

# EXHAUST REPORT

ANTIQUÉ AUTOMOBILE CLUB

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Isn't it wonderful that we are regaining some sense of normalcy? There was a huge number of entries for the Highway Earth Car Show. The big surprise of the day was that Jay Leno drove in behind the wheel of his 1929 Duesenberg rolling chassis. Jay presented the trophy for best car at the show. He stayed for quite a while and talked with people and posed for selfies. Our group had twelve cars, including several T-Birds that join us at our outings and two of our new members.

I have been trying to put together a shirt or something with our club insignia. I have several people working on a design for the logo and also would like club input as the type of shirt we would like -- either a golf type shirt or a un-tuck button type shirt. I am not sure if it can be done, but a shirt with our club members' cars would be distinctive. I would appreciate any comments from the members as to their preference. Please contact me with your suggestions.

Joel has been working to put together some events for the club. I am looking forward to the event in Orange County. There will be lots to see and do that day. The recent event visiting three car shops was attended with thirty members and extremely interesting. The workmanship of the individuals operating them is first class.

We are always interested in ideas for tours or events to engage in. Hopefully Howard and Betty Green can come up with another great rally for us.

The SoCal Region is very active and our membership is increasing. We currently have over 80 people registered.

I am hoping everyone is in good health and ready to enjoy the remaining 2021 year. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

Happy Touring,

Bob Pritchard



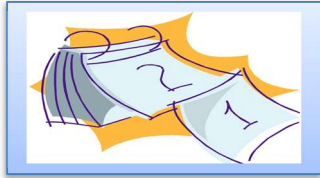
## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Since its inception there has been something about the sight, sound, and feel of the automobile that stirs the imagination and the desire to experience the freedom of the open road. Whether it's the clatter of the single cylinder brass era car or the heavy thumping of big block Detroit muscle cars that fuels the addiction, we are all kindred spirits.

Since 1935 AACA has had one goal: The preservation and enjoyment of automotive history of all types. AACA is here to bring enthusiast together through exciting activities and friendship. You don't have to own a vehicle or know how to turn a wrench. So, spend time with us and others sharing your passion.

## 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 \$45 annually (includes spouse). Regional club dues are \$20 annually (includes spouse). For membership information and application, contact any board member.



## ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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. **AACA SOCAL events are in bold and require reservations.**

### 2021 events

- July 9 (Friday) Collector car appreciation day.  
July 17 (Saturday) Model T Club swap meet 562-597-5936  
July 24 (Saturday) The Early Birds have invited the AACA to join them in Torrance to tour the Western Museum of Flight (\$10/person) and then lunch at the Red Car brewery and Restaurant (\$25/person) RSVP Paul Ginsburg 310- 683-9537
- August 1 (Sunday) Huntington Beach Concours d' Elegance, 9 am – 4 pm. Contact: Bart 714-904-5034  
**August 7 (Saturday) AACA SOCAL AND OUR FRIENDS: R.W.B. PARTY PROPS PRIVATE TOUR (72,000 sq. feet of great items) by Old Town Orange. 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. Plus lunch/dinner, C.W. Moss, the Hilbert Museum of California Art and Back In The Day. See the article inside to plan your day. 100 person limit. RSVP Joel 310-471-8503**
- Aug.9-15 (Mon-Sun) Pebble Beach area events  
Aug.21-22 (Sat-Sun) Antique Phonograph Society 2021 Expo, Buena Park. 9 am – 3 pm. Dan: 760-242-5748  
Aug.21-22 (Sat-Sun) San Marino Motor Classic Concours d 'Elegance, Lacy Park. Contact: 626-300-0790  
Sept. 11 (Saturday) Pageant of the Thunderbird, Anaheim  
Sept. 26 (Sunday) Cadillac/LaSalle Picnic combined with other clubs: Imperial, Lincoln and Packard. Time and location to follow in August.
- Oct. 2-3 (Sat-Sun) Friends of Steve Mc Queen Car and Cycle Show, Chino Hills. Ron: 562-755-8405  
**Oct. 16 (Saturday) AACA SOCAL AND OUR FRIENDS. Burchett Radio Museum in Torrance. 10:30 am – 1:30 pm We will see his latest additions. This there is something for everyone here. See the article inside. 50 person limit. RSVP Joel 310-471-8503**

