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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, at **Ringdall/Tillicum Middle School Library, 11650 SE 60th St., Bellevue, 98006**, 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. No meetings are held in January, June, July, August, and December. 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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Director's Message

Al Howe



Directors Letter October 2018

Did you see the October G&D? Our Region has two articles published, "On the Road Again" by Ken Scott and "Enjoying the Annual 4-Cylinder Tour With Family" by MG Stammes. Great job guys. Jim Farris's family was well represented on the 4-Cylinder Tour. Ken said that stopping to meet with members along the way when on a trip is one of his most enjoyable activities. This must be kind of like stopping to smell the roses.

Meeting location is one of our top discussion items at any of our monthly meetings. Seems like we will be bouncing around a little in the near future but we do have a plan: **October 22nd meeting will be at the XXX Drive-in in Issaquah at 11:45 am until 2 pm.** They open up at 11am so if you want to eat and visit before the meeting come at 11. The November 26th meeting will be at Bill and Sis Barker's place at 11 am. Bill will demonstrate powder coating. This will be an 11 am meeting to help relieve heavy traffic problems and allow daytime driving. Our December Christmas party will be at Comstock's home. There will be more detail about that in the newsletters. January will be the Installation Banquet. More about this will also be found in the Tappet Clatter. Diane Haddock has heard from the school offering us a room so this option is now back on the table for discussion at our next meeting.

It is always fun to see Jerry Yoder's collection and the tour to his house on September 30 was no exception. The Corvair club was also there so we enjoyed seeing some very nice Corvairs including a Corvair Motor Home. It was a nice group of people but I was a little disappointed in the low turnout from our Region.

A rabbit runs and hops and only lives 15 years. While a tortoise doesn't run and does mostly nothing, yet lives for 150 years. They tell us to exercise? I don't think so!

Al Howe

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: <http://psrvcca.weebly.com/>
Willamette Valley Region, VCCA: <http://www.wvrvcca.org/>
Dave Folsom Blog, www.chev235guy.blogspot.com/
Gas stations without ethanol, <http://pure-gas.org/index.jsp?stateprov=WA>





**Bill Damm's
SAFETY DITTY**

The rain is back
To make grass green,
And start corrosion
Where it can't be seen.

It gets into car wiring,
That's affected the most.
Trouble shooting its problems
Is like chasing a ghost.

Sometimes things work;
And then they won't.
You think you've solved it;
And then you don't.

You find the part
That has gone bad.
But can't find the replacement
You thought you had.

A new part is an easy fix,
And quick to complete.
But then you find out
That part has gone obsolete

Now what do you do;
Oh man alive.
It has to be fixed
To be safe to drive.

DUES ARE DUE !

Thanks to all who have paid up so far.
If you haven't yet, please mail me a
check for \$30, made out to PS VCCA.
Include a note if anything has changed
for the Roster (vehicles or personal in-
formation). Thank you, Donna Onat
13623 SE 20th Bellevue WA.

North Cascades, Puget Sound, and Happy Times.

Invitation from Ken Scott & Fran Cissell

Our summer is almost over,
but having some get-togethers is not.
October 27th: Halloween gathering at our house.
Time: Arrive 12:00 noon, eat 1:00, stay until about 4:00
or 5:00 in time for you to get home before dark.
Activities: Pumpkin carving contest for young and old.
Bring your own pumpkin. You are encouraged to invite
others from your family, especially the young ones.

Pumpkin chunking contest!!

50/50 with half going to winner and other half going to
pumpkin carving and chunking winners.
Possible other games that I may come up with.
If you drive a vintage car and have a passport I will have
passport miles stamped for you!!

Food: Baked Potato Bar. Fran will provide the baked po-
tatoes, country gravy and chile; we could use sour cream,
chives, cheese, onions, broccoli, butter, bacon or whatever
you might like on your baked potato!! Also we will need
some desserts. Give Fran a call to find out what you could
bring to supplement the main dish, RSVP to
kenwscott62@gmail.com so they have an accurate count.
Also let Fran know how many kids will be coming so she
can have enough kits for decorating their pumpkins .



