

Wheel Issues

Newsletter of the **Eastern Nebraska/Western Iowa Car Council**

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Regular meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month alternating between Omaha and Lincoln. Officers and representatives of member organizations are asked to sign in before the meeting, and guests are always welcome. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM - many arrive early for dinner.

Omaha meetings are held at the Tangier Shrine Center, 2823 South 84th Street. Lincoln meetings are held at the Pizza Ranch, 8420 Lexington Avenue.

MEETING DATES FOR 2017

LINCOLN: March 15, May 17, July 19, September 20, November 15

OMAHA: April 19, June 21, August 16, October 18, December 20

If a weather advisory exists for a meeting, it will be canceled and business is carried over to the next month.

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Clubs in Attendance at the February Meeting

Capitol City Ford & Mustang Club	Centennial Model "T" Club
Classic T-Bird Club of Omaha	Classy Chassis Car Club – Red Oak
Cornhusker Early Ford V8 Club-Lincoln	Cornhusker Model A" Club - Lincoln
Crossroads Chpt-Buick Club-America	Crossroads Car Club-Plattsmouth
Heartland Chevelle Club	High Impact Performance Mopar
Horseless Carriage Club – Omaha	Hudson-Essex-Terraplace Club
Husker Chapter Studebaker Drivers	Meadowlark Model "A" Club
Midwest Antique Auto Club	Midwest Camaro Club
Midwest Early Corvette Club	Midwest Street Rod Ass'n
Mustang Car Club of Omaha	National Corvette Restorers Society
Nebraska Corvette Assn.	Nebraska Region - AACA
Nifty Fifties Ford Club	Omaha Early Ford V-8 Club
Rebels Auto Club – Lincoln	The Slo Rollers of NW Missouri
Street-tiques - Omaha	Vintage Iron Car Club
Vipers Owners Assoc–Crossroads of Am.	W P C Club – Greater Omaha Region

-GUESTS-

Nebraska Rod & Custom Association

Misfits Hot Rods Car Club

MEETING MINUTES – February 15, 2017

Introductions

The meeting started at 7:30 PM

President, Curt Wagner called the meeting to order. Curt asked that everyone sign in on the sign-in sheet. He also asked that everyone also check the membership roster to verify their contact information. Curt then asked that everyone present introduce themselves.

Guests Addressing the Council

Members of the Misfits Hot Rods Car Club were in attendance this evening.

Approval of Minutes

Curt insured that everyone present had seen January's meeting minutes in the last newsletter. The minutes for the month of January had one mistake in them. The World of Wheels Car Show in Omaha is in the month of March, not in the month of February. Roy Murabito made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded by Marvin Cooper. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Connie Johnson read the Treasurer's report. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report by Monty Frost. The motion was seconded by Jay Johnson. Motion carried.

A bill was submitted by Secretary Cindy Wimmer for the publishing and mailing of the January newsletter in the amount of \$77.38. Kerry Fox made a motion to approve payment of the bill. The motion was seconded by Jim Snyder. Motion carried.

Old Business

No old business this month

New Business

Larry Robb presented a suggestion that we start the meetings with the Pledge of Allegiance since we already have a flag present at the Omaha meeting location. Lincoln doesn't have a flag at their meeting location. There was some discussion about this. Curt Wagner said that he would bring a flag to the Lincoln meetings in the future. Motion by Chuck Garber to begin saying the Pledge of Allegiance by those wanting to participate after calling the meeting to order each month. The motion was seconded by Boyd Ready. Motion carried.

2017-2018 Board of Directors Nominations

Nominations for the 2017-2018 Board of Directors were taken at the February monthly meeting. There was some discussion. Nominations will still be taken at the beginning of the March 15th meeting and we will then vote for those offices. Terms of service begins April 1st, 2017 – April 1st, 2018. Those names currently will to run are:

President: Curt Wagner
Vice President: Boyd Ready
Secretary: Cindy Wimmer
Treasurer: Connie Johnson

Begin thinking of running for an office and / or nominate the candidate of your choice at next month's meeting in Lincoln. We need people to run for office to continue the good work of the ENWICC.

