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The 50th Northwest Touring Meet June 17-19, 2021

By John Campbell assisted by Marilyn Campbell and Sallie Comstock

It has been a tough time for car enthusiasts dealing with the isolation caused by Covid-19. Last year, our Region had to cancel the 2020 NW Meet in Ellensburg. I want to commend the Willamette Valley Region for putting on a Northwest Cruise that balanced health concerns while resuming club activities. We (the Campbell's) drove our '50 Coupe following John and Dot Ziegler trailering their Corvette. Don and Sallie Comstock brought their '51 station wagon. The Best Western at Agate Beach, the host hotel, offered tremendous views of the beach, a nice restaurant, and ample parking.

The trip down to Newport was pleasant with good weather and moderate traffic and no breakdowns.



We dropped off the car trailer at Dot's brother's place near Tillamook.

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1967 - Puget Sound Region VCCA - 2021



The Puget Sound Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (PS-VCCA) is dedicated to the preservation, restoration, fun and enjoyment of vintage Chevrolet cars and trucks. Members are not required to own a Chevrolet. Regional membership is open to all Chevrolet enthusiasts who are members of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (VCCA). All Chevrolets from 1912 through 1993 may be registered with the Region.

General meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month, except the 3rd Monday in May. No meetings are held in January and December. Meetings are currently lunch meetings held at 11:30 am at the XXX Drive-In, 98 NE Gilman Blvd, Issaquah, WA. You can learn more about the club by visiting the website where you can see color photos of previous tours, parts for sale, wanted, etc., and there is a link to view our monthly newsletter, "The Tappet Clatter."

You can find the PS-VCCA website here on the *World Wide Web*

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Director's Message

"Jim's Junk Yard"



Director's Message July 2021

Okay, it is time to pronounce summer is here. The term "hot rod" has special meaning while the engine is comfortable running at 165 to 200 degrees. My body calls it quits at about an outside temperature of 106. Just as my car might over-heat and need water at that temperature, I, too, need water. I just have to be sure to allow a cooling off period after an overheating episode whether it's for me or the car.

Thanks to the Haddocks for hosting the Club 'get-together' on the 4th where 24 members enjoyed an opportunity to relax alongside the babbling brook and admire the work that has been accomplished by the family in adding car storage space. There were ample hamburgers and hot dogs with condiments and sides. Thanks to Comstocks for the chocolate cake dessert.

The Puget Sound Region has been planning activities for the coming months. Watch the Tappet Clatter for the specifics. For your August calendar, the Club meeting will be held at XXX in Issaquah. The meeting start time is 5:30 with door prizes and good car times. **IF** all goes well, we will hold our meeting at the outside picnic tables. Inside meeting room will be an option should circumstances require it.

One important club task is to name a nomination committee and gather a slate of officers for the coming year. Our by-laws indicate that all elected officers "will hold office for one year from the date of installation. The term of Director shall be limited to two successive years." That means this is my last term as Director. Our past practice has been for the nominating committee to contact members who would be willing to serve in each position. We should consider all positions open. To borrow a line from Uncle Sam, Puget Sound Region needs you!

