

# EXHAUST REPORT

ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I cannot believe that 2018 is half way behind us. It seems just a short time ago I was introducing us to the year 2018. The club has had a fantastic half a year. Tours, car shows, plus other activities and we have more to do in the second half. The Highway Earth this past Sunday was great with many of our members there with their cars. The Gilmore Auto Show was also well attended and with Joel winning the "Best Story" award.

June 28 will be our third trip to the Blind Children's Center where we provide five cars for the children to sit in and enjoy as they imagine where they are driving. Disneyland is a very popular trip.

The month of June was very busy with many car shows to attend. They included The Gilmore/Farmer's Market, All GM, Rodeo Drive, and Highway Earth. The summer months have many events scheduled including several tours for the SoCal Club thanks to Joel's hard work.

Our club participation has been great this year and I look forward to seeing all of our members at the upcoming events. Please check the calendar in this report and clear the dates to come out and enjoy the fun.

I have been enjoying the World Cups even though I have never been a soccer fan, but this year has been fun. Go Croatia!

*Bob*



The aim of the AACA is the perpetuation of the pioneer days of automobiling by furthering the interest in and preserving of automobiles, and the promotion of sportsmanship and of good fellowship among all AACA members. The AACA uses the term "automobile" in a comprehensive sense to include all self-propelled vehicles intended for passenger use (cars, race vehicles, trucks, fire vehicles, motorcycles, powered bicycles, etc.). Similarly, the term includes various power sources, such as gasoline, diesel steam and electric.

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Our club is a regional club of the Antique Automobile Club of America, Inc. National club membership is required for regional membership. National membership dues are \$40 annually (includes spouse). Regional club dues are \$20 annually (includes spouse). For membership information and application, contact any board member.

## BOARD MEETINGS

Dinner board meeting are scheduled for the first Tuesday of each month when necessary and are open to the general membership. Contact Bob Pritchard for schedule confirmation. We appreciate your attendance and welcome your input.



Antique Automobile Club of America  
Southern California Region

The AACA SoCal is looking forward to seeing **our FRIENDS and Clubs that participate with us at events**, as our guests, when there is room and indicated on the event. We have also been invited to a number of collections and events (dates to be determined).

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| <b>July 21 (Saturday)</b> | <b>AACA Members and friends with the Mercedes Club. Malamut Collection in Thousand Oaks. 10:30am – 12:30pm See featured article. RSVP Joel: 310-471-8503</b> |
| July 21 (Saturday)        | Glendale Car Show  |
| July 22 (Sunday)          | Dealership Car Show W.L.A. 10:00am-4:00pm Cadillac & La Salle club plus Oldsmobile and Buick Clubs. <a href="mailto:bd@clcsocal.com">bd@clcsocal.com</a>     |
| July 29 (Sunday)          | Old Fashioned Day in the Park. Marina del Rey. <b>See article.</b>   |
| August 4 (Saturday)       | Burbank Downtown Car Show 3:00-9:00pm. <a href="mailto:info@dtbur.com">info@dtbur.com</a>  |
| August 4 (Saturday)       | Chris Holden Car Show/block party Pasadena. 626-351-1917   |
| August 3 - 10             | Cadillac & LaSalle California Coast Tour   |
| August 11(Saturday)       | Rock-Ola Jukebox Factory Car Show Torrance 10:00am-2:00pm contact: <a href="http://southbaymopars.com">southbaymopars.com</a>                                |
| August 18 -19             | Antique Phonograph Society events in Buena Park. Contact: <a href="mailto:showandsale@antiquephono.org">showandsale@antiquephono.org</a>                     |
| August 19 (Sunday)        | SFV Model A Ford swap meet and show. Contact: 818-367-4757 or <a href="mailto:jimclank@gmail.com">jimclank@gmail.com</a>                                     |
| August 26 (+/-)           | Pebble Beach (event days changed this year)  |

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**September-October Pasadena AACA car rally being planned by Howard Green.**

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| September 15 (Saturday) | Cadillac & LaSalle Show in Seal Beach. In planning stage   |
| September 15 (Saturday) | 44 <sup>th</sup> Pageant Thunderbird, La Palma Park, Anaheim 8:00am-4:00pm Contact: 562-972-7734 |
| September 30 (Sunday)   | Palos Verdes Concours: 866-522-7746  |
| October 4 (Thursday)    | Highway Patrol 10/4 drive  |
| October 7 (Sunday)      | Galpin Car Show <a href="mailto:carshow@galpin.com">carshow@galpin.com</a> or 818-778-2116.      |
| October 12 -14          | Cadillac & LaSalle North/South in Solvang  |

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**November-December Kip Cyprus has invited the AACA to see his expanded collection in its new location. Details to follow. Joel**

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Please contact Joel at 310-471-8503 if you have other events or collections that AACA should schedule.

