

# Triumphs Around the Chesapeake January 14, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Triumphs Around the Chesapeake (TRAC) held its monthly membership meeting on January 14, 2014 at the Padonia Ale House in Timonium, MD. The following attended:

- Chris Horant, President
- Randy Fryer, Vice President and Sharon Fryer
- Phil Holmes, Secretary
- Eric Mephram, Member at Large, and Julia Mephram
- Gary Hermann- new member
- Mark Alexander and Sue Vezzetti
- Steven Horant, BBTB co-chair and Laura.
- Ben Heller, BBTB co-chair
- Philip Snyder, new member
- Jerry and Mary Beth Wojtowycz
- Don and Helen Cumberland
- Dave Denison
- Bob Clark
- Ted Hulse.

## **Call to order:**

Chris called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and called on Phil Holmes to read the minutes of the December 2013 meeting. Phil did not have a copy of these minutes and was duly excoriated.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Gary Klein, treasurer, was unable to attend and Chris reported for him. The bank balance as of November 30, 2013 was \$4,602.96. Transactions during December 2013 totaled \$120 in membership fees and a service charge of \$1.61 resulting in a December 31, 2013 balance of \$4,721.35.

## **Old Business**

- TRAC membership is now at 64 and Chris welcomed new members Gary Hermann and Philip Snyder.
- Chris said that Pete Ragusa resigned as Member at Large of the Board of Directors. Two members responded to Chris's request to serve on the board: Barry Robbins, if no one else would, and Mark Alexander. Mark was elected as a Member at Large unanimously.
- Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting. Chris reported on the Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> Board of Director's meeting. Items discussed included the June 22<sup>nd</sup> Brits by the Bay, TRAC events for 2014, and whether to increase the annual membership dues.
- Chris said that he hopes the club will revive the monthly drives on the third Saturday of the month. Brits by the Bay will be held 2014 after a two year hiatus. The July Poker Run needs a chair. The annual club picnic will be held on the third Saturday in August (August 16<sup>th</sup>). The Economy Run will be held the Sunday after Labor Day (September 7<sup>th</sup>). Phil Holmes will chair this club event.
- Other possible 2014 events were mentioned including a detailing session and, if space can be located, an electrical tech session.
- We are expecting 32 to 34 members to attend the January 18<sup>th</sup> annual dinner at the Olive Grove Restaurant. Eric pointed out that the club's inability to get the minimum of 40 people to attend will cost the club additional funds as it was cheaper to pay for 6 additional dinners and meet our agreed-to minimum. Eric recommended the club consider less expensive alternatives.

## **New Business**

1. Brits by the Bay (BBTB) was discussed. Chris said the board of directors reviewed the proposed \$2050 budget for this event, \$250 more than the board had hoped for. The additional \$250 would pay for a refundable fee that would cover the club in case participants brought alcohol to the show. Alcohol at the Carroll County Museum, the show's location, could result in BBTB being immediately halted. The Board of Directors on Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> voted 4 to 1 to approve the \$2,050 proposed budget. Randy moved the club approve the \$2,050 BBTB budget, Phil seconded the motion and the motion passed.
2. Steven Horant and Ben Heller, BBTB co-chairs, briefed the membership on the work that needs to be done for the car show. The show will be for modern and classic cars and motorcycles too. Given budget constraints, photocopying by a member would be helpful. The shortness of time led to keeping the name. Volunteers will be needed at the event which will be from 10 am to 3 pm. A volunteer sign-up sheet was passed around. A basket of cheer 50-50 raffle is being considered and members were asked to contribute. Convenience Catering will provide food. Cars for sale must have the sales sign inside the car. Club members can sell parts for free. Chris thanked and complemented Steven and Ben and the show committee for its hard work.
3. Eric suggested a brunch in 2015 instead of the annual dinner, given that only 25% of the members elected to attend this year's dinner. This event could be held following a drive in April or May.
4. Chris concluded the meeting by saying we need a chair for the Poker Run and that this event and the Economy Run made money for the club in 2013. Chris said that he would help with instructions and provide previous Poker Run materials. Eric urged that we move the location.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm. These minutes were prepared by Phil Holmes, Secretary.