

# California Car Clubs Newsletters

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CCC Newsletter # 08-14

Good Day to Y'all from Great Falls, MT! Yep, we're still on the road, but GF is a regular "resting place" for us, so it's almost like being home. We'll be back home to CA in a few weeks!

We have enjoyed our cross country trek very much. When we left I thought 2 months on the road would allow us to see and do "everything" we wanted . . . oh how wrong! We have visited some wonderful places full of beauty and history, but only scratched the surface of what there was to do and see. Oh well, maybe on another trip.

Important!! **Pontiac/Oakland Western Regional Convention!** Important!!

September 25<sup>th</sup> thru the 28th, 2014

At the Pines Resort, Bass Lake, CA

If you have a Pontiac/Oakland or GMC Truck you do not want to miss this convention!

Info: [www.pontiacsofcentralcalifornia.org](http://www.pontiacsofcentralcalifornia.org)

One of our planned stops was Minneapolis, MN to visit my son Adrian. He took us on a tour of some local attractions and look what we found sitting in a parking lot!



It's an Amphicar! We didn't meet the owner, but I sure would have loved to talk to him about such an interesting car, uh boat . . . uh . . . vehicle. Notice that it has the Minnesota boat license on the front fender in addition to the car license plate on the rear.



This morning I received an email from my son with this link about the car, and it's club . . . how timely!

<http://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2014/07/27/finding-minnesota-still-floating-after-all-these-years/#.U9XwR-wfKYg.gmail> Not a long news segment and worth watching. I've posted more pictures that I took on my website; [www.californiacarclubs.com](http://www.californiacarclubs.com)

So why not make amphibious vehicles (excluding military) the subject of our monthly trivia! All in favor say "aye"! (A little louder please . . . thank you!) Since it's unanimous, here we go!

- Trivia Question One: Who made the most successful (in terms of sales) amphibious vehicle?
- Trivia Question Two: What is the fastest amphibious vehicle?
- Trivia Question Three: What is the most expensive personal amphibious vehicle?
- Trivia Question Four: What United States President owned an amphibious vehicle? (Yep, one did!)

As always, the answers to the trivia questions are after the show listings . . . which I need more of!



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So from here, let's move on the the shows!

## ***August 2014:***

### **1st:**

- **Fresno, CA:** *Rod On The Bluff*: Presented by Hot Rod Coalition. Only \$5.00 per car, with spectators free so bring the entire family. 500+ cars gather at Park Place @ Palm & Nees from 6pm till 9pm. It happens every month on the first Friday, April through October. Info: [anthony@hotrodcoalition.com](mailto:anthony@hotrodcoalition.com) or on the web at [www.hotrodcoalition.com](http://www.hotrodcoalition.com)

### **1st-2nd:**

- **Reno, NV:** *Hot August Nights Swap Meet*: At the Washoe County Fairgrounds, 1340 Wells Ave. Info: [www.westernpacificevents.com](http://www.westernpacificevents.com) or call the hotline at 530-307-9999

### **2nd:**

- **Rancho Cordova, CA:** *Dreams and Drivers Cars Gathering*: a summer evening car show series: It happens at Jasper's Giant Burgers, 2342 Sunrise Blvd, in the Gold River Area ( Sunrise and Coloma). Starting @ 6:30 pm and running till 9:30 pm. and running through the summer. You can have an evening of, burgers, and friends; Jasper's even has a vegetarian menu!

### **3rd:**

- **Yuba City, CA:** *4th Annual Smokin' at Hope Point BBQ and Car Show Competitions*: 600 N. George Washington Blvd. Free to guests, \$20.00 to compete in either event. All proceeds benefit Project Hope. Trophies and cash prizes for both competitions. Pork Spare Ribs judged on taste and tenderness; Vehicle categories: Best stock, best antique, best custom, and 1st, 2nd & 3rd place all around winners. Info: [www.hopepointnaz.org/smokin](http://www.hopepointnaz.org/smokin) for registration form. [Click here for the flyer.](#)

