

**Great Lakes Chapter, Volvo Club of America (GLC/VCOA), Bi Monthly meeting, May 20, 2020, 7:00 pm. Zoom Virtual Meeting**

The Great Lakes Chapter, Volvo Club of America met in a Zoom virtual meeting at 7 PM on May 20, 2020. Joining in were Dave & Joyce Irvine, David Lau, Jeff VanHolten, Al Bulgrin, Gretta VanBree, Rick Webb, and Jim & Joyce Webb.

Treasurer's Report - Jeff VonHolten reported as of 5/20/2020, our Comerica balance is \$1,618.83, with our PayPal balance is \$0.00.

Our chapter lost member John Northup in late January. Several members were VERY generous to send contributions towards flowers and the Macomb Humane Society which was his charity of choice.

John and Janet Mendler - update on Mackinac Car Crossing and will continue to plan for an all Volvo event in the fall of 2021. John will work with David Irvine and Bill Bailey to start planning.

We will have a volunteer list that will be compiled here with names added:

- Obtain Prizes from Dealers, other vendors.
- Laying out the Field – Al Bulgrin
- What else can we streamline?

Welcome new member Ryan Knowles who acquired Irv's 2002 Volvo C70 Coupe recently and is expected at this meeting tonight. (at least that was the case in November, we will invite him!)

Our spring dust-off originally scheduled the week-end of June 12-14 will now be just a Saturday event. We will have a drive through the M1 Concours event anytime between 9 and 11. Bringing lunch was a suggestion. The afternoon will be at the Packard Proving Grounds in Shelby Township. There is the Shelby Farmer's market all morning through 2. We suggest arriving between 12 and 1 to meet, eat, and see the market. The club will cover the \$5.00 per person suggested donation, with 10 minimum. We will promote this widely to try to encourage attendance. .

Volvos at the Gilmore VIII is scheduled the third Saturday of July. The date will be July 18, 2020. We are proceeding with a "light" meet with cars spread out. Al Bulgrin will work on getting new signs made for the Gilmore event. Everyone should work on obtaining goodies for the bags. Webbs should contact Betten, Dave will contact Maple Hill, and David Lau will contact Sezi for any items they can provide. Dave and Jeff will see about getting bags from Haggerty. Jim W. will ask Tim to again do a mechanic talk. Cost to go to Volvos at the Gilmore will just be car show admission of \$16. Gate entrance for any cars will be from 9 am to 12 noon. Any cars coming after that will stay in the parking lot. It will be just a day meet. The diner will be open for lunch. We will be at the C Barn Field and have use of the Gas Station. We will rent two tables, four chairs, and PA System. We hope to have 50-100 people and 30-60 cars. There will be a People's Choice Award and a Best Trunk category. We will promote it to all our neighboring states. Saturday dinner and Sunday lawn party will not happen.

- David had a conference call with Ashley and Art at the Gilmore on 3/4/2020. We will still be at the C Barn Field across from the diner. We will have use of the Gas Station. They will rent us two tables, four chairs, and a PA system for MINIMAL charge. They will post someone at the gate at 8 am even though we will not be officially open until 9. Admission is now \$16. If you have a Gilmore Membership, they will honor it for our club. Our official time is 9 am to 12. They will also honor having modern Volvos as they have done in the past. They would like to cut off the entry of cars to the field to 12 noon. If anyone comes late, they will have to go through the front door and car stays in parking lot. We hope to have 50-100 people and 30-60 cars. David has requested this be added to their “Events” page on the Gilmore site and request to be hosted to link our information. UPDATE: Ken Fischang, CHME, CMP, CTA at the Gilmore Car Museum has reached out to me. He is the new Director of Commercial Operations, and is involved in future expansion there. We had a great discussion about what the Gilmore has been doing and should we jointly decide to proceed, how to do it SAFELY. Ken came from Northern California where he was the head of I believe the Chamber of Commerce for Sonoma County and is a great new addition to the staff. He was very enthusiastic to help us in any way.
- People’s Choice award, but also adding a BEST TRUNK category
- Promote to all neighboring states, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Ontario. David Irvine to promote.
- Weekend before the Ilderton show in Ontario, if they are continuing it. Could promote theirs and they promote ours for those who would do this across two weekends.

ACTION: Rick Webb was to check about Office 365. Free options. More to follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Webb

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