

Fall 2009

Special points  
of interest:

- 2010 Calgary Rally
- New Treasurer
- Member Input—  
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## ClassyWheels

## From the President's Desk

The saying "time really flies when you are having fun" truly applied to this year.

After our rally at Elk City, OK, in June, Beth and I stayed there for several days to wind down and just visit with others from the rally. We enjoyed several nights of meals together; leftovers, red beans and rice, and sausage cooked on the grill. Thanks to those that supplied the main course, salads and desserts.

From Elk City, Beth and I stopped at Coachlight RV in Carthage, MO, for repairs resulting from blown tires as we came home from Florida in February. Carthage, MO, is the home of the Precious Moments figurines. If you are ever traveling on I-44, stop at Coachlight Campground. It is really very nice. Precious Moments is very close by. Plan a whole day for the grounds self-tour (beautiful gardens!), and the exquisite P. M. Chapel guided tour.

The Chapel is fashioned after the Sistine Chapel in Rome, Italy, except all the figures in the paintings and stained-glass-works are P. Moments figures depicting Bible Stories, etc. The ceiling is even painted--500 + hours Samuel J. Butcher laid on his back to accomplish this. June 2009 marked the 20th anniversary of this project, and he declared the works finished. There's also a museum, as well as a huge gift shop with an "all



year" Christmas shop. It's all Free (except the gifts you buy).

From there, we stopped in St. Louis to visit a nephew, his wife and new baby. While there, we ate lots of good BBQ and went over to Alton, IL, to have lunch at Fast Eddies of Bonaire. Good food, cheap eats and fast service. Lots of Harleys there! The Cahokia campground is family owned, with the BBQ on site. It's across the river in Illinois.

Then we moved on up to Elkhart, IN, for work at MorRyde and up to South Haven, MI, to meet up with six rigs from GA for a Newmar gathering before caravanning to Goshen, IN, for the Newmar International Rally. You wouldn't believe the weather during July and August would be so great; cool at night and in the 70's during the day. We even turned on the heat several nights.

From Elkhart, IN, we stopped for a few days in Auburn, IN, for the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Museum. Then thru Newark, OH, to visit another nephew and his new wife. Next we

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## From the President (Continued)

headed up to Lake Erie, then traveled the scenic highways to Lake Ontario and along the St. Lawrence River, stopping at several campgrounds, and touring Thousand Islands, Boldt Castle and Singer Castle. We found a very nice campground, Massena International, in NY, where we spent Labor Day weekend and observed our 50th wedding anniversary.

We made our way across Vermont, New Hampshire and into Maine, for lobster. Very beautiful scenery all along the way. We kept seeing road signs “watch for bears and moose”, but was I fortunate enough to see one?? NOT! But we did have great lobster while in Bar Harbor, Maine.

Our next destination was Baltimore, (Abingdon) MD to sample one of the best crab cakes in the world. We didn’t visit with Carol and Bob. They were still out West having the time of their life. But they were responsible for sharing this place with us called Box Hill Pizza--of all things, but also very good. We enjoyed the crab cakes so much, we filled the freezer with them to bring home. As info, there actually is a comparable crab cake at G&M restaurant in Baltimore (Linthicum), MD. At either of these places, one crab cake could serve two people.

We stopped in Winston Salem, NC, to visit my brother and his family, and on to Irmo, SC, to Beth’s family reunion; arriving home, Sunday night, September 27.

Now for some business matters. It is with great regret that Beverly Winters has resigned as Treasurer. Bev has her hands full with the house being built, the horses to feed and groom, taking care of her dogs and of course the strays she takes in. Many thanks for a job well done, Bev and Stan. When you get caught up, you can volunteer your services again. We’re anticipating seeing your new home when you host the 2011 Rally in Cody, WY.

I have appointed, and the Board has approved, Gwen Birchall to serve the remain-

der of Bev’s term as Treasurer. There is a separate article on the new Treasurer in this edition of the ClassyWheels. Thanks Gwen for stepping up in the time of need.

On another note, Lee Steverson, due to personal reasons, has resigned as parliamentary and webmaster liaison. Thanks for your tireless efforts to make our club a better one. We wish you would re-consider.

