



*Bay Area
Horseless Carriage Club*



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The **BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB**

"BAHCC" was founded in 1951 by and for the automobile antiquarians dedicated to the preservation of PRE - 1916 ancient motor vehicles. "BAHCC" is one of the numerous Regional Groups of the Horseless Carriage Club of America "HCCA" which has 4600 members nationwide. "HCCA" membership is required of all active touring Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Members, but is not required for "Associate" members. New membership into our club is invited. Permission to reproduce articles is granted provided credit is given to the original source. The Gaslight Gazette is published 11 times per year with one issue for the months of JULY and August.

MEETINGS: First Wednesday @ 7:30 PM monthly (except July and December - no meeting) at Piedmont Community Hall, Piedmont, CA near Piedmont City Hall. (Public Phone at the hall: 510-547-9311) April and November are potluck dinners starting at 6:30 PM. Guests welcome. Special presentations at meetings.

BOARD MEETINGS: Monthly. See calendar for schedule. Members welcome.

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Editors Notes:

Fall is upon us and the tours are winding down. Many from our club will be attending the annual Hersey Swap Meet and will come back hopefully with great stories of old friends and new additions to their car collections or at the very least parts collections. One year Eric and I attended and rode in a trailer that we had towed down from our NY office so that we could carry all of the things - engine for one that he wanted to buy. It is a fun experience and one that hopefully each member has a chance to enjoy at least once.

Seeing and visiting with members of other car organizations was a high light of Casey's Birthday Party, celebrated in Fremont last weekend. Casey had a lot of friends who enjoyed the good weather and picnic atmosphere and warm hospitality of the Archer's. Thanks Ed and Karen for putting on such a fun event and including so many of us for an eventful day of testing wits in driving.

We will have a busy October with our oldest son Chris and his wife in town beginning this weekend for a week and the arrival of our daughter and her family from New Zealand on October 23rd for a three week stay with us.

Thanks to all who have contributed pictures and articles to this months Gazette.

It would be appreciated if all articles and contributions to the Gazette for November be emailed to the editor by October 22nd.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

OCTOBER PRESIDENTS MESSAGE 2015



The California Summer was gorgeous, and it seems that we now have Indian summer for the next several weeks. BAHCC and other car clubs have just attended “Casey’s Birthday Party” celebrating the 100th Birthday of Ed and Karen Archer’s Model T. The affair is written up by Ed in this month’s issue of the BAHCC Gazette was well attended.

Speaking of 100 year olds, by the end of the year, by definition, all of our Horseless Carriages will be at least 100 years old. Muriel and I were introduced into the hobby about 20 years ago, at which time an 80 year old car was considered old. Now all of our cars are 100 years old or more which from my point of view has more significance as few of us will live to be 100, but our cars have already passed this milestone and will continue to be driven. Amazing! Looking back at the early auto industry, you marvel at how the Model T changed everyone’s lifestyle, providing mobility to all. In the early days, one of every two cars in America was a “Ford Model T”. Its production run was 15 million (1908 to 1927). While the Model T brought mobility, it required the owner or his mechanic to adjust the brakes, tightening bands, changing flat tires, etc, and more Americans in 1910-1920 knew more about their cars then, than they do today.

As a mechanical engineer, I marvel at the ingenuity of these older cars, particularly the simplicity and durability of the Model T and how this single car was transformed the world. The basic Model T changed little from its introduction in 1908 attesting to its well thought out mechanical design. Refinements included electric starter and lights, and accessory products such as “Rocky Mountain Brakes”, and body modifications from wood firewall to metal, etc., but the car remained basically the same car for over 21 year production run, with most parts being interchangeable.

Having read through Henry Ford’s biography, Ford’s legacy was paralleled by only a few great minds, Steve Jobs of Apple for one. Ford and Jobs were dedicated to their “vision”; neither was easy to work with or for. Early on, Ford relied heavily on The Dodge Brothers for parts who became Ford’s biggest creditor. When Dodge Brothers asked for stock in lieu of payment, Ford refused, bankrupted his company, and eased out Dodge Brothers. Ford was ruthless, Steve Jobs difficult well, but both left a sterling legacy.

