

# THE TAPPET CLATTER

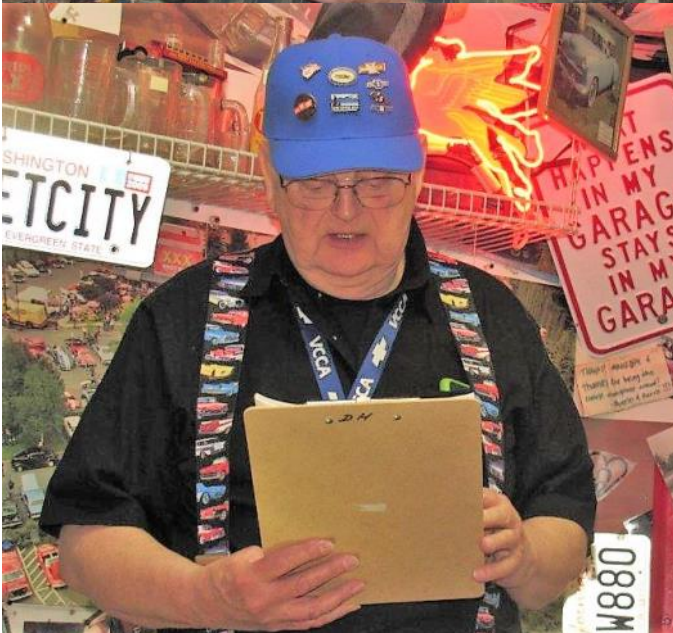


THE PUGET SOUND REGION VINTAGE CHEVROLET CLUB OF AMERICA

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Club Members at the March 2019 General Meeting  
Photos by Evie and Rod Schein





## 1967 - Puget Sound Region VCCA - 2019



**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, June, July, August, and December. Meetings are currently lunch meetings held at 11:30 am at the XXX Drive In, 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 on the **World Wide Web** at <http://psrvcca.weebly.com/>.

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**KEEP WELL**

# Director's Message

Al Howe



## Director's Letter May 2019

Remember that our May meeting will be on the 3rd Monday in May because of Memorial Day. Location is at the XXX Drive-in in Issaquah at 11:45am, Social Hour starts at 11am. We will also have meetings in June and July at the Triple X this year.

We will also have our 4th of July Celebration/Strawberry Social at Dave and Diane Haddock's. Kathy and I will be back from the Four Cylinder Tour and look forward to attending this year. Perhaps we can have a tour from the south end; I will plan it if anyone wants to join me. Maps just showed me a route out in the countryside that is only about 15 miles longer than the freeway, however there will be some freeway but mostly scenic roads.

The weather is starting to turn nice causing trees and flowers to bloom. I love driving down roads lined with flowering trees. This is the time of year to take a break from our spring work to enjoy a drive to places like the tulip fields or with flowering trees. Spring is indeed a beautiful time of the year.

We welcomed a new member, Wayne Woulf from Newcastle, at our April meeting. He has a number of Chevy projects underway. Welcome aboard Wayne; I hope to see you on some tours soon.

*Another church bulletin: Don't let worry kill you off; Let the church help.*

Al Howe, Director

## MAY MEETING TOPICS

Join us this month during our meeting where we'll divide the program. In the first part, Jim Farris will tell us about the "HONOR FLIGHT" that he was on last month. It was a FREE trip to Washington DC for veterans of our armed forces. You'll be proud hearing about this tribute which is available for former military members. (Who else in our club is eligible?)

Then during the second part of the program, we'll open the discussion for car questions. Bring any question or issues that you are having with your rig. We'll do our best to help you with a resolution. While we won't award a prize to whoever has the best question (or worst problem), we'll try something new instead.

