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President's Message

We have all been hoping for an end to the Pandemic and I think we are almost there. The numbers of cases and hospitalizations are down considerably from six months ago and there doesn't appear to be a more dangerous variant coming our way. However, it will take some time before we feel completely comfortable with life without distancing, masks, and boosters. I think the time to get back to face to face meetings will come soon. I would like to have your feed-back regarding meeting times and meeting places. For example, the Basque Cultural Center in South S.F. has been suggested as a possibility. For those of us who are retired afternoon meetings combined with a lunch make sense. However, before we make any hard and fast plans I would like your comments. Call or e-mail — please let me know what you think.

Saint Patrick's Day is coming soon. I am not sure if the annual Parade is scheduled. At this point we have no plans to participate. I think we should be looking past March into April for our next Club tour or activity. By then many of the Covid restrictions should be lifted and our traditional activities can be coming back to life. If you have an activity you think the Club would enjoy please let us know. It might be nice to revisit some of those places we have been in past years. How long has it been since we have visited the USS Hornet, Sea, Air, Space Museum in Alameda, or The Hiller Aviation Museum in San Carlos, or The Alpine Inn for lunch in Portola Valley, or the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk, or the Aquarium in Monterey, or the Lick Observatory near San Jose, or had lunch at the Pelican Inn in west Marin? If you have something in mind please let us know. Bring your ideas to the next Zoom meeting.

I will be in Oklahoma in March but I will be with you at the March Zoom meeting via my phone on Thursday March 10 at 7:30 pm

Barry Kinney

Meeting Minutes – February 10, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Club President Barry Kinney. There were nine members in attendance. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as written.

Our longtime club member Jenny Jump passed away in early February. Al Thomas is going to provide a story about Jenny for **The Choke Rod**. It was decided we would make a donation in Jenny's name to an appropriate local charity. Joan suggested the no kill shelter Pets in Need, since Jenny was an avid supporter of no kill shelters.

We decided to postpone the Carlsbad trip until the fall, depending of course on Covid.

We thought that maybe our next meeting should be a picnic in a park. Barry will check out various possibilities and locations. Go Cart Racing as a club event was discussed. There is a place in Sonoma. It is, however, not cheap. There also is a place nearby in Milbrae right off the 101 called K-1.

Carmella is no longer a tour leader for her club. She has been too busy at work.

The group discussed changing gas gauges and filters on Model A's.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Peterson, Secretary





Al Thomas Joan Peterson Paula Escher Jennifer Grafelman Tom Escher Robert Peterson Josie Calabrese	March 5 March 7 March 11 March 14 March 15 March 16 March 19
Johanna Bettencourt Barry Kinney	March 29 March 31
Nick & Josie Calabrese	March 25