

Wheel Issues

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

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Car Council Directory

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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 2019

LINCOLN: May 15, July 17, September 18, November 20

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

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 April 17, 2019 Meeting

AMC'S of the Midwest	Centennial Model "T" Club
Chevrolet Classics Club Omaha	Classy Chassis Car Club – Red Oak
Cornhusker Corvette Club	Cornhusker Early Ford B-8 Club – Lincoln
Cornhusker Model "A" Club – Lincoln	Council Bluffs Model "A" Club
Crossroads Chpt Buick Club – America	Crossroads Car Club-Plattsmouth
Flatwater All British Club	Heartland Chevelle Club
Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Club	Husker Chapter Studebaker Drivers
Meadowlark Model "A" Club	Midland Nomads
Midwest Antique Auto Club	Midwest Camaro Club
Midwest Early Corvette Club	Midwest Street Rod Ass'n
National Corvette Restorers Society	Nebraska Corvette Assn.
Nebraska Region AACA	Nebraska Rod & Custom Assoc.
Nebraskaland Thunderbird Club	Nifty Fifties Ford Club
Plymouth Owners Club – Prairie Region	River City Classics
The Slo Rollers of NW Missouri	Street-Tiques-Omaha
Tangier Corvette Club	Vintage Iron Car Club
Wolf Pack Car Club	
GUESTS	
Omaha Rebels Car Club	

MEETING MINUTES - April 17, 2019

Meeting started at 7:30 p.m.

Welcome by President Ron Gillis / Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance Was Presented

INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS

Darrin and Mark of the Omaha Rebels Car Club were are guests this evening. This club has been around since 1954. They meet once a month at different locations to enable more members to attend. They have 57 members. Their cars range from the years 1920 to 2000. No discrimination. They sponsor part of the World of Wheels Indoor Car Show each year.

INTRODUCTIONS OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

President Ron Gillis asked that everyone sign in on the sheet going around and to check your information on the membership roster to make sure that it is correct.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of the flood victims and their families and relatives and all of the businesses affected in the Midwest. Our Slo Rollers Car Club of North West Missouri were able to attend this evening. We are thankful that they are all well and safe.

Tony Vodicka is at Hillcrest Rehab Center after his hip replacement.

PRESENTATIONS OF OUR GUESTS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

Introduction of new member club and approval of same later in this meeting. (The Omaha Rebels Car Club is up for approval this month)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve by Kerry Fox. Motion seconded by Gene Gau. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Connie Johnson read the Treasurer's report. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report by Lloyd Burke. Motion seconded by Mike Dixon. Motion carried.

There was 1 bill submitted for payment this evening by our Secretary Cindy Wimmer in the amount of \$56.00 for the March newsletter and postage and one for the Slo Rollers in the amount of \$280.01 for the 2018 Fall Foliage Picnic. Motion to approve payment of the bills by Jim Snyder. Motion seconded by Curt Wagner. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

SWAP MEET

Kerry Fox went over the 2019 swap meet again. 190 volunteers worked the event. The Slo Rollers drove over one hour to get there but still worked in the horrible weather. Frank Wimmer had 170 unreserved spaces sold compared to 580 last year. We parked 1600 cars compared to over 3800 last year. But on a positive note the vendors sold some very expensive items. Vendors were pleased. The Kettle Corn guy was outside of Pavilion 4 and he didn't mind vending outside in the cold. He has already contacted us to vend again next year. Thank your workers for all that they do to make this a successful event no matter the zero degree weather and 30 degree below wind chill.

Dividends this year were going to be low because of the low parking attendance. But the Car Council decided to increase that amount to be able to pay the clubs accordingly for work well down. We had been sitting on an emergency fund the past few years and were able to take some of that and added that to the money that we did make. We were able to pay all of our bills and have a little profit to pay the workers. The cost to the Lancaster Even Center is \$18,000.00. Next year it will be closer to \$19,000.00. But this year the Event Center worked with us because we didn't use all of the parking lots and cut our cost down to \$15,000.00.

We were able to pay our workers \$120.00 per share this year. Yes it was down but we were as pleased as could be considering the weather. Hopefully next year the weather will be balmy and sunny.

SCHOLARSHIP 2019

The scholarship distribution will depend on recommendations from our Scholarship Committee which met before tonight's meeting started. Finances were reviewed by the Committee.

Proposal

1. Do not touch the Swap Meet Bank Account. It should have more than enough to cover costs of the 2020 meet.
2. Close the Savings Account and combine it with Admin Account giving us a balance of approximately \$11,900.00
3. Pay estimated expenditures of \$9,100.00.

This would leave approximately \$2,800 in the Admin Account to be replenished next year. We could also cut the charities and the scholarships in half, for an additional \$3,500.00

Lloyd Burke made a motion to change/reduce to \$2,250 the scholarships and \$1,250 for charitable giving. Kerry Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CAR COUNCIL BOOKS FOR 2019

Distribution update. Kerry Fox and Frank Wimmer handled Lincoln distribution. Ron Gillis and Connie Johnson handled the Omaha distribution. Single books can still be ordered by mailing \$3.00 per book payable to ENWICC at P.O. Box 106, Blair, NE 68008.

Ron said that we will explain in the newsletter to the representatives of our car council members that they are able to get their clubs books after the distribution at the swap meet. This year we had a very low turnout so we had extra books. It will not be that way every year.

