

Upcoming Events

August 2004

- 4 **Mayflowers Tour**
LaTeaDa @ Tillamook, OR
5 **Tech Committee Meeting**
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CPCC Hot Dog Feed
28 **Peterson's/Sunburst Tour**
Sumner & Graham, WA

September 2004

- 2 **Tech Committee Meeting**
4 **Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center**
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Meetings are held on the
4th Tuesday of each month at the
Clackamas Community Club
15711 SE 90th - Clackamas, OR
6:30 PM Kick the Tires,
7:00 PM General Meeting.

Plymouth Parts/Cars for Sale/Wanted

For Sale

Early 1949 Plymouth P-15 4-door sedan. Complete off-body-restoration interrupted by death of owner. Includes title, all original parts, new parts, and shop manuals. \$900 OBO will get you a nice project to finish. Joan Hendricks - Corvallis, OR. (541)753-6329 or P15restoration@aol.com.

For Sale

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For Sale

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Don and Karen Ryan's 1947 Plymouth 4 door, just up the Lewis River

This month's Plymouth Club member feature is Don and Karen Ryan of Woodland, Washington.

Don and Karen own a couple of 47 Plymouths, a 2 door which is under construction and a P-15 4 Door Special Delux, which you may have seen at membership meetings or club events.

I recently drove 16 miles east of Woodland, WA to visit with Don at his house which overlooks the Lewis River.

Don spent his formative years in Southwest Washington, and attended Vancouver High School.

This was where he met Karen, his wife, they married in 1958.

Four years ago, Don retired from Columbia Metals, where he was a machinist.

Touring Don's shop it appears his many years as a machinist will come in handy with his many projects, a 46 & 47 Ford Pickup and a '49 Ford Club Coupe, that will be Karen's when it is done.

Don began acquiring 2 lathes, a milling machine, a nice hoist and many stands and jigs for holding equipment to be able to work on his projects.

His first car was a 1934 Ford 2 Door Sedan. He also owned a '35 Ford Rumble Seat Coupe, which he bought in 1954 and later sold to buy Wedding rings.

His next car was a 1946 Plymouth, so maybe it is not a surprise he came back to Plymouths later in life.

Don's '47 4-door was purchased from a long time friend named Chester Jennings, who rescued it from 15 years of being stored in a barn. Chester only drove it 150 miles in the five years he owned it.

Don has had the '47 for about 4 years just about the time he retired. He refurbished the brakes, replaced the radiator and drove it for 2 years

until he lost a rod. Don rebuilt the motor (he says is a '50 flat head 6cylinder) and cleaned around the motor and firewall.

He has also refurbished and repainted the front suspension. He has done some rechroming of bumpers and rocker panels and polished up the stainless steel parts. He has changed the engine intake manifold to a dual carbs and changed to exhaust to dual pipes. He has non stock wheels, which give the 47 a rodder-type appearance.

The Body is all original as well as the interior, which looks remarkable to its age.

Over the years before acquiring his present Plymouths Don has

owned many other classic cars including: 51 Mercury, 55 Buick 2DR HT, 50 Dodge PU, 62 Ford ?? Club Wagon, 50 Cadillac, 40 Ford, 33 Ford Roadster, 34 Ford 2 DR Sedan, 53 Chevy Convertible, 50 2 door HT, 50 Ford 3DR, 50 Mercury 2DR, Harley Davison Motorcycle, Triumph, and 5 Jeeps.

In addition to the Plymouth Club Don belongs to an unofficial club in Vancouver called the Dukes and just recently went to a meeting for a club called the In-liners, which he says is for people who have cars with in-line 6 and 4 cylinder engines.

Thank you Don and Karen for sharing some of you lives with the other members of the CPCC.



Don and Karen Ryan and their 1947 Plymouth P-15 4 Door Special Delux



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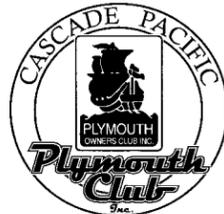
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CPPC June Regular Meeting Highlights

There were 51 in attendance at the June membership meeting. President Scott Farnsworth presided and Vicki Williams took the minutes.

For the member care report Scott reported that Vickie Shepherd had been hospitalized with an aneurysm. Tom is keeping the Club posted on her condition. Paul Taylor recently had surgery on his neck and is recuperating at his home in Arroyo Grande, California.

