



THE COLUMBIA OVERDRIVE

Newsletter for Columbia River Regional Group #10

February 2024



The
**Columbia River
Regional Group** is
Chartered by the
Early Ford V8
Club of America
and is dedicated to
the preservation
of Ford motor vehicles and
related historical materials
from the era of the
Flathead V8 engines
(including all Ford,
Mercury and Lincoln vehicles)
from 1932 through 1953.
Owning one of these
vehicles is not a
requirement for club
membership.

Club mailing address is:
PO Box 1035
Oregon City, OR 97045
Website:
www.earlyfordv8crrg10.com

Meetings are held the second
Monday of the month at
Abernethy Grange, Oregon
City. Social hour begins at
6:30 PM and the meeting be-
gins at 7:30 PM.

Board Meetings are held each
month, prior to the regular
meetings unless a matter
needing a lengthy discussion is
necessary. Then the meeting
time and place will be
announced at the meeting. All
members are invited to attend.

Membership

Dues for CRRG are \$10 per
calendar year. Membership in
the national Early Ford V8 Club
of America is a requirement of
the Columbia River Regional
Group.

Submitting Material to the Newsletter

Please send all materials for
publication in the Columbia
Overdrive to Cathy
Brunschon at 2006 SE 56th
Ave, Portland, OR 97215,
redcab1955@gmail.com.
The deadline is the 4th Monday
of the month.

Website (is working now!!)
www.earlyfordv8crrg10.com



President's Message February 2024



Happy Valentine's Day,

It's February and this year is already moving way too fast for me. This is a Leap year, with one additional day this month, so those who were actually born on the 29th can be truly celebrated. We only experience this special day once every four years.

We now have only two more months to prepare for the 2024 Portland Swap Meet. The Swap Committee meeting for January was canceled due to ice and snow. There will be a mass mail out to all prior vendors on the 15th and a full committee meeting on the 20th. Our duty roster is due to the Committee at that time. We still have seven duty positions to fill. They are:

Saturday: Bus Control on Expo Road/Blue Gate: 2:30PM-6:00PM

Purple Gate: 12:00PM- 4:00PM

Sunday: Door Control: 7:00AM-11:00AM (two positions)

Fire Exit Gate on Expo Rd: 6:30AM-10:00AM

Fire Exit Gate on Expo Rd: 9:30AM-1:30PM

Purple Gate: 9:30AM-1:30 PM

Please call Bill Barnell @ 360-991-1600 to volunteer, if you can.

January Club Activities:

January 8 was our monthly Club meeting. We had lower attendance due to weather; it was cold and raining. As we get older, it's no fun driving at night in those conditions.

On January 9, Honey Bermel invited us ladies to join her for lunch at The Cove Restaurant in Vancouver, WA. It was another rainy day, but the restaurant had underground parking which was nice. Mary Ellen Downs joined us, who we rarely get to see. Thanks, Honey, it's always nice to experience new and interesting places.

January 28 was our annual bowling tour. Fourteen members attended, five bowlers and nine spectators. It was interesting to me, that the same number attended last year but the numbers were reversed, nine bowlers and five spectators. After two games, the bowlers were tired, but they continued to play the third game until our time ran out on the use of the lanes. Murl Jones had the high score (the bowling alley kept score) at the cost of a pulled muscle and swollen thumb. Look for Bill's commentary with pictures elsewhere in this newsletter.

I hope to see you at the February 12th Club meeting.

Carla Barnell, President



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CRRG #10 General Business Meeting January 8, 2024

2024 Officers/Board Members

President	Carla Barnell
Vice President	Kelhi Criswell
Secretary	Sherri Walker
Treasurer	Judy Shoepe
Sgt at Arms	John Laughlin and Ross Lisle
Activities	Bill Barnell
Tour Director	Dave VanWinkle and Murl Jones
Membership	Cathy Brunscheon
Editor	Cathy Brunscheon
Past President	John Simerly

2024 Non Board Members

Historian	Open
Librarian	Open
Cookie Monster	Bill Barnell
Club Shirts	Frank McNatt
Windbreakers	Rusty Medearis
Pins/Hats/Etc.	Doug Snook
Sunshine	Linda Eurick
Road Cleanup	John Laughlin
Website	LOOKING for HELP!!
Northwest Director	Joe Reger
National Chief Judge	John McBurney
National Judging Standards Committee	Ron Love

