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May 5th, 2013 Breakfast Tour

By Al Howe

The breakfast tour this year had record-breaking warm weather and a record-breaking turnout. We must have had close to one hundred cars on the tour. There were cars of all



makes and models. We had a large showing of members cars (15) from Puget Sound Region VCCA. As usual, the Puyallup Elks put on a tasty breakfast with lots of choices to satisfy any taste. I would like to thank them for continuing to do this year after year.



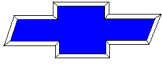
Jim Farris and I planned a short tour starting in Puyallup, passing through Orting, a stop at the logger's museum in Buckley and ending at Jerry Yoder's house for coffee and donuts. A tour of only 31 miles is short by any standard but this made it ideal for the older cars.

We had a long line of older four cylinder cars of Model T and Model A Fords along with our Chevrolets, and many other interesting makes.

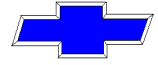
The museum in Buckley is run by volunteers only and did not want to open up for us until noon. Normal Sunday hours are one to five in the afternoon. Breakfast in Puyallup started at 9 AM and it didn't take long before the drivers were ready to hit the road. I really didn't want to start out too early or we would be in Buckley before the museum

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Reminder: Our June 24 activity will be the Gail Darby Memorial Strawberry Social, 7:00 PM at Perrigo Park in Redmond (The meeting announcement is on page 3.)



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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 1988 may be registered with the Region.

General meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month, except the 3rd Monday in May, at **Tillicum Middle School, 16020 SE 16th St., Bellevue**,. 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. No meetings are held in 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://pugetsoundvintagechevrolet.org/>

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Editor's Note

The monthly deadline for receiving input is the 5th of the month. We reserve the right to edit material in any way as appropriate for wording, clarity, grammar, punctuation, and space available. We can accept most electronic formats and hardcopy. Photographs can be scanned and returned. We will take reasonable care of copy provided, however we cannot take responsibility for lost or damaged material. Send copy to *Glenn Landguth*, via gklandguth@msn.com

Director's Corner

"From The Drivers Seat"



By Director Al Howe

With all the rain we are having it is hard to believe summer events are happening now. It still feels like winter; even had snow in the passes. But that is okay; we are having our tours and events anyway.

We are not going let a little wet weather slow us down. You can always find somewhere with weather worse than ours. Just look at the tornadoes in Oklahoma. Maybe the Pacific Northwest rain is not so bad after all.

Have you been following "The Best of the Best" in the Generator and Distributor? Wow! What beautiful cars. When I look at these cars, I wonder how much work went into making them so perfect.

Sometimes, I think maybe I should test the water at making one of my cars so perfect. Then I remember that I want to drive mine, so the thought of such a restoration project is short lived. The owners of "The Best of the Best" cars must be very proud after such an accomplishment. As a matter-of-fact, we have some very proud owners of cars right here in Area 3, and they have every right to be proud.

The next thing on my list of activities is the four cylinder tour in Dillon, MT. I think my '27 is mostly ready to go. I rebuilt the water pump last winter so this trip will tell what kind of job I did.

The four cylinder tour is always the last week of June, so I will miss the Gail Darby Strawberry Social again this year. Maybe you can think of us who are on tour while you have that ever-so-yummy treat.

Warning: Do not steal. The government does not like competition.

Garage Nite - by Dick Olson

July 10th Garage Nite will be at Roger Orness' home in Milton at 7 PM.

SEE MAILED/EMAIL TAPPET CLATTER FOR DIRECTION ON CONTACT INFORMATION.

Gail Darby Memorial Strawberry Social at Perrigo Park, June 24

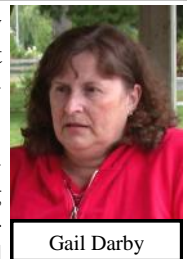


The Gail Darby Memorial Strawberry Social will be at 7:00 PM on June 24 at Perrigo Park, 9011 196th Avenue NE, Redmond.

This is our annual June strawberry social. The strawberry shortcake is being brought by Jim Darby (made to Gail's special recipe). Don and Sallie Comstock will bring strawberries, whipped cream and stuff to eat with.

Please drive your Chevs and enjoy some strawberry shortcake.

The park has a covered picnic area. Kids are welcome. Come early and enjoy a leisurely walk on the nature trail. Hope to see you there!



