

October 2026

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Message from the President

A successful September is now behind us. It was a busy month with a lot of car club activities.

Our Pushrod lunch at Billys had seven members for a nice meal. Loggers Playday parade had seven cars show up. Norm was THE MAN with his own T-shirt and also providing his legendary Volkswagen Beetle for destruction at the show. Shoalwater Bay Casino was a fun day with good weather. Four old club cars and seven other club members showed. Five strangers showed with their cars. Gil Stork robbed the casino without a mask. Pushrod board meeting was the next Wednesday with some actions taken. On Saturday the club went to Lake Quinault to help them celebraten100 years as a lodge. They had a great lunch, great weather and had a great time. .

The Greater Northwest Hot Rod Hall of Fame Banquet in Spokane was a fun weekend. Seven members traveled over the mountains to see me inducted into the hall of fame. The reason I was accepted was my association with the Pushrods of Hoquiam in helping lead the club in our community involvement and helping to change our car show formats. I certainly did not have the impressive resume of

other inductees, but I am grateful for the club that has become my second family. Once again, the Pushrods of Hoquiam was and is a huge supporter of the Hot Hod Hall of Fame.



This year Fred Scott provided a pedal car kit car. Don Richardson took it to his shop and did the body work and paint. Handycane pinstriped the car. The finished product was a piece of art. With Don`s time and expertise, Freds donation and expenses the total cost for this pedal car is around three thousand dollars. Well, in the bidding process, it came to my attention that I had the winning bid for the car. So, I have upheld a tradition of buying back what the club has donated to keep it in the family. Of the fourteen clubs that were represented, The Pushrods were acknowledged and appreciated for our support.



Our annual Pushrod picnic was a huge success at Ralph`s house. Thirty- one members and loved ones showed and all had a great time. Thanks, Ralph, for hosting again.

A special thank you to Gil Stork and Ray Pumphrey for providing a coating over the mural for the Armed Services project. Nice job.



A few months ago, our treasurer, Ralph, expressed the desire to move out of the

treasurer's officer position due to other factors developing in his life. Patty Rager is taking on the officer's role of treasurer as of October 2026. One, I am grateful to Ralph for stepping up when we needed him; and two, to Patty, for filling an important position in our club.

Calendar **(October Calendar is pretty bare)**

October 7 Business meeting Hoquiam Elks 6:30
October 12 Pushrod lunch Litehouse drive in 12
October 14 Christmas party meeting call Monica
October 21 Board meeting Gil`s shop 12
October 30 Pushrod dinner Duffys 6



Editors Note:

Included in the Newsletter is an updated Pushrods Roster on a separate page.

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