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From Your Officers....

Did your summer fly by? Was there actually any summer? According to the calendar it was here - just can't figure out where it went!! Hopefully all of you were able to enjoy the season and had great times at the many car shows in our great State of Montana and beyond.

Several MSRA members were seen at the 50th Anniversary Show of the National Street Rod Association in Louisville, Kentucky. They attempted to see the almost 13,000 vehicles in attendance. Northwest Deuce Days in Victoria, B.C. hosted a couple of MSRA members. From the highline to West Yellowstone and from Glendive to Lookout Pass, our members were represented at the many shows each weekend. As always, however, the time is drawing to a close and our rides will be put away for their long winter nap while we make plans for the 2020 season.

On a more somber note, MSRA sends its condolences to the family of Jimm Kilmer. Jimm was a founding father of MSRA and instrumental in the early years of the West Yellowstone Rod Run. Jimm passed away on Wednesday, September 4, 2019.

MSRA has chosen a slate of officers for the ensuing two years. For full details, see the minutes of the 9/7/19 meeting held in Butte during the Carousel Cruise sponsored by the Pioneer Street Rods. Formal election of the officers will be held in February. Thank you to these folks for keeping MSRA alive for the next two years.

The next meeting of MSRA will be at 11:00 am on Sunday, October 6, 2019, in Betsy's Café, Townsend, Montana. Note that the meeting will be held in the meeting room in the back of Betsy's, not in the front where we have met in the past. This coincides with the car show held in conjunction with Townsend's Fall Festival. See you there!!

Your Officers,
Gary, Ennie, Greg and Marilyn

The next meeting of the membership of the MSRA:

Sunday, October 6, 2019 in Betsy's Café Townsend, Montana in the meeting room in the back of Betsy's.

Ideas Welcome

Meeting Minutes

Saturday, September 7, 2019, Butte, MT



Montana Street Rod Association
Minutes of the September 7, 2019 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Gary Taylor, President in the pavilion at Stodden Park, Butte, Montana. The meeting was held in conjunction with the Carousel Cruise sponsored by the Pioneer Street Rods.

The sign-in book was passed among those present. Twelve members and two guests were in attendance.

Roll Call of Officers

The roll call of officers was held. Present were Gary Taylor, President; Ennie Stredwick, Vice-President; and Marilyn Patrick, Secretary. Greg Staples, Treasurer was not present.

Minutes

The minutes of the April 27, 2019 meeting were published in the newsletter. Members were asked if they had read these minutes and if they had any additions, omissions or corrections. As there were none, the minutes were accepted as published.

Treasurer's Report

The financial report as of June 30, 2019 had been sent via e-mail by Greg Staples. This report was passed around to those present. The report was accepted as presented.

Communications

It was reported that Jimm Kilmer, a founding member of MSRA, died on Wednesday, September 4, 2019.

New Members

Ennie reported that she had recruited three new members during the Carousel Cruise. The new members are Steve Dobb, Arnie Houdek and Grant Callentine. Steve Dobb was introduced at the meeting. Thank you all for considering to join MSRA.

Unfinished Business

Stretch and Gary have taken the newsletters to the cars guys gathering in Bozeman. Younger members of this group did not know what MSRA is. Steve said that he could print some copies from the website. Applications for membership will be given to Gary to take to future meetings in Bozeman.

The associate membership concept will not be considered at this time.

New Business

It was requested that Jimm Kilmer's family be sent a card of condolence. Also, a card will be sent to Bruce Allison and family in remembrance of Shari Allison. (Bruce Allison, 501 E. Illinois St., #2,

The MSRA scholarship applications will be sent out to the respective departments at the two-year schools in Montana. After some discussion, it was decided to give out two - \$1,000.00 scholarship awards. Stretch Stredwick made a motion to this effect. The motion was seconded by Dwight Wade. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Steve Sorg and seconded by Tony Patrick to pay the bills that come due during the next period. The motion passed.

Gary mentioned that he will be gone for a few months and some other person, officer or other member, should be given check signing authority in his absence. MSRA checks have always required two signatures. The bank will be checked for current signing authority. Dwight suggested that the Vice-President be added to the signing authority.

Nomination of Officers

Nomination of officers for the next two-year term was held. The slate of officers is as follows: President - Gary Taylor; Vice-President - Ennie Stredwick; Treasurer - Marj Wade; and Secretary - Marilyn Patrick. Formal elections will take place in February. A motion to close the nominations was made by Tony Patrick and seconded by Stretch Stredwick. The motion passed.