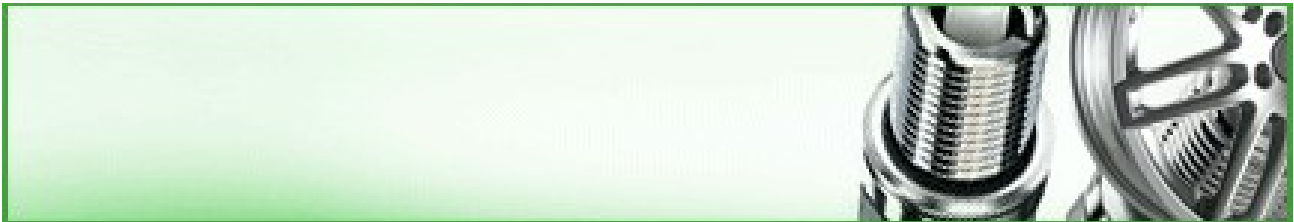


## 6th:

- **Norco, CA:** Hot Vegas Nights Car Show: 5:00p to 8:00p at Bobs Big Boy Restaurant. Every Wednesday of August we are having a Classic, Hot Rods, Muscle Car Show. Fun times and there will be a "Poker game" for all car entrees. Awards - Raffles - Pie Walks.

## 7th:

- **Elk Grove, CA:** Car Show & BBQ: Starts at 5pm at Specialized Exhaust, 9256 Survey Rd. Happens the first Thursday thru September 4<sup>th</sup>. Info: 916-714-0938.



## 8th:

- **Folsom, CA:** Friday Night Cruise: Every second Friday thru Summer. 8345 Folsom Blvd in the Raley's Shopping Center. The fun starts at 4:30pm and goes till 8:30pm.

## 9th:

- **Monterey, CA:** Lions Concours at Stonepine Estate: Searching for that perfect venue to rally your club for "Car Week"? We have the idyllic setting, the haute cuisine and planning/organization ready to roll. What we need are the cars, of elegance & vintage – horsepower & sparkle - to come to the Lions Concours at Stonepine Estate. And, to benefit the Blind And Visually Impaired Center of Monterey County, Inc., we are willing to negotiate discounts with car clubs and car owners on the fees. What you will get is a sumptuous champagne lunch, professional photograph of your vehicle, and the run of an elegant 330-acre estate. You will be kicking off Classic Car Week without the frustration of bumper-to-bumper traffic. Please respond as soon as possible to take advantage of this opportunity. Held at the Stonepine Estate, 150 E. Carmel Valley Road, about 15 miles east of Carmel/Highway 1. ([www.stonepineestate.com](http://www.stonepineestate.com)) Pre-war and post war classes, from vintage brass cars through the great sports and classics produced prior to 1974 as well as antique motorcycles and muscle cars. Info: Contact: John Dick, 831-646-4580, or email [lionsconcours@gmail.com](mailto:lionsconcours@gmail.com). On the web at [www.lionsconcoursatstonepineestate.com](http://www.lionsconcoursatstonepineestate.com)
- **Norco, CA:** Veterans Charity Car Show: 3:00p to 6:00p at Bobs Big Boy Restaurant. Norco's 50th Birthday event to raise money for the building of "George Ingalls Veterans Memorial Plaza". All armed forces current or retired are welcomed and honored to be a part of this event. Car show is opened to ALL vehicles - \$20.00 entry fee. We are looking for donations for our raffle table to help generate more

revenue to offset the cost of building this plaza. Info: Please contact Laurie at [BBBgirl3521@yahoo.com](mailto:BBBgirl3521@yahoo.com)

### 9th-16th:

- **Wloclawek, Poland:** 2014 FAI World Championships for Control Line Model Aircraft; for Seniors and Juniors In classes F2A F2B F2C F2D (The webmasters other hobby.)

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### 14th-16th:

- **Monterey, CA:** Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion; Info; Online at [www.MazdaRaceway.com](http://www.MazdaRaceway.com); or [www.Ticketmaster.com](http://www.Ticketmaster.com) or you may call our ticket office at 800-327-7322.

### 15th-16th:

- **Willows, CA:** 28th Annual Willows Car and Bike Show; At Jensen Park on Elm Street, Hosted by Willows Car and Bike Show Assoc. Benefits go towards Glenn County High School Scholarships and the Glenn County Education Assoc. Dozens of Car and Bike categories judged. Info: [www.willowscarandbikeshow.org](http://www.willowscarandbikeshow.org), or call Colleen at 530-413-3372.

