



## GLASS SASS

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### **President's Letter**

Happy June!

Summer is here and as I'm writing this on a Friday, we're heading into our first days of 90 degree temperatures. This girl has come a long way from Phoenix when 90 is getting to be too hot out.

Lots of things going on for June. We have the Paralyzed Veterans of America Car Show at Powerland Heritage Park on 7 June. Kelly, Joe and I are all helping out as judges at that show and I think there are 6 or 8 cars from the club going. June 14 is the Strawberry Charity Cruise In up on Sauvie Island. This show is hosted in part by NW Corvette Association. Wednesday, 18 June is Jacket Night. I'll be leading a cruise over the river and through the woods to Gilgamesh in Independence. Sunday, 22 June, I'll be leading another cruise along the covered bridge tour in the Stayton area. Lastly, 28 June is the High Dessert Corvettes car show in Bend. Every weekend this month has something going on. Whew!

I think Kelly and I are also pulling the trigger on going to the British Columbia Corvette Club's Diamond Anniversary Celebration in Kelowna, BC August 21-24. If you think this is something you might be interested you can find out more here:

<https://www.bccorvetteclub.ca/60th-anniversary> We're probably going to take 2 days to drive each way, stopping for an overnight in Bellingham.

Julie Schwerdt will be taking a group to Cowboy Dinner Tree again this summer. This is an overnight trip August 9 and 10. The complete info, to include hotel reservations, will

be included in the Glass Sass. Please make sure to contact Julie and RSVP. [Jewle1952@hotmail.com](mailto:Jewle1952@hotmail.com) or 503-421-0733. Julie has also volunteered to organize a club picnic event. Look for more to follow on that.

Dorothy Ezell is hosting a cruise out to Hood River and a train ride also in August. This event is Saturday, 2 August. If you're interested in that even please contact Dorothy or check out her post on our Facebook page from 9 May. [dj@ezbulldogs.com](mailto:dj@ezbulldogs.com) or 971-290-9529.

Dorothy also hosted our May jacket night and from the pictures it looked like a great time was had by all!



Thanks so much to the members who step up and volunteer to host or organize events. It really makes this club such a great organization to be a part of! Don't be hesitant to raise your hand!! If you have an activity or event you're really interested in bring it up to the club. There are plenty of people who maybe don't want to be in charge but are willing to help someone else.

In other news, Russ Strohmeyer stopped by the June meeting to present the club with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place club participation trophy for the Toys for Joy Santa Cruise-In from last December. We had a pretty big group of people attend so we were surprised that we didn't get recognized for participation. It seems when we all registered individually at the event we used a variety of names for the club. Russ was able to go back after the event and correct the counts. He was generous enough to show up and recognize our club for our participation at the June meeting. Lesson learned, when we attend an event as a club we need to make sure we're all listing the same club name, either WVCA or Willamette Valley Corvette Association.



Hope you all are able to get out in your corvettes and enjoy the beautiful northwest summer! See you soon at one of the events!!

- Andrea

## WVCA Meeting Minutes

Willamette Valley Corvette Association  
Compiled by Kelly Smothers, Secretary

5 June, 2025

Time: 6:30pm-7:30pm

Location: Northwest Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum, Brooks, Oregon

Present: List of board attendees: Andrea Smothers, Joe Peters, Kelly Smothers, Garry Hill, 1 guests. 30 Members present. A quorum for a membership meeting will be twenty percent of all members of the Association and 2 officers (96 paid members, 19 members required for quorum).

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Andrea Smothers. Recognize new guests/introductions: Bob Adams returned with his '21 torch red C8

### **-1830: CALL TO ORDER:** Andrea

- Recognize New Guests and Introductions: (No new folks)
- Birthday Announcements Dorothy

June

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| ○ Wayne Kreger    | 6-Jun  |
| ○ Sarah Olshefski | 9-Jun  |
| ○ Dorothy Ezel I  | 11-Jun |
| ○ Maryann Burgess | 15-Jun |

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| ○ Don Chandler | 21-Jun  |
| ○ Ken Kafka    | 21-Jun  |
| ○ Bobbi Weber  | 24-Jun  |
| ○ Pam Marshall | 30-June |

Approval of Last Month's Minutes: LAST MONTH'S MINUTES: Andrea

- The minutes have been distributed to you through the Glass Sass. "Are there any corrections?" (No Corrections were offered)
- When no (further) corrections are offered, "If there are no (further) corrections . . . (pause) . . . the minutes are approved as distributed/corrected."