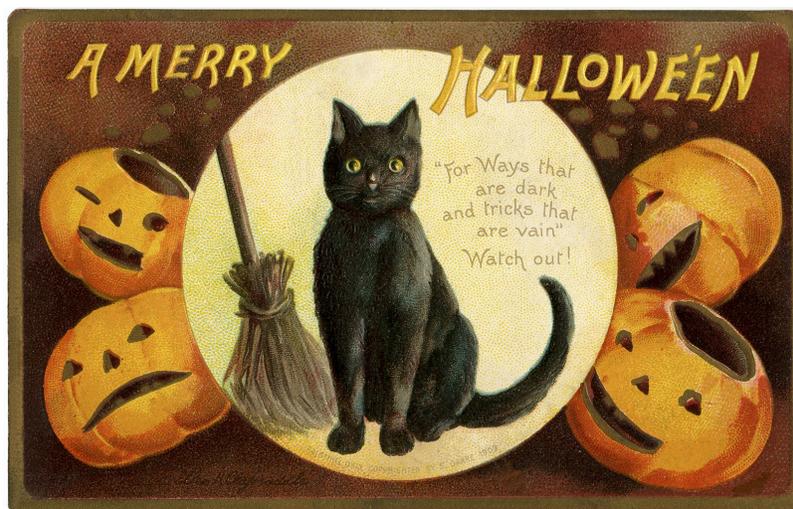
Happy Birthday to all the Horseless Carriage cars. We look forward to many years of continued enjoyment.

OCTOBER 24th– HALLOWEEN TOUR – Don Azevedo – see flier

NOVEMBER 4th – POT LUCK – at Piedmont Center – see flier

DECEMBER 9th – CHRISTMAS PARTY – At Piedmont Center

Eric Lundquist, President



MIGHTY CASEY'S IOOTH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Casey was deeeelighted getting together and celebrating with so many old friends and relatives, so much so that even with a bad "ticker" (his magneto needs a low rpm transplant) our drive home was wild, with all that burst of frivolous excitement coming out, I was hanging on for dear life as it seemed like I had to keep prying up on the accelerator pedal trying to keep the speed down to something manageable on 880 heading home. The Party was grand with 11 of Casey's friends there his age or older, 6 of them also celebrating their 100th Birthday. The celebration began with, what else, our National Anthem. Mark Garcia who arranged for us to use the facility, brought in a 20 foot tall flag pole just for the occasion. Our announcer Rob Antonio immediately got the ball rolling calling the first car to the line of the Balloon Torture game, see the picture, a timed event where the car drives in a circle tethered by a string attached to the radiator neck or cap which goes to the center of the circle and through a tripod affair with a balloon attached to the other end. At the top of the tripod are 3 long needles and at the bottom 1 long needle. The object is to navigate the car around the circle one complete revolution keeping the balloon from touching either needle. Turn to the right too much the balloon goes up, turn to the left too much the balloon goes down. Pop the balloon you lose. Some popped the balloon quickly, while others took as much as 2 minutes to complete the circle. The winner, 33 seconds! Next event was the Back Seat Drivers Test. Another timed event, where the driver is blindfolded and has to drive through an obstacle course made up of orange cones following directions given by the passenger. Every cone knocked over is a 20 second penalty added to the total time. As with the first event there was a wide time span between the winner and other losers and a few harsh words could be heard coming from both driver and passenger, "I told you to turn right and you turned left", "you said left etc. etc.". Then came the "New C.H.P. D.U.I test" or better described as a teeter totter for cars. Each participant got 5 minutes on the ramps to try and balance and the longest time balanced was the winner. Turned out to be nearly impossible as you can see by the pictures, with the passenger moving front to rear and driver leaning to extreme lengths helped. Even with all that effort the best time was something around 15 seconds with an extreme workout by the driver and passenger. It was truly hilarious for the onlookers. After that we broke for lunch, birthday gifts handed out to the other centenarians attending, opening gifts and cards for Casey, cutting the Birthday Cake. And finally the last game, this one a measured finish. Driver is blindfolded at the starting line and drives in a straight line approximately 100 feet to another line where he is told to stop by the referee who is walking along side and adjusting the steering wheel as needed. Then the object is to back up to the starting line, still blindfolded, and stop when he feels that his front wheels has