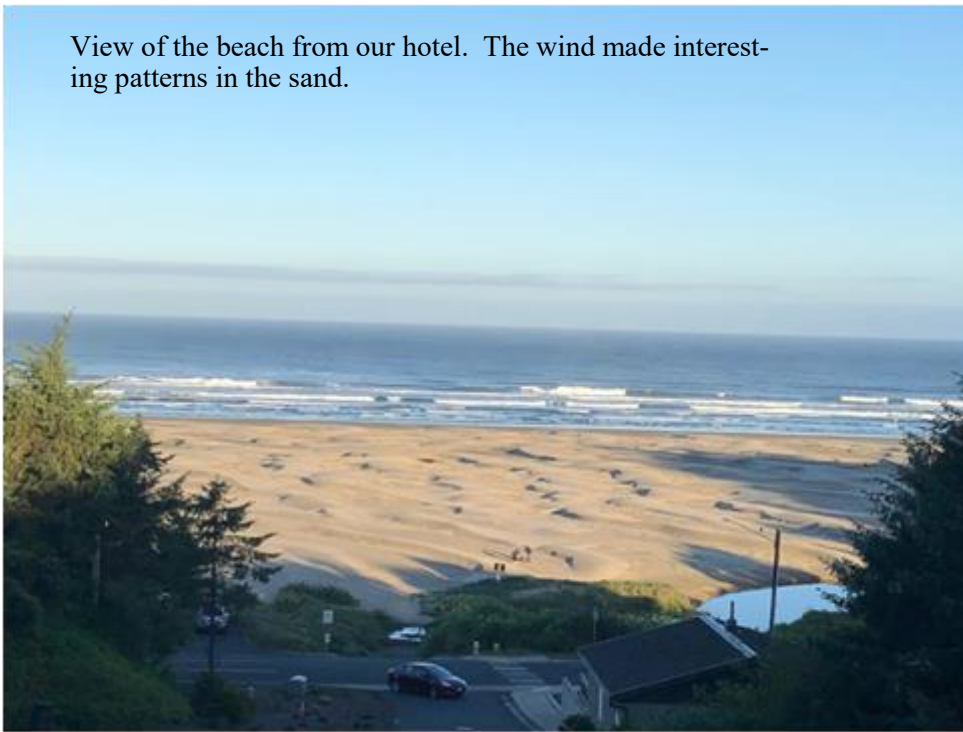


35 4-cylinder Chevrolets line up at the Salvage Depot in Park Rapids, Minnesota, June, 2021

Jim Seiber, Director

NAUGHTY WORD

View of the beach from our hotel. The wind made interesting patterns in the sand.



After enjoying strawberry shortcake in the hospitality room, Dot and Marilyn modeled their new aprons made by a member of the host club.



A few photos of Chevys in the parking lot.



The second day, we went to Yaquina Head Lighthouse.



Then we headed south on Hwy 101 past Seal Rock to Yachats. Marilyn and I then went to Bay Street, a popular tourist location. It's a fun area with seafood restaurants, bars, Ripley's Believe It or Not, and a working waterfront.

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JIMMIE'S MOTHER OVERHEARD



Mo's Seafood Restaurant, an institution in the area.

That evening, we met up with the Zieglers and enjoyed a nice seafood dinner at the Chowder House on Nye Beach.

On Day 3 (Friday), our Puget Sound contingent met at "Glass Blowing at Edge Gallery". Marilyn, Sallie and John had signed up to blow glass floats. Below, Sallie and the "pro" are rolling the hot glass preparing to blow it into a globe. Each picked out their color scheme.



We decided to visit the nearby Oregon Coast Aquarium with John and Dot. The Comstocks had reservations for the next day.



Glass underwater tunnels provided great views of the fish. Don makes a new friend.

Friday evening we dined at the Pacific Kitchen, another nice neighborhood restaurant, on Nye Beach. Although we didn't see all the points of interest, we were able to set our own pace and relax.

SOAPSUDS?? NO!

Bill Damm's SAFETY DITTY

Another month
Has just gone by.
Same thing goes
For Fourth of July.

The heat is on,
Better weather is here,
Get out them Chevys
And put 'em in gear.

Go up the street,
Show them with pride,
Then when you're stopped
They can see the inside.

Have fun at car shows
But before you hit the gears,
Be safe and sober;
Don't have too many beers.

That's this month's statement;
So go out and have fun.
Show off your vintage,
Your special, your #1.

JUST FOR FUN-

A man left for work one Friday afternoon. Instead of going home, he stayed out the entire weekend hunting with the boys and spending all his wages. When he finally got home on Sunday night, he was confronted by his very angry wife. After two hours, she stopped nagging and said, "How would you like it if you didn't see me for two or three days?" He replied, "That would be fine with me." Monday went by and he didn't see his wife. Tuesday and Wednesday came and went with the same results. Thursday, the swelling went down just enough for him to see her a little out of the corner of his left eye.

Q: Is Google male or female?

A: Female, because it doesn't let you finish a sentence before making a suggestion.

A teacher asked her students to use the word "beans" in a sentence. "My father grows beans," said one girl. "My mother cooks beans," said a boy. A third student spoke up, "We are all human beans."

Q: Why did the can crusher quit his job?

A: Because it was soda pressing.

August Celebrations

ANNIVERSARIES

Dan & Karen Young	15
MG & Bob Stamnes	16

BIRTHDAYS

Roger Orness	10
Kathy Howe	12
Sallie Comstock	29
Tom Lauderback	30

29th Annual VCCA 4 Cylinder Tour

As observed by Ken and Fran

In previous years the 4-cylinder people would come back and tell me how much fun they had on tour. Not owning a 4-cylinder car at that time, I decided to buy one so I could crash their party. Our first tour with this group was in McCall, Idaho. My son Jeff, flew out from Indiana and drove the motor home with the car and trailer on the 1000 mile round trip and drove the 1928 on the 300 mile tours, so all we had to do was sit back, relax and enjoy the ride.

