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Cascade Roads Tour #2 Text and Photos by Rod Schein



Arriving at the Woodinville Park & Ride were Bob & MG in their '26 touring, Tom & Sharon in their '56 sedan, Kathy & Al in their '55 sedan, Bob & Florence in their '64 Corvette, Dan & Sheri in their new 2014 Camaro SS Convertible, Jim Darby & Bill Barker in Jim's 1971 Chevelle Malibu, and Rod & Evie in their '40. Dan & Sheri made this purchase because they wanted to have a Chevy that was a 100 years newer than their 1914 Baby Grand Touring. From the Park & Ride, we went on the Woodinville – Duvall Rd. On the way, yours truly as the lead car, missed the turnoff for a short segment of the Old Woodinville – Du-

vall Rd. So half of the group went ahead and waited for the rest of the group who made the right turn to rejoin us. We had our radios, so this was easily solved. As we turned onto the West Snoqualmie Rd, we were joined by Bill Damm in his 1930 Model A. He was planning on giving Lee and Carol Folsom a ride but they had to drop out at the last minute.

From the late 1940's my family made many trips on these older Cascade roads. Our destination was my Uncle &



Aunt's home in Skykomish and later to

the Index area where we had inherited a homestead and cabin. The West Snoqualmie Rd was the one we had to use when the Snoqualmie River had flooded the Duvall valley. A section of this road has been named the High Bridge Rd because of a wooden trestle that made it possible to travel this way. One thing I remember about this trestle was it had a steep ramp leaving the bridge at a midpoint by a ninety degree turn and could be very slippery on a frosty morning for our 1937 Chevy.

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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 1989 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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Director's Corner

"From The Drivers Seat"



By Director, Al Howe

Fall is here and the rain has returned. I thought we would have seen more fall colors on the September 20th tour to Index but it has not been cold enough yet. I was surprised to learn that Index is only about six hundred feet in elevation. No wonder their fall color is similar to ours.

We had a beautiful tour with narrow crooked roads. Just the kind of tour you love to drive an old car on. Where and when is our next tour? Not too early to start planning one now.

We need more meeting program ideas. If you missed Rod and Evie Schein's slide presentation of their trip to Norway you missed one of our better programs. Would some of you please take a really nice trip like they did and give us a show and tell? As you recall Bob and MG Stamnes gave us a wonderful slide show of their trip to Europe. If you don't, we may just keep boring you with information about old cars.

Seems like some of you gave me some ideas awhile back but I lost the ideas so I need you to refresh my memory. I even made notes but now I can't find the notes. You know how it goes. Kathy keeps telling me I should clean off my desk and get organized. She even organized her desk today just to show me how it's done. It didn't do any good; my desk is still a mess.

It is time for the election of Puget Sound Region officers, so don't be bashful. This is my second year as Director and I cannot continue for another year. Like an old tire, I must be replaced. It is not a hard job but it is a little busy at times.

Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it's called golf.

October 2014 Club Meeting

The Puget Sound Region October meeting will be at Tillicum Middle School on October 27 at 7:30 PM.

George & Barbra Reich will be providing the treats (or tricks?) for the meeting.

It will be a 'howl' of a good time. Don't miss it!

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Our tour turned off the High Bridge Rd and crossed the Snoqualmie River on the Crescent Lake Rd. This is a beautiful stretch of farming country. There was high fog in the valley with the sun trying to break through. We turned onto Highway 203 which goes across the Skykomish River into Monroe where we made a rest stop. It's interesting to note that the Skykomish and the Snoqualmie rivers join just west of Monroe by Highway 522 to form the Snoqualmie River. From Monroe we crossed Highway 2 onto the Old Owens Rd. which was a segment of the original Stevens Pass Highway. This road leads to what locals call Sultan Hill which was another winding slippery steep section of road in the winter. Here we traveled on Highway 2 for a few miles through Sultan and Startup and then into Gold Bar where we turned on to the May Creek Rd. At this time the sun broke through and we had one of those pristine, blue sky, warm days in the Cascades. From the May Creek Rd we entered heavy woods on the Reiter Rd. which winds alongside



the Skykomish River and the RR tracks of BNSF that go to St. Paul. This is the RR line that was established by James Hill and the Great Northern Co. The line was completed in 1893 and was the primary way to get to Index before the Stevens Pass Highway was completed in the 1920's. The founders of Index purposely platted their town by the Great Northern tracks.



