



VOICE OF THE V8

A monthly newsletter of the Early Ford V-8 Club of the Inland Empire #23

AUGUST 2025

Hi Early Ford V-8er's,

Hope all is well and bruised knuckles are healing as we enjoy driving and doing this summer. Thanks again to Tom Davis for the nice tour and lunch at Clayton that served up some great burgers plus terrific ice cream. Perfect for the day. There were fifteen beautiful cars that people stopped to give a thumbs up to on the tour and in the parking lot.

The Great Northwest Gathering at the casino in Worley, ID is one to be put on the never to miss list. Over 400 cars, and a lot of car enthusiasts, including over two dozen from our club. The venue was perfect with a lot of room for cars, roaming around, and being with our friends.

More to come, so enjoy the rest of summer in this wonderful part of the world!

Sam

I. G. Sam Kohlmeier.

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THIS MONTH'S *Feature Car*



Tom & Jeannie Davis' 1940 Convertible

Check out our [webpage](#) with members' cars. If you would like your car added, send a picture along with year, make and model.



For sale/want listings are free for club members. They should be old car or vintage related. All listings will run for three months unless they are renewed or terminated early. Email your listing to

earlyfordv8ie@gmail.com. Pictures are welcome to be

included. Be sure to put a price for the for sale item and include your name and contact info (can be phone and/or email address). **Please put "V8 Club Newsletter" in the subject line.**

Upcoming EVENTS

AUGUST 17

Duke's and Early Ford Club
Poker Run

AUGUST 18

BOD Meeting

AUGUST 20

Ladies Luncheon

SEPTEMBER 7

Regular Meeting

SEPTEMBER 14

Gondola Ride at Silver Man

OCTOBER 5

Regular Meeting

OCTOBER TBD

Fall Colors Tour

NOVEMBER 2

Regular Meeting

DECEMBER 7

@4:00PM

Christmas Part at Darcy's

JANUARY 4

Regular Meeting

JOIN
the
FUN



Thursday
August 20th
11:30 AM

Sawmill Grill

**302 N Spokane Street
Post Falls, ID 83854**

Please call BJ at 208-946-6085
if you would like to go.

Future Ladies Luncheon Hosts

September Ruth Kohlmeier

October Shirley Adams

EARLY FORD V-8 - REGIONAL GROUP #23
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MINUTES
AUGUST 3, 2025 – 6:00 PM

Officers in attendance: Sam Kohlmeier, Tom Davis, Annette Long, Dale Furnish

Meeting called to order: 2:02 pm

Flag Salute – Dale Furnish

New Members and Guests: Kitty & Dan Janssen, former V8 members

Motion to accept old minutes:

Moved: Richard True

Second: Carrole Helman

Motion Carried

Treasurers report – Dale Furnish: Dale read the report and also reported that all bills are paid.

Moved: Jo Ann Davis

Second: Renee Shawgo

Motion Carried

Old Business:

At the last meeting John Clarizo mentioned he was checking into a cruise on CDA lake. He gave information to Sam at the Board Meeting for three different cruises. The board is recommending a cruise up the St Joe River for a fall colors tour in October. The club would just buy tickets ahead of time instead of renting the whole boat, so we would be with other people on the boat. The date was not yet determined. This may also be a midweek event. Stay tuned as we will discuss this further at the September meeting.

New Business:

Carol Langstaff has suggested a gondola ride at Silver Mtn. The group rate is \$14.95 plus tax and the club would pay for this. Dates discussed were September 13th (Saturday) or September 14th (Sunday). Carol has invited us to do a pot luck picnic at her house which could be done before or after the gondola ride. Someone suggested eating at a restaurant instead but Carol said there is only one good restaurant in town. There is also a restaurant at the top of the mountain. There was more discussion on the date. Ruth Kohlmeier made a motion to have it on September 14th and Gail Whitman 2nd. Motion passed. There was also discussion that anyone wanting to meet at Carol's first go there and eat and those that might want to eat at the restaurant eat at the top of the mountain. There was a sign up sheet and if you were not at the meeting and would like to go, please call Carol Langstaff to sign up. We did not decide on what time to do this so there should be more discussion at the September meeting. We will also need to discuss further on whether to do the pot luck before or after. Carol's home is only about 7 or 8 miles away so it is very close to Silver Mtn and the gondola.

Gail Whitman also suggested that the club raise the membership dues to \$50 to help fund some of these fun things that we are doing. She also suggested that we look for a new location that we could rent so we can bring in our own food for our monthly meetings. This would be like what we did at the Liberty Lake Water District building. This needs more discussion and was tabled to discuss it at the September meeting.