2024 Tours/Leaders

<u>January</u>	BOWLING & PIZZA
<u>February</u>	UNKNOWN
<u>March</u>	UNKNOWN
<u>April</u>	UNKNOWN
<u>May</u>	UNKNOWN
<u>June</u>	UNKNOWN
<u>July</u>	POWERLAND STEAMUP
<u>August</u>	ALL FORD PICNIC
<u>September</u>	CAMPOUT
<u>October</u>	UNKNOWN
<u>November</u>	UNKNOWN
<u>December</u>	HOLIDAY PARTY

2024 Ladies' Luncheons

January 9	HONEY BERMEL
February 20	JOANNE GORNICK
March 19	MARGRET SHORT
April 16	BEACH GETAWAY
May 21	KATHLEEN MACKEN
	JENNIE DELANO
June 18	HONEY BERMEL
July 16	?
August 20	JUDY SHOEPE
September 17	CAMPOUT
October 15	PAT PARKER
November 19	?
December 17	CAROL CAROCCI

*The dates may change, updates will posted in advance of the event.

The meeting called to order by President Carla Barnell @ 7:32pm

Special Announcements: Congratulations to Rusty Medearis and Terry Tindle for 50 years of membership. Also Bob Hill charter member.

The December 2023 Meeting Minutes were approved with a name correction of Murl not Murl.

Sgt-at-Arms Ross Lisle reported the attendance of 36 members and 1 guest: Gary Reed.

Secretary Sherri Walker asks for your patience

Treasurer Judy Shoepe is frustrated with the confusion with all the different details on the submitted membership applications not being completed... especially the Name on Application... Judy spoke about the increase in National dues as well as the new rates. She gave a detailed accounting of the club's bank accounts

Carla Barnell also spoke about the amount still owed to National because of the increase dues not updated on the original 2024 Annual Dues form.

Tour Chair Dave VanWinkle was not present. In his absence, the Bowling tour sign-up sheet was available and passed around.

Activities Chair Bill Barnell called for member tickets, shared the sign-up sheet for Swap Meet and with that he shared some of his wit.

Past President John Simerly has nothing to report.

Editor Cathy Brunscheon requested all newsletter items be provided early so she can get the newsletter assembled and to the printer and Mark Luce for emailing so the members have it prior to the next club meeting.

Ladies Luncheon is January 9 at the Cove Restaurant in Vancouver, WA. Carla submitted a picture from the December Ladies Luncheon of the ladies and their gifts they brought to donate to include in the Ladies' Corner of this newsletter.

Sunshine Linda Eurick sent cards to LeRoy Stratton and to Kurt Neilson as he had open heart surgery.

Old Business: Swap Meet Duty sign-up sheet being passed around we have 9 positions to fill.

The Parts for Sale/Wanted sheet was passed around to members.

January 20 is the Linn County Expo Building Swap Meet in Albany, OR; January 28 is the High Performance Swap Meet at the Clark County Fairgrounds, WA.

Thank you to all Board Members for past and present service.

A motion to adjourn was made by Al Johnson, seconded by Leroy Stratton, and passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherri Walker, Secretary



Cathy Brunscheon, Roster Editor, asks all members to contact her if there are any changes that need to be made. Her cell phone number is 503-975-4228 and email: redcab1955@gmail.com.

The Membership Renewal Form appears on page 7 of this newsletter and will be available at the February 12, 2024 Club Meeting.

Membership dues are required as outlined in our by-laws. Article XVI, Section 1: Dues, states: "Dues shall be payable on November 1st of each year and are delinquent after the second Monday of February each year".

If you **have not paid** your 2024 Club dues by our next Club meeting on Monday, February 12, you are considered delinquent and therefore a non-member. If you fall into this category, and you wish to continue your membership, please send you dues to our Club Treasurer, ASAP, with the attached 2024 Membership Application in this newsletter.

We can then update our records accordingly.