There will be at least FIVE ADDITIONAL PRIZES added to the 50/50 drawing this month. Every person who buys ONE ticket or more, will be eligible to win one of these novel prizes. If your ticket is drawn, you'll be able to PICK the prize of YOUR CHOICE!! BRING A DOLLAR AND WIN A PRIZE. (Most prizes will be worth more than a dollar!! Ha ha)

Bill Barker, Asst. Director

## Web Links Of Interest

**Colombia River Region, VCCA:** <http://www.vccacolumbiariverregion.org/>  
**Mt. Rainier Region, VCCA:** None  
**North Cascade Region, VCCA:** <http://clubs.hemmings.com/northcascadevcca>  
**Puget Sound Region, VCCA:** <https://psrvcca.weebly.com/>  
**Willamette Valley Region, VCCA:** <http://www.wvrvcga.org/>  
**Dave Folsom Blog,** [www.chev235guy.blogspot.com/](http://www.chev235guy.blogspot.com/)



**TO THE RIGHT**



### LESSONS LEARNED - from Bill Barker

Summer tours are coming up. One thing that we learned on a previous trip is that motel rooms don't have many electrical outlets. And the second thing that we learned is that our lives are fully run by many MULTIPLE doo-hickeys that need to be recharged... nightly. Bob and I came up with a neat solution when we went to Flint in 2011. And we both used the same solution on a recent trip with our wives.

Here is a "flexible" power strip that I carried along with six chargers that I kept plugged in to it at all times. Two Walky Talkies, 2 cell phones, 1 Kindle, and 1 Notebook. And occasionally I would unplug one of them and plug in my Laptop. The beauty of this setup is that each morning I just disconnect the devices and kept the chargers plugged in. Then I picked up the entire contraption and put it in a soft canvas bag. Then it goes in the car just like that.



At the next evening's stop, I just pulled it out of the bag and plugged ONE cord into the wall - and all 6 things are ready to be charged... Looks sloppy, but it works like a champ. Quick and easy. And it leaves you more time to relax with your friend, Bud Light.

**OF THE ONCOMING CAR**

Bill Damm's  
SAFETY DITTY

When the rain lets up  
And out comes the sun,  
We rev up our cars  
And have some fun!!

We drive our classics  
Around the block;  
Proud to show  
That they're still stock.

Safety mods  
Are accepted,  
If they're done  
As directed.

Shine those cars,  
Wax and buff.  
Then drive them around  
To show their stuff.

We drive our classics  
When the weather is good.  
And dodge spring rains  
The way we should.

There's warmer weather  
Just around the bends.  
It's just too bad  
How quickly it ends.

So enjoy this summer;  
It goes by fast.  
We all know that  
From summers past.

Start 'em young! – David Gowan,  
Director Area # 3

We keep trying to get younger folks into our club. Here's one fun way to interest kids in the car hobby. This Camaro is not as fast as it looks (15 mph) but provides plenty of excitement on the driveway. Send along your ideas and we'll publish them.

I've also been trying to work on a get together with the Cub Scouts and their pinewood car races. I know some of you still have your old pinewood classic. Wouldn't it be fun to bring our own vintage pinewood cars to a show and race with current pinewood hobbyists?



My grandkids Daniel and Hannah

June Celebrations

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Bill and Sis Barker 6  
Jerry and Mary Brownell 10

**BIRTHDAYS**

Rod Schein 2  
Kent Sullivan 5  
Gerri Johnson 20  
David White 25  
Glenn Landguth 27  
Sheri Johnson 27

## Ballard Parade Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 4pm at the Schein's, 6pm Parade starts

You are invited to join us in this fun community parade with a small town feel. The parade watchers will enjoy seeing our Chevys. The parade is short and all on a gradual downhill grade and level at the end. It goes down 24<sup>th</sup> Ave NW beginning at NW 62nd and then goes on Market St. ending on Ballard Ave NW. We will travel together as a group. The parade will start at 6:00pm.

We will enjoy some special Norwegian refreshments starting at 4pm at our house, 3214 NW 74<sup>th</sup> St, Seattle, 98117.

