



**Minutes
Annual General Meeting
Red Deer Swap Meet**

12:30 pm, October 25, 2008

Attending

Algor, Bob	Vintage Sports Car Club of Calgary
Anderson, Alan	Foothills Street Rod Association
Anderson, Peter	Foothills Model T Club
Babino, Greg	Ford Central
Blei, René	Alberta Pioneer Auto Club
Bowen, Noel	Sylvan Lake Classic & Custom
Bownes, Bob	Red Deer Cruisers
Briggs, Jim	APAC, VSCC
Bullock, Harry	SCAACA, Lethbridge
Brancaccio, Chris	Stampede City Model A Ford Club
Carswell, Ted	CAVAC, Sylvan Lake
Castle, Bruce	Alberta Pioneer Auto Club, Calgary
Clark, Kevin	Lloydminster Auto Club
Clements, Earl	Treasurer, SVAA, APWCS, EACC, Edmonton
Clowater, Rick	Foothills Street Rod Association
Devitt, Norm	Calgary Nifty Fifty's Ford Club, Stampede City Model A Ford Club
Dent, Ben	Red Deer Cruisers
Geekie, Donna	Antique Willys Association
Geekie, Stu	Mountain View Pistons
Giroux, Len	Calgary Nifty Fifty's Ford Club
Gould, ;Lawrence	CAVAC
Graham, Digby	
Green, Stewart	Cypress Rod & Custom
Hardstaff, Al	Foothills Street Rod Association
Lachner, Ed	Calgary Nifty Fifty's Ford Club, Calgary Thunderbird Club
Lazorowich, Orest	Vegreville Iron Runners
Lee, Larry	Calgary Thunderbird Club
Lobley, Geoff	Alberta Pioneer Auto Club
Lobley, Ted	Secretary, SVAA, Stampede City Model A Ford Club
Loeppky, Larry	Strathmore Fun Runners
MacDonald, Phil	CNP Old Timers, Blairmore
McKelvey, Les	Cypress Rod & Custom
Meidinger, Tal	Lebarons Car Club

Morrison, Gary	Edmonton Street Rod Association NAAACCC Director
Murray, Lee	Foothills Street Rod Association
Pisli, Howard	Cypress Rod & Custom
Riise, Al	Past President, SVAA
Robinson, Keith	Foothills Model T Club
Rollo, Randy	Foothills Street Rod Association
Sample, Spence	MODCC
Southgate, Zane	Allan Rod & Custom Inc,
Southgate, Lani	Allan Rod & Custom Inc.
Skakon, Gord	Ford Central
Steedsman, David	Cypress Rod & Custom
Williamson, Kevin	Foothills Street Rod Association
Wozak, Doug	Foothills Street Rod Association

1) Introductions and Announcements

a) Harry Bullock called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm. Introductions were made.

2) Minutes from May 3, 2008

(a) *Moved that the minutes of May 3, 2008 be approved as presented.*

(b) *Gould/Kevin Williamson Carried*

3) Financial Report for the year ended December 31, 2007

a) Fees for 2009

Moved that that the SVAA cease to collect dues on behalf of the NAAACCC effective immediately Sample/Briggs Carried

Members are encouraged to maintain membership in the NAAACCC.

Moved that the \$50 Administration Fee be changed from a general membership fee back to an insurance fee as it was previously. Briggs/Gould 18/2 Carried

The question of the difference between the NAAACCC insurance and the SVAA insurance was raised. The NAAACCC are more expensive for clubs with fewer than 100 members. The \$50 fee may impact on the sales of SVAA sponsored insurance. The NAAACCC has a minimum charge of \$500 per club. The NAAACCC has a different broker. SVAA insurance covers events including those events sponsored by the NAAACCC.

The second question was about the use of the \$50 fee for administration. The administration fee is in place to cover the costs of the SVAA in managing the insurance. Expenses include the mailing of insurance documents, procuring and issuing Certificates of Insurance and the negotiation and liaising with the broker, Canada Broker Link.

