

Why Not Run

By Randy

Why would you not chose to stage an impromptu run when you have had your Corvette shut off from most of the rest of your activities all winter long and the weather and roads becomes dry enough in February to avoid having to utilize traction control equipment on each turn you make? This is exactly what Vinnie thought on Feb 14th when he discovered the weather was predicted to be dry and decent the following weekend. So with a little collaboration and a quick email to the club, a "Just Because" run was quickly hatched and implemented. And it turned out to be a great idea. Isn't that what this club is about? Great ideas? (Here is where the choir says "Amen".)



So at 10 AM on Sunday morning, February 17th, eight CdeO member cars gathered to pay homage to the mother road and enjoy the fruits of mechanized

transportation. Oh, and drink a little espresso too. It's a wonderful thing. Vinnie & Tammy, Frankie & Rich, Jim & Jane, Frank & Kim, Dave & Shelly, Nick & Sugar, Tim & Virginia, and myself met at the Royal Bean Cathedral and headed east but not before the barista asked if she would be laughed at if she took a picture of the cars for her boyfriend. Laughed at? We'll arrange them for you however you like!!!!!! Did you ever meet a Corvette owner that didn't want his car photographed? That would just be blasphemous!

Leaving east on Tumwater Blvd, we turned south on Old Hwy. 99 and east on Rich Road, then east again on Fir Tree and south on Rainier Hwy. From Rainier we headed south on SR507 to Johnson Creek



and then west on Skookumchuck Rd to again join SR507 south to Centralia.

There we stopped for a second round of espresso and snacks at the Starbucks Shop on Harrison Ave near I-5. By now the sun had come from behind the high fog and Tim and Virginia were

very relieved since they had departed Elma earlier under sunny skies only to arrive under cloud cover. They had even considered taking the top off their car as the traveled to Olympia.

The drive around Johnson Creek is one of my favorite and offers some interesting local roadway with lots of curves, dips, and small hills. Always good for a smile.



Leaving Starbucks we drove through Ford's Prairie to Rochester and onto Moon Rd where again we found the curving road a nice little Sunday challenge. You will recall this from a former All City Rally. Another smile! We followed this till we arrived at Delphi Rd and headed north to intersect with Hwy 101 near the Evergreen State College. A great little three hour jaunt and a charge for both the Corvette's and the Corvetter's battery. It was a great idea and if you have one, just yell! We love to pay homage!



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