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kelly

- CHK = \$3,824.30 Savings = \$107.00 // .54 cents in interest. (this total does not have last months 50/50 of \$86

PRESIDENTS REPORT: Andrea

- No New members meet membership requirements to join.
- Russ Strohmeyer Presentation
  - We were pleased to welcome Russ Strohmeyer, President of Willamette Valley Street Rods, to our meeting. Russ stopped by to present us with the second-place trophy for club participation at the Santa Cruz event back in December.
  - There was some confusion in the original tally — a mix-up caused by the similarity between our club acronyms (WVSR vs. WVCA... and yes, a few entries even had WVCC). That, along with a few other counting hiccups, threw off the initial results. But after a full recount (every member present counts — whether or not they entered a car, or braved the rain to have their Corvette judged), it was clear we earned second place fair and square. Thanks again to everyone who showed up and supported such a great event! KS
- Decals for sale \$10 each. If you're interested in ordering one please reach out to me at [andrea.smothers1@gmail.com](mailto:andrea.smothers1@gmail.com)
- Member Roster - The updated membership roster will go out with the June edition of the Glass Sass.
- Summer picnic and/or Halloween potluck? Looking for volunteers to head up those events. Julie Schwerdt volunteered to head this up.
- 22 June Covered Bridge Cruise - Meeting at the Jordan Bridge in Stayton at 8:45.a

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT: Joe

- June 7 - Paralyzed Veterans Show and Shine 9:00 am AC&MC Museum Brooks
- June 7 - Gears and Grapes Car Show - Patton Valley Winery
- June 7 - 8 MAG Auction - State Fairgrounds
- June 14 - Roll the Dice Car Show - Spirit Mountain Casino
- June 18 - Jacket Night - Andrea Smothers - Gilgamesh - Independence Or.
- June 22 - Perfume and Exhaust all girls Cruise 10:00 - Walery's Pizza
- July 12 - Vettes at the Fort - Fort Langley, BC (BCCC)
- July 13 - 9:00 Springhill Park North Albany

- July 17-19th Vette Fest Boise Idaho
- July 18-20 - SOCA Corvette weekend. Grants Pass
- July 26 - Brent Strohmeyer Memorial Foundation Car Show 9:00 am Sunrise Park Sublimity
- August 3 - Minty and T Too - 1255 Wilco Rd. Stayton Or. 9:00 - 2:00 Gates Open at 8:00
- August 9-10 Cowboy Dinner Tree Overnight
- August 16 - Lyons Firefighters Car Show - Lyons Firehall - 9:00
- August 23 - Cruising McMinnville - Downtown McMinnville
- August 30 - WVSR Carousel Cruise - Salem Riverfront Park - 7:30

#### COMMITTEES REPORTS:

- SACC - Joe Peters - The money from Cherry Blossom. Made just under \$2,000. Donating \$500 each to four different organizations: Paralyzed Veterans, SOVAH Serving our Vets at Home, Speedster Program at Powerland High School Kids, Salem Dogs
- Bowling Green Update:

#### OLD BUSINESS:

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Russ mentioned the Mt Angel Oktoberfest Car Show in October.

Julie spoke to the upcoming Cowboy Dinner Tree overnight cruise. August 9th and 10th, Dinner destination Silver Lake Oregon, Dinner at 5:30 PM, \$50 Cash only. Menu, Whole Chicken or Steak. Address 50836 E. Bay Rd, Silver Lake Oregon.

