

Corvallis Historic Auto Club
Membership Meeting, 7:00 PM, August 25, 2025
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Corvallis, Oregon

1. Call to Order, 7:02 PM – Gary Peterson, President.
Present: Kathleen Brindley, Rich Brookes, LaDonna Cooper, Ella Dixon, Bart Eleveld, Jeff Ford, Denise and Gregg Gorthy, Chris Hagler, Burke Anne Hammond, Martin Harding, Sebastian Heiduschke, Howard Jones, Carol Lenz, Andy Noble, Gary Peterson, Mike Rapp, Marsha Raymond, Peter Rocco, Janeen Rudd, Dave Snell, Doug Stephenson, Roy Temes.
2. Gary informed the members of two changes to the original agenda: Dave Snell is representing CHAC at the Salem Auto Council Meeting and will show up late. Murphy Gleske can't make it due to work obligations; Martin Harding will step in to give a presentation about jack stand safety.
3. Gary mentioned that due to the lack of an official secretary, no official minutes will be taken. Pete Rocco took notes at the previous membership meeting and the board meeting, Sebastian Heiduschke will take notes as pro tem secretary until a new secretary joins the board. Comments from the floor: Pete did a great job doing notes.
4. Treasurer's Report: Financial data is not published online. There were no questions from the membership.
5. Report on August 14 Board Meeting. President Gary Peterson reported the following:
 - a. Restructuring of the secretary's position – Sebastian Heiduschke has offered to serve as secretary pro tem for membership meetings. Peter Rocco is taking on the directory and membership. Gary Peterson will take care of creating agendas and distributing notes.
 - b. Postponing the annual meeting until later in the calendar year. Planned is a November annual meeting because the club still has no complete board. At that meeting, membership will vote on club events for 2026.
 - c. Decision to increase staffing at Cars and Coffee for 2026 – This is our most successful event, staffing will go up to five people, starting in 2026: Event leader & signage; coffee maker; table set-up & host; cashier; server (s); parking coordinator.

- d. There were no questions.
- 6. Membership Update – Dues were due on July 1 for 2025-26 membership year; notice to prior year members who have not renewed their membership will go out in September. Gary's estimate was that the club is at about 65 or 66 members at this point.
- 7. Correspondence of note
 - a. The club received flyers for the Albany Event Antique in the Streets on September 6. It coincides with our Cars & Coffee event.
 - b. The British Field Meet is also on the same date.
 - c. Jordan Chicken Run will take place on September 28th. This is a great cruise in/fly-in event that is free. Chicken dinners need to be pre-purchased online.
- 8. Newsletter Update by Andy Noble
 - a. The August edition went out via email. One printed version (thanks, DJ, for printing this) was circulating.
 - b. Kudos to Andy for another fantastic job. Club consensus was that the newsletter is of outstanding quality.
- 9. Due to Murphy's absence, no website update was available.
- 10. CHAC Store

The "dual/duel" CHAC stores: Roy reported that the club has free pens for any member interested. There are still a few hats available for purchase. Janeen received a sixth order for t-shirts and will order them asap, along with a dozen new hats. Any members interested in ordering t-shirts should refer to the email that was circulated about color options.
- 11. Sunshine Committee – Barbi Powell. Barbie was absent, but Pete and Gary reported on the following members:
 - a. Pete reached out to Sally Greig, as Earl turned 100 earlier in the year – but unfortunately, he is not doing well and started hospice.
 - b. Dennis is back out of the hospital after his surgery. Gary ran into him at the doctor's office and reported that Dennis appears to be in good spirits and was driving himself.
 - c. Cary Spediacci is doing well and keeping busy with the Philomath Lions.
- 12. Old Business

No old business

13. New Business

Rich Brookes informed the club members of the High Desert Swap Meet in Redmont, OR, on September 6th.

14. Raffle drawing for Members with Name Tags

Ella Dixon drew Gary (picked Coffee Culture gift card). Gary drew Ella's number (picked NAPA gift card)

15. Break for Refreshments: LaDonna Cooper and Jeff Ford provided water and two types of homemade cookies. Thank you!

16. Presentation: Martin Harding

Martin's presentation entitled "Jackstand Safety and Working Under Cars" was dedicated to Myron C. Gerig, a fellow car enthusiast from Albany who died in a January accident while working underneath a car. Martin's presentation included a number of different jacks and wheel chocks, along with videos of various lifts, and some very scary images of self-built jacks. A discussion about ramps and jack stands ensued.

17. Upcoming Events:

a. Cars and Coffee, September 6 (Burke Anne Hammond, Tom Friesen, David Stein) b. Board Meeting September 11

c. Membership Meeting, September 22 (4th Monday): Program: TBD;
Refreshments – Barbara Powell

d. Guys and Gals Garage Tours – None scheduled

18. Meeting adjourned, 8:13 PM.