

The Straight Arrow



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President's Message

With our 10th annual show behind us is all we have to do now is enjoys everyone else's show.

As I walked through the park, looking at all the beautifully restored cars, I have to think that we continue to attract nicer cars every year.

I was helping judge, like always, when you look at some cars and you think in your mind that, how do you pick a first, second & third place, when all three cars are absolutely beautiful. Is all I can say guys you need to look for the spider webs under your car.

It also seems to me, that we continue to get more cars, from the Bakersfield club. We should try to do some kind of run that involves their club. Maybe meet them half way between, Fresno and Bakersfield. We can do a run, and have lunch, and then head home.

Hats off to all the people that made our show on time, for me I had a good reason that I was not there on time..... I over slept.... Sorry.

I got up raced out the door, down hwy 168 to the 180 and onto hwy 99. I was racing along at about 80 MPH when I notice a car parked far off the road in the shadows of a bridge. My first thought was it is a CHP, and then I thought no, he is way too far off the road. Way in front of me was a semi truck, and when I seen the tail lights come on, I just knew that it was a CHP, and I am going to get a ticket. The CHP car started to move, and on to hwy 99, you know the feeling when you just know that you are going to get pulled over. Well I had that feeling. No I didn't get a ticket! The CHP just hit the gas and shot right past me

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Minutes of the June 11, 2007 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President elect Greg Griggs.

Jack and Sue Fusari were present at the meeting and are our newest members.

The minutes of May 11, 2007 were passed around and were approved.

The Treasurer's report was given by Dennis Baker. Prior to the meeting, there were 34 regular members and 8 associate members.

Sam Fisher was not present to give a Newsletter report. Brian Massey discussed the possibility of listing paid adds in our newsletter. There was discussion about if the by-laws allowed this. Brian will contact Sam Fisher and discuss it with him.

There was also discussion about reducing the annual dues for those members that received the newsletter electronically. A motion was made to reduce the annual dues by \$4.00 if the by-laws allows it by Jan. 1, 2008. The results are pending on if the by-laws allows this or not.

A Webmaster report was given by Brian Massey. Schedules in the newsletter have been updated. Submit any stories to Brian about your car or any car stories.

A report on activities was given by Carl Smith. The Dinuba show was a nice show. There were 234 cars present and 2 of our members won awards- Andy Hoff and Curt Gunderson.

June 16 - Chowchilla Show- E-mail Carl Smith or Bill Richards to caravan.

July 7- P.O.C.C. summer bar-b-que will be at Carl Smith's Barn/game room. Contact Carl for directions - 559-834-4933.

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Minutes continued.....

July 14- The Railtown Show will be from 9:30 to 4:30. It will take 2 hrs to get there thru Sonora - St. Route 59 - use the "B" St. turn off. Possibly cruise there in a group. Contact Curt Gunderson for info on this show- 559-292-3771.

Sept. 29- San Simeon Trip- Lodging will be at or La Serena Inn. \$109 per night - 805-772-5665. Contact Dan Seibert for more info on this trip- 559-638-4866.

August 12 - North Point Church Free Car Show - Call Bill Richards for information and if you plan on attending-559-431-8742.

Under old business, Greg Griggs will be ordering the new cards for the club. They will run \$105 for 2500 cards.

As there was no further business to discuss, the attendance drawing was done. Sam Fisher's name was drawn but Sam was not present. Next month the drawing will be for \$30. The name drawn for the May meeting was Dave Marean who also was not present.

The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully, Dennis Schwarz



Presidents Message continued.....

heading north, and you can bet that for the rest of the way to Madera, I drove much closer to the speed limit.

Now we need to start moving on to the Western Regional and possibly, doing our annual show both for 2008.

Ron, Brian and I, have already made a number of trips to The Pine's resort, and have talked about that at our meeting on May 14. So if you missed that meeting you need to get with someone and find out what your club is doing.

Greg



Chowchilla Car Show

by Bill Richards



Several club members recently enjoyed a nice day in Chowchilla. The 7th Annual Chowchilla Classic Car Show occurred on Saturday June 16th.