# SAVE THE DATES SPECIAL AACA EVENT

## MALAMUT COLLECTION

AACA Members and friends with the Mercedes Club  
Saturday, July 21, 2018 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
1121 Lawrence Drive, Thousand Oaks

Every minute of your time will be filled and mesmerized by this amazing collection of automobiles, roadside memorabilia and displays. Those that missed our last visit have been asking, "When can we see what everyone has been talking about?" Here's your chance...we have been invited back!  
RSVP Joel: 310-471-8503



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**42<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL OLD FASHIONED DAY IN THE PARK**  
BURTON CHASE PARK  
13650 MINDANO WAY, MARINA DEL REY  
SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2018



Classic yachts and vintage automobiles will re-create an Old Fashioned Day in the Park at Marina del Rey's Burton Chace Park. The day offers a glimpse of the past as you can board the vintage yachts dating back to the 1920's as well view a wide array of restored vintage automobiles – woodies, Model A's, T-Birds and more. Many members of our club have participated over the years. There will also be vintage steam-powered farm equipment and other displays. This annual event is free public event. Reserve your spot and plan to attend by contacting the new event organizer, from our club, Alex Kwechansky (818-908-0787) or alex@bigdetroitcars.com for your application.

## OUR SOUTHWEST ROAD TRIP

Jay and Betsy Davenport

When it was announced that the *2018 AACA Western Spring National* would be held in Tucson, Jay decided he wanted to attend because he had grown up in Tucson and he really wanted to tour the area to see if anything was left from his younger years, especially the family dairy. At the time Jay was a kid, the dairy was seven miles from any neighbor. Then, it was announced that the Las Vegas Region of the Cadillac & LaSalle Club (CLC) was holding their annual *Cadillac Through the Years* show eight days after the Spring National. What to do, what to do? What we did was to plan a 2,000 mile road trip in our 1961 Cadillac - to include both shows plus a family visit.

We left Alhambra on Thursday, April 19 and the plan was to make our first stop in Yuma, AZ. The wind started blowing in Palm Springs (not unusual) but by the time we reached the Salton Sea it was treacherous. Thankfully, it was more dust than sand so the Caddy did not get a free sandblasting. Friday morning we headed for Tucson.



Upon arriving at the hotel in Tucson, it was a pleasant surprise to be greeted by several friends who, like Jay, are members of the AACA and CLC. Friday evening's festivities had to be moved from poolside to one of the hotel banquet rooms due to the high winds but we had a lovely barbeque buffet dinner. On Saturday, April 21, there were 77 cars on the show field and 135 people attended the awards banquet that evening. Since we were required to enter our Cadillac in the Senior class, we did not expect to win an award and we were right. That's OK, we had a great time. On Sunday, we toured the area of town where the dairy had been located. It's now in the middle of town and the property is a strip mall. Oh well, nothing stays the same.

Monday morning we headed north to Las Cruces, NM. On Tuesday we arrived in Socorro, NM to visit Jay's younger sister and her husband on their 40-acre ranch. On Thursday, we again headed north to Albuquerque to see Jay's older sister. On Friday, we headed northwest toward Flagstaff. On the way, we made a quick stop so we could "take it easy - standing on a corner in Winslow, Arizona". On Saturday, we headed to Vegas and as we exited the freeway, the odometer on the Caddy turned to 99,999 miles then 0. We now have a very low mileage car (ha!).

The *Cadillac Through the Years* show was held on Sunday, April 29 in the Town Square Shopping Mall on Las Vegas Blvd. About 100 Cadillacs of various years were parked within the mall in front of the stores. Entertainment included showgirls, a Frank Sinatra impersonator, and a Tina Turner impersonator. Jay was awarded the Ladies' Pick trophy. On Monday, May 1 we headed home without dropping a dime in the one-armed bandits and arrived back to Alhambra tired but happy.



## RECAP...

Check out the many events and the large participation from our club members and guests. Our sincere thanks to all of our hosts who were extremely gracious when opening their collections for us to view.

