



## **CLASSIC NEWS - MAY 2024**

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### **CLUB PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

#### **Them Changes**

I was listening to the radio while I was driving a few days ago. Among the songs that were played was one titled "Them Changes" from the 1970s. The music brought back a flood of memories from another era and caused me to reflect on how so many things are different today compared to when I was a young person starting out on the path of life. Yes, it is an acknowledged fact that change is inevitable, and I'm sure that our predecessors from each succeeding generation have waxed nostalgically about how simple life was when they were young compared to the way things changed as they grew older.

The fact is, there are days when I feel the same way. It's safe to say that at this point in my life "I have seen more than half of the movie," and I feel that qualifies me to reflect on how so many things have changed. Certainly, the advancements in science and medicine during my lifetime are nothing short of remarkable. It's amazing that today there are cures and procedures that would have seemed more like science fiction a mere 50 years ago. On the other hand, there are changes that I am not a fan of, but I understand that change is a way of life. In fact, I have come to the conclusion that rather than the commonly held conception that death and taxes are the two immutable things in life, I counter that there are actually three, with the third being change.

The effect of change certainly holds true for the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers. Change is not only in the air but is permeating every element of the club as we know it. I have been a member of RVCC for a long time, and while there have been random changes through the years, they pale in comparison to the pace at which things are happening now. The steady recruitment of new members with fresh innovative ideas is matched with an increase in exciting new activities. In short, these changes have infused the club with a level of energy and enthusiasm unlike any before and the rate of change shows no signs of slowing down. The great thing about these changes is that they have invigorated the club and have put it on the path to a bright future. I can only hope that the progress not only continues, but even accelerates. Yes, change is in the air, and in this case it is good.

**Carolyn**



## VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



### ALL HANDS ON DECK

My father served in the United States Navy during World War II. As I was growing up in the 1950's, from time to time at home, he would call for "all hands on deck" if there was something important that needed to be done. When it comes to new membership recruitment for the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers, "all hands on deck" seems an appropriate statement to make, as it will take all of our members help to insure the future of the club.

It's a well-known fact that many of the car clubs that flourished just ten or twenty years ago no longer exist today. One of the main reasons behind their demise is the fact that they failed to have an aggressive new member recruitment program. Attrition is common in any organization, whether it is a car club or a business. Some people relocate to other parts of the country, some suffer from failing health, while others switch gears, change careers, or in our case, hobbies and interests. Regardless of the reason, new members are continuously needed to fill the void created by the loss of members who are no longer in the club or organization.

As the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers celebrates its 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary this year, it is incumbent on us to spread the word about RVCC to fellow car and truck enthusiasts. One of the great things about Grants Pass and the surrounding communities is the abundance of car enthusiasts who populate this area. Hot rods, muscle cars, customs and classic cars of all kinds are a common sight, especially when the sun shines. It may be hard to believe, but many of the owners of these vehicles do not know about the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers. Some may be new to the area, or are in search of a club, but simply have not heard about RVCC and the numerous activities we host.

RVCC has a dedicated information brochure for prospective new members that explains the wide range of activities the club organizes. These include RVCC cruises, monthly socials, regularly scheduled meetings at the Fruitdale Grange, Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In and the Annual Fabulous 50's Charity Car Show at the Josephine County Fairgrounds to name just a few.

As an incentive to RVCC members, the Ambassador Program rewards our members who sign up new people to join the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers. Just recruit three new members and your membership dues for the next year are free. In addition, you receive an RVCC Ambassador pin that lets everyone know that you are helping to preserve our club for future generations.

