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Vice President Dawn Gloeckner

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Welcome to the President's Corner for October.

I want to start off thanking the WVCA Board of Directors for their hard work this year. I couldn't have done my job without them. There is a lot of behind the scenes work that had to be completed before each monthly meeting can be concluded. I know that the future Boards will strive to do their best for all of us.

Now looking toward the future: we need to bring spirit back to our club. We started by participating in the surprise fun run we did last month. I hope everyone who participated had a great drive. I know I did! I hope that we can do more of these fun runs. I enjoy going away for the weekend, but sometimes its better getting more people involved on day runs. We need to make sure everyone is included and hopefully they might sponsor a run of their own. Weekend or Day Trips are welcome.

Once the new Board of Directors has been elected, they will be busy learning about The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer's job, At Large position, and Historian and what needs to be done every month before, during and after the monthly meetings.

Upcoming events are the Awards ceremony, Jacket night October (if we have it), November Jacket Night and of course Christmas Banquet in December, be sure and bring the stuffed animals for the police and sheriff departments of Salem/Marion County.

In November the New Board of Directors takes over for 2018. I have enjoyed serving WVCA for 2017 and want to thank my Board again for all of their hard work: Dawn Gloeckner, Shelly Paddock, Jim Tiano, Lee Hart and Lucky King. I also want to extend a Special Thank you to our Webmaster Ken Arck and Glass Sass Editor/ Publisher Buzz Blogg for all their hard work.

Sincerely, Julie Hughes
WVCA President

September was a fun month! Starting off with a picnic hosted by the Starks at their family home, then having jacket night at lumberjacks in Molalla. Then topping off the end of the month with a great mystery run hosted by Kent Muhle. Along the way we played poker and then ended the day with the delicious lunch at Bugatti's.

There were also several mid-week cruises where members who went had a great time; it is too bad more of us can not participate in these Summer/Fall activities before the Winter Blah's sent in. Consider participating when you see an email invitation; you won't be sorry!

If you have any suggestions regarding the banquets of October 14th and December 9th, please get them to me as soon as possible. Looking forward to Award night on October 14th See you there!!

Dawn Gloeckner
Vice-President WVCA

Glass Sass is published monthly; the deadline for submitting articles is the 15th of the month. Club meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM at Capitol Auto Group, our sponsor. The address is 2855 Maple Ave NE, Salem, Oregon 97301. We welcome all Corvette enthusiasts and prospective members at any of our meetings. The Willamette Valley Corvette Association, Inc., was organized in 1968 to create an esprit-de-corps among Corvette owners; to further the general interest in Corvettes as a sports car; to provide an organization for the exchange of technical information between Corvette owners, dealers and the manufacturer; to encourage skillful handling and safe driving; to provide social gatherings of Corvette owners with a common interest; to encourage and assist members to compete in sanctioned events sponsored by WVCA and by other clubs with similar interests, and to encourage dealer/club co-operation and promote community betterment.

Visit our website for more current information regarding our Club activities and events:

<http://www.willamettevalleycorvettes.com>

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**"A good goal is one that
excites you a lot and
scares you a little"
Bob Proctor**

Meeting Minutes Willamette Valley Corvette Association

October 5th 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by President Julie Hughes.

Number of members present: 37

Number of guests present: 1

Guest: Gene Cabbage from West Linn, just purchased a 2014 and is selling his Torch Red 2004. He asked for tips of selling his car. Received a lot of good advice such as Corvette Forum and Stingray Forum, eBay, and West Coast in Turner.

October Birthdays: Linda Dental 1st, Ken Arck 16th, Al Manrubia 20th, Dave Walery 22nd, Jim Hudson 26th, and Claryce King 27th

Treasurer's Report: June, July, August, September and October Treasurer Reports were presented in summary by Jim Tiano. There has not been much activity. Checking balance is \$4,539.50 and Savings is \$3,208.67, Petty Cash \$11. At this point in our budget cycle we are off by \$53.20, the books close on 10/31/17.