Seattle City regulations require that you send me or bring a copy of the front page of your insurance policy or copy of your glove box insurance card for your car and also that each participant fill out a Hold Harmless Agreement. You can download a copy of this agreement from the website below. You can bring the Hold Harmless Agreement and insurance card with you to our home on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

**RSVP:** Please call me and let me know what car you are bringing so I can make a list of cars for the parade announcer.



We will meet at our house at 4pm. We will line up on our street by year of car and drive to the parade at 24th Ave NW just south of NW 65<sup>th</sup>. To get to our house to avoid closed streets for the parade, do not go on Market St (downtown Ballard) but drive west on NW 65<sup>th</sup> St. to 32 Ave NW. Then travel north to NW 74<sup>th</sup> St and take a left. We are the 3<sup>rd</sup> house on the right. You can also park a trailer on our street. I will have our neighbors leave room on the street for our vehicles. We also are inviting our neighbors to drop by to see our cars. Our address is 3214 NW 74<sup>th</sup> St.

Contact us, if you have questions. Thanks, Rod and Evie Schein

For some fun information on the parade, check out <http://www.17thofmay.org/parade/>

For the Hold Harmless form go to <http://www.17thofmay.org/participant-forms/>

## NW Meet Fundraiser

Dave Gowan, Area Director

The NW Meet committee for 2019, sponsored by the Columbia Region, has requested that I let you know their desire for volunteer baskets for the raffle. It has been determined that the funds raised from the sale of tickets and the 50/50 drawing will be sent in full **to VCCA for additional relief to the fire victims in California who lost their homes and VCCA cars.** Over \$20,000 has already been raised, and though that is only a token for the losses, it shows our VCCA community that we all care.

The NW Committee requests that each Region contribute a basket to this fund raiser. As leader of last year's NW Meet I sure appreciate the cooperation from each Region to help with raising funds. The funds this year will not be used to pay for the Meet but be sent to VCCA for distribution. August is late but we have asked that the account be left open until our donation is in. Thank you so much and if you have any questions, please address them to me or Neil Buetler at [neilbuetler@yahoo.com](mailto:neilbuetler@yahoo.com)

**GET YOUR CLOSE SHAVES**

## 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.

Call the Glove Box Coordinator, Bob Starnes, [rstarnes@yahoo.com](mailto:rstarnes@yahoo.com) with your information.

## Have Your Insurance With JC Taylor? Take Their Road Hazard Insurance? You Need To Read This.

Received my renewal today and in it was an offer to provide roadside assistance by Cross Country Motor Club, Inc. for \$12, so I signed up for it thinking I could use it if AAA didn't show up. But then I tried to find a telephone number for this company. After 5 calls, a lady with another Farmer's company gave me a number for Cross Country Motor Club, Inc.. I called the number and they were closed and said to call back Monday. Now you have to ask yourself "How much good is this roadside policy going to do me if I cannot get anyone by phone?"

Then I wondered if this company even had anyone in our area to service us if we could get ahold of them. Well, I found a lot of reviews. Overall they had 2 stars out of 5. The 2 star rating may be biased on the high side as most ratings were one star with a 5 star rating thrown in every 5 or 10 one star ratings. There were basically no 2, 3 or 4 star ratings. Think someone could be padding the reviews?

One reviewer did provide the following information which may help you better understand the situation and the poor reviews: "Understand, they are like Uber of the Tow world, they are called and then they dispatch a local company to come pick up your vehicle. So basically they get a cut for just having contacts to get the fastest tow for your location."

Note: Since I first wrote this article, I have received my final renewal papers which included the emergency road service contact number. It is 1 (800) 817-1188 in case you dare use it.

Thanks anyway, but I think I will call AAA first when I need roadside assistance even if it may mean waiting awhile.

Bob Starnes

## Combined Gail Darby Memorial Strawberry Shortcake Social and Fourth of July Celebration

The Haddock family will host the Strawberry Social and the 4th of July Celebration at their Lake Forest Park home on the afternoon of the 4th. All members and their families are invited to either event or both. Please arrive at (or after) 12:30pm.

