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Rolls-Royce Owners Club - Can-Am Prairie Region



Some of the cars lined up at the Leduc Historical Society Grounds for the August 20th Regional Meet

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Chair's Ponderings

Hello Everyone!!

It really is winter!!! and 'tis a challenge to plan events around weather and schedules.

Thank you to those who were able to make it to the Black Knight Inn in Red Deer for brunch and the Annual General Meeting! We know that many of you are busy, some are arriving back from the far corners of the globe, others no longer wish to be 'hyperborean' creatures. Has everyone noticed that Rob and Maurice have pulled together an almost complete list of e-mail addresses and

posted them? Howard has been harassed into getting on to the net too! Hopefully this will take the weight of having to phone everyone off of the organizer's shoulders.

I would like to take this moment to thank both George Pope and Rob Manderson for being the intrepid souls they are, and taking the time and making the effort to plan the social events calendar this past year.

This is an enormously difficult job to do, when you consider how busy everyone is. There is no such thing as a perfect date for everybody and none knows this better than these two guys. There were dates that did not work for anyone and they sat together waiting on the rest of us to show, which in some cases did not happen. We "the club" were not always very courteous about enlightening them as to whether we would join them. They, with good humour and without complaint, lifted their glasses and toasted the "absent dears" anyway.

At the AGM it was made clear that they tried to schedule the gatherings from the third weekend of each month. I sure missed that one ... obviously I was not paying attention.

Consequently, those of us that were able to gather to attend the AGM have decided to tentatively set three future dates for gatherings. They are as follows:

NOVEMBER 26th, 2006 – The Christmas Potluck gathering at the farm in Olds, because it is central to the people from Edmonton and Calgary. We have decided that we will have a late lunch (dinner) early supper (dinner) between 2:00 and 3:00 pm to accommodate everyone travelling and those with little people. I will provide the turkey and potatoes. We have decided to do this gathering earlier and on a Sunday because December is so incredibly busy for everyone. Now that so many of us are on e-mail, perhaps everyone can let me know if they will join us and what they would like to bring.

APRIL 21st, 2007 – Laurie Niewchas has agreed to take on arranging the Spring Technical Session. He will contact Ralph to confirm the date that we have chosen. We have picked this date to accommodate spring field work. There will be more information on this event later, watch your e-mail!!

JULY 8th, 2007 – Howard Lengert has been in touch with Scott Lawrence who has indicated a willingness to host a bar-b-que on this date, more on this later. Again, watch your e-mail. Henceforth, those that are at the gatherings will help set the date, time and location of any other gatherings. If anyone is interested in hosting an event or has ideas for one please let us know via e-mail

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A huge thank you to Darcy Collings, who has agreed to stay on as Secretary, Maurice Timms will continue to keep us in line financially, Howard Lengert will keep track of us into perpetuity, Rob Manderson will continue to represent us as the National level and Christopher McAviney will continue to publish the newsletter. Did anyone notice the number of times that RROC Headquarters acknowledged our editors efforts along with the other clubs as being a noteworthy publication. Clubs cannot run without the willingness of people to hold positions and we appreciate the time you fellows put into this for us. So, until the end of the month I will look forward to seeing everyone for our Christmas Celebration

I remain sincerely, your chair,
Kathy

Editors Notes

Our chair person, Kathy, was away enjoying the climes of England and I welcome her back, there was going to be a large white space right above these notes! As everyone is aware the AGM was postponed a couple of times until October 29th at the Black Knight Inn in Red Deer. Please keep in mind that the more members that attend our various events the more Regional decisions will reflect the desires of the members.

We should all join Kathy in thanking George and Rob for their efforts over the past year, handling the social calendar for such a large geographical area is a difficult and sometimes thankless job. We had a great calendar of events and I had the opportunity to see a few members that I had not seen for a while. Although I did miss a couple of events and forgot my camera for a couple I enjoyed each event I attended. The upcoming events schedule is outlined in Kathy's ponderings and we should all thank those that have taken on the task of organizing the individual events. I wonder if Scott Lawrence realizes just what he has got himself into!

