



BCHRA General Meeting

September 7, 2005

Meeting held at West Langley Hall, 208th St. & 94th Ave., Langley B.C.

Meeting called to order by President **Harold Swift** at 7:30pm.

Harold welcomed everyone to our September Meeting and annual BBQ.

93 Members and 48 guests were in attendance for a total of 141.

President Harold broke from formalities and immediately recognized **Bill & Sue Folks for their fantastic Beef Dip and Hot Chili Dinner!! THANK YOU to Bill & Sue** and your team who put together the very special meal that we all enjoyed very much. (However, there was one little complaint that I over heard.... the pasta and spaghetti salads were cold.....can you believe it?) Ha !! Ha !!

President Harold also announced that there was a young couple in our midst that were celebrating the **30th** anniversary of their wedding day. **Congrats to Ken & Bev Dosen.**

Also, not to be left out, we heard that **Bill & Carolyn Alder** had also celebrated their anniversary the week before. No one knows for sure how many that was but be sure it wasn't their first anniversary!!!!

With all of our members and spouses crowding into the meeting hall, we were surprised to find out that we had one guest who managed to squeeze in too. So welcome **Bill Nobery.**

President Harold Welcomed newly approved members:
-**John Sterling** - 1960 Ford F100, a Nova & a Parisienne
-**Steve Wright** – 1954 Merc P/U
-**Jerry Yakmachuck** – 48 Ford P/U

President **Harold** also introduced all of the board members to the spouses and significant others who may not have had a previous opportunity to meet such a fine bunch.....!!!!

Minutes of the previous meeting were read accepted by **Bill** and 2nd by **Barry**.

Business out of the minutes:

President Harold spoke about the executive meeting and the general direction we were planning to go with the **50th Anniversary Celebration for BCHRA**. The whole concept of having a **50th** celebration was accepted by all as an 'Excellent' idea. So look for a question sheet to come out for members input and ideas. We want this to be a '**Grand Event**'. We have two years to put it together and it will take many members involvement. **Please** help out , get on board, make a commitment, be a part of something special, make a difference.....**We need you!!**

Mike Twitchell used his fantastic computer skills to work and developed a great looking sign up sheet for those members who wanted to get involved with this '**GREAT**' project. There were several categories listed for us to consider as to where we each can make a contribution. So please take a look at this sheet to see where you can make a contribution.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer - Keith Biddlecombe reported that additional revenue had been deposited and confirmed that all is good with his department. **Keith** also took a few minutes to relate his personal experience when he took his new ride out to an event where he encountered some mechanical problems. He found out how great it is to be a member of **BCHRA** when several of our members came to his rescue and helped get his ride back on the road again. Thanks Guys!!! **You are the Best!!**

Membership – Mike Twitchell announced that we now have 278 paid up members as of the start of the meeting.

Newsletter – Darlene Driedger announced that all is well with the production of the Headliner. She also wanted us to know that the Headliner might be a bit late this month because she and Brian are "**Goin Crusin**" on one of them "**BIG SHIPS**" to Alaska, out on the "salty water" !!! Hope you have a great time.

SVA – Harold Wellenbrink reported that they had a meeting August 31st with the ICBC executive and they were progressing on a number of issues. He also advised us that there was another meeting scheduled, for the week after next, where they hoped to be advised as to what information can be released to membership regarding what is coming from ICBC.

Harold also advised us that there was a meeting scheduled with Mr. Martin Lee, the manager of the Air Care Program to discuss issues concerning collector cars. More on this later. Thank You Harold for all of your personal efforts in this very important area, that will benefit us all!!!!

Webmaster – Cam Hutchins reported that he had been away on holidays in the Calgary area and somehow managed to find several car shows to attend while he was there. (Can you imagine such a thing?) Any way Cam also managed to get a few pictures to add to our web site along with some great coverage from the Chilliwack Mystery Tour and several other Show and Shine events that he was able to take in. You are doing a 'GREAT' job Cam !! Thanks !!

President Harold finished up with some information regarding **BCHRA** storage of archived items and the picture albums would be going there soon. With the web site and digital pictures being the new way, it was not making sense to keep the old photo albums active any more.

Coffee Break 50/50 Draw:

There were three special prizes this month. **John Fox, Pat Bolton, & Bill Ralston** all won a fresh watermelon, left over from the BBQ.

The McGuire Wax donated by **Bodo** was won by **Pat Wright**.

Winner of \$245.00 was **Dianne Kotowich** who generously donated \$50.00 back to the club for donuts and coffee. Thank You Dianne for your contribution.