Motion to accept the June – October 2017 Budget Summary as presented was made by Bob Koenig, Seconded by Pat Manrubia and Passed by all.

Minutes: Lee Hart mentioned that the heading of the September minutes stated they were the August Meeting Minutes in error, this will be corrected and the updated version sent to Ken Arck to be posted on the website. He also mentioned that the number of members present was not listed and some of the actions there were to be followed up on were not completed. The number of members present is an added feature and is not required, there are times this information is not available when the minutes are being compiled. The actions not being completed did not result in a mistake in the minutes, they were recorded correctly.

Motion to accept the September minutes was put forth by Lucky King, seconded by Gene Kraiter and passed without opposition. Wayne mentioned that Tom Paddock did an excellent job in covering for the Secretary in September and taking care of the minutes.

President's Report:

Julie Hughes asked for 2 volunteers to help her verify and validate the points tally for the 2016-2017 club year. Liz and Gene Kraiter volunteered.

Motion to add Tom Paddock to the ballot for the Secretary position was made by Lucky King, seconded by Liz Kraiter and passed without opposition.

Motion to open all positions for the 2017-2018 Board of Directors was made by Lucky King, seconded by Wayne Kreger and passed without opposition.

The Ballots went out for the 2017-2018 Board of Directors. Wayne Kreger and Lucky King distributed, collected and tallied the ballots. The results are:

President – Julie Hughes (36 votes) ; Vice President – Kent Muhle (36 votes); Treasurer –Roger Burgess (36 votes) Secretary-Tom Paddock (36 votes); Member-at-Large – Kathleen Ridge (36 votes); Historian – Ken Arck (36 votes)

Activities Report:

Awards Banquet is scheduled for 10/14. The reservation at Rudy's fell through since they are not done with their remodel yet and will not be in time for our event. Dawn Gloeckner presented the club with multiple choices for alternatives. Part of the issue is that most places charge a fee for their room usage since minimum wage has increased.

1. Walery's Pizza on 10/13 –

Motion to hold our annual Awards Banquet was made by Lucky King and seconded by Ken Arck.

After some discussion by Sandra Stark and others it was decided that this is one of our big events and we already have pizza after our monthly meetings. The motion did not pass and was declared dead.

2. McNary Restaurant some future date, they are booked for 10/14.

3. Hayden's Lakefront – on 10/14, there is not fee for the room but we must use their catering staff. Our options: are BBQ Buffet \$32, Italian Buffet \$37 or Non-Themed Buffet \$35. There will be a 21% gratuity added to the total.

Motion to have our Awards Banquet at Hayden's was made by Roger Burgess, seconded by Sandra Stark and passed by majority (2 Nays). Anyone who wants to caravan up there can meet at Harbor Freight at 5pm to leave at 5:30pm.

Motion to have the club pay the extra .35 cents per person was made by Liz Kraitler, seconded by Lee Hart and passed by majority (3 Nays). The total per person will be \$42.35 and this make an even number for payment purposes. Checks need to be made out to WVCA and given to Dawn Gloeckner or Jim Tiano.

Our Christmas Banquet is on 12/09 at Marco Polo Restaurant. Please remember to bring stuffed animals to donate to local law enforcement. Dawn mentioned that Kohl's always has really cute ones for \$5 around the holidays. We are also doing our annual gift exchange, dollar limits will be discussed at our next meeting.

Dawn also reminded everyone that we are still collecting toiletry samples to donate to the Center for Hope and Change. She will collect and save and then deliver to the women's shelter.

Buzz Blogg reported that he and 7 other cars just completed a run to Mary's Peak, they had lunch at Junkyard Burgers which has been featured on Diners, Drive Ins and Dives.

Jim Tiano recently had a conversation with the manager at World of Speed. They would love to see our corvettes at their cars and coffee that are every Saturday at 8am.

