

# The Radiator

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# President's Message

**H**ello to All. It's been a busy month for car shows and it's not going to let up any time soon. For which we are probably all thankful. Cooler weather would be nice, or shaded venues ... Don't forget your hats and sunscreen!

**Y**our Board met on July 12. We had an excellent meeting and made a lot of progress on insurance issues, possible swap and show venues, budget ideas and much more. Dave Snell is looking into venues for future use. He checked out HP but that won't work for them. He does have a couple of other ideas he'll be reporting on in the future.

Sebastian has come up with some simplified plans for our budget that will hopefully get us out of the hole. He will be making a presentation at our meeting on Monday, July 22 at 7:00pm. We are trying to keep the most favorite activities in place and cutting where it hurts the least. We may need to dip into the savings this year but we are hoping to stop the bleeding from now on.

Needless to say, there was much discussion on a large variety of topics. Most importantly, we want to remind all members that they are welcome to attend any Board meeting, whether to make comments, ask questions or just to listen in to the inner workings of your club. Second Friday each month.

**B**e sure to check the calendar for upcoming events. We had a nice representation at the Philomath Frolic show. There were ten CHAC

participants by my count and several members who came in as spectators. Awards went to Denise and Gregg Gorthy for their 1940 American Bantam and to Chris Sullivan and Forrest Kasschau for their electric Toyota Tacoma. Forrest started that project a couple of years ago and we are looking forward to his presentation at our meeting. James Bond won for his '69 Plymouth GTX, his wife Jennifer won for her '72 Dodge Challenger, his son Justin won for his '71 Barracuda and his brother Leslie won for his '67 RS Camaro. Now that's a good day!

Coming up this weekend on Saturday is the Bay City Cruisers Cars at the Coast show in Newport and on Sunday is the Forest Grove Concours d'Elegance. Both are fun shows. The Concours has a stunning variety of cars that you may only see once.

We also had a great turn-out for the Regency Park Place Fathers' Day Show & BBQ. In case you missed it, D.J. has made up a very nice folder of pictures that I will pass around at the meeting. Also, our condolences go out to the deer that made contact with Big Blue's left front fender. That's one sturdy car!

**W**e want to thank all our volunteers who stepped up to assist at Cars & Coffee on July 6. We had a lot of traffic coming and going, so counting was a bit difficult but the semi-official count was 113.

August is right around the corner. Try to stay cool. See you July 22, 7:00pm.

Janeen

# This Month in Automotive History

By Andy Noble

## 1905 - The Office of Public Road

Queries becomes the Office of Public Roads on July 1. That became the Office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering in 1915, the Bureau of Public Roads in 1918, the Public Roads Administration in 1939 and back to the Bureau of Public Roads in 1949, also all on July 1. It's now the Federal Highway Administration.



## 1971 - The Movie Two-Lane Blacktop

is released on July 7. Starring James Taylor, Warren Oates, Laurie Bird and Dennis Wilson, the movie was well-received by critics but did poorly at the box-office, apparently due to an utter lack of promotion because the head of the studio hated the movie. It has since become a cult classic and was selected by the Library of Congress for preservation in the United States National Film Registry.



## 2005 - Ford Produces the Final

Thunderbird on July 1. The eleventh-gen Thunderbird was produced from 2002-2005 and used the same platform as the Jaguar S-Type. The car was equipped with a Jaguar DOHC 3.9L engine, which peaked in 2003 at 280hp.



## 1937 - Richard Petty is Born on

July 2. Petty was the first race car driver to win the NASCAR Winston Cup Series seven times. He had a career 200 race wins and set many racing records, including winning the Daytona 500 seven times, winning 27 races in one year (in 1967), and earning a total of 1,184 starts. Petty was inducted into the inaugural class of the NASCAR Hall of Fame in 2010.



