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#### January, 2020

## Cruise-In committee gets down to business in early January meeting

It's not their first rodeo, and CPPC's cruise-in committee got right to work at their January 6 meeting at the Black Bear Diner in Wilsonville.

The group is hoping to get the planning done in three, maybe four, meetings this year instead of meeting every month, so they were ready to go.

The biggest change from last year's show will be in entry and parking. The sheer number of cars last year was nearly overwhelming – we were expecting 100 cars, and 223 showed up. Mark Childs is in charge of exediting parking. This year, no money will be taken at the gate – guests will drive in, park, and pay at the registration table.

It will be important that advertising stress "no waiting in line," to let guests know they'll have a better experience this year.

The larger numbers prompt some other adjustments: we'll double the order for donuts and coffee. We'll stick with 100 goodie bags as bait for early registration, but we'll produce 300 dash plaques so our guests don't leave empty-handed.

NEXT CPPC MEETING

SHINE UP YOUR CAR

Mike Bade will offer t-shirts for \$10 and polo shirts for \$15 this year, and will adjust numbers according to demand. (See accompanying picture for the shirt design.)

Posters, flyers and registration forms are undergoing last-minute proofing, and by the time they're ready to print, registration will also be open on CascadePacificPlymouth.org.

Sara Dier, from Clackamas Community College Foundation, joined the meeting, offering the Foundation's help with publicity and mailings to CCC's auto technology alumni to see if participation from the college can be increased.

Some things are still up in the air. We have a deejay, but we're looking around for a sound system that will cover the area.

We'd like to set up a booth to sell

Cruise-In Down By The Riverside

Here's Mike Bade's tee-shirt design for 2020. This year he'll be offering tees for \$10, and polo shirts for \$15.

some of our Swap Meet merchandise, but we're not sure how that would work.

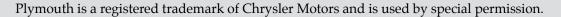
Gary Rusher noted that we're out of big trophies that we award for Best of Show, etc., and hopes members might (continued on page 7)

Here's the flyer for the grand opening of the expanded Auto Technology facility at Clackamas Community College. CPPC will have a table display at the event to meet students and staff, and promote our show. Please join us if you can.



## AUTOMOTIVE EXPANSION GRAND OPENING

Friday, Jan. 31, 3:30-5 p.m. • Barlow Hall Please join us as we dedicate Clackamas Community College's newest expansion. After a short program, enjoy refreshments and student-led tours of the facility. 19600 Molalla Ave., Oregon City, OR 97045 For more information, contact Lori Hall at 503-594-3162.



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#### <u>Membership & Dues:</u>

Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club, Inc. dues are \$25.00 per calendar year Membership runs January 1 through

December 31.

Concurrent membership to the National Plymouth Owners Club is required. plymouthbulletin.com/members.htm

#### Mailing Address:

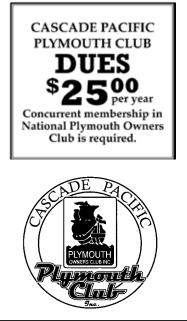
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info@cascadepacificplymouth.org



## World of Speed is first official club activity for 2020

Comfortable indoor activities are indicated for wintertime in Oregon, and World of Speed, in Wilsonville, never disappoints.

CPPC will be visiting World of Speed on Saturday, February 1. We're getting a deal on admission (\$8.50 instead of the regular \$10.00). Host Jim Wheat arranged an 11:00AM beginning for the tour, to get us out of the way of the Cars and Coffee crowd that gathers earlier and to make parking easier, and as usual we'll get a guided behind-the-scenes tour as well as access to everything that's going on in the main exhibits. If the tour makes you hungry, plan on lunch at Zoops afterward.

As a club, CPPC gets to World of

Speed more or less once per year; and individually, members frequently visit more often. Praise for World of Speed is uniform – exhibits are top quality, there's always something new, the personnel are enthusiastic, and generally, folks have a lot of fun.

WOS mixes it up with rotating exhibits out of their own archives, plus items – or entire collections – that they borrow. You'd need to go back regularly and for a long time to catch them repeating themselves – and the borrowed pieces are once-in-a-lifetime.

The current exhibit is about the Mustang, Ford's Falcon-based runabout that captured the hearts and minds of Americans, and has endured for 50+ years.

## Remember the car you liked best in high school? Mark Childs found his, and it's in his garage!

By Mark Childs

My favorite car from high school, in spite of a few Chevelle's, Pontiacs, and others, was a big block 4 speed '66 Belvedere (called a Road Runner in '68). When I found this '66 Satellite with a the 361 BB, 4 speed, posi drive train, I knew this was as close as I was going to get to my HS favorite. Especially since it was purchased and lived in Central Oregon (dry), with a single owner having it for over 50 years, and documentation/letters from when it was new. With color correct new paint and interior, and original drive train, the car looks and drives like new.