Thank you,
CRRG #10 V-8 Club Board

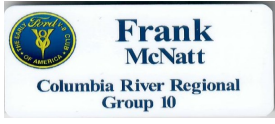


FEBRUARY EVENTS
10 Salem OR: Mild to Wild Swap Meet
12 CRRG#10 CLUB MEETING
14 VALENTINE'S DAY
20 CRRG#10 LADIES LUNCHEON
22-25 Portland OR: Portland International Auto Show

MARCH EVENTS
2-3 Salem OR: Salem Roadster Show
11 CRRG#10 CLUB MEETING
15-17 Portland OR: 68th Annual Portland Roadster Show
19 CRRG#10 LADIES LUNCHEON

REMEMBER TO WEAR A NAMETAG TO THE NEXT CLUB MEETING AND RECEIVE A TICKET FOR THE MEMBERSHIP DRAWING.

YOUR NAME COULD APPEAR BELOW NEXT TIME!



JANUARY RAFFLE WINNERS

\$25 IHOP Gift Card	Milt Haley
\$25 Fred Meyer Gift Card	Don Williams
\$25 Home Depot Gift Card	Carol Carocci
\$25 Olive Garden Gift Card	Ron Johnson
\$25 Red Robin Gift Card	Bill Barnell
\$25 Fred Meyer Gift Card	Cathy Brunscheon
\$25 Home Depot Gift Card	Milt Haley
\$25 Olive Garden Gift Card	Cathy Brunscheon
Bill Barnell	

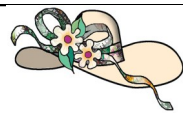


FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF CRRG EVENTS & CELEBRATIONS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Bob Hill	3 Chuck Stewart
4	5	6	7	8 Jim Estes	9 Joe & Annette Steele	10
11 Paula Poor	12 CRRG MEETING	13 Gloria Adams	14 Hank & Angela Baker Valentine's Day	15	16	17
18	19 Grant Laughlin	20 LADIES LUNCH	21 Sandra Cole	22	23 Eldon Blatchford	24 Dave & Margret Short Jim & Paula Poor
25	26 Marc & Kristie Luce	27 Jackie Tabert	28	29 		



LADIES' CORNER



December 12, 2023 Ladies Lunch Guests and New Cuddly Friends for Liberty House Children



January Ladies Lunch

It was one of those gray, rainy, dreary looking winter days in January for the first Ladies Luncheon for 2024. We went to The Cove in Vancouver, WA

We normally have 12 to 14 ladies for our monthly luncheon but ladies were dropping like flies the night before and even the morning of. That horrid cough and runny nose was making the rounds. We ended up with a robust 7 ladies. They gave us a beautifully set table at a front window that was set for 14. The restaurant looks out onto the Tidewater Marina on the Mighty Columbia River. Our table had floor to ceiling windows. FYI they have covered parking below the building so none of us got wet making our way to the restaurant.

In attendance were Linda Eurick, Carla Barnell, Maureen Johnson, Carol Carocci, Joanne Gornick, Honey Bermel, and Mary Ellen Downs (first time attendee to the ladies luncheon) hope you can come again, it was a joy having you join us.

We had a lively conversation and caught up on events, kids and grand kids and many funny stories. We laughed a lot that day. It might have been a gray day outside but we didn't let that affect our mood. Ladies it is always a fun time getting together and those that weren't in attendance, please join us soon.

Honey Bermel



February Ladies Lunch
At the Old Spaghetti Factory
12725 SE 93rd, Clackamas
503-653-7949

We will meet at 11:30 am on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 as the restaurant opens.

The reservation is under my name for a party of 12-14. I hope you will be able to attend and will RSVP by the 16th.

Please call me at 503-253-4094 or email at jggornick@q.com.

The location of the restaurant is very close to I-205 so hopefully will be easy to find.

See you there!

Joanne Gornick



Do you have a tip or recipe to share? Send to the editor at redcab1955@gmail.com and I will publish it here for all to enjoy!

Coming in next month's column, Carla Barnell shares thoughts on potential advantages of shape shifting. This will make you chuckle!