Scott circulated a draft of tour guidelines that the Board of Directors has been discussing and asked members for input prior to printing them up to be used on all tours.

The long distance award was won by Clifford Klemen who drove 110 miles from Springfield, Oregon.

Dolores Call reported that there was \$6,073.33 in the treasury as of the June meeting.

Bill Call reported for the Membership Committee that we were approaching 150 members and would reach that soon.

Mike Bade encouraged members to submit information about their cars so he could feature them in front page articles.

Jerry Klinger reviewed upcoming activities including the Summer tour. He reminded members that you don't need an old car to attend the tour and encouraged ALL members to attend. Vicki Williams encouraged all members to attend hers and Dave's picnic on July 17th. Cars can meet at 10:00am at Clackamette Park and Dave will lead them to their home southeast of Canby.

Jerry thanked Jim and Shirley Thorkildson and Joyce and Larry Catt for hosting the June picnic at the Thorkildson's Vancouver home.

The Membership Committee will be organizing a hot dog feed for the August membership meeting in the parking lot of the clubhouse. The majority of the August meeting will be tire kicking and eating!

Plans are still being made for the Back to School car show in Oregon City on September 18th.

Mick DeSantis reminded members about the car show at Chinook Winds Casino on September 25th. There is also a Beach Boys concert in conjunction with this and if members want tickets Mick can arrange for some.

Lorraine Griffey reported on the Mayflowers tour to the Heirloom Rose Gardens and Ferguson's Fragrant Flowers.

The evening's speaker was Ed Brusler from Ott's Friction Supply. He offered members a discount for any purchases at his business. Members need to use pricing code #102. This is even better than John Sweeney's senior discount!

Scott read a letter from the Clackamas Community Club asking if Club users were willing to donate some money to buy new chairs. Almost everyone sitting down raised their hand to approve the donation.

The board will discuss this at their next meeting. The raffles were won by Don Ryan, Dennis Markovich, John Sweeney, Gloria Barr (guest) and Jim Thorkildson.

By Vicki Williams



A special treat for the evening was courtesy of CPPC member Bill Call, brought his car hauler, fresh from the painters to the meeting.

Adorning the sides of the hauler were two murals, depicting World War II bombers and a portrait of Bill's 1942 Plymouth Sedan Military Staff Car.

Bill is embarking on a July "Road Trip" to the 32nd annual Iola Car Show and to the Walter P. Chrysler Car show in Omaha, Neb.

June Birthdays

Happy July birthdays to the following members:

Cheryl Parker - ?

Don Ryan - 2nd

Allen Tiffany - 24th

Larry Davidson - 12th

And any others who have not reported their birthdate!

CPPC Member Walter Prang Passes Away

Walter Prange, an original member of CPPC, passed away on June 23rd at the age of 77. The following is a reprint of an article that appeared in one of the Club's first newsletters:

Reprint of CPPC Article

Almost all of us in the "old car" hobby had the opportunity to buy raffle tickets on items related to cars - or on cars themselves. You see sales people at fairs, malls, swap meets, and even in hobby publications like Hemmings Motor News. Have you ever known anyone who won a car? Well let us introduce you to Walter Prang, whose father won a new 1948 Plymouth in that year. It is an interesting story!

Walter's father and his family lived in the Sellwood District of Portland, not far from St. Agatha Catholic Church. As a fund raising activity, the church raffled a total of 3 or 4 cars immediately before and following WWII. Walter's father won! The Plymouth had been moved around various locations where tickets could be sold, and Mr. Prang was notified that he was the winner and should come to Oaks Park

to get it. This was exciting news as the family had never owned a car. In fact, Walter's father, at age 56, had never driven and didn't know how. All travel for the family had been by public transportation or ride pool to work. So Walter went with his father and removed the car from the truck that transported it to the places where tickets were sold and drove it home.

Walter had gone into the U.S. Navy toward the end of the war, and had driven Jeeps and weapons carriers while on duty. He was discharged in time to become the family chauffeur. He drove the '48 home and still has it. It's the only car he has ever owned,



Walter Prang in his 1948 Plymouth

Mayflowers Trip to Troutdale Gallery

On Wednesday, July 7th the Mayflowers met at the Caswell Gallery in Troutdale for their monthly tour.

Lorraine Griffey, Vicki Williams, Mindy Benfield, Karen Ryan, Jerry and Ann Klinger and Les and Nancy Conner took the self guided tour of the foundry area of the Gallery.

