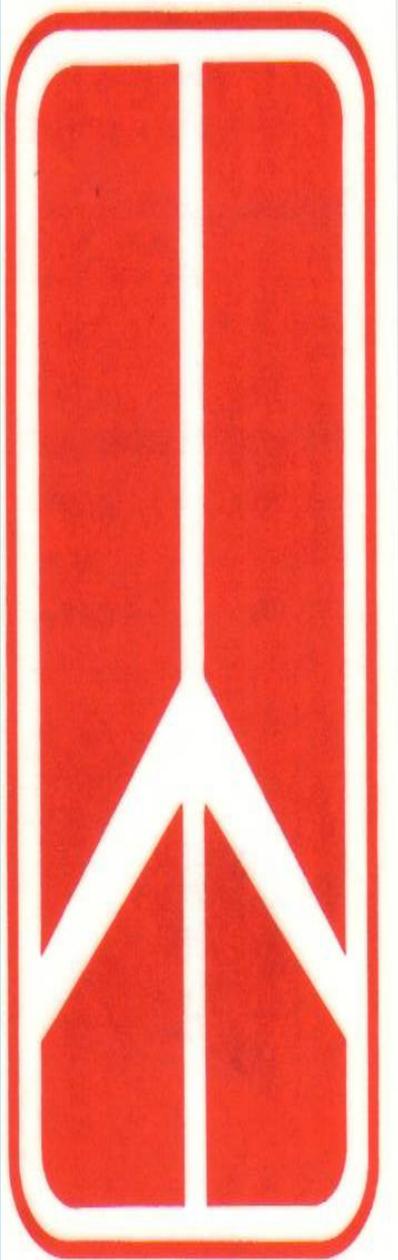


THE PUGET SOUND ROCKET

Newsletter of the Puget Sound Olds Club

An Official Chapter of the Oldsmobile Club of America

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The 2012 National Meet in Des Moines was a huge success! Congratulations to the Olds Club of Iowa for an outstanding job of making the 2012 National Meet such a great success.

While the temperature outside was over 100 degrees every day, OCA members attending the Nationals enjoyed the cool air conditioned Iowa Event Center. The newly renovated Event Center accommodated the 250 plus cars and a large number of vendors in the swap meet very nicely. The most frequent comment heard was; “we should have the Nationals indoors every year.”

The judges appreciated the controlled atmosphere of an indoor meet more than anyone. Not having to deal with rain, wind or dust made the process of judging the member’s cars an enjoyable one. The vendors in the swap meet said that they had one of their best years at a National Meet. The OCA Merchandise Manager had his trailer in the same hall that contained the show field which made shopping for OCA shirts and hats very convenient. Also located the show field hall was the Event Center snack bar which was always busy.

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MEETING MINUTES
No minutes this month

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President's Message

Dear Club Members,

The weather wasn't that good but we still had members attend the stuffing of the Zone Show goody bags and enjoy the BBQ. We had fun. While the women stuffed the goody bags the men spent time in Jim's garage. Kathi told us we had only 15 signed up for the show. But the day of the show I was so happy to see so many more show up. The weather turned out to be good.

Lots of food, good music and the Hawaiian Hula dancers were fun to watch. Ed, Kathi, Harry, Jim and I all had a great time. We believe that everyone else did also.

I want to thank Ken Thompson who told us about the Doug's Cadillac car show a few years back and every year we have gone to the show. The Doug's Cadillac show is a great car show for everyone. This year was also very good.

We need to think and talk about our Christmas party; where and when. So think about it and let's talk about it at the August meeting

I want to thank everyone who attended the car show. A special thanks to all of you who helped at the Zone Show, As always you are so special. What great members we have!

President

Nina Rogers

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:

Information to be considered for submittal in to the newsletter needs to be received by the 25th of the month. Please send your information as an e-mail or attach it to your e-mail in word document form. If you have problems or questions, call Ed or Pam at 253-845-2288. Please e-mail your submittal to: ekonsmo@msn.com



"BETWEEN THE BUMPERS" ... By Ed Konsmo



When you get into your collector car from the 1950's, the 1960's or the 1970's you will not find any of the technological advances that are in our every day drivers of this century. If you were to go to the new car dealership of your choice today and test drive any of the models that are offered for sale, you will find features that do nearly everything except move the steering wheel for you.

