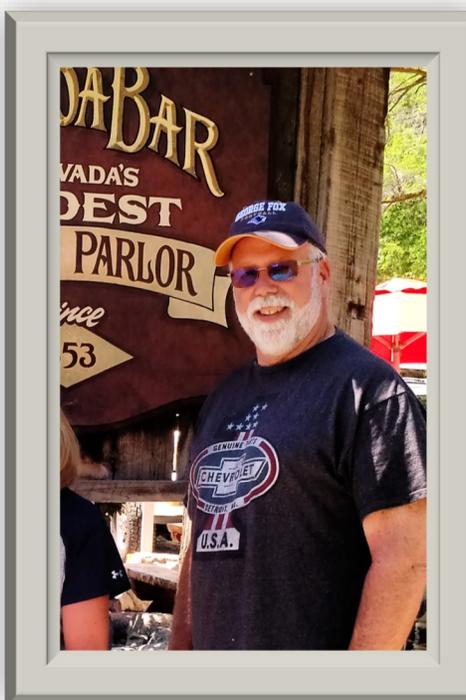


“Happy New Year” to everyone! I hope you all had a good Christmas with your families. New Year’s day started out with the annual cruise and it was well attended. About 30 people came out and we made a short drive to Seaside and had lunch at Dundee’s Bar and Grill. The food and service were good and it was nice to visit with friends. The management and staff did a great job and were very attentive. This year’s cruise was organized by Joe Natoli from the Washington side of the river, and was well done as the weather caused a last-minute change that required notices to be sent to all participants. Great job on Joe’s part. The 2023 cruise will be organized by someone on our side of the river. If you are interested in planning it, let me know.

The club December meeting/Christmas party was held December 4, 2021 at the longshoremen’s hall. Patty Getchell chaired the gathering and she and her helpers did an amazing job with decorating and getting the food together. “Thank you” Patty for all you do. We collected \$975 in donations for the Regional Food Bank and \$1050 for the Wishing Tree Program. The money was presented to both programs the following week and they were very grateful for your generosity. The other agenda item was the election of club officers. Again Patty, as nominating committee chair, did a great job in filling all open positions for the election. Burt Young was elected treasurer, Nicki Andrews as secretary, and Jim Purdy will continue as club Vice-President. I was elected president for 2022-23. “Thank You”, all for your help and



support. I am hoping for more club activities to be able to occur.

Another item is membership renewals. Membership Chair Diane Matthews got quite a few renewals at the December meeting, which saved a bit in the mailing costs. Diane is putting together the remaining membership renewal forms to be mailed out around the middle of January. Remember that the club roster info along with the Back-Fire circulation list all come from our membership and paid dues. Also a reminder to members – if you

are 80 years young or more – membership is free. Congratulations! Please let Diane know so she can update your dues information. (We don’t keep birth years in the membership data.) Also make sure all your info is correct on the forms so we can keep our roster as current as possible. Remember we are trying to keep our information as safe as we can by not publishing phone numbers or email addresses. And ... As long as I am on Diane’s duties, she called and said she is organizing people to write the “Back Seat” (the gal’s page), and she has 6 volunteers, but needs 6 more aspiring authors. Please give her a call if you are interested.

One other thing, make sure you check out Steve’s “Ramblin Round” article as another donation has been made to the club for the Education Outreach Fund.

And .. One more thing, our January meeting will be Thursday, January 20, 7pm at the Jordan’s shop. Hope to see you there!

Stay healthy, Doug

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November 18, 2021

November Minutes

President Doug Gillies called to order the November 18th meeting of the Lower Columbia Classic car club at 7:02 pm. All board members were present except for Jim Purdy who was stuck in traffic somewhere in Vancouver. We have two new members, Mike Hopkin, who was in attendance and Anthony Boatman.

Patty Getchell made a motion to accept the minutes of the October meeting. Motion seconded and approved.

Burt Young gave the financial report.

Committee Reports:

Membership - Diane Matthews asked questions about the membership cards. Do cards need to be issued to the membership each year? If the year was left off the cards they could be used year after year. Cards would be issued to new members. What was the original purpose of the cards? They are used to get into our swap meet in March and into the 50's Cruise. This will be put into a committee for further discussion. Diane reported that the \$25 membership dues recently paid by Mike Hopkins and Anthony Boatman will be carried forward as their dues for the year 2022.