### 16th:

- **Seaside, CA:** Concours d'LeMons Monterey; It happens at Laguna Grande Park, 1249 Canyon Del Rey Blvd. The Concours d'LeMons features the "Oddball, Mundane and truly Awful of the automotive world". Lauded by those with a sense of humor and reviled by the purists, the Concours d'LeMons takes a satirical look at the world of automotive concours. Bribery of the capricious celebrity judges is encouraged as they peruse entrants in classes such as "Rust Belt American Junk," "Soul Sucking Japanese Appliances" and "Needlessly Complex Italian." The highlight of the afternoon comes after the judges sober up enough to find and give away the coveted "Worst of Show" Trophy. Info: To register your awful ride for one of the shows, see photos from past shows and learn gory details about the entire debacle, visit <http://www.concoursdlemons.com>.
- **Santa Barbara, CA:** 14th Annual Woodies at the Beach; at Santa Barbara City College WEST Campus, 721 Cliff Dr. Hosted by the Santa Barbara Woodie Club. Show is free to entrants and spectators. Woodies and other pre-1978 vehicles of interest, no moderns please. Show benefits the Santa Barbara City College Auto Technology Department Scholarship fund, The Unity Shoppe, the Santa Barbara FoodBank, and the National Woodie Club Scholarship Fund. No pre-registration,

register at event. Info: contact Ken Gilmour at 818-943-0242 [keng@wdsearch.com](mailto:keng@wdsearch.com).

- **Modesto, CA:** *2nd Annual Fallen Heroes Car Show*: Hosted by Mid Valley Stangs Car Club, the event will be at the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Training Center at 3805 Cornucopia. This is in remembrance of officers who have paid the ultimate sacrifice and all proceeds go to the Peace Officers Memorial Group. There will be a great display of Law Enforcement vehicles, K9 demo, music, food and a great raffle. Cost is \$25.00 for pre-registration (before Aug 1) and \$30.00 at the event. Info: Online registration and more at [www.fallenheroescarshow.com](http://www.fallenheroescarshow.com)

#### 17th:

- **Pebble Beach, CA:** *Pebble Beach Concours D'Elegance*: This is the one! Info: [Click here!](#)

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#### 21st:

- **Murphys, CA:** *Classic Car Cruise Night*: 5pm till 8:30 pm at historic Murphys Hotel, 457 Main St., Downtown Murphys. Money Raffles - DJ Music - Food Available - Bring Your Classic Car - Spectators Welcome - FREE TO ALL (This happens every 3rd Thursday - April 17 thru Sept. 18, 2014)

#### 24th:

- **Roseville, CA:** *Motor Madness*: one of the premiere Custom Car, Truck and Hot Rod Car Shows in Northern California. This year will be our 6<sup>th</sup>, and promises to be the best one yet! The event is promoted and hosted by Bill McAnally Racing, NAPA Auto Care Center, and the Men from Man Cave Ministries, as an outreach to the community. The event will be held at the NAPA Auto Care facility located at 900 Riverside Avenue. It can handle everything automotive from your family car to championship NASCAR building. This show is a collection of Custom, Modified, Cars and Trucks along with Rat Rods and Hot Rods from all over the area. This family event includes tours of the shop, close up looks at the cars and haulers used to transport cars to each race. Come join us for live entertainment, food and vendors. This years proceeds go to support "Evening of Dreams"; a red carpet event for teens and young adults with disabilities, complete with photographers, dinner and dancing. The goal is to create a prom experience with the ability to provide for a variety of special needs. Info: Entry information and sponsorship forms can be downloaded on the website [www.motormadness.org](http://www.motormadness.org) along with more details on the event. As always admission is FREE to the public.
- **San Pedro, CA:** *Car Show By The Sea*: Don't miss the "Car Show by the Sea", held by the Legends San Pedro Car Club and the Lions Club of San Pedro at beautiful Point Fermin Park in sunny San Pedro, California. The car show is a day of fun for

the entire family and there is no spectator admission charge! There will be beautiful classic and antique cars with spectacular views of the Pacific Ocean and Catalina Island in the background. This year we'll enjoy live music by our favorite local band the Topics at the newly restored Point Fermin Park Band Shell. The Car Show is the result of the efforts of the Legends Car Club working with the Lions Club of San Pedro. The Car Show by the Sea would not take place without the many sponsors whose generous donations allow the event to raise money for both local and Lions Club charities. The Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks lend their full support to this event. We also want to give a special thanks to our Congresswoman Janice Hahn and Councilman Joe Buscaino. Bring yourself, your family and your friends and your neighbors to Point Fermin Park and enjoy a free, fun filled day! For information call 310-832-6989 or [visit the website](#).