How did we ever get along without "Lane-Departure Prevention?" A camera is installed behind the rear view mirror facing the front of the car senses when you are about to depart from the lane that you are in. It will either vibrate the steering wheel or apply the brakes for you to get your attention.

How about "Automatic Panic Braking?" Radar or camera based sensors detect an imminent crash and activate the ABS. And then there is "Adaptive Cruise Control." It senses that the car ahead of you has slowed down when you are on cruise control and reduces your speed in order to keep the preset distance that you set in the car's cruise control. When the car ahead of you speeds up or leaves the lane, your car resumes the speed that you had set. Believe it or not, this feature was first envisioned in 1959 in Harley Earl's Cadillac Cyclone XP-74 concept car. It took until just the past couple of years for it to become a reality in production cars.

Now here is a feature that you may find on some luxury cars; "Brake-Drying Function." Sensors used for the windshield wipers communicate with ABS to lightly brake during heavy rain to keep discs dry. You definitely want your brakes dry for maximum braking, don't you?

And then there are the sensors that are used to detect close-up objects common in parking lots. Newer systems can work together to automatically bring the car to a stop if you fail to heed the beeps. Another sensor is called the "Auto Brake Prefill." If a driver abruptly lifts off the gas pedal, a throttle sensor tells the ABS to prepare for emergency braking. Of course we all know that ABS was one of the first active safety features to appear on the modern automobile after the air bag systems in the Olds Toronado. Alan Taub, former vice president of research and development at General Motors once said, "We can control the vehicle better than the driver."

Of course there are a number of features that did appear on several production vehicles in the '70's. Traction control which applies braking to a slipping wheel and/or cuts the throttle first appeared on the 1971 Buick Riviera. The first four-wheel antilock braking system debuted on the 1971 Chrysler Imperial and is still the same system that rapidly pulsates the brakes when the wheel sensors detect lockup.

Another feature now appearing on many new cars today is the "Hill-Start Assistant." However, this is not a new item. Studebaker had a hill holder in the late 1940's. I guess that the term "Hill-Start Assistant" has a more modern ring to it.

So, if you do venture into a new car dealership to test drive a more fuel efficient car of your choice, you will now hopefully be better equipped to understand all of the "new" technological advances the salesperson will dazzle in front of you. (This column is repeated from last month)

Photos from the 2012 National Meet



The twin engine Hairy Hurst Olds



An Olds powered '41 Willys – a new Class



Would you like this '57 in your living room?



How would this look in Pam's convert?



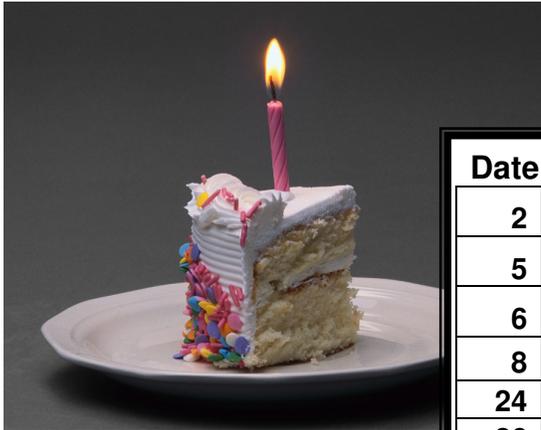
This '50 ran the fastest time at the drags.



Another view of a great show field.

LET'S GET PERSONAL

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



Date		Lives In
2	Jim Long	(Graham, WA)
5	John McCauley	(Selah, WA)
6	Carol Butler	(Snohomish, WA)
8	Gerald Giuntoli	(Bellevue, WA)
24	Bonny Gillmer	(Tacoma, WA)
26	George Smith, Sr.	(Tacoma, WA)
29	John Peterson	(Independence, OR)
30	Marlene Smith	(Tacoma, WA)

Happy birthday to one and all!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS of the Puget Sound Chapter

AUGUST MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT!!

There will be a regularly scheduled chapter meeting on August 5 at the Newport Way Library at 1 pm.

MEMBER NOTES AND CHAPTER INFO

This page features notes of interest about and for our members. If you have something interesting to report, please send an e-mail to your editor at ekonsmo@msn.com, or call and leave a message, 253-845-2288.

