

# Classic Lines December 2011

## From Dan's Garage

Well, here it is already December and another eventful year has gone by. The snow is falling and the air is cold, hope you are staying by the fire and keeping warm.

Spring will be here before you know it, and no more snow to shovel or ice to break.



Our last general meeting was probably the most fulfilling meeting of the year that we have. I know that every organization that we were able to contribute to was very Thankful for all YOUR efforts to make the contributions possible for them.

This has been a busy year for our Club, our Citibank show was a big success even with the cold weather and even the snow. Considering we had good attendance. If you didn't know, this year we had repeat winners at 'The Arctic Pinewood Derby' during the show, and Baldwin Lane school was again the winner of the Perpetual Trophy for the second year in a row. Naturally, Bill Downs was the adult division winner again, also, someone needs to unseat Bill, so guys and girls get your car ready for next year!

Our trip to the Petersen Museum was a great success, with approximately 30 members and guests on the bus. We had a nice picnic lunch in a park with plenty of food and beverages. It was a very nice trip, need to do one next year.

Fun Run was a big success again this year, and again I would like to thank all of you that participated in Fun Run, because if it wasn't for all your hard work and dedication, we would not be able to make the contributions to the organizations that we did this last month. I am sure that there will be changes to Fun Run next year, all towards the positive, to promote a better show.

Our members also had a lot of fun this year at our local events here in the valley. With the boat show and Old Miners Parade, also the Club picnic at the Conklin's. Don't forget the "Tour de Big Bear" and the Halloween candy give away, with "Boo in the Zoo." Also, various car shows both around the valley and off the mountain on both sides.

Now this year will be complete with our annual Christmas Party. I am looking forward to seeing all of you there this year to celebrate this great year and bring it to a close. Don't forget the Northwoods Inn, December 3 in the lower ballroom at 6:00 with dinner at 7:00.

I would like to take this time to thank all of you for your assistance this year to make my second term as your president an enjoyable one.

Thank You, Dan

Don't forget to check that dipstick!

**BBLACC Calendar - December 3 - Christmas Party @ Northwoods 19 - Board Meeting (TBD)**

**There are no General Meetings from January through March**

**BBLACC Calendar - January 1 - Happy New Year! 16 - Board Meeting (TBD)**

Continuing on with the suggestion Bud Nelson made, for members to share their stories, Cal Roe volunteered to tell his '32 Ford story for our December newsletter!

Here is my Deuce Coupe I had in 1956 thru 1958 when I was earning about \$1.75 at an epoxy resin factory. I paid \$225 and had to install hydraulic breaks before dad would let me drive it. It had a stock cubic inches with 2 pots, a Winfield R-1 cam, and Navaro heads. Later I bored the Merc block to 3 3/8 with a 1/4 inch stroke, port & relieved, Winfield full race cam, and 4 pots.

I never could get over 89 MPH at San Fernando drags. I now know the valves were shrouded by the pockets in the heads I had milled to clear the valve lift. These photos are after I had it painted Dawn Gray (kind of pink!), before I had Tijuana tuck & roll, a Lincoln rear end with 4.44 gears, and street slicks. I raced Tom Ivo once, before he was famous, but his Olds powered roadster got me at the top end. I blew the clutch plate and bell housing all over the drag strip, and that was expensive, forcing me to drive my ole' reliable '47 Studebaker.

I blew the engine beyond repair, college was coming, I installed a stock 21 stud Ford and was the consistent 2nd place winner with my 4.44 gears at the drags only to get beat by a Buick. I sold it for \$250, and saw it a month later with a Chevy S/B and gray primer.

I then went to college to end my hot rodding until I move to Big Bear Lake in 1995!



'32 Ford 5 Window Coupe

Thanks Cal, sounds like you had fun with this one!

My sister Kathy, in our Burbank back yard!



Here's some happy faces from our favorite meeting of the year!  
The November Giveaway!





Happy New Year!

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