- **Sacramento CA:** *Cars and Coffee*: Event will be at Total Kontrolle Engineering, 8131 Alpine Ave, off Power Inn, from 9am till 11:30 am. NOTE: our date is different at the request of the HOST, and to allow for attendance due to the prior week being Monterey Week of car fun. Total Kontrolle, formerly "PointSix Motorsports" and one of the founders of Spec E30 in Northern California, has been producing and testing championship winning track cars since 2005. Come check out this great shop. Coffee and goodies will be available from Temple Coffee, as will great cars, and more! This event is FREE and open to all makes and models of cars, truck and motorcycles.
- **Toutle, WA:** *Hot Rod Eruption Drags*: It happens at Riverdale Raceway.

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- **Santa Clara, CA:** *Annual Intel Car Show*: Will be held on at Intel Corp headquarters, 2200 Mission College Blvd. Enter show area via Juliette lane and follow the signs. This is an informal show with no judging or trophies and sponsored by Intel as an event for their employees. As always, we are space limited to ~120 cars so registering in advance is required. Cost: Nothing! Free lunch for driver and 1 guest and appreciation gift for bringing out your car. Appreciation gifts will be given until supplies run out. If your plans change once you've registered, please let us know so we can accommodate others on the wait list. We have an electrifying twist for this year's show that will feature a wide display of electric and plug in hybrids for viewing and test drives so you'll not want to miss out. This event is put on for the employees and closed to the public so non-employee admission is only through displaying your vehicle. We highly encourage early arrival (before 10:30) to avoid the bottleneck of cars that typically show up between 10:30-11:30. Info: If you are interested in participating, please RSVP to Carla Dzedziak by August 13th to ensure a spot. RSVP with the following: Year, Make, Model, Car club affiliation (if any) and # of people. Email [carla.t.dzedziak@intel.com](mailto:carla.t.dzedziak@intel.com).

### 28th:

- **Folsom, CA:** *Vintage, Classic & Hot Rod Get Together*; Hosted by the Cappuccino Cruisers and it happens at Sunrise Mall. Music, raffle and awards; it all happens from 5pm till 9pm. Info: [www.capcruz.com](http://www.capcruz.com)

### 30th:

- **Rio Linda, CA:** *Classic Car Show & Swap Meet*; Show runs 8am till 4pm at 6852 Dry Creek Rd; swap begins at daybreak. All proceeds to benefit Rio Linda/Elverta Historical Society. New this year . . . Tractor Drag Races!! Info: Tom at 916-796-5729.

## September 2014:

### 4th:

- **Elk Grove, CA:** *Car Show & BBQ*; Starts at 5pm at Specialized Exhaust, 9256 Survey Rd. Happens the first Thursday thru September 4<sup>th</sup>. Info: 916-714-0938.

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### 5th:

- **Oakhurst, CA:** *12th annual Run for the Gold Car Show Pre Registration & Kickoff Dinner*; Presented by the Sierra Oakhurst Kiwanis Club. 2 pm-7pm registration with a 6pm Kick-Off BBQ dinner at the Oakhurst Community Center 39800 Rd 325B. Includes Oldies music, raffle, preview of some cars and fun. \$12 per person.
- **Fresno, CA:** *Rod On The Bluff*; Presented by Hot Rod Coalition. Only \$5.00 per car, with spectators free so bring the entire family. 500+ cars gather at Park Place @ Palm & Nees from 6pm till 9pm. It happens every month on the first Friday, April through October. Info: [anthony@hotrodcoalition.com](mailto:anthony@hotrodcoalition.com) or on the web at [www.hotrodcoalition.com](http://www.hotrodcoalition.com)