November Celebrations

ANNIVERSARIES

Dave and Marti Miller	8
Don and Lynn Boltz	23

BIRTHDAYS

Jeff Haines	8
Joanne Barquist	15
John Campbell	15
Dan Johnson	16
Judy Martin	18

September Meeting at the XXX Drive In
Photos by Jim Seiber





Now...That's Good!

I never thought myself a chef but when our kids were small I'd come up with a concoction or idea about food items for treats. I might decorate a birthday cake, churn some walnut-vanilla ice cream or even fix some 'pin wheels'. In fact, each Sunday p.m. we'd plan to have pinwheels. My recipe for them is: One-half buttered English Muffin, topped with cotto-salami, a slab of American cheese all under a nice slice of Canadian bacon or pepperoni. Put the wheel in the oven (grill) for a few minutes until the cheese melts and the muffin

begins to toast. Pretty nice treat and so simple. It's often the simple, sincere things that make life interesting and memorable. Old cars and club activities and people in the VCCA are cherished memories for me. Let's keep building those memories by attending tours, club meetings and Meets. Keep us informed with news clips and pictures of your activities. Share with us your memory-building moments.

– David Gowan, Director - Area #3



AND THIS LOOKS GOOD TOO!!!

Donna Onat enjoying a fabulous and extremely large vanilla ice cream cone at the XXX meeting!! Yum Yum!! (photo by Jim Seiber)

October Meeting Location and Time Changed

Meeting at XXX Drive In
Issaquah

11:45AM until 2:00PM

(Come early to eat lunch– XXX opens 11AM)

Discussion: Future Meeting Places, 2020 NW MEET

Puget Sound Region VCCA General Meeting Minutes September 24, 2018

The meeting was called to order by director Al Howe at the Issaquah XXX with 19 members present and no guests or new members. Al read a thank you note from Area 3 Director Dave Gowan sharing appreciation for our club's contributions and participation in the recent Northwest Meet. He also returned the seed money we sent and one-fifth of the profits from the meet.

Secretary's Report: Minutes were approved from the previous meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Sallie Comstock reported the treasury is in good shape with one new member as well as a strong start toward funding our NW Meet in 2020.

2020 Meet Planning: The Meet Planning Committee reported that planning is proceeding and venues are being vetted for the Meet. The Committee will report back for the membership with the goal of selecting a venue at the October General Meeting.

Activities: Upcoming events include a Potluck BBQ at Jerry Yoder's place on Snag Island September 30th. Arrive at noon. Jerry is providing hot dogs and plates, etc. See broadcast emails. There will be a tour from the north end. The North Cascades Region and the Corvair Club have also been invited. October 27th is a Halloween Party at Ken Scott's home west of Puyallup. His previous parties have been don't miss events. They are providing a baked potato bar with some fixings. It is a potluck so bring other fixings and side dishes and desserts. There will be activities and pumpkin carving if you bring your own pumpkin. Let Ken know if kids will be coming so he can plan activities for them. He would like an RSVP to aid their planning for food and activities. You can email him at kenwscott62@gmail.com. The Christmas party will be held at the Comstock home in Lake Tapps again this year. The date is Saturday, December 1st. Arrive any time after 11 AM, eat at 1 PM. Put the date on your calendar. Details will be coming out later.

Future Meetings: The October Meeting will be held at Al Howe's house in Enumclaw, then adjourn to the Enumclaw Fire Department for a presentation on Fire Extinguishers. Meet at 11:00 AM for the meeting and the program starts at Noon. (Editor's note: See Change to October Meeting on page 7) The November meeting will be at Bill Barker's home outside Issaquah. The December Meeting will be at the Christmas Party at the Comstock's. The January Meeting will be at the Banquet at Renton Vo-Tec. We need a location for meetings from February 2019 forward.

