TYP356ne Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2021

1. 6 PM Call to order by Microsoft Teams Video Conference. No physical meeting.
2. Membership Report by Carl Luck: Paid Members: 188 with a steady increase in membership this year.
3. Financial Report: Robert McKittrick. Current balance $6217,16
4. Website Coordinator/Event Calendar Report by Allen Sisson: The full Club Schedule for 2021 is on the Club website.
5. Newsletter Report: Ed Tobolski: The August 2021 newsletter has been sent to all members.

New Business:

* + - 1. Tom Gentz has sent versions of this same email to Allen twice. He would like to send this to all Club members. Allen suggested he do that, but he would like the Board of Directors approval before doing so. I invited Tom to this board meeting to explain his views on this. He would rather let this email speak for itself. This is the email:

**From:** Tom Gentz <tbgentz@cox.net>
**Sent:** Saturday, July 31, 2021 12:18 PM
**To:** Allen Sisson <dkwf5700@gmail.com>; Ed and Darlene Tobolski <tobolsed@verizon.net>
**Cc:** Tom Gentz <tbgentz@cox.net>
**Subject:** RPM Act

Gentlemen,

This is a clear description of the EPA problem.

<https://www.semasan.com/driving-force/quarterly-article/putting-out-fire-gasoline>

At the bottom in the Clean Air Act tab, the middle paragraph explains what my concern is:

· The CAA’s anti-tampering provision in Section 203 of the Act prohibits selling parts intended for use with, or as part of, any motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine, where the principal effect of the part or component is to bypass, defeat, or render inoperative any device or element of design installed on or in a motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine in compliance with regulations.

For example, PMO carbs, runners, M&K Stainless mufflers, Pertronix ignitions, MSD boxes, you name it.

Sure a 356 is a long shot overreach for the EPA, but we all can tremble if they go there.

Tom

This is an existing law that is already on the books, and Tom’s objective is for club members to write their congressman, but that is not stated. It’s Tom’s personal objective, not necessarily the boards. But as the topic is serious, and car related, it is appropriate to share with the full membership by him.

As the aftermarket industry is an important part of the economy, the Board assumed that they will be following this more intensely than we are.

Tom Tate mentioned that there’s a law before the Mass legislature to exempt cars over 50 years from yearly inspections. Tom will gather the info and forward this to the Board for further discussion at it’s next meeting.

* + - 1. It was brought to the Boards attention that Carl Luck is not officially a Board Member as the Membership Chair. The Board voted unanimously to make Carl a Board Member. Congratulations Carl!

* + - 1. Tom Tate reported that he and others did a dry run of the Cattskill Treffen that will be organized every other year, opposite years of the Helen GA event. First event to be held the end of September in 2022. The host hotel is a German themed resort, 3.5 hours’ drive from the Boston area, and is limited to 50 cars (100 person). This 3-day event will be sanctioned by the Registry. The Board needs to ensure that it will not conflict with Club Day.

**Old/Ongoing Business:**

1. Ed Tobolski has started the 356 miles driven per year Club as of the August 1, 2021, newsletter listing the miles driven by our board members so far this year to start. Tom is getting free trophies from Porsche factory in October and suggested we use (some of) for recognition of participants. Board will get back to this next month with possible suggestion of how to recognize the participants as to not make this a competition. The suggestion was made to exclude Board members from this.
2. Both Tub Times and Greg Lane emails will go out this month describing how to sign up for the three August Club events: Saturday, August 7th CT Southcoast drive, lunch, and museum tour; Sunday, August 22nd 356 Birthday Party (not an official Club event); Saturday, August 28 Speedsport Tuning shop tour and technical session. There are 7 cars signed up for the Tour to date, a small but good manageable number.
3. Tom Tate is communicating with Steve Serio as the speaker for Club Day. Steve is former owner of Lotus of New England dealership, and is among other things a contributor to Sportscar market. He owns a 356 Speedster and 356 Coupe. But Steve is out of the state in Colorado until September 18th and it is uncertain if he can make it back in time to speak the following day on the 19th at Club Day. He has expressed a desire to make it work. Tom to follow up next week.
As a a back-up Peter Baraso, who publishes Motorsport Marketing was mentioned.

Allen Sisson suggested only one charity option for the Club Day event as the total amount will be small. The charity would be a fund to benefit McPherson College Students. Someone needs to contact the College to be sure the money donated would go to an Automotive student and not any McPherson student in another program. The checks made out to McPherson would be mailed to Ed Tobolski by attendees at the time they sign up. Board agreed to this.

Below is the tentative outline for Club Day:

**Sunday, Sept 19th, 2021**

**6th Annual TYP356ne Club Day at the Newport Car Museum**

**The Newport Car Museum is located just a few minutes from downtown Newport, Rhode Island.**

**1947 West Main Road (Rt 114)**

**Portsmouth, Rhode Island 02871**

**401-848-2277**

[**https://newportcarmuseum.org/**](https://newportcarmuseum.org/)

**This year’s Club Day includes a special guest speaker and catered lunch**

**Schedule for the day-**

**Arrival time at 10:00 AM**

**10:30 AM– 12:00 PM—We have time to meet and greet and check out all of the 356s.**

**12 PM -1:00 PM  - We will have a catered box lunch in the Museum’s Thunderbird room.**

**1:00 PM – 1:30 PM –Our guest speaker will entertain us with interesting information about cars.**

**1:30 PM– 5:00 PM—members can join the general public and enjoy their own self- guided tour of the museum.**

**Lunch**

**The box lunch will include a sandwich with chips, seasonal fruit, craft cookie, dill pickle and spring water.**

**1.— CHICKEN OPTION TBD by Ed**

**2.—BALSAMIC BEEF ITALIAN**

**Slow roasted beef, mushroom ceviche, white cheddar, balsamic aioli, balsamic reduction, lettuce, tomato and pickled red onion on a crispy baguette**

**3—CALIFORNIA TURKEY**

**Roasted turkey breast, avocado-lime aioli, pepper jack, red leaf lettuce, tomatoes on a whole wheat batard**

**4—VEGAN BAHN MI V**

**Soy and sesame glazed roasted tofu, pickled carrots, cucumbers and red onions, cilantro and ginger aioli, arugula on a crispy baguette**

**Cost-**

**The Club will pick up the cost to enter the museum and the box lunch. Attendance is limited to members and one guest.**

**To attend the event, you must register no later than Sunday Sept 12th.**

**Full details on how to register to follow by club email and in the September Tub Times.**

**McPherson College Fund**

Note—This scholarship fund is for students enrolled in the USA’s only bachelor’s degree program in historic automotive restoration.

Ed Reported that based on an expected attendance of 40 people the total cost to the club will be approximately $1620.

The next board meeting will be on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, at 6 PM by video conference call. Ed Tobolski will chair that meeting since Allen Sisson will be out of town.

6:35 Meeting Adjourned.

Attending:

1. Allen Sisson
2. Ed Tobolski
3. Peter Venutti
4. Peter Thompson
5. Diane Mierz
6. Tom Tate
7. Greg Lane
8. Theo Kindermans

Not Attending:

1. Frank Anigbo
2. Carl Luck
3. Dennis McGurk
4. George Kehler
5. Robert McKittrick.