## 5th-7th:

- **Las Vegas, NV:** *Strictly Muscle Hot Vegas Nites*; The biggest gathering of American Muscle Las Vegas has ever seen! Be a part of this and enjoy Swag Bags, VIP Parties, Vendors and Special Guests! Info: [www.strictlymusclecars.net](http://www.strictlymusclecars.net). [Click here for the flyer.](#)
- **Vail, CO:** *Vail Automotive Classic*; This is a “Wheels & Wings” show, Car Auction and a Vail Village Car Show! Benefits Jack's Place at Shaw Regional Cancer Center, and Eagle Valley Senior Life. Info: [www.vailautomotiveclassic.com](http://www.vailautomotiveclassic.com) [Click here for the flyer.](#)

## 6th:

- **Oakhurst, CA:** *12th annual Run for the Gold Car Show*; 7am car registration & Kiwanis Pancake breakfast. Lots of cars, craft vendors, oldies music, raffles, more food and fun. Awards for Best of Show, Best Hot Rod and People's Choice additionally there will be first place plaques given for each class and a Special award for Best Mopar. Proceeds are given to local schools in the form of special grants from the Sierra Oakhurst Kiwanis Club. Info; call 559-683-4452, to register go to: [www.oakhurstkiwanis.org](http://www.oakhurstkiwanis.org)
- **Rancho Cordova, CA:** *Dreams and Drivers Cars Gathering*; a summer evening car show series: It happens at Jasper's Giant Burgers, 2342 Sunrise Blvd, in the Gold River Area ( Sunrise and Coloma). Starting @ 6:30 pm and running till 9:30 pm. and running through the summer. You can have an evening of, burgers, and friends; Jasper's even has a vegetarian menu!
- **Discovery Bay, CA:** *Discovery Bay Lions Club Annual Car, Truck & Bike Show*; The show will me at a new location this year. It will me on the lawn at the Discovery Bay Community Center, located at 1601 Discovery Bay Blvd. Registration starts at 8:00 AM and the show runs from 10 AM to 3:30 PM. Info; contact Jeff Moore 925-642-8679 [Chevy67427@aol.com](mailto:Chevy67427@aol.com) or register online at [www.Discoverybaylions.com](http://www.Discoverybaylions.com)

## 12th:

- **Folsom, CA:** *Friday Night Cruise*; Every second Friday thru Summer. 8345 Folsom Blvd in the Raley's Shopping Center. The fun starts at 4:30pm and goes till 8:30pm.

## 12th-13th:

- **Sierra City, CA:** *Big City Rod Run*; A celebration of Hot Rods & Lost Youth! Info: Larry @ 530-862-1260 or email [406chevy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:406chevy@sbcglobal.net). On the web at [www.highwaymentnorcal.com](http://www.highwaymentnorcal.com)

## 13th:

- **San Mateo, CA:** Kimochi, Inc. 4th Annual Show 'n Shine Car Show: featuring 1973 and earlier American Classics, Streetrods, and Muscle Cars (sorry, no trailered vehicles)! Join us at this family-friendly event from 10 AM – 2 PM, at the College of San Mateo, 1700 W. Hillsdale Blvd., [main parking lot across from the Farmers' Market]. Pre-registration is \$35.00 on or before August 29<sup>th</sup>; and \$40.00 after. Spectator admission is free! Founded in 1971, Kimochi, Inc., a San Francisco non-profit senior service agency, recently completed the purchase of a building in San Mateo, which allows us to extend the Kimochi tradition of care to seniors and their families in San Mateo County. Come see great cars from yesteryears, enjoy an authentic Kimochi teriburger, and learn more about the programs and services we will offer from our new San Mateo home-base. Info: please visit our website at [www.kimochi-inc.org](http://www.kimochi-inc.org) or call (415) 931-2294.
- **Sacramento, CA:** 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show: Hosted by the Alleycats Car Club. Open to all Pre 1965 cars. Vendors, Food & Music from 5pm till 10pm at 7307 Roseville Rd. Benefits the Front St. Animal Shelter.
- **Citrus Heights, CA:** Cool September Days Car Show & Party: At the Lowes parking lot, 7840 Greenback Lane. Hosted by the Capitol City Cruisers, Lowes and Gifts From The Heart. Show is open to 1975 & older cars and trucks, and runs from 10am till 3pm. Space is limited to 200 cars, so pre-register! Info: Rex at 530-748-6181