*****CHAPTER ANNOUNCEMENT!*****

At the June chapter meeting, the members present discussed ways to encourage more members to attend the monthly meetings. It was noted that there are a large number of members that live within easy driving distance of where the meeting is held on the first Sunday of the month but they do not attend the meetings. The following motion was made and passed;

*"Beginning in September at the regular chapter meeting, one half of the proceeds from the raffle (one half is about \$40 each month) will be awarded to the chapter member whose name is drawn from a container holding **ALL** of the chapter members' names. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!** If the member whose name is drawn is not present, the "pot" will be added to the next month's proceeds."*

Who knows how big this pot could grow?? Will your name be drawn at the chapter meeting in September? Perhaps you should put the September meeting on your calendar.

MEETING MINUTES

No chapter meeting in July – No meeting minutes.

Photos from the Zone Show by Ed Straw



Swap Meets & Shows to attend in August

Aug 4 Seattle, WA; Lake City Pioneer Days Vintage Car Show

Lake City Pioneer Days Festival, 2611 NE 125th St, Seattle, WA 98125;
10am – 4pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$20; Lake City Chamber of Commerce;
206-363-3287; lakecitychamberofcommerce@gmail.com; www.lakecityfestival.com

Aug 11 Belfair, WA; Taste of Hood Canal Car Show

Clifton Lane (Downtown Belfair), 23960 NE State Route 3, Belfair, WA 98528;
9am – 8pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$15; North Mason Rotary; 360-850-1090;
carshow@tasteofhoodcanal.com; www.wvsr.org

Aug 11 La Conner, WA; La Conner Boat & Car Show

La Conner Marina, North Basin Road, La Conner, WA 98257; 10am – 4pm;
Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$15; La Conner Chamber of Commerce; 360-466-4778;
info@laconnerchamber.com; www.laconnerchamber.com

Aug 11 Tacoma, WA; Coffee Cruise-In

LeMay America's Car Museum, 2702 East D Street, Tacoma, WA 98421;
9am – 12pm; Adm. Free; No Reg. Fee; LeMay America's Car Museum;
253-779-8490; sandy.scott@lemaymuseum.org; www.lemaymuseum.org

Aug 12 Issaquah, WA; Triple XXX NW Muscle Car Meet

Triple XXX Root Beer Drive In, 98 East Gilman Blvd, Issaquah, WA 98027;
8am – 3pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee; NW GTO Legends Club; 206-250-9158,
425-392-1266; www.triplexrootbeer.com

Aug 12 Mount Vernon, WA; 5th Hot August Nights on the Skagit River Classic Car Show and Food Drive

Mount Vernon Moose Lodge, 813 South 1st Street, Mount Vernon, WA 98273;
10am – 3pm; Adm. Fee; Reg. Fee - \$20; Mount Vernon Moose Lodge No.1640;
360-336-3662; tsmattson@comcast.net; www.wsnima.com

Aug 18 Federal Way, WA; 7th Annual Federal Way Lions Scholarship Car Show

Sears at The Commons Mall, 1701 South Commons, Federal Way, WA 98003;
9am – 4pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee - \$20; Federal Way Lions Club;
253-569-3761; www.federalwaylions.org

Aug 19 Snoqualmie, WA; Snoqualmie Railroad Days Classic Car Show

Downtown Snoqualmie, Railroad Avenue SE, Snoqualmie, WA 98065;
10am – 4pm; Adm. Free; Reg. Fee \$20; Legends Car Club; 360-893-5176;
gayleandray@gmail.com; www.legendscarclub.net

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Aug 25 Tacoma, WA; 35th Annual LeMay Car Show

Marymount Event Center, 324 152nd Street East, Tacoma, WA 98445;
8am – 5pm; Adm. Fee - \$10; No Reg. Fee; LeMay Family Collection
Foundation; 253-272-2336; info@lemaymarymount.org;
www.lemaymarymount.org



Future Oldsmobile National Meets

- 2013 - July 24-28; Springfield, IL; Crowne Plaza and Holiday Inn Express; Hosted by the Illinois Valley Olds Club and the Archway Olds Club.**
- 2014 - July 23-27; Cincinnati, OH; Holiday Inn Suites; Hosted by The Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky Chapter.**
- 2015 - Boston, MA. Dates to be announced.**



CLASSIFIED – For Sale/Leads & Needs

CLASSIFIEDS: Classified ads are free, unlimited words within reason. Ads will ONLY run for three consecutive months unless renewal is requested. Please submit your classified advertisement in electronic format by the 20th of the month to ekonsmo@msn.com.