Backfire - There will be no December Backfire. Ross Getchell has been given the month off. All important information will be sent via emails.

Swap meet - Dorothy Gillies reported that the swap meet will be Saturday March 12th at the Astoria Fair grounds. She is working on the flyer. Help is needed setting up and all day Saturday. Setting up will be Friday at 10:00 am. If you are interested in helping please contact Dorothy.

50's Cruise - Dorothy Gillies is working on the flyer. Date for the cruise is Saturday, June 4th with setting up on Friday, June 3rd. There will be a planning meeting January 8th.

Nominations for 2022 Officers - Patty Getchell reported the nominations are:

President - Doug Gillies

Treasurer - Burt Young

Secretary - Nicki Andrews

Old Business:

Our Christmas party will be December 4th at the Longshoremen Hall in Astoria. Patty Getchell reported that we are asking the members to donate money instead of food or toys. Donations can be made to the CCA Regional Food bank and Astoria Wishing Tree. Renewing club membership for next year 2022 can also be made at this time. If you cannot come you can mail your donation and membership renewal. There will be a short business meeting and election after eating.

Riviera- A \$25 ad until it sells will be put on NW Classic Auto site. The price will be \$7,000 or best offer.

New Business:

The question was asked about the New Year's Day cruise. This year it is the Beach Barons turn to plan it. President Doug Gillies will contact Joe Natoli the President of the Beach Barons.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. Nicki Andrews Secretary

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December 4, 2021

December Minutes

Longshoremen's Hall Astoria

The December 4, 2021 meeting of the Lower Columbia Classic Car club was called to order by President Doug Gillies in the Longshoremen's Hall in Astoria, Oregon. Patty Getchell moved that we dispense with the regular order of business and proceed to the nominations of officers for the upcoming year. Motion was seconded and passed. Patty reported on behalf of the nominating committee Doug Gillies was nominated for President. Other nominations were asked for. Hearing none, Doug Gillies was declared President for the year 2022. On behalf of the nominating committee, Patty then nominated Burt Young for Treasurer. President Doug Gillies then called for any other nominations. Hearing none, he declared Burt Young Treasurer of the Lower Columbia Classic Car club for the upcoming year 2022. Patty Getchell, on behalf of the nominating committee, nominated Nicki Andrews Secretary for the year 2022. Other nominations were called for. Hearing none, President Doug Gillies declared Nicki Andrews Secretary.

Patty Getchell then thank everyone who help set up for our Christmas party.

Doug Gillies reported that \$1,050 had been donated by the membership to the Wishing Tree and \$975 had been donated to the Food Bank. He thanked everyone for their generosity.

Diane Matthews, membership chairperson, reported dues are due by the end of January for the year 2022 and that they could be paid now. She will have the membership roster available by February. Also she had the sign up sheet for the Backseat (ladies page in the Backfire).

Meeting adjourned.

Nicki Andrews
Secretary



Ramblin' Round

With Steve

Christmas has come and gone, with all its glitter and color. I'm sure that in most cases it was wonderful time for family gatherings.

For those of you who don't already know, member Tim O'Bryant was in the hospital right up until Christmas recovering from surgery, but was released on Christmas day. What a Christmas gift, the release I mean. Tim is doing well, I spoke with him today and he was in good spirits.

A friend of the club who recently donated the '64 Riviera, phoned to ask if we were open to another donation for use in raising funds for our youth education program. I, of course said yes. We have received two Yamaha wave runners (jet skis) plus two generators and a pickup full of small items that will be offered for sale at the swap meet.



It's New Years day and Judy and I just drove in from the New Years day Cruise (and by the way, **Happy New Year**). At any rate there was a good turnout of like minded auto enthusiasts, even though only about five collector cars were driven—the rest of us drove our grocery getters. We ended up at Dundees Sports Bar in Seaside and what a great choice it was. The service was quick and friendly and food was excellent. Thank you Joe for putting the whole thing together for us.

Looking ahead at this years event calendar, the following events have been scheduled and are on the calendar.

January 21-22, 2022 - Winter Rod & Speed Show & Swap Meet- Linn County Fair & Expo Center, Albany, OR.

January 30th, 2022 - 45th Annual N.W.D.R.A. Hi Performance Automotive Swap Meet. Clark County Event Center, Ridgefield, WA.

March 19 - 20, 2022 - Almost Spring Swap Meet, WA. State Fair Event Center. Puyallup, WA.