Seeing all the steps involved in creating the beautiful and sometimes massive bronze pieces explained their high price tags. Some of the pieces in the gallery were worth over \$25,000!

Caswell bronzes can be seen all over including in Troutdale City Park and Spirit Mountain Casino.

From the gallery members walked the main street of Troutdale ducking in to various shops. Surprisingly, many of the buildings are currently vacant.

Lunch was at Strombolis in Troutdale where the group was joined by Linda Farnsworth and her two grandsons. Linda hobbled over to the restaurant on crutches and had even driven for one of the first times since breaking her ankle.

Lookout Portland, Linda's back on the road again!

After lunch some of the group headed to McMenamins Edgefield and toured the buildings and grounds.

This is an amazing place that used to be the "poor farm" dating back to the 1920's. As in all their restorations the McMenamin brothers have created a spectacular restoration.

The walls of the hotel area are painted in whimsical paintings that even incorporate the necessary exit signs, sprinkler system and backup lights into their themes.

Everywhere you look there are brightly painted characters. A tour of the gardens inspired some of the group to go back to Lorraine Griffey's and raid her garden of some overgrown plants.

The next Mayflower tour will be on Wednesday, August 4th and will be to Tillamook for high tea at LaTeaDa tea house and a tour of the Tillamook Cheese Factory and a quilt shop inside an old schoolhouse.

The group will be carpooling from Linda Farnsworth's house. Contact Lorraine Griffey if you would like to sign up for this tour.

By Vicki Williams

and he still lives in the family home left to him upon his father's death.

The family home was built in 1906 and is still in style, with the recent interest in "Craftsman" architecture. Walter attended Benson High School while growing up in the home. It has a detached single garage, which is always used when the car is idle, since a window was shot our once when it was left on the curb. Walter retired from Hyster Sales after 45 years, his father had also worked there.

The sticker price for the Plymouth was \$1,875.00, and it was purchased by the church from Milwaukie Motors (long since defunct) in Milwaukie, Oregon.

Walter researched the car, from the serial number, and found it was assembled in Los Angeles in July 1948, near the end of that year's production run. Total 1946-1948 production of all models was 1.2 million cars, according to Walter.

Now about the car! It's not pristine by any means, but remember - it has been the sole family car for 52 years and has 335,000 miles on it! Walter credits Bruce Abbott (Classic Car Toons Auto Restoration) for it's long life. Bruce worked at the Chrysler garage where the '48 had been serviced regularly, and agreed to continue when the garage ceased business and he had set up his own shop.

Some of the relevant maintenance that has taken place:

-2 complete engine overhauls, separate valve grind and head resurface, transmission rebuild, brake rebuild (3 new drums), repaint 20 years ago, regular oil changes (30 weight non-detergent, Switch to radial tires about 5 years ago.

Walter says he drives 50-55 MPH, and averages about 15 mpg. The car has been used for shorter trips, the longest ones to the coast and the gorge areas. The car definitely qualifies as one owner, low mileage.

Walter said the winning the car provided a real sense of freedom for his family! It permitted them to experience new areas of the State that they otherwise would not have seen.

We thank Walter for sharing this story, and it sad to here of his passing away, before we could get to know him better.

(Article appeared in CPPC newsletter November 2000 by Larry Catt)

Awesome Day for a Picnic with Nice Surprises, Vancouver WA

On a beautiful sunny June 18th well over 30 CPPC members met at Jim and Shirley Thorkildson's in Vancouver, Washington for a backyard picnic.

Some members met at the Airport Road Home Depot and were escorted by Les Conner to the Thorkildson's. Jim and Shirley have a beautiful park-like setting perfect for showing off classic cars. Jim's own collection of cars of all brands was proudly displayed on the front lawn.

Shirley graciously gave the ladies a tour of her home and showed off several beautiful quilts she has either made or acquired.



Shirley also delighted us in her story of her April 2003 marriage to Jim. Jim and Shirley, both widowed, reconnected after dating in high school. We should probably refer to them as the "Tonopah Twosome". As

it seems while driving to Laughlin, Nevada to get married and visit family. They stopped for a potty break in Tonopah, Nevada which is over 300 miles from Laughlin and literally in the middle of nowhere.

As the saying goes "one thing led to another" and Jim and Shirley were standing in the newly restored Tonopah courthouse being pronounced man and wife!