Wayne Kreger informed the club that the Cascade Homecoming is on 10/6/17 and there will be corvettes provided for the court. Harts, Koenigs x2, Starks, Blogg, Muhle, Hughes, Kreger and Manrubias will be participating.

Wayne would like to see paper copies of a yearly calendar passed out each month so that people can be sure and save dates for activities. We have done this in the past and it has worked well.

New Business:

Lee Hart questioned Ken Arck about the website and timeliness of duties. Ken reminded Lee that this is a volunteer position and he has a full time job as well. He has completed all of the tasks that Lee gave him via email last month and inquired if there were any more.

Jim Jacks would like to see the By-Laws amended to limit webmaster contact to the members of the Board of Directors. Any inquiries or complaints will go through them and they will communicate with the webmaster directly. This will be addressed at our next meeting.

Wayne Kreger is our club representative to SACC (Salem Area Car Council).

Wayne would like to see a regular spot on the agenda for SACC updates.

WVCA provided a trophy for the Oktoberfest Car Show in Mt. Angel on 9/16/17. Rain hampered attendance on the 17th, this could have resulted in a bust but the Cherry City Bombers showed their 14 rat rods. SACC receives \$7 per entry which resulted in \$868 for the Boys and Girls Club.

On 9/25/17 SACC decided to include a Circle of Honor at the 2018 Oktoberfest Car Show. Each car club will be provided the opportunity to present one representative car in the circle. Each car club will make this decision individually, each representative will be presented with a jacket.

On 10/7/17 the Lions Club has their Volunteer Fire Department Car Show. This is a chili feed with proceeds benefiting the Lions VFD.

10/28/17 the Cherry City Bombers will sponsor a Trunk or Treat event at the Goodwill located in the Bi-Mart parking lot in Keizer.

12/02/17 is the Santa Cruise with the Stayton Fire Department. This is a breakfast and toy drive from 8-11.

Trivia: One of the few ways you can differentiate between and 1956 and 1957 Corvette without opening the hood is to look at the inside rear view mirror. On the 1956 model and on the 1957 model the difference is?

This one stumped everyone – the answer is that on the 1956 you used a thumbscrew to remove and the 1957 needed a wrench.

50/50 Drawing: Thank you Shelly Paddock for collecting \$137, \$68 to the club, Liz Kraitler drew Liz Kraitler for \$34.50 and Pat Ennor drew Jim Tiano for \$34.50.

Adjourn at 7:38pm

Respectfully submitted by Shelly Paddock - 10/09/2017



10 September 2017
WVCA Potluck Picnic at
Duane and Sandy Stark's Home

The annual Club Picnic was held on Sunday the 10th of September at the beautiful home of Duane and Sandy Stark. It is a perfect setting for the picnic and the grounds are beautiful with horse stalls and cattle, believe it or not!

We had about 11 cars which is about 25% of our members. The food was great and there was plenty to go around for sure!

They have approximately 16 acres to do stuff on whenever Duane decides to retire, and he is already checking out options for a fully appointed man-cave! It was nice to see Kay and Anne at the picnic as well.

Thanks to Lee, we have some great pics of the event that he took with their drone (see below).



10 September 2-17
WVCA Potluck Picnic at
Duane and Sandy Stark's





We did it! Thanks to everyone who showed up on the 23rd to follow me blindly through the countryside. We had 12 cars, drove 88 miles, made two stops on the way to our final destination, and started and ended the day with wonderful food, beverages and outstanding service.

The day started off a bit sketchy, as I was awakened by a phone call from the folks at our starting point. Oops!!! I made it from being fast asleep in West Salem to the parking lot at Harbor Freight in 20 minutes. That's what I get for polishing my car until 3:30 A.M.