### 2022 events

- Feb. 12 (Saturday) Dr. George Charity Car Show (Palm Springs Area) contact: c.korthase@comast.net  
March 10-12 (Th-Sat) **AACA WESTERN SPRING NATIONAL** at Lake Las Vegas in Nevada. This will be a fine event for our Southern California members. See the article and our web site.  
**April 24 (Sunday) AACA SOCAL AND OUR FRIENDS. Los Angeles Live Steamers Railroad at Griffith Park. 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. We have waited 2 years to bring our collector automobiles and their trains together. This day will make you feel young again as you ride on a scale model train and have conversations with the friendly people at this private event. See the article inside. RSVP Joel 310-471-8503**

Good news! I have spoken with each of the following who are looking forward to hosting us at their venue:

1. San Pedro Fire Station, Court, Jail and Fire Boats
2. Will Rogers State Historic Park
3. Gilmore/Farmers Market Car Show
4. Crevier Classic Cars
5. Mercedes new restoration facility (upon completion)
6. Workman & Temple Family Homestead Museum
7. Galpin Car Show
8. Yacht & Car Show at Burton Chase Park

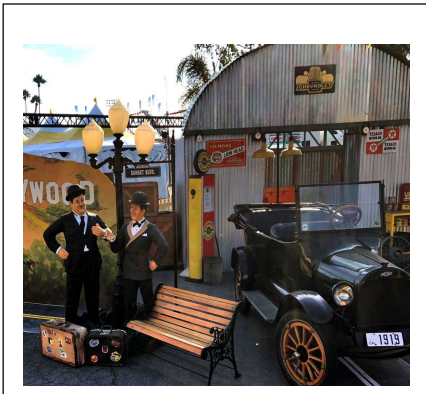
Thank you for your suggestions on seeing other places, private collections and going on a local tour. Looking forward to seeing you at these events in 2022. Joel Feldman



**AACA SoCal SPECIAL EVENT  
SAVE THE DATE & CALL IN YOUR RESERVATIONS**

**Saturday, August 7, 2021**  
**Tour scheduled for 11:00 am – 12:30 pm**

**R. W. R. PARTY PROPS  
128 S. CYPRESS STREET  
ORANGE, CA. 92866**



AACA members and their guests have been invited for a private tour of R.W.B. Props located near the center of Old Town Orange. R.W.B. is located inside the former consolidated Orange Growers packing house built in 1909 consisting of two floors totaling 72,000 square feet on 1-1/4 acres. This packing house is the last wooden packing house in Orange County. Their office is located in the concrete building to the south which originally was the pre-cooling and cold storage area.

Established in 1963, R.W.B. has been a leader in design, construction, rental and installation on theme prop décor with a team of designers, craftsmen, and event specialists building an outstanding inventory for themed events, consisting of thousands of props. Special event decorating from full production, corporate events and receptions to private parties, fundraisers and social gathering has become their area of expertise.

**Directions:**

Check your GPS for exact location. Orange is west of the Costa Mesa (55) Freeway; north of the Garden Grove (22) Freeway; and east of both the Santa Ana (5) Freeway and Orange (57) Freeway.

...and more places to visit while in Orange

Adjacent to R.W.B. is **C.W. Moss** where there are cars on display and many collector Ford parts available. A short distance away is the **Hilbert Museum of California Art** where they are planning on being open for us. Within walking distance is **Old Town Orange**. Here you'll find many choices for lunch as well as antiques shops. A couple of miles away **Back in the Day Classics** will welcome us to visit their museum and collectible warehouse.

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| 1. C. W. Moss      | 420 W. Chapman Avenue | 714-639-3083 |
| 2. Hilbert Museum  | 167 Atchison Street   | 714-516-5880 |
| 3. Back in the Day | 1040 W. Hoover Avenue | 310-684-4900 |

**ANOTHER SPECIAL INVITATION**  
**EXPAND YOUR KNOWLEDGE AT THE BURCHETT MUSEUM**  
**Saturday, October 16, 2021**

10:30 am – 1:30 pm  
22826 Mariposa Avenue,  
Torrance, CA. 90502  
Limited street parking

Bob and Phyllis Burchett have been collecting Electrical, Radios, Telegraph, Lamps, Gaslights, Tubes, Ham Radio, Vintage TV's, Toys, Hollywood, Quack Medical Hearing Aids, Books, Teletype, Aviation, Military, Automotive, Autographs, Photos, Cameras and a lot more...this comprises their 40+ year collection of an "unfocused collector". These items are on display and Bob will be personally walk us through the rows of collectables. The first area should take until noon after which we can give our eyes a rest. Chairs will be set up outside for those that bring a picnic lunch. After this short break it should take another hour to see the rest of their collection and view a few collector cars that they enjoy driving. Of particular interest is their newest acquisition, the only mobile vintage radio and electrical museum on wheels. Built in a 1973 Ungers RV style motor coach. It was designed for this job by being a mobile "showcase" or trade show on wheels as it only has power, lights and display spaces without any RV accommodations.



