THE ENLIGHT'NER

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2012 CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	I INDA GII BERT
VICE-PRESIDENT	SANDY RUCH
SECRETARY	KAREN AMMAN
TREASURER	DOUG GILBERT

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Activities	All Members
Web Master	Bill Amman
Statistician	Kevin Humann
Car Shows	Dave Overton
Elections	
Newsletter Editor	Sandy Ruch
Membership	Barbara Strowbridge
Sergeant at Arms	Skip Nelson
PAO	Bill Amman

MEETING SCHEDULE

<u>Tuesday, Aug 14</u> Club Meeting, Denny's, Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Aug 28 Club Meeting. Village Pizza,

Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Sep 11 Club Meeting, Denny's, Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, Sep 25 Club Meeting. Village Pizza, Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

<u>Tuesday, Oct 9</u> Club Meeting, Denny's, Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

<u>Tuesday, Oct 23</u> Club Meeting. Village Pizza, Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

<u>Tuesday, Nov 13</u> Club Meeting, Denny's, Mt Vernon at 7:30 PM.

<u>Tuesday, Nov 27</u> Club Meeting. Village Pizza, Anacortes at 7:30 PM.

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

See Calendar of events. Located on our WEB page.

August Birthdays

- 3 Christie Bailey, Doris Miller
- 5 Bill Amman

- 6 Rod Olson
- 8 Norah Osenbach
- 13 Dana George
- 15 Susie George
- 17 Dave Fikse
- 19 Susan Harrison
- 10 Joanne Olson, Rob Brown
- 22 Carol Bowen
- 24 Bill Strowbridge
- 26 James Van Dreumel
- 27 Kristi Angel
- 30 Jim Irwin

August Anniversaries

- 6 Ron & Linda Telles
- 9 Marc Zahrt/Jackie Vannice
 - Stewart & Marie Everest
- 15 Kevin & Cherie Cobley
- 28 Dale & Patti McAtee

<u>Minutes</u>

Minutes of July 10, 2012 Meeting at Mt Vernon Denny's

The meeting was called to order at 7:28 PM by the President.

Members in attendance were (41). Bill & Karen Amman, Lenny Angelo, Paul & Rissa Borgen, Jack & Carol Bowen, Dick & Betty Carey, Frank & Maureen DePuy, Jack Duncan & Joann, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Susan & Jack Harrison, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, Ann Humphreys, Greg Logsdon, Joanne Olson, Rod Olson, Russ & Nora Osenbach, Dave Overton, Mel & Linda Paul, Bryan Pierson, Dave Putnam, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Bill & Barb Strowbridge, Ron & Linda Telles, Roger Tenbrink, Cindy Verge.

The minutes of the June 26, 2012 meeting at Anacortes Village Pizza in Anacortes were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was given.

Membership (73)

Old Business:

Lyman car show: We had great weather and good times, including a pot luck picnic on the back of Bill & Sandy's car. Approximately 118 cars participated, including 15 from MGCC. Wally and Lenny won trophies.

Sedro Woolley show: No Vets Forgotten. Needed more organization. The weather was great. 200+ cars showed up, 15 from MGCC. Many thanks to all MGCC members who helped out. Dave Putnam won a 2nd place trophy. Between 18-20 thousand was raised for the Veterans. Shadow of the Mountain Show: Tom & Cindy Verge won 1st place in their class. Gene Hitt told us about their bear encounter on the way to the show.

Lenny Angelo, Mel & Linda Paul also had a close encounter with a bear in Yosemite on the way home from the Tahoe show.

New Business

Distillery trip, Sunday July 15. Meet at Petco in Mt Vernon at 11:00 AM. We will lunch at Bob's Burgers and Brew and then tour the distillery.

Sandy brought us up to date on upcoming shows. Check the club calendar on the club's WEB page for more info.

2012 DUES are Past Due!!

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM Linda Paul won joker's up. Next meeting is at Village Pizza in Anacortes on July 24, 2012.

Minutes of July 24, 2012 Meeting at Village Pizza Anacortes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the President.

Members in attendance were (34). Bill & Karen Amman, Lenny Angelo, Jim & Mary Bauman, Steve Callen, Dick & Betty Carey, Jack Duncan & Joann, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Susan & Jack Harrison, Gene & Doris Hitt, Kevin Humann, Ann Humphreys, John & Cynthia Lucke, Dale & Patty McAtee, Joanne Olson, Russ Osenbach, Dave Overton, Mel Paul, Jim & June Reed, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Bill & Barb Strowbridge, Tom & Cindy Verge.

The minutes of the July 10, 2012 meeting at Mt Vernon Denny's were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was given.

Membership (74)

New Members Jim & Mary Bauman were introduced.

OLD Business:

Linda reported on our Distillery Trip. We had a nice brunch at Bob's and a informative trip to the Distillery. Dale McAtee brought us up to date on his upcoming trip to South Dakota.

Uncle Ollies pot luck July 28th at Brian & Joanne Olsen's. We will leave Mt Vernon Petco at 1:30.

We will leave Mt Vernon Petco at 8 AM on August 11th for the La Conner car show.

