

The Straight Arrow



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How About Those
Dogs!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Part One

Recently, my job has taken me away from the Fresno area for a portion of my work week. This month I thought I might share with my fellow POCC members, some of my out of town surveying adventures.

My first trip was to the City of Berkeley. The last time I was in this city was in the mid nineteen seventies. At that time I had a good friend who was attending UC Berkeley. I drove up a couple of times to visit him. I did not see much of Berkeley on this trip as we were only there three or four hours. From what I did, see the city does not appear to have changed much in the thirty plus years since I had last been there. I did not see as many street people (as my friend called them) as I had before. I think most of them (used to) hang out near the university, so they are likely still around, just not where we were working.

Our job site was a building that housed medical offices and a CVS pharmacy. It was an old building that needed entry modifications in order to be in compliance with current ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) standards. After completing our work, we headed northeast to Folsom, California.

Our job site was at Lake Folsom College. Folsom was quite a contrast to Berkeley. While Berkeley was a very urban city, the part of Folsom we were in was quite suburban with newer looking developments scattered around the rolling terrain. It appeared to me that there was not much in this area ten to fifteen years ago. A development in a setting of rolling hills is a good geographical description of the Folsom College setting where we would be working.

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Minutes of August 9, 2010 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by our Club President, Dave Valla.

Dave welcomed Steve Delgado from Visalia.

Minutes were approved from our July 12th meeting

Treasurer's Report: Bill Truckell reports that we have 43 members and 16 associates.

Newsletter Update: Sam Fisher informed every one that our newsletter is posted on our web site. He also wanted to thank Dennis Simonson who went above and beyond with his article. Ron Berglund was thanked also for his pictures.

Webmaster report: Brian Massey received another \$100 for an ad plus 20% of sales. It is for an auto transport business.

Business: Paula Yost and her committee. Mary Walter, Marlene Berglund and Cheryl Richards have come up with the information for our Christmas Party. December 4, 2010 at 6:00 at the Silver Dollar Hofbrau in Fresno. A check is needed in the amount of \$75.00 for a refundable deposit.

Toys for Tots will be November 6th, 2010, Jack Fusari will be in charge.

PONTIACS OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA ACTIVITIES

August 14 - Club Night at Chubby's

August 14- Mike King informed everyone about a free car show, sponsored by 95.7 radio.

Entry forms are on their web site. It will be Shaw/168 at Hedrick's Chevrolet in Clovis.

August 21 - Fresno Water Tower Car Show - Downtown Fresno Entry Fee \$20.00. Let Bill Richards know if you are going.

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August 20 and 21 - Hot August Daze Clovis - Corner of Woodworth and Bullard No Entry Fee. Day of show registration begins at 8:00AM. If you are going let Joel or Carl Smith know. The entry fee is free, but if you are going to the dinner, the cost is \$15.00 in advance. Joel Garrett has entry forms.

August 25 - Ladies Luncheon Location TBA

September 3 - Club Night at Chubby's on Blackstone This will be in place of Fat Jack's. POCC will be the sponsor for the night. Let Ron Berglund know if you are going. The sponsor's fee is \$100. Dennis Baker made a motion and it was seconded by Greg Griggs that the club pay the entry fee. The motion passed.

September 10 and 11 - Several things going on: Oakhurst Run for the Gold Show

September 11 National Guard Show - Meet at CVS Drug Store at Clovis and Shaw at 9:00 AM. Ron Berglund is in charge. Let him know ASAP if you are going as there are specific requirements for attending this event. You can E-mail the information to Ron Berglund, Driver, passengers, license of the car. make and model of your car. The day of the event be sure and bring proof of insurance, and license of driver.

September 11 - Club Night at Chubby's

September 18 - Chowchilla Car Show 10:00 to 4:00 Veterans Memorial Park. Entry fee \$25.00. Check in is between 8:00 and 10:00. You can search Chowchilla Chamber of Commerce and download the application.

September 18 and 19 - Clovisfest Car Show Downtown Clovis Entry fee - Saturday only \$20. Saturday and Sunday \$25.00 Should pre register.

September 25-26 Will be cars in the Park at Selma.

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President's Message continued.....

Our assignment was to conduct a topographical survey of a road along the perimeter of the campus, and into adjacent undeveloped land for a future storm drain project. The road was easy money. The adjacent land was not as easy as there were trees and brush to contend with. The area is also inhabited by RATTLESNAKES! To quote Indiana Jones "I HATE SNAKES!" Besides being wary of our surroundings our only defense against them, is to wear snake chaps over our pants. These things are hot and cumbersome but serve their purpose.

Fortunately, we did not encounter any snakes while we were working in this area. I believe I did hear one rattling as I was driving along a dirt path and got too close to the weeds and brush along the edge of the path. After working for a day and half our job was completed. My coworker Mike, and I packed up our equipment and headed back to Clovis.

Well that's it for this month. I hope I did not ramble on too long. Next month I'll tell you about Mono Hot Springs.

I hope to see all of you at the September meeting.

Dave Valla

2010 President, P.O.C.C.



Club Sponsors Chubby's Night



Ron Berglund, with Bill Richards help, set up a Pontiacs of Central Calif. Night at Chubbies on

Blackstone and Sierra . It was a particularly warm Friday night, but the turn-out of Pontiacs was huge. For our \$100 sponsorship donation, we were given a designated parking area, each attendee received a participation award, and the club received a huge trophy. There were close to 20 club vehicles, and a few additional non-member Pontiacs filling the parking lot along with a very nice variety of other cars to look at. Quite a few member won raffle prizes, and the 50/50 raffle was also quite large. The friendly cruise night organizers were very generous and really appreciated our club being there. This turned out to be a great venue for our club to display our cars, and make the community aware of our club and our upcoming events (Toys For Tots)

Thanks to all that attended, and a BIG thanks to Ron and Bill



Thanks to Joel for the article and Ron for the pictures.