reached the starting line. Casey's caretaker won the booby prize on that one with a whopping 199 inches past the line, while the winner was only 26" from it. Prizes were handed out to the winners. With our club taking a 1st, 2nd and a 3rd. See the winners list below. Those attending from our club with cars were Don and Joyce Azevedo, 06 Reo, Tom and Melanie Holthaus, 11 Mitchell, Jon and Amelia Alff, 13 Buick, Bill Austen and Bill Cassiday, 15 Ford, Ed and Karen Archer in Casey, 15 Ford, Bill and Kaaren Brommer, 26 Ford and John Morrison 35 Ford. Tony Wolleson made a gallant attempt with his 1912 Marion but had a very unfortunate mishap when the fan let loose and went into the radiator doing extensive damage. He showed up anyway, just a little late. Members who came to watch the fun were Ed and Carolyn Harley, Gerald Robinson, Bill Schrambling, Eric and Muriel Lundquist, and Ellison and Anthony Dunlap. The weather could not have been better, and thanks to Jon Alff who pitched in where needed during the day and supplied some of the pictures for this story.

Winners of the car games were;

Balloon Torture; 1st Mark Garcia 1925 Chevrolet Speedster, 2nd Chuck Christensen 1931 Ford Victoria, 3rd Dan Erceg 1915 Pierce Arrow.

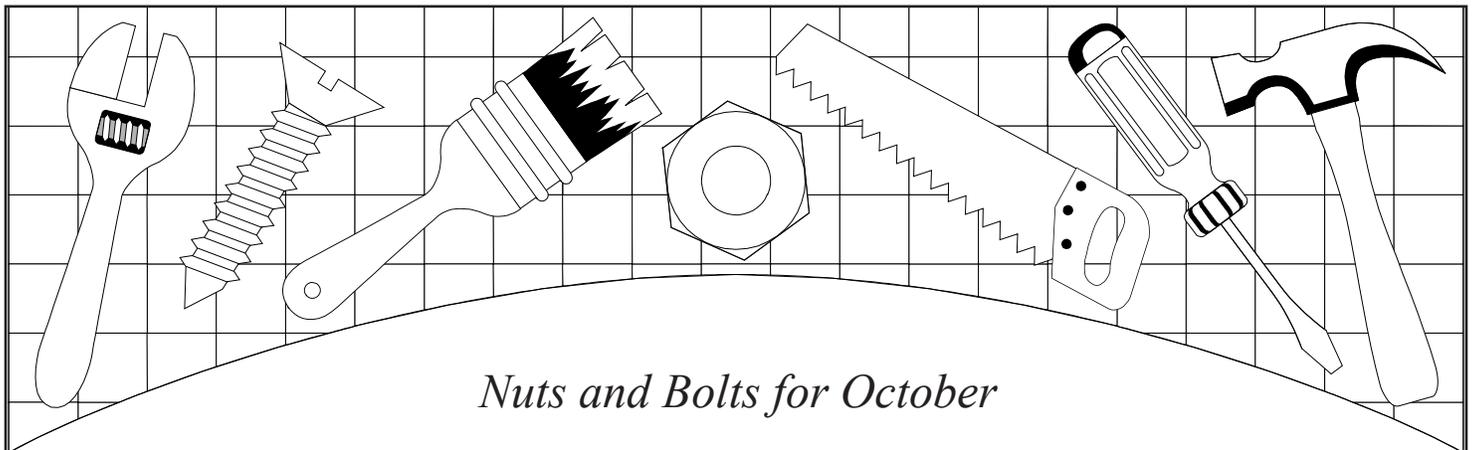
Back Seat Driver; 1st Bob Meneely 1920 Ford Speedster, 2nd Jim Lukash 1913 Ford Touring, Tom Holthaus 1911 Mitchell.

New CHP D.U.I. test; 1st Ed Archer Casey 1915 Ford race car, 2nd Don Azevedo 1906 Reo runabout, 3rd Don Lee 1915 Ford race car.

Sleep walking drive to the line; 1st Mark Garcia 1925 Chevrolet, 2nd Jon Alff 1913 Buick Touring, 3rd Don Azevedo 1906 Reo runabout

Thank God for optimism and short memory, Karen and I worked all week getting ready for this very important 100th birthday celebration of a significant car in our lives, our 1915 Ford race car. Fortunately some of us tend to forget all the work involved organizing an event like this, and that's really good because the end result is just wonderful and worth it all. Everyone attending seemed to have a great time. And Casey has just been a magnificent car during our 47 years as caretaker. Great runner, minimal maintenance, very fast machine for the era that it represents, and..... a good looker!. Marvelous car, so how could we not celebrate a landmark like 100 years? Well, in closing, thanks to Mark Garcia for securing the location and Don Azevedo for his humunguss effort producing the birthday car games and making them so enjoyable, they really went well and were loads of fun for participants and spectators alike. We had participants from all over Northern California, especially from our BAHCC, the Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club, Mid Peninsula Old Time Auto Club and the Candy Store. About 70 people in all, 11 horseless carriages and a total count of 22 pre 1937 cars.