Committee reports:

Tours: Tom Davis, there will be a poker run with the Duke's Club on Sunday August 17th. We will start at Chuck Little's shop at 204 E Augusta at 9:00 am.

Sunshine: Brigitte Leidel – Annette reported for Brigitte that she did send a card to Becky Swenson as Becky's mom has passed away. She sent flowers to Glen Terry.

Bereavement: BJ Hokanson– No report

Ladies Luncheon: BJ is leading this one and it will be at the Sawmill Grill in Post Falls on August 20th at 11:30 am. Please call BJ if you can attend.

November Thanksgiving Dinner: Our November 2nd membership meeting will be at Darcy's Restaurant. This will be a turkey buffet dinner and the cost is \$24 per person that the club will pay for.

Christmas Party 2025: Our Christmas party will be Sunday December 7th at Darcy's restaurant. Annette brought up that we do not have a committee chair so there will be no silent auction. BJ suggested that we do a 50/50 drawing that will benefit a charity. Renee Shawgo volunteered to be in charge of the 50/50 drawing. Gail brought up a Toys for Tots toy drive and she would head that one. BJ also suggested that we do a white elephant gift exchange. Women can bring a women's gift and men can bring a men's gift. We can draw either names or numbers. Each person can pick out a gift or steal a gift from someone else. A gift can only be stolen twice. BJ said she would head up the white elephant gift exchange.

Badges: Shirley Adams – No report. Paul & Victoria Braun still need their badges as they joined last year. Shirley will look into this.

Charitable Giving: Gail Whitman – No Report yet.

INCCC: No report

Property: Shirley Adams – still has all of our items. Please call Shirley if you would like to use something.

Tickets were given out for the Ferraro's car show dinners on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, which is August 12th. Carol Langstaff won one drawing and Annette Long won the other drawing.

Dale also acknowledged that Julie Shea was the only member to bring an old car. He made a motion that Julie should get the old car drawing that we used to do. It was 2nd and motion passed. Dale will get Julie a \$25 check.

Heard on the Street:

This was our annual campout and meeting at Rob & Launa Lewis's home on the Pend Oreille River. Dale made some presentations. BJ is the one that usually organizes this as Rob and Launa are her daughter and son-in-law. Dale presented BJ with \$100 for all of her work this year and through the years for organizing it, he also presented Gail Whitman with \$100 as Gail has been in charge of the food throughout the weekend campout and also helping prepare for the Sunday meeting meal. The club also presented Rob & Launa with

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\$100 for letting us have the meeting at their place. There is a bit of work that goes into preparing for this meeting. The club also bought the chicken dinner with rolls, salads and a cake. Thank you to all of you for all your work to make this a success!

Gail Whitman also made a presentation to Wes and Kelli Pemble. As most of you may know, Kelli is battling cancer. Bobbie Welch had been talking with Kelli about her treatments and there was talk about whether she could go to Seattle or not for another opinion and possibly do some treatment there. Bobbie took it upon herself to take up some collections for Kelli to possibly offset some expenses for travel and hotels. It started at a ladies lunch and she also tried to talk with members at the meetings if she could, while trying to keep it on the down low from Kelli and Wes. Apologies if she did miss you. She had a card that she hand made that members who donated could sign. Bobbie has not been feeling well and was not at the meeting so she asked Gail if she would present it to Kelli and Wes. Thanks for presenting Gail, and thanks to all who donated and thank you Bobbie for being so thoughtful and organizing this. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Kelli as you battle this.

Website / Newsletter: Please send any tidbits or news articles to Becky Swenson so she can get it in the newsletter.

For Sale or Wanted:

Motion to adjourn

Moved: Annette Long

Second: Dale Furnish

Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Annette Long

“Kids, Scholarships and Fun”

There are so many choices of events to attend on the schedule this year that I thought I'd just touch on a few we've attended in the past few weeks.

Kids and the Shriner's Hospital were the focus of the Northwest Cars4Kids Show, in conjunction with the Harley Davidson dealership in Spokane Valley. Mascots of the Spokane Indians were on hand to join in the fun as over 170 cars and motorcycles showed off their stuff on the beautiful grounds of the dealership. Live music played for our enjoyment as we looked things over on a perfect weather day. Money raised was donated to the Shriner's Children's Hospital. The event was huge success, especially for being their first car show. Look for this fun event next year!

Reardan Mule Days and Davenport's Pioneer Days are always fun shows. Small towns are the best and usually include parades (yes, you can throw out candy!) and other town events going on. Don't miss the Lion's Club's pulled pork sandwiches in the Davenport City Park next year.