We expect the Darbys and Comstocks will serve the shortcake around 3pm (if you only want to come for that event. ) The club will provide hotdogs, hamburgers, the fixings and utensils. Please bring a dish to share: salads, sides, snacks, cheeses, chips, etc. Desserts will not be needed this time, but if you want to bring one, then do. Also, bring chairs and beverages for yourself.

We have a few parking spots next to our carport, the rest of the parking will be on one side of the street (only two neighbors live beyond us on the deadend street.) If necessary, you can park in the school parking lot on the east side of the street. Call or email us for directions/help, Dave and Diane ([chevydave@gmail.com](mailto:chevydave@gmail.com)).

**FROM THE HALF-POUND JAR**

## Washington State's Distracted Driving Law

Did you know that when it comes to distracted driving, Washington State has one of the most restrictive laws in the nation?? On July 23, 2017, Washington banned drivers from using all handheld personal devices while behind the wheel and even when they stop at a traffic sign/signal or are stuck in slow-moving traffic!!

### IT IS AGAINST THE LAW TO:

- Hold a cell phone or electronic device in your hand
- Use your fingers to type, send, read, view, access, web browse, transmit, save or retrieve email, text messages, instant messages, photos or other data
- Watch a video

### EXCEPTIONS:

- To contact emergency services you can use a single finger-swipe or button push to activate, deactivate or initiate a function when your vehicle is off the road, in park

### WHAT IS LEGAL

- Hands-free use of personal electronic devices is legal (however using your device hands-free is no safer than using it hand-held).

### PENALTIES

- First ticket = \$136 fine AND the ticket is reported to your insurance company
- Second ticket within five years = Fine doubles

### DANGEROUSLY DISTRACTED

- These "Secondary Offenses" carry a fine of \$99
- Secondary offense – handed out when you are pulled over for committing a traffic violation, such as crossing the centerline or following too close, while you were distracted by any non-driving activity.
- Examples include eating, spilling your coffee, holding a pet on your lap, putting on makeup, shaving.

Avoid distracted driving actions and be a safer driver.

And be sure to tell your kids and grandkids!!!

## LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE 48<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NW MEET IN ALBANY, OREGON

The Columbia River Region is very pleased to organize our Region's 48<sup>th</sup> NW Meet. The Prospectus and Registration Form are available at <https://vccacolumbiariverregion.org/nw-meet-2019>. We have a full schedule of events including several tours, judging, banquet...all the fun stuff! For those of us who are fortunate to have a 1936 or earlier Chevrolet, we have a special tour called the "Wood Tour." That tour is on Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> before the other activities of the Meet begin. So get your old Chevys tuned up for the 70-mile tour!

If you haven't yet, mark your calendars for August 7-10 for the 48<sup>th</sup> NW Meet in Albany, Oregon. The Meet hotel, **The Comfort Inn (541-928-2053)** is taking reservations now. Just mention Chevy club to get the \$124. rate. Questions, call David Koetje 503-317-4882 or email Mary Gallagher at [nwmeet48@gmail.com](mailto:nwmeet48@gmail.com).

**Burma Shave**



## Puget Sound Region VCCA Meeting Minutes – April 22, 2019

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Al Howe at 11:50 AM at the Issaquah XXX in the dining room . Twenty-five members were present and one new member. Wayne Woulf comes to us with a variety of Chevrolets; '97, '72, '65 and '55 pickups (The '55 was bought new by his parents.), '66, '63 Impalas and a '73 Camaro.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as published in the Tappet Clatter.

**Treasurer's Report:** We had some income from the sale of three decals less the cost to mail them and \$17 cash donation.

**Membership:** In addition to welcoming Wayne Woulf to the club, Donna recommended a windshield cleaning brush/mitt/sprayer as an afterthought to last month's program.

**National News:** The National Board Meeting has been held and we are waiting to get a report from our Area 3 Director, Dave Gowan.