Nuts and Bolts for October

Heave ho it's a magneto!
 Austin will bring his Model T engine and magneto for adjustment.
 Lunch by Amelia

9:00am Saturday October 10th
 Alff's Garage
 540 39th Street - Richmond
 (behind the blue gate)

Welcome to our New Member John Pearson

The BAHCC would like to welcome its newest member John Pearson and his wife Linda, recommended by Don Johnson. John is a long time member of the Horseless Carriage Club of America and an active member of the Santa Rosa Regional club. He owns and drives two beautiful Buick touring cars: A 1909 Model 17 and a 1914 Model B-37.

John lives in Forestville along with his wife Linda. He is lifelong resident of Sonoma County. John is a licensed Civil Engineer specializing in land Development.

BAHCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wed, October 7th	General Meeting	Piedmont Community Center
October 7 - 10	Hershey Swap Meet	
Wed, October 21st	Board Meeting	Fred Byl's home
October 24, 2015	Halloween Tour	See flyer
Wed, Nov 4th	General Meeting With Potluck at 6:30 pm	Piedmont Community Center
Wed Nov 18th	Board Meeting	Location TBD
Wed, Dec 9th	Holiday Party - Catered Dinner & Dance (cocktails at 6:30 pm, dinner at 7:30 pm)	Piedmont Community Center
Wed. Dec 16th	Board Meeting	Location TBD

2015 Pumpkin Tour



When: Saturday, October 24

Meet: 8:00 AM at Chevron and Bishop Ranch Business Park
Parking Lot, Chevron Drive 6001 Bollinger Canyon Road, San
Ramon

Leave: After coffee and donuts at 8:30 for G & M Farms in
Livermore for Pumpkins/Corn Maze/Gourds/Barn Tour

Leave: 10:30 (or so) for Forest Home Farms in San Ramon We
will be at Forest Home Farms from 11-2. Bring a picnic lunch.
Tour the Glass House/Barn/farm equipment

Chairmen: Jon Alff (510)558-0142 and Don Azevedo (925) 301-5315

**Join us for all or part of the day. All years of cars, kids and grandkids are
welcome! Sign up at the October Club Meeting (or call us).**



HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



To: Regional Groups (RG) and Affiliated Registries (AR) Contacts and Others
Re: Hershey Meetings, HCCA Web Site, 2016 Board Nominations, Publication Awards Program, Participation, 2016 National Convention ...>
Issue: 2015-09-01 #08



- **2015 HCCA Hershey, PA** – As in the past, the HCCA Hershey tent will be open for members use by Noon Wed, October 7th through Friday afternoon October 9th. If any Regional Group or Affiliated Registry wants to use the HCCA tent for a meeting or get-together, they should contact the HCCA Office to reserve the date and time wanted. Since times from past years are not guaranteed, space is reserved on a first come first serve basis.

- **HCCA Web Site** – Over the last two months changes have been made to the format of the HCCA web site screens so that they are viewable on small screen tablets and cell phones with internet connection. So you now have no excuse to not be informed about HCCA events and information. You can access old issues of the HCCA National News; show your friends your 100 year old car(s) or see what's for sale.

- **HCCA Board Nominations** – This year the slate of 7 nominees for the Board of Directors Class of 2016 are (in alphabetical order) – *Bob Bailey; Steve Cook; George P Dorris III; Bob Ladd (I); Chris Paulsen (I); Don Plumb; Steve Rinaldo ...*

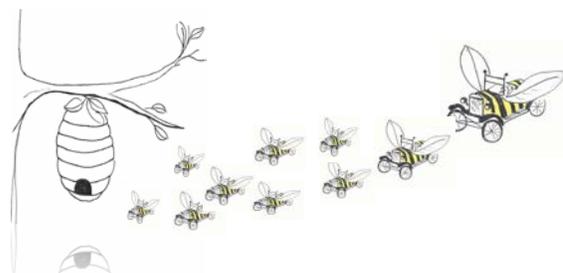
With the Sept/October issue of the Horseless Carriage Gazette will be sent ballots to all voting HCCA members along with biographies of each nominee. To validate your ballot, you have to vote for 5 candidates. It is important to vote and remember that each vote counts.