FOR SALE

'32/34 PU Cabs \$4,500 down
'72 F100 V8 4spd Restored \$19,500
'33/34 Car/PU Frames \$3,000 each
Dale Newcomb 503-505-1342

'40 Ford Front Fender Good Shape \$250
'40 Ford Front Fender \$125
59 AB Brass Water Pump \$150
'40 Ford Bumper, needs chroming \$100
Bill Gilbert 503-623-7042 Dallas

2 Dennis Carpenter New Water Pumps for
1950-1953 Ford. List \$165.95 + Shipping
Special \$135 both.
Jim Kunst 503-830-9048

8BA Block W/Scot Crank, All Machined
\$3,000
Al Rossback 541-979-9853

5 Pirellis Tires almost new. 185 SR 16 (600-
16 Matching) \$175, Sold as a set
Car Cover (Dust Weight, Medium Size) \$30
Stainless Pieces for 46-48 Ford, various \$
Ron Love 503-232-9359

4 SPD Transmission from 47 Pickup. Call
Milt Haley 503-658-3705 for info-will refer to
owner.

41 Chev Master Delux Coupe \$18,000 OBO
Judy Boss 503-933-4066

Ford 3 SPD Transmission parts, 1936-1964
Top Shift and 3 speed overdrive side shift
Ron Johnson 360-263-3833

8BA Valves & Seat Repair or tools for sale
to do the repairs
Gary Reed 971-205-9683

WANTED

1946-48 V8 Radiator—Good Condition
John Simerly 360-606-5129

FE Ford Parts (Rear Sump Pan)
Pilot Bearing for '40 Ford
Al Johnson 971-563-8106

Needed for a '36 Ford Pickup Project:
1. Oil pressure & Fuel level Combina-
tion Gage
2. Steering wheel
3. Right hand rear fender - any condi-
tion considered
Ross Lisle at 503-789-3971

Meet a Board Member:

I am Bill Barnell, sitting in your Activities Chair. I was born in Van-
couver, WA in 1936 and lived there until the second grade, when we
moved to Nehalem on the Oregon Coast. After graduating from high
school in 1954, I moved to Longview, WA where I worked at various
jobs starting with Logging, then to a paper mill in a bag plant. After a
couple of years working shift work, a job opening was posted for
craftwork. I entered into pipefitting as an apprentice. After a little over
five years, I bought a backhoe tractor and went into business as a con-
tractor building houses and excavating. After another five years, I ex-
panded into electrical work where I continued until retirement. But
enough about me, how I came to be (a little rhyme for you) in the Ford
V-8 Club.

It all started in 1952 when I got my job at 16 years old in a cheese fac-
tory. I was able to buy my grandmother's 1936 Buick coupe, an oil
burner to be sure. After a year, while going to school, I was able to
upgrade to a 1948 Ford 4 door sedan. After a couple of years, I finally
wrecked it and replaced it with a 1951 Plymouth 4 door. This car I
customized by removing the rear door handles, molding in the tail
lights and putting '51 Pontiac tail lights under the trunk with two radio
antennas on top of the rear fenders. I drove it until 1956 when I traded
it for a 1953 Mercury which I drove to Minnesota to see my grandpar-
ents. My next car, while still owning the Mercury, was a 1946 Ford
convertible, which I bought for \$125, the same price I paid for
the 1936 Buick several years before. I drove it to the mill, where I
worked, where one day someone stole the battery. I don't remember
what happened to that car, but one day I would replace it. My next car
was a 1959 Ford two door. I had a number of vans, both Ford and
Chevy, plus one Dodge, which I worked out of as a contractor. In Jan-
uary, 1980, my friend Bob Hoffman took me to an Early Ford V-8
Club meeting, where I joined and have been an active member ever
since. I have held all Board positions, throughout the years, except
secretary and treasurer. I am also a Club Representative for the Swap
Meet and have been for many years. As of this writing, I'm trying to
fill the duty roster for this year's Meet and I am appealing to you to
sign-up for a vacant spot.

February Sunshine Report

A Gift Card was sent to :

Curt Neilson: Curt had open heart surgery.

Please keep everyone in your thoughts and prayers.

Cards are appreciated.

Stay safe and well.