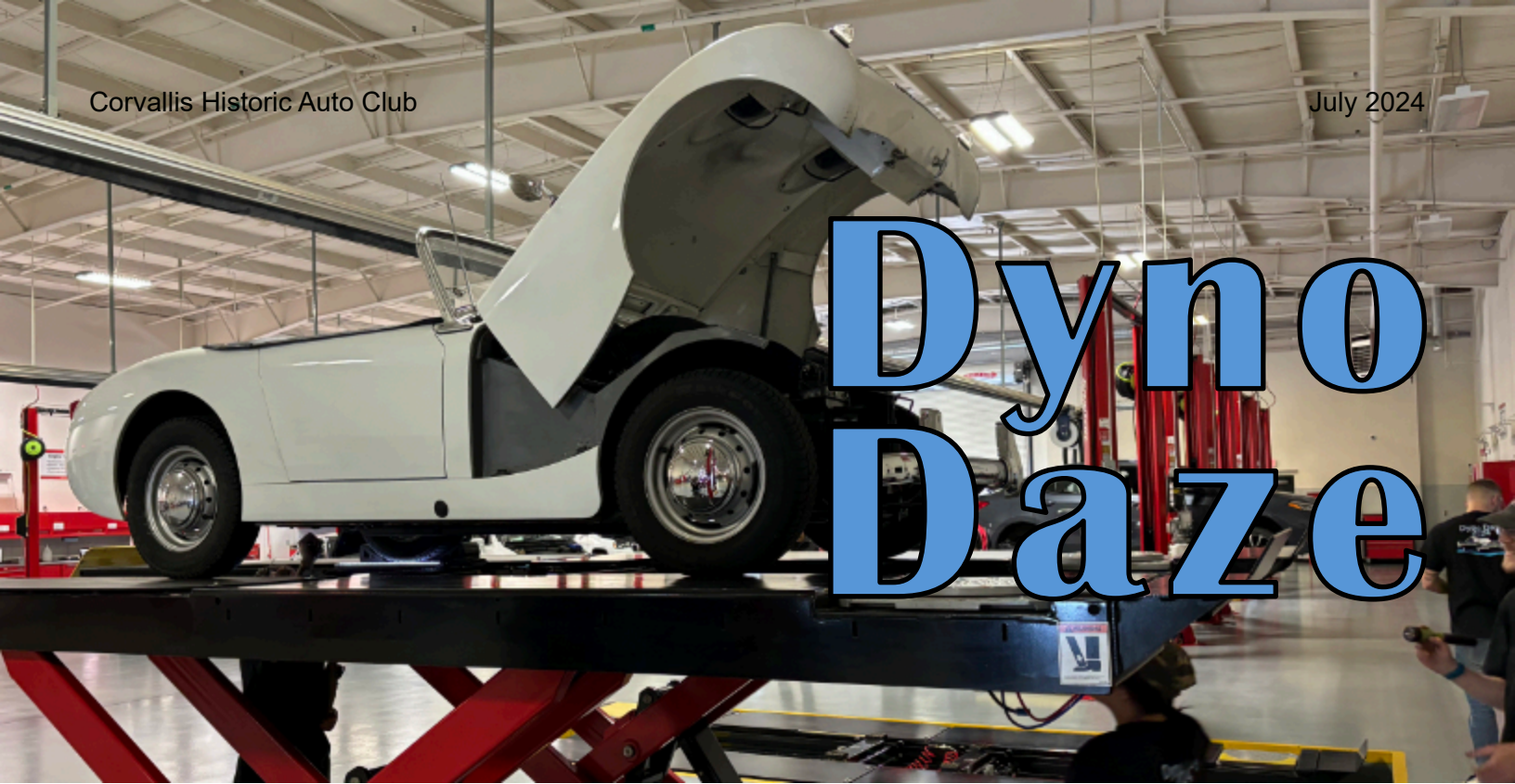
## 1979 - Auto Shack Opens in Forrest

City, Arkansas on July 5. The company changed its name to AutoZone in 1987 in response to an infringement lawsuit that was brought by Radio Shack. By 2014, the company had become the largest retailer of automotive parts in North America, with over 5000 locations in the United States, and over 6000 worldwide.