We now need someone to step up and take over as webmaster liaison. Anyone interested, please contact Gene Richardson at [gene940@msn.com](mailto:gene940@msn.com) or 404-272-1197.

We are still needing three members to act as a nominating committee and someone for each of the positions of President, Secretary, Treasurer and Member Representative. Please Contact Secretary Sue Steverson to volunteer for a position on the nominating committee or for one of the officer positions. Remember, this is your organization, and it needs your support.

It appears that Beverley and Clint Havens have a super rally lined up for us next summer in Calgary, Alberta Canada. Get your passports, and plan to be there with all of your friends. We are really looking forward to it.

Remember to keep the shinny side up and the dirty side down. Safe travels. Have a Happy Thanksgiving.

Gene and Beth Richardson

## Treasurer

Bev Winters served a year as our Treasurer. She and her husband, Stan have been hard at work completing their new home in Cody, Wyoming. Hopefully they will be all settled into the house by Thanksgiving. However, Bev has resigned her position as our treasurer. Thanks to Bev for all her hard work in trying to tackle taking over the SOA books while dealing with the trials and tribulations of building a new home.

The reigns are being taken over by Gwen Birchall. The job of Treasurer is challenging and there will be a learning curve for Gwen

just as there was for her two predecessors, Bradie Hendrix and Bev Winters. I'm sure that Gwen will be working hard over the next few months getting all the club data organized to make it easier for her. You can help make the transition easier for Gwen by sending her your dues in a timely manner and by printing clearly on your renewal form. We use the internet as a means of keeping you informed in a timely manner and also sending you the newsletter so please be sure we can read what you print!

It will also be a big help if you send your 2010 Rally Registration form and check early. It

will help Gwen and also help our Rally Masters in planning for the rally.

Don't forget to notify Gwen if there is any change in your home or email address and telephone numbers. I would also appreciate it if you would include the Editor if you make any changes to your email so that I can be sure you get your newsletter and all special association info in a timely manner. All information you provide is considered confidential and will not be released. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Thanks to Gwenn for taking on the job and Good luck!



Gwen Birchall—Treasurer

## 2010 Calgary Rally

I have heard it said many times that the older you get, the faster time flies. I believe that statement is absolutely true. I can still remember being young and looking forward to summer or to my birthday or to Christmas. Now I wish the days, weeks and months would stop going by so fast! The holidays are fast approaching and I have not finished the slide show of the 2009 Rally. It will be an early Christmas present for all the Clinton rally attendees. Now it is already time to plan for our 2010 Rally in Calgary. Our Rally Masters, Clint and Beverley Havens have already started working on the rally and making plans to show us a good time at the Calgary Stampede and in their backyard.

If you have ever considered a trip to Canada to attend the Calgary Stampede, this Rally will be your chance to make the dream come true. The Stampede actually runs for 10 days and Alberta welcomes the world. Our Rally will run from July 12 to July 18 but the Stampede runs from July 9 to July 18. I want to point this out because if you are thinking about heading to our rally early, you

must keep in mind that Alberta will be playing host to hundreds of thousands of visitors from all over the world. Since most of you will be travelling out of the country, you might like to view the following Department of State website: <http://travel.state.gov>. There are several tabs on the site with important information and I suggest that you spend some time checking out the helpful tips. We want to see you prepared.

There is so much to do and see in Alberta. I hope those of you who were at the Clinton Rally have taken the time to review the package that Clint and Bev gave to each of you. The Alberta Official Vacation Guide is a fantastic source of information. The beautiful pictures alone should make you want to make the trip. Those of you who were not in Clinton might like to go on the web to [www.travelalberta.com](http://www.travelalberta.com). It will be a long trip for most of us and I hope you take the opportunity to extend your visit and see some of the many beautiful places in the area such as: Banff, Waterton Lakes and Jasper National Parks where you can almost count on seeing elk, deer, mountain goats

and bighorn sheep; the Columbia Icefield Glacier where you can take a ride and walk on the glacier. Those of you who prefer city events will enjoy Calgary. It has many shopping malls where you will find unique western goods, art galleries, boutiques and more. You can also visit the Olympic Hall of Fame at Canada Olympic Park on the western fringes of Calgary. You can also have a Day Spa Experience to give you a sense of renewal. You men shouldn't think a Spa Experience is just for the women. There are spas in Calgary that have men-only facilities.

