



Blown Gasket

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Upcoming Club Activities

Friday club dinner: Contact Pat Potter 315-5144

SUNDAY BREAKFAST

The Sunday Breakfast schedule will be as follows:

October – G-Ma's

November -- Perkins

Don Heil said they order around 8:00 a.m.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

MARILYN ALTEBAUMER, JERRY BARTON, PETER BUELL, DIANE BUTLER, RYAN BUTLER, DENNIS DAY, SANDY FERRAIZ, MICHAEL KENNEDY, MARY KING, RON POTTER, LUCINDA SIMMONS, LEE TAYLOR



Oil Capitol Auto Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2019

Board of Directors

President:	Rocky Smith
Vice President:	Mike Johnson (absent)
Treasurer:	Ken Lantta (absent)
Secretary:	Mark Milliken (absent)
Car Show Committee Chairman:	Jerry Barton
Newsletter Editor:	Jerry Russell
Webmaster and Social Media:	Mike Kennedy

Call to Order: The President called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- The September minutes were approved as posted on the website.

Treasurer's report:

- Financial status reports for the club and car show were discussed and made available to the membership.
- Funds from the 2019 car show that are available for charity contributions have been transferred into the club account.
- The scholarship committee selected five recipients and two alternates. The names have been provided to Casper College. The scholarship funds have been paid to Casper College. Four of the five scholarship recipients attended the meeting; and they were Dustin Smart, Keith Reau, Crystal Roodabaugh and David Saine. Jennifer Morgan did not attend the meeting because she is currently out of state.
- Members are encouraged to submit nominations for charitable giving to Pat Potter. Forms are available from Pat and Ken Lantta.
- There are currently 158 members.
- The Food for Thought Car Show on Saturday, October 12, and the International Mercury Owners Association Car Show in June of 2020 were discussed. Members are encouraged to frequently check the website.
- The member meeting on November 13 will include a pot luck supper beginning at 6:30 p.m. Meat will be supplied by the club. Election of officers for 2020-21 (President, Secretary, & Treasurer) will be the focus of the meeting. A nominating committee is now in place – Mark Milliken and Chuck Lauderdale.
- Charity donation funds are available. Members may secure applications from Pat Potter.

Car Show Committee report:

- The first planning meeting for the 2020 car show will be on Wednesday, November 6, at 7:00 p.m. at Z's Classics. Members are encouraged to attend and be part of the show planning effort.
- This year will be the 20th anniversary car show. Special activities and mementos will be added for this celebration. Members are encouraged to provide ideas to commemorate the anniversary to Chairman Barton, Co-Chairman Lanum or any committee member.

President (new business):

- Upcoming regional car shows were discussed.

Next member meeting: November 13, 6:30 p.m., Z's Classics.

Adjournment: Upon hearing no further business, the President adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

BENEVOLENCE

Mark Milliken and Millie Niesen are currently recovering from recent surgery.

CLASSIC CLUES

Question: Which of the Chrysler “letter cars” sold the fewest amount?

Answer: Only 400, 300J’s were sold (they skipped “I” because it looked like the number 1)

MY CAR

Has anyone ever heard of Louis Horwitz? Neither had I. It seems that Mr. Horwitz was a Branch Manager for Packard in Buffalo, New York, during WWII. Mr. Horwitz sensed an untapped segment of the car buying public after the end of the war and established the Playboy Motor Car Corporation. His idea was to create a small sporty roadster that was easy to operate and economical to own. The result was the Playboy. The Playboy drew rave reviews and full production was begun in May of 1947. The unit body, as it was called, was converted to a conventional front engine configuration on a 90 inch wheelbase. The Playboy boasted a 133-cu. in. four cylinder Hercules power plant and developed a whopping 48 horsepower. All of that was pushed along with a Borg-Warner R-10 three speed manual with overdrive. Riding on 12” wheels the Playboy retailed for \$985.00. The Playboy once made the trip from New York City to Los Angeles in 62 hours, 20 minutes. The picture looked rosy for the little car until fallout from the Preston Tucker controversy over stock sales cut into the Playboy’s financing; 95 cars and 2 station wagons had been built when the Playboy Motor Car Corporation closed its doors in 1949. If you have a chance grab one of these, talk about rare.



CLUB STORE

Just a reminder, the club store does have quite a little inventory and members are urged to show our colors proudly. Shirts, hats, and accessories are available for purchase at very reasonable prices. Also, summer weight ball caps are now in stock, so come and get them. To make a purchase please contact Ralph Butler or any of the officers.

Editor

UPCOMING ELECTIONS

Elections of a new slate of officers will be upon us very soon. All members are urged to consider running for office so that the club will continue its usual smooth operation. Now is the time for all gearheads to come to the aid of the Oil Capital Auto Club. If you wish to serve or partake in any way, please contact any of the officers and make your feelings known. Come on down; it's fun! Voting will take place at the regular November club meeting.

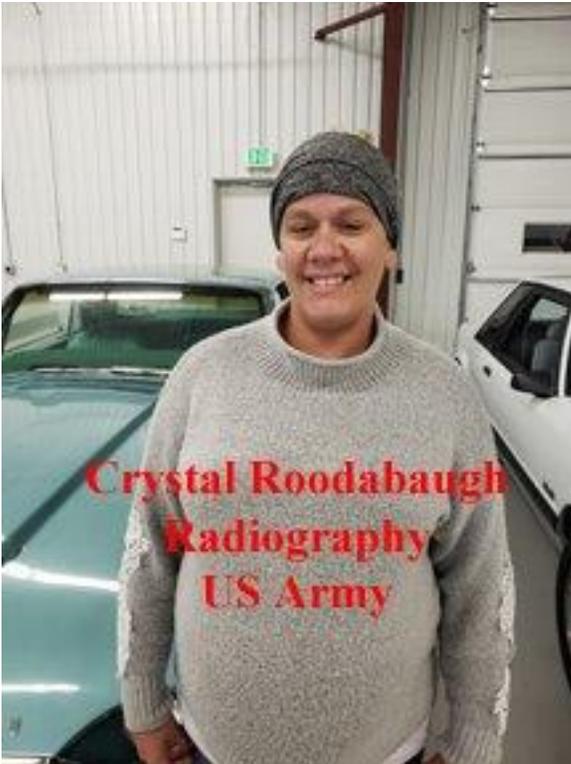
MEMORIAL DAY SHOW 2020

The next meeting of the car show committee will be held on November 6, 2019, at Z's Classics at 7:00 PM. All members are urged to attend and bring new ideas to the committee. For more information please contact Jerry Barton, John Lanum, or any of the club officers. This is the 20th Car Show coming up so let's make it a good one.

Be Careful Out There



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Jennifer Morgan
Health Care
US Navy
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Board of Directors Meeting, 11/11/19, 6:00 PM, Village Inn Eastside.

Regular Monthly Meeting, 11/13/19, at Z's Classic's, 6:30 PM.

Indoor Car Show, Cheyenne, WY, November 30.

OCAC Christmas Party, 12/14/19, 6:00 p.m. at Ramkota.

OCAC New Year's Brunch, 1/4/20, 10:00 a.m. at Ramkota.

International Mercury Owners Association National Show, 6/24-28/20, Westminster, CO.

All Ford Picnic/Car Show, 6/28/20, Golden, CO.



There are three kinds of men:

The ones that learn by reading.

The few who learn by observation.

The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence and find out for themselves.

- Will Rogers