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Allyn Road Trip April 2017 by Jim Robinson

On or about 9:00 am, April 23rd, with weather cold and rainy, 27 people showed up with 14 stunning Corvettes at Hagen's in Olympia to encroach upon a road trip well planned by Don Patnoe and me, Jim Robinson.



Some remained in their cars due to lack of umbrellas or foul-weather gear but most walked around visiting with other club members as though it was a beautiful sunny day, admiring each car as it showed up. Of course there were those that headed straight for Starbucks located just inside Hagens to get that greatly needed drink.

Well we didn't hear that familiar cow bell this time but the sound of a squeaky little squeeze horn held by our co-ringer, Cynthia Patnoe, that was to bring attention to what was to be called, " Sunday Drive To Allyn ", with lunch at Leonard K's.

Don and Cynthia is to be the lead car and will escort the first of two platoons, Anne was gunner of first platoon, seven cars in all, second platoon was lead by Will and Marilyn, with Arthur and Carla controlling traffic as the last car.

We left Hagen's parking lot promptly at 9:30 am and picked up Frank Zanger as we entered the freeway, he was able to join the first platoon but due to heavy traffic, we had difficulty getting in correct formation till headed north on Hwy 101, also rain was heavy at time. Once we got aligned, it was smooth sailing up to Shelton / Bremerton exit where we took WA-3N through town and to the Texaco Station, about one hour into our trip, this is where the fun really started, as I mentioned earlier about Starbucks, well this Texaco only has one bathroom, need I say more about that, other than it was none too soon.

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For many it was snack time and an opportunity to look around and see just who all had been able to come out and make the trip, we had some new faces and a new prospective member, Ryan Smith visiting, also a couple of long standing members, Bonnie and Bill Smith, joined the group. After the visiting and well deserved break, about 30 minutes, we were as Willie would say, on the road again, continuing on WA-3N to Agate road where we turned several times to reach Harstine Island Bridge, as we entered the Island, we picked up Bob and Susan, into the second platoon. The Island is home to the both of them and is the destination of a planned picnic for the club sometime this summer, the loop around the Island has a nice road with lots of curves and humps, almost get airborne if you care to.

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Corvettes de Olympia is a non-profit organization formed in 1972. Our purpose is to:

1. Develop friendship and pride among Corvette owners and drivers,
2. Encourage skillful, safe and sportsmanlike driving habits on the highways,
3. Improve relations between the community and Corvette people,
4. Actively promote, sponsor, organize, and supervise sports car competition, outings, meetings and other Corvette or sports car activities.

Annual membership dues are Family—\$55.00, Single—\$27.50. Monthly meetings are normally held at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at Hawk's Prairie Restaurant. Meetings are open to any and all Corvette enthusiasts.

Visit us on the web at: www.corvettesdeolympia.org

Next Meeting

May 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant, Lacey, WA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello CdeO Crew,

Well our tour season is well on it's way and Ttanks to so many that have stepped up to do what they can to make our season special. We had a Great time on our Wenatchee trip and car show. Please look at all the great photos that were taken to allow those that weren't able to go see what a great time we had.

It is with great pleasure that I'd like to announce our Vette Fest Chairperson for the 2017 year is Ms Shoshanah Baine. We plan to have a kick off session right after our normal monthly business meeting. So if you're interested in assisting in anyway please stay and see what you can do to make our show a success.

Save the Wave,

Arthur

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Allyn Road Trip April 2017 by Jim Robinson cont.

Back on track, we returned to WA-3N to Allyn, stopping at Leonard K's for lunch break, known for their famous Clam Chowder, reservations had been made in advance with tables waiting, we all rushed in to be seated.



Bonnie served and made our visit a pleasure, I had the Chowder and crab cakes, also I learned what a drink named Arnold Palmer is, Ice tea and lemon-aid, which Shoshannah ordered. I had an "Arthur Green", that's Pepsi with very little ice.

