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Horseless Carriage Club*



BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB

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The **BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB**

"BAHCC" was founded in 1951 by and for the automobile antiquarians dedicated to the preservation of PRE - 1916 ancient motor vehicles. "BAHCC" is one of the numerous Regional Groups of the Horseless Carriage Club of America "HCCA" which has 4600 members nationwide. "HCCA" membership is required of all active touring Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Members, but is not required for "Associate" members. New membership into our club is invited. Permission to reproduce articles is granted provided credit is given to the original source.

The Gaslight Gazette is published 11 times per year with one issue for the months of JULY and August.

MEETINGS: First Wednesday @ 7:30 PM monthly (except July and December - no meeting) at Piedmont Community Hall, Piedmont, CA near Piedmont City Hall. (Public Phone at the hall: 510-547-9311) April and November are potluck dinners starting at 6:30 PM. Guests welcome. Special presentations at meetings.

BOARD MEETINGS: Monthly. See calendar for schedule. Members welcome.

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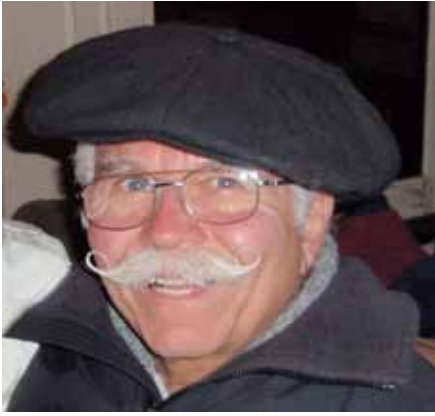
With October here, and daylight savings time beginning this weekend I guess we need to welcome in the FALL in CA. We have even had some rain, the first of which appeared on tours, both Twain Hart and then the day of our Pumpkin Tour. We have had a delightful summer with mild temperatures in the Bay Area, but are really in need of the rain, so we won't complain when it comes.

Our next meeting is November 5th and it is time for us to celebrate with our Pot Luck Dinner. Remember to come at 6:30 prepared with your food assignment. (Please refer to last months Gazette to see what you are to bring.) Also remember dishes and utensils. It is election time also so be sure to attend and find out who your new officers will be. A big thank you to those Board Members who have served this year. You have done a wonderful job and continued to make our club a fun place to come and enjoy.

I will be spending time in Dallas for the next few months helping with my son's family while they deal with my daughter in laws Bone Marrow Transplant. I can still be reached by email and cell phone and Eric will remain in California. Expect the December newsletter to be short.

Muriel

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



What a great club! We had another memorable tour today topped off by the Schwartz museum with Halloween theme, lunch, music entertainment, car collection, and wonderful people. "It don't get no better!" Thanks Adria, Norman and family. And....if anybody reads this message, listen up! Something the board discussed at the last board meeting and long overdue was initiated today on the tour. A "no way to get lost" tour policy. Don Azevedo announced the procedures at the drivers meeting today prior to the tour. It's very simple and as he said, if everyone follows the procedures **no one can ever get lost on a tour**. It starts with the tour leader and each car following does the same thing. Written tour route directions or not, it starts at the beginning of a tour. When the leader makes a turn onto another

road he looks behind him and if he doesn't see the car that was following him he stops right after the turn, in view, and waits until he sees the car, then he proceeds. At every turn onto another road if everyone does that, absolutely no one can get lost. Seriously! During the tour you don't have to worry about losing site of the car in front of you, because he'll be waiting at the next turn, no matter how near or far. The only problem is.....everyone has to do it! So when you make a turn, first thing on your mind, "is the car behind me in sight?" Another thing that the board talked about, "Tour etiquette". Remember, that we are a pre 1916 car club and even though most one day tours are open to later model car's attending, (tour leaders discretion) please remember tour etiquette. Heading out on a tour, all pre 1916 cars go first followed by later model collector cars that are attending, then followed by "modern iron". Well, moving on, it's that time of the year. Elections! There are two vacancies on the board that need to be filled for 2015. Two members have agreed to serve if elected, but at the next membership meeting the floor will be open for nominations. So there's your chance! Next meeting we'll have an election and begin getting prepared for a busy, dynamic 2015. This year has just flown by, but don't forget we're not finished with 2014 yet. Check the calendar in this newsletter and weather permitting, get the Horseless Carriage out for the last tour of the year in late November. Don't miss out!