[https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:2005\\_Ford\\_Thunderbird\\_Hardtop\\_front\\_4.28.18.jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:2005_Ford_Thunderbird_Hardtop_front_4.28.18.jpg)





# Dyno Daze

## Chris Hagler's Mighty Sprite Roars at LBCC's 2024 Dyno Days and Open House

*Story and Photos by Chris Hagler*

The day started out in typical fashion in the Hagler house. Chris: "Hon, I'm going to Dyno Days today." Heidi: "Oh, Dino Days! John Day Fossil Beds? Should be fun!" Chris <eyeroll> : "No, not Dino, Dyno!"

LBCC had their annual 2024 Dyno Days and Open House event on May 17 - a celebration of their Automotive and Heavy Equipment Diesel Programs and students. The event spanned two days and offered dyno sessions for both large and small vehicles on a half-hour cadence. Murphy Gleske (a







**LBCC students (L-R) Hugh Olsen, James Plagman and Micaela Jimenez**

member of CHAC) and Caleb Schott are both students in the program and encouraged members to attend the event.

Given the invitation, I thought now is the time to see what my mighty 1959 Austin-Healey Sprite could produce. I had a blast at the event - the facility was spotless, the students were engaged, energized and friendly, and nothing but smiles (and loud engine noise!) everywhere.

**B**efore beginning any test runs I had to pass a Tech Inspection. The students were intrigued by the Sprite and were getting coached by Mike LeBlanc, Department Chair. Electronic Ignition? Nope. Sport Mode? Nope. ABS?

Nope. Computer? Nope. "What's that pool of oil over there? Oh, I said, that's OK, after all this is a British Car and they had a different idea on seals." Luckily for me they recorded the volume of fluid as small and passed me on to the dyno queue.

What I didn't realize was that I should have made an appointment way in advance of the date - all the test slots were taken by the time I arrived Friday morning. This is a very popular event! However, because of my affiliation

with the CHAC, they agreed to squeeze me in after the fire-breathing BMW M3 and before the Hyundai Veloster.