This year it was held in the downtown civic center area instead of the community park, as

it was in the past. Thanks to club members (and Chowchilla residents) Glen and Carol Igo, the members that participated enjoyed nice shady parking areas and this, combined with a nice pleasant breeze, made for an enjoyable

day. So thanks

to Glen and Carol for thinking of us!



Participating club members included Dennis Schwarz, Carl Smith, Curt Gunderson, our newest member Jack Fusari, Glen and Carol Igo,

Bill and Cheryl Richards, Sam and Elaine Fisher (in a Corvette!), Greg and Gloria Griggs (in another Corvette?) and Sam Troncoso (in a 1983

Mustang??). We enjoyed the good food, entertainment and many raffle prizes. Although no club members won for their individual cars during the popular vote process, The Pontiacs of Central California won special recognition for club participation.



An interesting bit of information became available during the car show that got the attention of a few club members. It seems that within about a mile of the car show there was rumored to be a 1963 Bonneville,

previously owned by a friend of a friend's mother and not driven for many years—but "for sale." Sam, Carl and Bill made a hasty trip to take a look and found a 63 Bonneville coupe under a large tree but fairly well covered. Gently looking under the cover we were pleasantly surprised to

find a fairly complete 1963 Bonneville coupe. The tires were flat but it looked like the elements may have been nice to it. Anybody interested?



Capitola Car Show



During the second weekend in June Elaine and I took the opportunity to combine our annual summer trip to Santa Cruz with a car show being held in Capitola, another coastal



town just south of Santa Cruz. They blocked off all of the streets within two or three block of the beach and used every available parking place to park cars.



There were easily between 400 and 500 cars at this show. We were surprised to find many Pontiacs attending and took the opportunity to visit as many as we could to tell them about our 2008 Western Regional. Most that we talked to were receptive to the idea and expressed an interest in attending.



The show was a two day affair with a Saturday morning cruise from the Santa Cruz Boardwalk to the show, that we participated in (needless to say I was wishing the GTO were an automatic by the time we finally arrived and parked



in Capitola, my left leg was starting to cramp up from using the clutch so much). Saturday evening they had another cruise that completed a big loop around and through Capitola and Soquel that we did not participate in, I had learned my lesson that morning. We also skipped the Sunday show.



As can be seen by the pictures the weather was great and the location was super.



Upcoming Events

(POCC Club events are in bold).

POCC monthly meetings are held at the Yosemite Falls Cafe, Highway 99 and Ashlan. Meetings start at 7:00 pm.

July:

7th: Summer BBQ at the home of Carl and Robbin Smith's barn/game room. Contact Carl for directions. 559-834-4933.

9th: Monthly Meeting; Meet in the banquet room at Yosemite Falls Cafe, Highway 99 and Ashlan Ave Fresno, CA. Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

14th: The Railtown Show will be from 9:30 to 4:30. It will take 2 hrs to get there thru Sonora - State Route 59 - use the "B" St. turn off. Possibly cruise there in a group. Contact Curt Gunderson for info on this show- 559-292-3771.

25th: Meet at Chubbys in Fresno.

August:

12th: North Point Church Free Car Show - Call Bill Richards for information and if you plan on attending-559-431-8742.

13th: Monthly Meeting; Meet in the banquet room at Yosemite Falls Cafe, Highway 99 and Ashlan Ave Fresno, CA. Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

September:

10th: Monthly Meeting; Meet in the banquet room at Yosemite Falls Cafe, Highway 99 and Ashlan Ave Fresno, CA. Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

29th: San Simeon Trip- Lodging will be at or La Serena Inn. \$109 per night - 805-772-5665. Contact Dan Seibert for more info on this trip- 559-638-4866.

October:

8th: Monthly Meeting; Meet in the banquet room at Yosemite Falls Cafe, Highway 99 and Ashlan Ave Fresno, CA. Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

November:

3rd: 8th Annual Toys for Tot's All Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show. Show will be at the Toy's R Us parking lot, Shaw at Sunnyside in Clovis, CA. The show will be from 11am to 3pm, and will include some special surprise awards. Entry fee is any unwrapped toy with a value of \$10.00 or greater. **The show is Rain or Shine!** If it's raining, please stop by and drop off your toy and meet some great Marines. You will also be supplied with some great coffee, coco and cookies. Info: Joel Garrett; 559-292-9130 or email calbug61@aol.com

12th: Monthly Meeting; Meet in the banquet room at Yosemite Falls Cafe, Highway 99 and Ashlan Ave Fresno, CA. Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

December:

?th: Christmas Party; TBD!