Gail Darby

Member News

By Donna Onat

We had news on Monday that Bob Helgeson had just had cataract surgery. He reports that all went well and they also corrected the vision in that eye. He thanks you for the funny card and your get-well wishes.

Dick Jones' wife, Gisela, had an operation on her neck to solve problems stemming from a car accident some years ago. He reports that she is home now, on very restricted motion, and facing weeks of recovery, but that things are seeming to be better.

At our Monday meeting Dave Folsom was honored for his longtime contributions to the Club as program presenter and author of technical articles. Many individual members have also had benefit from his assistance. Dave was given a plaque and honorary membership in our Region, and also membership in National to show our appreciation.

Dick Jones has sent out information for new members Dave Folsom and Ian Hardie, in Roster format which may be printed and pasted into the back of the Roster. Ian and Jennifer Hardie live in Tacoma, and have a couple of young children.

May 17th Ballard Parade

Thank you each one of you for participating in the Ballard Parade. We represented the PSVCCA very well and gave the community a great show of fine vintage cars. Rod & Evie Schein (Also see another picture on page 12.)



July Celebrations

ANNIVERSARIES

Mike & Kathy Currie	7/1
Walt Blair Sally Hall	7/11
John & Marilyn Campbell	7/31

BIRTHDAYS

Al Howe	7/2
John Strampher	7/5

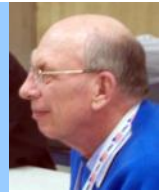
BIRTHDAYS (continued)

Dennis Dynes	7/8
Judy Cloutier	7/14
Linda Wheeler	7/15
Julie Solon	7/18
Betty Roberts	7/19
Jim Darby	7/21
Bob Stamnes	7/26



Puget Sound Region VCCA General Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2013



Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at Tillicum Middle School at 7:30 PM by Director Al Howe. Al said that Jim Martoza may be moving back to the West Coast. There were 26 people at the meeting.

Secretary: Minutes were not offered for approval because Al felt that members had not received their Tappet Clatters yet.

Treasurer: Sallie Comstock reported on our income and expenses for April 2013. The Auction income was \$339 thanks to spirited bidding on a couple of items.

Membership & Glove Box: Nothing new.

Tours: June 24th. Is the date for our annual Gail Darby Memorial Strawberry dessert meeting at Perrigo Park in Redmond. Matt says to bring your Passports and he will bring the stamp to bring them up to date.



Bill Barker talked about a tour he has been planning for some time. The Route 66 Tour started with 4 cars and is now up to 12 but could go much higher. Tour dates will be in 2014, leaving after Mother's day and traveling to a starting point near Oklahoma City. From there it will take in the sights all the way to the Santa Monica Pier on the Pacific Ocean, with side trips including the Grand Canyon. A decision will be made this coming December.



Tour Plaque: Al Howe has been in contact with other Area 3 Directors regarding the Northwest Meet Car Participation Plaque that is missing. We voted to spend \$43 for our share to replace it after discussion revolving around the need to continue this award.

Special Award Presented: Jim Seiber spoke about contributions of articles to the Tappet Clatter, the G&D, meeting programs, as well as continuous support to individual members with their car problems, by a well-known non-member. Dave Folsom has stepped up whenever asked to support both individuals and the club as a whole. Jim presented Dave with a plaque commemorating our appreciation along with a year's membership in the National and Puget Sound Region.



2013 Northwest Meet: A reminder of the upcoming Northwest Meet in Federal Way August 15th-17th was shared by Ana Maria Haley and the Comstocks. Tours will be short, covering the Landmark in Des Moines, Owens Beach at Point Defiance Park and LeMay, America's Car Museum in Tacoma. Judging will be on Friday. Meet details and a prospectus can be found on the VCCA website or by contacting Ana Maria Haley or Don Comstock.

Monroe Swap Meet: Ana Maria Haley introduced the members who volunteered their time to earn money for the Club by working at the Monroe Swap Meet. This is the Club's main fundraiser for the year.



Break: Thanks go to Don & Sallie Comstock for the tiny cupcakes and vegetable tray. After the break long-time member Ron Henry spoke about Morris Tonda's extensive collection of auto parts. Ron will be handling the liquidation of Morris's estate.

Program: Jim Seiber shared digitized original Chevrolet sales and service filmstrips from his collection. The National maintains a library of printed and projection materials but it can only be viewed by visiting the library in

person. Jim converted a few, some with audio from the original records that accompanied the filmstrips, to a digital format.