## The Steering Column, A Message from the President

I hope that everyone made it through the holidays with both suc-

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cess and happiness! As we move into 2020 this is my first writing of The Steering Column as your new President. I would like to thank both the Board of Direc-

tors and the overall membership for their confidence in my taking on this role.

The club has not been dormant through the past couple of months. There has been a first meeting of the Cruise In planning committee in January, another meeting for activities scheduling and a Board meeting on Tuesday January 14. Additionally Mike Bade, Jim Wheat and I met to discuss our role changes and to transfer files and documents.

We are now beginning a complete updating of the Automotive Vendor Book, which is being managed by Randy Ealy as the Technical Committee head. Mike Bade is finalizing the annual calendar.

During our Board meeting, I stressed a goal of having one primary contact person for each major area and activity for CPPC. These people should get most of the incoming communications, and relay them back to the Board or President as necessary.

Randy Ealy is heading up the Cruise In, as well as serving as the head of the Technical Committee.

Jim Wheat, as Vice President, will play an expanded role not only as a backup for me, but also in handling all of the club activity scheduling. On a temporary basis, he will also be taking minutes at the General Meetings. Jean Graham is taking minutes at the Board meetings.

This is necessary as we do not yet have someone who will volunteer to serve as a Secretary for CPPC. This is an important position, and is straightforward in how it is handled. Please consider volunteering! It is always difficult to get people to step forward, but the Board and supportive positions are critical for CPPC to continue as an organization.

There is a surprisingly heavy workload on all Board members at present – some of which could be handled by other members of the club.

The Cruise In is well under control, and now has an employee from Clackamas Community College working directly with us. This equates to better marketing and interactions. Thank You to Randy and Pam for enabling this.

The swap meet, under Robin Will's guidance, is also moving ahead nicely.

There are numerous club activities already planned by both the general club as well as the Mayflowers. We can look forward to a wonderful season ahead, and hope that many members will take advantage of this!

One last note – there are (as of mid-January) almost <u>80</u> of our members who have not yet paid their dues. Please help bring this number down to zero! Checks and cash work, as well as either credit cards or PayPal using our website. Thanks much!

Phil Lapin

## **Board plans Activities for 2020!**

Check the website for additions and changes as more information becomes available. An <u>under-</u> <u>line</u> means that the event will be an official club function. Volunteers are needed to host these events. *Hosting* generally means circulating a sign-up sheet, driving the route in advance to locate attractive stopping places, choosing a gathering place, and showing up with donuts and coffee (the club reimburses) on the morning of the tour. The host might have other responsibilities, depending on the nature of the tour. It's not difficult, other club members will help you, and it makes you feel good to see the members and their cars on the road as a club.

## **February**

- <u>February 1, (Saturday) World of Speed, 11:00AM.</u> 27490 SW 95th Ave, Wilsonville, OR 97070. Admission \$8.50. Current exhibit is on the history of the Mustang, and we'll get a behind-the-scenes tour. Lunch afterwards at Zoops in Wilsonville. (Host: Jim Wheat)
- Salem Collector Car Auction, Oregon State Fairgrounds, Salem, OR
- February 7-8, (Friday-Saturday) Salem Roadster Show, Oregon State Fairgrounds, Salem, OR
- February 15, (Saturday) Mild to Wild Motorsports Swap Meet, Oregon State Fairgounds, Salem, OR
- February TBD, (Saturday) Sidedraught City tour, Portland, OR (Host: Phil Lapin)

#### March

- March TBD, (Saturday) Garage Tour, Lacenter, WA (Host: Mike Bade)
- March 7-8, (Saturday-Sunday) Salem Roadster Show.
- March 14, (Saturday) Astoria Automotive Swap Meet, Clatsop Co. Fairgrounds, Astoria, OR
- March 20-22, (Friday-Sunday) Portland Roadster Show, Portland Expo Center, Portland, OR www.portlandroadstershow.com
- March 17-18, (Saturday-Sunday) Almost Spring Swap Meet, Western Washington State Fairgrounds, Puyallup, WA
- March 23, (Saturday) Eugene Roadster Show/World's Largest Indoor Garage Sale, Lane County Events Ctr, Eugene, OR
- <u>March 25, (Wednesday)</u> <u>Tech Committee load trailer for swap meet, Gary</u> <u>Rushers 10:00 AM - (Host: Gary Rusher/Robin Will)</u>
- <u>March 28, (Saturday)</u> If needed, <u>Tech Committee load trailer for swap meet</u>, <u>Gary Rushers 10:00 AM - (Host: Gary Rusher/Robin Will)</u>