Linda and Bob Eurick
503-629-0251





January 28, 2024 TOUR—BOWLING & PIZZA

The Newest and Latest Report on the Early Ford V-8 Bowling League



As most league bowlers are concerned about the number of pins knocked down to determine just who won, we are not! Our league is mostly a spectator sport and as such, we are concerned with statistics. We only keep track of gutter balls, strikes and spares of which, they were abundant. You may guess which, keep in mind this is a once-a-year event. In that light, we had five bowlers and nine spectators.

Two games were played, so I'll break it down to first and second games. The first game scored highest with thirty-seven gutter balls with the second game coming in second, with only twenty-four. Also, the first game had four strikes and three spares losing to the second game which had four strikes and eight spares. In the first game, first frame, two players tied with a score of zero, while one player beat them picking up one pin. But I forgot we are not keeping pin scores, so that doesn't count.

There was a lot of laughter and cheering, so I'm sure everyone had a good time. We may lose some bowlers next year as this seems to be a younger man's sport. Maybe we need to do some stretching exercises before we start. We all went to pizza after and there was even some to take home. As a recap of the game, I'm sure it takes some skill to take out one pin while leaving the rest standing, so we have some very skillful bowlers on our league. My wife made me write this and wouldn't let me name any names, but I can be bribed with enough money. One name I will mention, and that is, to thank Dave VanWinkle who set this event up





2024 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION COLUMBIA RIVER REGIONAL GROUP #10 EARLY FORD V-8 CLUB OF AMERICA



Member Name: _____ Spouse _____

FILL IN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IF ANYTHING HAS CHANGED FROM LAST YEAR OR IF YOU ARE A NEW MEMBER

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Spouse Cell: _____ E-mail: _____

Birthday (Month/Day): Member _____ Spouse: _____ Anniversary: _____

List 1932-1953 Ford/Mercury/Lincoln Vehicles Owned

<u>Year</u> Example: 1940	<u>Make</u> Ford	<u>Trim</u> Deluxe	<u>Engine Type</u> V-8	<u>Body Style</u> Tudor Sedan

Step # 1: LOCAL CRRG #10 DUES (CIRCLE ONE AMOUNT)

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP..... \$10.00

SINGLE (LIFE MEMBER)..... \$ 0.00

JOINT MEMBERSHIP..... \$20.00

JOINT WITH ONE LIFE MEMBER..... \$10.00

PREREQUISITE TO CRRG #10 MEMBERSHIP:

Membership must be current in the National V-8 Club

Please provide National Membership # _____

Step # 2: (Optional) INCLUDE NATIONAL DUES (CIRCLE ONE AMOUNT)

MY MEMBERSHIP IS CURRENT WITH THE NATIONAL V-8 CLUB \$0.00

MEMBERSHIP **WITH** V-8 TIMES AND ROSTER

SINGLE..... \$45.00 JOINT..... \$50.00

MEMBERSHIP **WITHOUT** V-8 TIMES AND ROSTER

SINGLE/JOINT..... \$10.00

Step # 3: IF PAYING BOTH, COMBINE CRRG #10 DUES AND NATIONAL DUES

Cash: \$ _____ Check \$ _____ Total \$ _____

MAIL TO: COLUMBIA RIVER REGIONAL GROUP #10
EARLY FORD V-8 CLUB OF AMERICA
PO Box 23962
Tigard, OR 97281

EARLY FORD V-8 CLUB OF AMERICA
Columbia River Regional Group #10
PO Box 1045
Oregon City, OR 97045



Bulletin Board

CRRG#10 General Meeting on February 12, 2024 will be at the Abernathy Grange. Social hour begins at 6:30pm and meeting 7:30pm. Masks are optional. Hope to see you all there.

Linda & Bob Eurick are the Sunshine Persons. If you know of some news about one of our members that should be shared with the club, please let them know.

503-629-0251 or
beurick@gaelicfleet.com

Roster

For changes to your address, telephone number, cell phone number, email address or if you sold a car, bought a car—anything that needs to be updated in the roster, please let us know. Cathy Brunscheon, Membership Chairman, will be updating during the year. Call her at 503-975-4228 or email at redcab1955@gmail.com

A big thank you to those who contributed to this issue!! I could not have done it without you, SEND MORE—I'll find room.
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