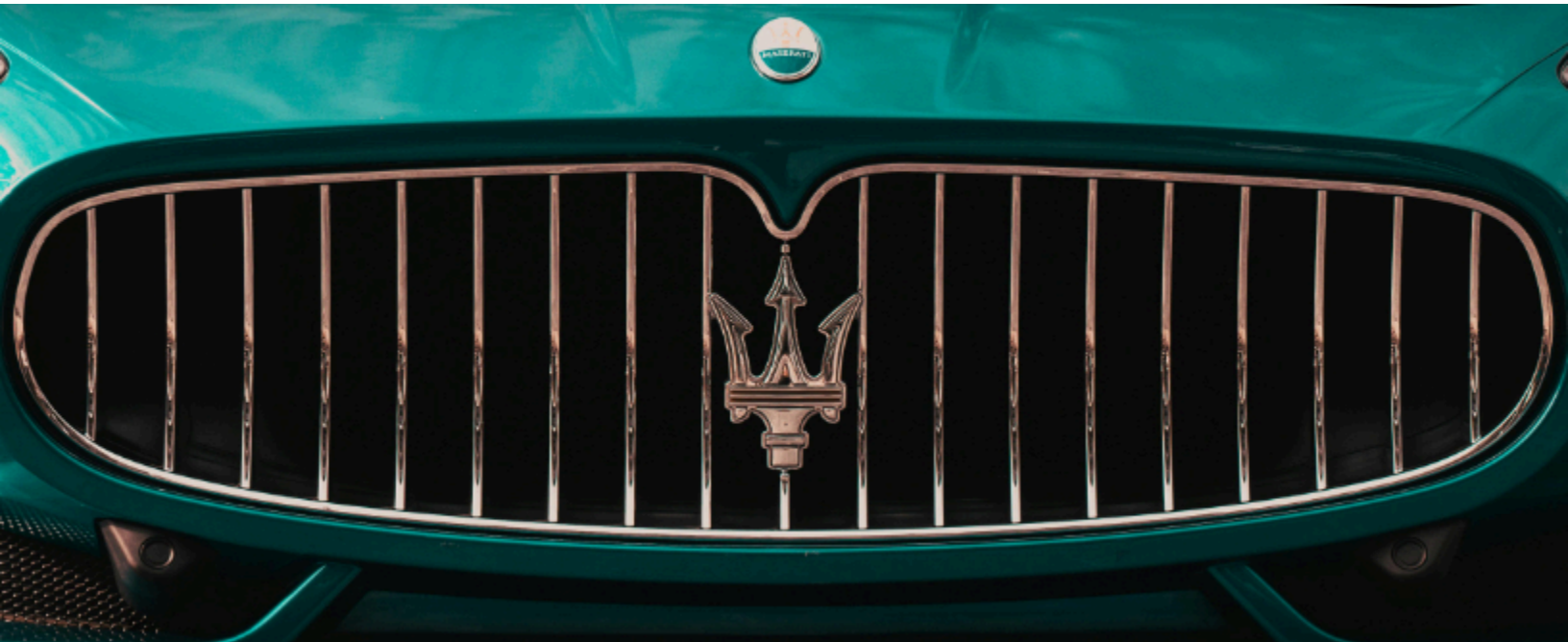
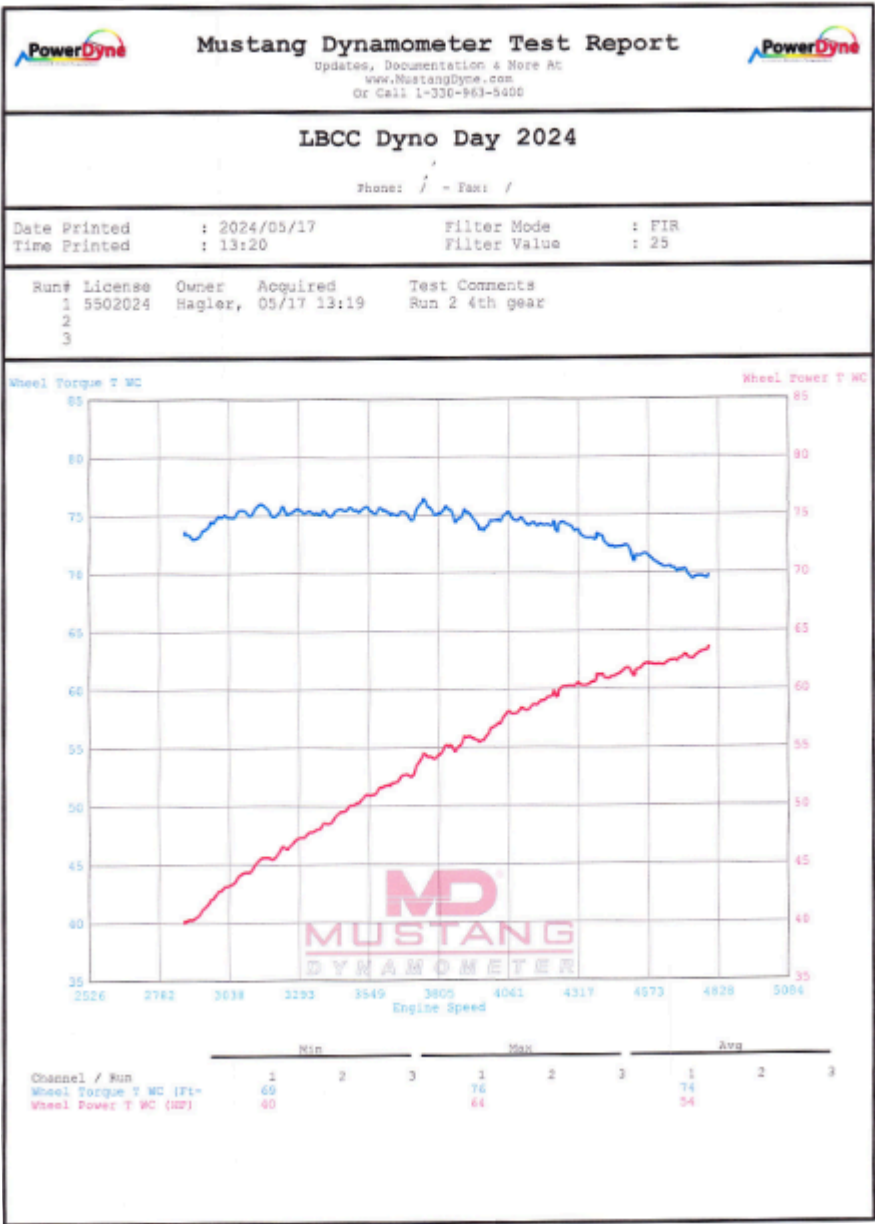
The actual test was three runs of either "power curve" or "¼ mile pulls." Needless to say there

