



The Kamshaft

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Calendar of Events

** Kamloops Chapter Events*

- *Jan 22nd General Meeting (4th Wednesday) Auction Night {p 6}
- *Feb 19th Executive meeting
- *Feb 26th General Meeting (Last Chance to renew your 2014 Membership for full benefits) {p 8}
- *Apr 20th  44th Annual Easter Parade
- May 16-19th May Tour Revelstoke
- *Jun 7th 30th Annual Swap Meet
- *Jun 13-15th 8th Annual Back Roads N Byways Tour



Editors Remarks

The Meeting this month is our annual “**Auction Night**”. The idea is to help you clean out your garage and create some fun at the meeting. It is surprising what shows up from cookies to wine and even some car parts. *Please try not to bring flea market type items* as it makes it tough for our auctioneer to sell. {see ad p 8}

I attended the 1st Executive Meeting and good or bad I am still your Kamshaft Editor for 2014. Yes that does mean that I will be looking and asking for ideas and articles for future Kamshaft.

Once again I will ask that if anyone has a particular picture that you would like to share and have featured on one of the monthly calendars please send it to kamshafteditor@gmail.com. Sorry, I don't give out prizes as they do on the TV Weather news.

Thinking of pictures look at **Dick's comments regarding the 2014 Club Roster on page 6**

DECEMBER 7, 2013: -

48 members of the Kamloops Vintage Car Club attended the Christmas dinner held at the IOOF hall which started at 5pm and finished around 10pm. The Rebekah ladies catered a wonderful roasted turkey and ham dinner. After dinner everyone participated in a few games exercising their minds and their song writing and singing talents.

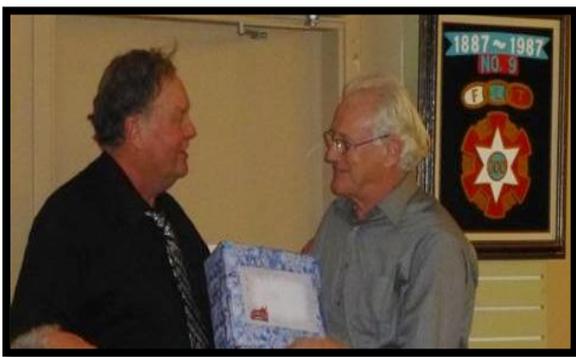


The door prize--a basket of Chocolates--was won by Al Paulsen. Three draws occurred: 3rd won by Marj McNaughton - hard cover book on cars supplied by Dick Parkes; 2nd won by Lorraine Finnegan - meter and hand crafted quilted pillow made by Joy Parkes; and 1st by Grant Rice - Crown Royal. There was a "Guess the number of jelly beans" won by Marlene Beddie.



Santa Clause made his appearance for the gift exchange.

A couple of presentations were given. The first was to Dick Parkes for all his efforts for instigating the restoration of the club's 1952 Sherline Ambulance. He was presented with a framed picture of the ambulance.



The other presentation was to our President Bob Gieselman in recognition of the great leadership he has displayed over the last three terms which were very full years. He was presented with a nice package of wine and glasses. All seemed to have enjoyed themselves and are already looking forward to next year's Christmas celebration. Thanks go out to Joy and Dick Parkes, Judy Paulsen and Marlene Beddie for their parts in organizing the evening. © *Marlene Beddie*



BEHIND CLOSED (GARAGE) DOORS



By: Dick Parkes 250 573 5740 rparkes@telus.net

Bruce Bawtree has recently purchased a 1967 Volkswagen van but hasn't brought it home yet. The van doesn't have an engine, so he will probably be looking for one of those.

Bryan Vye has opted to buy the 1954 Dodge 4-door sedan from the Brian Roberts collection. Last time I looked, it was still sitting in the yard in Dallas, waiting for the snow to melt up by Bryan's house.

Another interesting rumour has it that Jay Gallagher has bought a 1920's Pierce Arrow travel trailer which Glenn originally located in Saskatchewan. Looking forward to seeing this rarity pulled behind one of the Pierce Arrows!



The Austin ambulance project continues to roll towards completion with some of the normal teething issues creeping in. The brakes were seizing up and not working very well so the whole system was pulled apart and the shoes, cylinders and drums were all sent to B.C. Brake in Kelowna for a complete rebuild. During the last two work sessions most of the pieces have been re-installed and we should have good stopping power now.

Work also continues on completing several trim items in the cab and reconfiguring the gurney so that it will fit in the back. It is hoped that the ambulance will be completed by Easter (**THIS** Easter!!!) and be up and running for all to see in the annual Parade.