This was a potty break to remember. Shirley had taken a beautiful outfit along for the Laughlin wedding but ended up married in her jeans.

Needless to say the family members were a little disappointed when Jim and Shirley arrived as Mr. and Mrs. Thorkildson.

Jim and Shirley make a great couple and hosted a wonderful relaxing picnic with delicious burgers and dogs to complement all the wonderful dishes brought along by club members.

On hand to help with the festivities cooking and organizing were members of Jim and Shirley's.

Jim wanted to mention the CPPC members Larry & Joyce Catt and Les & Nancy Conner were instrumental in helping with the picnic.

By Vicki Williams



Jim Thorkildson's 1981 Mercedes Auto Bond & 1947 Plymouth 4 Door Sedan



Jim Thorkildson's 1968 Mustang Fastback & 1957 Ford Fairlane 500



Jim Thorkildson's 1990 Cadillac STS & 1967 Cadillac Eldorado Show Car



Jim Thorkildson's 1922 Model-T



Mike Grimm's 1936 Ford Pickup



Craig Smith's 1930 Model A Pickup



Dave Newland's 1938 Chevy



Jim Thorkildson's garage



1931 Chrysler Short Couple Sedan & 1931 Chrysler Dual Cowl Phaeton owned by Ken & Suzanne Guthries of Cougar, WA



CPPC Members and other guests of Jim & Shirley thorkildson's enjoy good weather and fun company

The Steering Column, A message from the CPPC President

We had a good turnout for the June meeting with a good showing of Plymouths as well. I'm looking forward to the July and August meetings, as these seem to be the two months we populate the parking lot with members Plymouths. I hope to have my horn problem resolved and bring my P-7 in July. Each month we seem to have an excellent speaker and June was no exception. Ed Bruser from Ott's Friction Supply delivered lots of good information on clutch linings and brake shoe linings.

I'm looking forward to the July and August meetings. CPPC member Hank Baker will be speaking in July and a good old American hot dog feed at the August meeting. We're hoping to fill every parking spot in the lot with a Plymouth for the August meeting. We hope to draw some of you folks from the outlying areas to the August meeting for some hot dogs and Plymouth chat. Please look at your

schedule and try to make the August 23rd meeting.

We had a tour in June to another CPPC member's home for an afternoon of good food and conversation. Jim Thorkildson and Shirley were very generous to open their home and property to the club for a June 19th gathering. The weather was perfect, the hamburgers were terrific and the hospitality was great. We all had the opportunity to see all of Jim's car collection and his workshops. Thanks to Jim and Shirley for their hospitality and to Larry and Joyce Catt and Les and Nancy Conner for helping with the arrangements.

Plans for the other summer activities are now in place. July 17th is the picnic at Vicki and Dave Williams'. Plans are in place for the August tour to the Petersons in Sumner, WA and the cruise-in to North Clackamas Christian High School in September. There is more information in this newsletter regarding these two tours. We have responses from sev-

eral of our northern members for the Sumner tour so get your reservations and meet some of CPPC you don't normally get to see. Watch the newsletter for a Silver Creek Falls tour in October.

Please consider running for an office next year or making suggestions to the current officers of people you feel might be good at guiding our club. We are always looking for new faces, talent and ideas. A nominating committee will be selected in August and they will be actively searching for candidates for next year.

As I have stated in the past, each of you can feel free to contact me with suggestions for improvement, input on club activities and operation of the club and I encourage you to do so.

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May and June Membership Meeting Guest Speakers

The guest speaker for the May membership meeting was Dan Trappy, one of the owners of Clackamas Auto Parts, on downtown Oregon City, OR.

The business was started in 1934 by his grandfather and his father. The business is 70 years old, with a full machine shop. They specialize in vintage cars; ignition, engine and some brake parts that you may find hard to find.

Dan says they can blast bead parts up to rear end size.

Their catalogues will help you find parts for brakes into the 1930's, ignition needs.

If you need paint for your car they can mix acrylic enamel, color I.D. system.

Dan has setup a Cash Account for CPPC members using the Acct. #2685 which is a 5% to 20% discount just like dealer prices.

Clackamas Auto Parts is located in Downtown Oregon City, 2 blocks north of the Oregon City Courthouse, 1009 Main Street.

Call or drop in and ask for Dan, Art or Lynn for your Plymouth parts needs.

The guest speaker for the June membership meeting was Ed Bruser, co-owner and Sr. VP of Ott's Friction Supply.

