



## **Minutes of the Meeting January 18<sup>th</sup> 2012**

The meeting, conducted by David Whitworth, commenced at 7:05pm with fifteen members present.

### **Minutes:**

Minutes of the October 19<sup>th</sup> 2011 meeting were accepted as posted on the website. The meeting for November was cancelled due to snow conditions. The Christmas dinner was held in December in lieu of a meeting.

### **Treasurer's report:**

Read and accepted as filed. The OECC portion of our \$20 membership dues has risen to \$8. Upcoming expenses are booking fee for the Filberg Lodge, wine making and membership dues to OECC.

### **Membership:**

Currently twenty eight members plus partners. Two members rejoined this evening.

### **Old Business:**

None.

### **New Business:**

Nominations were accepted for club executive positions. By acclamation David Whitworth is president, Frank DeCarlo vice-president, Dennis Broad treasurer and Yvonne Higgs secretary/web site. David Sherstone continues on as membership person.

Steven Baker has offered to help co-ordinate upcoming planned trips this year. His company, Malleable, which does custom software development, training, and consulting, has also offered a donation to our Filberg event in return for advertising his company logo in the announcement area.

We plan to make three batches of wine this year and are soliciting bottles, preferably washed and labels removed. Bottles can be dropped off at 1405 Griffin Drive, east Courtenay.

The Spanner is soliciting articles from our club. A good opportunity to write about your car/s and display photographs.

Jim Singbeil from Campbell River passed on information about a successful rebuild of SU carburetors done by Rhys Kent. See the website at <http://sucarburetors.com>

**Upcoming events:**

- ⤴ Weekend day in February - Buffet lunch at the Driftwood Inn, Oyster Bay.
- ⤴ Repeat train trip to old mill in Port Alberni – weekend?
- ⤴ Spring tour of collections in Errington area – Ian Harris
- ⤴ Co-ordinated visit (Brian Smith C.R.) to Peter Welch Collection Thunderbird Marina with possible circle ferry trip.

**Discussion:**

Geoff Firth briefly discussed the differences between English fuse rating and North American fuse rating. Dennis Broad showed an example of a fuse holder with a circuit breaker in place.

Quote from Wikipedia "Lucas fuses have three ratings; the continuous current they are designed to carry, the instantaneous current at which they will fuse, and the continuous current at which they will also fuse. The figure found on Lucas fuses is the continuous fusing current which is twice the continuous ampere rating that the system should be using; this can be a source of confusion when replacing Lucas fuses with non Lucas fuses." end quote.

So be careful when you replace your fuses, for example a North American 30 amp rated fuse used to replace an old English fuse may cause your circuit to start emitting smoke before it fails.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm, with the next meeting to be held February 15<sup>th</sup> 2012.

David brought up the question of a lunch time meeting with a change of venue to the Whistlestop Pub. More information will follow.