



CLASSIC NEWS - MARCH 2025

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PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENTS MESSAGE "WHERE WERE YOU IN '62"

To some, "Where were you in '62" has become something of a timeworn cliché. But whether you were born during WWII, are a baby boomer, or weren't even a glint in your parents' thoughts when this saying was coined, it has become a signifier for an era that continues to shine brightly to those of us who lived it and others who wish that they had.

There is something uniquely special about this era that makes it unlike any other, either before or after. Much more than merely a year frozen in time, movies like *American Graffiti* and *The Hollywood Knights* celebrate the '60's as a coming of age for those of us who were fortunate to be a part of the era. It was a time of incredible optimism, and for most, the feeling was that all things were possible. Of special interest to us as members of the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers, the sixties inspired the creation of incredible vehicles that offered performance and timeless styling that was prized by youth then and continue to be coveted today by enthusiasts of all ages.

Regardless of your brand affiliation, there was something for everyone. Chevrolet Super Sports, Pontiac GTO's, Ford Mustangs, Galaxie 500 XL's and Hemi and Max Wedge powered Dodges and Plymouth's all did battle on the street and the strip regularly. Even conservative American Motors joined the fray with hotties like the AMX and Rambler Scrambler. It also saw the re-emergence of interest in hot rods, many of which gave up their traditional flatheads for modern muscle car power.

The excitement about cool cars even permeated mainstream rock and roll. Songs were written that celebrated America's passion for performance as the AM radio in your car blasted out songs like Little GTO by Ronnie and the Daytona's, Dead Man's Curve by Jan and Dean and Little Deuce Coupe by The Beach Boys, just to name a few.

Today, we can look back fondly on the indelible cultural impact of a time that according to the calendar may be in the past but is very much a part of our lives today, six decades later. And to show that as much as things change, they stay the same, witness the rebirth of performance today. The horsepower numbers are on a scale that was unimaginable then, but thanks to modern technology has resulted in a new crop of Mustangs, Challengers and Camaros, each of which is available with 600 or more horsepower cloaked in sleek bodies that stand out from their utilitarian counterparts. Yes, the themes and excitement that were woven into the lexicon of the 1960s lives on today, but that does not stop us from romanticizing about a glorious time not so long ago.

Carolyn Hartzell and Larry Weiner

NEW MEMBERS and THEIR CARS

Gary & Patricia Barber	1947 Ford Sedan
	1996 Ford F250 5/8 Scale Peterbilt
Bruce Benton	1970 Plymouth Road Runner
David & Mela Forsythe	1965 Mustang Modified, 1960 Thunderbird
Rick & Diane Johnson	1939 Ford Modified, 1939 Ford Conv. Modified, 1969 Dodge Dart GTS stock
Andrew & Ashley Krupp	1964 1/2 Mustang
Sid & Susan Pacheco	1934 Ford 3 Window Coupe, 2001 Honda S2000
Monika Wyatt	1967 Ford Mustang Convertible

MEMBERS' BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

FOR MARCH 2025

Birthdays

1 st Shaughnessy McGehee	1 st Susan Pacheco	1 st Mike Mikel
2 nd Joe Milder	3 rd Marc Botello	4 th Joe Coggan
5 th Ken Beatty	5 th John Bernardino	5 th William Bower
5 th Alan Brown	5 th Charlie Hedges	7 th Mindy Lindsey
8 th Don Nelson	8 th J on Olinghouse	9 th Mei Fode
10 th Juana Kitchel	11 th Chris Laheude	12 th Robert Lindberg
14 th Les Robertson	15 th Robert Fine	16 th Craig Ingram
17 th Dave Carr	17 th Amber Schneider	18 th Abner Lovato
19 th Richard Holstrom	19 th Rebecca Hove	19 th Debbie Timme
20 th Cindy Swanson	22 nd Pattye Ingram	22 nd Caleen Jordan
23 rd Missy Holstrom	25 th Beth Allison	27 th Babe Caltabiano
27 th Bill Foutts	28 th Aimei Dhondt	28 th Bob Fleishman
28 th Gina Olinghouse	29 th Judy Caltabiano	29 th Ed Hill
31 st Tom Derryberry		