Treasurer Connie Johnson said that she received a form from the State of Nebraska that asked for the names of the President, Secretary and Treasurer. We talked about adding a Board of Directors of three. It was agreed by those in attendance that the Board of Directors will be comprised of Jim Snyder, Kerry Fox and Roy Murabito until further notice.

Miscellaneous subjects

Roy Murabito read a letter from Denny Eaton about the Omaha Soap Box Derby. The Serious Brothers will be hosting a Rocky Mountain Nut Fry to support this event. The date is "February 25th, 2017. The location is at the Fireman's Hall @ 60th & Grover in Omaha from 7 – 12 pm. This is an adult only event, please.

Also, Roy spoke about the NDR Nationals to be held in June.

Jim Snyder told everyone that the Swap Meet flyers for 2017 are here this evening. Take as many as you need.

Swap Meet

Kerry said that is you have changed your telephone number to let him know tonight.

He said that Lancaster Event Center Amy was at the training meeting last Sunday.

He has early worker passes here tonight. You must have an early worker pass to get onto the grounds on Sunday. Amy said that her people didn't need early working passes. They will use their jackets. Last year her workers couldn't get in with their jackets because that is not our rules. He told her she must have early worker passes for all of her workers. Kerry talked to the President of the Ag Board and told him that if Amy is in charge next year, Kerry will not co-run the swap meet. Also, under ticket taking, her rules state that she has parking lot rules or fines if we don't cooperate with her parking rules she will fine us \$250.00. Kerry told the President that this is our event and that Amy is not in charge. There is tension between Kerry and Amy.

All of our jobs have been filled. The parking collection crews have been trained . We are opening our gates earlier, at 5:00 am to get a jump on traffic so that it hopefully doesn't back up again this year. We are also paying an additional officer to help with the lights on North 84th Street and Havelock Avenue. Until they get more than one lane on Havelock Avenue, we will continue to have a problem with traffic backing up.

As workers, you MUST sign in to get credit for your work in order for your car club to get their share of the profits. Sign in at the Lincoln Room. (Farthest southwest building of the Event Center).

Come early to sign in, in case you get caught in the traffic if you are a worker.

The gate jobs were filled by the Slo Rollers Club at the Sunday training meeting. They have 7 people to work that job. Curt Wagner also had additional workers as of last night. We will be putting those extra people on the parking collections crew from 5 am to 8 am on Sunday.

It seems that Frank and Kerry have everthing under control. They have a shopping list to do before the swap meet.

Kerry got an email from the Lincoln Food Bank. They cannot get any volunteers to collect for the Food Bank this year. **If you are a gate or parking person, you cannot spend time collecting for the food bank. There will be barrels at the front doors of the event. Make the people put their food in those barrels themselves. We cannot stop to collect food if the Food Bank can't supply the workers themselves. We can only be responsible for ourselves. We can't be the ones to take care of that.**

A Huge thank you goes out to the Volkswagon Club. The Volkswagon club has been instrumental in parking the cars over the years.

We will be extending the vendors into the campgrounds this year because last year we had to turn away 10-15 vendors. We don't want to do that again this year.

Kurt Balhourn asked a few questions for his website.

Roger Neeman thanked Frank and Kerry for dealing with Amy. He said that when our swap meet was at the Fair Grounds years ago, they just gave us a key and we had our event. No problems from the State Fair people. Hopefully the Lancaster Event Center Personnel will follow that example this year.

Please thank all of your clubs for volunteering. Without you there will not be a swap meet.

Curt Wagner received two telephone calls from out-of-staters that had attended last year. They were both so impressed with what they found last year that both groups will be back again this year. Thank you Frank and Kerry.

Alan Tast talked about the Car Council Books. He said final edits went to the printer last Thursday. As far as the club listings, those adjustments started at the end of December. They were also done last Thursday. There will be additional ½ page advertising for the Council due to some ads dropping out. He did not say what that advertising is. The first batch of books will be available on Sunday at the Lincoln Swap Meet in the Exhibit Hall of the Lancaster Event Center. More books will be distributed at the Lincoln meeting in March and the Omaha meeting in April.