### BURCHETT MUSEUM Sunday, April 29, 2018



Bob with giant X-ray tube



Cars atop cars

Cathy and Joel thanking Phyllis

Remember checking your feet



Bob & Phyllis Burchett have amassed an array of interesting, amusing & head scratching items in their "unfocused collection". The hours we spent in their museum learning about many of the items was too short a time to appreciate the function & use of those collectables. It seems one could walk through a dozen times and still discover something one hadn't seen before.

## RICHARD TUPPER COLLECTION

Saturday, May 12



Joel next to the Huge Bug



Noah, Cathy and Richard Tupper in front of the Graceland facade



Oops, I shrunk my grandson



"Grease" on the big screen



Drive-in Movie

Continually on the lookout for a fun tour for our club, Rick Miller arranged for an enjoyable morning at Richard Tupper's eclectic collection. Always eye-catchers are Richard's fabrications. For example, his Huge Bug actually grew from a 1959 VW that was disassembled then each part digitally scanned for accuracy. All these parts were then recreated at 40% larger. Even the window glass is thicker. There are approximately 3,500 parts in all! The original VW was reassembled and both cars are road worthy.

Walking into his second building, you are again impressed with Richard's imagination. His cars are all arranged in a facility resembling a Drive-in Theatre complete with window speakers and a 50's style diner.

## DAVE SIMON COLLECTION

Saturday, May 12



Professor Fate, I presume



Joel & Bob thanking Dave Simon



Rick Miller set up a great day

Dave Simon dropped by to say hello while we were at Richard Tupper's and to invite us to stop by his collection which was a block away. Professor Fate's car from *The Great Race* and other movie memorabilia take up one section. Another area is devoted to military vehicles and planes featuring large action murals. There's also a full-sized trolley, radios of all descriptions, cars and electronics.

This was indeed a day full of "Eye Candy"!

## PLANES OF FAME

Sunday, May 20

Rex Parker, Robert Young and Duane Hinkle joined the “UnClub” on this enjoyable outing. Touring from their meeting place in La Habra, they had a great drive on Carbon Canyon to the Chino Airport. Leading the tour was a 22 Model T, a 29 Model A, a 30 Model A and a 09 Harley Davidson.



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## Veterans' Celebration

Friday, May 25

The Veterans at the WLA VA Campus were treated to a car show, BBQ lunch and entertainment.



Red Car Depot



Alex, Duane, Jay, Betsy, & Joel

Meandering around the grounds, the group came across the original “Old Soldier’s Home” Red Car Train Depot. Duane handles the arrangement each year for our participation in the Veterans’ Celebration. If you can join us next year, it’s always a feel-good afternoon. The Veterans are so appreciative of whatever we can do.

AARON WEISS ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE COLLECTION  
FLYING A GARAGE  
Saturday, May 26, 2018



Joel, Aaron, & Cathy



Miniature display



Wow! And wow again! Aaron's cars are restored to perfection. We had a large turnout and everyone was enthralled with the beauty and stories behind each of these amazing cars.





**PETERSEN CRUISE-IN**  
May 27



Congrats to Alex for taking home the "People's Choice" award for his 1964 Buick Electra.

**GILMORE-FARMERS MARKET**  
Saturday, June 2



Over 150 cars were on display at the Farmer's Market Annual Gilmore Heritage Auto Show. This year our club members' cars were all lined up together. Drove of adults, many with kids in tow, milled among the cars pointing out features and asking questions. This is always a perfect opportunity to expose a new generation to our hobby. After a parade drive-off, the cars are securely garaged away as the participants are then treated to a BBQ buffet at the Gilmore Adobe Grounds. Some diners walk home with raffle prizes & the floral centerpieces. We had 2 big winners at our table: Phillip Cole's 1952 Studebaker Commander won for favorite pre-1955 closed car while Joel & Cathy walked away with the "Best Story" on how they searched and acquired their 1932 Chevrolet Roadster.



Participating this year: Gabe & Rose Baltierra, Phillip Cole, Jay & Betsy Davenport, Joel & Cathy Feldman, Duane Hinkle, and Bob Pritchard.

## BRESLOW COLLECTION

Saturday, June 9, 2018



1948 Tucker



Joel, Eric Breslow & Bob



Martin Donaldson & Joel



What a fun time we all had imagining the aroma of fresh baked items from the Helms Truck or riding the Bobsled ride at Disneyland in addition to viewing the variety of makes and models of cars in Eric Breslow's Collection. The Featured car is the 1948 Tucker. Eric told how he acquired Preston Tucker's personal car from the Tucker family and answered questions regarding its many features. Also, on hand to answer technical questions was Martin Donaldson, restorer and historian of the Tucker Club.



