



### Minutes of the January 25, 2020 Meeting

**Attendees:** Ted DellaCamera, Neil Cawthra, Ernie Badas, Madalena Sylvester, James Sylvester, and Linda Zukauskas

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Ted called the meeting to order at 1:13 p.m. and announced that the club has received national recognition from the Crosley Automobile Club. He acknowledged the help of CAC Vice President, Treasurer, and National Meet Co-Chairman Jeff Ackerman and CAC President Dave Anspuchs. Everyone present thanked them and the national club for its support.

Next, members held a general discussion regarding the goals and purpose of the club, deciding those should be to develop opportunities to:

- Enjoy and expand friendships with fellow Crosley enthusiasts
- Find places to show off and drive our Crosley cars
- Share information to sell, buy, repair, maintain, and research the history of Crosley cars
- Swap stories of our adventures with these cars

Ted asked the members to weigh in on the idea of dues to help pay for administrative costs, such as mailings.

***Action: James ??? moved to set \$10 per member as annual dues and Ernie seconded. The motion passed unanimously.***

Members are asked to send checks only to the treasurer at 339 Shelton Ave., Shelton, 06484. Questions may be sent by email to [Neil1952@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Neil1952@sbcglobal.net).

Ted shared the proposed slate of officers:

- President Ted DellaCamera
- Vice President Neal Cawthra
- Acting Treasurer Neal Cawthra
- Secretary Linda Zukauskas

Jimmy Bird would be available to fill in as necessary when Ted or Neal were unable to act in their official capacities.

**Action: James ??? moved to accept the slate as proposed and Ernie seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

The members discussed how information would be shared among members and informally decided on several communication channels:

- A possible newsletter
- Minutes posted to the club web page, off the Yankee Crosley website (<http://www.yankeecrosley.com/cac-new-england-region>)
- Facebook posts

The group also informally agreed that information should be shared online as much as possible to minimize costs but members could elect to receive paper communications. They would be responsible for indicating this preference to the president.

A discussion of upcoming events was held, including ideas for creating events that would allow members to enjoy their cars together.

- Ernie will feature Crosley cars at his next Fill a Crosley event, which is a food drive to be held Sunday, April 5, at Heavenly Donuts, 658 New Haven Avenue, Derby.
- Ted is coordinating with car show organizers in Wellesley, Mass., to feature Crosley cars at a micro car show to take place May 16.
- Linda will coordinate a picnic at Burgerittoville, 57 Church Hill Rd, Newtown, Conn. There is a spacious parking lot next to the restaurant located in an old train station. The owner is exited to host a group of Crosley cars and would provide carside wait service.
- Neil mentioned a car show in Orange that features only red vehicles.
- Several members liked the idea of bringing the micro cars to a microbrewery or boutique winery.
- The club will host the early bird dinner at the 2020 CAC Nationals, July 6-11, in Wauseon, Ohio. Yankee Crosley will underwrite the expense of the dinner on Monday, July 6.
- Any members who want to caravan to Ohio are asked to email Ted to join the group. Any interest in organizing rally events that would take advantage of the back roads where these cars are at home, should also share that interest with Ted.
- There are a number of car shows that may be good options for meet-ups. Those interested in attending the Woodbury Lions Club Car Show in early June should contact Linda ([Izukauskas@aim.com](mailto:Izukauskas@aim.com)) as she may be able to get a special grouping on the field of 300 cars.

Ted noted that if the club holds its own car show, the national club's insurance policy would cover the region's show.

More information will be shared on the web site as events get closer. Members are encouraged to sign up for events as posted on Facebook invitations and to email Ted ([yankeecrosley.com](http://yankeecrosley.com)) with ideas and suggestions.

The group brainstormed ideas for getting the word out to potential members, including asking Ted to reach out to his customer base. A brief article on the new club will also appear in the national

publication, to be seen by other enthusiasts in the New England region. Members are encouraged to spread the word with their friends and family.

The next club meeting will take place Sunday, April 5, to coincide with the Fill a Crosley event at Heavenly Donuts, 658 New Haven Avenue, Derby, Conn. Ted will review club addresses and work with AAA to identify a central location for meetings.

Noting the club had no further business, Ted adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

Attachment: Message from Jeffery Gladen, CAC Region Advisor and Board of Director, indicating the club was recognized at the national level.