The **All Club's Poker Run**, cruise and barbecue presented by Tim Lane and State Farm Insurance was a fun day starting at Plante's Ferry Park and winding around Newman and Hauser Lakes. Long, but beautiful, curvy drive, ending at Valley Mission Park for food and prizes.

The **All Wheels Swap Meet and Car Show** is Spokane's biggest swap meet and takes place at the Spokane Fair and Expo Center. Lots to look at and lots to buy, as well as a nice car show on the grass. Not to be missed each year!

The **Inland Northwest Car Club Scholarship Car Show** was hosted by the INCCC at Hutton Settlement this year, a perfect setting with perfect weather. Most all car clubs help out with parking and other details to make it a huge success each year, with the main focus being the distribution of scholarship money from funds raised by donations from clubs and individuals, and money that was invested over the years from auctions held for ten years to raise the initial funds. This year, a total of seventeen scholarships at \$2,000 each was given away to the students that were chosen for a total of \$34,000. This year was the largest amount ever given. Great job, everyone!

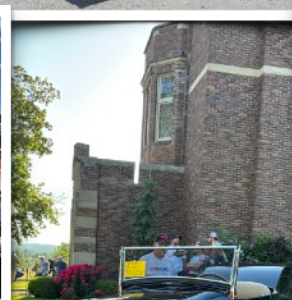
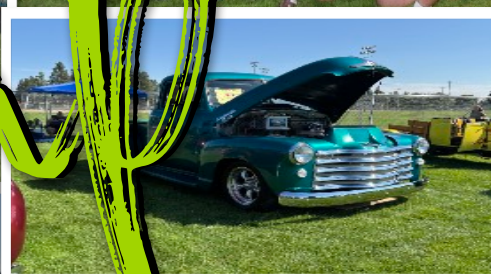
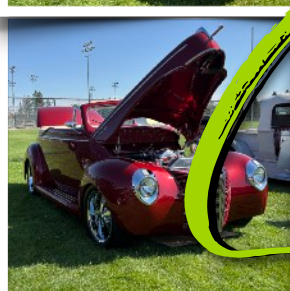
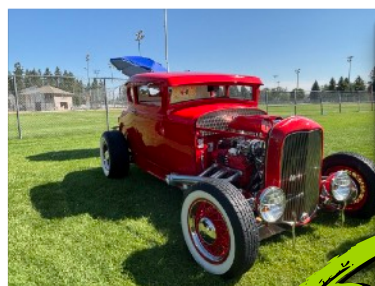
The North Idaho Classics hosted the **Hayden Days Car Show** on the baseball field in Hayden, ID. A huge turnout with some cars you have never seen before, as well as vendors for your viewing pleasure. A fun day, for sure.

The 25th Annual "Hot Wheels" at Franklin Park was a huge success with 279 vehicles participating. It was the most organized show we have ever been to. It was hosted by the Inland Empire Mustang Club, the Camaro Club and the INCCC, and with help from NW Cars4Kids. All profit went to charity!

A Thursday event we attended was a small car show hosted by the **Dukes at Riverview Retirement Center**. This show was a pleasure because of the joy it brought to the residents. There was no fee to attend with your car and the retirement center had hot dogs, chips and lemonade for us on that hot day. These kinds of shows are the best because it really is about bringing joy to others with our cars, isn't it? So get out your schedules and I'll see you at the shows!

Arlene Stromberger

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Some dads pass down money. Mine passed down a socket set, a love for engines and advice I still live by.

CAMPOUT and MEETING at the PEND OREILLE RIVER

The 2025 Early Ford V8 Club annual weekend Campout and August monthly meeting was hosted by Rob and Launa Lewis. Their cabin/RV resort is near Newport, WA. The resort is *located near the Washington/Idaho border* just across from the Pend Oreille River.

BJ Hokanson's daughter, Launa, and Rob Lewis, her son-in-law, have hosted the campout / meeting for over ten years and it's always a great "get away" for our V8 friends and family.

The meal planning for the campout was handled by Gail Whitman. Her team planned breakfast and dinners for the campers. The menu was refreshing, generous, delicious and very reasonable.

Breakfasts

- Hot coffee ready and waiting for the campers.
- Sausage Gravy served over hot biscuits, fruit and pastries.
- Pancakes and eggs served with sausage links, fruit and pastries.

Dinners

- Before dinner snacks and drinks provided as well.
- Mexican Taco bar with all the extras from salsa to sour cream. Dessert: ice cream sundaes.
- BBQ your own "meat" served with corn on the cob, six different salads and a large fruit bowl. Dessert: fruit pies or cake served with ice cream or whipped cream.