NEW MEMBERS:

Grant and Stella Rice

Grant just recently retired. He and his wife, Stella moved to Kamloops in September 2013 from the NWT. They bring with them their beautiful 1948 Cadillac. He says the car is quite rare as they used the same motor and transmission in the tanks of WWII as this model of car. He says he enjoys tinkering on it and driving it, Grant says they are

looking forward to being members as they like to be involved. Since joining Grant has made it out to a number of the Thursday night workshops for Ambulance.



MEET YOUR 2014 EXECUTIVE



{Back Row l to r} {Ernie McNaughton, Craig Beddie, Dick Parkes, Bob Gieselman, Jim Carroll, Bruce Bawtree, Steve Bell} {Front Row l to r} {Marg McNaughton, Jason Tasko, Ray Henry, Lorraine Finnigan & Don Potts}

President: - Bob Gieselman has been in the club for 14 years and has been a Director and this will be his 4th term as President.

Vice President: -Ray Henry has been an active member for 11 years as a Director he organized our Cruise Nights for 5 years and is now serving his 3rd term as Vice President.

Secretary: - Judy Paulson has been in the club for 16 years working behind the scenes on Cruise Nights & Christmas Parties. This will be 1st position on the Executive.

Treasurer: - Lorraine Finnigan has been 15 years in the club and involved Garage Tours, Cruise Nights and the May Tour.

Governor: - Marg McNaughton in her 40 years with the VCCC she has played an active part in both our local Chapter and the National. I can't list all the positions she has held however she is now serving the 2nd year as our Governor on the National Executive.

Directors: -

Tours: - Bruce Bawtree Although Bruce has only been a member for 3 years I am sure as active he has been it must feel like 10.

Property: - Craig Beddie Thanks to Craig for being our Property Director and so particular and concerned in the safety of our club vehicles. I believe Craig has been on the Executive 11 years out of his 16 years as a member.

Restorations: - Dick Parkes: - In the 42 years I do not think there has not been a job too small or large for Dick to say I will look after it. From Easter Parade, restoration of Win A Ford's & club vehicles, Kamshaft for unlimited years May Tours & etc. I think the only position he has missed is that of Secretary.

HNITC: - Don Potts has been a director 3 out of the 5 years as a club member however that does not say he has not been busy. Very involved in hands on projects:- HNITC, May Tour, Ambulance, Swap Meet & etc.

Membership: - Ernie McNaughton Wow it is impossible to list all the positions and events on a Chapter and National level that Ernie has been involved with over his 40 years with the VCCC. He and Marg were presented with the "2013 Bright Lite Award" for their involved and participation in the hobby.

Regalia: - Jason Tasko is the quiet type that just goes about getting things done. Hard to believe it has been 11 years. He does a fantastic job looking after our monthly 50/50 draw and clubs regalia. Jason has been kind enough to open up his garage for various club projects and the showing of the work he has done on restoring his 1926 Chevy truck and 1928 Whippet.

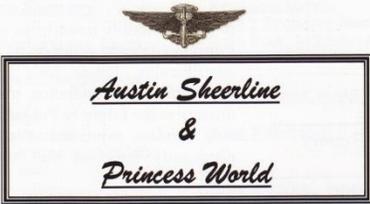
Cruise Nights: - Jim Carroll is the newest member on the Executive with only 2 years in the club however he has got involved and looked after our most interesting "Cruise Nights for 2013"

Food: - Steve Bell has been a member for 19 years however his work kept him very busy. He has managed to be on the executive for 4 years. When it comes to food no one does it better than Steve. He has looked after our kitchen for the Swap Meets and the cook trailer for Easter Parade and those that had the pleasure of attending the May Tour last year are still talking about the fantastic meals that Steve managed to put together on our behalf.

CLUB AMBULANCE Makes Austin Sheerline Newsletter Front Cover

Dick sent in the information to the Austin Sheerline club and we made it on the Cover Page of their newsletter that is printed in England and distributed world wide.

The club had received a letter from ICBC stating they could not justify placing a value of \$35,000 on the ambulance. So it was decided to have it professionally appraised by Jim Winter. {Many thanks to Jim as he said as it was for the club he would not chage us for the appraisal} The appraisal came in at \$75,000 which is a tribute to the dedicated members that did such a fine job on this restoration. The amount we have spent on the restoration is very considerably less amount than the \$75,000 appraised estimate.





