

JULY 17, 2024

The July, 2024 meeting of the Garden State Vintage Stock Car Club was called to order at 7:36 p.m., by President Ray Shea. Sixteen members were in attendance.

The invocation was given by Tom Simmons, Racing with Jesus Ministries Chaplain.

Earl Krause announced the following racing friends who have passed away recently; Kenny Cranmer – NJ racer; Ray Patninode - Ray was a leader in the Vintage Automobile Museum of NJ in Pt. Pleasant and helped our club to have displays there; Bob McCurdy, well-known NJ racer and car owner; Joey Liquori, Manager of New Egypt Speedway, who passed away last night at the track during a mid-week race. A moment of silence and a brief prayer were offered for them.

Get well wishes were sent out to Darlene Voorhees, wife of member Al Voorhees, and Sandy Kelleher, wife of Treasurer Jim Kelleher. We hope they will be feeling better soon.

Ray informed the group that local former racer Doug French will be interviewed after the conclusion of the business portion of tonight's meeting. Ray also welcomed Doug's son Robert French and Lee Greenwood, longtime member, former racing announcer, and friend to the club.

The Club Picnic is scheduled for September 29, 2024. The rain date will be the following week (October 6) if necessary. The picnic will be held at Kevin and Nan Eyre's home in Colts Neck. We are planning some fun activities - for example, a trivia contest with questions brought in by the attendees! Start listing your trivia questions now!

Tomorrow night, local bar/restaurant The Cabin in Freehold will be the scene of a race car show! The show will be presented by U.S. Coin and Bullion, sponsors of the Steve Ferrara car driven by Kyle Sisco. Car owners should arrive between 4:30 p.m. and 5:45 p.m. We are looking forward to a great race car show!

Ray announced something new is coming to Wall Stadium this Saturday – Supermodifieds with “crate” engines.

Ray said we hope the weather will cool down soon. He will need volunteers on Friday to help clean up the area around the Museum – weed whacking, etc. Please let Ray know if you can help.

Vintage car owners – Atlantic Coast Old Timers (ACOT) will have a track day at Mahoning Valley Speedway in PA on August 24, 2024.

Lee Greenwood made a presentation to Al Voorhees on behalf of the car show on the oceanfront in Long Branch that he organizes. Lee said that next year will be the 30th anniversary of the car show. He reminded the group of how GSVSCC car owners have supported the show over the years, and some examples of things that have happened over the years. Lee said there had been a mix-up with trophies and he presented a neat trophy to Al for his participation in this year's car show.

Ray informed the group that we are still waiting for installation of a new air conditioner/heater in the Museum. Hopefully it will be installed soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m., after which Earl Krause interviewed Doug French.