The Region welcomes a new member, Hoover Reid of Calgary. Hoover is the caretaker of 1980 Silver Shadow II, SRL39655. I took the trouble to call Hoover and introduce myself and to pry a little background information from him. He said he is an electrician and runs his own electrical business, he also does auto electrics (perhaps you should not have told me that Hoover, the members will be all over you) which he said came in handy when he purchased the Shadow II due to the state of the electrical system. He also told me he purchased the car using spare change that he had been throwing into a bucket for a considerable number of years. Apparently he cashed a bucket or two in and used that to purchase his Shadow. Hoover has also owned a number of sports cars in the past, I am not sure if he has any of them left in his possession but am sure he will let me know after reading this. Hoover, do not feel bashful about telling me to correct anything I have included here that is in error, I have been known to simply make stuff up on the odd occasion.

In this edition you will find photographs of the Regional Meet in Leduc, however, due to the number of cars in attendance and the space limitations of the newsletter only those cars that have not appeared before are included. Also included in this edition are the minutes from the AGM held in Red Deer, the Region Financial Statements for the period January 1, 2006 to October 27, 2006, and, a brief pictorial update of George's Bentley S1. You will also find the Annual General Roster listing members and their cars as an insert.

At the AGM Howard suggested we make a list of places to get work performed on our PMCs so as to assist new members to the Region. If you e-mail the details to me I will compile a list for those that request it.

**Annual Business Meeting
RROC Can-Am Prairie Region
Annual Business Meeting Minutes
Sunday, November 5th, 2006
Held at *The Black Knight Inn*, Red Deer, Alberta**

Members in attendance:

Ted Carswell, Red Deer	Howard Lengert, Calmar – Archiver
Darcy Collings, Calgary – Secretary	Rob Manderson, Calgary – Regional Representative
John Doyle, Olds	Christopher McAviney, Calgary – Newsletter Editor
Kathy Doyle, Olds – Chairman	Laurie Niewchach, Edmonton

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m.

1. Minutes

- The minutes of the last Annual Business Meeting held on October 30, 2005 were referenced as published in the region's newsletter, *The Prairie Lady*, Oct. – Nov. 2005, pp.

6-7. Laurie Niewchas made a motion to accept the minutes as published. Christopher McAviney seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion was carried

- unanimously.

2. Treasurer's Report

- Although unable to attend the meeting, our Treasurer Maurice Tims submitted the Treasurer's Report to Cathy Doyle for review. The current bank balance is about \$3,500 and was reduced from the \$5,000 balance one year ago due primarily to higher newsletter costs and the cost of hosting the Technical Session. Rob Manderson declared a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as provided. Christopher McAviney seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. The Treasurer's Report will be published in the current edition of *The Prairie Lady*.
- Christopher McAviney declared a motion to increase Can-Am Prairie Region primary member annual dues from the current CDN\$25.00 up to CDN\$32.50 in order to partially offset higher costs for the *The Prairie Lady*. No change to spousal dues is proposed as part of this motion. Rob Manderson seconded the motion. There was some discussion about the amount of the dues increase. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Rob Manderson declared a motion to introduce a charge for members to attend the annual technical session. The amount will be determined prior to each year's session and will be used to help cover the costs of the technical session. Howard Lengert seconded the motion. There was some discussion on plans for the 2007 session along with proposed dates. The motion was carried unanimously.

3. Newsletter Editor's Report

- Christopher McAviney discussed the timing for mailing and the costs associated with producing the *The Prairie Lady*. The newsletter has been recognized by RROC HQ for the quality of the content and format. Our editor relies on prompt input from members in order to produce each issue on a timely basis. The current format and publishing of the newsletter is costing more than in previous years, but it was the opinion of the membership in attendance that the extra cost was well worth it. Advertising is seen to have only limited potential to offset some of the higher printing costs. No specific motion resulted from the discussion.

4. Social Events Report

- Unfortunately this year, the region has had mixed results in terms of attendance at the events planned. Events like the Technical Session and Howard Lengert's had record turnouts but other events were very poorly attended. For 2007, events will be planned by a committee of members that are attending events on a regular basis and will be communicated to all members through email and *The Prairie Lady*.
- Current events that have been scheduled include:
 - a. Regional Christmas Party – November 26th, afternoon, the home of John and Cathy Doyle, Olds
 - b. Summer BBQ – July 8th, Scott Lawrence, Edmonton
- No specific motion resulted from the discussion.

5. Election of Regional Officers

- A motion was made by Howard Lengert to elect the following members to the regional executive positions for a one-year term:

Regional Chairman – Cathy Doyle

Treasurer & Memberships – Maurice Tims

Secretary – Darcy Collings
Newsletter Editor – Christopher McAviney
Archiver – Howard Lengert

- Christopher McAviney seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All members present were in favor. The motion was carried.