We will be staying overnight at the Best Western Newberry Station, LaPine, Oregon 97739, Cost of a double room is \$210+Tax. When you call for reservation tell them you are with Willamette Valley Corvette Association, we have a block of rooms saved. We will leave at 9:15 am from the Woodburn Walmart Parking lot, traveling over Mt Hood route to bend and then Lapine and on to Silver Lake. As a reminder, there will be lots of food, so bring a container (cooler) to take some back to your hotel that night.

#### TECH TIME:

TJ Anderson on behalf of Sarah and Rex, mentioned they were not at the club meeting tonight because they were picking up their new C8, now having C5,C6,C7 and the C8 to their inventory. Congrats.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Corvette Trivia! 1 extra ticket each question

What day, in June, is National Corvette Day? 30 June (Susan guessed)  
This is the date that the first Chevrolet Corvette production model rolled off the assembly line.

How many Corvettes were made for the first year in 1953? 300 (Ed Kirasich guessed)

50/50 DRAWING: How Much to the club \$85, how much to the winners \$45?  
50/50 amounts \$45 to Dorothy & \$45 to Larry

ADJOURNMENT: Andrea  
Route 99 for dinner after the meeting. 7:15!  
Next Meeting: July 3rd, 1830, NWVC&MM

Secretary's Signature: Kelly J. Smothers, Secretary, WVCA, 5 June, 2025

## Additional News

### **MT Hood Railroad Trip and Cruise**

Date August 2nd, 2025

This is the first update on cruise and ride Hood Railroad trip on August 2nd!  
The club members I have on the list:

Jamilah Mooney – 2  
Nick and Marty Valenzuela – 2  
Ed and Brenda Kirasich – 2  
Gary and Dru Hill – 2  
Dave and Julie Schwerdt – 2  
TJ and Brent Anderson – 2  
Sarah Anne Clshofski and Rex Elsner – 2  
Dorothy Ezell – 1  
Eva Mather – 1  
Larry crooker – 1

If you are not on the list but would like to go let me know. Text or call  
me at (971) 290-9529

**IMPORTANT!!!**: The Railroad wants everyone paid up by July 2nd. So it's up to you to contact them at 541-387-4000. They only answer the phone between 8am-4pm Monday-Saturday! Mondays they are short staffed so if you leave a message they will probably call you back on Tuesday! You can also signup on the website at [www.mthoodrr.com](http://www.mthoodrr.com). Real Important you can prepay for parking @\$4 per Vehicle! You will need To printout confirmation of paid parking or have confirmation emailed to show them! And most importantly information, tell them you are registering with the Willamette Valley Corvette Association or WVCA and the Confirmation Number is 283219709.

If we get more club members registering, 28, we could have the whole VIP Car to ourselves! More information on time we start and where we meet will be coming soon!

SAVE THE WAVE!  
Dorothy Ezell



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## Cowboy Dinner Tree Cruise

August 9th 2025

Location: Silver Lake Oregon

Time: 5:00 pm

Price: \$50.00 Cash Only

Menu: Whole Chicken or Steak

Address: 50836 E. Bay Rd.

Silver Lake, Oregon

Phone: 541-576-2426

Overnight Stay

Location: Best Western Newberry Station

Reservation : 541-536-5130

Address: 16515 Reed Rd.

La Pine, Oregon

Cost of Double Room: \$210.00 + Tax

When calling for Reservation, please tell Reservationist that you are with Willamette Valley Corvette Club to get \$210.00 + Tax Price. We have a block of rooms saved.

We will be leaving at 9:15 from Woodburn Walmart parking lot.

We will be traveling via Mt. Hood Highway to Bend and then To Lapine. Directions will be provided at the meeting place.

Reminder: Bring Cooler to protect your leftover dinner that will Be brought back to your room.

Any question please call Julie Hughes. 503-421-0733

## Pictures



Pictures of Jacket Night on May 21st Cazandero Steak Restaurant.

**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 Northwest Car and Motorcycle Museum, 3995 Brooklake Rd NE, Salem, Oregon 97303. We welcome all Corvette enthusiasts and prospective members to 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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