

EXHAUST REPORT

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the fall of 2016. It's hard to realize that 2016 is coming to an end. Where has the time gone? But I can say our SoCal Region has had a very successful year. Our activities have been numerous and well attended. The highlight was the tour of the Surf City Garage with our club registering 50 participants. Thanks Joel for arranging a great tour.

Thanks to Howard Green for setting up our speaker for our annual banquet. Ron Stauber races a 1933 Singer Nine sport. With his video presentation he will tell us about his experiences getting both himself & his car ready to participate in the antique car races. The date will be February 25th at Taix's Restaurant. We will be in the process of reserving a room so I need a count ASAP.

I must also remind the members that it's time to pay both your regional and national 2017 membership dues. Please complete the regional form and send it to me. As an incentive to recruit new members, National AACA has sent me four free registrations for any new members. Call me for further details.

To end the car show season, I will be driving my Olds to Telluride, Colorado for their second annual Great Car Show. I have been told that this is most beautiful area in the US. Unfortunately the temperature could hit 98 degrees as I cross the desert; however, it will be cool in the mountains and I will be hoping there will not be any rain or snow

We had great year and I look forward to a great 2017. If anyone has any ideas or suggestion for future events, please contact Joel or me.

Happy touring,

Bob Pritchard



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 \$35 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.



AACA SOCAL UPCOMING EVENTS

The AACA So Cal is looking forward to **The Pit Crew, the UnClub, other AACA chapters and our friends** joining us at our upcoming events. We look forward to participating in their events. **Events in bold indicate higher AACA SoCal participation.**

October 5 – 8	AACA Eastern Fall Meet, Hershey Region
October 8 (Saturday)	Wheels On Fire Motor Classic: FireFamilyFoundation.org or 888-533-3448
October 21-22	Cadillac & LaSalle Club North-South Meet
October 23	Wings, Wheels, Rotors & Expo – Los Alamitos Army Airfield: 562-598-7035
Oct 25 & Nov. 1 (Tuesdays)	AACA So Cal Robinson Helicopter Factory Tours. Check in by 12:45 p.m. Our small private tours start promptly at 1:00 pm. The tours will take an hour. Details in this Exhaust Report. For reservations call Joel: 310-471-8503
November 5 (Saturday)	AACA SoCal Veterans Day Celebration. 11:30 am – 1:30 pm. W.L.A. Details inside this issue.
November 6 (Sunday)	Cadillac & LaSalle Club Car Show at Boulevard Cadillac, Signal Hill 10 am.- 1:30 pm
December 27 (Tuesday)	AACA SoCal Miniature Trains and Asian Art Collections. Pasadena area. Limited reservations for this private home event. 1:00 p.m. (2 to 4 hours) Details inside.
December 31 (Saturday)	Horseless Carriage Club Holiday Motor Excursion, starts at Santa Anita Race Tract parking/gate 6, confirm details at www.socalhcca.com
January 2017	AACA So Cal Classic car, gas pump, sign & memorabilia collection.
February 25 (Saturday)	AACA SoCal Annual Dinner at Taix French Restaurant. See details inside.
March 23-26	AACA Western Spring Meet – Palm Springs Region. Details to follow.
April 6-8	H.C.C.A Bakersfield National Swap Meet: 619-295-8000
April 25 – 28	AACA Western Divisional Tour. Sonora, California 209-532-7090
April 30 (Sunday)	Fabulous Fords Forever. Knotts Berry Farm area.
May 7 (Sunday)	Greystone Concourse d'Elegance Beverly Hills
May	Culver City Car Show
May	All GM car show
May 28 (Sunday)	Fallbrook Car Show
June	AACA SoCaL reserves a section at the Gilmore Car Show at Farmers Market
June	AACA SoCaL brings cars to the Highway Earth Car Show in Franklin Canyon
June	Father's day show on Rodeo in Beverly Hills
July	AACA SoCaL bring cars to the Old Fashioned Day in the Park (Marina Del Rey)
August	Pebble Beach

Please note: The special groups that join us at our events, please let us know the dates of your events to avoid conflicts. The AACA SoCal annual car rally in addition to other collection visits are in the planning stages. **Members – Which special places do you want to see? Joel: 310-471-8503**

YOU'RE INVITED...MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND CALL TODAY

ROBINSON HELICOPTER FACTORY TOUR



**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25 – RESERVATIONS FILLED
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 – RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE**