**Bottom line - there is something for everyone in Alberta.**

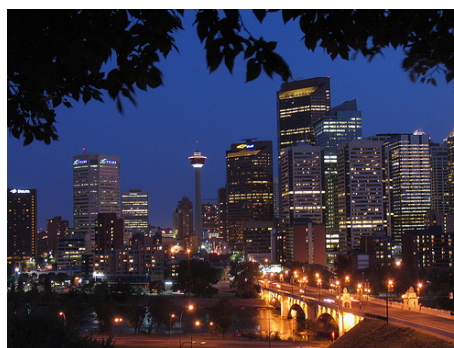


Banff National Park



Calgary Stampede

*Calgary pictures copied from Flickr*



Calgary at Night



## SOA Website



Once again I want to thank Hiren Patel, the factory website manager, for making improvements to our website. It now has a Photo Gallery that allows us to post pictures of our rigs on the site. Remember, all you have to do is go to <http://sportchassisowners.com> and check it out. You should create an account so you can keep up with the news and happenings of the club. You have the opportunity to ask questions and make comments. If you would like to see your rig on the site, just send a picture of your truck and rig to me at [soaeditor@live.com](mailto:soaeditor@live.com) and I will post it to the site for all members to see. There are a few pictures there of members rigs so check them out. If you have any suggestions for improvements to the site, please enter a comment under the "General" section.

***The position of Webmaster is vacant. Please contact the President if you are interested in the position.***

## Recommended Restaurants, Campgrounds or Service Centers

I would like to continue this section of the newsletter but I really do need some input from members. I still think it is a great idea to share with other members places that we would recommend to friends. It could be restaurants, campgrounds, or places to get service on our trucks or campers. In addition, we can also use this section to tell our friends about places that should be avoided. I cannot understand why no one has provided any input for this section of our newsletter. I have heard many of you talk about great campgrounds and restaurants you have encountered while travelling. If you have a place to recommend or one to avoid, please send me an e-mail or give me a telephone call with the information.

## Recommendations By Carol & Bob Little

◆ OK RV Park, 3310 Spanish Valley Drive, Moab, Utah. This is a Passport America park located just 4 miles south of downtown Moab. We stayed there in 2008 and spent another week there in September. Unlike several other RV parks in the Moab area, OK RV Park is located about 1/4 mile off the heavily traveled Route 191 so you don't have to listen to the noise of traffic. Being a Passport America park and therefore costing only half as much as other area parks makes this our top pick in the Moab area.

◆ USA RV Park, 2925 W. Hwy 66, Gallup, New Mexico. This is a nice family owned and operated park along Route 66 and convenient to downtown Gallup. While here you can enjoy shopping in the nice park gift store or in all the great shops in Gallup. You can also drive south out of town and visit El Morro National Monument and then stop to shop in Zuni. ***This park supports our troops by providing free camping to all active duty military personnel. Please support them if you are in the area.***

◆ Tom Sawyer, West Memphis, Arkansas. We stayed at this campground last year and enjoyed it very much so we spent a night there on the way home in October. It has nice spacious lots and is situated right along the mighty Mississippi. They have reserved a large grass area along the river edge and have benches placed so you can sit and watch the barges being pushed by tugs as they haul their loads up and down the Mississippi.

☒ Candy Hill Campground, 165 Ward Ave, Winchester, Virginia 22602. The campground is in a beautiful area of Virginia and is pretty. However, they do not have cable TV and you have to pay for internet. Our Direct TV box stopped working when we were still in New Mexico so we did not have satellite. I don't know how well satellite would in this park because there are a lot of trees. ***To my way of thinking, this park was not worth the high cost and it is one that I would not stay at again.***

## Autonet Mobile Router By Lee Steverson

In July of this year, I purchased a mobile "Hot Spot". Mine is made by Autonet and additional information can be found at "autonet.com".

Although the initial outlay is a little step (however they are currently offering a \$200 rebate) the monthly rate of \$30 is very reasonable. This rate provides 1GB of transactions (approximately 2000 pictures) each month. They do have a much higher transaction rate for \$50 per month but the average individual is very seldom going to reach the 1gb amount.