Our first stop was at Gear Up Espresso, where we were greeted like incoming royalty! Dan the owner, had tweeted, facebooked, instagrammed, telegraphed and basically invited the entire city of Silverton to see our cars. We were able to text our orders in, and unbelievably, Dan found "The History Of Corvette" on Nat Geo, recorded it and had it playing on the big screen as we sipped our Mocha's and munched on freshly baked Cinnamon Rolls. Friend him on Facebook and support him when you go through Silverton. This guy gets it, and provides the best service you'll ever find in a coffee shop.

Properly caffeinated, we formed a parade and headed roughly Northeast. I wish I could have seen the looks on everyone's faces as they were sure the next stop was to load up on the Canby Ferry. I was cracking up as I made a left at the last minute into Mollalla River Park. After hearing the relief in everyone's voice that I hadn't lost it, we had a final pee break before everyone once again blindly followed me into parts unknown.

The final part of our journey put us through Colton, along the river through Carver and up to Redland, through beautiful farm land, horse ranches, forested areas and a nice variety of roads well suited to the Corvette.

Our final destination was Bugatti's in Oregon City, where we had our own room with a nice long table we could all sit at. The food was amazing, and I didn't see many boxes being used for leftovers. I had the Steelhead Sandwich and a salad, and although I only ordered half a sandwich was stuffed to my gills!

The final cards were drawn by those who participated in the 50/50 poker hand, and Paul Ennor won the pot with 2 pairs.

What a great day, what nice weather, and what a nice group to hang out with. I am honored that you all entrusted me to come up with a fun, safe route that wouldn't tear off any low hanging body parts (on the cars). Thanks to everyone who played along yesterday, and if you're in the mood, Buzz and I talked about heading to the Oregon Coast this Wednesday for those of us who have trouble attending the weekend stuff.

By the way, events like yesterday are the main reason I joined the WVCA. No politics, no rules to speak of, just a bunch of Corvette Crazy's out enjoy their cars and each other's company. On a day like yesterday it seems like all is right with the world. *Kent*





Cascade Homecoming..Friday Night lights!!!

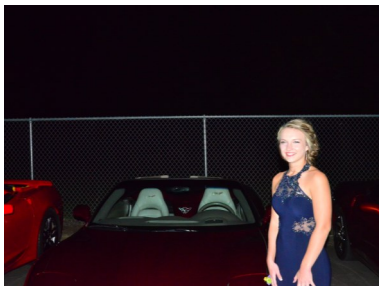
Once again WVCA was asked to run the girls around the track at Cascade Homecoming, which we did under grey but dry skies. As we were discussing past homecomings between us, most of us can only recall one event where it rained us out or nearly rained us out over the past 10 years or so, which is a pretty good record.

The girls were beautiful as always and each year they seem to grow a couple of inches, or we are shrinking, and I would rather think they were growing! We had an early dinner at Neufelts, meeting there at about 6 and left at 7:30 for the homecoming Parade.

We had plenty of cars to go around and everything worked out great. The mascot even rode around with us just to keep an eye on the girls, I guess. Maybe next year we will again do Yamhill again, and if we do we will need about 20 cars to step up for the ride. It is a fun night out and we get some recognition as a Club for doing some community service. Besides these homecomings and the Iris Parade in May, we do not do much anymore and we need to start becoming visible to the public again so we get some name recognition for the things we do!



Cascade Homecoming..Friday Night lights!!!



Thanks to Lee for the pix!



We have been fortunate this year with the weather and have had several really nice road trips to exercise the ponies.

Kent herded about 10 cars or so all around the country, with a stop at a little coffee shop in Silverton that has great cinnamon rolls and finally ending up at Bugatti's Italian restaurant in Oregon City (see page 5 for details). I asked him how he knew so many of the back roads he took us on, and he admitted that he used to live in the area, so I expect he will have more surprises for us in the future. He is a great source of fun drives and is always ready to take off at a moment's notice; a true road tripper!