Moved that commercial members pay \$150 annual membership. Gould/Lazarowich Carried unanimously

The definition of commercial member as described in the constitution was reviewed.

Moved that member clubs dues change to \$4 per club member for the 2009 fiscal year. Hardstaff/Devitt

The Executive is recommending that the membership fee of \$4.00 remaining total with the SVAA. Clubs joining the NAAACCC will have fees there as well. Harry Bullock presented the draft budget for 2009. Included in the budget is a part-time Executive Director at about \$12,000 per year. The position is necessary to move the organization to the next level. At 2,400 members, insurance administration fee, commercial members and advertising revenue provide a total of \$15,200. We will be short about \$2,000 which can come from our reserves. Expenses to date appear considerably lower. This is a result of Executive members absorbing much of the expense. We need to change how we operate to move forward.

We are the SVAA and we do represent the interests of the hobby in Alberta. We need a stronger presence with provincial government ministries. The funding is needed to meet the mandate set for the SVAA at its inception in 2001.

Moved that we amend the motion to increase the dues to reflect a breakeven budget. The annual fee per member is \$5. Rollo/Williamson Carried

Amended Motion: Moved that member clubs dues remaining at \$5 per club member for the 2009 fiscal year. Hardstaff/Devitt Carried

The need for both federal and provincial organizations was stressed.

The Executive was asked to provide information explaining the need for revenue.

As part of the discussion, the issue of raising funds for consultants and legislative experts as the situation dictates was raised. The current financial position should be enough to get it started.

4) Reports

- a) External Relationships - Harry Bullock
 - i) NAAACCC – our position

Our relationship with the NAAACCC is still strong. Ted Lobley and Harry Bullock are attending the November AGM on behalf of the SVAA. SVAA member clubs are strongly encouraged to continue as members of the NAAACCC.

The NAAACCC sees the Alberta specialty vehicle clubs as an area for growth. Because of the demise (no longer needed) of the Collector Car Association, the annual revenue to the NAAACCC has dropped.

The SVAA represents approximately 50% of the clubs in Alberta. The others have been contacted. Addresses are wrong, clubs disappear. In our strategic plan, we have a plan to increase the awareness of the SVAA in Alberta.

- ii) SEMA – our position

Hobbyists can join for nothing. SEMA is sponsored primarily by commercial interests. Jason Tollefson of SEMA spoke to the NAAACCC last year. At that time, SEMA was not

ready to act on behalf of Canadian members as they were not yet established in Canada.

b) Advocacy with Government

i) Government Relations - Gary Morrison

(1) Goals for the coming year

We are quickly sorting out relationships since the election. A letter has been prepared on our interest and willingness to participate in the discussion of Bill 205 currently before the provincial legislature. The letter also addressed several other issues. In total, the letter describes our goals with government for the coming year.

ii) Bill 205 – Les McKelvey

Bill 205 is a private member's bill now before the legislature. Les McKelvey spoke to the issue. It is a used vehicle amendment act. To encourage traffic safety, vehicles sold in Alberta will need to be inspected similar to the Out-Of-Province Inspection process.

Is there an impact beyond the dealers, for example, on individuals selling vehicles and car auctions?

Al Riise spoke to Jack Thompson of the Motor Dealers of Alberta Association (MDAA). The MDAA recognizes that they have not got this information to the public. One of the issues is the 14 day life of the certification. If a vehicle cannot be certified, what happens to the vehicle?

The intent of Bill 205 is to improve traffic safety. As such, we support it. The implications of the act need further study.

Dennis Ducharme is part of the MDAA. Dennis told the meeting that it impacts on emission standards amongst other things.

c) Membership - Earl Clements

We have 61 clubs with 2,493 members so far this year.

d) Club Insurance – Al Riise

Al Riise, Jim Briggs and Ted Lobley met with CBL on October 20, 2008. We have asked Legends to provide a quote.

e) Website – Al Riise

The website now includes the newsletter. We are looking at moving to another vendor. Please let us know what you would like to see on the website.