## 14th:

- **San Jose, CA:** 14th Annual Antique Autos in History Park: Info: Contact A Greenberg at 408-997-0879 or email to [allang@pacbell.net](mailto:allang@pacbell.net)
- **Stockton, CA:** Marine Corps Reserve 18th Annual Toys for Tots Car Show: It happens at Chase Chevrolet, 6441 Holman Rd. Benefits local Toys for Tots Program. Pre-registration entry fee \$30.00 (cut off date August 29, 2014). At the gate \$35.00. Open to all classes: Vintage, Hot rods, Rat rods, Muscle Cars, Motorcycles, Custom Machines, Low Riders, Historic Military vehicles. Admission free to the public, but we ask that you bring a new unwrapped toy. For info email or phone Ray: [MGySgt1@yahoo.com](mailto:MGySgt1@yahoo.com) or (209) 609-7583

## 18th:

- **Murphys, CA:** Classic Car Cruise Night: 5pm till 8:30 pm at historic Murphys Hotel, 457 Main St., Downtown Murphys. Money Raffles - DJ Music - Food Available - Bring Your Classic Car - Spectators Welcome - FREE TO ALL (This happens every 3rd Thursday - April 17 thru Sept. 18, 2014)

## 19th-20th-21st:

- **Commerce GA:** NOPI National Supershow: Atlanta Dragway.

## 20th:

- **Fairfield, CA:** *2nd Annual Rt 40 Chili Cook off & Car Show*; Beer and Wine garden; Vendors; Children's Zone; Great cars and Great Chili! Info: [Click here for the website](#).
- **Corona, CA:** *Annual Saleen Open House & Car Show*; At Saleen headquarters, 2735 Wardlow Rd.. Info: [Click here for the website](#).
- **Hughson, CA:** *Hughson Harvest Festival Classic Car Show*; It all happens at Hughson Elementary School. Entry fee is \$15.00 by September 19<sup>th</sup>, \$20.00 day of show. Open to all hot rods, street rods, muscle cars and more! There will be raffles, music, awards and a 50/50. The show is on grass, so bring your pop ups if you wish. One free meal with each entry! Info: Gene Adams at 209-883-9291. [Click here for the flyer & registration form](#).
- **Chowchilla, CA:** *Classic Car Show*; Sponsored by the Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce, the show will be at Veterans Memorial Park, 5th & Kings St. Registration: 8a-10a, show 10a – 4p. Entry Fee: \$25.00 per car (bring an entry <I'm assuming they mean a car that's never been entered before> never before entered and save \$5.00 on each entry); \$30.00 after September 5th. Cars & Trucks: 1978 & Older and all years Pony Class & Corvettes. 25+ awards, music, food, vendors. Info: Online registration: [www.chowchillachamber.org](http://www.chowchillachamber.org) or call 559-665-5603 for entry form.

## 21st:

- **Los Altos, CA:** *Corvette Spectacular 2014*; This is one of the biggest all Corvette shows on the West Coast. Pre-registration is highly recommended! Info: [Click here for the website](#).
- **Elk Grove, CA:** *Cars & Coffee*; Event at Royal Detail, 9277 Bendel Place, Ste 235, from 9am till 11:30 am. Ever wanted to know how to detail your car? Looking for a great detail shop? Ever heard about Croftgate products? Come check out Yisreal's shop and let him show you how it is done! There will be one Raffle for a Complete DETAIL valued at nearly \$500, with the proceeds from the raffle going to Gabby Jack Ranch, our Veteran's charity from April. Winner announced that day! Coffee and goodies provided. RAIN OR SHINE. This event is FREE and open to all makes and models of cars, truck and motorcycles.

## 25th:

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## 25th-28th:

- **Bass Lake, CA:** *Pontiac/Oakland Western Regional Convention*; This four day convention is open to all Pontiacs, Oaklands and GMC trucks. A great four days at the Pines Resort. Not only the great cars, but there will be boat rides with wine and cheese sampling; a hosted "hospitality" evening on a deck overlooking the lake, a train ride and melodrama play, and of course a great car show and banquet! More detail to follow. [To be on the "early bird" emailing list click here](#). Put "convention" in the subject line.

## 26th-28th:

- **Casa Grande, AZ:** *High Desert Showdown*; Show 'n Shine/Food/Music/Kids Corner/Vendors and a Beer Barn! It all happens at the Pinal County Fairgrounds. Presented By: JM Security and Scott Harris. Info: Contact: Jerry @ 480-252-3909 or Scott @ 480-717-7039. Email: [Highdesertshowdown@yahoo.com](mailto:Highdesertshowdown@yahoo.com) [Click here for the flyer](#). [Click here for the registration form](#).

