

MY FASINATION WITH THE 1934 FORD VICTORIA

by Bob Kennedy

I had purchased my 1933 Ford 3 window coupe in February of 1966. Being very pleased with my pur-chase, I started driving it several times a week including to work.

I was really bitten by the styling of the 1933-34 Fords. At about the age of 12 I started to buy car magazines at the drug store - which had many stories on the 1933-34 model Fords.

I can still remember back to the early 1950s when a couple of older women drove a 1934 Ford to Church on Sunday morning and parked it right out front. They would exit the car from the passenger side which you were suppose to do in those days. I didn't know much about the various body styles but I do remember it as being a little different than the normal 2-door sedan. I later realized it was a 1934 Victoria which I thought very unique.

While enjoying my recently purchased 1933 Ford 3-window Coupe, I thought I should purchase another 1933 or 1934 Ford Sedan type car with a back seat. Reason; I had just found out I was going to be a dad (number one son, Joe).



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MY FASINATION WITH THE 1934 FORD VICTORIA Continues here:

While shopping at the Pomona swap meet in February 1967, I was talking to a fellow Ford enthusiast who told me about a '34 Ford Victoria which was for sale in the city of Covina off Baranca Ave. On my way home, I cruised the streets and found the car. I was able to purchase it for \$175. I picked it up and drove it home the next night.

The car had two kitchen chairs up front and a wooden bench in the rear for the seating arrangement. It was missing a lot of parts such as headlights, horns, tail lights, rear tire cover and mount, etc. This was my first restoration project and I did everything myself except the upholstery and pin-stripping. It took over 4 years and upon completion, I drove it to Santa Rosa in August 1972 with the family. It was a trouble free trip (I think God was riding with me as on the return trip the temperature was 118 degrees that day).

My fascination with 1934 Victoria's continued as I bought another very nice original car the week my sec-ond son, Jay was born. I saved it just the way I had purchased it. When he turned 18, he wanted to get the old Ford running. I informed him that I would be there for any help he might need, but the car was his, and he could learn all about mechanics by doing the restoration himself. Jay still has the car some 40 years later and is very proud to be its owner.

In 1998, I found another 1934 Ford Victoria which had been sitting in a Van Nuys garage since 1956. I was able to purchase it, clean it up, get it running and enjoy it for about 10 years before selling it to a museum in Virginia... This is my story about my affection for the 1934 Ford Victoria.





Presidents Words

Paul Keller

Hello V8er's,

Our January meeting was the first with our newly recruited Vice-President, Bill Meade. As you may know the Vice-President is responsible for the meeting programs. Having the position filled, especially with someone as qualified as Bill, will be a real asset. If you have not been to a meeting lately and you can make it, we would love to have you there. I want to give a shout out to Bob Merz for bringing out his 1948 Mercury convertible to the December meeting. Maybe see a few cars at the February meeting?

Swap Meet preparations are underway. Members of the committee met with Fairgrounds administration in January and the contract between the club & the Fairgrounds has been signed. I am hearing from so many of the vendors about what our meet means to them and the car community. It is quite a bit of work putting on the event and dozens of volunteers are needed to pull it off. We could always use more folks. I would be happy to let you know how we could use your talents & time. Remember, this is our fund raiser that allows us to pay for items like our picnic & Tour of the Year as well as donations to automotive student needs.

I know we are in the dead of winter, but it really will not be that long before our Spring events are before us. Those that have participated in the annual St. Patrick's parade in Seattle know how much fun it is. I do not believe we have received an official invitation for this year, but I would assume we will hear soon. We had a great reception last year, at the parade, and at Seattle Center. This year let's make sure we have more cars than the DeLorean squad.

Check your anti-freeze, Paul Keller



Meeting Minutes

Mary Lamken

PSRG General Meeting January 11, 2025 Called to order: Members Present: 14

Bill Meade shared:

He brought a V8 Times past issue from March/April 2002. It showed some interesting items from the V8 times including a driverless car that was remote controlled from a person in a car behind. A precursor to self-driving cars?

Bob Merz reported that there is a thumb drive available with all V8 Times on the drive – you can do a search on your specific Flathead vehicle. Bob Merz has all of them and would loan out the correct edition for your need. The National Club has these thumb drives available for sale.

Bill showed some other parts and gave a tutorial on some of the more intricate parts for repair or maintenance.

