



**MINUTES OF
November 10, 2013
LANCO MG CLUB**

**Lyndon Diner,
York, PA**

Our ninth meeting of 2013 was held at the Lyndon Diner in York, PA.

1. President Ralph Spayd convened the meeting after lunch, which started at approximately 3:00 PM with eighteen (18) members in attendance. Five (5) British Cars were driven to the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Members present included Ralph Spayd, Jim and Sally Harbold, Ralph Erikson, Jon and Edie Arndt, Bob and Margaret Arlotto, Gloria Ciarrocca, Richard and Barbara Jo Brown, Al Little, Andy and Kay Myers, Bob McFarland, Scott Walter, Steve Dellinger, and Charlie Baldwin.

2. Secretary's Report (Steve Dellinger): Steve distributed minutes from the September meeting
3. Treasurer's Report was provided by Jim Harbold. The club remains in excellent financial standing. Members may contact Jim for the details.
4. President's Report:
 - Ralph distributed an agenda.
 - Name Tag Drawing for \$110 – Richard Hermann's name was pulled – he was not there, so the "pot" resets for the January 2014 meeting.
 - Trivia Questions – Jim Harbold guessed the reason for the main cause of tire failures in the early years of automobiles (nails from horseshoes) and Charlie Baldwin knew who imported the first MG into the U.S. (Edsel Ford – it was a 1930 M-Type). No one knew the answer to the origin of the Octagon logo (it was by Edmund Lee in 1923 – based on the shape of a dining room table?).
 - Membership Survey Results - The survey had a 58 percent response rate and revealed that those members responding (1) were older than most of their cars – with 65% being over 60 years of age; (2) regularly or occasionally used the club web site – nearly 70%; (3) would like more club drives /tours – 25%; and (4) were not "active" members due to limited time (50%) or schedule conflicts (27%). Several survey respondents indicated a willingness to serve on the Board of Directors, chair/host an event, write an article, or chair a committee.
5. Committee Reports:

- BIG – Bob Arlotto indicated that the date of July 13, 2014 has been confirmed for next year's show. Ralph Eriksen indicated that he had received an email regarding new management at the Outlets (which he forwarded to Bob).
- TOB – The 25th A Taste of Britain show is slated for August 24, 2014 – more will be coming on the “special activities to celebrate the milestone.” A letter to the Board of Directors was received recently indicating that John J. Moran, a long-time Polo Club member from York had passed away. It was requested that LANCO consider that next year's show/polo match be held “in his honor” or “in memory of”. Ralph will get more details and the Executive Board will make a decision on this request.
- Website – Nothing new to report.
- Membership – Nothing new to report - Andy Schneggenburger is in China.
- An Events Coordinator and/or Vice President is still needed.

6. Old Business:

- LANCO Fire Extinguisher Program – The firm that we were looking to work with has not been responsive – so, Ralph will be looking at other vendors and we will revisit the program next February.

7. New Business:

- Charitable Contributions – After some discussion, the members in attendance approved donations of \$900 each to the Lancaster and Adams chapters of Toys For Tots. Ralph will collect more information and the January 2014 membership meeting will include a discussion of organizations that the club wishes to support next year.
- Future Event Planning – The discussion of future events included MG 2014, scheduled for French Lick, Indiana (June 15 – 19) and the Watkins Glen Vintage Festival – with MG as the featured marque (September 5th). Several members have already reserved slots in one or more of the Vintage Festival tours – which are already filed or filling up fast!
- There was some discussion of moving the Tech Session from May to March – Scott Walter will contact Tom Hertzog regarding the possible change.
- The January 12, 2014 Club meeting will be held at Gilligan's in Harrisburg. The primary focus of the meeting will be planning for next year.
- Bob McFarland related his experience attending the parade and festivities in Boston to celebrate the Red Sox' winning of the World Series.
- Everyone wished Bob Arlotto a happy birthday!
- Al Little drove his brand new MINI to the meeting.

Business meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Dellinger