After our stomachs were full and conversation had slowed down, it was time to move on to the second leg of our trip.

From the boathouse we headed toward Belfair on WA-3N then turned left onto State Road 106, this is one of my favorite drives because it takes you along the North Shore Hood Canal, a very good scenic road which passes through several interesting communities, one of those is Union. It is home to Hunter Farms Nursery and they have Ice cream in many flavors, Oysters, Clams, plants, fresh vegies, and even Cougar Gold Cheese, we got some of all.



At around 3:00 pm we left Hunter farms and drove to US101 South, which was to complete this day trip, only 36 miles back to Olympia, I believe we had a great day.

WCC Apple Blossom Festival 3 Day Tour by Anne Wax & Wendy Forcier

Friday

Friday, we gathered at Hawk's Prairie at 11:30 am to drive to Wenatchee. Our first surprise was the smoking hot red Z06 in the parking lot – recently purchased by Arthur and Carla. Nice car!

The group, led by Arthur and Carla included Brian R, Jim and Karen, Carolyn, Bob M and his fiancée Susan, George and Lynn, Anne, Derek and Mandy, and Mandy's mom and stepfather Gloria and Rob. To our delight, we were also joined by Ryan, a prospective member in his white C7.

We gathered for our driver's meeting, and then off we went. Anne took the middle car position with Derek and Mandy as the anchor, followed by Gloria and Rob in their Honda mini-van.

Our first stop was at the Safeway in North Bend. There our members learned that ordering a rice bowl with just a little rice was a bit more challenging than you'd think. No worries, joking about the rice bowl experience gave us a chance to laugh all weekend.

We then headed over I-90 to Cle Elum with another Safeway stop. From there it was on to Wenatchee over scenic Blewett Pass. We had some performance driving, but it was mostly a scenic drive due to motorhomes and other slower cars on the pass.

We arrived at our hotel to chips, salsa, chili, cookies, soup and drinks. The Wenatchee Valley Corvette Club picked a great hotel for our stay. Our rooms were large and beautifully appointed, and there was a hose available so we could wash our cars.

After an hour at the hotel, we headed a few miles away to the Monitor Hot Rod Café for a cruise in with around 50 Corvettes and a few other classic cars. The Wenatchee club welcomed us, and we picked up our registration packets and T shirts and enjoyed the cars. At dinner, we ate way too many of the delicious french fries and waffle fries with our burgers, chili dogs and milk shakes.

Around 8 pm, one group headed to the store, while another headed back to the hotel. It was a great start to the weekend.



Saturday

Saturday morning Don P arrived before 7 am, after a power drive from Olympia. He had a great opportunity to enjoy the open road. We all then gathered and headed over to the Wenatchee Valley Corvette Club's show at the Rocky Reach Dam. The show was held on a large grass field with the roaring waters of the Columbia surging over the dam in the background.

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When we arrived, we were guided to the photographer. He took a picture of our car in front of the dam, with a backdrop of the cascading water fall and spray. We then parked together, cleaned our cars and checked out the other cars and the raffle.

Around 10:30, a group of us headed over to the Visitor's Center for a tour. We relaxed near the restaurant until Lupe our tour guide arrived. She gave a fascinating tour of the dam that included history, construction and maintenance. We watched video of divers cleaning the grills of the dam in heated wet suits, and then learned about the adult salmon returning to spawn, and the mile long tube that safely guides 98% of fingerling salmon past the dam on their way to the ocean. We then toured the museum with an excellent historical exhibit, followed by a tour in a restricted area that included the turbines.

Billy and Wendy led Rob & Hillary out to Cashmere and got there early afternoon, just in time for the free hotdogs and sodas. The raffle had started but Billy still ended up bagging 3 of the last few prizes. While Some of the crew lounged by the cars, and some went on the drive tours, some of us, Karen Johnson, Carla Green, Carolyn Addul, and Marilyn Trogden went walking on a Geo-caching adventure and learned some interesting facts about all the 12 Dams in WA. We were given a treasure of our own, a beautifully crafted coin with the Chelan Dam emblem, as well as a neck chain of golden gold fish. We called ourselves the Goldfish chain sisters. We also found delicious ice cream and indoor bathrooms in the visitor center. We were happy.