The planning for Sunday's V8 club sponsored luncheon was handled by BJ Hokanson. Lunch was ordered from a local business for Sunday's luncheon—broasted chicken with all the fixings. The dessert was a special FORD CLUB cake served with ice cream. "I'm sure no-one walked away hungry!"

The Lewis resort is a parklike setting; it is treed and all areas are grass covered. There were eight RVs and two guests stayed in the main cabin. The RV spaces were generous and everyone had plenty of space between units. There were two new V8 Club RVs this year. Tom & Jeanie Davis and Rick & Becky True.

Although we encourage members to drive their old cars, only one member drove hers. Kudos to Julie Shea! She drove her 1939 Ford Coupe!

The campout is a good place to enjoy the outdoors and strengthen friendships, reconnect and catch up with friends. The activities that were available include swimming, hiking, stargazing, storytelling and playing riotous games like Rummikub.

Since pets are welcome, this year we had four pups there. Cooper, Tucker, Andy and Bella. The owners shared them, all while keeping control of their pups. It was fun to see the pups play with each other too!

Thanks to everyone for the teamwork and cooperation that has made this event so fun all these years.

"See meeting notes for the August club meeting business information."

Submitted by JoAnn Davis

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EARLY FORD V-8 - REGIONAL GROUP #23
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
APRIL 16, 2025

Officers in attendance: Sam K, Dale F, Annette Long for Glen Terry

BOD Members in attendance: John Clarizo, BJ Hokanson, Richard True, Phil Stevenson

Meeting called to order: 11:04 am

Motion to accept old minutes:

Moved: It was moved & 2nd that the January BOD Meeting Minutes are not approved as they were not complete.

Second:

Motion Carried

Treasurers report – Dale Furnish Read the report and said nothing had changed since the last general membership meeting. Sam also wanted to make sure we are all up to date on our 5013C filing. We are current. Annette had downloaded the forms that Dale filed but did not have them with her. Annette will also look up all of our filings and the Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State. Dale notified us that he does now have a debit card for the club. For the upcoming CD coming due, we will not renew it but have it put into the general fund and we will spend it.

Moved: BJ Hokanson

Second: Phil Stevenson

Motion Carried

Meeting Overview: Discuss schedule of tours, examine officer's performance. Sam is recommending that we replace the secretary as there have been some things missing from the minutes. There was discussion on if one of the officers could do it or if Sam could. With tension between Sam and Glen, Dale volunteered. If that does not work Sam will do it. To be clear we are asking him to step down as Secretary and this has nothing to do with his membership.

New Business:

Tours, events, outings: April 27, will be the museum tour that Tom Davis has put together. We will check to see if there is an admission fee or if we can make a donation. August 10th will be a get together at the K Bar ranch with Bobbi Welch. August 2nd will be the camp out on the Pend Oreille river. We will check with Carol Langstaff to see if she would like to have something at her home. The Christmas party will be at Darcy's again this year. June 14th is Flag Days and Judy said that she and Chuck will head that one up. It is suggested that we bring more ideas to the meeting and ask others to as well.

Annette will also check with Becky to see if we can get a person to be a back up for the website if needed.

Announcements:

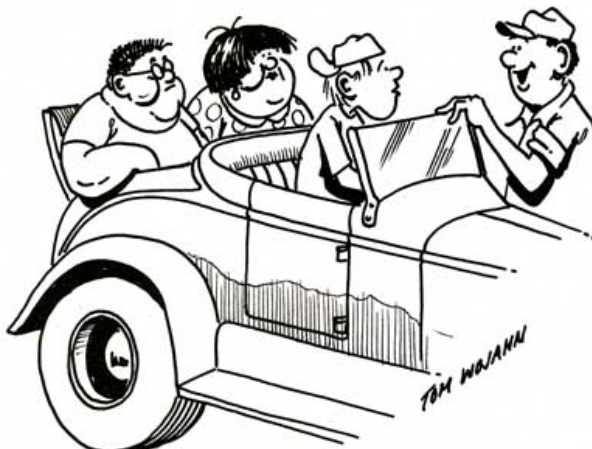
Motion to adjourn

Moved: BJ Hokanson

Second: Richard True

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:48 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Annette Long for Glen Terry



"When I said you oughta get a couple of nice fatties for the back, this isn't exactly what I meant."



"You can have it for \$500, but he goes with it."



Next Regular Meeting
Sunday, September 7th
Dinner at 5:00 p.m. - Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Darcy's Restaurant and Spirits
10502 E Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley, WA 99206

"The gifted man bears his gifts into the world, not for his own benefit, but for the people among whom he is placed; for the gifts are not his, he himself is a gift to the community."

~Henry Ford



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-JOHN MAYER



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