2901 Airport Drive, Torrance 90505
Check-in no later than 12:45 p.m.

Opportunity to see custom helicopters being built right in front of you. Wear closed-toed shoes. This will be a private tour for a limited number of our AACA SoCal members. Tour takes approximately one hour. Plan on being parked and signed in by 12:45 p.m. or you will not be allowed on tour. Robinson's factory encompasses over 600,000 sq. feet and is equipped with the latest state-of-the-art machinery allowing most operations including welding, machining, assembly, and flight testing to be performed at the Torrance facility. RSVP Joel: 310-471-8503 or cathyandjoel@gmail.com

**ANNUAL VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2016**



VA – West Los Angeles Facility
Orlando Patio Quad Area
11:30 am – 1:30pm

AACA SoCal member have once again been invited to participate in this event honoring our Veterans. Members who bring antique, classic or collector cars for the Veterans to admire will be provided a Barbeque lunch, be entertained by the Rickey Minor Bank, and chat with celebrities. Car show in lot 9.

Detailed map will be provided
RSVP Joel: 310-471-8503

ALL ABOARD...

**SPECIAL INVITATION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27
1 o'clock in the afternoon**

TRAINS, TRAINS & MORE TRAINS

AACA SoCal has been invited to a private home in Pasadena to view in amazement the vast and varied collection of toy trains. Upon entering the yard, you get your first glimpse of the amusement the owners have in displaying their trains. Assorted trains meander throughout the intricately manicured garden and over bridges that span the swimming pool. There is even one train that once it has circled the grounds will stop and swivel to dump M&Ms into your hands.



Inside, in the upstairs train room, vintage trains glide through the small-town Americana layout. Lining the walls in custom cabinets are more cars, memories from the 1940' and 1950's.

Throughout the house, complementing the toy trains, are Asian Antiquities. For example, the 19th century Genji artwork is everywhere, there are clay tiles from the 2nd century BC, terra cotta statuettes from the Ming dynasty and a samurai on a horse dating to the 1880's.



RSVP is necessary as we are limited to the number amount of guests: Joel 310-471-8503

RECAP OF EVENTS, TOURS & CRUISE-INS

COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY

Hagerty Insurance sponsored this year's Collector Car Appreciation Day held at the 76 station in Beverly Hills on July 8. Many of our members attended and were able to get gas at the price when their car was new. Bob Pritchard's gas for his '54 Olds was 29 cents per gallon while Duane Hinkle paid only 21 cents per gallon for his '29 Ford. Betsy and Jay Davenport also participated.

Check out the link to the video Steve Ford, the Car Guy, published from the event.

<http://thecarguy.com/articles/time-travel-car-culture.htm>



HAGERTY FILLING STATION	
CLASSIC CARS (GAS) CLASSIC PRICES	
FOR VEHICLE:	
YEAR <u>1929</u>	MAKE / MODEL <u>Ford Model A</u>
PRICE PER GAL. <u>21¢</u>	Nº GAL. <u>10.9</u>
TOTAL SALE \$ <u>1.89</u>	
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CAR TOUR & PICNIC

A pleasant Saturday morning brought out many car enthusiasts on July 16 to the Pasadena home of John Larson. John has amassed a wonderful collection of automobilia which was viewed by all. Mike Patris has been a long-time friend of John's and was able to tell us many facts about this collection. Robert & Roberta Young, Alex & Sharon Kwechansky, Bob Pritchard, and Joel & Cathy Feldman represented AACA for the tour that took them to the LA Police Museum and a stop at Galco's Market.



OLD FASHIONED DAY IN THE PARK Sunday, July 24

This annual event is always fun as many collector cars are on display at Burton Chase Park in Marina del Rey. Owners of beautifully restored classic yachts invite you aboard to view the interiors and you can't miss the display of small steam and gas engines popping and banging away.



Yachts, cars, engines and friends on a warm day at the beach...
Missed a picture of Duane & his model A. Got a shot of Rick Miller's car but where is he?



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THE HERSHEY CAR



This Pierce Arrow is a very tall car, tall enough that a lady or gentleman could enter and sit in the car without removing their hat, which in those days would have been very tall. It would not fit in most of our garages! It was owned by the Hershey Chocolate family, so they had the car painted in shades of brown that approximated their chocolate products. The interior of the car is also in chocolate themed colors. The large back seat has two jump seats that pivot out from the sides. The car has been shown in Pebble Beach and participated in the 50 mile Tour d'Elegance. This car is now in a private collection in Southern California.