New Business:

The Valley Mystery cruise was a huge success! Many thanks to **Rolly and Brenda Cole** for all of their efforts to put together one **GREAT event !!!** We had a very good turn out and the weather cooperated too! The Mystery winner (the one who got the most questions correct) was none other than **Tom Whiffin**. (we hear that he had 10 or 12 people crammed into his Suburban all helping out with the answers, but what the heck, he won it anyway) Way to go **Tom!!**

There were many members who generously expounded upon their experiences while attending so many hot rod shows and events over the past month.

The **PNE** exclusive display of **BCHRA** cars was also a great success with **43** rides on display for thousands of PNE goers to view. This was good exposure for our club. Thanks to **Harold Wellenbrink** for organizing this event for our club. The plan is to do it again next year. Sorry to hear about **Bunny Jeboult's** damage to his car when an unhappy driver backed into his ride at the PNE gate. It takes a strong person to stand up and tell the story about his pride and joy being crunched and still be able to hold back all those tears. We are proud of you **Bunny** for keeping your cool under such bad circumstances!!! Hope your baby is fixed up real soon.

The **Sleepy Hollow Run** was also very well attended by **BCHRA** members. There was much to do and see. Some 25 members went on a boat cruise, and then there was the private BBQ at the Royal Reach Hotel Friday evening. The cruise through town was great as was the Show & Shine at the ball fields. The huge BBQ of salmon and chicken Saturday night was a GREAT success. Again, there were many trophies brought home by **BCHRA** members. And then on Sunday there was the drag races. Now we all heard that one of the "Hottest 36 Fords around" was not allowed to participate in the races due to a seat belts rule. So **Henry Tjart** advised that we all have seat belts installed if you want to race next year.

Some of our members went off to the Pender Harbor Show & Shine from The Sleepy Hollow event and reported that it too was attended by some real nice rides.

Ladner had its second **Annual Quilt & Car Show & Shine** event that was well attended by **BCHRA** members. Here again our club was recognized for having the '**Best Club Participation**'. Our members took home a lot of hardware and we are proud to say the top two awards; Participants Top Choice and the Merchants Top Choice were both won by none other than **Bob Allan for his sweet 40 Ford**. Way to go Bobby!! Nice going guys!!

The Fairlane / Falcon Club also had a Show & Shine where four of our members won trophies for their rides. Way to go guys!!

Publicity:

There was a great article in the August 9th Langley Advance about our **BCHRA** donation to the Langley Equestrian Therapeutic Center with a picture of our executive passing over a \$9100 cheque.

Also there was a great article and interview in the West Coast News with **Harold Wellenbrink** regarding some of the history of hot rodding in BC and the PNE Show.

Members:

We learned that **Jim de Vries** had suffered a heart attach and was now recovering at home. We also learned that **Frank Kish's** wife had surgery to amputate her lower leg. She is still recovering in hospital. So, please take a moment to call these members and let them know we are thinking about them. The Kish's # is 604-435-0716 and the de Vries # is 604-574-5403.

Modified Plate Application:

Bunny Jeboult reported that he had experienced some delays recently when attempting to have his '39 Ford registered. He shared that the most important thing he learned was the fact that **digital pictures** were **NOT** acceptable to ICBC. They must be the good old fashioned glossy prints on Kodak paper. He also learned that you must make sure that you fill in every box on the forms with a check mark or the like as they will not process your application until it is totally complete!!

Up Coming Events to be Aware of:

Don't forget the **Central Fraser Valley Swap Meet**

Also the **Cloverdale Old Car Jamboree** Oct 16 & 17th.

Then there is the **Golden Ears VCCC Fall Swap Meet** in Maple Ridge on October 2nd.

The Abbotsford Collector Car Show & Auction is on October 15 & 16th.

Keith Warren reminded us that the **Greater Vancouver Motorsport Pioneers Society** will be inducting 16 new members on Oct. 16th at the Scandinavian Center in Burnaby.

Motion to adjourn at 9:45 pm by Don Rapier and 2nd by Terry Bigg.

Buy and Sell

For Sale: 1966 or 1967 Chevy II Nova or Acadian trunk lid, Great shape. \$130.
Call

Kevin McPhedrian @ 604-271-3847.

For Sale: 1978 Cadillac El Dorado Biaritz, California car, 60,000 original miles.
\$10,500 firm. Call Bob Hoeple @ 604-530-6217.

For Sale: 1971 Chevy C-10 custom pick-up, A1 Perfect 350/turbo 350/342 posi,
truck

restored, needs some finishing, new tires & wheels. Call Dale Smith

@

604-244-0434.