Bob sled cars



People Mover

## VALLEY RELICS Saturday, June 9



A Museum dedicated to recent history -- Valley Relics is overflowing with memorabilia such as neon signs, clothing, cars, rare documents, photographs, menus, cowboy artifacts, etc. Only a third of their collection can be displayed, that's why they're moving to a new and larger facility. We look forward to visiting founder & curator Tommy Gelinas at his new location



After reminiscing the past, it was time to adjourn to Rosie's Restaurant for a delicious BBQ lunch.



## SAN MARINO CLASSIC

Sunday, June 10

Back in 2009, when Aaron Weiss, Paul Colony, and Ben Reiling discussed holding a concours quality car show to replace the Los Angeles Concours d'Elegance, they never imagined the success of the annual event. The original and continuing intent is to raise money for the San Marino Rotarians and the Pasadena Humane Society charities. The Rotary provides day-of-event volunteers and the Humane Society has a publicity department to help promote the event – so it's a "win-win" situation. In 2016, Weiss enlisted the USC Marching Band to perform at the Saturday night gala that precedes the Sunday car show. The Band receives a donation for its attendance at the gala. Several band members also come on Sunday and play throughout the park. Proud grandparents Howard and Betty Green were in attendance watching their grandson Jacob, a senior at USC and trumpet player in the USC Marching Band.



This year's show included a collection of 10 cars raced by Paul Newman. Owned by Adam Carolla, the Newman race cars – proudly displayed together for the first time – were entered in a special class. The collection included several of Newman's Datsun and Nissan race cars and the famous Porsche 935 he drove in the 1979 running of the 24 Hours of La Mans. This year's show also featured a wide variety of collector cars ranging from "Brass and Nickel Era" models to American muscle cars, hot rods, rare exotic cars, European and Japanese classics, and everything in-between. For us, the highlight of the show was a 1903 Oldsmobile! Our 1961 Cadillac Sedan de Ville was displayed in the 1947-1964 American Luxury/Closed Class. We didn't win a trophy this year but we enjoyed the beautiful weather and viewing the great automobiles.

At the end of the day, the net proceeds exceeded 2017's results and the charitable beneficiaries will be rewarded with over \$300,000 in contributions. Next year's San Marino Motor Classic will take place on Sunday, June 9, 2019 at Lacy Park in San Marino. Exhibitor Applications will be available in late November 2018.

Reported by Jay & Betsy Davenport



## FATHER'S DAY – RODEO DRIVE SHOW

Sunday, June 17

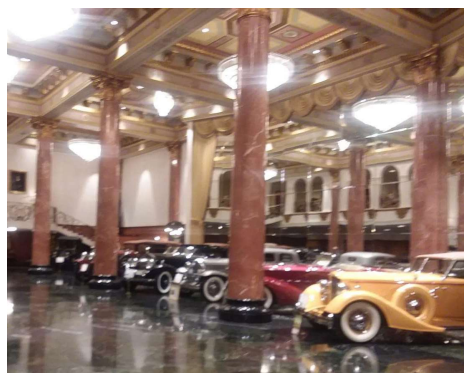
Bob Pritchard

After several years of applying, this year I received an invitation to participate in the show. I met up with Howard Green and we checked in together which allowed us to park together. As is customary, the winners were preselected and displayed in a winners' circle. The number of people that came out for this show was estimated between 30,000 to 40,000. What a crowd. The street was bumper to bumper people all day. If you are a people watcher, which I am, this is a day to remember: adults, kids and pets of every kind. Howard's family arrived as did Ina with a friend from church. It was a great show, lots of fun with the sun breaking through around noon making for a very pleasant day.



## NETHERCUTT COLLECTION

June 22, 2018



The Nethercutt Summer Organ Concert was enjoyed by Howard & Betty Green and Joel & Cathy Feldman along with their granddaughter Brooke & friend Mark. The mighty Wurlitzer is an amazing musical instrument and the two hour performance played with grandeur by the talented Martin Ellis was much too short. The crowd was also treated to the sounds of many of the instruments in the room as well as viewing the cars in the Grand Salon prior to the concert.