Autonet uses the Verizon Wireless system for its connectivity. Thus, any place you can use your Verizon cell phone you can use the Autonet.

It is a DC unit which enables you to use it in the truck while going down the road or in the trailer with the DC plug or using an AC/DC adapter (available at Radio Shack).

I am now in my fourth RV park that advertised WIFI but it was not usable at my site. My Autonet saved the day. I am also able to use it for a WIFI system while at home thus making for a 365 day system.

Needless to say, I am an advocate for the system.

*Editor Note: You can purchase the Autonet Mobile Router system thru Freightliner Speciality Vehicles. Just contact Robbye Brown at 580-323-4100.*

## Our Travels

Both Bob and I had a great time at the Clinton Rally and we stayed on the road until the middle of October. We spent some time in Colorado where we “ran into” some good friends from home on the street in Pagosa Springs and had the pleasure of renewing our friendship with a couple in our Norton motorcycle club that we haven’t seen for 30 years. The Norton rally was held in Mancos and it was a lot of fun. We managed to add 4 more national parks to our list of those visited. We have now visited 33 of the 58 adding Mammoth Cave, Hot Springs, Black Canyon of the Gunnison, and Capitol Reef. We had a great time visiting our cousin who tried his hand at work camping by managing the Sloway campground in Lolo National Forest in Montana. We also re-visited Waterton-Glacier staying this time on the eastern side of the park and riding the bikes across the border to have “High Tea” at the Prince of Wales Hotel in Waterton. We went back to Cody and enjoyed about 10 days at the Ponderosa Campground. Skip Richardson and daughter, Linda said to tell all their SportChassis friends hello! We visited with Stan and Bev Winters and got to see their beautiful new home and their horses. We also spent time once again in Moab and re-visited Arches and this time made the hike to Delicate Arch. That was a fantastic experience and I managed to get some terrific pictures of the arch! We rode to Dead Horse State Park and also rode the bikes once again in the Island of the Sky area of Canyonlands. But we also covered another area of Canyonlands, The Needles where Bob walked out onto Mesa Arch and where I got some more great photos. We enjoyed a week in Gallup, NM and rode the bikes to El Morro National Monument and also to Zuni. You will find the best prices on southwestern jewelry in Gallup and Zuni. Bob bought me some early birthday and Christmas presents. We met a lot of very nice people, did a lot of hiking, put quite a few miles on the bikes and on the SportChassis, and I took thousands of photographs. We had a wonderful time seeing our beautiful country! Hopefully I will find some time during the winter months to make some slideshows of our adventures. We are already looking at the map and thinking of what we can see on our way to Calgary. I hope you are also planning your trip to Calgary because we are looking forward to seeing old friends again and to making new SportChassis friends.

## Get Well

**Get well wishes are extended to any and all members who might be “under the weather”.  
Special get well soon wishes to Beth Richardson.**

## 2009 Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the 2009 meeting were provided by Secretary, Sue Steverson for inclusion in this issue of the newsletter. As stated in the Bylaws Article VI, Paragraph 6.6, Minutes will be taken at all meetings and published in the next news letter and on the web page.

The 2009 meeting was a long one because there was a lot of business to cover. The review and finalization of our new By-Laws took the most time. Sue did a great job in keeping track of all that took place during the meeting. I’m sure you won’t have so much to read following the 2010 meeting.



Our SportChassis in Canyonlands National Park

Want to take better digital pictures? Check out this website: <http://digital-photography-school.com/photography-101-introduction>



## Favorite Recipes



**Do you like  
Cappuccino?  
Try Hills Bros.  
Cappuccino  
which is sold in  
Wal-Mart. I like  
English Toffee.  
Delicious - I  
think it is better  
than Starbucks  
and it's a lot  
cheaper!**

### Fall Apple Salad

1 red apple (such as Red Delicious, Fuji, Rome or Gala)  
1 yellow apple (such as Golden Delicious)  
1 green apple (such as Granny Smith)  
1 cup chopped celery  
1 cup pineapple tidbits or chunks  
1 cup red or green seedless grapes  
1/2 cup chopped pecans  
1/2 cup mayonnaise

Drain pineapple and reserve juice for coating apples.