The Official Magazine of the
Austin Sheerline and Princess Club
July / August 2013

DA1 Ambulance – by Dick Parks - Canada

As you can see from the photos (tools and workers inside) we are still in the process of finishing up some of the trim details, but after 8 years of sweat and toil, the end is in sight. My reason for sending the photos is to try and see if someone could come up with some photos of the rear compartment to show what equipment was originally in there. We have the stretcher rails on the right side (on top of the shelf/seat) but some of the original firemen that originally drove the vehicle have told us that there was another track on the left side, which we don't have. We have a stretcher/gurney, but can't figure out how it went over the protruding wheel well cover.

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Before



New Dash



Now

2014 Club Roster

I plan on doing a club roster once again. If you would like to have a different car picture featured this year please contact me before the end of January. rparkes@telus.net

Thanks. *Dick*



NOBODY CHECKED THE OIL

A lot of folks can't understand how we came to have an oil shortage here in Canada.



Well there's a very simple answer, nobody bothered to check the oil. We just didn't know we were getting low. The reason for this purely geographical. Our oil is located in: - British Columbia,

Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, coastal New Brunswick and coastal Newfoundland.

*****Whereas our dipsticks are located in Ottawa.**

Any questions? No? Didn't think so.

Name That Car & Year



What Make & Year? To enter you must e mail your answer to kamshafteditor@gmail.com before it is given in the next Kamshaft.

*Marg McNaughton is Last Month's Winner
Answer {1940 Cadillac}*



NOTICE January CLUB AUCTION

There will be an auction
At the January General Meeting
Please bring something for the auction.
Come and enjoy the fun
"Try not to bring Flea Market stuff"

THANK YOU CARD RECEIVED



Dear Bob, On behalf of the KCBIA I would like to extend a heart felt thank you for partnering with us, supplying the float vehicle as well as driving the float. Your support helped make the parade a great event for the entire community!

Thank you KCBIA.

1960....The Bobby Darin "Dream Car"

*When fins were in. What, a blind spot?
Therefore they made the rear roof all glass!*

This exotic luxury car was built by Bobby Darin's friend, Andrew Di Dia, a Detroit clothing designer. It took seven years to build (1953-1960) at a cost of \$93,647 in 1957.

Darin told Di Dia he would buy the car if he ever "hit it big."

He did and bought the car for \$150,000 (1.5 million today) in 1961.

The car is powered by a 427 high-performance Ford engine with a 125-inch wheelbase.

Its metallic red paint was made with 30 coats of ground diamonds for sparkle.

Darin donated the car to the St. Louis Museum of Transportation in 1970 where it remains.

Submitted by Dick Parkes





Food Safe Course

Steve Bell suggested to the Executive to approach the members to see how many club members would be interested in taking a Food Safe course if the club could arrange it. President Bob is going to bring this up at the January General Meeting.



CLASSIFIEDS WANTED

Doll Collector:- To help in pricing doll collection.
*Dave 250 578 8884 or MRS.D@shaw.ca

CLASSIFIEDS For Sale

1947 Ford Truck Hood \$50.00 OBO

Don 250 374 1972

CLOCKS: - 15 inch GM Parts \$865.00 Excide \$495.00



Julian Slotylak 250 372 7954 jules_slotylak@telus.net

1968 MG Convertible Soft Top. \$75.00 New Poly windows Ken 250 579 8966

Your Membership Renewal for 2014

To date 69 members have renewed their membership leaving 29 who have not. The due date for renewal is January 1st, and for those of you who have not renewed by February 28th, you will no longer receive the Kamshaft, the Vintage Car nor will your name and information be listed in the Vintage Car Roster.

All renewal forms were mailed, e-mailed or hand-delivered before December 7th 2013. If you did not receive yours, or it has since been lost or misplaced, please let me know and I will see that you get a replacement. If you can't remember if you have renewed or not, give me a call or an e-mail as I have all the information readily available.

Please do not leave this until the last minute as each form has to be processed, then sent to the Vintage Car Datamaster so that the information can be checked and up-dated.

Don't forget to check over the form carefully and make any changes to your list of vehicles. or anything else that may be wrong, as this is the information that will appear in the roster. Please keep in mind that modified vehicles should not be shown as they cannot to be listed in the roster. Last of all, don't forget to sign and date the form, and of course include your payment, which in our chapter is \$65.00.

Thank you for your cooperation *Ernie McNaughton, Membership Director Home 250-573-5965 cell 250-851-6601 margoreremie@telus.net*

Hey! Did you know where this saying came from?: -

At local taverns, pubs, and bars, people drank from pint and quart-sized containers. A bar maid's job was to keep an eye on the customers and keep the drinks coming. She had to pay close attention and remember who was drinking in 'pints' and who was drinking in 'quarts,' hence the phrase 'minding your P's and Q's'.