Legislature

Dave Volmer read the legislative report. LB275 February 6th, 2017 was the hearing. The statement of intent indicated that their intent was for owners of commercial property, storage facilities, apartment buildings, etc. that uses their facilities. If they don't pay rent, and abandon the vehicle, the police can come and take the vehicle off of the property. They also will discuss the bill in committee next week to revise the language. There will be amendments. Our letter indicated that we had voted for an amendment to designate a vehicle over the age of 25 years old. They said they would consider it, but it probably will not happen. This bill will probably not affect collector vehicles. (See the list of bills at the end of this newsletter).

Tom Knieman stated that the state of Oregon proposed a \$1,000 tax per vehicle good for 5 years on anything older than 20 years old. This is if it isn't an antique.

Past Events

Alan Tast went to Scottsdale AZ to 2 auctions. Barrett Jackson and Rousou & Steele. He had a good trip.

Upcoming Events

Shows, Swap Meets and Auctions Promoted at the Meeting

Please withhold discussion of your upcoming event until this comes up in the Agenda

Grand Island Car Show is this coming weekend, February 18 and 19 at the Grand Island State Fairgrounds. This is an indoor show.

Christen field in Fremont, February 24th, antique motorcycle show.

World of Wheels March 17-19. Connie Johnson's Heartland Chevelle Club will have 12- 16 cars in the show. Midwest Early Corvette Club will have 6 cars in the show. Midwest Camaro Club has 15 in the show. Crossroads of America Viper Club will have 8. Hi Impact Performance Mopar Club will have 10 and the Mustang Car Club of Omaha will have 10. Sounds like the ENWICC will provide a large showing.

The Abate Bike Show is this weekend at the Lancaster Event Center in Lincoln.

New Member Club

The Misfits Hot Rods Car Club applied for application tonight. Dan Velasquez spoke for the group. They are a local group that goes to car shows. They have approximately 12 members at this time. They hold a Bellevue car show called Riverfest held July 22nd in Haworth Park. They thought they would get involved with other car clubs to see what those clubs are doing. Their sponsor is Jim McNeil of Lincoln. Motion to accept them as a member by Frank Wimmer. Motion was seconded by Marvin Cooper. Motion passed.

Welcome Misfits Hot Rods Car Club

Adjournment

Meeting ended at 8:45 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Kerry Fox. Motion seconded by Jim Snyder. Motion carried.

Next Meeting

To be held in Lincoln on March 15, 2017

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues are 25 cents per member per year for each club, with a minimum charge of \$10.00 for each club. Dues are due October 1st and are delinquent **December 31st**. If not yet made, bring payment to the next meeting, or mail dues to the Treasurer.

**Each club is entitled to receive two copies of the Wheel Issues newsletter. It is the responsibility of each club to inform us of any changes in mailing information. You can submit changes in writing by mailing them to:
Secretary, ENWICC, PO Box 106, Blair, NE 68008,
or at the next meeting of the Eastern Nebraska Western Iowa Car Council.**

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It costs the Car Council on average of \$2.50 per newsletter to print and send out our newsletter thru the US Postal Service. Help us lower our expenses and get your copy of "Wheel Issues" by e-mail. Please provide your e-mail address to the Secretary at the next Council meeting to receive it directly thru your email. Thank you for your help.



HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

COUNCIL BY-LAWS – CURRENT EDITION AVAILABILITY

A copy of the most-current issue of the By-Laws, which was revised in 2016 and does include the current dues policy, is available. Those wishing a copy are asked to contact the Secretary to obtain one.

PLEASE STAND AND SPEAK UP!

Due to the open layout and large size of the Crescent meeting room in Omaha, as well as the configuration of the meeting room in Lincoln, it is difficult for many attendees to hear conversations and discussion during the meeting. PLEASE stand and speak up for the benefit of attendees and the Secretary so that accurate notes can be obtained. It would also be ciated if non-related conversations be kept at a minimum during the business portion of the meeting as a courtesy to attendees.