- **Publication Award Program** - As part of the effort to improve communications, the HCCA Communication Awards Program was created and enhanced to recognize the efforts of newsletter editors, website webmasters and their efforts to produce the highest level of communications to their respective members.

It is now time to notify the Chairperson of the Regional Group Publications, Kathie Conrad, if you want to have your newsletter, website, etc. judged as part of the Awards Program. Please notify via email to Kathie Conrad at

MiataKath@aol.com if you wish to have your materials considered as part of the judging process. The request must be in writing and sent to Kathie at the above-mentioned email address. You can email to Kathie at least 3 copies of your newsletter, etc. to be used in the judging process. The deadline for consideration is **November 1, 2015**. If there are any questions, please contact Kathie Conrad via email or at 215-872-9725.

- **HCCA Family and Participation** – Over the years it is easy to take the National organization and your local club for granted ... It is fun and easy to just go along for ride ... I must admit it, I did it for years with my wife, kids and brother ... The key is to not wait to be asked to help ... get involved and above all, thank those that spend the time to make it happen. Two years ago my wife and I attended a tour were the group showed the spirit / "All for One and One for All"... If anyone had an issue or problem, the whole group was there to help. It was the best time my wife and I have ever had on a tour.
- **HCCA Roster** – I just received an email notice that the new HCCA Roster is at the printers and is due to be in the mail to members shortly ...
- **SWARM to BEE WARM – HCCA National Convention & Tours ... April 3 – 8, 2016 ... Brooksville, FL ...** More information to follow.



Share, Educate and Pass It On...

Carlton Pate / anpcop@aol.com

HCCA National Vice President

Vehicles for sale by members of other clubs

1917 Studebaker Big Six Model Ed Series 18

This is a large touring vehicle that has undergone a detailed frame-up restoration and a complete engine rebuild on this 98 year-old car. All gauges are working. Has new radiator and professional rebuild on water pump, generator, and starter. Easy to start and a smooth runner. Five new 34 x 4 inch tires. Needs new cloth top.

Asking \$20,000 or best offer.

Call Pete at [916-202-3263](tel:916-202-3263)

Please no texts. Email petesuzi2014@gmail.com for more photos.



1958 Fiat Bianchina

A rust-free complete car that has been dismantled. Engine has been rebuilt and is ready to re-install. Front and rear wheel frame supports have been restored with new shocks. Gas tank has been cleaned and sealed. **Many** additional parts come with the car including and engine, transmission, differential, brakes, hood, engine cover, etc.

Asking \$15,000 or best offer.

Call Pete at [916-202-3263](tel:916-202-3263)

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1930 Buick, Model 55

A rare and original Buick, excellent rust-free body, original upholstery. Engine has been rebuilt, new radiator, gas tank cleaned and sealed, springs have been removed and renovated. Good runner and driver. Only four of this model in Buick Club Registry.

Asking \$23,000 or best offer.

Call Pete at [916-202-3263](tel:916-202-3263)

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BAHCC MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2015

9/2/2015

The September meeting of the Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club was called to order at 7:35 by President Eric Lundquist.

Minutes: The minutes for the August club meeting were read by the secretary. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasury Report: Whitney reported the Club's treasury is in fine condition due to many of our events not requiring financial assistance.

Membership Report: Whitney reported we have received membership applications and dues checks from Vince O'Brien and John Pearson. Both individuals were recommended by Donna Jones. The Board has reviewed the applications and unanimously accepted them into the Club.

Gaslight Gazette Report: Muriel was thankful for all of the contributions of articles and photos she has received for the newsletter.

Nuts and Bolts: The Nuts and Bolts Session is usually held the Saturday after the club meeting; however, this weekend is a 3-day holiday. We will not have the Nuts and Bolts this month. In October although many of us we be in Hershey, Jon Alff will have the Nuts and Bolts at his garage.

Authenticity Report: Nothing to report.

Health and Welfare: Doug reported he did not have any news of members having health problems. Nancy recently had a minor surgery on her foot and is recuperating nicely. Doug told the members about the passing of long-time friend Jack Passey.

Webmaster Report: Jon reported the public side of the web site is working; however, there are problems with the membership page that Jon is searching for someone that can iron out the format and data entry problems we are experiencing.