We had so much fun in McCall that we immediately started making plans to go to Minnesota, even though it would be over 3,000 miles to do so.

After arriving in Park Rapids, Minnesota we discovered there were approximately 20 states represented and about 35 cars (1928 and older) with about 75 people! The tours were 285 miles in 3 days with several breakdowns and calls to the trouble truck for a variety of reasons- 2 flat tires, overheated engine, among other minor breakdowns. Everyone was grateful to have a trouble truck following us. It was so good to see the three generations of Johnsons participating in this event again this year. We are very grateful to Jordon Johnson being our "Uber" driver to the banquet as our car had a coughing fit!!

The details of this event would be too lengthy to include in this article.

Members from Area 3:

Jim Farris, Dan and Sheri Johnson, Dennis and Gerri Johnson, Jordon Johnson, Dave and Lynn Koetje, Laura Burk, Jim Seiber(Photographer), Bob and Louise Driggars (Idaho).

And Ken and Fran.



(More photos on p. 10)

From the Glove Box



From the Glove Box is devoted to sharing technical information, technical problems and solutions to problems related to the restoration and preservation of vintage Chevrolets. Please share your knowledge, experiences and recommendations with your fellow members.

All of us are the Glove Box Coordinators this year. Share your information, experience, and tips with others by emailing the editor at tappetclatter@outlook.com.

Clean Air in the Workshop

Working indoors is a luxury that comes with its own risks, especially if you've gotta keep the machine running while it's maybe snowier than a mid-January blizzard or raining sideways with hamster-sized hail. If you've spent time around a nicer repair shop or most any modern dealership, you'll be acquainted with some system of keeping exhaust fumes controlled while running a vehicle with the shop doors closed, but few home gamers end up with the OSHA-required safety layer. With today's Wrenching Wednesday, we'll look at a solution to alleviate exhaust fumes for just a few bucks that could hopefully spare someone from a heavy dose of carbon-monoxide along the way.



For attaching the extractor to the exhaust pipe, I just used a simple hook magnet to keep it attached. The 90-degree dryer elbow I found has several rotating sections that allow it to snake onto different angled exhaust tips with relative ease.



The corrugated dryer hose I found stretches to 8 feet in length, so a single piece was perfect for my use. Be sure to seal all gaps with proper aluminized duct tape, as this extraction hose will get hot. You'll want to get the exit of the extraction hose we're building to be a few feet from the door if you have to leave it cracked open. Alternatively, a port can be cut into a garage door that passes the hose through it so that there's no gap around the door. While this will do a ton to help the situation, it's not a replacement for having a carbon-monoxide alarm in your shop space regardless; even with the best intentions and preparations, accidents happen.

By Phillip Thomas, courtesy Hagerty Media

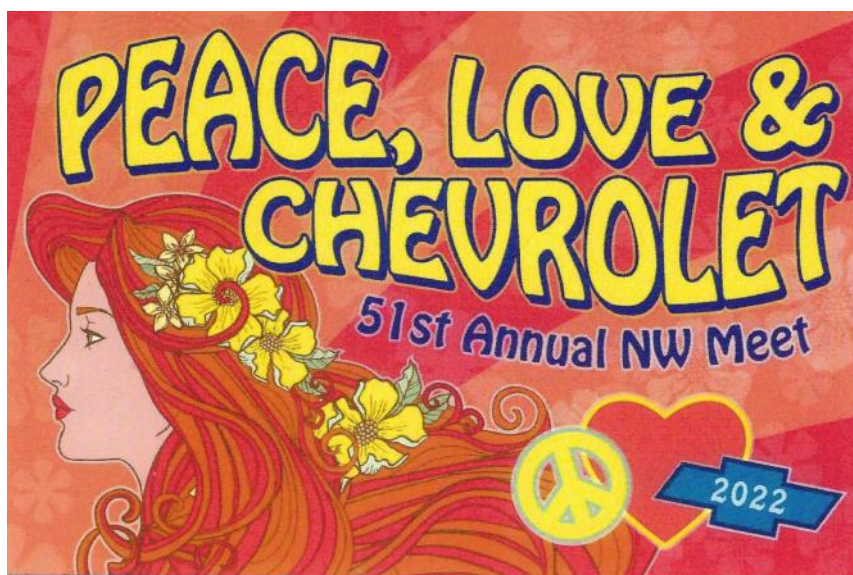
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Area 3 Director's Message:

The 50th Northwest VCCA Meet was held in Newport, OR thanks to perseverance of the Willamette Valley Region to plan and hold the Meet, not knowing what Oregon's COVID status would be in June of 2021. It was good to finally reacquaint with our VCCA friends and get our Chevys out to cruise up and down the beautiful Oregon coast. On Wednesday, the early arrivals were treated to a strawberry shortcake social where the North Cascade Region announced the location and dates of next year's 51st Northwest Meet, August 25-27, 2022 at Little Creek Casino and Lodge, Shelton, Washington. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday we followed the tours that were carefully planned to see the Oregon coast and inland destinations. On Saturday we toured with Tim and Connie Larson and while making a 'rest stop' at a park we were greeted by a Lincoln County Sheriff patrol car with two Deputies, oh! oh! what have we done to get their attention. As it turned out they were just interested in our cars and we compared notes between Washington and Oregon classic license plate requirements. In closing, thank you Willamette Valley for a great 50th Northwest Meet.



2022 Northwest Meet to be in Shelton, WA.

The 51st NW Meet will be held in Shelton on August 25 through 27 at the Little Creek Casino & Lodge as shown on the attached graphic. It appears as though we should wear our peace beads and our bell-bottom jeans for this event. Be sure to get it on your calendar!!

2022 Northwest Meet
August 25 - 27

North Cascade Region invites all VCCA members to the Shelton, WA area for the 51st Annual NW Meet:
Tours, Judging, Banquet & More

Accommodations: Rooms & RV Park

Little Creek Casino & Lodge, 91 West State Route 108,
Shelton, WA 98584
Ph: (800) 667-7711

Room & RV Reservation Code: "VCCA 2022"
Room Booking Starts **July 1, 2021** Cut-off Date: 7/17/2022

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Prospectus and Registration forms will be available online April 2022 at:
<http://clubs.hemmings.com/northcascadeVCCA>

Burma Shave!



Four Cylinder Meet, Cont, from p. 7



Thunder Dome & Vietnam Veterans Memorial Moving Wall Tour

We are having a tour Friday, August 6th. First, we tour to the Thunder Dome Museum in Enumclaw then visit the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Moving Wall also in Enumclaw. There will be one tour from the north and one from the south meeting in Enumclaw at 11am for lunch. I need to inform the museum and the restaurant how many are expecting to attend so they can staff accordingly. The Krain restaurant has a large dining room and is easy to find. The tour will be a [sanctioned](#) tour with miles from home to home. You can leave for home whenever you want. In order to allow flexible time at either stop no return tours are planned. Time spent at either place can depend on the individual.

The Thunder Dome is a new museum loaded with some beautiful vintage cars. They are mostly muscle cars but also some original cars, as they should be. Two sides of the building are glass and open if weather permits.

The half size Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall is on panels so it can be dismantled for relocation. It will be in a large ballfield between Sunrise & Southward elementary schools on 244th arranged with Mt Rainier as a background. We will be there in the afternoon so the sun should be behind us' perfect for a photo. I don't think there will be a charge, but I am not positive. You can find info on Facebook, Enumclaw's web page: www.cityofenumclaw.net or our newspaper, courierherald.com. The Memorial Wall will be open 24 hours a day; security provided by Army National Guard and members of the special forces stationed at Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

TOUR INFO:

North tour starts at 10am at the XXX in Issaquah. South end tour starts at 10am at the parking lot in Bonney Lake. Bring your walky talky radios and car passports.

Arrive in Enumclaw at 11am at the Krain restaurant or eat at a restaurant of your choosing. The Krain restaurant is about 3 miles out of town at the intersection of HWY 169 and 400th(at the stop light). I will have a map of some other restaurants in town. We can make more detailed plans depending on what members choose and how many are planning on attending. Sanctioned name is "Thunder Dome".

After lunch, arrive at the Thunder Dome at 12:30pm; \$10 per person. Leave Thunder Dome at 1:15pm for the Wall. I will provide a map taking us to the Vietnam Memorial Wall so you can be flexible as to when you want to leave for the Wall or head for home.