**Monroe Swap Meet:** All the time slots are filled at this time with members who volunteered last year.

**Ballard Parade:** On May 17th meet at Rod & Evie Schein's home in Ballard at 4:00 PM for a Norwegian Smorgasbord with the parade to follow at 6:00 PM. Parking should be adequate on the street. Contact Rod with questions or to sign up.

**Summer Activities:** The members present decided to continue having general meetings at the XXX in June and July at 11:45 AM as we have been doing. We will also have the 4th of July BBQ and Strawberry Social at the Haddock's home in Lake Forest Park. July 27th is a car show in Kingston with a possible tour. Several members were interested. More details later. We need to determine a time for the August meeting; either 11:45 AM or 6:00 PM.

**Club Store:** Future purchases were discussed including pins from Willamette Valley Region and license plate frames from Columbia River Region, both were approved but national patches from Mount Rainier Region was not approved.

**Presentation:** Bill Barker moderated presentation by members on Tips and Products for Detailing your ride.

**Tappet Clatter:** The newsletter can always use photos and articles from members. Send to Dave Haddock at [chevydave@gmail.com](mailto:chevydave@gmail.com) or [tappetclatter@outlook.com](mailto:tappetclatter@outlook.com).

**Meeting Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at about 1:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Don Comstock for Diane Haddock, Secretary

## 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](mailto:tappetclatter@outlook.com) when your listing no longer needs to be published.

### FOR SALE

**1936** complete good running engine. \$350 Dick Olson

**1951** Chevy Styleline Deluxe with PowerGlide Transmission. Recently restored with new: gas tank, fuel line, fuel pump, vacuum pump, water pump, manifold gasket, flange gasket, valve cover gasket, oil line hoses, master cylinder, all wheel cylinders, brake springs, carb kit, battery, plugs, wires, distributor cap, rotor, condenser, coil. Extensive clean-up & minor repairs. On the road, registered with WA State Collector plate. Asking \$8,000. Contact Doxie Davis [doxiedavis@gmail.com](mailto:doxiedavis@gmail.com). Send me an email for pictures.

**1962** Chevrolet Impala sport sedan. \$6,500. Contact Jim Seiber [seiberphoto@comcast.net](mailto:seiberphoto@comcast.net).

**1930** Chev sport roadster. New restoration. \$25K Dick Olson

**1926** Chevrolet Touring. Excellent condition, new battery, top and side curtains replaced recently. Also a trailer to move the Chevy (Tommy, aluminum, 14' bed dual axle). \$19,000 for the car, \$3,500 for the trailer. Frank Arms, [frank4consult@gmail.com](mailto:frank4consult@gmail.com). Send me an email for pictures.

**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](mailto:ednoble@whidbeyisland.com). Parts are in storage. Ed Nobel.

### WANTED

**One** 4:75 X 19 inch Whitewall tire in good condition. Dick Olson.

### FREE

**Mid-thirties** Chevy truck chassis: frame, rear end, leaf springs, wheels, tires. Call Dale Sharp



## 2019 Activities

May	17	Ballard Parade (Registration info on p. 6)
May	17-19	Monroe Swap Meet, Fairgrounds, Monroe, WA
May	20	PS-VCCA General Meeting, XXX Drive In, Issaquah
June	21-23	Peach City Beach Cruise, Penticton, BC ( <a href="https://www.peachcitybeachcruise.com">https://www.peachcitybeachcruise.com</a> )
<b>June</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>PS-VCCA General Meeting, XXX Drive In, Issaquah</b>
July	4	4th of July Celebration/Strawberry Social, Lake Forest Park (See page 7 for more info)
<b>July</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>PS-VCCA General Meeting, XXX Drive In, Issaquah</b>
July	27	Kingston WA Car Show & Tour (more info later)
August	7-10	48th Annual NW Meet, Albany, OR
August	26	PS-VCCA General Meeting, XXX Drive In, Issaquah

Note: XXX Drive In Meetings begin at 11:45 AM, social time starts at 11 AM. Food/drink purchase optional.