



Cruisin' News

Mt. Rainier Cruisers Club
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Another Successful Meet 'n Greet!

WE DID IT! Once again and in a manner we're growing accustomed to: with grace, style, dignity, and respect! A very special thank you to Roger Klein for all his personal hard work and effort coordinating the events. It was our second year of doing the Show-N-Glow and it's becoming as popular as the Meet-N-Greet. Roger's continued support, with and for this club, is unwavering, and greatly appreciated.

I would also like to thank everyone who chaired the committees and those who participated and assisted in every way possible. You all worked hard to help make this year's Meet-N-Greet and Show-N-Glow so enjoyable. Great job and thank you all.

A lot of hard work, energy and effort goes into the planning and executing of each Meet-N-Greet, Show-N-Glow, and all of our Club events in general. If you haven't had the privilege and joy of assisting accordingly, feel free to see me, Roger, or any committee chairperson and you'll be amazed how much more you'll get back when you share in the service work for our club at another level. Like life, you'll always get back more than you give.

Now it's time to focus our efforts and attention again to the future of our club. We've done a review of the Show-N-Glow and Meet-N-Greet, looking into and reviewing what we did well, what we could have done better or differently, and discussed ways to improve next year's events. Coming soon: more events, year-end review, and next year's club charities and sponsor options.

Nominations for Vice President and Secretary will be taken at the Oct. and Nov. meetings. Elections will be held and results announced at our Dec. general meeting.


This year, again, we have been blessed with some new members joining us. We're always improving our club, having fun, and organizing and participating in both our own events and those hosted by other PT clubs. Your involvement and input in our club is always appreciated and what this club's all about - the more help, the merrier!

Thank all of you for your continued consideration, cooperation, contributions, and support - participating and making this club the success it is. Let's keep our club growing and going in a positive and constructive manner; sharing in the fellowship and the enjoyment of each other, our club, and our 'Cruisers.'

Keep cruisin safely, and be thankful for what we have and who we're privileged to share it with: each other. See you in September...and beyond!

Respectfully and gratefully, yours in service,

Gary M.



Upcoming Events

Sep 26	Wolfhaven
Sep 27	Pipes in the Park
Oct 24	8th Annual PSC Pumpkin Bash

September Member of the Month – Phil Youngblood



I was born and raised in Los Angeles, California, growing up in Santa Monica and West Los Angeles. Number two of four boys. I served in the Air Force. Upon separation, I was married and started college. I have two children; my daughter is married and is living just outside of Joplin, Missouri. My son lives in Prescott, Arizona.

I joined the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to have a stable job while I completed college. I graduated from the University of Redlands. I came to Washington in 1982, staying with my older brother in Redmond. I began working as a commercial swiftwater rafting guide, working for various companies. I was asked to become a Swiftwater Rescue Instructor with Rescue 3, out of northern California. I would make a trip to Las Vegas, Nevada each year to teach Fire, Police, and Desert Warfare personnel. I also taught First Aid, Wilderness First Aid, and CPR for the American Red Cross.

I met Verla "Sam" Bates at a dance, and we have been together ever since. We saw the PT Cruiser in 2000, took one for a test drive and placed a down payment on the 2001 Model. Our 2001 PT's color is "Taupe Frost." We have a custom hood, removable rear window, solid red tail lights, a ground package, spoiler, chrome "smoothies" with "baby moons" and a sunroof complete our modifications.

Sam and I are members of the Mt. Rainier Cruisers, Puget Sound Cruisers, and the TVCC in Oregon. We have met some very nice people through our association with the car clubs. We also have a couple of street rods, and belong to yet another car club. We are the proud owners of three Neapolitan Mastiff's.

The Mt. Rainier Cruisers is the most interesting of the PT Clubs. The friendship and fellowship is paramount in our club. We look forward to a continued membership.