Kerry Fox asked Roy Murabito about the history of the Car Council book. Roy said that he and Paul High, who was a top dog in the Chevy club gave away the first books in 1993. Paul High worked at OPPD and had OPPD use their printers to print a couple of pages. After that they sold ads and that is how it grew to where it is today. Today's book is totally different than that original book. We do not sell this book and we do not charge to get this book together. We will not give out the book until the swap meet. It is our draw to our swap meet. We cannot sell the book because we don't want to pay taxes. Kerry Fox said that the book is not a real commodity for us. It draws people into our swap meet so that we are able to pay the high fees that the Lancaster Event Center charges us. Without the book we aren't able to pay for the Event Center. Our real problem is with the people before the swap meet wanting to get the books at our competitor's swap meet. That swap meet group doesn't even belong to our Car Council. The Wahoo Swap meet was advertising that they had our books to give out, and asked people to skip the Car Council's swap meet and come to Wahoo instead. The organizers of the Wahoo Swap Meet continued to advertise that they had a limited supply of Car Council Books for pick up. In addition, their advertising had a picture of our Car Council Book! Every person that comes to our swap meet pays \$5.00 to park in order for us to pay our \$18,000.00 bill. If they don't come to our swap meet to get our books we can't pay the bill. There were a lot of questions about this. How did Wahoo get our books? In the past

they would come after the swap meet and sneakily grab cases of books. We are now policing our books more carefully and we will continue to police our books better every year from here on out. We print 12,000 books every year.

2019/2020 ELECTIONS

All of your current officers have agreed to remain as candidates. No new candidates were available at the Lincoln meeting. There was a motion to re-elect officers as listed on Page 10 of the 2019 Car Council book. Motion carried.

Tonight we asked for a motion that the Omaha reps of the ENWICC ratify the actions of the Lincoln reps this month.

Motion to approve by Gene Gau. Motion seconded by Terry Breen. Motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Dave Volmer was not present this evening to update us on the 2019 Legislature.

EVENT FOR CHILDREN'S SQUARE IN COUNCIL BLUFFS

An update was given by Connie Johnson. Mary Ann Hanusahas asked if we could arrange to have cars for the children to see. The date of May 5th and coincides with Family Days at Children's Square. Families visiting on that day would also be able to participate in the fun of seeing the cars. Going with a later afternoon time frame, 3:30 – 5:30, works better. 10-15 cars would be fabulous, and they will “prep” the children beforehand so that they understand the significance of these cars and that they are very special. The children on campus here range in age from 8-17. Call Connie Johnson to enter this event with your cars. Her phone number is 402-690-2609.

NEW BUSINESS

MAIL BAG–

One of our members was presented in the Omaha World Herald. Monty Frost was in the newspaper with his Cushman's. He has 3 historic Cushman scooters. They were manufactured in Lincoln NE. Congratulations Monty!

ENWICC 2020 BOOKS

We will meet with the Suburban News in the near future. If anyone has any suggestions on changing/improving the 2020 book, please send one of the officers your ideas.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

Monty Frost checked into the cost of the Fremont Swap Meet location and they have 3 buildings and it is only \$1,600.00 for a one day swap meet. He asked if we are the only organization getting hit this hard by the Lancaster Event Center. The answer is NO. First of all no other location is large enough to hold our event. Secondly our volunteers won't drive too far to work so we need to stay around the Lincoln area. And lastly we are not the only organization that have had their prices raised. Everything is going up and that is why we need to continue to protect the Car Council Book which is how we pay for our location.

The Model A Club asked about asking for a charitable donation for the books. A donation cannot be taxes. Ron Gillis explained to them that we are aware of this. But if not for the horrible weather this year at the meet, we wouldn't even be in this position.

NEW MEMBERS:

We voted for the Omaha Rebels Car Club to join ENWICC. Motion to accept their membership application by Jack Taff. Motion seconded by Mike Dixon. Motion carried.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lasers swap meet at 7:00 am at the speedway motors parking lot in Lincoln.

July 13th thru the 17th, Residence Inn, National Nomads Convention in Omaha.

June 2, Tangiers are having a car show in Omaha. They are making money for the Shriners Transportation Fund (in the book).

PAST EVENTS

Shows, Swap Meets and Auctions Promoted at the Meeting

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

HANDOUTS – CAR SHOW FLYERS

At the front door

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Jim Snyder. Motion seconded by Howard Denker. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 8:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

May 15, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in Lincoln.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

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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.**

GET “WHEEL ISSUES” BY E-MAIL AND HELP US SAVE \$\$\$

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It costs the Car Council to print and mail on average \$3.50/newsletter for each one sent. **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.



HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

COUNCIL BY-LAWS – CURRENT EDITION AVAILABILITY

A copy of the most-current revision of the By-Laws, which was revised in 2016 and does include the current dues policy, is available. Those wishing a copy of this 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 appreciated 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. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Opening/Introductions** - President
- 4.* **Guests Addressing/Presenting to the Council***
5. **Approval of Minutes** of Last Meeting
6. **Treasurer's Report** - Treasurer
7. **Old Business** (Items carried over from previous meetings)
8. **New Business** (Items new to the agenda not previously discussed, **excluding** events discussion/promotion)
9. **Past Events** (Discussion of recently-held events)
10. **Upcoming Events** (Promotion/Discussion of upcoming events)
- 11.* **New Clubs** wishing to join the Council*
12. **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