



# NCKCC News

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This is a view of some of the many Cobras on display at the Annual Corba Experience Show in Martinez on June 5, 2021. Five NCKCC families showed up and Steve Rhodes had his Ford powered Bricklin on display.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**July 24, 2021** - Visit to Rosie the Riveter Museum in Richmond. This is a National Park site and is pretty interesting. Admission is free. Please let Vern know if you will attend so he can provide timing and driving info.

**August 21, 2021** - Visit to Walt Disney Museum at the Presidio in San Francisco. Subject to when it re-opens.

**September 12, 2021** - Annual NCKCC Show at Blackhawk Museum, Danville.

**Sunday, November 7, 2021** – This sounds like a good day to have our Annual Brunch at Incontro in Danville. We could do a small ‘NCKCC Car’ display like we did in 2019.

## **FROM THE PREZ**

As limited “car” events begin to reappear on the calendar, I hope you can throw off that tarp, wipe down that shiny finish and get those wheels on the road to attend some of those activities.

My '36 Ford “hangar queen” is causing me no end of frustration. I just returned from a transmission shop repair to discover I now have a fuel supply problem. I could have sworn I heard an evil chuckle as I last closed the garage door. After I cool down a little, I'll form a new plan of attack. The '36 may have won that battle but the war's not over yet!

On Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> was Cobra Day at the “Cobra Experience” in Martinez. The Club has been to this venue before and found it very interesting. This event was free to spectators, however, only Cobras and Ford products are welcome to display in the lot in front of the facility. Again, please let Vern know if you were able to attend. Please forward any picture you might have taken to Vern so can include them in future newsletters.

That same weekend, on Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup>, the “Shadelands Classic Car Show - 100 Years of Ford” was held at the Walnut Creek Historical Museum, on Ygnacio Valley Rd in Walnut Creek. This event included any “real” Fords, cars powered by Ford and even cars that just look like Fords. If you had the time to attend this event, please forward your pics to Vern.

If you plan to attend any future events, please let Vern know, by email: [nckccwebguy@gmail.com](mailto:nckccwebguy@gmail.com) - or phone.

## **FROM THE EDITOR**

By Vern Hance

It's hard to know what to say about 2021 for the NCKCC, except to hope that we can get together at our events and get reacquainted.

Watch the Hot Line section of the website to keep updated on which ones will actually happen.

### **ABOUT 2021 DUES**

Several of you have sent your regular dues for 2021, but since our expenses for 2020 were small, I suggest you consider your 2020 dues as paid up for 2021. Those that sent in their dues for 2021 should consider them 2022 prepaid dues.

## **HERE IS WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN 2021**

**January 19, 2021** - We paid our respects to John Knebel with a drive-thru salute on his 100th Birthday. Details, pictures and a video were posted in our February Newsletter.

**April 17, 2021** - The movie on the life of Madman Muntz provided by Wayne Wenger. was shown at 1:30 p.m. on a zoom meeting and we had a handful of participants. A very interesting story of Muntz life. The zoom feature was kinda neat, because we were able to see and talk to one another during the rather long intermission.

**June 5, 2021** - The Cobra Experience big Annual Cobra Show went off as scheduled, with about 200 cars. It included lots of Cobras and Mustangs along with many other Ford powered cars like Steve Rhodes Bricklin. I also saw one new Ford GT and one Ford Daytona Coupe. (See photos elsewhere)

**June 6, 2021** - We also made an appearance at The Shadelands History Museum in Walnut Creek for their show of “100 years of Fords”. Tom Wallters with daughter Amanda and family attended after having lunch with Vern.

## **HERE IS WHAT WE ARE PLANING FROM JULY ONWARD**

**July 24, 2021** - Visit to Rosie the Riveter Museum in Richmond. This is a National Park site and is pretty interesting. Website says it is operating 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. - 7days a week now. Masks will be required for those not vaccinated. Don't forget to let Vern know if you are coming. We may need to make a reservation.

**August 21, 2021** - Visit to Walt Disney Museum at the Presidio in San Francisco. Subject to confirmation when it re-opens.

**September 12, 2021** - Annual NCKCC Show at Blackhawk Museum, Danville. This date has been confirmed by Blackhawk. Now we need 25 cars !!

**October ??, 2021** - We could use a volunteer to plan a wine tour in the fall -sometime in October. Volunteers ??

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## Cobra Experience Show Pictures



*Above Left: Cobras*

*Above Right: Mustangs*



*Above: New Ford GT*

*Below: Mustangs & Ford Daytona Coupe*



*Above: Steve and his Bricklin*



*Above: Joyce, Dave, Carol & Al*





*Above: Polished Aluminum Cobra*



*'65 Ford Thunderbird*

**"100-Years of Ford" Show Pictures**



*Above: Tom Walters beside Mark's Baron*



*Above: '29 Ford Model A*

*Below: Model T Phaeton*



*Below: '56 Ford Victoria Convertible*





'58 Edsel Citation



'32 Ford 2-door Street Rod



Model T Street Rod

**History Repeats at Unexpected Times**

I got a phone call June 12th from Shari Prange saying that she became a widow recently and was

trying to find a new home for the FiberFab Aztec that she and Mike Brown displayed at our August 1990 Annual Show in San Leandro.

I was able to locate a copy of the September newsletter that had the picture and a clip from the newsletter article shown below.



Among the other interesting cars we had an electric Aztec and a nice display on electric powered cars by Mike Brown and Shari Prange of Elexctro-Automotive. I got to drive the Aztec around the Marina and it was uncanny to drive such a silent vehicle. I've been measuring my MG-TD to see how many batteries it will accomodate. About 12 6volt batteries is the minimum necessary. We also had an electric VW Squareback with an automatic transmission that has been used for daily commute service for some years.

So here is another picture of the car and I am requesting your estimate of what this 1965 Aztec would be worth. The fiberglass body is reportedly in good condition but it has no motor or transmission.

I don't have a feel for whether vintage fiberglass cars appreciate in value as they become more scarce, so please let me know your thoughts.

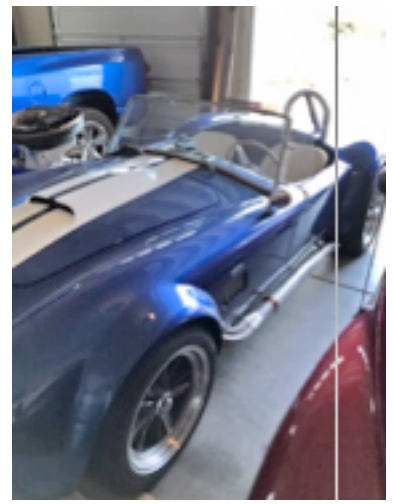


## **CARS FOR SALE**

COBRA (Contemporary) 427 BBC, Super T10, Scatter Shield, Fuel Cell, Holley, Leather, Smith gauges, Kock-Offs, New tires, 24,000 miles. Built by owner of Maeco Motorsports for himself. Titled in CA as a 1965! Asking \$41,000. Contact: Mark at [koasalo@hotmail.com](mailto:koasalo@hotmail.com) or (925) 260-4716



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Like New. Less than 1000 miles.  
Always garaged, Professionally built.  
New 351 Cu. In. Windsor Engine and Tremec Tranny. Asking \$32,000.  
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