The Reiter Rd. led us into the west end of Index where we met up with Bob Hubbard of the Index Historical Society. He gave us an interesting history of the area and Index. He led us on a tour of the Pickett Museum where we saw many displays of this history. Bill Barker counted the growth rings on some large Douglas Fir tree sections and related his experiences in the Skykomish River close cross on the Index RR bridge on their way east.

country. As we were there, we saw several trains up After visiting a small beach on the river by the Index highway bridge, we split up with some of us heading for events later that day and others of us retracing our steps to the Sultan Bakery and then returning to Woodinville via the Ben Howard Rd. out of Sultan.

All in all, it was a special day for a tour. I have received several compliments for a great tour.

Thank you to all of you who came.

For a great video by Sheri Johnson go to: <http://goo.gl/TeW2tI>



Rod and Evie Schein

Lake Crescent Remembered

Then.....



Besides the fun driving on beautiful winding roads in our '40 Chev coupe, Evie and I had the special treat of visiting the Log Cabin Resort on the north shore of Lake Crescent when our Saturday NW Meet tour went right by it. This was the location of our honeymoon to which we drove our '40 Chev pulling a sailboat 41 years ago.

This year's NW Meet was the first time our '40 Chev had been back to Lake Crescent! (This is my first car which I drove as my daily driver until 1981, when it was parked and then restored between 1999 and 2008)

Following us into the Log Cabin Resort in their 1926 4-dr superior sedan were Bruce Benadom & Cindi Wolfe. They took pictures of us with our car at the resort.



April 1973

And now.....



August 2014

Puget Sound Region VCCA General Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2014

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at Tillicum Middle School at 7:25 PM by Director Al Howe

Welcome: Thirty members were present with no guests or new members. Al reminded us to pay our dues and complete the on-line registration form.

Membership: Donna Onat was pleased to announce that 35 members have renewed already and more renewals are coming in daily. Dick Jones asked if we need a new roster printed each year. New members need one but the rest of us can update member information and add new members as changes occur. Jim Darby suggested Dick make the roster available on the secure portion of the website so members could download and print as many copies as they want. A version without pictures could be posted as well.

Feature Articles in the TC: Al Howe presented color copies of the Tappet Clatter to Rod Schein for his article of the spring tour and to Jim Farris for his article on the Four-Cylinder Tour. He kept the third color copy for his article on the Northwest Meet since he wrote most of it.

Treasury: Sallie Comstock shared a positive balance in the treasury with the Northwest Meet at a close break-even position thanks mostly to the raffle, auction, and 50/50 income. On another note the club authorized the purchase of 50 more large decals to be sold as a fund raiser for the club. Don and Sallie will continue handling the order and sales as they have in the past.

National News: Bill Barker recapped the recent emails we received both to change our by-laws to create a new non-geographic region for personalized vehicles and a petition to repeal the recent change approved by the National Board. Bill talked briefly about the club's mission from the beginning years recognizing modifications to Chevrolet in the G&D. He also said that if 10% of the members' sign the petition it will automatically repeal the change passed 8 to 3 by the board. There apparently is no deadline for this petition to gather 10% of the members signatures.

Club Officers: October and November are the months Al and the selection committee find members to take on the jobs of running our club. Al Howe cannot continue as Director and Don Comstock would like to allow someone else to take on the job of Secretary. Dave Haddock will continue as Historian but needs assistants taking pictures.

Activities: Touring has pretty well wrapped up for the year with the Back Roads Tour to Index last weekend. For those attending the Northwest Meet, the tours totaled 216 miles. Rod can stamp your passports anytime. The train trip to Portland October 17 - 19 is set in stone.

Sallie Comstock will take care of getting the January Banquet organized at the Golden Steer in Kent.

Don and Sallie Comstock offered their home for the Christmas Party if no-one else steps up with a better plan more centrally located.

Al Howe will contact Dave White, the new chairman of the spring Monroe Swap Meet to determine if we will be able to continue volunteering as a fundraising event for the club

Break: Dick and Gisela Jones brought deliciously decadent cookies and a fruit and vegetable platter for the health conscious.

Program: Rod and Evie Schein took us along with them on their trip to Norway this past spring. Through a combination of stills and video with narration and music they captured the beauty and diversity of the country on a three-week driving tour. We even were able to see a few vintage Chevrolets.

Meeting adjourned about 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Don Comstock

November Celebrations

ANNIVERSARIES

Dave and Marti Miller 11/8
Don and Lynn Boltz 11/23
Judy and Jerry Cloutier 11/30

BIRTHDAYS

Tony Zimmerman 11/2
Jeffrey Haines 11/8
John Campbell 11/15
Joanne Barquist 11/15
Dan Johnson 11/16
Judy Martin 11/18
Jim Martoza 11/25

2014 Activities

November	Election of 2015 Club Officers	11/24
December	Christmas Party	TBD

Bill Damm's SAFETY CORNER

Summer is over
And Fall is now here.
The temperatures are dropping,
It's that time of year.