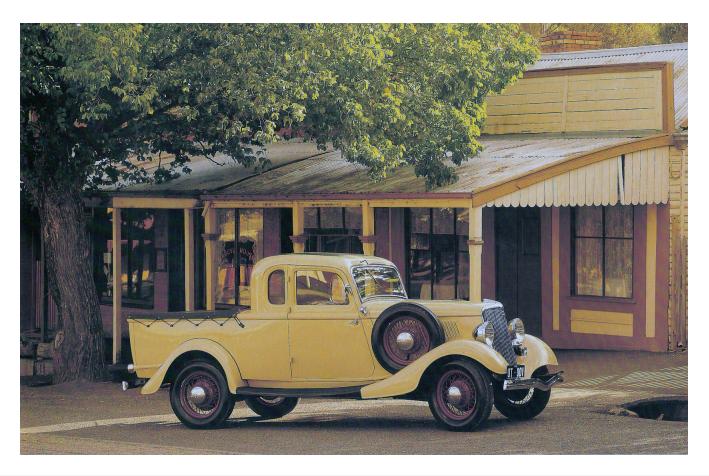
A lot of interesting information was shared.

Needs and Leads:

Louie needs a 1937 front seat frame.

Meeting adjourned 3:10

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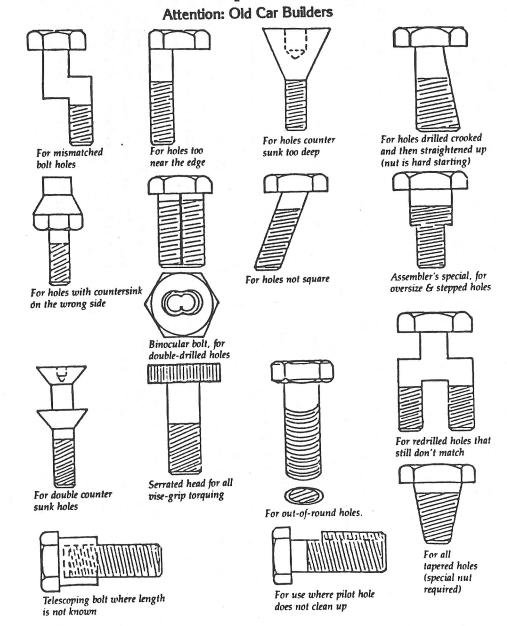


1934 Ford Falcon Ute A "1934 Ford Falcon Ute" refers to a vehicle considered the origin of the "ute" car body style, a passenger car with a pickup truck bed integrated into the design, which was first developed by Ford Australia in 1934, based on the Ford Model B coupe, and commonly called a "Coupe Utility" at the time. Bottom photo from Mandy Conner From https://fordheritagevault.com/



Furnished by Troxell Paris, who got it from Jim Makay

A Stock of These Special Bolts is a Must!





Membership

Guy Generaux

2025 PSRG Rosters - January Distribution!

The new 2025 club rosters will be available for pick up at the **January 11 general meeting** at the Redmond Eagles Lodge. If you are not able to attend, your roster will be mailed out in January, following the meeting. Plaudits to Mark and Carol Keenholts for handling distribution. In our three-year PSRG membership cycle, one-third of our members were up for renewal for 2025. Thank you for getting your dues payment in on time. And thanks to all other members for updating your roster information if you had changes. If you spot any errors in the new roaster - please contact Guy Generaux, preferably via e-mail.

National Membership Dues

Please keep in mind National V8 Club dues are on a cycle system and renewed on the anniversary date you joined. National will notify you when those dues are slated for renewal. You must be a National member to maintain your local PSRG membership.

Leads & Needs

Leads & Needs listings are free for club members. All listings will run for 3 months unless they are renewed or terminated early.

Contact Scott to have them kept in another month or to have them removed earlier.

E-mail your listing to the newsletter editor at editor@efv8psrg.org. or call 206-778-9097

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Lead: 1953 FORD

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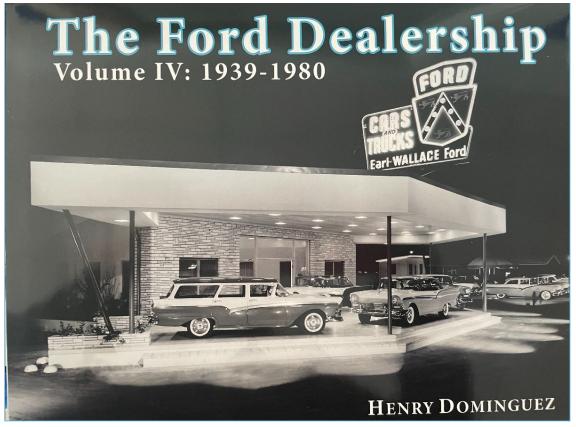




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PSRG Board Meeting

January 11, 2025

Called to Order: 1:10pm

Present: Elmo Lewis, Bill Mead, Paul Blumenstetter, Jackie Blumenstetter, Paul Keller, Mary Lamken, Jesse Quizepada,

Amy Quizepada, Rich Troberg, Bob Merz, Mike Rees, Trina Rees

SWAP MEET:

Meeting with fairgrounds to sign contract and will discuss fire lane stripes, areas 607/608, will look at 400 for better layout. Check with fairgrounds about handicap spaces – especially those in car coral. (planning on going: Trina, Elmo, Paul, Dave)

Jesse has someone who is a member prospect and wants to volunteer at SM.

