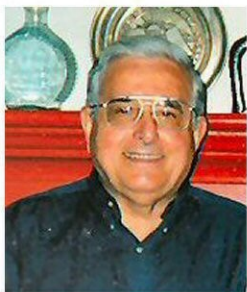


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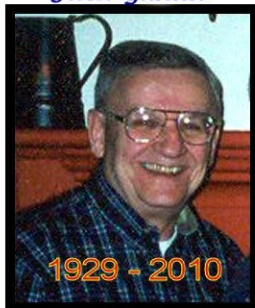
Jack Gahan



Ramrod



Gladiator



Deliberator



PC Wiz



Surveyor

Official Minutes – June 19, 2018 – 5th Meeting of the year.

1- On a sunny morning **Surveyor** drove to designated driver **Gladiator's** house. From there **Gladiator** picked up **PC Wiz** and the hardy Northern group proceeded to the Thruway. To eliminate the bother of getting a Thruway ticket, **PC Wiz** placed his Thruway transponder on the Fusion Hybrid's dash. It worked perfectly and we were on our way, a bit later than usual. Arriving in Kingston, **PC Wiz's** cell phone rang. It was **Ramrod** – proving he had his phone and it was charged – wishing to know, since we were 5 minutes late, exactly where we were. The answer was 'one block away waiting for the traffic light'. Upon arrival we found **Ramrod** parked under the trees in the shade with a delivery truck (lots of eggs) parked in one of the 'handicap' spots. **Gladiator** took the other.

2- After greetings, we entered the premises. Passing the new **lady bartender**, we were greeted by the staff and **HVBS Official Waitress Lorayne**. She placed the fourth table setting and awaited orders for our adult beverages. **Ramrod** ordered a Tanqueray Gin and tonic, **Gladiator** seconded the choice, adding 'with a lime wedge'. **Lorayne** promised it would be lime. **Surveyor** asked for orange vodka with club soda with **PC Wiz** settling for a Heineken. After **Ramrod** read one of the jokes he had brought the discussion turned to the building in Poughkeepsie that high winds had collapsed. **PC Wiz** mentioned the agenda item about Greek opposition to the naming of Macedonia. As expected, **Ramrod** was familiar with the history and explained the problem to us. He said there have been Greek riots over the 'Republic of Macedonia (Slavic)' calling itself Macedonia – a Greek province. A compromise has been reached where the 'Republic' agreed to call itself 'North Macedonia' (70% of Greeks reject the name change).

3- **PC Wiz** mentioned watching the Yankee game and being impressed with reliever Dellin Betances 'who threw strikes'. Manager Boone replaced him after only one inning with Aroldis Chapman. Members said they are relievers who purposely pitch only one inning. **Gladiator**, in response to a question as to why Boone almost exclusively uses catcher Gary Sanchez, opined that he is a 'rookie coach'. **Ramrod** said he would like backup catcher Austin Romine to be used more often; members agreed. **Ramrod** added that Red Sox fans are the 'worst in baseball' and that, in his opinion, baseball is the best, most difficult sport – trying to hit a ball traveling at 100 MPH with a round bat. **Gladiator** said he can't stand the NBA players who behave 'like 2-year-old kids'. This led to a discussion of golf. **Surveyor** said he likes to watch the golf majors. **Gladiator** has returned to watching Tiger play although it is unlikely he will win a major considering his age and operations. **PC Wiz** commented that Tiger still has the long drives but sadly his accuracy suffers. **Gladiator** brought up Phil Mickelson's 2-stroke penalty when he missed a putt and hit the ball while it was still moving. Members decided he was 'making a statement'.

