed to support events. If events are to be coordinated for the kids, then more input and greater participation is needed from Members.

A monthly "Coffee Night" was discussed for all members to socialize a bit. It was felt that at each monthly meeting the Members at large would decide if they wanted to set a date for the month.



This would be an informal get together whether at a local coffee shop or a get together for coffee at a Member's home.

Nominations for 2005 Manitoba Pontiac Association Executive

The Secretary position is a two-year term, which will continue to be held by **Lorraine Buckmaster** for a further 12 months.

Newsletter Editor/Web Manager **Murray Brown** will hold his name for this position; presently, no other nominations.

Wade Weber nominated **Mike Clayton** for President; seconded by **Maxine Clayton**; no other nominations presented at this time.

Mike Clayton nominated **Darren Kellner** as Vice President; **Wes Grycki** seconded the nomination. No other nominations at this time.

Treasurer is open for nominations. **Darren Kellner** nominated **Janice Boyko**; the Nomination was declined.

Lorraine Buckmaster nominated **Gail Weber** for Activities/Social Chair; **Maxine Clayton** seconded the nomination. No other nominations at present.

Membership Chair is open for nominations.

All positions are open for nomination until December 2004, with elections taking place on Sunday De-

ember 5th at the annual Christmas Party and General Meeting.

Donations to Variety Club

This year has been slow with raising funds from the Bomber Parking Lot. The issue was raised, "Can we, as a Club, drop the percentage of the donation this year?" i.e. 40% instead of 60%.

The rationale was that lowered income in 2004 and a continuation of the percentage formula would leave the Club potentially cash short for various Club activities. Parking lot dollars are mostly allocated to Variety.



Parking Lot Party

This event has been revisited. In the past it was an annual event that was the major fundraiser for the Manitoba Pontiac Association. The Club is to establish a date for the 2005 MAAC calendar.

This event needs guaranteed participation from the Membership. It is an excellent display of Pontiacs, Buicks and Oldsmobiles from Winnipeg, and is a great opportunity to bring the Manitoba Pontiac Association to the forefront of local car enthusiasts.

Christmas Gifts

Ron Bodnar brought forward a motion for parents to support the Children's gift exchange at the Christmas Party. **Lorraine Buckmaster** seconded the motion and discussion was brought forth. **Ron** would like to see the Club support purchasing "how to" videos and articles to maintain a library for Members instead of the dollar amounts allocated for children's Christmas gifts.

Ron suggested that the parents/grandparents buy the gifts and mark the child's name on it for them. **Wade Weber** noted how the Club has grown, and it became the practice of the Club approximately 4 or 5 years ago to sponsor the gifts for the children's party.

A Motion to stop spending on children's gifts for the Christmas Party was opposed by 99% of members present, however it was said that more "car related" issues should be the focus of the Club. **Darren Kellner** made a Motion that Christmas gifts should have a maximum value of \$15 per child; **Jim Beilby** seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, November 2nd -- Park Pontiac Boardroom Meeting adjourned 8:33 pm

President's Message by Mike Clayton

Hello Everyone!

As everything is winding down, I'm taking a moment to reflect on our cruising season. Despite the fact we have just gone through the worst summer on record (the summer that never was) we were able to have some great events: the Riverboat Cruise; Cruz-In Downtown/**Craig** and **Marilyn Winters's** wedding; the Annual BBQ Wind-up, etc. It just goes to show that it's the **people**, not the weather that makes it a great season!



Its election time again. Nominations are now open to fill positions on the Executive for 2005. As it looks right now, all offices are open. **Murray Brown** has decided to keep his name in for the Newsletter/Website chairperson for another year, I am

pleased to see **Darren Kellner** again running for Vice-President, and it will nice to welcome back **Gail Weber** for social activities. As noted in the Minutes, I have decided to run again as President. But I am concerned that there are not others putting forward their names for various positions. **Let's ALL get out to the next meeting on November 2nd and have a REAL election this year!**

World of Wheels 2005 is fast approaching and if we don't get some people committing their vehicles and/or volunteer time we will once again be faced with the sad situation of not entering for a second year in a row. Please consider entering your car or volunteering to be one of the persons assisting with the Display.

In closing, I hope that all of you had a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving and let's see ALL of you at the next meeting!

Bomb(ers) Away!

There is only one more Blue Bomber football game this season! **Remember ... the proceeds from the parking lot go to the Club's charity, the *Variety Club of Manitoba*.**

You joined the Club; now take an hour of your time to "give back" to the Club, please.

Need more information? Contact **Mike Clayton**.

The final game time is:

Friday October 29 7:30 pm

Social by Maxine Clayton

Hang on to your hats, everybody! Two MAJOR events are coming up that you do NOT want to miss!

The first of course is the Annual Christmas Party and General Meeting, to be held on December 5th at the Pony Corral (Downtown) from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. **Please let me know quickly how many will be attending.**

We're trying to put together a Go Karting Night in early January. More details will be coming, so **make sure that you attend the monthly Meetings!**

As you've undoubtedly read in the Minutes, let's "chat it up" at the next and forthcoming Meetings for a *Coffee Night*. This would be a great way to socialize, mix and chat ... without worrying about meeting protocol etc.

MAAC Update by Terry Yurett

MAAC was "on vacation" during July and August, and the Club's Representative, **Terry Yurett** will possibly not be able to attend on the Club's behalf any more. **Jim Beilby** and **Wade Weber** will be representing the Club and MAAC Minutes will be forthcoming in future issues of this Newsletter.

Classifieds

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- 1 **Torker intake** ... \$100
- 1 **Offy 360**, does not fit with HEI ...\$100
- 1 pair bare **7M5 heads** ...\$50
- 1 **complete 1977 400 + Trans** ...\$700
- 1 pair **4X heads complete** need rebuild ...\$100
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