Remove core and seeds and cup unpeeled apples into chunks.

While cutting apples, coat chunks with pineapple juice to prevent browning.

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl and stir to coat well with the mayonnaise.

Serve on lettuce leaves or avocado cups.

### Chopstick Tuna Casserole

1 can cream of mushroom soup  
1/4 cup water  
1—3 ounce can (2 cups) chow mein noodles  
1— 6 or 7 ounce can tuna, drained  
1 cup celery, sliced  
1/2 cup salted, roasted cashews  
1/4 cup chopped onion  
Dash of Pepper

Combine soup and water

Add 1/2 of the chow mein noodles, tuna, celery, cashews, onion and pepper. Toss lightly.

Place in a 10 x 6 x 2 1/2 inch or equivalent size ungreased casserole.

Sprinkle remaining chow mein noodles over top.

Bake at 375 degrees F for 15—20 minutes.

Serving Suggestions: Above apple salad and sautéed broccoli.

### Toffee Heath Squares

1 cup chopped nuts  
1 cup brown sugar, packed  
1/3 cup butter  
3 tablespoons water  
1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate pieces

Sprinkle nuts over bottom of a buttered 8 inch square microwave safe dish.

In a 1 1/2 quart casserole dish, place brown sugar, butter and water. Microwave on high for 5 to 6 minutes, until thick. Stir well and quickly spread over chopped nuts.

Sprinkle chocolate pieces over toffee.

Cover dish so the heat melts the chocolate. Let stand 5 minutes.

Spread chocolate evenly over top and refrigerate until set.

Turn out of dish and break into pieces. Yield 1 pound.

SPORTCHASSIS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INTERNATIONAL, INC.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

June 26, 2009, Elk City, Oklahoma

President Gene Richardson called the meeting to order at 10.20am.

The President appointed Sue Steverson as Secretary Protem and Lee Steverson as Parliamentarian.

Gene expressed appreciation for each member in attendance and welcomed those members attending for the first time.

Members were reminded of the necessity of having passports to attend the 2010 Rally in Calgary, Alberta Canada.

Gene spoke for the membership when he thanked Connie and Don Manthei for their time and work as Rally Masters.

President Richardson ask for volunteers to count the absentee ballots for the revised By-Laws.

Lee Steverson was appointed Web Master for the association and will coordinate with Hiren Patel the IT for SportChassis Specialty Trucks. He reported the newsletter is posted on the Web Site.

Carol Little has obtained permission from SportChassis to post and edit photos on the site. She volunteered to assist any member wishing to establish a web account.

Web Site address: [www.sportchassis owners.com](http://www.sportchassisowners.com)

Members

**Old Business:**

Gene gave the following explanation for the multiple sets of minutes for the 2008 Annual Meeting;

At the meeting Ruth Yoesting acting as Secretary Pro Temp. took minutes.

Sue Steverson also took notes.

These minutes and notes were compiled into the minutes submitted to Secretary Louise Gibbson as the official minutes for the 2008 annual meeting.

Louise edited the minutes adding and deleting items then submitted

these minutes as the official minutes for the 2008 annual meeting.

Lee presented the report of the Minutes Correction Committee.

The motion to accept the treasurer's report and the following motion to conduct a review of the financial records and report the findings to the association membership. Correction these motion were not in accordance with Roberts Rules of order since it was a motion within a motion.

Both the Exploratory Committee Report and the Newsletter Report were deleted again contrary to Roberts Rules of Order which states committee reports must be included in the minutes.

Under New Business in Kurt's motion to refund bus tour money the word person will be changed to member.

Under New Business Kurt had made a motion for the Association to refund to each member their cost for the Yellowstone Park bus tour. The motion was seconded by Lee Steverson. Steve Bates wanted the minutes to reflect that as a Representative of the Executive Board he was not in favor of this action. He stated the motion was not legal since expenditures of funds must be approved by the Board in accordance with the Association By-Laws dated 08-04-03 and amended 10-19 05. The motion passed with one descending vote.

The question as to why the minutes did not list the names of Association members present at the 2008 business meeting was asked. Lee stated Roberts Rules of Order does not require this list in a annual business meeting.