### <u>April</u>

• <u>April 1-2, (Wednesday or Thursday)</u> – <u>Tech Committee setup day at Portland</u> <u>Swap Meet, 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM? - (Hosts: Rusher/Will)</u> **OFF THE HOOK –** <u>Speedometer, gas</u> <u>gauge, flex cables</u>

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By Phil Lapin Technical Committee and President I have spent quite a bit of time "under the dash" on my 1942 Plymouth, and I thought I would share a few experiences from that. I'll talk about the speedometer, gas gauge and extending flex cables.

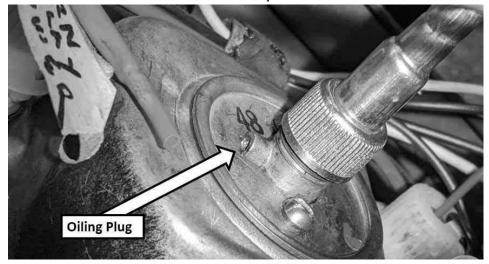
First – the best tip I can give: pull the front seat cushion out, unbolt the seat and then move it backwards as far as you can go (at least in the sedans). Trying to do any significant work with the seat in place is agonizing!

**SPEEDOMETERS** – The 1940's cars seem very similar with these gauges. If your speedometer is jumping around, it may not be the cable causing issues. Rather, it is the oiling of the main shaft inside the speedo. On the back of the housing, near the cable input, there should be a small cast in hole with a brass plug in it (or a cap on it). This was the main problem with my unit no oil for over 70 years. The plug must be removed to get oil in, and there was no way I could pry mine out with it in the car. Four screws hold the speedometer unit. It comes out fairly easily after removing the cable and light

## We want to hear the good & the bad: Vendor Book update is in the works

#### By Randy Ealy

Our vendor book was last updated 5 years ago. The Tech Committee is in the process of reviewing all businesses in the current book to bring it up to date. Many of our members have used these vendors, or other vendors, in the past. If you have any new recommendations of businesses that should be in the new book please let me know. Likewise, if you have had any unpleasant dealing with businesses currently listed, please pass that information along to me. I look forward to receiving your email or phone responses by February 1st. We hope to publish the new vendor book by the end of February. Thanks for your help. Call me at 503-864-811, or email prealy48@gmail. com.



Location of oiling plug for speedometer cable. Housing comes out fairly easily after removing the cable and light sockets.

sockets. I then had to take off the back plate for full access to the plug. A drill slightly larger than the plug was used to grab onto the plug and pull it out. A dry wick was inside. "3 in 1" oil was put in, and the shaft began to move freely once again. If your odometer is not moving, the small metal gear in the unit may have come off. It is driven by a worm gear, and is riveted to an axle through the casting. I drilled the rivet hole in the axle, inserted a pin, and then put the metal gear onto the pin, soldering it in place. I also oiled the axle – which was completely frozen up. After re-assembly, everything works perfectly.

**GAS GAUGE** – My gas gauge is an older style (input power and 2 sender unit wires on the back of it). It can be calibrated, although it is a frustrating task. It is easy to remove. There are two "arms" inside the gauge, each of which must be moved ever so slightly to alter the empty and full readings. They are supposed to be freed up by loosening up the power input nuts on

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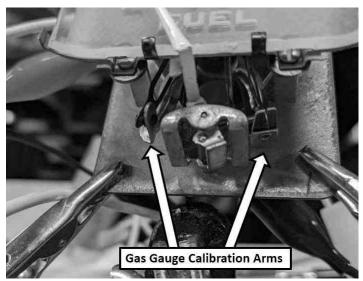
## **Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club Technical Committee 2020**

The committee meets the 4th Wednesday of each month, and other times as they are needed, gladly making house calls where necessary.

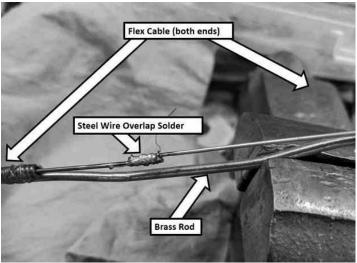
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## Off the Hook, (continued)



Location of tabs for calibrating gas gauge on the 1942 Plymouth.



How to "stretch" a cable.

the back of the gauge. I could not get mine loose easily, but eventually used a pair of needle nose pliers to adjust the arms. It is best to pull out the sending unit from the tank, and move the arm up and down while checking the gauge. With an 8" deep tank, you can measure how far up or down the float is. I got fairly close – but not perfect – with my gauge. I opted to have the empty reading the most accurate!