Please respond by July 17th so the restaurant and museum can staff accordingly. You have some choices to make; please email or call me if you are planning on attending:

Number in your party?

Would you rather eat individually or together?

Thank you, Al Howe
chevyal@comcast.net

TAPPET CLATTER *Classifieds*

Ads will be posted for a minimum of three months (longer on a space-available basis). **Please notify the Tappet Clatter Editor at tappetclatter@outlook.com when your listing no longer needs to be published.**

FOR SALE

1926 Chevrolet 2 dr., Bloomfield gray (green)/black with orange pinstripe, all new oak frame, ground up restoration 1970-77 then garaged, hasn't been driven or started since 1977, asking \$18,000, contact Ken at lakex@yahoo.com.

1983 Caprice, four door, 305, two-tone brown, good glass, interior, and paint. Only problem is transmission slips. Located in Redmond. **Free to anyone** who can make use of it. I am posting for a friend who is not a club member and have not seen the car. Bill Damm

1940 Chevrolet Coupe maroon; 1923 CAD **Sedan**, power steering and overdrive; 1934 PAC **Coupe** w/ rumble seat; 1936 **Ford Business Coupe**; 1932 **Chevrolet Five Passenger Coupe**; 1930 **Model A Roadster**; 1930 **Model A Vicky**. All cars restored, repainted, rechromed, and rebuilt engines. Paul Pearman.

1936 STANDARD five-lug artillery wheels with 17 inch tires. Four for \$100. Dick Olson.

1947-55 Chevy Suburban-Pickup-Panel Parts. Assorted parts, large and small. Good variety. Few GMC. Trim- interior/exterior/cab, radios, heaters, lights, stainless, seats, rubber just to name a few examples. Some partials. Email your request to ednoble@whidbeyisland.com. Parts are in storage. Ed Nobel.

HELP WANTED

Mechanic Needed. Having trouble getting my '54 3100 Chevy truck running with my limited expertise. Ran when garaged 5 years ago. Would like to find a Chevy mechanic willing to come to my house so I don't have to tow it. **Also need leads on any good chrome-plating outfits** in the Northwest. Thanks. Chris Hoey, cthoey@outlook.com.

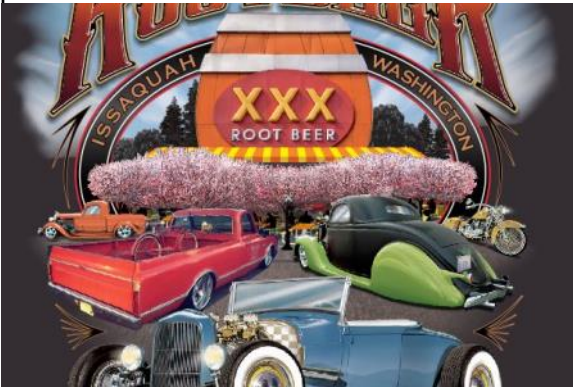
Mechanic Needed. The mechanic that I used to restore my '54 Chevy retired and moved away. I need to find someone to work on my car and I am looking for recommendations. I live on the Sammamish plateau, but I'm willing to drive it to a good mechanic anywhere in the Puget Sound region if they are worth it! Immediate work needed is addressing hard starting, howling brakes, and looking at a few leaks. Arnie Mondloch, arniemondloch@msn.com.

Request for referrals on body restoration work. My 1980 Chevy truck needs to be painted. They can contact my email, markshaw10.4@live.com. Thanks. Mark Shaw.

2021/2022 Activities

July	26	PS-VCCA General Meeting, No-Host Gathering at the XXX, 11 am
August	6	Veterans of the Road old car picnic, Chehalis, WA, Don Comstock
August	6	Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, Enumclaw, Al Howe
August	23	PS-VCCA General Meeting, XXX at 5:30 pm
September	13-16	Early Six-Cylinder Tour, Shady Grove, Oregon (see p. 11, May TC)
September	23	PS-VCCA Meeting, 11 am, at the XXX in Issaquah
August	25-27	2022 Northwest Meet, North Cascade Region

Note: All club general meetings at the XXX Drive-In for the foreseeable future are subject to cancellation due to the COVID 19 Pandemic. Please check this publication or call a club officer if you have questions.



XXX Drive-In Meetings normally begin at 11:30 AM; social time starts at 11 AM. Food/drink purchase optional.
Address: 98 Gilman Blvd, Issaquah, Washington.