CAPITAL CARRIAGES NEWS LETTER



January 2022 News letter

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December Calendar:

Meet and Eat:

There will be no organized meet and eats this winter. There may be more "impromptu" gatherings, but it is difficult to schedule these in a newsletter!

Friday Coffee:

This is cancelled for now. If continued next spring we will discuss moving to a new location as there seems to be little interest for meeting at Super One anymore.

Monthly Meeting

We are not meeting in the winter months of January and February again this year. With the winter we are having this is probably a good decision!

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a great holiday season and is enjoying a good start to year 2022. We can only hope and pray that the year 2022 is an improvement on 2021 and much better than the experts expect. They have been wrong many times before and the optimist in me believes this year will not be an exception. Americans, especially Montanans, are more resilient than they give us credit for. I personally am very tired of the negative spin the news media provides to our nation. Now I will jump off my soapbox!

We met at Jorgie's in December. Sharon provided an update on the treasury balance with only a small decrease due to the bank charges. We elected officers for the year. I will continue as president, Don Wood will continue as vice president, Jerry Burrows is our new secretary and Sharon Burrows will continue as treasurer.

In the meeting we discussed having a car show (open to the public) next summer. I am hopeful that we can use this as a potential draw for new members. Without new members the club will slowly die on the vine, as our members become unable to participate due to physical limitations. I will be researching potential venues this winter.

We only held the one meet and eat, at Perkins, in December. Attendance was still light, but with their free slice of pie on Monday nights we did have a few more than in the last month. No classic cars were driven to the venue as they have all been put to bed for the winter. I have a problem driving my old Ford four wheel drives in the winter. I need them in four wheel drive until I get on the interstate and I "take my life in my hands" when I stop to take the hubs out on the interstate between Helena and Montana City. Nothing like having cars fly by at 80 miles an hour when they are only a few feet away from you!

Since there is not much going on with the club this winter I guess I will share a Christofferson shop progress report. I finally have my 389 ready for the 65 GTO (pictured below), however I need to remove the tired old 400 in the car and paint the engine bay first. Unfortunately I am currently unable to get the mechanics bay warm enough to paint. The days it finally warms up are few and far between and they turn out to be snow moving days instead of time spent working inside. If mother nature cooperates, and strings together a few nice days, I may climb over this hump but until then other projects, such as staying warm take precedence.



Stay warm everyone!