To keep RVCC a healthy, successful car club requires everyone's help. If you meet an enthusiast who isn't a member of RVCC, tell them about the club and invite them to join us at an event, a social or simply come up to Udders on a Friday night or Jimmy's Classic Drive-In for the RVCC Cars and Coffee the third Saturday morning each month. It's up to each of us to work together to ensure the future of our club

**Larry**



**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 2025 ARE FREE***

**MAKE 2024 RVCC BEST YEAR YET!**

**CALL LARRY WEINER AT 760-612-6365 GET STARTED TODAY**

# NEW MEMBERS & THEIR CARS

Darrell & Rosemary Richter  
Mark & Janet Stiver  
Charlie & Sharon Fitzhugh  
Mike Putnam  
Chuck Shad

1955 Ford F100, 1928 Ford Model A & 1966 Dodge Dart Conv.  
1960 Austin Healy, 1980 Triumph Spitfire & 1961 Morgan Plus 4  
1951 Mercury Coupe  
1956 Chevrolet 2 Door Wagon  
1966 Corvette Roadster & 1941 Chevrolet Pickup



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

### **AMBASSADORS & NEW MEMBERS**

<u>AMBASSADOR</u>	<u>NEW MEMBERS</u>	<u>JOINED</u>
KATHY SIMMONS	Michael Dollarhide Tom Garland Linda Kindt	Date: 8/26/2023 Date: 8/26/2023 Date: 9/5/2023
LARRY WEINER	Abner Lovato John Swartsfager John Weinrich	Date: 8/26/2023 Date: 8/26/2023 Date: 9/10/2023
JIM STRUFFERT	Doug Kiepert Dently Wagner Mark & Janet Stiver	Date: 10/7/2023 Date: 10/9/2023 Date: 3/20/2024
PAUL POULIOT	Roger Bailey Charlie Fitzhugh Mike Putnam	Date: 1/9/2024 Date: 4/14/2024 Date: 4/14/2024
CONNIE GATES	Larry Houser	Date: 8/26/2023S
ABNER LOVATO	Andy Lovato	Date: 10/21/2023
BOB LINDBERG	Tony Reed	Date: 11/4/2023
CAROLYN HARTZELL	Tim Reyes	Date: 11/10/2023
SCOTT WILSON	Jon Jordan	Date: 11/12/2023
LARRY HOUSER	Mitch Ford	Date: 11/12/2023
TOM GARLAND	Ed Hill	Date: 2/6/2024
AMBER SCHNEIDER	Darrell & Rosemary Richter	Date: 3/29/2024

# **MEMBERS' BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

## **FOR MAY**

### **Birthdays**

2<sup>nd</sup> Bill hartzell  
13<sup>th</sup> Mike Putnam

3<sup>rd</sup> Jamee Chapman  
14<sup>th</sup> Sandy Lovato

6<sup>th</sup> Bob Simmons  
17<sup>th</sup> Charlie Fitzhugh

### **Anniversaries**

12<sup>th</sup> Dean & Pam Freeman

15<sup>th</sup> Jim & Becky Stearns

31<sup>st</sup> Jon & Caleen Jordan

## **CLUB MEETING ATTENDANCE REWARD FOR APRIL**

The winner of the April attendance reward was Lou Baker who was not present. Sorry Lou. The May reward will be at \$100.

# **We now have 113 Members in the Club!**

## **50/50 WINNER FOR APRIL**

The 50/50 Pot was for \$100 and the winner was Fleeta Lackey.  
Congratulations Fleeta!

## **INTERESTING WEBSITES ON CARS**

You might find the following websites of interest about found old cars and cars for sale: [barnfinds.com](http://barnfinds.com) and [bringatrailer.com](http://bringatrailer.com)

# 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](http://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.

**Cars & Coffee at Jimmy's Drive-In** on the third Saturday of every month from May thru October - 9-10:30 AM. 515 NE E Street - Grants Pass Weather permitting!



# ROGUE VALLEY CLASSIC CRUISERS EVENTS FOR 2024

## APRIL

27,28 Medford RVCC 24 Member Vehicle Display at Medford Rod and Custom Show  
Rogue X Sports Complex 901 Rossanley Dr., Medford, OR

## MAY

4 Cave Junction RVCC Cruise to Breakfast  
5 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange / Note: One Week Early)  
Speaker: Bob Simmons Car Trivia Contest  
18 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive In 9:00AM to 10:30AM  
25 Grants Pass RVCC Vehicle Cruise in Boatnik Parade / Lunch at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In  
26 Brookings Curry County Cruisers Car Show at Zola's on the Water  
16374 Lower Harbor Rd, Brookings, OR 97415