DURING HOT AUGUST NIGHTS, CRUISIN' IS "COOL"



The Biggest Little City shifts into high gear for Hot August Nights, the largest classic car and nostalgic event in the country! Thousands of visitors come to pay tribute to the exquisitely powerful automobiles and electrifying music of the 50's, 60's and early 70's. The world's premier classic car event showcases more than 6,000 vehicles from this golden era of design with events all over Reno and Sparks. This year Joel & Cathy Feldman ventured to Hot Aught Nights with their family. Especially enamored with the cars was their 11 year old Grandson Dakota who insisted Grandpa take him to see the drag races.



amazing variety of cars



1931 Ford dragster

SOLVANG WHEELS AND WINDMILLS AUTO SHOW

by Bob Pritchard

Thankfully I had an uneventful drive on Friday, August 26 to the Solvang area. As I have in the past, I stayed at the Andersen's Motel. The weather was wonderful in the mid 70's with as a nice breeze.

Saturday morning was very cloudy and cool with the temperature in the low 50's. I was parked with Olds folk as we had 13 Olds there. Two of them won their class. The clouds moved out about 11:30 am and turned into a fantastic day. The turnout was gigantic. I think everyone within 50 miles came out. As always the venue for this show was great. It was almost impossible to walk down the street with some 300 plus cars participating.

The 2-1/2 hour drive home with the view of the Pacific Ocean most of the way made for a really pleasant trip.



SURF CITY GARAGE



AACA thanks host Tim Miller for inviting us to view his private collection of muscle cars, vintage signs, gas tanks, cola dispensers and coolers, and 50's soda fountain. AACA also thanks Tim's daughter Carey for all the behind the scene's arrangement for this event.



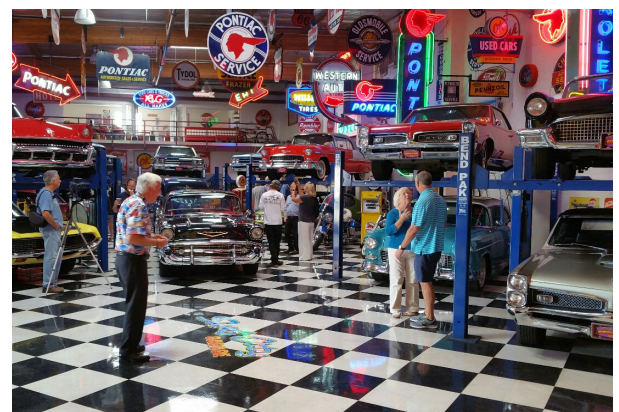
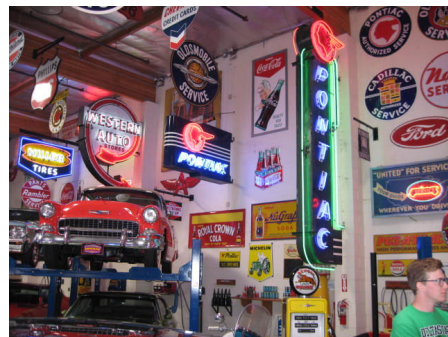
Tim Miller's admiration of cars began when Tim's dad brought home a brand new 1958 Chevrolet step-side pickup. Even though he was just a young boy, some experiences have stayed with him his whole life. He remembers his dad teaching him how to drive in that Chevy. This is still his favorite car today as circumstances led him to repurchase and restore this car. When Tim turned 16 he bought his first car, a 1967 Pontiac GTO. This began his collection of what is now over 130 vintage muscle cars.

To keep the cars looking great, Tim tried every car care product without the satisfaction he wanted; thus creating the Surf City Garage line of car products known around the world today.

QUESTION: After viewing this impressive collection, Joel's grandson Jared Feldman asked if a person were to buy newer cars today, what would you buy to save as a future collectible and why?

What would you suggest and why? Send me your responses and they will be posted next issue.

SURF CITY



MINI TAKES THE STATES

with Pam and Jim Elyea

This summer we participated in our fourth Mini Cooper rally. Held every other year, Mini Takes the States is organized by Mini USA as an event for Mini owners to join together to motor on some of the most beautiful and interesting roads in the USA. This year's event lasted 15 days with 900 people in 400 Minis making the entire journey from Atlanta, Georgia, up the east coast, across the heartland, and culminating in California with a blow-out wrap party at the Palm Springs Air Museum. Overall, 4500 people participated and some days had 900 Minis on the road.



Most of the Minis are post 2000. We did happen upon one Mini Clubman from 1977. We drove a 2009 Mini Clubman which needed a new fuel pump outside of Cleveland, which Mini USA paid for both the towing and the repair. Weather was our biggest challenge. We ran into flash floods outside of Detroit, Michigan and mud slides driving into Telluride, Colorado. Within 24 hours we drove from 57 degrees at 14,000 feet altitude in the Rocky Mountains down to 120 degrees at 500 feet altitude in Palm Springs.

