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### PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE HOT TO TROT

*Hot to Trot!* There are times when we can't resist using a time worn, but appropriate saying and this is one of them. While it was originally a metaphor for a horse that was raring to go, it can certainly be applied to us as car enthusiasts. There's no doubt that after the long fall and winter, many of us really are hot to trot to get our favorite cars and trucks out again. Yes, the days are getting longer, and it seems as though the pages of the calendar are starting to flip over faster as we make our way toward the summer months we are looking forward to. With the recent occasional sunny days and increasingly warmer temperatures, many of the members of the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers have contracted early signs of Spring Fever. Unlike other maladies, this one does not require a trip to the doctor, but more than likely, it may require some trips to the garage. We share your enthusiasm, and like you, are eager to get our hot rods and classic cars out from their winter slumber. Jack London may have heard the call of the wild, but we hear the call of the road and are ready to start cruising once again. Just the thought of cruising on the scenic Rogue River Valley highways and byways or simply driving our favorite rides to places like Udder's Ice Cream on Friday afternoon and Jimmy's Classic Drive-In on Saturday evenings is like getting a shot of adrenaline.

For those of us who are in the middle of a restoration or installing the latest upgrades to our vehicles, this is the time when we amp up our energy, kick it into gear and start putting in more hours in the garage. The reason is really quite simple. If our hot rod is in a million pieces, there's no way we're going to get some seat time unless we get it back together again. Isn't it amazing how the mere hint of nice weather can be just the motivator we need to get out of the warm, cozy house and back under the hood.

Like you, we're fired up and ready for another fun season of driving, displaying and getting together with RVCC club members and like- minded enthusiasts to enjoy another year of fun with our favorite cars. Yes, we really are hot to trot and hope that you are too.

Carolyn Hartzell

Larry Weiner

RESULTS OF VOTING FOR CLUB OFFICERS As Vice President – Larry Weiner As Treasurer – Glenn Dean Thank you both for agreeing to serve another term! These are 2 Year Terms Next year we will be voting for the following positions President, Secretary and Car Show Chairperson

#### **NEW MEMBERS and THEIR CARS**

Gary & Patricia Barber - 1947 Ford, 1969 Ford F250 5/8 Scale Peterbuilt Jeff & Diane Dutton – 1967 Camaro RS/SS, 1966 Ford F100 Ralph & Rebecca Hove – 1967 Plymouth Fury III, 1965 Dodge D100 P/U Mark Peterson – 1960 Chevrolet Corvette Coy & Penney Reed – 1966 Mustang Fastback Eran Schneider – 2018 Camaro Ari Omessi / Toni Webb David & Connie Sepich – 2014 Mustang, 2003 Jeep TJ

# MEMBERS' BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR APRIL 2025

#### **Birthdays**

2ndMarsha Price3rdRon Reeg14thGlenn Dean17thRosemary Richter24thSteve Hurwitz

2<sup>nd</sup> Donna Spencer
12<sup>th</sup> Vicki Farmer
14<sup>th</sup> Marianne Yadon
21<sup>st</sup> Jan Masters
27<sup>th</sup> Steve Kilmer

**Anniversaries** 

3<sup>rd</sup> Ed English
12<sup>th</sup> Charlie Price
15<sup>th</sup> Marilyn Hill
22<sup>nd</sup> Heather McApine
28<sup>th</sup> Paul Acklin



24<sup>th</sup> Dan & Marianne Yadon

# **CLUB MEETING ATTENDANCE REWARD FOR MARCH**

The winner of the March attendance reward of \$25 was Tade Farmer who was not present. Sorry Tade. The attendance reward will be at \$50 for April 2025.

## **50/50 WINNER FOR MARCH**

The 50/50 Pot was for \$116 and the winner was Dean Freeman. Congratulations Dean! Dean donated \$50 of his winnings back to the Club.

# Mark your calendars for Car Club Events

Udders Ice Cream every Friday night – 1893 NE 7th St, G.P. in Diamond Home Improvement parking lot. Meet us there around 6 pm. Other Car Clubs also participate. Weather permitting!



**Cars & Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-in** ... Third Saturday of every month – 9-11 AM May thru September. Weather permitting. Join us to socialize and enjoy the cars.



Medford Cars and Coffee . . . every Saturday morning –2676 E Barnett Rd. Info: <u>medfordcarsncoffee.com</u> Join us to socialize and enjoy the cars at Southern Oregon Orthopedics, behind the Starbucks 8-9:30 AM. Weather permitting!

Cave Junction Senior Center on the first Saturday of every month Meet at Albertson's Allen Creek Road location at 8:45 AM and cruise down together. All-you-can-eat breakfast (only \$9) includes eggs, hash browns, pancakes, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy, coffee and juice.