Lee also clarified the reason for the absence of a detailed financial report in the 2008 minutes.

In the absence of the treasurer, corrections could not be made to the report therefore it was not approved and was not entered into the minutes.

Under New Business Steve Bates wanted the minutes to reflect he had reminded the members of his statement that he had no objection to the appointment of a committee to address the organization of the Association as long as the report was submitted to the current Board of Directors. Steve raised a point of order as to the legality of membership to subvert the authority of the Board. He did not receive a ruling on his point of order.

Gene reported he and Jack Birchall met with SportChassis to request a year to revamp the Sport Chassis Owners Association into an organization the company could support.

Gene reported that a delay by SportChassis in reviewing the financial records and then submitting them to Treasurer Bev Winters prevented Bev from adequately reviewing these records. She will continue to work on the review while performing her duties as treasurer.

Lee called for a vote to approve the 2008 minutes as amended. Approved

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

\$ 27,171.34. beginning balance August 17, 2008  
 987.00 income 2008  
 7,016.88 expenses 2008  
 2,875.00 expenses 2009  
 4,125.80 income 2009  
 22,392.26 ending balance May 30, 2009

This balance does not reflect all 2009 Rally expenses and income.

Marve Oetjen made a motion to accept the financial report as presented. Beverly Havens seconded. Motion passed.

Carol Little read a letter from Bev Winters detailing her efforts to get the financial records in order.

Bev and Clint Havens are Rally Masters for the 2010 rally. Bev distributed information packets on Calgary and Alberta Canada the location of the 2010 Sportchassis Owner

e Association Rally. She then ask a couple of questions about the area presenting Balzac Bear beverage bottles to Dottie Kappers and Connie Manthel who answered the questions correctly.

Parking for the rally will be on Havens property. They will provide generators for electricity, water and a Honey wagon for dumping. There will be NO WIFI. Pets will need health certificates to enter Canada. It was suggested members confirm their health insurance covers them in Canada. Also members need to check with the cell phone provider as to availability of service in Canada. PASSPORTS ARE MANDATORY FOR REENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES. NO FIRE ARMS MAY BE CARRIED INTO CANADA. Credit card usage needs to be confirmed for Canada and Alaska. Several Members expressed the desire to travel to Alaska as a group following the Calgary Rally. Bev will investigate the feasibility of this.

2011 SportChassis Owner's Association Rally will be in Cody Wyoming around the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in August 2011. Rally Masters Bev and Stan Winters.

#### BY LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT:

Lee Steverson made a motion to postpone the report until all other business was concluded. Steve seconded. Motion carried.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Lee made a motion to recess the meeting until after lunch. Dottie seconded. Motion carried. Meeting will resume at 1:15 pm.

Steve Bates informed the membership the Executive Board had met and compiled new By-Laws taking into consideration the by-laws compiled by the By-Law committee. These By-Laws are posted in the meeting room for members to read.

THE SPORTCHASSIS OWNER'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING RESUMED AT 1:25P.M. JUNE 25TH 2009.

#### NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

Gene ask for volunteers to be Rally Masters for the 2012 rally. Carol Little volunteered she and Bob if the rally could be held in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Dottie Keppers made a motion to hold the 2012 rally in Pennsylvania and postpone the Clinton Oklahoma rally to 2013.. Jo Mitchell seconded. Motion passed.



Steve Bates made a motion to nominate Sue Steverson for Secretary of the SOA. Jo Mitchell seconded. Motion carried.

Steve Bates made a motion to retain Gene as President and for Jack Birchall to hold the office of Vice President abolishing the co-president. Marve Oetjen seconded. Motion carried.

Lee explained the internet address sportchassis.com where members have access to the SportChassis Web page. Anyone can access the SportChassis web page but you must be a member of the SportChassis Owners Association in order to access the owners website. In the future the membership directory will be kept on this website. Members will have control of information posted about them and who can access their information. Pay Pal could be established for payment of dues and rally registration fees. Hiren Patel is the SportChassis Information Technician

Lee also explained how the forum worked and encouraged members to participate.

Gene stated Alan will contact dealers suggesting they might like to advertise in the SOA newsletter Classy Wheels.

