

TRiumphs Around the Chesapeake
Minutes – General Membership Meeting
December 14, 2010
South Side - Sunset Restaurant

1. President Chris Horant called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM
2. Attending were 16 members representing 13 family memberships. Attendees were: Dave Denison, Jerry Wojtowycz, Eric Mephram, Diane Horant, Chris Horant, Gary Klein, Priscilla Klein, Barry Robbins, Mark Schmall, Ben Heller, Steve Horant, Bruce Little, Steve Beaulieu, Steve Williams, Val Williams, Jeremy Kinney.

A quorum was present to conduct business.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with no changes.
4. Treasurer Ben Heller reported a balance of \$5472. Checks were written for \$25 to the State of Maryland for the Resident Agent change and ~\$13 to Gary Klein for renewal of the website domain name (both as previously approved by the Board of Directors).

Brits By the Bay 2010 finished at a net loss of approximately \$208.

5. Chris Horant presented the Board of Directors' recommendation that the Winter Dinner be held January 22, 2011 at Sparrows Point Country Club, at a cost to members of \$45 per person (limit two), and a cost for additional tickets of \$70 per person. The member cost includes a \$20 per ticket contribution from the TRAC general funds.

Motion was presented and seconded to adopt this recommendation and to authorize \$1,600 in TRAC funds toward the ticket cost, the DJ, the recognition awards, and the gratuity.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote, no abstentions.

The evening will include an open bar from 6:30PM to 9:30PM (a cash bar thereafter), and a DJ. Scott Reese will coordinate with Sparrows Point Country Club on the menu and other arrangements, and details will be posted on the website. Visit the TRAC website at www.TRACltd.org to print a reservation form. Forms and payment must be received by January 8, 2011.

6. Brits By the Bay 2011 was discussed and a number of members suggested consideration be given to holding it earlier in the year, citing concerns with the potential for bad weather in October. There was some interest expressed in a late June date, as long as it does not conflict with Original British Car Day held at Lilypons in early June. Support was also expressed for continuing the location at the Carroll County Farm Museum. Chris stated that the Board of Directors will make a decision on the date and the venue, taking into consideration the availability of the venue and comments expressed by the members. At this time, a chairman is needed.
7. Steve and Val Williams volunteered to chair the Poker Run for 2011.
8. Mark Schmall volunteered to chair the 2011 TRAC Birthday Summer Picnic.
9. Gary Klein volunteered to chair the 2011 Economy Run.
10. Barry Robbins is assembling an overall Events Calendar, to include TRAC events as well as other organization events, for posting on the website as soon as possible. The calendar will be routinely updated as additional information is available and dates are confirmed.

11. Chris Horant explained that the Board is concerned with the declining membership numbers and the associated drop in funds. The Board wants to encourage everyone to enlist new members and re-enlist old members who may have left for various reasons. Chris Horant and Gary Klein will update and publish the 3-fold brochure that can be handed out at various events. It was also suggested that the TRAC tent and banners be set up at shows and events to promote interest in becoming a member. Chris and Gary will also look into getting additional TRAC window stickers to improve club "visibility". And as always, more tech sessions, scenic drives, and other events serve as great incentives to becoming a member of the club.
12. Jerry Wojtowycz is putting together a consolidated e-mail/communications list to help promote TRAC events.
13. The 50-50 raffle was won by Bruce Little.
14. Gary Klein reported that he and Chris Horant participated in a road rally through the New Jersey Pine Barrens, and confirmed Chris is now qualified to drive his 4x4 truck through the woods, at night, at high speed, with the lights out, no wipers, and the windshield totally blotted out by mudand with that said...
15. Adjournment at 8:25PM.

Prepared by:
Dave Denison, Secretary