Upcoming Elections: A few of our current officers have agreed to continue serving for another year if elected. They are: Al Howe, Director; Sallie Comstock, Treasurer; Donna Onat, Membership Secretary; and Bill Damm, Club Store. We are assuming Diane Haddock will continue as Secretary, Dave Haddock will continue as Editor and possibly Historian, and Bob Stamnes will continue as Glove Box lead. That leaves Activities Coordinator, Assistant Director and Webmaster to be filled for next year.

Other: National news by Bill Barker. Volunteers are needed for the 2021 National Meet in Kentucky. Membership Dues are due now. Renew by sending your dues and any changes to Donna Onat.

Don Hatley voiced interest in a club hat and or a small version of our club Logo. Others also were interested so Sallie Comstock will look into it and report back in October.

Meeting adjourned at 1 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Don Comstock for Diane Haddock, Secretary.

Celebrating the *100th Anniversary* of Chevy Trucks
See <http://www.chevytrucklegends.com/us/en/100-year-history-of-chevy-trucks.html>

1918 CHEVROLET

ONE-TON



1929 CHEVROLET INTERNATIONAL SERIES

AC LIGHT DELIVERY



1938 CHEVROLET

HALE-TON



1947 CHEVROLET

3100 SERIES



1955 CHEVROLET 3124 SERIES

CAMEO CARRIER



1967 CHEVROLET

C/K10 SERIES



1973 CHEVROLET C30

ONE-TON DUALY



1988 CHEVROLET

C/K1500



Send in some pictures of your Chevy or GMC trucks for a future article!!
Send to editor at tappetclatter@outlook.com

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 Stamnes, email rstamnes@yahoo.com with your information.

"Winter Is Here. Is It Too Late To Winterize? NO WAY!"

By Bob Stamnes

Your old car is asking for a little love. If your car is not winterized one way or another, it cannot be expected to perform well on next spring's tours. How you winterize your car will depend upon your storage conditions, your energy level, and the length of time you plan to store the car. You can do a full-blown winterization with wheels off, battery out, fuel system treated, etc. or you can do the minimum and start the car every couple of weeks to a month and roll it out of the garage and run it hot for 15 or more minutes to circulate fluids and rotate the bearings. Either way, you will want to protect the radiator against freezing, protect the car against rodent infestation, keep the fuel tank full to avoid condensation, and possibly stabilize the fuel, especially if you have fuel with Ethanol. (NOTE: The website for finding fuel without ethanol is pure-gas.org.)

The following discussion addresses what can be done if you are going to do a full-blown winterization. The basic steps are: (1) rodent control, (2) cooling system service, (3) battery service, and (4) fuel system service. Rodent control is essential and should include ridding them from the building and the car. There are many aspects to this.

The first line of defense is keeping the critters out of the building. The second line of defense is addressing the car itself. Taking the wheels off and blocking it up on jack stands eliminates the ability for rodents to gain access by climbing the tires. This also takes the weight off the tires eliminating the potential for flat spots on the tires. Rodent access into and between compartments of the car can be addressed by stuffing steel wool into small potential access points. Some say Strawberry Air Fresheners and WD 40 repel mice. Others suggest mothballs in and around the car. Leave the hood open to let light into the engine compartment. Rodents like it dark. Removal of food particles and food odors by vacuuming, etc. may also help. It is always good to periodically check the building and the car for signs of rodents. I set mousetraps in my garage and replace the bait every couple of weeks. The cooling system should be checked for adequate antifreeze. This is especially important if the car is open to the elements. We have not had a hard freeze yet this year, but it could happen at any time. Remember to run the car in a well ventilated area (outside) to circulate any added antifreeze.

This is also a great time to add water pump lubricant and corrosion inhibitor if antifreeze is not used.