#### **ROGUE VALLY CLASSIC CRUISERS 2025 EVENT SCHEDULE**

APRIL			
5	Grants Pass	RVCC Double Feature Shop Tour 2 Great Shops with Lots of Cool Cars	
		Meet at 10 AM at Abby's Pizza 1560 Williams Hwy. Depart at 10:15AM Sharp to Cruise to First Shop	
		Tour Location - Lunch at 1 PM at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In Between First and Second Shop Tours	
		After Lunch, Cruise to Second Shop Tour Location	
13	Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange / Note: One Week Early Because of Palm Sunday	
		Guest Speaker: Andrew Kovach from Pick Your Kolor	
26-27	Medford	RVCC Vehicle Display at Medford Rod and Custom Show / Rogue X at the Medford Event Center	
MAY			
<b>MAY</b> 3	Cave Junction	Cruise to Breakfast	
17	Grants Pass	RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive In 9:00AM to 11:00AM	
18	Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange / Note: One Week Later Because of Mother's Day	
24	Grants Pass	RVCC Vehicle Cruise in Boatnik Parade / Lunch at Jimmy's Classic Drive In	
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JUNE	Medford	RVCC Cruise to Punky's Pies Brunch	
7	Grants Pass	RVCC Display at 541 Outlaw Show / Grants Pass Town Center	
8	Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Veterans Celebration Program	
14	Merlin	Merlin Baptist Church Annual Car Show	
14	Medford	RVCC Cruise to Medford Car Show and Cruise	
21	Grants Pass	RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM	
25	Grants Pass	RVCC Display / BBQ & Ice Cream Social at Cascades 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM	
28	Cave Junction	1357 Redwood Cir, Grants Pass, OR 97527 Lions 22 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Car Show and Swap Meet	
29	Rogue River	RVCC Cruise and Display at Rooster Crow Car Show	
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JULY			
4	Grants Pass	RVCC Vehicle Display at Grants Pass 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Event at Rhinehardt Sports Park	
5	Cave Junction	Cruise to Breakfast	
5 13	Medford Grants Pass	RVCC Cruise to Display at Rods and Rides Car Show RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange	
19	Grants Pass	RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM	
25	Grants Pass	Fabulous 50's Kick Off Show & Shine / Merchants Poker Walk 8:00AM – 2:00PM	
25	Grants Pass	Fabulous 50's American Graffiti Free Car Show 5:00PM – 9:00PM	
26	Grants Pass	Fabulous 50's Charity Car Show at the Josephine County Fairgrounds	
27	Grants Pass	Fabulous 50's / Hot Rods & Handlebars Show and Shine at Corvette Bar & Grill	
27	Grants Pass	Fabulous 50's Open Cruise 4:00PM to 6:00PM	
AUGUST			
2	Medford RVCC Cruise to Original Roadhouse Grill Lunch		
10	Grants Pass	RVCC Hawaiian Luau / BBQ Picnic and Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange	
16	Grants Pass	RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM	
23	Grants Pass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual RVCC Rogue River Road Tour	
SEPTEMBER			
6	Cave Junction	Cruise to Breakfast	
6	Klamath Falls	RVCC Cruise to Lake of the Woods Car Show	
10	Grants Pass	The Suites Invitational Mini Car Show 1:00PM – 3:00PM Limited to 20 RVCC Vehicles	
13 14	Medford Grants Pass	Rogue Valley Manor Rods and Rides Car Show 10:AM – 1:30PM	
20	Grants Pass Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM	
27	Shady Cove	RVCC Cruise to Mac's Diner / Meet at Ray's Food Place Rogue River	
		Meet at @ 10:45AM Leave at 11:00AM Sharp	
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OCTOBER 4	Grants Pass	RVCC 16 <sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Color Hot Rod Poker Run	
12	Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange and RVCC Silent Auction	
18	Grants Pass	RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM	
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NOVEMBER			
1	Cave Junction	Cruise to Breakfast	
9	Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange	
23 29	Grants Pass Grants Pass	RVCC Lunch Social at Wild River Time: 2:00 PM 595 NE E St., Grants Pass RVCC Toys for Tots Cruise Followed by Lunch at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In	
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DECEMBER			
6	Cave Junction	Cruise to Breakfast	
14	Grants Pass	RVCC Christmas Party and Meeting	

# **RVCC CORVETTE BAR & GRILL PARTY**

















### FEATURE CAR OF THE MONTH

#### My Story by "Old Red" By Barbara Masters

It was June 1984 and there I was sitting in a field off Redwood Ave in Grants Pass. Just dumped out here, no one cared what was going to happen to me, not even the goats. My present owner decided I had to go so he put an ad in the paper: 1956 Chevy Bel Air for sale and Goats! He was even going to sell the goats! (Goats are important to my story.)

That night, June 1984 George Masters saw the ad and told his wife Barbara he wanted to check out the Bel Air. So, they drove out and walked out into the field, George immediately saw a Red and White 56 Chevy, with shiny chrome: Barbara saw what was really sitting in the field! A 1956 Chevy, 3 different colors, hardly any interior, cracked glass, and pools of stuff underneath the car, some cars drip--I had pools of liquid! Even the gas tank leaked!

