

August 2025

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Message from the President

Fellow Pushrodders,

August 2025 is up on us. Where has the time gone? The Push Rods of Hoquiam has had a busy summer even though you might not know it. With our various community projects, car shows, lunches, dinners and our calendar that is finished and out in the public domain, the club is alive and active. If you have not had the opportunity to participate, you're missing out.

Hot Rods in Hoquiam on the last weekend of June was a success. The Friday night hot dog event topped by the Elvis show was a huge hit. There was a standing room only for the show. Danny Vernon put on a very entertaining show. We served over 150 hot dogs with pop and chips to a very happy crowd.

The show on Saturday had some moisture in the morning that scared off some people, but we also had 148 participants sign up. The poker walk was a success. Patty and Roy Rager organized the walk. Patty ran the registration, raffle tickets, helped with 50/50 and organized the trophy list. Yeoman work with no pay and little appreciation. Just kidding. We recognize that we need to establish a new registration crew to make things easier and make for a smooth operation.



Okie Thompson and Monica (Moon Pie) Ewing worked hard on the 50/50 bringing over $800. One learning from this year is that we need to put together a marking crew that is coordinated and disciplined with a definite plan. Pete Policoni once again did a great job with the music. Johnny Manson did pod cast/public announcements with his usual flair.



This is our third year in downtown Hoquiam. Each year has been better than the last with improvements that can be made. Our goal for next year is 200 registered. We can do it with more advertising and getting the word out.

The Pushrod raffle of the electric bike that was provided to the club by Fred Scott was given away at the end of the show. There was a lot of time and effort getting the bike out to sell tickets and we need to think about doing this a little differently. Thank you, Fred, for the opportunity to make the club a fun project.



All around the Pushrods can be proud of our show. The public comments are very positive about our efforts to make Hoquiam a community to be proud of.



The Pushrod calendar started earlier this year by seeing some of the photographs that Bob Weyrick showed me. I was so impressed that I opened my big mouth and suggested that the club should do another calendar using his skills. As with so many things that are instantly presented to us, Bob eagerly consented to head up this new concept. He did not know what he was getting into. After a lot of discussions, the Pushrods have a calendar that is of the finest quality. The images are of members' vehicles, printed locally. The cost to print is $9.79 per copy. We are selling them for $10. No profit from the sales, but a nice profit from the sponsorships. Of the initial run of 100 calendars, we have sold approximately 80. I am giving all of the sponsors a copy. We will need to order another run of 100 to sell to members, the public and for the Washington Hot Rod Hall of Fame dinner. Bob and Kathy Weyrick have sold most of the calendars. They are salespersons extraordinaire.

The Washington Hot Rod Hall of Fame dinner is October 4th in Spokane. Tickets are $65. Rooms can be reserved at the Mirabeau Park Hotel by calling 509-924-9000. The address is 1100 N. Sullivan St. Spokane, WA 99037. We have 12 people going. This next meeting, get with me for the tickets ($65) and you get your rooms. Depending on what you want to do, one or two days, the organizers are doing some garage tours over there on Saturday. I will get more info. Car pool if you can.



We had a Pushrod lunch at Breakwater seafood that was really good. A Pushrod dinner at Rediviva with 14 members was really good.

August schedule:

Aug. 1 - 2 Elma car show
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Aug. 2 Mossyrock car show
Aug. 5-10 Hot August Nights Reno
Aug. 6 Business meeting Hoquiam Elks 6:30
Aug. 10 Lucky Eagle car show
Aug. 12 Pushrod Lunch West side Pizza Aberdeen 12
Aug. 16 5 Star Midnite Cruisers car show
Aug. 20 Pushrod board meeting 12 Gil`s shop
Aug. 28 Pushrod dinner Hoquiam Brewery 6:30

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