Soon came time to end the show at the Dam but most of us were not ready stop showing off our cars. We returned to the hotel for a quick 30 minute break where we were met by the very accommodating hotel staff, some fresh warm cookies. Then 6 cars headed for downtown. We stopped at a local park buy the river where we found some sidewalk sales. After a leisure dance with the side walk merchants we headed back to the hotel for another bit of a chilling out before it was time to head out for dinner.

For dinner we all met at the cars again and 8 corvettes and a mini van crossed Easy Street to the Windmill for a much ready for dinner. The whole crew presented Wendy with a card signed by all and bouquet of flowers making her treat up a bit over the Los of her father. She was very grateful. Then we all had the whole restaurant singing to the tune of Happy Birthday to Mandy's Mom. Mom was met with ever burning candles and bafflement, it was fun time had by all.

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After a wonderfully delicious meal. We rushed back to the hotel where some of us were anxiously awaiting a dip in



the hotel hot tub. A wonderful way to end a beautiful day



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WCC Apple Blossom Festival 3 Day Tour cont. from pg. 6**Sunday**

We all met in the hotel lobby for breakfast, so many wonderful choices and the staff to serve it up for us.

After the drivers meeting, we headed out at 9:45 with blue skies and 54 degrees warm and sunny. We headed for Cashmere, to a nice shop called Aplets and Cotletts Factory and Gift Shop where all of us agreed that we felt like children in a candy shop. We, especially Wendy, ate a lot of the free samples and broke the bank on buying lots of candy.

Back on highway 97 heading home we took some of those beautiful mountain road curves. Thank goodness for the slow moving vehicles in front of us, we might have been tempted too take the wild ride instead of following the speed limit.

We made a stop at Cottage café in Cle Elum for lunch, squeezed into the busy crowded booths.

Soon we were back on highway 97 heading for our next stop in Northbend, where the rain had come to challenge us. We were winning the challenge until we got closer to the summit on Snoqualmie Pass. With poor visibility we kept each other in site. The rain cleared for the most part allowing us to safely reach Safeway in Northbend.

Here we said our good byes in the drivers meeting, turned in borrowed radios, took to the highway again. We finished I90 and headed for highway 167 from highway 18W. The line of corvettes got smaller d/t everybody peeling out of formation on this last leg to head home, at this time finally, the road was dry, sky blue, and wind was warm.

Nice way to have a 3 day journey end for another memorable CdeO family time vacation.

General Membership Meeting

Hawks Prairie Inn
April 12th 2017 7:00-8:00

Call to Order/Introductions/Approval of Minutes (Arthur)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant in Lacey, followed by introductions. March minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report (Mandy)

Mandy reported on the current balance. For a full report, please contact Mandy or check the website.

Committee Reports

Sunshine Chair (Arthur for Donna O.)

Happily, no sunshine cards for this month.

Sponsorship Update (Arthur for Peggy R)

All sponsors are paid up.

Membership Update (Anne)

Anne welcomed potential members: Bill and Bonnie B and Scott and Heather N. Anne explained the current method for confirming the contact information: names, email and phone numbers. She passed around a clipboard for members to confirm.

Webmaster (Wendy)

Events Calendar on the website is on the Events Tab. A lot of events are planned this season with many different leaders. It will be a lot of fun with everyone taking part in the tours. The website calendar also shows events from other clubs. CdeO events are in yellow.

John T. won the People's Choice at the Lions Club Pancake Breakfast. Wendy apologized for announcing his name incorrectly in the March newsletter.

Historian Update (Carla and Karen R.)