Batteries deserve special handling if left to sit for an extensive time, especially if in the cold. If the car is stored in the cold, it may be worth removing the battery from the car and storing it in a warm area. Charge the battery with a battery charger. If charging does not go to zero within a day or so, your battery may need replacing. If charging goes to zero in a reasonable time, store it on some quarter-inch plywood or 2 x 4s to insulate it from a concrete floor. A float charger can be used for the long-term to maintain a full charge. Keeping the fuel tank full will reduce the accumulation of moisture from condensation. If the tank is not kept full, you may want to use a gasoline additive to absorb moisture. In either case, a gas stabilizer can be added to maintain the quality of the fuel and reduce varnish buildup. Note that the engine should be operated after adding any additive so the product is circulated through the systems.

Doing all of the above may be ideal. However, turning over the engine and rolling the car back and forth is better than letting it just sit. It is also beneficial to drive the car periodically, keeping the engine temperature up for a few minutes. If you plan to store your car for longer periods, you may wish to add a slight bit of oil or Marvel Mystery Oil in the cylinders, and then crank the car over without starting it to coat the cylinders and rings. You can also spray a little WD 40 under the distributor cap to absorb moisture in the distributor. If you plan to store the car for a short time, and lack the energy for a full-blown winterization, or store the car in a temperature controlled environment, you should still start the car every couple of weeks to a month and roll it out of the garage and run it hot for 15 or more minutes to circulate fluids and rotate the bearings.

Winter, when you have no tours, is a great time to do some maintenance on your car. You may wish to inspect the electrical system, including, all starter cable connections, lights, wiring, and fan belt. It is also a great time to lube the car and change oil. The list of maintenance items from last summer's tours is the next important thing to address. You want to be ready to go for the next tour season!!

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

1963 Chevy Impala hardtop coupe 327 - 250hp. Unrestored original in very good condition inside and out. White with (rare) black interior. Matching numbers. Award winner at several shows. Recent engine-out complete detailing. Beautiful driver. Owned since 2003. Washington car with the original Washington plates. Straight. No rust. Professional Appraisal. \$21,750.00. Contact Greg Matzen 360-273-3353



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.

2006 Chevy Impala SS. Second owner, 68,000 miles, 5.3 Liter-303 Hp LS4, Sport Red, All of the SS performance and luxury features, Must sell, according to Diane- bought a Corvette. Asking \$8,000. Contact Dave Haddock chevydave@gmail.com.

1936—39 Speedometer. Nice face, rim has slight bump. \$25 or best club offer takes it. Money from this will go back to the club. Picture available upon request. Bob Stamnes, rstamnes@yahoo.com

1957 Chevy BelAir 4 Dr Sedan. 283 PP 4BBL. 1 owner car. Completely stock inside and out. Canyon Coral/White. 15K.

Four-speed Hydromatic transmission, \$100.00. Jerry Yoder, jerryyoder@hotmail.com

1930 Chev sport roadster. New restoration. \$25K. Dick Olson, Rolson82@comcast.net

1957 1/2 ton 3-speed transmission. \$75. 1931 3-speed transmission. \$75. Phone Dick Olson
Email: Rolson82@comcast.net

20" MAGS and Radial Tires. Four each. These are six-lug wheels. \$500. Jerry Yoder, JerryYoder@hotmail.com

WANTED

One 4:75 X 19 inch Whitewall tire in good condition. Dick Olson Rolson82@comcast.net

FREE

1931 Front springs and 19" spoke rims. Bill Barker bbarkerjr@gmail.com

235 and 216 engines - as they say, "Ran When Parked". There are no starters, fuel pumps or carburetors. Don Comstock. 253-863-0420. chevyguy2@centurylink.net

2018/19 Activities

October	22	October Monthly Meeting at XXX Drive In in Issaquah, 11:45 am until 2 pm.
	27	Halloween Party/Pot Luck at Ken Scott and Fran Cissell's (see page 5)
November	26	November Monthly Meeting at Bill Barker's at 11 am. Bill will demonstrate powder coating.
December	1	Christmas party at the Comstocks. Arrive after 11 am, eat at 1 pm. More details to follow in future Tappet Clatters.
January	TBD	Installation Banquet. More details to follow in future Tappet Clatters.