Every morning the entire group would meet up at a local race track (Atlanta Motor Speedway, Thermal Club) or local sites (Mount Rushmore) for breakfast and drive off together. There were fun stops along the way: Corn Palace in South Dakota, Paisley Park in Minneapolis, Henry Ford Museum in Detroit. Evenings we would gather together to talk about our journeys and share dinner at local sites: B&O Museum in Baltimore, Rodeo in Cheyenne, Wyoming, NASCAR Museum in Charlotte, North Carolina.

We're already looking forward to our 2018 rally. We have a second Mini, a 2014 Cooper S convertible that we would love to take along the next time.



FESTIVAL OF CARS AND COLORS TELLURIDE, COLORADO

Following Bob Pritchard on Facebook:

On Monday, September 26 I packed up the Olds and left for the car show in Telluride, Colorado. Leaving in 90+ heat I planned to drive to Needles for the first leg of the trip. I arrived mid-afternoon and settled in for the night. My schedule on Tuesday was a three hour drive to Flagstaff. Wednesday was spent viewing the Red Rock country of Sedona.

The eight hour drive on Thursday to Telluride was challenging as it rained or drizzled most of the time. However, when I got on Highway145 my mood turned to joy as the views of the San Juan Mountains and the bright yellow Aspens were spectacular.



The Mountain Village Golf Course, a few miles from Telluride, was the host location of the car show on Friday. The only prize was a people's choice award for an American made car. The award for foreign car was presented on Saturday. Other activities included a street show in Telluride, WWII fighter planes at the airport, a 240 mile road rally with a prize of 5 grand, a gem hunt worth 5 grand, and a photo contest for best car and best landscape worth \$500.



Welcome to Telluride



car show setting



gondola ride overlooking Telluride valley

I plan to start the drive home on Sunday with an overnight stay in Flagstaff. So far I have not experienced any car troubles (knock on wood)!

This area is considered the most beautiful landscape in the US and a fun place to visit. The locals emphatically state that the Aspen color is the best it has been in years.

NEWPORT BACK BAY TOUR

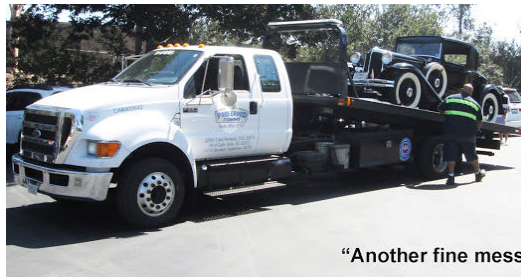
On Saturday, September 17, the UnClub and AACA had a combined tour of the Newport Back Bay that included a drive down the Balboa Peninsula and a ferry ride to Balboa Island. The drive around the Back Bay was beautiful and we had a nice picnic at the San Joaquin Marsh in Irvine. Bob Pritchard and Duane Hinkle participated in this combine event.



Caravan of cars



The Ferry crossing



"Another fine mess."

Oh, no!

AMERICAN MILITARY MUSEUM

October 1, 2016

The AACA SoCal and the UnClub had a tour of the American Military Museum in South El Monte. A collection of about 178 military vehicles including landing craft and amphibious vehicles were on display. The museum features vehicles from WWI, WWII, Korean War, Cold War, Vietnam War and Operation Desert Storm. The tour was followed by a nice lunch at The Hat in Alhambra and then Fosselman's ice cream for dessert.



New Traffic Laws in California

Reprinted from Santa Clarita Valley AACA

New Automobile Paper License:

Effective January 1, 2018, all newly sold automobiles will have displayed a paper license plate that will also display the expiration date of this temporary license.

Slow Vehicles:

Existing law requires an automobile on single lane highway to pull over in "Slow Vehicles Lanes" if 5 or more automobiles are following. The law now applies to a bicycle holding up traffic.

Reporting of Traffic Accidents:

Any motorist involved in a traffic accident must report it to DMV—the damage was at \$750 but effective 21/1/17 the amount has been raised to \$1,000.

No "Barney" Automobiles:

All automobiles are now required to have a floor and not be open to the ground.

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Southern California Region

Membership Application/Renewal

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Member's Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

Spouse's Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

Membership in the AACA National Club is a requirement

Your AACA National Membership Number _____

Year, make, and model of AACA eligible (25 years old and older) collector vehicles you own as you would like to have them appear in the club roster (use additional sheets of paper if necessary).

Annual (calendar year) dues are **\$20.00** per household.

Please complete this form and return with your check made payable to the AACA Southern California Region.

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