Lee was asked to give a report on what transpired in regard to the abolishment of the Executive board and the compiling of new By-Laws

Steve stated the action was not in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

Jim Mitchell made a motion to remove the members of the current board. Seconded by Randy Palmer. The motion passed.

Dottie ask for an explanation of why the members wanted to abolish the Executive Board. Several reasons were given, the size of the organization did not require an Executive Board. The fact the the treasurer was not monitored, there were no published minutes of board meetings and the By Laws were not followed.

At this time Steve Bates stated he and Joyce resigned from the Executive Board effective immediately.

Gene expressed the appreciation of the membership for all of Steve's efforts on behalf of the Association as a member of the Board.

#### BY-LAW COMMITTEE REPORT:

Lee made a motion to suspend the reading of the entire By-Laws and make corrections or deletions on individual By-Law article. Ron Black seconded. Motion carried.

#### THE BY-LAWS :

#### ARTICLE I Section 1 -3

Carol Little moved to amend this section by deleting the last sentence. Seconded by Neil Yant. Motion carried.

Steve moved to amend Section 1-3 to read owners of tow vehicles manufactured by Freightliner Specialty Vehicles, Inc. in Clinton Oklahoma or made by Cabriolet in Constantine, Michigan. Seconded by Rob Canet. Carried

#### ARTICLE II SECTION 2.2

Steve made a motion to add the following paragraph as Section 2.2 and renumber subsequent paragraph 2.3, and 2.4.

Lifetime Membership. Such qualifications shall include the requirements of Regular Membership and the payment of a Life Member fee equaling ten (10) times the amount of the current annual dues at the time of payment, however such membership may continue without further payment if the member no longer owns a qualifying vehicle or truck as described in Regular Membership. The member would then have the rights with restrictions as described in Associate Membership. Rob Canet seconded. Motion did not carry.

Steve made a motion to delete the word "writing" from Section 2.2,(1). Bev Havens seconded.

Motion carried

Section 2.3 Carol Little made a motion to change the wording from except as approved by the Association to ; in accordance with applicable laws. Steve seconded. Motion passed.

#### ARTICLE IV SECTION 4.4

Adding in sufficient time to allow publication in the Newsletter and/or posted on the web page. This will permit attendance by all associate members. Seconded by Steve. Passed

## ARTICLE V SECTION 5-11

Steve made a motion to change this by-law to read Elected officers will be limited to two consecutive terms unless waived by the membership.

## ARTICLE VI SECTION 6.3-3

Steve made a motion to strike the word Robert's Rules from the sentence. Seconded by Rob Canet. Motion defeated

## ARTICLE VII SECTION 7.4-1

Steve moved to strike "and Associate Rally Master" and remove the word "both". Additional wording, the Rally fee and additional site fees incurred by the Rally Master will be paid from the Rally registration fees. Jeri Palmer seconded. Motion Carried.

### SECTION 7.4-2

Steve made a motion to delete this. Dottie seconded. Motion carried.

### SECTION 7.4-3

Steve made a motion to strike word President and add board. Rob Canet seconded. Motion carried.

### SECTION 7.5-1

Carol made a motion to change to the association will cover all unredeemable funds. Bev seconded. Dottie made a suggestion to reword the motion "to refund all available registration fees less non-refundable deposits." Carol and Bev agreed to the rewording. Motion carried.

### SECTION 7.5-2

Steve made a motion to replace the words Vice-President to Treasurer. Neil seconded. Motion carried.

### SECTION 7.5-3

Administrative; change sentence to read less any nonrefundable deposits.

## ARTICLE III

### SECTION 8.2-1

Steve made a motion to add nominations from the floor will be entertained. Rob Canet seconded Motion passed

### SECTION 8.3-2

Carol made a motion to strike the words "if available". Jo Mitchell seconded. Motion carried

Lee as the By-Laws committee spokesperson presented the amended By-Laws for approval.

The membership approved the By-Laws. The votes of the members voting by absentee ballots will be added to the votes of those members present.

Steve moved to fill the board positions in accordance with the newly approved by laws to allow the president to select 2 members at large. One to serve one year and one to serve for two years. Lee seconded and motion carried.