For Sale: 1970 Olds 442 W25 Holiday coupe, in excellent running shape, needs
body

restoration, includes \$3500 of NOS and spare parts. \$16,500. Call

Gregory

Charles @ 604-594-4081.

For Sale: 2 only-12 volt fuel pumps - \$50 each; 12 volt wiper motor for 1941-48
Chev.- \$80 new; 1937 Ford L&R taillights as new - \$125; 12 volt
alternator

crank for 40's Ford flathead motor, new- \$100; 1937-39 Ford windshield
price or (new) \$150; 12 volt windshield wiper motor - \$30. (Most items full
best offer.) Call Harold Wellenbrink @ 604-574-5457.

For Sale: 1949 Ford Pick-up F1 see photo on website
Flathead V8
4 Speed
Great shape, Radio working!
BC Collector Plate
Air Cared
Asking \$16,000.00 CDN
Call Darwin 604 836 6109
Or Terry Rea 604 290 1819

By George Carlin (his wife recently passed away) isn't it amazing that George Carlin-gross and mouthy comedian of the 70's and 80's- could write something so very eloquent.

A Wonderful Message by George Carlin:

The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings but shorter tempers, wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less, we buy more, but enjoy less. We have bigger houses and smaller families, more conveniences, but less time. We have more degrees but less sense, more knowledge, but less judgment, more experts, yet more problems, more medicine, but less wellness.

We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too little, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life. We've added years to life not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet a new neighbor. We conquered outer space but not inner space. We've done larger things, but not better things.

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul. We've conquered the atom, but not our prejudice. We write more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish

less. We've learned to rush, but not to wait. We build more computers to hold more information, to produce more copies than ever, but we communicate less and less.

These are the times of fast foods and slow digestion, big men and small characters, steep profits and shallow relationships. These are the days of two incomes but more divorce, fancier houses, but broken homes. These are days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throwaway morality, one night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer, to quiet, to kill. It is time when technology can bring this letter to you, and a time when you can choose either to share this insight, or not to.

Remember, spend some time with your loved ones because they are not going to be around forever.

Remember, say a kind word to someone who looks up to you in awe, because that little person soon will grow up and leave your side.

Remember, to give a warm hug to the one next to you, because that is the only treasure you can give with your heart and it doesn't cost a cent.

Remember, to say, "I love you" to your partner and your loved ones, but most of all, mean it. A kiss and an embrace will mend hurt when it comes from deep inside of you.

Remember, to hold hands and cherish the moment, for someday that person will not be there again. Give time to love, give time to speak, and give time to share the precious thoughts in your mind.

AND ALWAYS REMEMBER: Life is not measured by breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.

George Carlin

A trucker came into a truck stop cafe and placed his order. He said, "I want three flat tires, a pair of headlights and a pair of running boards.

The brand new blonde waitress, not wanting to appear stupid, went to the kitchen and said to the cook, "This guy out there just ordered three flat tires, a pair of headlights and a pair of running boards. What does he think this place is... an auto parts store?"

"No," the cook said. "Three flats tires means three pancakes, a pair of headlights is two eggs sunny side up, and running boards are 2 slices crisp bacon."

"Oh, OK!" said the blonde. She thought about it for a moment and then spooned up a bowl of beans and gave it to the customer.

The trucker asked, "What are the beans for, Blondie?"

She replied, "I thought while you were waiting for the flat tires, headlights and running boards, you might want to gas up!"

WHY CANADIANS ARE SO TIRED

For a couple years I've been blaming it on lack of sleep, not enough sunshine, and too much pressure from my job, earwax build-up, poor blood circulation or anything else I could think of. Now I've found out the real reason. I'm tired because I'm overworked.

And Here's why:

The population of Canada is 30 million. 11 million are retired, that leaves 19 million to do the work. There are 5.5 million in school, which leaves 13.5 million to do the work. Of this there are 3 million employed by the federal government, leaving 10.5 million to do the work. 1 million are in the armed forces, preoccupied with killing terrorists, which leaves 9.5 million to do the work. Take from that total the 7 million people who work for Provincial and city Governments, and that leaves 2.5 million to do the work. At any given time, there are 476,000 people in hospitals, leaving 2,024,000 to do the work. Now, there are 1,211,998 people in prisons and 812,000 on Employment Insurance and Welfare. That leaves just two people to do the work.

You and me, and there you are sitting on your butt, reading jokes.

Nice!! Real Nice!!