April 1 - 3, 2022 - 58th Annual Portland Swap Meet. Portland Expo Center.

October 7 - 9, 2022 - 1st Annual Clark County Roadster Show. Clark County Event Center.

Info: Patrick, 360-567-9814





FROM THE BACK SEAT "THE GAL'S PAGE"

Am hoping to give you all a good laugh to start out the new year!

Have you ever found yourself in a position of "What do I do now" that happened to me about two months ago. Came home from the grocery store, drove into the garage and noticed I had a bag of trash that needed to go in a trash can.

We have an enclosure to hold all our trash cans on the back of the house, to keep the bears out. I was in a hurry, as we had company coming, so I just picked up the bag of trash and headed out to put the trash in a can. Neglected to let Steve know I was home and didn't take my phone with me, most definitely a mistake! Opened the door to the enclosure and forgot to put something in front of the door to hold it open., of course you can guess what happened next, the door closed with me inside, no way to get out.

Here comes the "what do I do now"? I looked around, trying to decide what to do, there was a full trash can in the corner, well if I get on to that I can reach over and unlock the door. I managed to unlock the door, and promptly fell off the trash can. Thank goodness my head hit the door and it stayed open, while I managed to get myself up and get out of there. Needless to say my head hurt and my behind was mighty sore.

No broken bones, as Diane and Mike Matthews said "it was a good bone density test"!

As Paul Harvey always said, Now for the rest of the story!

A couple of weeks later **Dorothy and Doug Gillies** came over with a small package for me.

This was what was in the package.

Oh how I laughed!! Aren't friends wonderful. Hope you all enjoy this!!!!

Anti-Entrapment Device (AED)

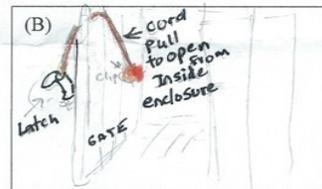
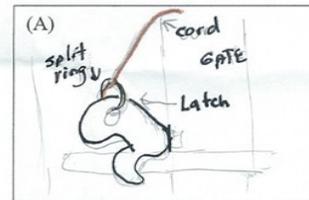
This AED was designed with the conscientious home owner in mind. A device which will spare the occupant the pain and trauma of being trapped inside a trash receptacle enclosure.

To operate, secure the metal split-ring at the end of the cord onto the gate latch. The same way a key is put on a key ring. (Drawing A)

Drape the other end of the cord over the offensive gate, letting the clip dangle on the back of the gate. Inside of the enclosure. (Drawing B)

Now to open the latch from the inside of the enclosure, pull down on the cord. The latch should open allowing the entrapped to push the gate open. The "end clip" can then be clipped to the wooden gate to prevent the cord from blowing in the wind.

There are no guarantees or warranties, but the manufacture does offer free installation and a money back policy for anyone who is forced to spend a night in a trash receptacle enclosure.



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Of LCCC Club Members, Friends, and Family

(ps: send in pictures of your fun times to The Backfire Editor and see them posted here to share with everyone!)



LCCC Members generously donated to Wishing tree. program.



Doug giving the Food Bank Chairmen a check.



2022 New Year's Day Cruise Getting ready for a trip to Seaside



2022 New Year's Day Cruise to Dundee's Sports Bar for lunch.

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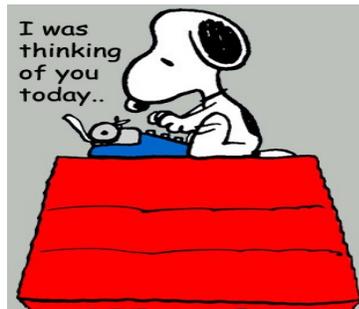
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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!
OUR WEBSITE IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE.
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SERVICE
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Get well to Tim O'Bryant

Hello Lower Columbia Classic members, I will be taking over for Judy Jordan who did a fantastic job at keeping us informed of our members who needed a little SUNSHINE

Well Wishes, Sending good wishes to all of you who I don't know about. Please let me know so I can send you a card if you need one. I think we can all use a little pick me up sometimes

Thanks Linda Uphoff (my phone number is listed in your roster)

BACKSEAT ARTICLES 2022

January-Judy Jordan, February-Linda Uphoff, March-, April-, May-, June-, July-, August-, September-, October-Nov.-, Dec.-

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