Ott's is one of the larger brake supply houses in the northwest, with 8 full time people. They specialize in hard to find parts, Banding and riveting most anything w/ non asbestos friction materials.

Clients include, Hyster Corp., military contracts, including submarines, cruise ships, up to 12 ft diameter brake bands. Also they are distributors for heavy duty brake drums, they can also turn and shim drums.

There custom binding department relines them for you for about \$9.79 a shoe. They can help with speciality clutches, they have 5 choices of linings, They have a pressure plate department, Cushman clutch covers.

They can grind and resurface flywheels. They can use carbonic of ceramic materials which are less susceptible or impervious to oil.

Ed says you need to take off the asbestos before bringing them in to get fixed.

Ed passed out business cards out at the meeting, with the Number 102 on them, which is a special pricing, the best pricing they offer for CPPC members. If you were at the meeting you might call Ed and ask if you can use the discount number.

Ott's is located by the Columbia Slew off I-5 in North Portland.



CPPC President Scott Farnsworth and June Guest Speaker Ed Bruser, from Ott's Friction Supply

August Hot Dog Feed

The membership committee has proposed something a little different for the August membership meeting on August 24th. There will be extended tire kicking in the parking lot in conjunction with a hot dog feed.

The Club is providing hot dogs, chips and drinks. Members are welcome to bring potluck desserts. There will be an abbreviated membership meeting but most of the night will be enjoying the cars and good food outside.

So if you've never brought your Plymouth to a meeting this is the time to do so. The goal is to have the entire parking lot full of old Plymouths.

By Vicki Williams

North Clackamas Christen School Cruise-in

On Saturday, September 18th, Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club will be assisting North Clackamas Christen School with a fund raiser car show in the parking lot of Haggen's Foods in Oregon City. The Club is hoping to have a large showing of Plymouths. All club cars will be parked together for the show. A tailgate breakfast is being planned at Clackamette Park for Club members and then cars will caravan up to Haggen's for the show. One of the fund raisers at the show is a prize wheel. Participants can purchase tickets to spin the wheel and everyone will win a prize. The school is looking for prize donations. If any club members own a business or works for a business that could donate a prize it would be most appreciated. This can be anything big or small. Some prizes may be a hat and some may be gift certificates. So if you have anything at all that you could donate or talk someone else in to donating please contact Bill Call, Jeff Jolly, Dave or Vicki Williams or Chuck Willis. Also, if anyone would like to sponsor a plaque for an award they can do so for \$20.00. Your company name will be on the plaque and you will be recognized at the show as a sponsor.

By Vicki Williams

Peterson's August CPPC Tour Update Information

There's only about a month left till the tour of the Petersen's restored schoolhouse in Sumner, Washington.

Make sure you've made your hotel reservations at the King Oscar in Pacific and make sure your old Plymouth is in good running order.

If you don't have a running Plymouth then by all means come anyway. We would like to have a huge turnout for this event.

As of this writing it looks like there could be about 50 people attending. We especially want to meet our northern members who can't make it to membership meetings. Be sure and wear your nametags!

The plan is to meet at 7:00 am at the NW Portland McDonalds (3208 NW Yeon).

The route will travel Hwy 30 to Rainier and over the Lewis and Clark

Bridge to Longview, Washington.

In Longview there will be a stop at the Winchell's Donuts (1560 15th Avenue).

It is anticipated the caravan will get to Longview about 8-8:15am. So some members may want to pick up the tour in Longview.

From there the route will go Hwy 411 to Castle Rock, then secondary roads to Vader, Winlock and Napavine.

Then Hwy 6 to Chehalis, Hwy 99 to Centralia and Hwy 507 to Tenino and Yelm.

Hwy 702 to the Junction of Hwy 161 to Puyallup and Hwy 512 to Hwy 167 to Sumner.

It's not too late to sign up so let Jerry Klinger, Activity Chairman know if you would like to participate.

By Vicki Williams

CPPC members attend General Canby Days on 4th

The General Canby Day car show on the fourth of July was well represented by CPPC.

Seven members showed their cars. Jimmie Fox, Larry Davidson, Rich VonAllmen, Dennis Rice, Dave Williams and Hank and Angela Baker spent the day enjoying the fourth of July festivities in Canby which included a pancake breakfast, parade and day long entertainment as well as the car show.