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September 29 - Ladies Luncheon Location TBA

October 1 - Club Night at Fat Jack's 5:30PM

October 8-9 Annual Club trip to Cayucos Judy Kaspar has a block of rooms reserved at the Vagabond Inn Cayucos for both Friday and Saturday night. The rate is \$89.00 per night. Call 1-800-750-2133 to make reservations. Ask for the Pontiac Club rate.

Dave Valla read a Thank you from Carmen Perez for our donation. They have set a table of eight for us at the "Wish upon a Star Dinner, BBQ, Dance and Car Show at The Aviation Hanger at the Visalia Airport on September 25th. We should have over sixteen people going. Let Brian Massey know if you are going. We will split the cost among the people who are going.

Joel Garrett gave a report on Hot August Nights.

Jack Fusari said he can work on the GTO original clocks and have them running..

Attendance Drawing for \$10.00 was won by Mary & Darroll Walter

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 The next meeting will be September 13th at the Yosemite Falls Restaurant.

Thanks

I think this is the last issue that I will be filling in for Barbara (at least I hope so). Regardless I would like to thank several of our club members for making the job easier. Dave and Paula for getting their respective monthly inputs to me in a timely manner. Ron and Dennis Simonson for sending me pictures and Ron, Dennis S. and Joel for writing and sending me articles, sometimes on short notice. Brian for posting the newsletters and letting everyone know it was available. If I have forgotten anyone please accept my apology and thanks. It was fun!!!!!!!!!!!!

Respectfully,

Paula Yost, Secretary



Drive carefully, as all schools are now open!!!!

Upcoming Events

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

September

10th & 11th: Oakhurst Run for the Gold Show

11th: National Guard Show. Meet at CVS Drug Store at Clovis and Shaw at 9:00 AM. Contact Ron Berglund for full details as there are some special requirements for attending.

11th: Chubby's Cruise: 5:30pm Meet at the Chubby's at First and Gettysburg. We will gather here on the second Saturday for the season.

13th: General Membership Meeting; Yosemite Falls Café, located at 4278 West Ashlan Ave in Fresno.

18th: Chowchilla Car Show 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at Veterans Memorial Park. Entry fee is \$30. Check in between 8:00 and 10:00 am.

18th & 19th: Clovisfest Car Show, downtown Clovis. Entry fee for Saturday only is \$20, Saturday & Sunday is \$25. Should pre-register.

25th & 26th: Cars in the Park at Selma.

29th: Ladies Luncheon, location TBA.

October

1st: Friday Night Cruise: Meet at Fat Jack's in Clovis for dinner and some tire kickin' at 6:00PM.

8th-9th: The Great Cayucos Trip! Thanks again to Bill Truckell and Judy Kaspar POCC will be spending a wonderful

For Sale

1965 Lemans front end complete with bumper. Some surface rust because of old thin paint. There is no other rust, it is solid and straight, Great Calif Parts. Can be a GTO with hood change. I would like to trade for a 71/72 Endura front end, hood, head lights ect. for my Lemans Sport conv. Pictures on request via e-mail. Contact Dan @ 559-908-1450

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.

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.

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

weekend in Cayucos! Great Bon Fire! Great BBQ! Great Fun!!!

? To be rescheduled; **Chubby's Cruise:** 5:30pm Meet at the Chubby's at First and Gettysburg. We will gather here on the second Saturday for the season. (Is the season over yet??)

11th: General Membership Meeting; Yosemite Falls Café, located at 4278 West Ashlan Ave in Fresno. Be sure to be present; this is the meeting we nominate officers for 2010!



Some Pontiacs Still Available At Vintage In Madera



First is a 2006 Pontiac Grand Prix GXP. It has 52,000 miles. This GXP edition is a head turner. The car was sold new from our dealership and is a one owner. You really

need to see this car to appreciate it. From the red powder coated disc brake calipers and cross drilled brake rotors to the rear doors that opens a full 90degrees so you can actually get stuff in and out this is just a really nice car. The GXP edition also comes with the 5.7L displacement on demand v8 engine which has way more horsepower than you would ever need. Yet at the same time when just cruising down the freeway the computer shuts down cylinders so you run in 4 cylinder mode saving gas. The



wheels are awesome forged aluminum made by Alcoa. The tread is like new and very aggressive sport

tread pattern. The seats are black leather with suede inserts to hold you in. They are also power and heated. There is a heads up display that gives speed and other data that appears as a hologram out side the windshield. The rear seats fold flat as does the passenger seat giving this car tons of storage room. It has a sunroof, cd changer, data center, thumb paddle sport shifters so

you can shift like a manual transmission if you want with the tap of your thumb. It has the upgraded Monsoon speaker system as well. I can't say enough about it, you should really test drive it to feel the power and handling.



Next is a 2008 Pontiac G8 GT, it has 15,000 miles and is still under factory warranty as well as being a one owner. It has the 6.0L V8 engine, power seats, CD

changer, Two tone red/black interior, sport shift transmission, remote start, dual climate zone AC, etc.



Then our Last new Pontiac we will ever sell. It's a 2009 Pontiac G6 GT coupe. It has the sun and sound package that comes

with the sunroof, cd changer, aux jack and 17" chrome wheels.



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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