AGENDA ORDER – NO EVENT DISCUSSION BEFORE IT’S TIME, PLEASE

Representatives are reminded that meetings of the Council follow an established agenda as follows

(* - When Required):

1. **Opening/Introductions** - President
- 2.* **Guests Addressing/Presenting to the Council***
3. **Approval of Minutes** of Last Meeting
4. **Treasurer’s Report** - Treasurer
5. **Old Business** (Items carried over from previous meetings)
6. **New Business** (Items new to the agenda not previously discussed, **excluding** events discussion/promotion)
7. **Past Events** (Discussion of recently-held events)
8. **Upcoming Events** (Promotion/Discussion of upcoming events)
- 9.* **New Clubs** wishing to join the Council*
10. **Adjournment** – President

NEW AGENDA ITEMS: If you have an item that should be included in the Agenda for the next meeting, please notify the Secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting by calling the President or emailing president@enwicc.com to arrange for its addition.

EVENTS DISCUSSION: Discussion of past and upcoming events is to be held following close of New Business as the last items before adjournment. Please help meetings proceed in a more-orderly fashion by withholding discussion of events until that portion of the agenda is opened by the President or presiding officer.

ENWICC’S MISSION

To serve all member clubs and their individual members in a spirit of cooperation and fraternity.

To encourage the acquisition, restoration, preservation, and maintenance of collectible old and special interest automobiles.

To serve as a clearing house for historical and technical information beneficial to and required by member clubs.

To support sound and protective legislation and regulatory actions. To defend vigorously the rights and privileges of the old car and the special interest hobbies to use of the public highways, byways, and streets. To protect and assure sound licensing provisions in State Laws and local ordinances.

To publicize our hobby: to bring favorable public reaction to bear upon the hobby, and to make legislative authorities and the general public aware of the existence of the hobby and the intrinsic value of preserving a part of automotive history.

To perform such other promotional and community service programs as will reflect to the credit and success of the automotive hobby.



ENWICC Legislative Update
(David Vollmer, 2-15-17, 30th legislative day)

1. This year will be the First Session of the 105th Nebraska Legislature (Long Session - 90 legislative days, scheduled adjournment June 2nd). January 4th was opening day, bills may be introduced through January 18th. (**Bold face text** flags changes since a previous report.) The asterisks flag bills considered to have most Council interest. ("G. F." = General File, the first stage after majority committee vote moves a bill to the floor, "S. F." = Select File, the last opportunity for floor debate and amendments. "F. R." = Final Reading, the bill is in final form, with amendments incorporated, to be presented to the governor for signature. Bills with an emergency clause (suffix "e") take effect immediately if a date isn't specifically stated; otherwise nonemergency bills take effect 90 days after the Unicameral adjourns.)

2. The following vehicle related bill has been advanced to Select File

a. **LB45**. Introduced by Sen. Dan Watermeier of Syracuse. Military Honor Plates would also be available to reserve force members. Assigned to T & T Comm Jan 7th. Hearing Jan 17th, G F Jan 18th, Select File Jan 25th.

3. The following are vehicle related bills that have been advanced out of committee onto the floor for debate (General File)

a. **LB46**. Introduced by Sen. Watermeier. Provides for Choose Life license plates. T & T Committee, Jan 9th. Hearing Jan 17th, G F Jan 19th.

* b. **LB93**. Introduced by Sen. Matt Hanson of Lincoln. Identifies conditions and limitations for use of Automatic License Plate Readers. Judiciary Committee Jan 10th. Hearing Jan 19th, G F Feb 6th with amendment.

c. **LB164**. Introduced by Sen. Suzanne Geist of Lincoln. Changes provisions pertaining to vehicle records. DMV could sell title and registration records. T & T Comm Jan 12th. Hearing Jan 24th. G F Feb 6th.

d. **LB177**. Introduced by Sen. Bruce Bostleman of Brainard. Change provisions pertaining to fleet and apportionable vehicles. Assigned to T & T Comm, Jan 12th, hearing Jan 24th. G F Feb 6th.

e. **LB347**. Introduced by Sen. Geist of Lincoln at the request of the Governor. Provides for mutual recognition of operators licenses with a foreign country. T & T Comm, Jan 17th, hearing Jan 31, G F Feb 10th with amd.