6. Other Business

- Howard Lengert discussed the need for a roster of Can-Am Prairie Region members and their cars to be published at least once a year. Christopher McAviney is planning to include as an insert in the next issue of *The Prairie Lady*, a current membership roster.
- Howard Lengert also suggested that it would be useful to the general membership if the region maintained a list of contacts for places to get work done on our cars in Calgary and Edmonton. Members looking for certain types of services or recommendations could contact other regional members who have used these services in the past.
- Rob Manderson briefed the members in attendance on the on-going issues at the RROC national level with respect to the executive and board as it relates to nominating practices and governance.

7. Meeting Termination

- Upon no further business, Kathy Doyle asked that a motion to terminate the meeting be made. Laurie Niewchas declared the motion. Christopher McAviney seconded the motion. All members present were in favor. The motion was passed to terminate the meeting.

The meeting was terminated at 1:55 p.m.

Darcy Collings, Secretary

Editor's note: Due to formatting requirements (read difficulties) the Financial Notes follow the next section.

Regional Meet - August 20th

The meet was a great chance to get a large number of Regional members and their cars together. There were about 30 cars that showed up for the meet. As you are all aware the Region is trying to win the Shoup award. This award was created in 1984 to encourage pre-war car participation in Regional Meets and is named after the RROC's first President, Sam Shoup. To qualify for the award the event must be a single day affair and there is no limit as to the number of cars a member can bring to the meet, however, a Regional or Society member must own all cars computed in the score. I am not one hundred percent sure of the scoring but I do know that it is points system with the pre-war cars receiving higher points than the post war cars. Due to the scoring formula, the smallest Region in the RROC is on equal footing with the largest. In the prior 22 years, the award has been won by eight different Regions, whose membership base varies in size from some of the smallest Regions to some of the largest. Robert Manderson checked with RROC headquarters and has been advised that our August 20th Regional Meet is eligible for consideration for the 2007 Shoup award. I do not know if all Regional Members are aware that our Region covers the largest geographical area with the smallest number of members. Getting all of the members and their cars together in one location was difficult and I would like to thank Robert Manderson for his efforts in arranging the meet and Howard Lengert for providing the venue. Photographs of some of the cars follow:



57JH 1923 Springfield Silver Ghost Holbrook Towncar

Caretaker: Howard Lengert



GRJ41 1927 20 H.P. Barker Tourer

Caretaker: Howard Lengert



3AX47 1936 Phantom III Hooper Saloon





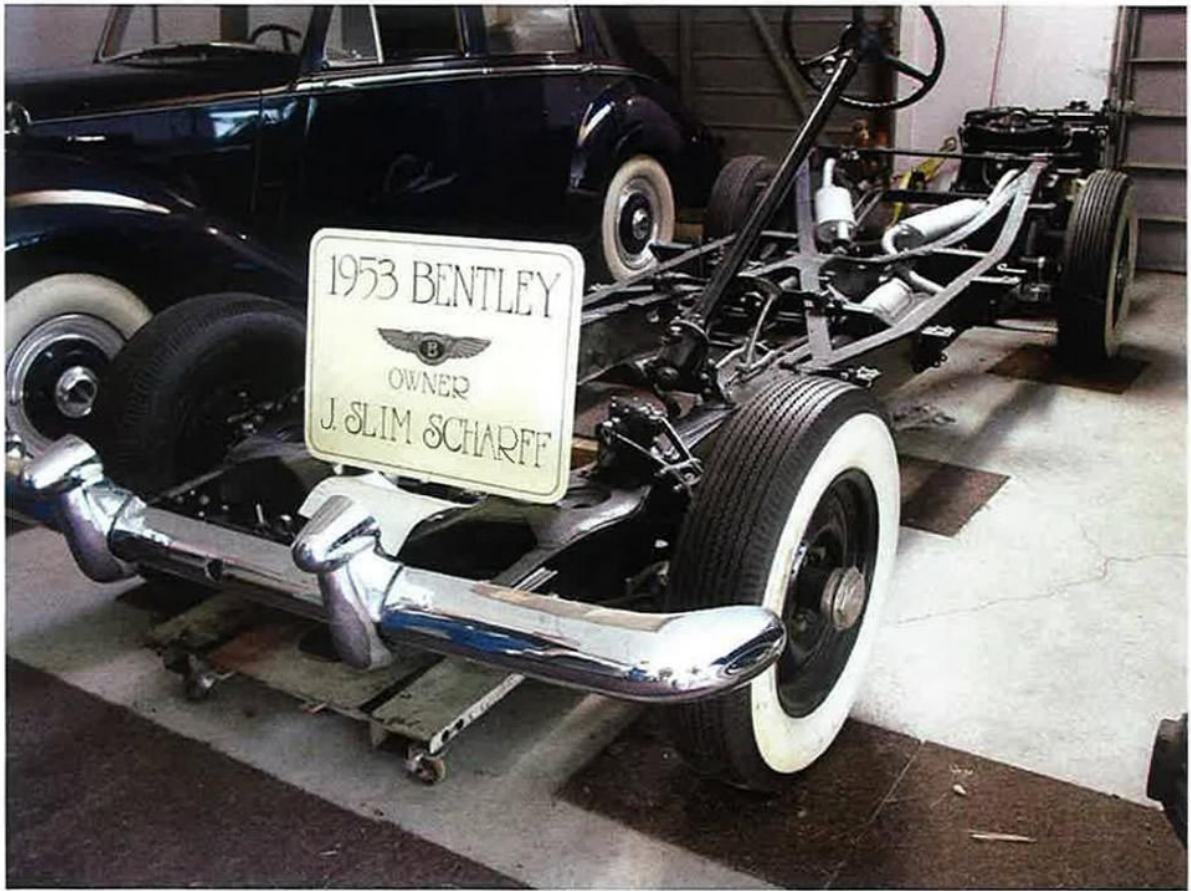
GHL29 1936 25/30 Maberly Saloon

Caretaker: Walter Burak



B363LSP 1953 Bentley R Type

Caretaker: Howard Lengert



B8LRT 1952 Bentley R Type chassis

Caretaker: Howard Lengert



CLW35 1953 Silver Wraith Hooper Limousine

Caretaker: Howard Lengert



B199SP 1953 Bentley R Type H.J. Mulliner Saloon

Caretaker: Howard Lengert



LSGE460 1958 Silver Cloud I

Caretaker: Alan Bratland



SDD168 1957 Silver Cloud I

Caretaker: Ted Carswell



SRG34168 1978 Silver Shadow II

Caretaker: Michael Bell



SDD168 1957 Silver Cloud I

Caretaker: Ted Carswell



SRG34168 1978 Silver Shadow II

Caretaker: Michael Bell

Pictorial Update on George Pope's Bentley S2
B187LBC 1956 Bentley S1 Saloon



Latest shots of George Pope's car, these photographs are of the car in undercoat before the intrepid George applied the final colour. George has promised the second part of his article and photographs of the car (George I will be coming with the camera) for the next edition of the Prairie Lady. I am

looking forward to seeing the finished car. It is great to see a member take on this kind of work himself and keep another of our PMCs on the road where it should be.

WANTED

Wanted : S1 , 2 , 3 or RR equivalent for parts. Also interested in a very tired car for restoration.
CONTACT: George Pope at pogo@ or (403)

FOR SALE

3 off - Part # UE44052, air filters; 4 off – oil filters for V8 RR engines; 1 off – case of Castrol Brake Fluid RH#363; 1 off – set of shop manuals from 1955 to 1989 (missing 1980 to 1984). The lot - \$3000.00. CONTACT: Reg Collings at (403)

1936/37 Rolls Royce 4257c.c. (4 ¼ litre) parts engine #R-26M, includes cylinder head, crankcase, oil pump, carburetor, camshaft - \$500 Cdn;
Reground crankshaft for 4 ¼ litre Rolls Royce or Bentley - \$500 Cdn;
Complete cylinder head with valve cover for Rolls Royce B-60 - \$500 Cdn;
All issues of the Flying Lady 1951 to present - \$500 Cdn;
Set of 6 EGGE .030" oversize pistons in excellent condition - \$200 Cdn;
CONTACT Bob Rostecki at (204)

Editors note: Bob sold his 1937 Rolls Royce 25/30 Kellow-Falkines Sports Coupe 2 years ago and has the above parts that he would like to offer to local members before putting them out to the RR/B community at large.

If you wish to advertise items for sale please contact Christopher M^cAviney. Advertisements for cars should include the serial number and price. Photographs can be included if supplied in digital JPEG format.

