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#### Montana Street Rod Association • 44th Year

## **NEWSLETTER**

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#### From Your Officers...

With heavy hearts, the MSRA Officers would like to acknowledge the passing of several long-time members. We remember the commitment and dedication to MSRA from Buck Copenhaver, Ron Brandt, and Wally Hammet. Keep their families in your thoughts throughout this difficult time. Buck, Ron and Wally - we know you are cruisin' those heavenly highways!! We also remember a former MSRA member and a founding member of the Pioneer Street Rods in Butte - Tom McGarry. Please keep him and his family in your thoughts. We also lost a lifelong rodder and friend to all who met him, Gary Hagen, in July. Gary most recently lived in Bozeman, but spent most of his life rodding in Great Falls.

As you may know, the MSRA officer positions were filled at the February 2, 2018 meeting. Volunteering to fill the positions for the next two years were Gary Taylor, President; Ennie Stredwick, Vice-President; Greg Staples, Treasurer; and Marilyn Patrick, Secretary. After a somewhat slow start, the business of the organization has resumed. Membership letters to all individuals, business sponsors and car clubs were sent out. The response has been satisfactory. Paid car clubs were again offered the opportunity to give an "MSRA Pick" at their car shows and five clubs opted to give an award. Plaques were ordered and sent directly to those clubs.

There are ongoing discussions regarding the number of formal meetings to be held by MSRA. It has been suggested that we hold two formal meetings a year (May and September) and a "get-together" with an activity in February. If any of you have any ideas or suggestions, please let us know.

Where have you been this summer? There are so many events to attend on any given weekend that it becomes difficult to pick and choose where to go. Be sure to send your pictures for inclusion in future editions of the newsletter.

**This is your organization**. Your input is always welcome and requested. Thanks to all of you who renewed your memberships for 2018.

Sincerely,

Your Officers--Gary, Ennie, Greg and Marilyn

#### The next meeting of the membership of the MSRA:

The next MSRA meeting will be on Saturday, September 8, 2018 in conjunction with the Carousel Cruise by the Pioneer Street Rods. The meeting is scheduled for 2:00p.m. in Clark's Park in Butte (under one of the gazebos). We look forward to seeing you there!

### Ideas Welcome

## **Meeting Minutes**

Saturday, May 19, 2018 Butte, MT



## Minutes of the Montana Street Rod Association Meeting May 19,2018

The meeting was called to order by Gary Taylor, President. The meeting was held in conjunction with the NSRA Appreciation Day and Safety Inspection at Highlands College in Butte, Montana.

The membership book was passed among those present. There were six (6) members and one (1) guest in attendance.

The one guest was introduced. There were no new members or sponsors.

#### **Minutes**

Minutes of the previous meeting were distributed to those present. A correction to Elizabeth Scholl's name was made. It had been misspelled as "School". The minutes were approved as corrected.

#### Secretary's Report

The Secretary's Report was given by Marilyn Patrick.

#### Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was given by Gary Taylor from information provided by Greg Staples who was absent from the meeting. The report is attached.

#### **Unfinished Business**

A discussion regarding the number of meetings per year as per the by-laws was held. A change to 2 formal meetings a year is under consideration. Venues for future meetings discussed were with the Pioneer Street Rods Carousel Cruise in September, a meeting in Townsend at the end of September and continuing the Bozeman meeting in February. It was decided to hold three meetings a year – all of which will be in Butte. The meetings will be in February, May and September. Continuing the discussion, ideas for the February meeting were tossed around. One idea was to have a progressive dinner type of function. Another idea was to have a dinner at a local restaurant paid for by the association. With this dinner there could be a couple of auction or

raffle items. Another possibility is to revive the "No Rod Rod Run" which could be sponsored by MSRA and hosted by the Pioneer Street Rods. This discussion will continue. Newsletter items need to be submitted in order for it to be prepared for publication. It was decided to send one issue to all previous business sponsors even though they may not have paid for 2018.

#### **New Business**

Gary talked about associate memberships. These memberships would not have association voting rights and would not be required to attend meetings. A by-laws change will be needed to include this type of membership. One groups of folks who might be solicited for associate memberships would be some of the folks who attend the Bozeman car guys monthly meetings who are not currently MSRA members. A motion was made by Tony Patrick and seconded by Dwight Wade to pay all bills which fall due between this meeting and the September meeting. The motion passed.

The next meeting will be held on September 8, 2018 in conjunction with the Carousel Cruise in Butte (the Pioneer Street Rods annual event). A venue and time will be announced later.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jim Alley. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Marilyn Patrick, Secretary

## MSRA Treasurer's Report as of 5/15/18

#### **Montana Street Rod Association**

Treasurer's report as of: 5/15/2018

Cash in Bank: General fund: \$9249.33 Scholarship Fund: \$4586.85 Total: \$13,836.18

	General	Scholarship
Income YTD:	\$1,875.00	\$ 1,155.00
MEMBERSHIPS (34)	\$850.00	
BUSINESS SPONSORS (17)	\$850.00	
CAR CLUB MEMBERSHIPS (5)	\$175.00	
LICENSE PLATES	\$0.00	
PATCHES	\$	
SCHOLARSHIP MERCHANDISE		
Expense YTD	\$199.58	\$ -
PRINTING		
POSTAGE	\$117.58	
PLAQUES	\$0.00	
РО ВОХ	\$82.00	
LICENSE PLATES	\$ -	
PATCHES	\$ -	
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ -	
WEB SITE	\$ -	
ACCOUNTING	\$ -	
STATE REGISTRATION	\$ -	
TRANSFER TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND		

#### **Expense Transaction Detail:**

CK#	Date	Pay To:	Expense	Amount	
	3129	1/8/2018 Judy Sorg	school letters postage	\$	9.31
	3130	1/24/2018 Steve Sorg	Jan Newsletter Postage	\$	30.80
	3131	4/11/2018 Steve Sorg	PO BOX	\$	82.00
	3132	5/8/2018 Marilyn Patrick	Renewals Postage	\$	77.47

#### MSRA Pick at your car show?

Those MSRA member clubs that requested and were sent plaques for the MSRA Picks, please send us the names of the recipients along with a picture and information on the pick and the owners.