Anniversaries

1 st Shaughnessy & Cindy McGehee	1 st David & Debbie Timme
9 th Tom & Sharon Garland	12 th Ronald & Bonnie Reeg
14 th Michael & Susan Charack	14 th Christopher & Penny Evans
14 th Ed & Barbra Premo	15 th Don & Diane Nelson
17 th Paul & Shelli Dunnagan	19 th Harvey & Earline Miller
19 th Richard Lynn Murdock	20 th Ron & Beth Allison
20 th Mack & Janet Timme	21 st Russ & Casey Black
23 rd John & Linda Dittimore	25 th Wally & Randy Norley
31 st Bill & Pam Bryant	

The Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers now has 213 Members!

CLUB MEETING ATTENDANCE REWARD FOR FEBRUARY

The winner of the February attendance reward of \$50 was Swammy Swanson who was present. Congratulations Sammy! The attendance reward will be at \$25 for March 2025.

50/50 WINNER FOR FEBRUARY

The 50/50 Pot was for \$161 and the winner was Sheila Dormier
Congratulations Sheila!

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!

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 VALLEY CLASSIC CRUISERS 2025 EVENT SCHEDULE

MARCH

1	Cave Junction	Cruise to Breakfast
1	Grants Pass	RVCC Private Dinner Party at Corvette Bar and Grille 4:00PM to 9:00PM 1831 NE 6 th St.
9	Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange / New Officers Election and Dinner

APRIL

5	Cave Junction	RVCC Cruise to Taylors's Sausage Brunch
13	Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange / Note: One Week Early Because of Palm Sunday
26-27	Medford	RVCC Vehicle Display at Medford Rod and Custom Show / Rogue X at the Medford Event Center

MAY

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

JUNE

1	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 rd 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 1357 Redwood Cir, Grants Pass, OR 97527
28	Cave Junction	Lions 22 nd Annual Car Show and Swap Meet
29	Rogue River	RVCC Cruise and Display at Rooster Crow Car Show

JULY

4	Grants Pass	RVCC Vehicle Display at Grants Pass 4 th of July Event at Rhinehardt Sports Park
5	Cave Junction	Cruise to Breakfast
5	Medford	RVCC Cruise to Display at Rods and Rides Car Show
13	Grants Pass	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 nd 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	Medford	Rogue Valley Manor Rods and Rides Car Show 10:AM – 1:30PM
14	Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange
20	Grants Pass	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

OCTOBER

4	Grants Pass	RVCC 16 th 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

NOVEMBER

1	Cave Junction	Cruise to Breakfast
9	Grants Pass	RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange
23	Grants Pass	RVCC Lunch Social at Wild River Time: 2:00 PM 595 NE E St., Grants Pass
29	Grants Pass	RVCC Toys for Tots Cruise Followed by Lunch at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In

DECEMBER

6	Cave Junction	Cruise to Breakfast
14	Grants Pass	RVCC Christmas Party and Meeting

FEATURE CAR OF THE MONTH

This month's Feature Car of the Month is the **1967 Mustang convertible** belonging to **Dennis and Hank Hank**. Actually, it's Hank's car, as shown on the license plate—**HMHANK**—Her Majesty Hank. She's had the car longer than she can remember, and had it restored over ten years ago by Phil Norman, who used to have a shop in Grants Pass. The car was upgraded to GTA specs when restored and includes a number of desirable options, including the GT equipment group, deluxe interior, tilt steering column, console, power steering, power front disc brakes, and styled steel wheels. Upgrades include a 5.0L engine out of a 1992 Mustang, Mustang II front suspension (and elimination of the original shock towers), and teal paint—a 1995 Cadillac color. The white top and stripe contrast nicely with the dark teal body. Hank loves her Mustang and drives it as often as possible. She also converted her husband Dennis to Mustangs—he was a Chevy lover when they met, but now they own her 1967 and two other Mustangs—a 1966 and a 1968!





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AMBASSADORS & NEW MEMBERS

<u>AMBASSADOR</u>	<u>NEW MEMBERS</u>	<u>JOINED</u>
SWANNY SWANSON	Tom Hanson Ron Lopes RVCC Gift Card TBD	Date: 7/25/2024 Date: 7/25/2024 Date: 12/11/2024
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	Date: 1/15/2025
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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