As of 1/11 we have sold 216 spots sold and paid for.

MailChimp will be sent out this week.

Always need volunteers – Bill Meade is coordinating.

Dave White set up a Sign Up Genius for volunteers. Needs to send PDF copies to Paul or Mary to have them at meetings.

We will have sign-up sheets at the swap meet to make sure we have accurate numbers.

Signing up at meetings should be hard copies and coordinated with Dave's Sign-up Genius pages.

Bill is working on making sure the car coral is run more smoothly this year.

Reiterated that we should have volunteer meal at Eagles Club 2 weeks prior to Swap Meet

Bill will have a display for people to sign up for the Club at the Swap Meet. We should order promotional pens or other giveaways. Paul Blumenstetter will work at the booth on Saturday.

He has boxes of "giveaways" for vendors.

New Membership

Getting buttons from National was discussed to be able to take part in raffles at meetings, etc.

Awards

Could be the Pete and Lois Memorial Awards.

We have a lot of plaques from individuals that we can repurpose. (Restoration, Participation, Inspiration) - shared and individual plaques.

There are also past member club jackets that we can see if there is interest or decide what to do with them.

Treasurer:

Bob presented treasurer report:

Anyone who would like a copy is welcome to contact Bob Merz for one.

He will do a Profit and Loss Statement for CPA before the end of January.

Will talk to BECU and remove Chris and add Dave since Swap Meet leadership has changed.

Post Office Box has been set up for automatic renewal.

Trina sends out 9 newsletters monthly. She reminded Bob that this is done regularly and to look for the charges on the SM card to correctly categorize.

Yellow Books

It was proposed that the club should buy 30 yellow books in February at the "early-bird" and bring them to meetings for those who come.

We have a ¼ page ad in color this year.

Bill made a motion to buy 30 yellow books to hand out at meeting attenders. Elmo seconded the motion. Unanimously passed.

Bill is asking for each board member to create a meeting program/plan for our meetings so we can advertise ahead of time.

Historically: Trunk Swap Meet, Gift exchange, share collections, we need activities more than meetings. July will be the Car Show in North Bend – sharing expenses of their Block Party. Snoqualmie would also like a car show. March St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Louie let us know we are welcome to do activities here as well. (Including Hot August Nights Car Show). He is the contact to make this happen.

Starting next month, we will have a monthly raffle return at meetings for \$50 and add a 50/50 raffle if enough attend. Need to promote meetings better.

Discussion about ways to increase membership continued with some clever ideas – need follow-through.

Meeting Adjourned 2:10PM

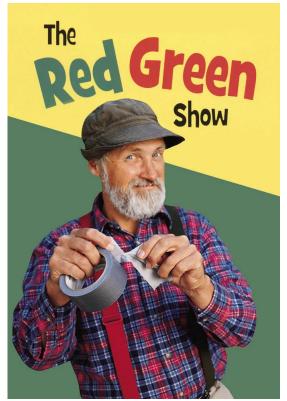
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Red Green would approve.







2025 Event Calendar General meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each month

January 11th General meeting. 2pm Meeting. Board meeting at 1 pm	February 8th General meeting. 2pm Meeting. Board meeting at 1 pm 15-16th 57th Annual Early Bird Swap Meet Puyallup	March 8th General meeting. 2pm Meeting. Board meeting at 1 pm
April 12th General meeting. Board meeting at 1 pm	May 10th General meeting. 2pm Board meeting 1pm	June 14th General meeting. 2pm Board meeting at 1 pm 28th Greenwood Car Show
July 12th General meeting. 2pm Board meeting at 1 pm	August 9th General meeting. 2pm Board meeting at 1 pm	September 13th General meeting. 2pm Board meeting at 1 pm
October 11th General meeting. 2pm Board meeting at 1 pm	November 8th General meeting 2pm. Board meeting at 1pm	December 13 th General meeting. 2pm Board meeting at 1 pm

Gary Duff's 1940