VEHICLE MAKE/MODEL, NAME	HP	TORQUE	1/4 MILE 🕒
2019 MBZ GLC LARSON	344	415	16.5 w/out RT
2007 Jeep GC SRTB Wright	401(377)	399(374)	14.1
2004 Acura TL Salsbury	235	230	14.585 w/o RT
2011 Crown Vic Harris	226 243	274 288	15.491 w/out RT 14.271 w/o RT
2023 Hyundai Ioniq5 Rawley	326*	168*	13.510
2011 BMW M3 Pierce	371	302	13.166 Slip
2016 Hyundai Veloster Miller	239	307	NT
2007 Dodge Charger SRT8 Johnson	371	410	13.110
2014 BMW 328i Bostell			
1959 AH SPRITE HAGLER	104	76	NT

were some chuckles from skeptics in the crowd as I pulled on to the dyno rollers. “What did you feed the squirrels this morning?” was noted along with “Do you want me to pull start it?” All in good fun.

A big controversy emerged from the results - a peak horsepower of 64 at the rear wheels of the car. Accounting for 10% loss in the power train means a brake horsepower (bhp) of about 70 from an engine rated at about 43bhp. Oh, great happiness indeed! A small miracle had occurred! Bonus peanuts for the squirrels!

Of course, when I started bragging about my championship-level 64hp to my British Car friends I was roundly rebuffed as putting my finger on the scale somehow. Not possible. Calibration error. You bribed the tester, etc. I did get back to Mike on the observed miracle and was told essentially that there could have been higher error bars in the measurement, especially for LOW horsepower cars. Ouch. OK, well...at least I have the paper to prove it, and I might even frame it for the shop bathroom! 🍷





# Flag Day Festivities at Regency Park Place



## CHAC Members Entertain Residents With Impressive Turnout

*Story By Pete Rocco. Photos by Pete Rocco and D.J. Freeman*

Last month, the club was invited to display at Regency Park Place in Corvallis. It was Flag Day, the Fourteenth of June. There was a festive feel to the day. It was warm and sunny. We had been offered lunch. As I drove up, I was pleased to see the turn-out. Free lunch has a way of persuading us, yes?

Club President Janeen Rudd attended the event with her beautiful 1962 Oldsmobile Dynamic 88. I was happy to display my Impala next to her Convertible. We parked in the "second lot" as the primary lot at the main entrance was full on one side with club cars, and on the other, with a truck



and trailer combination. This vehicle was part of a second car club invited to display. I regret not finding out more about the other club and this fellow- who was towing a modern travel camp trailer with his vintage pick up.



The Gorthy's drove in with their Bantam – always a show stopper! Sally Greig, Denis Paquette, Lon Jackson, Andy Noble, DJ Freeman and Rich Brooks arrived in their rides, but Dave Snell really did it 'over the top' and brought two cars! I asked Dave about the logistics of





displaying both his root beer flavored AMX AND his tomato-red 4 speed Torino Convertible. "Dave, how were you able to drive both cars over



to the display?" Dave said that the clutch and pedal work was problematic, but he was able to make arrangements with his storage facility which just happened to be right next door to Prestige. I presume there was a third car parked somewhere out of sight. Speaking of out-of-sight, have you taken a good look at that Torino? (Factory 4-speed baby!)

I always like to bring my '64 Impala to these types of events because of the response the car receives from the residents. I know I have told the story many times, about how rewarding the conversations have become to me. Spectators spark up regarding their youth, cars they owned in the past, or that they or a family friend had one just like this...

Lunch was pleasant. I sat with Janeen, her Mother-in-law, Pat, who now calls this place home and a few other ladies at a table especially set up in the parking lot across from the displaying vehicles. It was rewarding to see the turnout of the residents. I'd venture a guess of two dozen were enjoying the day, happy to be outside in the delightful sunshine with the cars. A lady revealed to me that she had formally owned a Camaro. Some selfie-photos with the cars were snapped.