There were about 110 cars lining the downtown streets of Canby. Rich VonAllmen won a Judge's Choice trophy in the modified/street rod category for his 33 2D Coupe. Dennis Rice won a Founders trophy for his 51 Hardtop. Angela Baker won a People's Choice trophy in the stock category for her 54 Belvedere station wagon and Dave Williams won a Judge's Choice trophy for his 47 P-15 Coupe.

By Vicki Williams



Dennis Rice & '51 Hardtop



Rich VonAllmen & '32dr Coupe



Dave Williams & '47 P-15

Welcome to our Newest Members

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome the Club's newest members as follows:

Ron and Nancy Gall - from Bend, Oregon joined in June and learned about the Club while doing an internet search. They have a 1959 2D Suburban.

Joe Tune - from Clackamas, Oregon joined at the end of June and

has a 1948 4D street rod. Joe was referred from one of our members.

Skip Mather - from Portland, Oregon joined July 2nd after hearing about the club from a neighbor and has a 1949 Special Deluxe. With these newest members CPPC membership is at 146.

July Technical Committee Report

On Thursday, July 1st the Technical Committee met at Dave Williams' garage outside Canby, Oregon.

The group happily welcomed some new faces to this meeting. Ray Dunn and Steve Parker attended for the first time resulting in a group of nine that also included Dave Williams, Jimmie Fox, John Sweeney, Russ Ashley, Dennis Rice, Mick DeSantis and David Martin. Chuck Willis, who rarely misses a meeting, had a legitimate excuse as he was hospitalized with an appendicitis!

That's a procedure the Tech Committee couldn't have handled. Initially the evening's project was going to be putting on a new vacuum advance and points, condenser and cap on David Martin's 37 coupe. But, after driving all the way from outside of Beaverton to Canby he mentioned his brake pedal went all the way to the floor.

After being admonished for driving an unsafe car it was decided it was more important to make the car stop than go so the project became fixing his brakes.

So they power bled the system



Dave Martin keeping an eye on Jimmy Fox.

and the new brake fluid made it so his drive back home was much safer.

It was also noticed that his carburetor was very loose so that was tightened up and after a test drive David said things were better than ever.

David has had this car for almost 40 years and admits to doing very little maintenance.

The next project was setting the timing on Ray Dunn's 37 pickup. Prior to this Ray had used an old mechanic skill of timing it by ear.

The remainder of the meeting was munching on the donuts John Sweeney bought with his senior discount and talking cars.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, August 5th at Jimmie Fox's garage at 7:00pm.

One project will be to complete the tune up on David Martin's car but other projects are always welcome so contact one of the Tech Committee members if you'd like something done on your car.

Remember, they can come to you and alternate dates are usually possible. By Vicki Williams



Ray Dunn makes timing look easy.

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If you have a question for the Technical Committee, please call one of the above. We will do all we can to help you with your car. NOTE: Keep this list in a handy place for the future.

TECHNICAL TIPS

Radiator Boils Over

This condition is usually caused by insufficient water in the cooling system and is indicated by the temperature gauge, or, the temperature light, on the instrument panel.

Trouble can be caused by leaking radiator, water pump, hose connections, defective core plug in engine water jacket, or a loose or broken belt driving the water pump and fan, or a freeze plug leaking on the side of the engine block.

The best procedure to start with is to turn off the engine and let it cool. While it is cooling, look for leaks in the system, BUT, "DO NOT OPEN THE RADIATOR CAP", IT IS UNDER HOT STEAM AND WATER PRESSURE. One could get burned from the hot water spewing all over when a cap is opened while under pressure.

After the engine cools down, take a rag and place over the radiator cap when loosening it, and do so SLOWLY. After that, it should be safe to open the radiator cap. Tighten hose connections if necessary, then place a cloth over the radiator cap and remove the cap. Cap must be removed slowly to avoid a burst of steam in high-pressure system.

Start and idle the engine, while the engine is idling, pour water in the radiator at a very slow pace so as not to cause the cold water to crack the engine block, continue this until the radiator is full within one inch of the top. This will leave room for expansion. It will gradually cool down to a normal operating temperature.

If leaks have been noted in the radiator core or core plugs, there is on the market, a special radiator sealing compounds which can be used to stop the leak, and is referred to as, "Stop Leak for Radiators". By Jimmy Fox



More of the CPPC members at the Tech Meeting: Steve Parker, Ray Dunn and John Sweeney.