Newsletter

It was noted that the last newsletter did not have any articles that are usually submitted by Barb Salerno. A newsletter needs to be published before the next meeting. It was suggested to send copies to former paid members. A better timeline to obtain articles for the newsletter is about one month before it is scheduled to be published.

Gary requested that the phone number in his advertisement be changed. He gave a new number to put in the ad.

Miscellaneous

The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 6, 2019 in Townsend, Montana at Betsy's Café. Time for the meeting is 11:00.

As there was no further business, a motion was made to adjourn by Stretch. The motion was seconded by Tony. The meeting adjourned at 2:42 pm.

Submitted by:

Marilyn Patrick, Secretary

MSRA Treasurer's Report as of 6/30/19

Montana Street Rod Association

Treasurer's report

as of: 6/30/2019

Cash in Bank: General fund: \$11637.60 Scholarship Fund: \$2586.85 Total: \$14224.45

	General	Scholarship
Income YTD:	\$1,960.00	\$ 1,055.00
MEMBERSHIPS (31)	\$775.00	
BUSINESS SPONSORS (19)	\$950.00	
CAR CLUB MEMBERSHIPS (7) (note1)	\$235.00	
LICENSE PLATES	\$0.00	
PATCHES	\$	
SCHOLARSHIP MERCHANDISE		
Expense YTD	\$804.31	\$ 2,000.00
PRINTING		
POSTAGE	\$151.58	
PLAQUES	\$80.00	
PO BOX	\$22.00	
LICENSE PLATES	\$ -	
Member Meeting	\$410.73	
MISCELLANEOUS	\$100.00	
WEB SITE	\$ -	
ACCOUNTING	\$ -	
STATE REGISTRATION	\$40.00	
TRANSFER TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND	\$1055 pending (see note 2)	

Deposits	1/1-3/31	\$1,670.00	less	\$650.00	\$1,020.00
	4/1-6/30	\$1,345.00	scholarship	\$405.00	\$940.00

Expense Transaction Detail:

CK#	Date	Pay To:	Expense	Amount
3142	4/25/19	Columbia Garden	MBR Meeting	\$ 100.00
3143	4/29/19	Columbia Garden	MBR Meeting	\$ 290.75
3144	5/02/19	Gary Taylor	GiftCert for Marilyn	\$ 100.00
3145	5/02/19	Marilyn Partick	cupcakes for MBR Meeting	\$ 19.98
3146	6/12/19	Steve Sorg	rodder of year engraving	\$ 20.00 (note 3)
refund	6/01/19	deposit	PO Box	\$ (70.00)

Notes:

- note 1 I carclub paid \$25 instead of \$35.
- note 2 All checks are deposited to the general fund. Scholarship contributions are tracked and transferred in bulk.
- note 3 ck 3146 outstanding on 6/30
- note 4 expenses after quarterly cutoff (7/1 to 9/4) = Ryan's \$231 and Marilyn \$48.94

TIPS 'N TRICKS

- When you break the head off of a small screw or bolt take your mig welder and build up a weld high enough to get vice grips on. This has worked quite a few times taking door screws and hinge bolts out, especially when you strip a phillips head out, the heat even helps loosen it up.
- A stuck allen head bolt can sometimes be helped to loosen up by placing a punch into the depression in the head of the bolt (where the wrench goes) and giving it a few sharp raps with a hammer. Stuck screws can be loosened in a similar manner by hitting the end of the screwdriver while you push down and turn. Poorman's impact driver. Bolts broken off flush, below the surface can often be backed out with a pick, if they are not seized, or bottomed in the hole.
- If you suspect your engine may have an internal coolant leak i.e., bad head gasket, cracked head, block etc....run the engine until hot, pull the dipstick and let the oil drip off onto the exhaust manifold or header. If there's any coolant in the oil it will sizzle/bubble ...if it's pure oil it will just smoke/burn off.
- A short piece of rubber hose can serve as a depth gauge/bumper when slid over a drill bit.
- The very best solution I've ever used as a penetrant on rusty bolts by far is a 50/50 mix of acetone and automatic transmission fluid. Put some in a spray bottle and let it soak on rusty bolts overnight it will blow your mind! Oh yeah it is also highly flammable so be careful.
- When re-installing chrome trim around windshield and back glass it can be a real pain to get the trim to slide under the hold down clips and not scratch the new paint. He cuts a small piece of a plastic milk carton and slides that under the clips (mark each one with a magic marker). The plastic lets the chrome slide easier under the clip and the magic marker marks the position of each clip. Saves scratching up your new paint job When done....just pull the plastic tabs out with some needle nose pliers
- When installing new races into a rear axle housing, I put the races in the freezer first. when they are truly cold, grease and tap them in place with a brass drift.