## FLEXIBLE CABLES

I had a chrome defroster cable with a nice imprinted knob, but it was far too short to get to the middle of the dash for access. I wanted to keep it! I tried a fix which worked great to extend the cable. I took the short cable and left about 3" of internal wire sticking out. I then took a brand new piece of cable and also left a length of wire out of it. Then I used a piece of brass rod to make a span between the two cable pieces, soldering each end of the rod. The internal wires were overlapped and also soldered to each other. Instant long cable! Just be sure to leave enough space in the gap for the necessary travel of the wire. P.L.

# MAYFLOWERS

The Mayflowers' entire purpose is to get out and visit interesting people and places in the Pacific Northwest. Everyone is welcome to join in.

## Mayflower Planning Meeting and lunch set for January 29 at Langdon's Grill

The location is: Langdon's Grill, 24377 NE Airport Rd. Aurora, OR. The website is:langdonsgrill.com.

Come for lunch and bring your ideas for places that we can visit in 2020.

We need a head count for the lunch reservation, so let Mindy Benfield know if you are able to make it. If you can't come to the meeting but have some great ideas, please help by emailing them to Mindy at Ben1323@aol.com. Thank You!

## At press time there were still motel rooms available at reduced rate for the 2020 National POC Meet POC in Illinois



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## A BODY SHOP & REPAIRS

Lorraine Griffey is CPPC's Member Care contact. Please keep her updated about members who need cards, letters, e-mails or phone calls. Contact Lorraine at 503-666-2222 or lorrainegriffey@yahoo.com

Sad news to report, long time CPPC member Lee Powell lost his daughter Stacey on December 7 of 2019. Lee seems to be doing well, and President Phil and I have expressed our sympathy to him on behalf of the CPPC club. I'm sure he would appreciate cards.

Phyllis VanCoelen has been having some dental and health problems lately. Let's keep our friends in our positive thoughts and prayers. Always appreciate hearing about our friends, good or bad, so we can be there for support.

"Doug Crawford is doing exceptionally well. Long time club member and parts man of choice Doug Crawford is now over 4 months into his recovery from a bone marrow transplant. The docs are impressed, and we know he is doing well by the fact that he is out in his shop working on his vintage Packard convertible!" ... from Phil Lapin

## NUTS & BOLTS: Board meeting highlights

From minutes taken by Jean Graham

The Board of Directors of the Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club met January 14, 2020, at Bill's Place, 11611 SE 106<sup>th</sup> Street, Clackamas, Oregon.

Present were Mike Bade, Dolores Call, Phil Lapin, Jim Wheat, Robin Will, Joanne Dixon, Jerry Dixon, Jean Graham and Randy Ealy. Jean Graham kept the minutes.

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 P.M.

Minutes of the November meeting were approved.

Treasurer Dolores Call's report was approved as submitted. Dues have not yet been received from approximately 80 members (a high number). Reminders will be noted on Newsletters and reminders by phone calls as necessary. The Club's financial condition is good – ask any Board member for details.

CPPC will donate \$50 to the Cruise-In toward scholarships for the Clackamas Community College Automotive Program.

Member at Large: Joanne Dixon proposed composing a Welcome Letter which can be given to new members. Discussion resulted in a decision for Mike Bade to call new members. Other suggestions included need for a "Greeter" from the Board. Joanne reported various donations to the Club.

Activities: Responsibility for maintaining Activities List has been transferred from Jerry Dixon to Vice President Jim Wheat. Celebrating CPPC's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in August was discussed.

Mike Bade's Calendar for 2020 was reviewed. The Calendar will be published in January and offered for sale to members, visitors at the Swap Meet, etc. Listing CP-PC's activities on the Studebaker site and vice versa was also suggested.

Officers for 2020-2021 are: Mike Bade, Board Chair; Phil Lapin, President; Jim Wheat, Vice President; Joanne Dixon, Member at Large and Dolores Call, Treasurer. The search continues for a Secretary.

Swap Meet: Robin suggested reformatting the layout of CPPC's booth and method of displaying parts for sale.

Updating the Vendors Book in time for the Swap Meet was discussed. Responsibility for updating Vendors Book will be with the Tech Committee.

Tech Committee: It was recommended that the two 1965 Plymouths be sold by advertising as they are, where they are.