When: September 8, 2018

Where: Clark's Park, - Butte, Montana

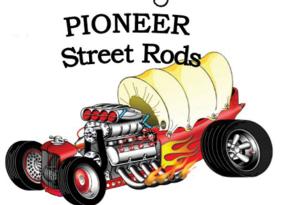
Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Entry Fee: \$25.00 - 1st entry

\$ 5.00 - each additional entry

Contact: Ed Curran - 406.560.3309

# Hosted by the:



**Butte, Montana** 

#### TIPS 'N TRICKS

When forging a river or power washing the engine, anytime you get the distributor wet, pop the cap off and if it's wet inside, squirt a load of WD40 in, shake it back out and replace the cap....you don't even need to wipe it out. The WD40 displaces the water and the motor will fire right up. Used to do a lot of 4 wheeling around here and occasionally would kill the motor forging streams. This worked every single time.

If something is rusted solid, salt water is one of the best things to dissolve the rust.

How about a few 'black tape tricks'... Shown to me by an old-timer years ago...

Before applying the tape, make sure it's up to at least room temperature (70F). Carry it in your front pocket for a while until it's warm. This allows it to 'stretch' better.

If using it for harness wrap and to make it easier to open/repair later, start with your initial 'wrap' around the bundle to anchor the tape, then turn the tape 180 degrees putting the adhesive side out. Do one wrap like this the length of the harness, then reverse the tape again, finishing with the adhesive in. Overlap your 'wraps' by about 1/3 to 1/2 the tape width. This works really well on bolted connections too, giving a clean connection when the tape is cut away.

When finishing your 'wrap', stretch to break, not cut, the end of the tape. Wrap the last few inches of stretched tape after letting it 'relax' for a moment by rolling it on with a finger; don't use tension on the tape. This will reduce the tendency of the tape to start unraveling.

And last but not least, a tie-wrap (AKA zip tie) trick. When installing these don't *cut* the excess tail off; this almost always leaves a sharp edge that opens knuckles quite well. Instead, *twist* it off. Grab the 'tail' right where it comes out of the catch lengthwise with pliers and twist in one direction until it comes off. This will break the tail off flush with the catch and may leave a small rounded 'knob' protruding at most. Note that this may not work with the cheap plastic ties (breaking them), but with the better-quality ones or the ones with metal catches will leave no sharp edges.

Does your insurance company or charitable organizations send you those pre-printed mailing labels with your name & address on them? They normally come faster than I can use them so they make handy adhesive name tags for things I would want back if lost or lent out. They aren't just for mail. I put one on my digital camera and few other items I'm prone to leaving the house with. I even resorted to putting one on my igloo playmate cooler cuz a friend has one identical to mine, and kept trying to walk off with mine. Maybe he just wanted my beer.

## Cache Valley Days in Logan, Utah

# MSRA Members Attend "Cache Valley Days" in Logan, Utah

A number of members of MSRA traveled to Logan, Utah to attend the car show at Cache Valley Days.

This event was held on July 5-7 at the fairgrounds. Receiving awards at this show were Marj and Dwight Wade, Stretch and Ennie Stredwick and Terry Oksa.

Other MSRA members attending were Jim and Nancy Alley, Tony and Marilyn Patrick, and Bob Degenhardt and Elizabeth Scholl.

The weather cooperated but was extremely hot. Watch for the December issue of Cruzin' Magazine - our cars will be among those featured.











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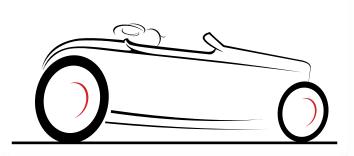


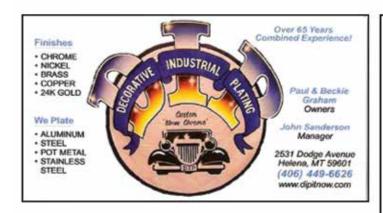


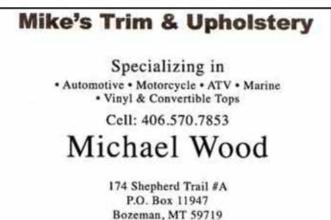


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Earl Jolliff

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- You can have your rod run registration/advertisement printed in the newsletter that goes out to 120 memberships.
- You can advertise any club fundraisers.
- You can put articles in the newsletter.
- You can advertise "FOR SALE" vehicles, parts, etc. in the newsletter and on the website.
- Your name will appear on the website as a club member.

#### **MSRA BUSINESS SPONSORSHIPS**

If you are a business owner and would like to become a business sponsor of MSRA, send your business card or a copy of your ad to:

#### **Montana Street Rod Assocation**

PO Box 1423 Bozeman, MT 59771-1423

Cost: \$50 per year

Your fees go toward the MSRA Scholarship Fund

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