Wet and slick roads
Greet us again.
Now in our memory
Is what a great summer it's been.

Some great local tours
And our successful Meet
Made this season
A hard one to beat.

Now looking to next year
With its tours and good things.
Let's all stay safe so we can
See what it brings.

Columbia River Region invites you to join us in celebrating **GOLDEN DAYS OF CHEVROLETS** **44TH NORTHWEST MEET** **AUGUST 13-16, 2015**

★ Judging ★ Tours ★ Birthday Party ★ BBQ ★ Banquet ★ Women's Brunch ★
and more!

Renewing Friendships ★ Meeting New Friends ★ Having a Great Time

Columbia River Region will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary
as a Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America

Accommodations

Holiday Inn
25425 SW 95th Avenue
Wilsonville, OR 97070
503-682-2211
888-465-4329
Discounted Room Rate \$119—\$129 plus tax
Discount Code: 44th Northwest Chevrolet Meet
Pets Welcome at Additional Daily Charge

Pheasant Ridge RV Park
8275 SW Elligsen Road
Wilsonville, OR 97070
800-532-7829 or 503-682-7829
Discounted Standard Rate \$39.00 plus tax
Discounted Premium Rate \$43.00 plus tax
Complete hook-ups — Good Sam Discount
Less than 5 minutes to hotel (.7 miles)

The hotel is located in the Willamette Valley with close proximity to shopping, local parks and restaurants
Trailer parking is available at the Holiday Inn Parking lot

Website information:

ColumbiaRiverRegion.org



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Save the Date!

Prospectus and Registration forms will be available in early April, 2015

From the Glove Box

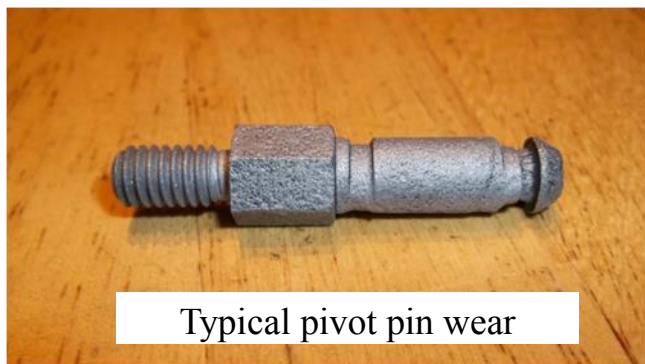


From the Glove Box is devoted to sharing technical information, technical problems and solutions to problems related to the restoration and preservation of vintage Chevrolets. Please share your knowledge, experiences and recommendations with your fellow members.

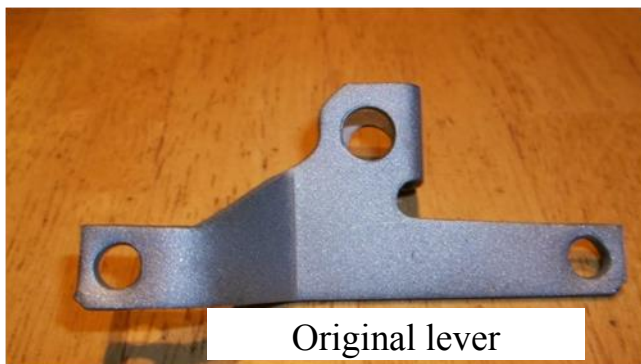
Call the Glove Box Coordinator, Bob Stamnes, via email at rstamnes@yahoo.com with your information.

1950-52 Passenger 1950-59 Truck Throttle Pivot Repair

When the throttle pivot wears out on your 216, 235, or 261 there is an easy fix.



Typical pivot pin wear



Original lever



Lever drilled with 1/2" drill



Bushing installed, this is a light press



Finished Assembly

Most hardware stores carry 3/8" ID X 1/2" OD X 1" long brass bushings. By drilling out the lever and pressing in a bushing you get a better than original fix. The 1" bushing needs to be shortened to .850" either before or after assembly in lever.

This article is from Dave Folsom's blog. <http://chev235guy.blogspot.com/>

GARAGE NIGHT

No garage nights scheduled for this Fall or Winter. Look for them to resume in Spring 2015.

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.wvrcca.org/>

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

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



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Read the Label!



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Look for the API* "Donut" on the Label

* American Petroleum Institute Service Classification

The following information was submitted by George Eadie.

Machinist's Workshop magazine published some information on various penetrating oils. They tested penetrants for break out torque on rusted nuts. It was a subjective test of all the popular penetrants with the control being the torque required to remove the nut using "Scientifically Rusted" parts.