* g. **LB368**. Introduced by Sen. John Lowe of Kearney. Changes helmet and eye protection provisions for motorcycle and moped operators. T & T Comm, Jan 17th, hearing Feb 6th, G F Feb 13th.

f. **LB406**. Introduced by Sen. Mark Kolterman of Seward. Notices of liability policies nonpayment, cancellation etc may include bar coded or other tracking method. Banking, Commerce and Insurance Comm Jan 17th, hearing Feb 6th, G F Feb 9th.

4. The following are vehicle related bills that have been introduced, assigned to a committee, and have had public hearings.

a. **LB21**. Introduced by Senator Merv Riepe of Ralston. Adds garages and repair shops to requirement for insurance coverage for loaner vehicles. Assigned to Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee Jan 9th, hearing Jan 17th.

b. **LB54**. Introduced by Sen. Paul Schumacher of Columbus. Adds an exception for unattended vehicles and remote keys. T & T Committee, Jan 9th, hearing Feb 6th.

c. **LB70**. Introduced by Sen. Pansing Brooks of Lincoln. Allows probation status to be considered in license revocation. Assigned to T & T Committee, Jan 9th, hearing Feb 14th.

d. **LB83**. Introduced by Sen. Blood. Adds "physician medical director" to personnel allowed emergency vehicle lights. T & T Committee, Jan 9th, hearing Feb 6th.

e. **LB84**. Introduced by Sen. Blood. Evidence of damages resulting from driving under the influence can be used in civil actions. Judiciary Comm Jan 9th.

f. **LB114**. Introduced by Sen. Joni Craighead of Omaha. Revises conditions for use of headlights and parking lights. Assigned to T & T Comm Jan 10th. Hearing Jan 23rd.

g. **LB143**. Introduced by Sen. Curt Friesen of Henderson. Power district vehicles would not be required to carry registration on the vehicle or trailer. T & T Comm, Jan 10th, hearing Feb 7th.

h. **LB263**. Introduced by T & T Comm, Jan 11th. Allows electronic transfer of DMV documents (titles, registration, licenses) to dealers. hearing Feb 7th.

* i. **LB275**. Introduced by Sen. Dan Hughes of Venango. Prescribes requirements for law officers and owners for removal of vehicles designated abandoned. T & T Comm, Jan 13th, hearing Feb 6th. The required Statement of Intent was furnished the day before the public hearing. The intent was that owners of commercial such as apartment complexes, storage facilities etc could have vehicles "abandoned" by former renters or others removed by law enforcement. The introducer stated that collector vehicles were not the target. Language to clarify or narrow the scope will be reviewed by the committee.

j. **LB294**. Introduced by Sen. Jim Smith of Papillion. Provides for mutual recognition of operators licenses with a foreign country. T & T Comm, Jan 13th, hearing Feb 7th.

k. **LB346**. Introduced by Sen John Lowe of Kearney at the request of the Governor. Eliminate license requirement for salesperson of a motor vehicle, motorcycle, trailer. T & T Comm, Jan 17th. hearing Jan 31st.

- * l. **LB355.** Introduced by Sen Kate Bolz of Lincoln. Provides for Plates for Native American Cultural Awareness and History. T & T Comm, Jan 17th, hearing Feb 7th.
- m. **LB357.** Introduced by Sen Kate Bolz. Increases title fees for out of state vehicles. T & T Comm, Jan 17th, hearing Feb 2nd.

5. The following are vehicle related bills that have been introduced, assigned to a committee, and have had public hearings scheduled.

