

Punta Gorda Isles Car Club (PGICC) Meeting Minutes
Beef O'Brady's Restaurant
Tuesday, November 12, 2024

President Gary Kropf opened the meeting at 12:07pm. There were 34 in attendance.

- Gary requested and received approval of the minutes from the previous meeting.
- Wayne Erickson stated there are 85 households in the club. He has name tags for new members. 2025 annual dues of \$25.00 are due.
- Bob Engelhart stated the club bank account balance is approximately \$4,700.00.
- Gary shared the following information:
 - The board reviewed services provided by St. Vincent de Paul and decided to donate \$1,000.00 to the organization for Hurricane relief.
 - Jennifer deChiara, President of PGICA, announced a change in the by-laws to open club membership to city residents. The rationale for the proposed change is to address increasing operating costs and declining membership. A 60% approval vote is required to pass the change. Barry Franzino spoke in favor of the by-law change and encouraged members to participate by voting for the change.
- Gary passed out the awards to members that had led summer events.
- Friday, November 15th – Bill Leach needs four volunteers to display their cars at the 50's Dance at East Elementary School located on Fairway Drive. Please contact Bill if interested.
- Wednesday, November 20th – Mike Gussin reported on the Cruise the Drag and the following 6:00 pm dinner at FM Don's. Participants will gather at Bal Harbor Shopping Center at 4:00 pm with an unwrapped new toy for Toys for Tots. Route is similar to last year's route and will be advertised on the car club Facebook and on Neighborhood Next Door. Sign-up on the club website.
- Sunday, December 8th - Jim Grifo stated that the 10:00 am Holiday Christmas Buffet at Isles Yacht Club is full and there is a waitlist on the club website.
- Saturday, January 11th - Randy Hall, Bil Tucker, and Gary discussed the Peace River Botanical Gardens Cars and Art Show. Participation is by invitation only. Currently, there are 140 cars signed up for the show. The car club agreed to supply 20 judges to work in 10 teams of 2 to judge one half of the cars. Judges will also work the beginning of the show directing participants to the parking space.
- Tuesday, January 28th – Cruise breakfast to the Masonic Lodge located at the corner of Airport Road and Taylor Road. Meet at Bal Harbor at 8:30 and cruise to breakfast.
- Roland Ericsson stated he is looking for a new administrator for Facebook as he assumes the 2025 President position. He also stated he is seeking a Secretary and Judy Miner volunteered. The 2025 Slate of Officers is full but nominations will continue to be accepted.
- Gary won the 50/50 drawing and received \$55.00.
- Gary closed the meeting at 12:52 pm.

Minutes recorded by Jeff Barlow and respectively submitted by Denise Barlow, Club Secretary

Every month:

Second Tuesday at 11:30 am at Beef O'Brady's

Third Tuesday at 9:00 am at Bal Harbor Shopping Center

Fourth Tuesday – see website

Club Meeting

Cars & Coffee

Various outings