This always gets my attention, so here it is again:

Penetrating oils	Average Torque (lbs) to loosen
No Oil used	516
WD-40	238
PB Blaster	214
Liquid Wrench	127
Kano Kroil	106
ATF-Acetone mix	53 (some say you can also use ATF and lacquer thinner in a 50/50 mix)

NOTE: ATF-acetone was a home brew of 50/50 mix of acetone and ATF

Thanks George!

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 Engine Head, \$100 Dick Olson 425 222-5798

1996 SS Impala, Black, Low Miles, All options,+ Sunroof, Weld wheels, Arizona speed headers & air intake. \$23,000
Jerry Yoder (253) 307-1910, JerryYoder@hotmail.com

1934 Chevy ton and a half flatbed truck.

Older restoration, original engine, blue body, black fenders, interior is fair to good, pictures available on request. Asking \$22,850. Cathy Johnson, 425-255-6325

6.00 X 16 Wide Whitewalls and tubes, Six each. Bias ply B.F. Goodrich tires - good tread - low mileage. \$600.

Jim Seiber 425-765-8195

Last Chance! Going to Monroe Swap Meet if not sold!

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1953,54, 55 Corvette intake manifold. Complete with 3 Carter YH side draft carburetors and fuel filters, Can't be too many of these out there! A little rough but good for parts and/or unique display. Owner wants \$500. Contact Dave Haddock, chevydave@gmail.com.

Air Compressor - Like new. 220 Volt - \$425.00, with two 60 gal tanks. Bill Barker 425-643-0698. bbarkerjr@gmail.com

1950 Chevrolet Deluxe. Front and rear bumpers new chrome, \$150 each. Rear bumper sheet metal pan below trunk, nice fresh paint, \$100. Bumper wings used, \$25 each and one set of rears re-chromed, \$75 pair. NOS bumper guards, \$25 each. Nice used bumper guards \$15 each. NOS hubcaps, \$35 each. Nice set of full width beauty rings, \$ 15 each. NOS heater core, \$35. New front shocks, \$25 pair. New rear drums, \$40 pair. Very nice polished rear fender top stainless trim, \$150 pair. NOS trunk handle, \$15. NOS Power Glide trunk spears, \$40 pair. NOS right rear fender, \$150. NOS bird, \$75. NOS hood emblem, \$25. NOS top grill bar, \$40. NOS black butterfly steering wheel, \$175. All 40 plus items listed above sold as a lot for \$1000, which is easily valued at twice that. Roger Orness 253-312-6561 or r.orness@comcast.net

1949-50 Chevrolet Many small new parts including tune up parts, motor mounts, wiper motor & transmission, door rubber, rear fender guards, too many to list here. Roger Orness 253-312-6561 or r.orness@comcast.net

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1930 Engine, \$200. Dick Olson 425-222-5798

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WANTED

1931 Ignition Switch, Dick, 425 736-8798, dick10051@comcast.net

1964 Chevelle SS - any condition

Dave White 206-999-8138 davidcwhite@comcast.net

Set of 4 wheels, 6 lug Chevy pickup, 15", or set of garage dollies. Ken Hovda 509-863-3450. khovda@yahoo.com

FREE STUFF

Seat Frame and Cushions (Needs Reconditioning) Fits 1948 to 1954 Chevy Pickup. Don Hatley (253) 941-5674

1942 3/4 Ton Chev. flat bed - 4 speed trans. - rear end- mid 1950 235 engine Paul 425-891-8344

Through the Back Window

David Gowan – Director VCCA Area #3



Perhaps you have already found out in life not everybody thinks or feels the same about very important issues. The Board of Directors (BOD) has discussed several items, including:

- (1.) Motion 14-07 would change the name of the club to The Chevrolet and GMC Club of America. Though we encourage GMC owners to become members for their benefit as well as ours, it will be a small segment of the club and therefore not important to change the historic recognition of the name. My intention is to vote no on this item.
- (2.) Motion 14-08 would cause the term of office of new Board Members to take effect at their swearing in during the annual meeting of the VCCA which was in March this year. As it is they take office the first of the year when elected and that is often three months before a meeting, making new officers lame ducks. I will vote yes on this item
- (3.) The formation of a Chapter for 'personalized' Chevrolets has advanced into a more hazardous situation. A petition is being circulated to change the BOD's action and amend significant wording of the by-law recently passed. Though a petition is allowed in the by-laws, it appears that a better road to travel is through the motion process. Both the BOD and the petitioners have more recently come to a better understanding of the action taken and its ramifications and are working to smooth out the wording to allow 'personalized' vehicles to participate and get recognition in our club activities without detracting from the original purpose of the club.

For more information please give me a call. I don't text. Thanks, David