The Founder's Day Show in Sedro Woolley on Sept. 9, we will leave Petco at 7 AM.

Sandy filled us in on upcoming events and car shows. Check the WEB page for more info.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

2012 DUES ARE PAST DUE!

Russ Osenbach won joker's up.

Next meeting is at Mt Vernon Denny's on August 14, 2012.

nary \NAIR-ee\, adjective:

Not any; no; never a.

The loch, calm and clear, with nary a breeze to ripple its placid

surface, was located within walking distance of Bracklenaer.

-- Rebecca Sinclair, Perfect Strangers

Fish for sale, fish for sale. Fresh, fresh, fresh, fresh. Pickerel and

perch, pike and pout, bass and sunnies, but nary a trout.
-- Howard Frank Mosher, On Kingdom Mountain

Nary was common in English in the 1700s as an

abbreviation of the phrase "ne'er a" meaning "never a."

jubilate \JOO-buh-leyt\, verb:

- 1. To show or feel great joy; rejoice; exult.
- 2. To celebrate a jubilee or joyful occasion.

Though this sudden setback of the plague was as welcome as it was

unlooked-for, our townsfolk were in no hurry to jubilate.

-- Albert Camus, The Plague

This would enable me to jubilate like a normal person, knowing why.

-- Samuel Beckett, The Unnameable

Jubilate derives from the Latin word j?bil- meaning "to shout."

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2013 SRT Viper, Upcoming 2014 Corvette C7 Signify Rebirth Of American Supercar Rivalry



Those with little imagination tend to think of just three brands when it comes to outright automotive performance; Porsche, Ferrari, and Lamborghini. Sure, there's a certain million-dollar-plus W16-powered king of the hill that resembles a giant scarab beetle, but let's keep our fantasies a little closer to the ground. So after the three European exotics, there's everyone else. Then, there are the American brands.

It could be that being as both the Corvette and new it's-no-longer-a-Dodge SRT Viper circulate American blood, sweat and tears in their engines, that they're just not perceived to be as sexy as the exotic European imports. So does that make the affectionate followers of these American athletes tasteless? Or are they outside-the-box connoisseurs that simply care about what's under the hood? It's really a mix of both depending on who you talk to. But nobody can deny the delight of being able to double the output of a potent GM small block engine with little more than a turbocharging kit, while still holding the simplicity of being able to be maintained by little more than a wrench.

Just this past weekend, the first SRT Viper ever sold at the latest Barrett-Jackson auction for a cool \$300,000, benefiting the Austin Hatcher Foundation for Pediatric Cancer. This new model doesn't stray too far from tradition, as it possesses an 8.4L V10 engine producing 640 horsepower and 600 lb-ft of torque (a best for a naturally aspirated engine), and that's in the base model. Just on paper alone, the new Viper looks to strike and inject its venom into the aging body of the 638-horsepower C6 Corvette ZR1. Look across town, and Ford now offers a 650 662-horse bruiser in the Mustang Shelby GT500. It might not be able to match the 580-horse Chevy Camaro ZL1 on the road course, but exclaiming that intoxicating power figure out loud will never, ever get old. Plus, there are rumors of a beloved Ford GT successor in the works, but that's all they remain for now.

Meanwhile, General Motors carries a huge-ass ball in its court, with the expectations being to completely 1-up every other production performance model that represents the Star Spangled Banner with its all-new Corvette — or disappoint. This is not because the masses have set the 2014 C7 Corvette up for a huge fall, but rather because GM has managed to raise the bar — and thus everyone's expectations — higher than ever. And for the first time ever, it has to deal with two 600+horsepower American machines with the capabilities of matching, even outrunning the likes of what comes out of the stable marked by the Prancing Horse, or the Fighting Bull.

America has long believed that competition is what makes everything stronger. Looking ahead, the future Corvette will have more competition than ever. Additionally, while we know plenty about the 2014 C7 Corvette, we can't say it will win out against the 2013 SRT Viper and/or its European foes when it comes time to compare on the track. Regardless, for once, it seems that the whole world is paying attention to American performance, and it's a great time to soak it all in.

Active Time: 10 Minutes
Total Time: 1 Hour 5 Minutes

Yield: Makes 12 servings (one 9-inch round cake)

RECIPE INGREDIENTS

16 tablespoons unsalted butter

1 tablespoon whiskey

3/4 cup sugar

8 oz semisweet chocolate, chopped

1 1/2 cups hot water

1 1/2 cups self-rising flour

1/4 cup cocoa powder

2 eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Heavy cream, for serving

1 sprig mint, for decoration (optional)



DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

Melt the butter in a saucepan. Add the whiskey, sugar, chocolate and water. Stir over low heat until the chocolate is just melted and the mixture is smooth. Sift the flour and cocoa

powder together and gradually beat into the chocolate mixture. Add the eggs and vanilla and beat until combined.

Pour the mixture into a greased and line 9-inch round cake pan and bake for 40-45 minutes, until a skewer inserted in the center comes out clean. Leave the cake in the pan for 15 minutes before turning out to cool.

Serve warm or cold with cream and decorated with a sprig of mint, if desired.

****** DUES ******

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