Cruise-In: Randy Ealy summarized the Cruise-In meeting held January 6<sup>th</sup>, which is moving forward as scheduled A

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FEBRUARY	
BIRTHDA	AYS
Dave Benfield	1
Charles Stewart	3
Elaine Huber	7
John Cooper	7
Tatyana Becker	8
Dave Williams	12
Philip Hall	17
Gary Rusher	17
Mel Nilsen	18
Doug Crawford	25
John Weil	19

## REFRESHMENTS

January John Cooper February Kena Petersen March Chuck & Stephanie Willis <u>April</u> Phil Lapin & Jean Graham May Randy & Pam Ealy June Sign up now!! July Lloyd Schulz August Picnic at Rushers' **September** SIGN UP NOW! October Joanne & Jerry Dixon November Potluck December: No meeting

## Board minutes,

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representative of the Clackamas Community College Foundation visited that meeting and was very impressed with CPPC's donations to the Automotive and Track Programs (over \$26,000 has been donated to date).

Robin Will provided samples of a registration form for the cruise-in and a brochure to present to major fundraisers.

Gary Rusher says there is a need for "Used Trophies," to recycle for larger awards at the cruise-in.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

## How to get build records for your 1930-1967 Mopar

There's a new form on the National POC website to order build records from the Chrysler Historical Archives.

It is in the menu under "Files." You will need to print it out, fill out the information and MAIL it to:

FCA Historical Services CIMS 410-11-21 12501 Chrysler Freeway

Detroit, MI 48288

Follow the link from the CPPC site or visit www.plymouthbulletin.com.

## Cruise-In meeting,

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have trophies they would be willing to recycle for the good of the club.

Randy noted that approximately \$1000 of our budget each year goes to thank-yous to donors, members and participants. That includes the flyers that go into the goodie bags, and the certificates that are mailed out, and gift cards for committee members. We don't want to scrimp on good manners, and thank-yous will continue.

The committee expressed hope for more involvement from the automotive department this year, particularly in student projects or finished cars.

It also seemed possible that CPPC members who have done projects at the college might create some sort of display about the work they did.

Randy will hand out sign-up sheets for work at the March meeting, and the cruise-in committee will meet again on Tuesday, March 3, same time, same place. When the weather outside is frightful, the smart thing to do is hold your car event indoors. That's what happened at the Winter Rod and Speed Show, presented by Burgerville and AA Towing at the Linn County Fair and Expo Center in Albany, January 18-19. CPPC's D. J. Freeman drove over from Philomath in his 1938 Plymouth coupe to attend the show, and sent this picture as evidence.

## Norseman, the Chrysler concept car that [amost] nobody got to see

These – from allpar.com – are among the very few suriving pictures of the Chrysler Norseman. The Norseman's drawings were begun in 1953; the design was completed in 1955 and sent to Ghia in Italy, who built it and shipped it back to the USA on the *Andréa Doria*, which sank on July 26, 1956 after colliding with the *MS Stockholm*, with a loss of 51 lives among the 1700-+ passengers and crew onboard.





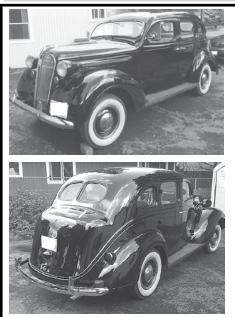


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#### Cascade Pacific *Plymouth* Club, Inc.



1937 Plymouth Sedan: Complete Sedan with Chrysler 201 and 3 speed manual transmission (currently removed). Great candidate for original restoration or engine swap. Comes with a few extra parts (hubcaps, gaskets, engine stand and lift) More info on CascadePacific-Plymouth.org. Asking \$10,000 OBO. Contact Logan @ 309-397-6876 (10/19)



For sale, 1951 Plymouth Suburban, flathead 6, 3 speed, very solid car, clean title good project to restore or hot rod, \$1500 or offer. Contact Bob Derbyshire 503-324-0923 (01/20)

- 1937 Plymouth sedan front end with brakes \$ 200.00 rear axle with brakes \$200.00 call John Woodhave 801 864 6479 leave message this is located outside Salt Lake City (01/20)
- I am looking for a period correct roof rack for my '374 door. I'm not looking for a new one. D. J. Freeman: dj38plymouth@aol.com. (12/19)
- Jeff Miller is looking for "inexpensive" storage for 3 IH Scouts. He wants to build a good one out of three he can buy. Portland westside would be idea. Contact Jeff or Phil Lapin. (12/19)
- We want to keep old stuff in circulation, so advertising of Plymouth-related goods and services is free on a non-commercial basis. CPPC membership not required. Ads are published on a space-available basis, and edited ruthlessly to fit. Everything here is duplicated or expanded on CascadePacificPlymouth.org. Please remember to tell us when your stuff sells, so we can pull your ad. Contact the editor, robin@robinwill.com with your words and pictures.

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