Barbara knew that they were not going home without me, so they paid the guy, and George drove me home with no brakes, ran on 7 cylinders. Their daughters laughed; they thought their parents were not thinking too clearly. I was just glad that someone wanted me. George got my motor running on 8 cylinders, and the brakes fixed. They really cared for me; Barbara figured out I had a big trunk and could haul a lot of things. They really had fun driving me. In June 1985 I joined the Rogue Valley Classic Chevy Club.

Finally, I had owners who really cared for me. Then one Saturday morning George asked Barbara if she could help him in the garage, he backed me in the garage, and on the sides were big blocks of wood. With 2 small jacks from the BI-Mart, George and Barbara proceeded to take my body off my frame. They did ok at first, and then they almost dumped me! A few more blocks of wood and I was saved. Here I was in pieces all over the garage and the house too.

My frame was cleaned up and painted, body work was done, hardly any rust, small dents removed and put in primer paint! Then came the day when George started putting me back together! Everything had to fit perfectly. I got a new motor, transmission, all new wiring, and some new glass too. The installation of the new firewall pad was a bit of a challenge. After several attempts to get it in George came into the house and said that we should have bought the Goats instead of the car. The fire wall pad was a 2-person job, so Barbara held the parts, and George got the pad installed. New upholstery, with comfortable seats. Chrome parts were sent off and came back nice and shiny. Then finally Paint! Yes, I was going to be a Red and White car, just what George dreamed of.

While I was being repaired, I got lonely, so George went past John Day, Oregon and found a 56 Chevy Bel Air sedan named Rose to keep me company. Rose stayed in the garage for a long time. George then rescued Mo; a 1956 Bel Air hard top. I mean rescued the car; it was headed for the scrap yard! Mo was a special 56 Chevy and had issues, but had a happy ending, George and Barbara sold Mo to a Veteran who lived in Northern CA.

Here I was, George's Dream, Red and White 56 Chevy that he saw in the field in 1984. My first car show was in Bend, Oregon at the High Lakes Fun Run, 1990. The show was the first of many car shows, parades, and events. I've had lots of excitement too, went to the drags in Medford, had an ET Time of 92, it was fun! George is gone now; Barbara drives me every chance she can, and takes care of me. I have a special parking spot in the garage, and I can still play Buddy Holly on the cassette! That's my story.



# **MEMBER ITEM FOR SALE**

1970's era sprint car project, comes with a newer 410" Chevy small block motor, in and out box and quick change rear end. All the parts included. All for \$2,000! Call 541-659-4278. Ask for Barbara.









#### **GET 3 GET YOURS FREE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM**

#### **AMBASSADORS & NEW MEMBERS**

AMBASSADOR	NEW MEMBERS	JOINED
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ED HILL	Paul Flenniken 2 RVCC Gift Cards TBD	Date: 1/14/2025 Date: 12/23/2024
TOM GARLAND	Ed Hill RVCC Gift Card TBD	Date: 2/6/2024 Date: 11/10/2024
BRETT BROWN	Jeff Floyd	Date: 4/27/2024
DAWN HANEY	Pete Engelhorn	Date: 5/5/2024
DAVE CARR	Kent Sanford	Date: 4/28/2024
KENT SANFORD	Arleen Robertson Lynda Giangreco	Date: 5/9/2024 Date: 7/27/2024
JEFF FLOYD	Christopher Evans	Date: 5/18/2024
KATHY SIMMONS	Sandy Worthington	Date 7/15/2024
MYKE WINGETT	Alex Bushyhead	Date: 7/27/2024
ANDY LOVATO	Russ Black	Date: 8/5/2024
RAYMOND MARSTON	Raymond Rosa	Date: 10/20/2024
GLENN DEAN	Dennis Hank	Date: 11/10/2024
DAN YADON	RVCC Gift Card TBD	Date: 11/10/2024
DARIN SCHNEIDER	Eran Schneider	Date: 1/16/2025
PAUL KRUGER	Mark Stiles Jim Nierhake	Date: 12/4/2024 Date: 12/4/2024
DEAN FREEMAN	RVCC Gift Card TBD	Date: 12/8/2024
CAROLYN HARTZELL	Allan Elliott	Date: 12/18/2024
JIM STRUFFERT	Bruce Benton David Sepich Mark Peterson	Date: 1/15/2025 Date: 2/26/2025 Date: 2/26/2025
DEBBIE WEINER	Toni Webb Sid Pacheco	Date: 1/22/2025 Date: 2/14/2025
WARREN HARGER	Monika Wyatt	Date: 1/31/2025
TOM SPENCER	Rick Johnson	Date: 2/8/2025

## **MEMBERSHIP REWARDS PROGRAM**

The purpose of this program is to reward club members with discounts at participating local merchants. Each member receives an RVCC Membership Rewards Card. Carry the RVCC Membership Rewards Card in your wallet. When making a purchase at a participating merchant, simply show them your membership card to receive your discount. The RVCC Membership Rewards program provides another value to members, one that can quite literally cover the cost of your yearly dues as a result of savings, in some cases with just a few purchases. Watch this list grow as more companies join this exciting new program.

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