



CLASSIC NEWS - FEBRUARY 2026

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PRESIDENTS AND VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WELCOMING THE NEW YEAR

It's no secret that the time has come to retire the 2025 calendar, as January signals the beginning of 2026. The new year presents limitless possibilities, and we hope that you don't miss any of them. Now is the time to do the things you have wanted to do, but for some reason, haven't done. Here's your chance to travel to places you have been meaning to visit or perhaps it's time to consider stepping out of your comfort zone and trying something different. Maybe, even finding some time to get out into the garage and work on your classic car or truck in preparation for putting some miles on it this spring. If this sounds something like a bucket list, it isn't meant to, but we must admit that the advent of the new year is the perfect time to plan on expanding our horizons and making the most of every day.

In the same way, each year the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers continually strives to add new and different events, socials and cruises for everyone's enjoyment, in addition to continuing to offer those the members traditionally like. The opportunity to get together in a casual social setting, often with our favorite vehicles is what RVCC is all about. The initial 2026 Event Planner is just the beginning of what to look forward to this year. But you can rest assured that it will continue to evolve throughout the course of the year, with more events added regularly. Be sure to check it each month so you don't miss anything.

Among the events on the RVCC Event Planner are the regularly scheduled monthly meetings at the Fruitdale Grange in Grants Pass. These meetings often set the tone for the direction the club takes and echo the interest of the members. As an example, we are in the process of scheduling a new lineup of interesting guest speakers for upcoming monthly meetings, organizing new social gatherings and interactive events, such as the Free Magazine Exchange at the last meeting that was so well received. It was great fun to see members perusing stacks of hundreds of magazines, picking out the ones they want and giving them a new home where they will be enjoyed once again with fresh eyes.

In closing, we are looking forward to a fun, interesting and yes, exciting new year that will be chock full of things to do, places to go and people to see. We hope you are able to join your fellow club members and participate in these events.

Carolyn Hartzell

Larry Weiner

We Had 77 Members in attendance at the January Club Meeting!

MEMBERS' BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR FEBRUARY 2026

Birthdays

Gary Barber	Bob Baumunk	Sandra Carpenter	Graham Corns
Eva Creech	Linda Dittimore	Sheila Dormier	Pete Engelhorn
Jeff Floyd	Thomas Gilliland	Timothy Hill	Michael Kennedy
Jolene Loch	Lindsey Kilpatrick	Carleton Langley	Ken Meckfessel
Larry Bayless	Michael Rugg	Danny Sawyer	Kathy Simmons
Greg Smith	Joy Morell	Rick Stephens	Randy Stewart
Dently Wagner			

Anniversaries

Dennis & Chris Brown	Richard & Esther Coleman	Ed & Cindy English
Mitch & Rhonda Ford	John & Geri Hatmaker	Michael & Paula Kennedy
Mike & Sheryl Mikel	Richard & Deb Reaza	Randy & Joey Stewart

CLUB MEETING ATTENDANCE REWARD FOR JANUARY

The winner of the January attendance reward of \$25 was Darrell Richter who was not present. Sorry Darrell! The reward for February 2026 will be \$50. We started over with the award amount at \$25 for January 2026.

50/50 WINNER FOR JANUARY

The 50/50 Pot was for \$120 and the winner was Ray Britton. Congratulations Ray!

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!



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

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



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.

RVCC 2026 EVENT SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY

- 7 Cave Junction Cruise to Breakfast Location: Cave Junction Senior Center, 520 E River St.
15 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange / Note: One Week Late Because of Super Bowl Safety Inspection Seminar Hosted by Tom Spencer, NSRA Safety Inspector

MARCH

- 7 Cave Junction Cruise to Breakfast Location: Cave Junction Senior Center, 520 E River St.
7 Grants Pass RVCC Dinner Social at Corvette Bar and Grille Time: 4:00PM to 7:00PM
Address: 1831 NE 6th St., Grants Pass
8 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange / New Officers Election

APRIL

- 4 Cave Junction RVCC Cruise to Taylor's Sausage Brunch
12 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange / Note: One Week late Because of Easter
18-19 Medford Medford Rod and Custom Show / Rogue X Event Center

MAY

- 2 Cave Junction Cruise to Breakfast Location: Cave Junction Senior Center, 520 E River St.
17 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange / Note: One Week Later due to Mother's
23 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive In 9:00AM to 11:00AM
30 Grants Pass RVCC Vehicle Cruise in Boatnik Parade / Lunch at Jimmy's Classic Drive In

JUNE

- 6 Grants Pass 541 Outlaws Car Show
14 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting and 4th Annual Veterans Celebration Program
20 Medford RVCC Cruise to Medford Car Show and Evening Cruise
27 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM

JULY

- 12 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange
17 Grants Pass Fabulous 50's Kick off Show and Shine / Merchants Poker Walk 7AM to 2PM
17 Grants Pass Fabulous 50's American Graffiti Free Car Show at Jimmy's Drive-In 5PM to 9PM
18 Grants Pass Fabulous 50's Charity Car Show at Josephine County Fairgrounds
19 Grants Pass Fabulous 50's Hot Rods and Handlebars Show at Corvette Bar and Grille
25 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM

AUGUST

- 1 Medford RVCC Cruise to Original Roadhouse Grill Lunch
9 Grants Pass RVCC Hawaiian Luau / BBQ Picnic and Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange
22 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Cave Junction Cruise to Breakfast Location: Cave Junction Senior Center, 520 E River St.
13 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange
26 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM

OCTOBER

- 3 RVCC 16th Annual Fall Color Hot Rod Poker Run
11 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange
24 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 9:00AM to 11:00AM

NOVEMBER

- 7 Cave Junction Cruise to Breakfast Location: Cave Junction Senior Center, 520 E River St.
8 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange
28 Grants Pass RVCC Toys for Tots Cruise Followed by Lunch at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In

DECEMBER

- 5 Cave Junction Cruise to Breakfast Location: Cave Junction Senior Center, 520 E River St.
13 Grants Pass RVCC Christmas Party and Meeting



**TO JOIN THE RVCC MEMBERSHIP DRIVE
SIGN UP THREE, GET YOURS FREE!**

***IT'S FUN AND EASY. JUST SIGN UP THREE NEW MEMBERS
FOR RVCC THIS YEAR AND YOUR DUES FOR 2027 ARE FREE***

**MAKE 2026 RVCC BEST YEAR YET!
CALL LARRY WEINER AT 760-612-6365 GET STARTED TODAY**

**RVCC AMBASSADORS WHO ARE GETTING THEIR MEMBERSHIP
FREE FOR 2026 AS THEY HAVE RECRUITED 3 NEW MEMBERS**

Hal DeSilva
Kent Sanford

Michael Dollarhide
Tom Spencer
Debbie Weiner

Raymond Rosa
Jim Struffert

GET 3 GET YOURS FREE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

RVCC AMBASSADORS & NEW MEMBERS

AMBASSADOR

LARRY WEINER

MARK BOTELLO

TOM GARLAND

DAWN HANEY

DAVE CARR

JEFF FLOYD

KATHY SIMMONS

MYKE WINGETT

ANDY LOVATO

RAYMOND MARSTON

GLENN DEAN

DAN YADON

DARIN SCHNEIDER

PAUL KRUGER

DEAN FREEMAN

CAROLYN HARTZELL

WARREN HARGER

KIRK SMITH

BRUCE READ

JOHN WEINRICH

HEATHER MCALPINE

JIM STEARNS

RALPH KRUSE

PENNEY REED

DONNA SPENCER

JUDY CALTABIANO

BRANDON BRETTL

BARRY WAUGAMAN

LINDA HARGER

NEW MEMBERS

Bob Baumunk
Ralph Mailloux

William Troop
Mike Brown

Ed Hill
RVCC Gift Card TBD

Pete Engelhorn

Kent Sanford

Christopher Evans

Sandy Worthington

Alex Bushyhead

Russ Black

Raymond Rosa

Dennis Hank

Ari Omessi
JW Ohler

Eran Schneider

Mark Stiles
Jim Nierhake

RVCC Gift Card TBD

Allan Elliott
John Hatmaker

Monika Wyatt

Greg Smith

Steve Phillips

Ken Heindsmann

Tony Meadows

Dan Gilkison

Carleton Langley

Michael Kennedy

Rick Stephens

Jeff Ksenzulak

Ron Howland

Justin Marchand

Paul Porner

JOINED

Date: 5/30/2025
Date: 7/29/2025

Date: 7/26,2025
Date: 7/26/2025

Date: 2/6/2024
Date: 11/10/2024

Date: 5/5/2024

Date: 4/28/2024

Date: 5/18/2024

Date 7/15/2024

Date: 7/27/2024

Date: 8/5/2024

Date: 10/20/2024

Date: 11/10/2024

Date: 1/10/2025
Date: 4/5/2025

Date: 1/16/2025

Date: 12/4/2024
Date: 12/4/2024

Date: 12/8/2024

Date: 12/18/2024
Date: 6/27/2025

Date: 1/31/2025

Date: 5/24/2025

Date: 5/24/2025

Date: 6/7/2025

Date: 6/25/2025

Date: 6/29/2025

Date: 7/21/2025

Date: 7/26/2025

Date: 10/18/2025

Date: 12/26/2025

Date: 1/8/2026

Date: 1/11/2026

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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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MEMBER'S CORNER

Feature Car of the Month

This month's feature car is the 1971 Chevy Nova that belongs to our club president, Carolyn Hartzell. It's been in her family for 55 years as it was purchased new by her late husband, Bill. The Nova was his daily driver for years, and Carolyn fondly remembers waterskiing trips to Castaic Lake in the Nova, towing their boat.

After retiring, Bill restored the Nova in 2004 and 2005. He did all of the work himself except paint and upholstery. The 350 engine now sports a Holley carburetor, Edelbrock intake manifold, and Doug's headers. It's backed by an overdrive automatic transmission, and the power brakes have been upgraded to 4-wheel discs. The factory air conditioning has been retrofitted to R-134, and there are six auxiliary gauges under the dashboard. Sleek aluminum wheels round out the upgrades on this Nova. After the restoration was completed, they drove it to many car shows all over Oregon, as well as Idaho and Montana.



If you'd like to see your car featured here, contact Tom Spencer at t3spencer@dslextreme.com or 541-474-5816.