No news

Scholarship Fund (Mark)

We have sponsored students at SPSCC. They will be having dinner with us at one of the future meetings.

Tour Planning Meeting (Don P.)

Sixteen members attended the tour planning meeting at Don and Cynthia's cabana. It took members 3 hours to split up the leadership of the tours. For each tour, there is a Team Organizer who plans the tour, a Team Navigator who narrates the tour, and a Team Leader who leads the stream of Corvettes down the road. Some dates remain open if anyone has an idea of a tour destination.

Don also took a moment to congratulate Arthur on his retirement after 33 years of service. See the video of his ceremony on Facebook.

NWACC (Arthur)

Autocross: May 13th is the annual autocross class at Sanderson Field in Shelton. Quite a few members raised their hands with interest. Paul said it was super fun to learn what he and his car could do! The first autocross takes place the next day, May 14th. Come on out!

This season NWACC has 3 judged car shows: (1) June 24 – Glass Odyssey and Grey's Chevrolet in Port Orchard, (2) Aug 5-6, Rose City in Portland with autocross at the Portland Raceway, and (3) August 27 - our CdeO VetteFest at Titus-Will Chevrolet.

Events and Activities (Josette and Marilyn)

The new calendar that Marilyn handed out at the meeting lists the tours that Don mentioned earlier.

Where we've been:

Sat March 25: Lacey Sunrise Lions Club Pancake Breakfast: We cruised over to the Lacey Senior Center where Randy guided our parking. We've produced a fun group of 24 cars. Many of us sat together as you can see in Event photos on the website.

John T won the People's Choice Vote for the favorite car. Randy thanked the club for participating and gave John his award.

After the Breakfast, Shanah and Marilyn led us on a local tour designed by Cynthia. Good pictures by Carla on the website.

Sun, March 26: Tour Planning Meeting at Don and Cynthia's cabana. See notes above under **Tour Planning Meeting** (Don P.)

Where we're going:

Sat, April 22nd, 36th Annual Tulip Rallye sponsored by the MG Car Club

Sun, April 23: Drive to Allyn with Lunch at Leonard K's This event had a lot of likes in the Event Survey. It's a drive to the little town of Allyn on the Hood Canal. If it's a clear day, we eat outside at the restaurant. Don and Cynthia will lead this tour.

Sat, April 29: Apple Blossom Festival weekend in Wenatchee. The Wenatchee Valley Corvette Club includes a meet and great at a drive in, a social car show (no judging), 2 tours you can choose from, a optional fancy dinner at Silvara Vineyards outside Leavenworth for \$50 a head. Quite a few people raised their hands with interest.

Arthur and Carla and Anne will lead a group over Friday at 11:30 am from Hawk's Prairie. Billy and Wendy will lead anyone who commits in advance from Hawk's Prairie Saturday at 8 am. Please let Anne know if you would like to attend and which day you will drive over.

CdeO Corvettes For Sale

CdeO is doing Springs Cleaning this year. We have some corvettes for sale at great pricing, Please help spread the word.

First up:

1998 Chevrolet Corvette Coupe.

Torch red with custom paint job and lots of custom chrome. 61,000 miles. LS1 V8 Engine with a 4 speed automatic. The 1998 Corvette was named Motor Trend's Car of the Year. This car is a garage queen. I have owned the car since ????. It has brought home a number of trophies from car shows over the years. You would be hard pressed to find a Corvette of this vintage in better condition. \$18,000.00.