The address is www.svaalberta.com

Minutes will be posted in draft form. The minutes remain as unapproved minutes until the next AGM.

f) Specialty Vehicles Appraisers Institute of Alberta (SVAIA) – Jim Briggs/Al Riise

The SVAIA has a comprehensive accreditation process. This includes comprehensive documentation. The goal is to have appraisals that are trusted by the consumer and the insurance industry. There is a report in the current newsletter.

g) Newsletter – Al Riise

We are doing well selling advertising to commercial interests. Al Riise has been the driving force in advertising sales. We have \$2,800 in advertising revenue for 2008.

We have developed guidelines on the use of material developed by others.

*Moved: a vote of thanks to Al Riise for the work done on the newsletter.
Clements/Lobley Carried*

We need to get the newsletter get into the hands of each member. We can improve the quality of the newsletter as well. Is it worth printing 2,500 copies? The average member does not know very much about the SVAA. Perhaps the clubs are not increasing the awareness of the SVAA. Clubs generally have a core group that needs to know about the SVAA. The clubs need to have some newsletters on hand. The more important thing is to get the SVAA on the agenda of each club. We could consider sending the newsletter by e-mail. The newsletter is part of the promotion of the SVAA. Perhaps each club could come up with a number they need and let Al know.

h) Safety checks:

i) How many to date?

Gary Morrison needs to know how many vehicles were checked this year. The government is concerned with accident rate. Many of the clubs reported that they are doing safety inspections in increasing numbers. It is important that we do our inspections to help us maintain our self-inspection status with the government.

We need somebody to gather the data on the number of safety inspections annually. That responsibility will fall to the new Executive Director. We should be able to tell the government when each club does its inspection and how many vehicles were inspected.

ii) Safety Trailer Concept: - Gary Morrison

Gary Morrison spoke to the opportunity for the SVAA to provide a trailer to encourage vehicle inspections. Funding may be available. It has been successful in other areas. The SVAA might supply the materials and equipment to the clubs and individuals that want inspections.

Moved that the 2009 Executive investigate the feasibility of a promotional trailer for the SVAA. If feasible, put the trailer on the road that promotes the SVAA and safety at related events Gould, Brancaccio Carried

i) Public Relations

The trailer and a booth should be available for swap meets, especially the May meet in Red Deer.

j) Financial Annual Report

Earl Clements presented the financial statements for 2007. See attached. Last year we had 61 clubs and 2,493 members.

Moved that the financial statements for 2007 be accepted as audited. Clements/Blei Carried

k) Election of Officers

We are looking for the all positions save the two Vice Presidents and the SVAIA Directors. The latter three positions expire in 2009.

Lawrence Gould declared all positions save the two vice-presidents and one Director as a vacant. Each position was nominated and there were three calls for additional nominations. The Secretary cast one vote in favour of the nominations.

1. President: Harry Bullock
2. Vice President (South): Vacant
3. Secretary: Ted Lobley
4. Treasurer: Earl Clements
5. Director (5): Al Riise
Tal Meidinger
Jim Briggs
Les McKelvey

Orest Lazarowich has one year remaining on his term.

6. NAAACCC Directors (2) Harry Bullock
Ted Lobley

5) *Moved that the Board of Directors appoint directors to the SVAIA.
Sample/Lazarowich Carried*

6) *Moved that the ballots be destroyed. Gould/Brancaccio Carried*

Each position serves a two-year term. The Vice-President (North) has one year left in his term.

7) New Business

- a) The membership of the SVAA wishes to thank Just Kruzin' Specialty Vehicle Club of Lloydminster for the generous donation of \$200. It is much appreciated.
- b) The budget has been passed in principle.

*Moved that the Executive construct a budget and mail to the clubs by January of 2009.
Gould/Brancaccio Carried*

The meeting was adjourned with thanks to all at 3:45 pm by Harry Bullock.