# HIGHWAY EARTH

Sunday, June 24



Bob Pritchard with his Oldsmobile



Jay & Betsy Davenport: 61 Caddy



Alex & Sharon Kwechansky: 59 Olds



Ron Stauber: 29 Pontiac Racer



Duane Hinkle: 29 Model A



Gabe & Rose Baltierra: 68 Chevy



Joel & Cathy Feldman: 32 Chevy

Another glorious Southern California day was spent relaxing and viewing cars around the picturesque Franklin Canyon Reservoir which featured over 150 cars of all makes, models, & year. Visitors continually streamed the hiking the trails viewing these cars. Evan Klein produces this event each year and publishes his magazine *Highway Earth* to publicise this show. This year's cover story and feature article was the 1961 Cadillac restored and owned since 2003 by Jay and Betsy Davenport. You can check out this magazine on line.



Group Photo of Highway Earth participants



Jay has journeyed 60,000 miles in his pristine '61

## FORD EVENTS

as experienced by Duane Hinkle

The Fabulous Fords Forever was held at Knott's Berry Farm on April 15 and there were over 1,600 Fords registered for this annual event. Of all the Fords registered, 1,021 were Mustangs. This was a year where many classic Ford models were commemorated. The Model T celebrated 110 years, the Model A 90 years, the F-Series pickup 70 years and the Edsel celebrated its 60th year. A very special Edsel was on display. This 1958 Edsel Citation was built on August 4, 1957 and was serial number 1. This Edsel Citation was completely original as you can see in the photos. If you are a Ford enthusiast, make sure you join us for next year's show.



The Orange County Model A Ford Club hosted the annual Model A Breakfast at Hart Park in Orange on April 22. Hundreds of Model As turned out for the show and breakfast was great. The nice thing about this show is that you can bring any collector car. There is a parking section for non-Model As and there are very special and unusual cars that show up. Stop by next year and join in the fun.



The annual Henry Ford Picnic was held at Heritage Park in Santa Fe Springs on June 10. This annual event, hosted by the Diamond Tread Model A Ford Club, was well attended with approximately 70 cars, mostly Model As and a few Model Ts. This special event is made even better by being in the very beautiful and interesting Heritage Park.



## BLIND CHILDREN'S CENTER

June 27, 2018

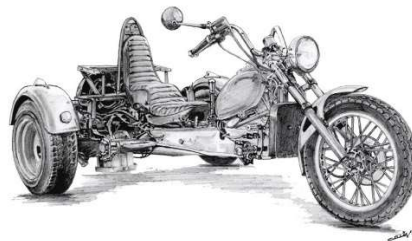


Another fun day with the children at the Center. This was our third visit with our cars for the children to climb in, blow the horns and pretend they are driving off on some wondrous adventure. And once again the children eagerly waited to get a chance to experience "Kitt", the talking car from the *Knight Rider* show. The other cars included the Davenport's Trike, Dwayne's Model A, my Oldsmobile and joining us this trip was Ed Levitt with his wonderful 64 Oldsmobile "98" convertible.



As always, the children had a delightful time and the staff enjoyed witnessing the fun the children had. Our club is encouraged to come back again for a day in the fall. My friend Ina, who has been involved with the center for more than 50 years attended and had a great time playing with the children and the sitting in the cars. What a wonderful feeling to be able to provide these children with an activity that excites them and puts big smiles on their wonderful faces.

by Bob Pritchard





## ALL GM SHOW

June 3, 2018



Steve presenting Bob his award

The ALL GM Show returned for its 22nd year, this year being held at beautiful Warner Ranch Park in Woodland Hills, CA. There were over 200 show cars on display and about a dozen vendors. The show is one of the last old-style car show showcasing a lot of the General Motors vehicles including professional cars, vintage, antiques, work in progress, trucks, wagons, convertibles, modified, muscle and original cars. There is always something to interest anyone and the vendors provide neat and hard to find items and parts.

This year fifty trophies were handed out for Automotive Excellence, Good Workmanship, Most Ambitious Project, Best Professional, Three memorial Awards, Director's Choice and Best of Show for each Marque. The Director's Choice trophy went to our very own Bob Pritchard for his 1954 Oldsmobile and the terrific story of the car in Bob's life.

The show is usually held in the spring and is put on by the Los Angeles Chapter of the Buick Club of America under my direction. I would like to thank everyone that attended and participated, the show would not be a success without you. I hope to see more of you next year and want to have a display class of orphan cars by any manufacturer, to showcase some of the cars that we love in the AACA.

by Steve Rostam

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