Contact: John Zink at zcorvette2@comcast.net

2nd Up

1973 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray T- top Coupe. \$12,000

It has the numbers matching 4-speed transmission, the numbers matching 350 engine, T-tops, and removable rear window. Black interior, AC is there but has not been charged. The car needs the interior replaced because it is very worn, but this is a decent driver. The car is solid, the paint on the front bumper was cracking so it was smoothed and repainted in Black. This car is a great project for someone to finish off, we just have too many cars and we are getting ready to move, so we need to downsize our fleet. The headlights need Springs that's why they're open in one of the photos. it has a clean and clear title that is titled in my name,

it has never been totaled or branded in anyway. If you have questions please feel free to ask. Serious inquiries only, This is an excellent price for a 1973. Especially one that is Turnkey for a . Lots



Contact: Meagan Renwick notdads@hotmail.com



Upcoming Events

May

- Wed 10th CdeO Meeting at Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.*
 Sat 13th Packwood Autocross hosted by Viper Club at Hampton Lumber Mill in Packwood, WA *(newly added)*
 Sat 13th ~~NWACC Novice Autocross Training~~ *(Cancelled)*
 Sun 14th ~~NWACC Autocross #1 at Sanderson Field in Shelton*~~ *(Cancelled)*
 Sun 21st SW Washington Day Tour to Tokeland, WA*

June

- Fri-Sat 2-3rd Corvettes of the Columbia Hosted by 3 Rivers Corvette Club
 Fri-Sun 9-11th Yakima Valley Vettes "Vette-A-Bration"
 Sat 10th Ocean Shores Flag Day Parade and Lunch*
 Sun 11th NWACC Autocross #2 at Sanderson Field in Shelton*
 Wed 14th CdeO Meeting at Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.*
 Sat 24th Glass Odyssey Corvette Club NWACC Car Show at Grey Chevrolet *(newly added)*
 Sun 25th Mt. Rainier Day Tour*

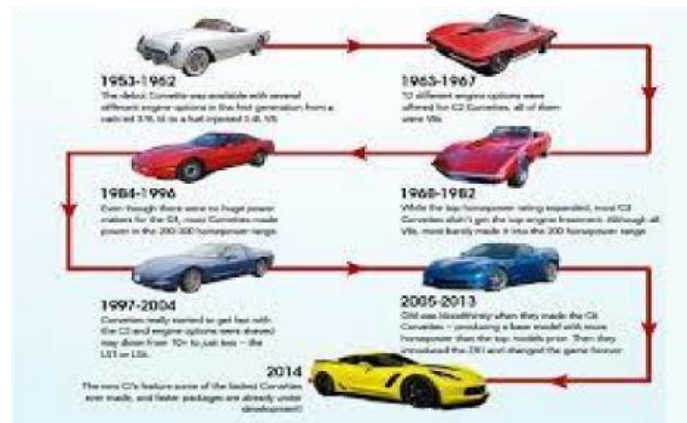
July

- Tues 4th Tumwater 4th of July Parade*
 Tues 4th 4th of July Picnic at Tom and Christie's after 4th of July Parade*
 Tues 4th Freedom Fest "Classy Chassis Car Show" at JBLM Memorial Stadium
 Sun 9th NWACC Autocross #3 at Sanderson Field in Shelton*
 Wed 12th CdeO Meeting, Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.*
 Sat 15th Lakefair Grand Parade*
 Sat 15th Picnic at Don and Cynthia's after Lakefair Parade*
 Sun 23rd Mammoth Falls, Oregon Day Tour*
 Sat-Sun, 29-30th Sisters, Oregon Two-Day Tour*

* Indicates Club sanctioned events that count for membership qualifications. For more meeting places, times and additional events, visit the CdeO Event Calendar at <http://www.corvettesdeolympia.org>

When the 101st running of the Indianapolis 500 kicks off in a few weeks time, it will be with a **Chevrolet** at the head of the field...as the pace car.

Aside from fielding several of the top entries for this year's race, Chevy is once again supplying the pace car, a patriotically colored **Corvette Grand Sport**. The automatic-transmission Grand Sport coupe has a white body with blue and red accents, and its silver wheels shroud Brembo carbon-ceramic brakes, which come standard as part of the must-have Z07 package.



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- Jun. 8th
- Jul. 13th
- Aug. 10th
- Sep. 9th
- Oct. 13th

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