For Sale

Two polished stainless steel mufflers.

Originally bought for my '81 Corvette but will fit under a GTO. Mufflers are 14" long, 10" wide and 4 1/2" deep. Inlet/outlet size is 2 1/2" and 2 1/4". \$90 OBO for the pair. Contact Sam Fisher at 559-664-9431.

Tempest, GTO & LeMans 1964 to 1967 parts.

Left & right fenders, some trim, lenses and miscellaneous parts. Call Andy Hoff at (559) 298-4527 for complete list and prices.

Weather stripping, seat covers, head liners,

sun visors, seat belts and carpets for most makes and models. Call Dennis Baker, (559) 322-8441.

Miscellaneous 69 Firebird parts.

Convertible brackets, pump and cylinders. Hood, tail lights, dash, grills, rear seat springs and console. Also a 66 GTO rear bumper and miscellaneous trim. Call Victor Weitzel at (559) 760-2313.

67 Ford Fairlane GTA-390.

\$3,200 OBO. Call Victor Weitzel at (559) 760-2313.

Four original wire wheel covers

for a 68 Firebird that I once owned. They are in good condition. Call Mike at (559) 846-6584

1968 Pontiac GTO hardtop,

Verdoro Green (originally April Gold) with Ivy Gold interior, 350hp 400 V8, Turbo 400 with factory Hurst His/Hers shifter, console, original carpet, remote mirror, hidden headlights (fully functional!), A/C, power steering, power disc brakes ('70 vintage factory single piston front discs), tilt wheel, factory wood wheel, full tinted glass, Rally gauges, Rally II wheels (15x7), factory AM radio (works great with new speaker), aluminized 2 1/4" exhaust with megaphone 3" chrome tips, 2.93:1 hiway gears (will wrap past end of speedo), straight body with a couple of paint chips, body was taken down to bare metal when repainted in

1998, runs strong - engine rebuilt ~ 35k miles ago. Many extra parts are included (new carpet, original "YS" coded shortblock, factory AM/FM radio, complete factory 8-track setup, power trunk release setup - not installed), extra dash bezel with standard gauges, new posi unit, etc.). Nice clean original California car with its original black/gold plates and original dealer license plate frames (front and rear). I am 2nd owner, have owned since 1997. Jim Wangers signature is on the underside of the trunk lid. Defects: A/C all there, but has bad compressor (rebuilt one included), dash lights occasionally blow fuse, tinted door glass not yet installed (clear glass currently), small oil drips. The odometer has rolled over twice, so actual mileage is 245k miles. This car has spent its entire life in California and it has been continuously registered. I have used it as my back up daily driver on occasion (once for 2 months) though mostly it has been a weekend cruiser. It has never failed me. I would not be afraid to drive this car across the country, however, I can not guarantee that. I can not deliver, however I can assist with loading for transport. \$35,000 OBO. Car located in Rocklin, CA - east of Sacramento, CA. Call Alan @ (408) 398-4094



PONTIACS



Pontiacs of Central California (POCC) is a club for owners and lovers of Pontiacs. The club members range from young guys and gals to old guys, who own all types of Pontiacs from the Muscle to the Luxury cars. A few members don't even own Pontiacs, they simply like them. Club dues are \$24 per calendar year or \$2.00 per month for the remainder of any calendar year. Members must also join the Pontiac/Oakland Club International (POCI). POCI dues are \$31 per year and includes a subscription to the POCI monthly magazine - "Smoke Signals". The magazine alone is worth the \$31. It's full of interesting Pontiac stories, tips on doing Pontiac things, as well as free advertising for members. Since this magazine goes out world wide, it is a great place to find parts or that special Pontiac you have been searching for.

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Club meetings are held the second Monday of each month at the Yosemite Falls Cafe, Highway 99 and Ashlan Ave in Fresno, CA. Meetings starts at 7:00 pm.



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