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November Club Meeting at Carl's Our November meeting at Carl Dudley's in Fairfax was most interesting as we have never been there so it was good to see what Carl is up to. He has a nice shop, several Chevy classics and several snowmobiles outfitted for racing. Hopefully the weather will co-operate so he can go out and have fun in the snow with his machines this winter.

Officers for next year At the above club meeting those present elected the entire slate of last year's officers to be officers for the upcoming year November 2014 to November 2015.

Dues due A reminder that dues for November 2014 to November 2015 are due. If you have not paid your dues please send them to Dan or see him at an upcoming meeting.

No December Activity Looks like we survived without a December meeting or December newsletter. Not much going on with CVSR in December so it was decided not to have either of the above. Hope that was OK with everyone.

January club meeting and visit We will commence our usual winter theme of visiting auto related businesses some time in January. Matt is working on a date for visiting Charlebois Truck in Milton but has not pinned down the date yet. January 17 and Jan 24 are possible dates. When the date is determined members will be informed by email and those without email will be called. Charlebois Truck is an old business in Chittenden County but they have a fairly new building on the east side of Routes 2 and 7 between Colchester and Milton.

Jan Hemsted resigns Jan Hemsted has submitted a letter of resignation from the club. Jan is one of several original club members going way back to 1981 when the club was formed. He was in the club from 1981 to 1988 then rejoined the club in 2000. He has been very active in the club helping with putting on club rod runs, going on cruises, working at the NSRA Northeast Nationals and serving as chairman of the Scholarship Committee and helping many in the club with street rod projects. Thank you Jan for all you have done for the club. Here is what he says in his letter:

For the last few years because of work and other considerations I have not been able to fully contribute to the club. I feel that because of this I have to resign from the club.

This is the only reason as other members I consider as friends. I have no ill will to the club at all.

I hope in the future the club and members will call on me if something is needed. Too many times when a member resigns from an organization they are forgotten. I hope to keep receiving the newsletter and I will still be active in the web site, as a guest.

I will see you all around next rodding season if not before.

Thank you all for your friendship and camaraderie.

Jan and Linda Hemsted

Cuba's old cars: If you have followed the news lately you have probably noticed that the United States/Cuba political relations have recently changed which has led to many stories and photos of the old American cars that Cuba has been using since the late 50's. Due to an embargo it was nearly impossible for them to get newer cars and parts over there from the U.S. One report told of the cars being retrofitted (hot rodded?) using Japanese diesel truck engines when the original ones wore out. (Imagine a Japanese diesel in a '57 Chevy!) We can look forward to stories of these cars being brought to the US and converted to customs but this may not happen as it might not be economical or feasible. Seeing a modern picture of many old cars on the streets of Cuba is interesting indeed. Makes one wonder about the repair businesses in Cuba ingeniously keeping them going all these years. Every day a car show!



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