## JUNE

1 Grants Pass 541 Outlaw Car Show 8AM – 2PM Caveman Plaza Between 4-6<sup>th</sup> St & G St.  
8 Merlin Merlin Baptist Church Annual Car Show  
9 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting and 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Veterans Celebration Program  
15 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive In 9:00AM to 10:30AM  
15 Medford Medford Car Show Fichtner Mainwaring Park and Night Cruise  
26 Grants Pass RVCC Ice Cream Social at Cascades 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM  
1357 Redwood Cir, Grants Pass, OR 97527  
29 Grants Pass RVCC Summer Rod and Custom Country Cruise

## JULY

6 Cave Junction RVCC Cruise to Breakfast  
6 Medford RVCC Dave Borup Memorial Cruise to Rods and Rides Car Show  
13 Roseburg RVCC Cruise to Graffiti Weekend Car Show and Optional Night Cruise  
Show Location: Melrose Vineyards 885 Melqua Rd. Roseburg  
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 10:30AM  
26 Grants Pass RVCC Fabulous 50's Downtown Pre-Show 8:00AM – 2:00PM  
26 Grants Pass RVCC Fab 50's Party at Jimmy's Classic Drive-In 5:00PM to 9:00PM  
27 Grants Pass Fabulous 50's Charity Car Show at the Josephine County Fairgrounds

## AUGUST

3 Azalea RVCC Cruise to Heaven on Earth Breakfast  
11 Grants Pass RVCC BBQ Picnic and Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange  
17 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive In 9:00AM to 10:30AM  
24 Grants Pass RVCC 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Road Rally

## SEPTEMBER

7 Cave Junction RVCC Cruise to Breakfast  
8 Grants Pass RVCC Meeting at the Fruitdale Grange  
14 Grants Pass Veterans Suicide Awareness and Car Show. 5<sup>th</sup> & D St. 10 AM -2 PM  
14 Merlin Rat Rod Rukus Show  
15 Medford Gathering of the Oaks Invitational Car Show  
21 Grants Pass RVCC Cars and Coffee at Jimmy's Classic Drive In 9:00AM to 10:30AM

## OCTOBER

5 Grants Pass RVCC Fall Color Rod Run  
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 10:30AM

## NOVEMBER

2 Cave Junction Cruise to Breakfast  
10 Grants Pass Meeting -Fruitdale Grange

## DECEMBER

7 Cave Junction Cruise to Breakfast  
8<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party at Fruitdale Grange

# RVCC BRUNCH AT PUNKY'S PIES



# RVCC BRUNCH AT BLACK FOREST RESTAURANT





# MEMBER PROSPECTIVE

## Roger Bailey has the Feature Car of the Month

This month's feature car is the 1932 Ford roadster owned by new club member Roger Bailey. Although it looks like a fresh build (the odometer shows only 5,000 miles), it was actually built 25 years ago by Sunrise Color here in Grants Pass. The car has a very traditional look from its large commercial headlights to its '39 Ford teardrop tail lights. This full fendered beauty is painted Brilliant Red with subtle orange graphics, and sports a black leather interior. And the underside of the car is just as nice as the top—everything is either painted red, polished or chromed. It's powered by a 350 Chevy with aluminum heads and an Edelbrock carb, has a Turbo 350 transmission, and a Ford 9" rear. The front suspension is a chromed I-beam with a monoleaf spring and radius rods, and rear suspension is a 4-bar (also chromed) with coilover shocks. Front disc and rear drum brakes stop it with the help of a dual master cylinder and power booster. Wheels are black steelies with beauty rings and early Ford hubcaps, and the black convertible top complements the same colored wheels and interior. Roger says the car drives and stops great! Unfortunately, health issues are forcing him to sell the car, asking price is \$60K. If interested contact Roger at 541-295-5909.



