



NCKCC News

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After our group got their cars in position we had to kick a few tires and discuss some of our ideas before the sit down planning session.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **February 2013 - No event planned for February.**
- **March 2013 - No event planned for March.**

FROM THE PREZ

Our annual planning meeting was held in Walnut Creek on January 12, 2013. Vern and Carol opened their home and served pizza prior our calendar work session. Thanks Vern and Carol! The planning committee did an excellent job in generating a new Calendar of Events for 2013 that has a variety of different events and activities. There are numerous car shows to attend, a party, a parade, a holiday brunch, and, of course, a revised NCKCC show. The 2013 calendar definitely has a different look to it. Although some "car" activities on the calendar are not "official" club events, they could be of interest to many of our members, so they will be included on the calendar or, due to limited space, in the Club website calendar.

I think we have another opportunity to make 2013 another special year for Club members, but we do need to have more of our members participate in the events and activities. So check out the new 2013 calendar in this newsletter and be sure to add these dates to your personal calendar, PDA, laptop, or cell and enjoy the camaraderie and fun with other club members. Many thanks go to the planning committee for yet another job well done.

Hope to see y'all soon,

Jim W

PLANNING FOR 2013

We did our January planning session and even had a small car show that stopped a few cars passing our small cul-de-sac.

We started with a glass of wine, beer or soda followed by a lunch of pizza and salad. We finished with some chocolate sweets, brought by members, and some coffee.

Then we got down to business in setting up our plans for 2013. The result is a blank slate for February & March, but that could change if some of our suggestions work out. The result is shown on page 11 of this issue.

The major change this year is to move the show from Concord to the VFW Hall in Benicia and make it a 1-day Saturday show. We still plan the late afternoon 'Happy

Hour" and we are working on an early evening banquet. We are still debating whether to do the trophy awards at the banquet or right after the show. Your feedback on this new show protocol is welcome, so don't be shy about sounding off.

If you have some other outstanding suggestions for an additional event, just tell us about it and we will list it in the newsletter.

And, yes, we had an election, reelecting the same club officers for another year.

Attendees included: Al & Pat Bello, Dave & Joyce DeCato, Vern & Carol Hance, Paul & Ruth King, Bill Landers & Carmen, Chuck Maddux and Jim Wagner. (Plus Ernie & Kevin of the VFW)

Here are some pictures of our event.



The mini-carshow at above. The diners below.





And the meeting on the right with another view of our show below.



DUES ARE DUE AGAIN

2013 is here and its time to start reminding everyone to pay their \$24 dues for the New Year. I will use my usual procedure of listing the last names of those whose dues have been paid. Since 23 have already paid for 2013 their names are listed at the right.

Amsberry	Bales	
Bello	Bohr	Craycroft
DeCato	Dunn	
Ellis	Hunsberger	
Jermanis	King	
Kipp	Kunedt	
Landers	Leavitt	
Maddux	Rubenstein	
Smith	Thomson	Ullman
J.Wagner	R.Wagner	Walters

So please check this section each month to see that I have received your dues payment. That way we can cross check on you, me and the USPS.

Also, for those who would prefer to pay by PayPal, we have an account to handle that option. We ask those using PayPal to add \$1 to cover the PayPal fee. (\$25 total, but if you have a PayPal account I think the fee is waived, so \$24 will do)

To make a payment to NCKCC just send it to nckcc@astound.net That way I will receive an email advising me of your payment.

GASOLINE QUALITY

I was perusing some auto service information recently when I ran across the term "Top Tier" gasoline. Digging around on the internet I found this little article and a list of gasolines that qualify. So here it is, including the brand names (at bottom) of the Top Tier gasolines as of July 2012.



What is TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline?

TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline is a new class of gasoline with enhanced detergency. It meets new, voluntary deposit control standards developed by six automotive companies that exceed the detergent requirements imposed by the EPA.

Where Can TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline Be Purchased?

The TOP TIER program began on May 3, 2004 and many fuel marketers have joined the program and have introduced TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline. This is a voluntary program and not all fuel marketers will offer this product. Once fuel marketers make public announcements, they will appear on a list of brands that meet the TOP TIER standards.