John Elegant put together a spur of the minute cruise to the not so famous but still well known Junkyard Burgers out in the toolies on the way to Junction City in the middle of an intersection between nowhere and where the hell are we? BUT they have great burgers recommended by Guy Fiero, no less and NOBODY left in the least bit hungry, so that may explain the lack of after-meeting pizza folks after the last meeting! On the way seven cars or so followed the leader though the boonies and up to the top of Mary's Peak, which is a really fun 4000 foot climb up a windy road up to the top.



It is too bad we don't get more participation on these runs because they are great fun! Kent and Buzz tried to organize a cruise a few weeks ago but nobody was in the mood so they headed off to Astoria for lunch at the Bowpicker for a Fish and Chips lunch that couldn't be beat and then homeward through roads not many have probably been on. It started out in Salem at 10am at 72 degrees or so and by the time we got to the coast it was in the low 80's and stayed that way all day long! What a beautiful drive on our beautiful coast!



Here's hoping some more of you folks can make a run or 2 before the weather prohibits these trips!

Questionnaire

WVCA has apparently entered a cycle that afflicts most Clubs that have a long history with the same membership, and that is that apathy has set in. Regardless of the effort put in by the various committees, a majority of the membership does not participate in the Club activities any more.

- 1) Attendance at monthly meetings is way down from 10 years ago when I first joined. Maybe we need to meet less??
- 2) There are very few Club sponsored drives and/or activities.
- 3) Members do not drive their Corvettes to Club meetings and other events a majority of the time.
- 4) Activities involving the Vettes, other than the yearly Homecoming and Iris Parades are non-existent.
- 5) The above items are concerning enough, but the scariest symptom of our apathy is a decline in membership. I do not know the numbers, but this year we have either lost the opportunity to retain new members and older members have not renewed. Some of this attrition is unavoidable, but most of it is due to lack of interest in our Club, for whatever reason, and we all should consider this unacceptable.

To this end, I would like to submit a questionnaire to the Membership which you can copy or email when you have completed it to Julie or Kent so they can see if anything specific can be identified or formulated to change our direction. As in most organizations, the direction the Club takes will be guided by the Board and how they see us progressing this next year, and hopefully come up with a "business plan" that will get us on the right track again. If GM can turn around, so can we!! Thanks for your participation!

Buzz Blogg, Editor, Glass Sass

Questionnaire

- **Why did you join the Club?** _____ **and when did you join?** _____
- **What were your expectations of the Club and yourself when you joined?** _____
- **Why do you remain a member?** _____
- **What do you mainly do with your Corvette?**

Garage Queen _____ Daily Driver _____ Show 'n Shine/ shows _____ Other (competitive events) _____

- **What kinds of things would you like to do?**

Day-long events/drives _____ Extended/overnight drives _____ 3 hour tours just to get out and drive _____

Group wax/shine events _____ Weekend or Weekday events? _____

- **What is your idea of fun things to do as a Club or with smaller groups?** _____

- **Are you satisfied or not satisfied with the monthly meetings ?**

Satisfied _____ Unsatisfied _____ If unsatisfied, what would you like to see changed? _____

- **Do you attend all or most of the monthly meetings?** All _____ Most _____ Some _____

- **Are you satisfied or unsatisfied with the rules and regulations that govern the membership?**

Satisfied _____ Unsatisfied _____ Suggestions for change:

OCTOBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Monthly meet- ing 6:30	6 Cascade Homecoming	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Awards Ban- quet
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

NOVEMBER 2017

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1 2 3 4

Monthly Meeting 6:30

5 6 7 8 9 10 11

12 13 14 15 16 17 18

19 20 21 22 23 24 25

26 27 28 29 30



HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Committees for 2017

Budget Committee

Julie Hughes, Jim Tiano, Barbara Fuller,
Wayne Kreger, Shelly Paddock, Dawn
Gloeckner

Activities Committee

Dawn Gloeckner, Rich Graham , Janet
Kreger, Jim and Roxy Tiano, Vikki and
Ken Arck, Shelly Paddock, Kent
Muhle, & Roger Burgess.

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