- a. **LB40.** Introduced by Sen. Robert Hilkemann of Omaha. Prohibits use of wireless devices by school bus drivers. Change from a secondary offense to a primary. Assigned to T & T Committee Jan 9th, hearing Feb 27th.
- * b. **LB41.** Introduced by Sen. Hilkemann. Change enforcement of child restraint systems from secondary to a primary offense T & T Committee, Jan 9th, hearing Feb 27th.
- c. **LB42.** Introduced by Sen. Hilkemann. Change protection system provisions for children and adopts federal safety provisions.
- d. **LB82.** Introduced by Sen. Carol Blood of Bellevue. Requires state Drivers Manual to include safety information pertaining to traffic stops. T & T Committee, Jan 9th, hearing Feb 28th.
- e. **LB116.** Introduced by Sen. Burk Harr of Omaha. Extends coverage of auto liability policies. Assigned to Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee Jan 10th, hearing Feb 28th.
- f. **LB168.** Introduced by Sen. Laura Ebke of Crete. Changes provisions relative to payment claims under auto liability policies. Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee Jan 12th, Judiciary Comm Jan 24th, hearing Feb 15th.
- g. **LB258.** Introduced by Sen. Matt Hansen. Inmates could get state IDs or drivers licenses before release. Judiciary Committee Jan 13th, hearing Feb 16th.
- * h. **LB279.** Reintroduced by Sen. Hilkemann. Seat belts to be required on school buses. T & T Comm, Jan 13th hearing Feb 27th.
- * i. **LB400.** Introduced by Sen Hilkemann. Refunds of registration and licensing based on unexpired days or months for additional conditions. T & T Comm, Jan 17th, hearing Mar 2nd.
- j. **LB471.** Introduced by Sen. Rick Kolowski of Omaha Jan 17th. Removes reference to enforcement against texting as a secondary offense. T & T Comm, Jan 24th, hearing Feb 27th.
- k. **LB531.** Introduced by Sen. Harr. Change sales tax fees for motor vehicles. Revenue Comm Jan 20th, hearing Mar 2nd.
- l. **LB587.** Introduced by Sen. Crawford. Changes provisions for school permits.-available statewide. T & T Comm, Jan 21st, hearing Feb 28th.
- * m. **LB627.** Introduced by Sen. Tyson Larson of O'Neill. Self driving vehicles would be permitted. T & T Comm, Jan 20th, hearing Feb 28th.
- n. **LB629.** Introduced by Sen. Larson. Certain CDL holders would be exempt from hazardous waste endorsement requirements. T & T Comm, Jan 20th, hearing Feb 28th.
- o. **LB643.** Introduced by Sen. Bob Krist of Omaha. Increase financial liability requirements for auto liability insurance. Banking, Commerce, and Insurance Comm, Jan 20th, hearing Feb 28th.

6. The following are vehicle related bills that have been introduced, assigned to a committee, but have not had public hearings scheduled or were withdrawn.

- a. **LB290.** Introduced by Sen Tony Vargus of Omaha. Automatic voter registration when applying for drivers licenses, state IDs. Government, Military and Veteran Affairs Committee Jan 13th.
- b. **LB419.** Introduced by Sen McCollister. Increases eligibility for military honors plates to include reservists. T & T Committee Jan 17th. Withdrawn Feb 15th.

7. For status and copies of specific bills, call (800)-742-7456 or (402)-471-2709. A subscription to "Unicameral Update" is available by mail, with a time lag of a week plus. Alternately, for essentially current status, the web address is www.nebraskalegislature.gov.

8. Notes on the legislative process and citizen input.

- a. The first 10 legislative days are designated for bill introduction by individual senators. Each senator is allowed up to 10 introductions, one of which can be designated a priority bill. Committees can select two, the speaker can select 25.
- b. Committees can hold, indefinitely postpone, or advance bills. The chairman manages the process within committees, the speaker when or if a bill reaches the floor.
- c. In person testimony at the public hearings has a great impact on the fate of a given bill. Letters, emails, and even phone calls to the committee can be effective if submitted in advance to be part of the hearing record. Communications received before the committee acts on the bill will generally still be considered in committee deliberations. When, or if, a bill reaches the floor, communication should be with individual senators.