Where Can I find the Latest Information on TOP TIER Fuel and Retailers?

On the web, please visit www.toptiergas.com for additional information and updated retailer lists.

Who developed TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline standards?

TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline standards were developed by six automotive companies: Audi, BMW, General Motors, Honda, Toyota and Volkswagen.

Why was TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline developed?

TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline was developed to increase the level of detergent additive in gasoline. The EPA requires that all gasoline sold in the U.S. contain a detergent additive. However, the requirement is minimal and in many cases, is not sufficient to keep engines clean. In order to meet TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline standards, a higher level of detergent is needed than what is required by the EPA. Also, TOP TIER was developed to give fuel marketers the opportunity to differentiate their product.

Why did the six automotive companies join together to develop TOP TIER?

All six corporations recognized the benefits to both the vehicle and the consumer. Also, joining together emphasized that low detergency is an issue of concern to several automotive companies.

What are the benefits of TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline?

TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline will help keep engines cleaner than gasoline containing the "Lowest Additive Concentration" set by the EPA. Clean engines help provide optimal fuel economy and performance and reduced emissions. Also, use of TOP TIER Detergent Gasoline will help reduce deposit related concerns.

76 Stations	Aloha Petroleum
Chevron	Conoco
Country Mark	Entec Stations
Exxon	Hawaii Fueling Network
MFA Oil Co.	Kwik Trip Kwik Star
Mobil	Holiday Stationstores
Ohana Fuels	Phillips 66
Quick Trip	Rebel Oil
Road Ranger	Severson Oil
Shell	Texaco
U.S. Oil	Tri-Par Oil Co.

www.FordImages.com currently has over 5,000 images available to be licensed. The site adds hundreds more every week. The seemingly endless galleries of images cover everything from key products and personnel to historic motorsports shots and all Ford vehicles through the ages.

The site offers more than just images, however, with a wide range of signs and artwork also offered. Limited-edition photos of cars like the Ford GT and Shelby GT500 are available and signed by Dan Gurney and Carroll Shelby respectively.

If you're a Blue Oval fan, this may become your new favorite web site. There's enough material here to decorate your office, home and garage. All those boxes of stored photos mean there's plenty more where these came from. Check out www.FordImages.com for a few examples of what Ford offers.

FORD OPENS ITS ARCHIVE OF IMAGES TO THE WORLD

The year 2013 marks Ford's 110th year in business. Over the course of its long history, the automaker has collected millions of images. Most of these images are stored in boxes, away from prying eyes... but that has changed. Ford has launched a website that will give users access to thousands of these archival images.

MAGICAL MYSTERY MACHINES

2013 VW FUNFEST

By: Jake
Lingeman on
1/31/2013 from
Autoweek

Mid America Motorworks is holding its 15th annual Air-Cooled VW Magical Mystery Funfest May 31-June 2 at its corporate campus in Effingham, Ill. The event usually brings more than 8,000 enthusiasts and owners from across the world to celebrate old VWs.



This year, the special guest is two-time Bonneville Salt Flats world-record-holder Bill Hatfield. Hatfield and his 1999 Mexican Beetle, known as the Salt Flats Flyer, will stop in. He owns the record for the DSS36 (dual-carbs class, 36 hp) with a pass of 114.909 mph. He will return to the Flats this September.

Artistically painted VWs will get special treatment at the Magical Mystery Funfest. They'll enjoy their own parking spaces reserved for specialty cars.

As always, expert seminars, special displays, scavenger hunts and swap meets will be part of the party. Those events go along with a Magical Mystery road tour and Saturday night entertainment.

It wouldn't be a car show without just a little bit of judging. The Celebrity Choice award is voted on Friday, Saturday and Sunday for standout VWs from the weekend.

