

YE OLDE CAR CLUB, INC OF TRI-CITIES
P.O. BOX 6873
KENNEWICK, WA 99336-0601

Jim & Ginger Vetrano
4512 W. Yellowstone Ave.
Kennewick, WA 99336

GAS GAUGE

A publication of
Ye Olde Car Club



JANUARY'S MINUTES

February/March
2005

CLUB OFFICERS

Pres.	John Nelson	946-6100
VP	Fred Fraser	946-9850
Tres.	Jack Yale	586-4933
	Peggy Yale	586-4933
Sec.	Martha Shreve	582-7530
Publshr	Cyndy Underwood	946-4414
Web	Scott Noga	545-5903

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Eldon Reiman	585-8276
Bob Rupp	586-9731
Martha Shreve	582-7530
Bob McClary	783-3622

The January meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by the President, John Nelson.

Minutes of the December meeting were read and approved.

Jack Yale gave the Treasurer's report. It was accepted as delivered.

Many items were discussed under old business. It was reported that dues should be paid by January 31st, if not paid by March 1st, name and data will be dropped from the club roster.

Data sheets mailed in a prior Gas Gauge need to be completed and mailed in immediately so that the 2005 roster can be finished by March.

Most of the months have a volunteer but a few are still open. If you have an activity you would like to host call John Nelson.

Dave Underwood was not present to give a report on the swap meet but is working on it. This will be his last year to be the chair. Bob McClary working with Dave this year.

Red Rutherford is checking into the possibility of organizing a Kennewick Antique Car Museum some where in the community. More on this later.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38

Secretary
Martha Shreve



UPCOMING EVENTS

April		Toppinish train trip
May	Dave Underwood	Swap Meet
June	John Nelson	
July	Bob Rupp	4th of July Parade
August	Bob McClary	Ben Franklin Parade/ picnic
August 27	is the Le May Car Show	in Tacoma
September		Prosser States Day Parade
October		Fall Follage/covered bridges in Oregon
November	Lee & Loretta Jackson	
December	Fred/John	Christmas Party

The some of the above events are suggestions from the December meeting. If you haven't signed up to plan an event please think about planning one. It doesn't have to be one of the suggestions, you can decide to do something different. Or if you want you can take one of the above suggestions that no one has said that they would do and plan the particulars of the event. As you can see there is several openings that need to be filled otherwise there won't be an event that month. The one that is needed right away is for April. If someone decides to plan something for April, please get me the information as soon as possible as I will be extremely busy the end of March, so I would like to get April's newsletter either completely finished or most of the way done by the end of March. Also, there is no fast rule that says there could only be one activity or event planned, so if you want to plan an activity or event for a different day in that month please do so.

A Wonderful Trip to Egypt



Audrey Simmelink and her ^{friend} Lee gave a presentation on their recent trip to Egypt on Friday, January 28th. Although I was not able to attend, due to my parent's 50th wedding anniversary, I heard that it went well. I hope that those who were able to attend had a good time. I am sure I missed a fun and enlightening event.

Happy Valentines Day



The Valentine Chocolate party held at Jim and Ginger Vetrano's was well attended. Approximately 35 club members attended the event. There was a wide assortment of items that contained chocolate. Everything from brownies, fudge, cheese-cake with chocolate swirls to chocolate cake. There was a lot of visiting. Ginger had two games for everyone to play. The first was to make as many words, at least 3 letters, from a sentence. The second game was to match the mates. For example, on one (column) side of the page would be Cleopatra and on the other side (column) would be Mark Anthony. Everyone enjoyed themselves.



QUILT SHOW

There are car club members that have another hobby and that hobby is quilting. For those who may be interested, there will be a quilt show in Pasco. It will be held Friday April 1st and Saturday April 2nd. The show is put on by the Tri-City Quilters' Guild. The quilt show is at the TRAC in Pasco. The hours are Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Entry is by a \$4.00 donation. If you have any questions regarding this you can contact Cyndy Underwood at 946-4414.

WEE BIT OF IRELAND

There will an activity in Heppner Oregon called "We bit of Ireland". It is being held March 18-20, 2005. Some of the activities are: a St. Patty's Cruz-in on the 19th from 10-4 with Antique and Classic cars, sheep dog trials starting from 8:30 and going all day, there will be a museum, arts and crafts, all kinds of stuff going on. There will be lots of food and a parade at 1 p.m. on main street. For more information please contact Martha Shreve at 582-7530. This sounds like it will be lots of fun so please plan to attend.



Jack Yale being stopped by a policeman.



I'm not sure when it happened but word around the club is that the first time out with his 1932 Chrysler, Jack Yale got a speeding ticket by a motorcycle cop riding a 1935 motorcycle. For further details you will need to talk to Jack.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Judy Oeder
Gary Stredwick
- 2 Robert Gordon
- 3 Ludmila Kramer
- 4 Dixie Gilbert
- 6 Sally Rutherford
- 14 Jim Vetrano
- 15 Dave Bergum
- 19 Grace Jackson
- 27 Lorry Boyce
- 28 Theora Williams

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 10 Willie & Rachel Gould
Ken & Myrtle Nesbitt
- 14 Jim & Ginger Vetrano



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Bud Williams
- 3 Eldon Reiman
- 5 Bob Graves
- 7 Paul Kramer
- 8 Doris Johnson
- 11 Charlette Gilbert
- 12 Richard Kuch
John Kutrowski
Eric Tchmitcheff
Patti Ybarra
- 15 Pete Reiland
- 21 Martha Shreve
- 25 Lenora Jackson
Jeff Solbrack
- 26 Floy Durham
- 31 Dave Underwood

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 Denny & Janice Wellington
- 5 Jeff & Judy Todd
- 14 Dave "Mike" & Cyndy Underwood
- 26 Dave & Jan Underwood
- 29 Wayne & Lorraine Williams
- 31 Chuck & Kay Sundgren

McClary's Open House

The open house that the children of the McClary's gave was a huge success. There was an excellent turnout between club members and family and friends of the McClarys. The food was good and there were plenty there, the cake was good and the entertainment was good. The children and some of the grandchildren gave short speeches. There was a slide show of some of the events that happened throughout their lives. Everyone who attended had a good time.

THIRTY-FIVE MILES PER HOUR? THAT'S NOT SO BAD!

In January, 1896, there were exactly four gasoline buggies in the United States. One was built by *Duryea Brothers* in 1892 - one by Henry Ford in 1894 - another by *Haynes* in 1894 - and finally, one was built by *Benz* of Germany in 1895. All four of these machines participated in America's first auto race, which was held on Thanksgiving Day, 1895. They would race from Chicago to Evans-ton, and return - a distance of about 50 miles. These four cars averaged five miles per hour.

On Decoration Day, 1896, six horseless carriages competed for a \$3,000 prize offered by *Cosmopolitan Magazine*. In this race, there were four *Duryea* motor wagons - a car built by Dr. C.C. Booth of Youngstown, Ohio - and a "Roger Wagon" built by *Benz* in Germany for a Frenchman named Emile Roger. This race started at the *Cosmopolitan* offices in New York City, and ended at *Cosmopolitan's* printing plant in Irvington, N.J., about 52 miles away. All four *Duryeas* held the lead. The automobile had definitely improved - the winner finished this race in 7 hours 13 minutes, with an average speed of about 6 miles per hour.

Smoke Signals from the Chief