FOR SALE:

- **1947 Olds 66 convertible**, decent, titled solid car, all top bows etc; not running, needs restoration \$8200 OBO. Dave Sutton, 604-538-9871 (1)
- **1956 324 Motor**, 2 barrel manifold with '56 Hydramatic. Core motor complete w/heads; Call Erik Martinson 425-228-4422 (2)
- **1957 "98" Starfire Holiday Coup**, color is White top, Pink bottom. J2, wonder bar radio and switch, clock, auto eye, all electric, all power. 126" wheelbase. Call Ed Booth at (253) 752-6158 (3)
- **1957 Olds parts and tires** Call Ed Booth (253) 752-6158 (3)
- **1963 '98 Body parts** – Interior and exterior; Call Hugh Russell (206) 524-2785 (1)
- **1957 "98" Parts**; Set of 235/75/15 white wall tires on rims; Ed Booth 253-752-6158 (2)
- **1973 Delta Royale 2-dr. H.T.** nice, low miles. \$2,800 or best offer. Call Don (253) 752-8920 (2)
- **1979 Olds engine and transmission.** \$250.00. Call Howard (206) 782-1393 (3)
- **Available: '62 and '63 98 body parts.** Call Hugh (206) 524-2785 (3)
- **Offy Dual 4-barrel Manifold with two Holley Carbs for 455 Olds.** \$400 Call Pat Ellwood 425-672-7664 (1)

*SSII 14X7 rims, 2 dated 11/1/71 MA, 2 dated 8/10/72 MJ, and one dated 7/10/74 (JJ 887?), \$25/each or all 5 for \$100

*4 steel wheels 14X6 off of a '67 Delta 88, "S" code near valve stem, \$40

*4 late 60s/early 70s PO1 style hubcaps, 15", \$25/set

*4 1973-early 80s Omega/Cutlass poverty hubcaps, \$40/set

*1 '68 passenger bucket seat back, blasted and primed, \$40

*1 6-blade Olds clutch fan that has been chromed, \$40

*1 air cleaner base, code "OR", p/n 6484803, for '69 350ci or 455ci 4bbl engines, red, \$40

*1 oil fill tube cap from early 70s 455, blue, \$5

*1 '69 tilt-tele column, blue, auto on column, green tag (cornering lights),

Steering wheel needs to be restored, \$150.

*All prices plus shipping/delivery if applicable. Email Randy at rcorrigan5@comcast.net for questions/pics. (1)

More Parts/Leads and Needs on page 11

LEADS:

- **1987 Cutlass Supreme** – It's a #3 in the Old Car Price Guide. 96,231 miles. If interested, call Lorin Watson, 208-262-1091. (2)
- **1958 88 Holiday Coupe** – Very original car, engine needs work; has not been started in 18 months. Need the room, only asking \$8,000; paid \$12,000. Call John (604) 823-6754. twenty2@telus.net (2)
- **1962 F-85 Conv.** – Body, paint and chrome are restored. The interior and top need to be restored. Stored last 10 years; does not run. Have good extra engine. Asking \$6500. Call Mickey Michelich; 206-920-0929 (2)

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING ADS: A number at the end of each listing indicates how many months the ad has already run. If you have a **THREE** after your ad, you need to contact us if you wish to renew the ad for following issues.



Annual LeMay Car Show – August 25

Last year the Puget Sound Olds Club attended the LeMay Car Show at their Annual Open House in Spanaway. Would chapter members like to attend again this year? If so, we need to reserve the spaces again for the show. The fee is \$10. If you would like to attend again this year, please send an e-mail to ekonsmo@msn.com or call 253-845-2288 by August 7th. Last year we had 19 cars at the show.

“A PARTING SHOT”



The picnic is one of the best times at the car show!

The 2012 Zone Show at The Country Village

Puget Sound Oldsmobile Club – August 2012