EVENTS CALENDAR - 2013

- February 2013 - No Event Scheduled.
- March 2013 - No Event Scheduled.
- April 6, 2013 - NCKCC Spring Party at East Contra Costa County Historical Museum. Car Show & BBQ 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Museum Opening Day Car Show 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- April 13, 2013 - AHA "Fun Under the Sun" show in Pomona, CA replicarclub.com
- April 28, 2013 - Benicia Classic Car Show 7am - 3 pm. (need a Champion for this)
- May 11, 2013 - Niles "Spring Fever" Car Show. Dave Decato, Champion
- May ??, 2013 - Playland Not At The Beach with Jerry Barrilleaux, Magician
- June 1 & 2, 2013 - Walnut Creek Art & Wine Festival. Paul King, Champion.

- June 16, 2013 - Father's Day Car Show at Blackhawk Museum. Vern Hance, Champion.
- July 3, 2013 - Benicia Torchlight Parade & Restaurant Dinner. C. Maddux, Champion
- July 6, 2013 - Patio Party at King residence in Walnut Creek.
- July 18, 2013- Danville "Hot Summer Nights" car show. Thursday 2:00-8:30 p.m.
- August 3, 2012 - California Auto Museum visit 10-12noon. Show & Cruise 2 - 8 pm
- August 15, 2013 - Danville "Hot Summer Nights" car show. Thursday 2:00-8:30 p.m.
- August 17, 2013 - Niles "Hot August Niles" car show by Niles Merchant's Assoc
- September 7, 2013 - NCKCC Annual Car Show at VFW Hall, Benicia
- October 6, 2013 - Knightsen Car Show 8:30 a.m. starting time. Al Bello, Champion
- October 12, 2013 - Rio Vista Bass Festival & Saturday Car Show. Bill Landers, Champ.
- October 19, 2013 - Wine Tour in Livermore Valley. Jim? Chuck?, Champion.
- November - No Events. HAPPY THANKSGIVING
- December 8, 2013 - Annual Sunday Brunch at Basil Leaf Cafe. Vern Hance Champion.

MORE CARSHOWS & SWAP MEETS OF INTEREST

SPRING TURLOCK SWAP MEET

May 05, 2013 - May 05, 2013 6:00 AM - 2:00 PM

900 n. broadway turlock Ca. 95301

[Map and Driving Directions](#)

[Click here to visit the event website.](#)

THUNDER IN THE VALLEY

May 31, 2013 - May 31, 2013 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM

1200 Athens Ave.

Lincoln, Calif. 95648

[Map and Driving Directions](#)

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2013 PALO ALTO CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE 47TH ANNUAL CHARITY EVENT

Jun 30, 2013 - Jun 30, 2013 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

2495 S. Delaware Street

San Mateo, Calif. 94403

[Map and Driving Directions](#)

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GOODGUYS 27TH WEST COAST NATIONALS PRESENTED BY FLOWMASTER

Aug 23, 2013 - Aug 25, 2013 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

4501 Pleasanton Avenue

Pleasanton, Calif. 94566

[Map and Driving Directions](#)

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FOR SALE

BUGATTI 1927 Bugatti, good cond. Never wrecked. Yellow paint, brown upholstery that needs rework. Less than 50 miles on 1600cc recond. engine. Consider delivery. \$3000.00. (See photo) Dave Fernandez 530-384-2778 email daf360hd@att.net (3-10)



Dave Fernandez '27 Bugatti

FINO – Built on 1987 Fiero with Cadillac Northstar V-8 & auto trans. Regular trophy winner. Custom suspension, brakes and interior. Special Purple BASF Extreme paint. **Reduced to \$19,900.** Call Al Bohr (503-632-8372) or e-mail: albohr@bctonline.com. (10/09)

1954 MG-TF (SB100 smog free)
Purchased in 1985 from Action Motorcar in San Leandro, who built the car using a 1979 Chevette frame, suspension and 1.6 liter engine. The car was called the Avalon MG-TF, manufactured in Brazil and sold by Kit Klassics for \$14,000.

Asking \$6,500. Low miles. Contact Terry at 707-548-2434 or email terrillevitt@aol.com



Al Bohr's Fino with Cadillac Northstar power



Terry Leavitt's MG - TF