The next thing I knew was that the tables were being cleared, chairs stacked and whisked away. I offered to help, but was told everything was taken care of. Indeed, it was! As we departed, all normalcies were returned to a non-descript parking lot. 🚗





# Classifieds - For Sale By Owner

Sue Probus has this 1968 Ford LTD for sale: \$20,000

- 390 V8, C6 transmission, both completely rebuilt. Fewer than 3,000 miles on rebuild. 143K on odometer.
- Rebuilt suspension and new exhaust.
- Power steering and AM radio.
- Family-owned since new, purchased in Albany from Nissen Ford, which also repainted the car in 1975.
- Garaged since new, collision-free.
- Phone or text: (541) 248-7392



Roy Temes has the following cars for sale:

## **1985 Pontiac Fiero GT - \$12,000**

19,000 miles, manual trans., Silver/Grey  
Excellent condition

<https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/item/930342938466135>



## **1977 Oldsmobile Toronado - \$10,000**

88,000 miles, auto trans., White/Blue  
Very good condition

<https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/item/375713268581235>



## **2000 Jaguar XK8 Convertible - \$8,500**

58,240 miles, auto trans., Silver/Black  
Very good condition

<https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/item/388065090492074>







Anyone Can Operate the New 1905 Winton		Model C—16 to 20 HP (Four Cylinder)	\$1950
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## The 1905 Winton

By Andy Noble

The Winton Motor Carriage Company was founded by Alexander Winton in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1897. The company sold its first car in 1898 through an ad that was placed in Scientific American magazine. The company became the largest manufacturer of gas-powered cars in the US when it sold 100 in 1899.

In 1903, a used 20hp, two-cylinder Winton was the first vehicle to be driven across the United States, not without considerable difficulty and more than occasional assistance, at a time when the total of paved roads in the US was 150 miles.

The company later branched out to diesel engines with the Winton Engine Company in 1912, as car sales declined. Car production ended in 1924.

The Winton Engine Company became a large supplier of railcar engines in the 1920s, and was sold to General Motors in 1930, to become the Winton Engine Corporation, a GM subsidiary.



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# Event Calendar

Below is a partial list of upcoming events. See an updated list on our website calendar: [corvallishistoricautoclub.org](http://corvallishistoricautoclub.org).

**Friday, July 19**

Covered Bridge Cafe Cars and Coffee, 8:00AM

Free, Every Friday

510 N. 3rd Avenue, Stayton

**Sunday, July 21**

Albany Cars and Coffee 10:00AM

Free, Every Sunday

1393 Clay Street, SE

**Monday, July 22**

C.H.A.C. Membership Meeting, 7:00-8:30PM

Shepherd of The Valley Lutheran Church

2650 NW Highland Dr, Corvallis

**Thursday, July 4**

23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Monmouth July 4<sup>th</sup> Car Show, 9AM to 2PM

Main Street Park, Monmouth

Registration \$15, Spectators free, [monmouthcarshow@yahoo.com](mailto:monmouthcarshow@yahoo.com)

**Saturday, August 3**

CHAC Cars and Coffee, 8AM

Shepherd of The Valley Lutheran Church

2650 NW Highland Dr, Corvallis, Admission free

**Saturday, August 17**

Kings Circle Cars and Coffee 8AM-10AM

Kings Circle Church

2110 NW Circle Blvd, Corvallis

Admission free, [kingscircle.church](http://kingscircle.church)

**Saturday, August 24**

17<sup>th</sup> Annual Studebaker Drivers Club Car Show, 8AM

Timber Linn Park, Albany

Registration \$25, Admission free

[willamettstudebakers.com](http://willamettstudebakers.com)

**On The Cover: Dodge Challenger**

*The 1970 Dodge Challenger was Chrysler's answer to the Ford Mustang. It was positioned to compete with higher-end pony cars like the Pontiac Firebird and the Mercury Cougar. The highest horsepower-rated engine that could be ordered in the R/T performance model was a 426ci Hemi, rated at 425hp.*

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