Lee moved to adjourn the meeting seconded by Dottie and passed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10pm.

The following housekeeping events occurred after the meeting adjourned. President Gene Richardson appointed Marve Oetjen as member at large for two years and Steve Bates as member at large for one year.

At a drawing from the names of all member attending the rally Rob and Sherrill Canet were the winners of a full rally fee refund.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Steverson

Secretary

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

## SportChassis Owners Association International, Inc.

### NEW MEMBERS ONLY

If You Join In ...	Pay This Amount	Pays You Through...
<input type="checkbox"/> January - May	\$35.00*	December 31 of Current Year
<input type="checkbox"/> June - September	\$30.00*	December 31 of Current Year
<input type="checkbox"/> October - December	\$40.00*	December of Following Year

\*Includes a First Year Start-Up Fee of \$10.00

### RENEWALS ONLY

Renewal	\$25.00	One Calendar Year
Renewal	\$70.00	Three Calendar Years

Please Remember Regarding Annual and Three Year Dues  
When you renew, whether at the beginning of the Annual Year  
or during the year, the dues remain the same.  
All Dues Must be Paid On or Before January 31

Check or Money Order enclosed for \$

Enclose Your Check or Money Order and Mail To:

SOAI  
C/O Gwen Birchall  
5131 Pine Branch Pt.  
Dunwoody, GA 30338

### Application for Membership or Renewal:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Membership in the SportChassis Owners Association International is limited to owners of tow vehicles manufactured by Freightliner Specialty Vehicles, Inc. in Clinton, Oklahoma or made by Cabriolet in Consta Michigan. I am the owner of the following SportChassis/Cabriolet tow vehicle

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ VIN # \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be interested in being an Officer? \_\_\_\_\_

# SPORTCHASSIS OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

## 8<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL RALLY

**JULY 12<sup>th</sup> - JULY 18<sup>th</sup> 2010**

**Rally Masters:** Clint & Beverley Havens – ckhavens@efirehose.net

Clint's phone 403-226-0937 Beverley's phone 403-554-0937

Canada Phone Numbers

### **Location:**

Balzac, Alberta

Canada, T0M 0E0

**RESERVATION DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2010**

### **COST:**

Rig & 2 People - \$600.00

Rig & 1 Person - \$300.00

Extra Person - \$300.00

The Rally will be held on Clint and Beverley's ranch. Water and electric will be available but no sewer hookups. Arrangements will be made to have a truck come and pump holding tanks, if necessary. Early arrival and extended stay will not be a problem, just let Clint and Beverley know your plans.

**Fee Includes:** Excellent tickets to the Calgary Stampede Rodeo, Chuck-Wagon Dinner and Grandstand Show. 6 nights with water and electric hook-up. Three dinners, three breakfasts, one night of special entertainment at the ranch, and Door Prizes. We will also be selling 50/50 chances.

**Note:** Only 50 tickets for the Stampede activities have been purchased so get your reservations in early. Additional tickets can be purchased by Beverley but they will not be as good and will not be with our group.

### **RETURN REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**

SportChassis Owner's Association International

Attn: Rally Registration

C/O Gwen Birchall

5131 Pine Branch Pt.

Dunwoody, GA 30334



## 2010 RALLY REGISTRATION FORM

PRINT OR TYPE

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

TRUCK VIN # \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

(For SportChassis Information)

OTHER ATTENDEES:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER IN PARTY: ADULTS \_\_\_\_\_ CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Volunteer to Help \_\_\_\_\_ Please call Clint or Beverley Havens—403-226-0937 (Canada #) or Email them at: ckhavens@efirehose.net**

Handicap Consideration Required \_\_\_\_\_ (Yes or No)

**I understand that neither Freightliner Specialty Vehicles, Inc., The SportChassis Owners Association International, or its Club Officers assumes responsibility directly or indirectly for use or operation of vehicle or RV going to, or from, or during the rally; for losses involving personal belongings, vehicle or RV due to any cause whatsoever, or for injury to persons within or without the rally; or for damage of any kind.**

**NOTE: All adult members & their guests must sign and in doing so, assume ALL responsibility for all minors in their care.**

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Completed Form to:

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