Meeting adjourned: At 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Don Comstock

Breakfast Tour (Continued from page 1)

would open. By 10:30 AM they were ready to go and there was no holding them back. So off we went.



I drove as slowly as I dared hoping regular traffic would not shoot us.

We got to the museum about 11:30 AM and as luck would have it, the ladies were just opening the doors. How lucky can one get? I got some ribbing from the Ford drivers, "Too bad that Chevy can't go any faster, should get a Ford." Kathy and I were driving my '27 Cabriolet.

Everyone enjoyed the loggers museum including the outside displays and the way they had the buildings made up as original as possible. No plumbing in the buildings and having to walk to the outhouse in the rain, snow, and heat made for some miserable living compared to today's standards.



Breakfast Tour (Continued from page 6)

Jerry Yoder's wonderful collection makes for an interesting stop and this was a first for a lot of people. They expressed appreciation for the opportunity to see it. Jerry was overwhelmed by the number of cars and people who showed up. He had a time finding places to park all the cars, but he did it. I know he was exhausted by the time everyone left. I thank you Jerry for sharing with us and for all the hard work you put into making the tour a wonderful success.



I also thank Jim Farris for sponsoring this tour. It looks like we will have another breakfast tour next year but we still need to plan the tour. If you have an idea of something special to see or roads in that area that would be good for a tour give me a call.

As far as I know there was only one car that didn't run right so the driver returned home and got another, and one car would not start after stopping at Yoder's house. That is pretty darn good for that many cars. That must be a sign of some tender loving care by owners.

Future Club Events Calendar

From Activities Coordinator Matt Dickinson

Dates	Activity	Activity Organizer
June 16 th	GM Picnic in Graham	
June 24 th	Gail Darby Memorial Strawberry Social at Perrigo Park	Club Meeting
June 24 th to 28 th	Four Cylinder Tour - Dillon, Montana	Jim Farris/Tom Meleo
July 4 th	Folsom's Picnic/Potluck	Lee & Carol Folsom
July 27 th	Historic Roads of the Cascades	Dave Haddock/Rod Schein
TBD	Board Meeting	
August 15 th to 17 th	NW Meet, Federal Way, WA	Mt. Rainier VCCA
August 26 th	XXX Drive-In, Issaquah	Club Meeting
Sept 9 th to 13 th	Early 6 Cylinder Tour - Baker City, OR	Jim Farris/Tom Meleo
October 26 th (Tentative)	Weekend Portland Trip	D. Olson/B. Barker
October 12 th	Teaway Hunters Breakfast Tour	Jim Farris
TBD	Board Meeting	
Early December	Christmas Party	

I will help with the paperwork and submit the tour passport miles requests.

Matt Dickinson

Monroe Swap Meet Wrap-Up

From Ana Maria Haley

Ana Maria Haley would like to thank each of the volunteers who represented our Club at the Monroe Swap Meet. The way everyone pitched in was wonderful. Ana Maria has received a check for our Club's participation.

Participating volunteers were: Bill Barker, Jerry Brownell, Don Comstock, Sallie Comstock, Bill Damm, Jim Darby, David Haddock, Diane Haddock, Ana Maria Haley, Bob Helgeson, Bob Hilton, Al Howe, Bill Johnson, Dick Jones, George Kowats, Phyllis Kowats, Rod McCarthy, Dick Olson, Donna Onat, Roger Orness, Bob Reller, Starrann Reller, Jim Seiber, Bob Stamnes, MG Stamnes, and Ernest Tear. Again, Ana Maria says, "Thanks a million to everyone."

(See the group picture taken at the May membership meeting on page 5.)



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

King Pin Cap Stake Cutter

This article is by Dave Folsom and is taken from his blog at <http://chev235guy.blogspot.com/>. It is printed here with his permission.

When replacing king pins it is usually necessary to clean up the area that was staked during previous end cap installation before the new caps can be installed. If the staking is not cleaned up before installing the new end caps they will most likely leak when greasing. I made a cutter out of an old king pin for this job.



After the new end caps are installed and flattened you will re-stake the new caps.

Lake Tahoe in 2016

By David Gowan, Director, Area 3, VCCA

The national VCCA is gearing up for the Anniversary Meet in 2016. Yes, already the site has been chosen and the committees are assigned.