## 27th:

- **Fairfield, CA:** *5th Annual Bud Classic Car Show*; Hosted by Families Helping Families & the Fairfield Budweiser Brewery in support of our efforts to aid local families in crisis. 100% of the funds raised go right back into our community ... We FHF are proud to say that we are in our 28th year ! The show is open to all years, makes & models & is limited to the 1st 500 entrants ! All Preregistered entrants ( before Sept. 1st ) will receive a limited edition collectable Budweiser trophy & sponsor t shirt for your \$30.00 donation. Registration is \$ 40.00 from Sept.2 till day of show & does not include the trophy ...so pre-reg is strongly encouraged !!. We will have live bands , great food & a beer garden as well as brewery tours for your enjoyment ! The event is free of charge to the viewing public. Contact Tony Garcia for more info on sponsorship or vendor opportunities at 707-365-0512 or Email [atfhfbudclassic@gmail.com](mailto:atfhfbudclassic@gmail.com) registration opens soon ( mid- march ) so check our website @ [www.fhfsolano.org](http://www.fhfsolano.org) for registration info .
- **Carmichael, CA:** *Picnic in the Park Car Show*; All part of Carmichael's Founders Day Celebration! Open to pre 1973 cars, trucks, rat rods, classics etc; sorry, no motorcycles. Vendors; Raffle; Food and Fun! Registration opens at 7:30 am, show from 10am till 3pm. It happens at Carmichael Park, Fair Oaks Blvd @ Grant Ave. Info: [www.capcruz.com](http://www.capcruz.com)

## And now the answers to this month's Trivia Questions:

- **One:** The Amphicar is “one of the most” successful mass produced amphibious cars. (Best answer I could find.) They were manufactured in Germany from 1961 till 1965, for the US market, and used a British Triumph engine (how's that for “global”). 3878 were titled before the company folded in 1965; they had anticipated annual sales of 20,000.
- **Two:** The fastest amphibious vehicle is the Python. It can reach 60mph on the water, and go 0-60 in 4.5 seconds on dry land. It's powered by the LS Corvette drive train.





- **Three:** The most expensive (that I could find) is the Terra Wind, a 1.2 Million dollar RV! Well, it's 1.2 Million give or take a tad depending on your choice of options. (Go head, live it up!)



- **Four:** President Lyndon B. Johnson was known as an owner of an Amphicar. Johnson, a known practical joker was said to enjoy frightening visitors at his Johnson City, Texas ranch by driving them downhill in his Amphicar, directly into his property's lake while all the time shouting that he had lost his brakes!



The caption on this picture said Johnson was driving, but to me it looks like him sitting in the back with his dog. Not sure at all. And thanks to Wikipedia for the info on Amphicars.

And now my wife's turn!



## THOUGHTS FROM THE ROAD - July 2014

Janet Massey

*Brian and I have been driving cross country in our RV for about six weeks; we are currently in Vermont and heading back into New York (and West!) tomorrow. This is some of what we've learned so far:*

The western end of Interstate 40 begins in Barstow, CA and continues for 2554 miles to the eastern end in Wilmington, NC. Along Int. 40 in Arizona, we saw "Holy Moses Wash" and "Rattlesnake Wash". In Flagstaff we saw squirrels with rabbit-like ears and really bushy tails. What the ...? We found out they are Kaibab squirrels, supposedly only found in the Grand Canyon area; but my son renamed them squabbits! While in Arizona, we visited Montezuma Castle, an ancient cliff dwelling south of Sedona and Flagstaff.



Some Route 66 fans apparently like to walk on it. We saw several people walking and pushing carts along Route 66 – on the highway!! This was in New Mexico or Texas. We drove a large part of Route 66.

Billboard in Albuquerque: "Staying in Business Sale"



The main street in the small town of Davenport, OK, is part of Route 66 and is still paved with original bricks. Beginning in Oklahoma, we noticed that everyone keeps their huge lawns and the sides of the road mowed. Sometimes it's several acres, but it's always neat and mowed. This has been true all through Arkansas, Virginia and all of New England. We also started seeing lightening bugs/fire flies in Oklahoma and have seen them in every state since. I caught one on my birthday!