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

# MEMBERSHIP REWARDS PROGRAM

Introducing the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers Membership Rewards Program. The purpose of this program is to reward club members with discounts at participating local merchants. Each member will receive an RVCC Membership Rewards Card with his or her name and member number. Carry the RVCC Membership Rewards Card with you 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 the posted list of participating member companies grow every month in the RVCC Newsletter as more companies join this exciting new program.

## JIMMY'S CLASSIC DRIVE-IN

515 NE E St. Grants Pass, OR 97526 Phone: 541-479-3850  
www.jimmysgp.com Authentic 50's Food in a 1950's Era Drive-In Restaurant **10% Discount**

## TLC CREATIONS

227 SE 6<sup>th</sup> St. Grants Pass, OR 97526 Phone: 541-295-8654  
www.tlccreations.live Custom Embroidery, Clothing and Unique Gifts **10% Discount**

## GG SUGARPLUM'S BAKESHOP

224 SE 6<sup>th</sup> St. Grants Pass, OR 97526 Phone: 541-944-7528  
www.ggsugarplums@yahoo.com Cupcakes, Cookies, Sweet Treats **10% Discount**

## LOGAN DESIGN

707 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street Grants Pass, OR 97526 Phone: 541-474-7127 www.oregonsigns.com  
Signs, Banners, Business Cards, Stationary, Vehicle Graphics, Apparel **10% Discount**

## THE APPRAISER GUYS

3748 Calle Vista Dr. Medford, OR 97504 Phone: 855-202-1172 www.appraiserguys.com  
Vehicle Appraisals Contacts: Bill Cobb or Jim Mohatt **10% Discount**

## UDDERS ICE CREAM & GELATO

1893 ne 7<sup>TH</sup> St. Grants Pass, OR 97526 Phone: 541-507-1248 [hello@uddersic.com](mailto:hello@uddersic.com)  
Ice Cream and Gelato **10% Discount**

## MR. NORM'S ORIGINAL GRAND SPAULDING SPEED SHOP

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2008 – 2023 Challenger Parts & Accessories and Limited Edition Vehicles **Variable Discount**

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White City Arcata Medford Mt. Shasta Myrtle Creek  
Weed Shady Cove Cave Junction Canyonville Ashland Phoenix

# ITEMS FOR SALE BY CLUB MEMBERS

## For Sale—1933 Ford chassis by Roger Bailey

- All new—complete—ready for body installation
- Powdercoated frame
- Heidts independent front suspension
- Wilwood brakes
- Independent rear suspension with Ford 9" center section and inboard disc brakes
- Flathead engine—built by H&H Flatheads—dyno'd at 225 horsepower
- Bored and stroked
- Polished Navarro heads and dual carb intake
- Ford C-4 automatic transmission
- Matching engine and trans oil coolers
- Polished aluminum driveshaft
- 17" and 18" Billet Specialties wheels
- Full exhaust system

Also includes front fenders, running boards, wiring kit, electric power steering column, radiator, bench seat, roadster top with bows, and more. Health conditions force sale. \$60K invested, asking \$45K, contact **Roger Bailey at 541-295-5909**



## **For Sale—1964 Chrysler by Ron Klopfer**

1964 Chrysler 2dr. HardTop, 361 c.i. V8, push button automatic, Power Steering, original paint, following parts are new with-in the last 6 months: Gas tank, Fuel pump, Carburator, Master Cylinder. Tires on Alum rims. Also a new Carpet kit but not installed. This is a running driving and stopping car that can be driven during restoration. Floors have been replaced, welded in and seam sealed. Car is located in Grants Pass  
\$6,000 Contact **Ron Klopfer 916-539-5432.**



## **Looking for Parts for 2000 Chevy K3500 Pickup**

Member, Steven Haney, is looking for a variety of parts for his 2000 Chevy K3500 Pickup. See list below and if you have any of these or know where he might find them, contact **Steven at 541-261-9791**

1. (8ft) long bed
2. Transmission cross member
3. 4x4 shifter on the floor
4. Grille and headlights assembly and it needs to be the big single headlights
5. Front bumper and rear bumper assembly
6. The chrome side trim (both sides) for a 1957 Chevy Bel Air
7. Driveline
8. Sun visor with lighted mirrors