

## **2019 SEPTEMBER MEETING RECAP WITH 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY INFO**

Here is a message about and recap of our last BAC meeting at which we celebrated the 20th Anniversary of the Bastrop Area Cruisers this month. Within this email is also a link to the "podcast type" audio history of the club we played at the meeting in which some charter members were interviewed providing a spoken history about the beginnings of the Bastrop Area Cruisers and its development. In addition to the audio there is a set of several hundred pictures some as far back as we could find around 2003 & 2004 but also some other pictures from more recent club events over the years. We were unable to locate any earlier pictures.

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

The best way to listen to the audio and look at the pictures at the same time would be to launch the audio first, let it start playing and then go back to this email and then go to the second set of google photos which is titled 2019 BAC History 20th Anniversary for Audio History and then click on the blue box that says "view album" . After launching the album go up to the top right corner of the page and click on the 3 vertical dots and then hit the top choice which says slideshow. The pictures should then go full screen and change slides every few seconds. The slides are not timed directly with the pictures but there are several that relate to what is being said in the interviews.

The audio is about 19 minutes long and there are most likely more pictures still to see after the audio has ended

### **MEETING RECAP – AUDIO AND PICTURES**

Bastrop Area Cruisers 20th Anniversary Celebration at the Hampton

The September Bastrop Area Cruisers meeting was quite a special event that recognized and celebrated the 20th anniversary of the BAC club, with special members in attendance, a well done audio and video presentation on the history of the club, and a very special cake.

With the meeting falling on September 11th, the meeting began with a moment of silence in honor of all the people who lost their lives in the horrific events on this day in 2001.

Another moment of silence was observed for the loss of one of our own, Don McReynolds. In honor of Don's passing, B.A.C. will donate \$100 in Don's name to the recipient of the Scholarship Award in 2020 for tools.

The Board members and other contributors spent a lot of time and did a phenomenal job of preparing and guiding the celebration. Bo made a presentation of a 20 min Podcast prepared by Bill & Mary Szelag's daughter, Cindy, who is a professional writer and media person in Chicago. Charter member Gary Baker among others explained the history from day one of how the club came to be, as part of the video. Pictures were shown from club activities through the years. Members listened intently while they took in all the information as it was presented. The slide show of this presentation is attached as the second Google Photos link below and the audio that accompanied it can be heard using the link that is also shown below ( if you are clever you can get these going at the same time to see pictures and video together, but either one can stand alone to convey the message of the presentation).

Gary Baker introduced some of the other Charter Members that were in attendance. It was great seeing and meeting them all, and certainly the offer was extended to have them come back and enjoy the club at future meetings or outings.

Dave Stillson presented a Chart of all the past and present members that were Officers & Board members and the hours that they have given to the club. As Dave continued, that number is only a fraction of the time that all members have given to Volunteer!

Dinner was catered and prepared by 602 Brewing Co on Main. The Cruisers enjoyed salad, pork loin, potatoes, and mixed vegetables. Thanks was given to the owner, Raymond and his assistants. The Club collected an attractive tip of \$172!

After the members enjoyed the audio/video presentation, the Board members personally served cake and/or cheesecake for all the members to enjoy. Thanks goes out to Mary, Joan, Pam and Greg for their help cutting and arranging the trays to be served!

The Club purchased and passed out to all members a club window or bumper sticker with the B.A.C. logo along with 20th Anniversary. Great job by Dave Stillson on the design!

Bo introduced several new members to the club.

- Jerry Potter with a 1928 Model A Ford Sport Sedan
- James and Martha Hill, Kyle TX- 10 Corvettes from '68 to '08, '67 Camaro, '66 Fairlane, '77 Monza
- Mark McLaurin & Mary Douthit, '06 Mercedes SL SS AM6
- Marcus & Pamela Aven, (sending in application).

Shawn Jones spoke of the success of the recent Corvette Invasion in Bastrop and presented Bill & Bo with a plaque to recognize all the volunteers of the BAC club that helped with their show.

Upcoming Activities:

Car Show Mtg Tuesday, Sept. 24th

BAC Social will be Wed Sept. 25th at Leo's Italian Restaurant

Rod Run/Cruises – Possible Dates Sat Sep 21, Sat Oct 12, Sat Oct 29th

Sat Oct 5th Home Depot Safety Event

Garage Tours, Sunday Drive to Whizzerville Hall,

Drive in Movie in New Braunfels, targeting Oct.29th

Sun Sep 29th, COTA 8am to noon

Sat Oct 5th Hagerty at COTA

Pam Whittaker presented to the members that they can order an Enhanced embroidered shirt for a bargain price of \$22 with XXL and larger for a couple more dollars. Pam Whittaker has volunteered to

take on the management duties of collecting money. You can order logo with or without 20th Anniversary Logo

Please take a minute and verify that your information on the Club Roster is correct. Any changes please notify Greg Blume at [greg1airplane@yahoo.com](mailto:greg1airplane@yahoo.com)

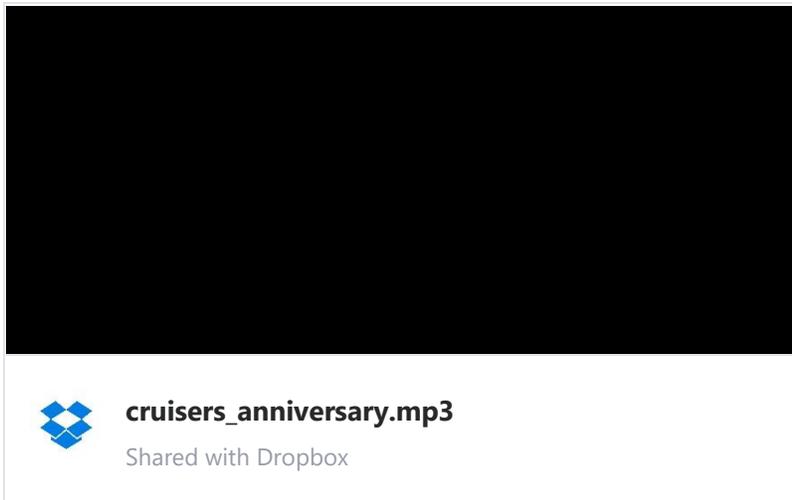
Rodney presented the Treasurers Report to the membership.

As a reminder to the club about the evite process & RSVP, if you RSVP for 2 people and a situation arises that you won't be able to make the meeting/meal, you still owe for the RVSP that is made unless other members attend that are not expected and can take your place. The Club turns in a number count after RSVP date and pays for that amount whether you show or not. Thank you for understanding.

Pictures taken at the meeting are available in the first Google Photos link. Presentation slides and the official meeting minutes are also attached way at the bottom.

It was a fitting celebration of a significant milestone for the Club. The Club continues to thrive and evolve to be quite a combination of car enthusiast social club, veterans support organization, and local community car related resource. We wear one of these three hats in just about everything we do, with times when we are wearing more than one at the same time. Looking forward to that 25th anniversary.

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[Pictures \(403\) on History of club to view while listening to audio mp3 history](#)

[Picture from the Sept. 11 BAC mtg at the hampton Inn](#)