8 Ways You Didn't Know You Could Use Kitty Litter

Unless your cat is one of the rare ones that learns to use the toilet, you probably have a love/hate relationship with kitty litter. You have to pay for it, and transport the heavy bags, and scoop it — but boy, would your home be worse off if your cat didn't have it. Litter is typically made with clay or silica gel. These ingredients absorb moisture and unpleasant odors, both of which are probably lurking in other corners of your life. Use kitty litter to banish them all.

Get Traction on Icy Surfaces - Some drivers in colder climates keep kitty litter in their cars, and it's not because they take their cats on field trips. Litter provides traction when spread over slippery, icy ground. It won't melt ice or snow the way salt will, and the litter will be left in clumps on the ground that you'll have to clean up. But if you skid off the road and can't get your tires to move, spreading litter in front of them may help you get a grip.

Prevent Grill Fires - When it comes to open flames in your backyard, safety always has to come first. Sprinkle a layer of (unused!) kitty litter in the bottom of your grill before you use it next. The clay in kitty litter soaks up oil, which helps prevent grease fires. Just make sure to let any litter dust settle long before you start cooking.

Freshen Funky Shoes - Kitty litter is designed to minimize unpleasant odors. Put that technology to work on your running shoes, kids' sneakers and other stinky footwear. Make sachets of kitty litter using cheesecloth or another lightly-woven fabric. Tuck one into each less-than-fresh-smelling shoe and let the litter absorb odors overnight.

Keep Mice Away - Uninvited four-legged visitors have no business getting into your house. If you have a cat, enlist its help in keeping mice away. It's a little gross, but worth trying if you have a mouse problem. Save your cat's used kitty litter and spread it outdoors near areas where you suspect critters are getting in. Mice will smell the urine and stay away.

Dry Out Flowers - The key to perfectly preserved dried flowers? Slowly removing the moisture from the petals and wicking it away. Kitty litter is perfect for this task. Grab a glass or plastic container with a cover and pour in enough clean litter to cover the bottom. Lay flowers in a single layer on top of the litter and gently cover the flowers with more litter. Let the container sit closed and untouched for a week, or longer if the flowers aren't yet dry at the end of the week.

Deodorize Smelly Spaces - There's no shame in admitting it: Your home doesn't always smell great. Kitty litter's ability to absorb odors makes it an especially handy helper for people with kids and pets. Cut up a pair of panty hose or tights to make little sachets filled with litter. Tie the ends tightly and stash the sachets in your car, near your trash cans and inside teenagers' bedrooms.

Soak Up Spills - Kitty litter's ability to soak up liquids makes it a useful addition to any workshop or garage. If oil spills on the ground, toss litter over it to sop it up. Also, there's a reason school janitors sometimes keep kitty litter on hand. When a person or pet throws up on the floor, sprinkle litter over the mess. Let it soak everything up, then use paper towels or a broom and dustpan to clean up the litter.

Make a Travel Toilet - Hey, it works for Whiskers, why not for you? Pack kitty litter before heading on extended outdoor adventures where you won't have bathroom access. Set up camp and make your own crude toilet with a bucket and trash bags containing litter. Alternately, buy a camping toilet and add litter as a deodorizing agent. It's hardly luxurious, but it beats going in the bushes.

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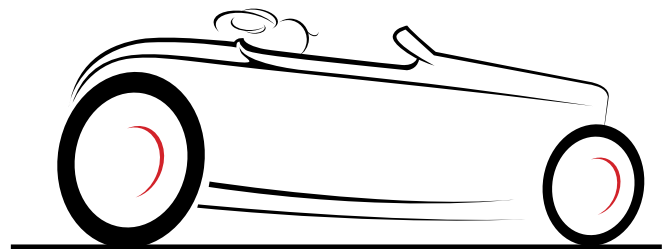
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