Former VCCA President Don Williams is Chairman and doing a fantastic job. I believe this Meet will be the one Meet to which future events will be measured. Fabulous scenery, breath-taking elevations, and pure water.

I can think of only one other place where you can match being an hour from a volcano, minutes from the high desert, feel the ocean winds and enjoy mountain streams and falls. That place is right here in the Northwest. I hope you begin to feel the excitement of planning to go to Tahoe in 2016. President Miner stated if you save \$15 per week until the event you'll have enough to pay for it.



May 8 Garage Nite at Dick Olson's



Rod & Evie Schein Celebrate 40 Years

Rod and Evie Schein celebrated their 40th anniversary at the Corinthian Yacht Club in Seattle. Guests were treated to a review of significant time periods and activities in their lives. Guests were also invited to share their memories of key events.

A short program of pictures from the family photo album was also shown.

Following the program, Rod and Evie danced the first dance, then invited others to join them on the dance floor.



TAPPET CLATTER *Classifieds*

Ads will be carried up to three months on a space-available basis, unless withdrawn sooner or an extension is requested. Please notify the Tappet Clatter Editor when your ad is answered or you need an extension. gklandguth@msn.com

FOR SALE

1931 Convertible Cabriolet with rumble seat. Very little rust, but needs new wood. 99% complete car with a 40-year accumulation of new, used and NOS parts. Has the original rumble seat cushions and new seat frame wood with both new seat springs. The very rare metal spare tire carrier, steering wheel and 3 out of the 4 fenders are NOS. New reproduction tail light buckets, rims, lenses, hub caps, running board trim and eagle radiator cap. New pistons, rings, bearings, bushings, kingpins, shackles, brake cables, brake lining, gaskets, carburetors and fuel pumps. New ring and pinion set with higher top speed ratio, new chrome wiper motor and new wiring harness. Re-chromed stone guard, horns, very nice hood, splash aprons and gas tank apron. Extra engines, transmissions, wheels, brakes, bumpers, axles, springs, and steering columns. Extra hoods, fenders, radiator shells, headlights, cowl lights, door handles and gauges, including a genuine accessory clock. Too many projects ahead of this one and it's time to part ways and have someone complete this beautiful car. Price \$10K. Roger Orness, r.orness@comcast.net.



FOR SALE

1933 Chev Pickup Project. New cab wood installed. Asking \$4,500. Dick Olson, 425-222-5798, Rolson82@comcast.net.

1940 Chevy, L & R front fender with headlight. Very good shape, \$350. Bill Johnson, 425-255-6325, snkshk@comcast.net

Air Compressor Wright 12 Gal, seldom used. Asking \$125. Jim Seiber, 425-765-8195, seiberphoto@comcast.net.

G&D magazines, from about 1985 to current (less July '86), FREE. I could bring to a meeting or arrange pickup. John Campbell 206 250-3959.

WANTED

1926 Water Pump. Rebuilt. Bob Stamnes, rstamnes@yahoo.com

1936 Chevy Engine. Rebuilt. Dick Olson, 425-222-5798, Rolson82@comcast.net

Overdrive for 1926 Chev. Bob Stamnes, rstamnes@yahoo.com.



NW Meet Reminder

Ana Maria Haley, Don Comstock, and Sallie Comstock reminded us at the May 20th membership meeting that the Northwest Meet is coming up soon. It will be held in Federal Way on August 15th.-17th.

The prospectus can be found on the VCCA website or by contacting Ana Maria Haley or Don Comstock.

Bill Damm's SAFETY CORNER

It's time again
For summer repair
Be it to your house
Or car so rare.

If climbing a ladder
Or cutting with a saw
Removing a nail
With the hammer's claw.

While jacking a car
To change its tire
Or prepping the Bar-B
By starting the fire.

Please do it safely
It's well worth the time
Stay well and healthy
And life will be fine.

Web Links Of Interest

Capital City Region, VCCA: None

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://pugetsoundvintagechevrolet.org/>

Willamette Valley Region, VCCA: <http://www.wvracca.org/>

Dave Folsom Blog, www.chev235guy.blogspot.com/

Gas stations without ethanol, <http://pure-gas.org/index.jsp?stateprov=WA>

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Rod & Evie Schein and family at the
May 17 Ballard Parade