Church sign in Drumwright, OK: "Weather Forecast for Tonight – DARK"

The state capitol in Little Rock, Ark. will let you go into the vault in the State Treasurer's office and hold piles of money. I held \$130,000 and Brian held \$32,000!!! Then they take your photo and post it on their website. Hope we're not on a wanted poster somewhere. Places we noticed in OK and Ark. with funny names: "Pig Out Palace", "Hog Wild BBQ Café", "Pig Trail Scenic By-Way", "Toad Suck Park," & "Landers Toad Suck Harley- Davidson". Question: Why are the Boston Mountains in Arkansas?

It's lovely to stay right next to the Mississippi River near Memphis, but beware of pesky biting flies. Also, the ducks at the Peabody Hotel in Memphis are trained to ride the elevator from the roof at 11 a.m., walk the red carpet to their fountain in the lobby, and stay there until 5 p.m., when they walk back to the elevator on the red carpet and return to their roof penthouse. This has happened since the 1930's.



This is a Real Sign!

Billboards in Tennessee:

*“State’s Largest Selection of Moonshine”*  
*“Single White Billboard Seeking Meaningful Advertiser*  
*for Long-Term Relationship”*

The electronic freeway signs in Tennessee say: *“Buckle Up Y’all”*  
*Car Wash in Knoxville, TN: “Liquidy Split”*

The state capitol in Knoxville, Tennessee, is reached by climbing HUNDREDS of stairs because it’s on a knoll. Also of importance . . . the building is not open on Saturday! Wish we’d known . . . .

We learned that our bug spray wasn’t good enough and had to buy some to hopefully keep away the ticks and deer ticks (which are very tiny). Not a fun project to check yourself for bugs!! Aside from ticks, the state parks in Virginia and Pennsylvania are wonderful places to stay.



In Virginia we saw *“Poor Farm Road”* and *“Cow Pasture River”*. In a beautiful farming area in Maryland, we saw *“Good Intent Road”*. In Gettysburg, there is a *“History Nerds Tour Co.”* At one point in Virginia, we were at the intersection of *“Pohick”* and *“Backlick”* streets. Hmmmm. There was also a Pohick Church.



Since the founding of the Massachusetts Bay Colony in Gloucester, MA in 1623, more than 10,000 fishermen from Gloucester have been lost at sea. *“The Perfect Storm”* book – and

eventual movie – was based on a true story about the fishing fleets in *“Glosta”*.

As many of you know, *Hemmings* publishes their magazines in Bennington, Vermont. Next door they also have a retro gas station (still a full-service station), store/gift shop and automobile exhibit – all free. (Not the gas!)

There are so many historical sites and beautiful areas to see in our country, that there would never be enough time to see them all. But we are trying to see as much as we can; and we’ve met lots of friendly people along the way. We’ve been able to meet up with friends in Virginia and Connecticut; and made new



friends in

Pennsylvania, New Hampshire and Vermont. Yesterday at Hemmings, we visited

with a guy from Norway who was traveling over 3,000 miles with his wife and FOUR children in a 1964 Road Runner that he’d just purchased. No a/c of course! He was leaving it with a friend when he returns to Norway.



Well, even though we’ve been in a small space together with our dog for six weeks – so far we still like each other!! For those who may be interested, our new dog, Bella, is a great traveler and happy camper. Only a few thousand miles to go!





Photo taken on a ferry near Jamestown, VA. We miss y'all . . .

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### Craig's List Ad!

This was sent my way. It's a 1948 Ford hot rod on Craigslist. I know nothing about it other than what the ad says. Might be a good find for someone! <http://santabarbara.craigslist.org/cto/4582985961.html>

As always, the legal stuff! If you would like to be removed from this free newsletter, simply bounce it back with "remove" in the subject line. You can also feel free to pass it along to your gearhead friends. In turn, they can order their own copy by sending me an email with "add me" in the subject line. Send to: [webmaster@californiacarclubs.com](mailto:webmaster@californiacarclubs.com)

Submissions of car shows and events are always welcome! However, I really do prefer they be submitted in the format as you see them posted in the newsletter. It is so much easier for me to "cut 'n paste" onto the web, especially when I'm on the road or otherwise busy. (Don't forget, this is just a hobby!)

Well that seems to be it for this month. We wish you all well and lot's of *Happy Motoring!*

Brian