

MLAOC– Annual General Meeting

By: David Hymers Photo's: David Hymers & Sandy Kennedy

October 17th, 2015 was the MLAOC Annual General Meeting and Swap Meet. This event was held at the Toronto Humber Yacht Club. The swap meet began at Sunrise and continued until the business meeting.

There was lots of swapping, displaying of recently completed projects and conversations sharing technical expertise. During the swap meet, Sandy Kennedy organized and ran a very successful silent auction of some Club signage that carried our previous name. These items could no longer be used for Club events so it was decided to allow our members the opportunity to acquire some décor for the spaces where their motors are restored, displayed and treasured. Sandy's efforts and the generosity of our members raised \$255.00 for the Club.

Membership Chairman Jeff Stevenson had a very busy morning, collecting \$720.00 in membership renewals and signing up our newest member, Andrew King. At the time of the meeting, there were 203 paid members. Last year, there were 122 paid members. The membership was also advised that the Club dues are now \$20.00 annually. This is the first increase in many years and was necessary to cover the cost of liability insurance for the Club and directors. The benefit of the insurance coverage is that any member who has paid their dues in full, can exhibit motors at an event under the Clubs name.



L to R: Ron Stevenson, Dave Hymers & Richard Shorney during the Silent Auction of non-current Club signage.



Long time member Owen Aho showing his 1928 Elto Quad at the AGM. Another example of Owen's outstanding restoration work.

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The MLAOC continues to be very active and has a busy schedule for 2016. President Ron Stevenson confirmed the “Hard Water Meet” at Mike’s Auto Service in Ajax on January 23rd, 2016. In addition, there will be the “Ice Breaker Meet” in Whitby at the end of April. This year we will feature OMC products from the 1950’s at Gravenhurst. We will also have a display at the Muskoka Lakes Show in Port Carling. Please check the website and Newsletters for exact dates. Why not consider volunteering to help at a show. These are great ways to get lots of leads on motors that are in need of a home. Steve Silverthorn advised that he is looking for someone to take over the display that the Club has at the Sportsman Show for 2016. He will guide and assist for this year, but would like another club member(s) to carry it on afterwards.

The 2015 financial report was presented. Ken Kirk and Peter McDowell were acknowledged for their outstanding work on the Newsletter & Website respectively. Our Annual Meetings always have one key element that is special. The Lunch! Thank you to Ron Gilpin for the amazing chilli, and to THYC Chef Ursula, for the amazing roast pork tenderloin with all the fixings.

In all, a great meeting, which was made even greater by excellent weather, great food, fantastic venue and all the members of our Club who have the passion for old iron.

Lastly, there were no nominations received for new members to join the Steering Committee this year. The existing members agreed to stay in their current roles. Bill Paterson retired from the Committee after many years of dedicated service.

If you are interested in joining the Steering Committee or have some input, please contact any of the Steering Committee Members.

Your MLAOC Steering Committee for 2016 is:

President: Ron Stevenson

Website: Peter McDowell

Secretary: Glenn Weigel

Newsletter Editor: Ken Kirk

Treasurer: Peter Gamblin

Membership Chair: Jeff Stevenson

Steering Committee: Sandy Kennedy, Mike Kreckel, Cam Newlands, Steve Silverthorn, David Hymers