Phonographs



remember checking your feet?



televisions

This "unfocused collection" of curious, amusing and head scratching items amassed by the Burketts will keep us captivated with awe as we learn about these many items. It seems one could walk through a dozen times and still discover something they hadn't seen before.

R.S.V.P. required as we can accommodate only 50 guests.

Joel Feldman  
cathyandjoel@gmail.com  
310-471-8503





## RECAP OF EVENTS, CRUISE-INS and HUMEROUS STORIES

### FATHER'S DAY TOUR D' ELEGANCE

This past Father's Day, June 20, the Petersen Automotive Museum sponsored a Tour d' Elegance. Instead of the annual show of cars parked along Rodeo Drive, some fifty exotic automobiles were driven on a round-trip route from the Petersen through the streets of Beverly Hills and back to the Petersen. Fabulous cars that could be seen included a 1962 Ferrari 250 GTO (the most expensive car in the Tour); a 1912 Ford Model T Roadster Pickup (the oldest car in the Tour); a 1969 Ford Bronco "Big Oly" (one of the most storied off-road racers in history, owned for over 50 years by Parnelli Jones until a recent auction at a reported \$1,870,000 a few weeks ago); and several Chevy Low Riders (1958 and 1964 Impalas and 1983 Monte Carlo — always a delightful part of the show).

There was no viewing at the start or at the finish of the Tour only the opportunity to see and hear these amazing machines on the streets as they drove by. Mark your calendars for Father's Day 2022, when the Concours d' Elegance on Rodeo Drive is scheduled to return.



1957 Dual Ghia Convertible  
The "it" car in Hollywood in that era



1953 Chrysler Parade Phaeton  
The kind used by President Eisenhower



## WHAT IF I CONTINUED DIGGING ?

by Duane Hinkle

Last month, I was helping my nephew move into his new (to him) home. After a tree trimming crew parked their truck on what they thought was a brick driveway, he noticed a section sinking and was concerned there was a sinkhole developing. After removing the bricks in the sinking area, I started digging to find out the cause. After I got down about five feet, my shovel hit something metal. I climbed in to expose more of what I hit. After a few minutes I exposed a stainless steel hubcap from a 1954 Ford.



I cleaned the dirt off and other than some discoloration, it looked great. I wanted to keep digging because I knew the rest of the car had to be down there! My nephew did not think that was a good idea. My conclusion was that there was not a sinkhole, but rather a brick patio that was intended to support a grill and a few people, not a huge truck. The patio was constructed around 1977 and I guess we'll never know how much of the old Ford is down there and why it was there.

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Be sure to check out our AACCA SoCal Website ([aacasocal.com](http://aacasocal.com)). Duane did a great job constructing the site and keeping it up to date. It's user friendly and there's ample room for your car pictures, stories and comments. Questions can be directed to Duane at [Ford29Roadster@gmail.com](mailto:Ford29Roadster@gmail.com)



# FABULOUS FORDS FOREVER

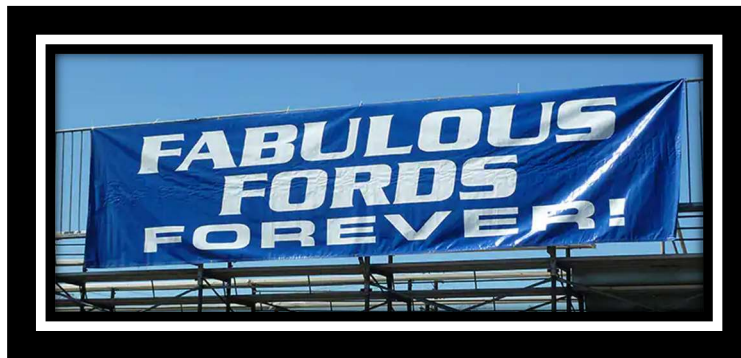
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by Joe Freitag

THE WEST COAST'S LARGEST ALL-FORD CAR SHOW presented by the Ford Car Club Council and Ford Motor Company celebrated ALL Ford, Lincoln, and Mercury vehicles, from 1903 to current models. The Fabulous Fords Forever show was a great success. They sold out their 1000 car allotment that was held at the Irwindale Speedway.