Tours and Events:

Tony reported on the recent tour to the Masonic Home in Union City. Eric gave a talk on each car present. The 80 some-odd attending Masons were then asked to talk about their first cars. Hearing their stories were a lot of fun. The Masonic Home treated everyone to a bar-be-que lunch. This might become an annual event.

Donna reported on a recent 3-day tour in Jackson sponsored by her Regional Model T Ford Club. It was a lovely tour visiting all the local landmarks and having a antique women's hat-making party. About 25 Model T Fords and 65 people attended the tour.

Johnny reported on the recent Pebble Beach events beginning with the road tour that began in Seattle that Johnny participated. Additionally the Thursday tour beginning in Carmel and traveling down Highway 1 was a great tour. Johnny enjoyed this event with his 1936 V-12 Packard convertible sedan that ran like a clock. Whitney was invited to participate with his 1913 Stevens Duryea. Whitney said it was hard to drive around after the event without police guidance through stop lights, without everyone waving and smiling, without the thumbs-up signals and without being treated like royalty during the entire well-planned concours. In the pre-16 judging class there were nine entries and Whitney received 4th place.

Joyce reported on the enjoyable 3-day Ryan's Ramble Tour that she and Don attended in Quincy.

Ed presented the plans for the annual Antique Autos in History Part that is sponsored by the Santa Clara Model T Ford Club. This is a favorite event for many car clubs including the BAHCC.

Ed also presented plans for the 100th Birthday Party for Casey, Ed's 1915 Model T Ford Race car, Old #4. We will have field meet events for the fun and games portion of the party and birthday cakes for all to enjoy. All cars are invited to this happy event.

New Business:

The Piedmont Community Center where we meet every month is scheduled to be shut down for facility repairs in January and February. We will be meeting in the Veteran's Hall during the construction.

Tonight's refreshments were provided by Pam Johnson.

The September Board meeting will be held on the 16th at Fred Byl's home.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50.

Respectfully submitted by

Don Azevedo, Secretary

BAHCC Board Meeting Minutes

June 17, 2015

The BAHCC Board met at Europa Restaurant in Orinda on June 17, 2015. The meeting was called to order by President Eric Lundquist at 7:35 P.M. with all Board members present except Whitney.

Minutes: The minutes to the May Board meeting were approved with the request of adding the last names to individuals. Last names will be added to the minutes.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Tours and Activities:

The Cars and Coffee Car Show at Blackhawk was a success with over 800 cars attending. Ed Harley as tour leader did a great job. The question of an honorarium for the one room school house was brought up and will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

The Piedmont 4th of July Parade and BBQ hosted by the Morrisons and Sowell will be on the 4th.

The tour to the Masonic Home in Union City is planned for August 8th.

The Bay Area Tour will be September 9 – 11 and will be held in Scotts Valley.

Our tour for October is still up in the air.

Nuts and Bolts: Due to the 4th of July Parade, we will not have a Nuts and Bolts in July.

Health and Welfare: Bill Nelson, an long time member recently passed away. Bill Schrambling has had the shingles and is doing much better.

Web Site:

Jon Alff discussed the current situation with the web site. The upgrading is looking great; however, there are some glitches with certain web site pages or communication with some computers. The Board agrees we need someone, perhaps outside of the Club, to perform maintenance of the web site. The web site must be reliable for correct information on Club functions and for mailings. Jon hard work on the web site is greatly appreciated. Jon will solicit proposals from individuals for the maintenance of the web site and hopes to have something for the Board to consider at the next meeting.

Gaslight Gazette: Muriel reported we will not have

a newsletter in July. Eric and Muriel will be gone for the 4th of July and asks for photos and a write up for the newsletter.

Membership Report: No report.

Authenticity Report: No report.

Old Business:

A copy of the revised by-laws was presented to the Board along with the current by-laws. Fred Bly moved and Don Azevedo seconded acceptance of the revisions proposed by the Bylaw Committee. Motion passed unanimously. The Committee was thanked for their diligence on this task.

New Business

The next Board meeting will be held on August 12th, the second Wednesday of the month to not conflict with Pebble Beach Concours. Fred Byl will host the next meeting at his home at 7:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Don Azevedo



October Birthdays

CROWELL	Henrietta	10/1
BYL	Fred	10/3
CROWELL	Wes	10/11
LARSON	Eric	10/18
SOWELL	Ruth	10/21
GREEN	Ellen	10/23
CALDEIRA	Kay	10/28

No October Anniversaries reported.

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