This show celebrated 118 years of the Ford Motor Company and 35 years of Fabulous Fords Forever! The special display this year honored 65 years of Thunderbird, 80 years of Continental, 60 years of Econoline, 50 years of Pantera, 60 years of Falcon, 50 years of Capri, 55 years of Bronco, and 60 years of Pinto.

The new owner from the Barrett Jackson Auction showed his "first production" Thunderbird. Knowing how interested TBird owners are in this fabled car, he personally flat bedded it from his home in Lindsay California so everyone could see it.





## WEST LOS ANGELES SHOPS' TOUR

Saturday, June 12

Hidden automotive restoration gems in the city recommended and frequented by club members were appreciated by all that attended this special progressive tour. Members welcomed the opportunity to tour these shops and learn of their distinct services offered whether it be for an antique, classic or every day driver car.

First stop was to **Ace Auto Shop** at 1467 S. Westgate Ave where owner Logan Gomez disclosed ways to repair some of your automotive troubles. Originally Ace was mainly a carburetor shop; but since Logan became the owner, he has expanded to all things mechanical. Now no problem is too difficult to solve.



Next shop to visit was **Lanse's Auto Restoration** at 2261 Federal Avenue. Lanse Haselrig has been doing body repair and painting on collector cars for many years. He recently finished Bob Pritchard's Oldsmobile. Bob was thrilled with Lanse's work and how Lanse welcomed Bob to stop by anytime to view the progress on his car. Lanse was in the process of finishing a car for Pebble Beach during our visit. We even heard reviews from satisfied clients who brought their cars for our inspection.



Then it was on to **Ed's Airport Service** at 3127 Ocean Park Boulevard. Jerry Irons is known as the Cadillac Specialists. You can recognize his shop by the pink Cadillac adorning the roof. He will work on any car and even installed special feature for the "Ghostbusters" Cadillac ambulance.



After lunch at El Torito, members were encouraged to stop by **Dennis Welding** at 12244-1/2 W. Pico Boulevard. Dennis welds and specializes in 1975 and older car repairs. And across Pico at 12223 W. Pico Boulevard is **Westside Performance** where you can locate parts and have engine work done on cars 1975 and older.



# HIGHWAY EARTH

Sunday, June 27

Anxious to put some miles on their cars that have been stored away for the past year, over 300 owners registered for this fun-filled day of nature, camaraderie, and a general “tire-kicking” good day. Set in the picturesque setting of Franklin Canyon Park this show is the brainchild of automotive photographer Evan Klein. Driving up from Beverly Hills or down from the San Fernando Valley, one leaves the mundane world behind as you get a glimpse of the 3 acre lake set within this 605 acres park with hiking trails and even a duck pond.

But the cars are the real story. Surrounding the lake were cars of every vintage—old, new, and everything in-between; stock and modified; as well as award winners next to 20 footers.





# Packard Concours

By Duane Hinkle

On Saturday, June 27, members of the AACA SoCal and the Unclub met in Huntington Beach and drove to the annual Packard Concours in Newport Beach via the Balboa Island Ferry. It was an entertaining car show and swap meet and the ferry ride was memorable.



## INVITATION FROM THE EARLY BIRDS CAR CLUB

Please join us on Saturday, JULY 24, 2021 for a tour of the Western Museum of Flight, located at Louis Zamperini Field/ Torrance Airport, in Torrance and then lunch at Red Car Brewery & Restaurant, located in the Old Torrance area of Downtown Torrance. The airport was named after the Torrance hometown hero, Louis Zamperini, who was the subject of the book "Unbroken" and the movie "Unbroken". The Western Museum of Flight has a collection of about seven fighter jets, including one in which you can get inside and pose for photos. The Docents will give us a brief history of the airport, a brief discussion on Louis Zamperini, and then show us the various aircraft and related items.



Please check our website ([aacasocal.com](http://aacasocal.com)) for more information and details on how to make reservations.

# WELCOME

## NEW MEMBERS:

*Pete and Susan Van Der Kraan*

*Bill and Sharon James*

### *Editor's Remarks:*

*I couldn't do this newsletter without the contribution of various members. I appreciate the articles, pictures and suggestions that are sent. Thank you to Joel Feldman, Joe Freitag, Howard Green, Duane Hinkle, Bob Pritchard, and Pete VanderKraan.*

*Cathy Feldman*



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