Ed

BAHCC CLUB CALENDAR

Nov. 5	Potluck, & No Auction (setup at 6:30 pm, dining at 7:00 pm)	Piedmont Community Center
Nov. 8	Hornet Tour with Santa Clara Club	Santa Clara Club - Alameda
Nov. 19	Joint Board Meeting -7:30pm	Frankie Johnny & Luigi's Too, Dublin
Dec. 10th	Holiday Party – Catered! & Dinner/Dance (cocktails at 6:30 pm, dinner at 7:30 pm)	Piedmont Community Center

November Birthdays

BILLINGSLEY	Ken	11/1
JOHNSON	Pam	11/7
BYL	Nancy	11/12
SWENSON	Frank	11/14
CALDEIRA	Chet	11/17
ALFF	John	11/23
HOFFMAN	Steve	11/27
RIGGS	Lloyd	11/28



November Anniversaries

CROWELL	Johnny	Christine	Nov. 18, 1995
STONE	Robert	Kelly	Nov. 19, 1995
MORRISON	John	Carolee	Nov. 27, 1982

BAY AREA TOUR, FALL, 2014 TWAIN HARTE, CALIFORNIA

Twain Harte, California, a beautiful community in the Sierra Nevada Mountains is a popular playground for visitors and families who like outdoor recreation such as skiing in the winter and fishing in the summer. The motto of Twain Harte is "TUOLUMNE COUNTY BREATH OF FRESH AIR", which is very appropriate for the weather and ambiance of this small town, population 2,226. The name is derived from the last names of two famous authors who lived in California, Mark Twain and Bret Harte. On Friday, September 26, twenty-five Horseless Carriages and 50 people descended on the little town for the Bay Area Tour, hosted and organized by Charles Ebers, Bill Cassidy and Bill Austen. It certainly was a breath of fresh air from the hustle and bustle of the bay area with its fog and smog.



Friday's shakedown run and "gas opportunity" (there are no gas stations in Twain Harte) started mid-afternoon with the threat of rain drops, something California has seen little of in the last several years. The cars traveled to MonoVista, a small community, compete with gas station. Many friendly passersby waved and took pictures as the tour cruised through town. Upon returning to the Wildwood Inn Motel, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres were served in the parking lot until a strong wind started to blow and bless us with some rain. No problem, we thought, we just moved the tables underneath the motel's covered walkway and continue snacking until time to go to dinner.



Saturday the 27th dawned with more ominous rain clouds on the horizon, but almost everyone decided to chance it and drive their cars to the Columbia State Historic Park. Columbia was considered the "Gem of the



Southern Mines” in the 1850s. Unlike many of the gold rush towns that had sprung up, Columbia never became a ghost town, which is why its historic buildings are in such good shape. During the time of our tour, the park was hosting the Poison Oak Festival and a banjo playing festival. You had the choice to walk around the park, (watching where you step to avoid poison oak) or sit awhile and tap your toes to the music of the banjo players. Many of the shops welcomed our business, as there were souvenirs to buy, books to read and tasty delicacies to enjoy. After an hour or two, we loaded up the cars and traveled back to Jamestown and the Railtown 1897 Historic Park. This park is known as “The Movie Railroad” as more than 300 motion pictures have used all or part of this site for movies, commercials and television programs. At Railtown 1897, we enjoyed a box lunch and a visit to their roundhouse. Some folks took a ride on the Steam Train, some toured and shopped in the nearby town of Jamestown, which was hosting “Pioneer Days”. By the time we departed Railtown 1897 and Jamestown, the clouds were ready to dump a load on us it seemed, and it was as we traveled the miles back to Twain Harte that the “rain gods” decided it was time to end the drought. Nevertheless, the cars performed well and we safely arrived back at the hotel in time to clean up and attend a wonderful catered buffet dinner at the Twain Harte Community Center.



On Sunday, after checking out of the motel, we traveled to “Horsearound Ranch” a private collection of tractors and all sorts of farm equipment in the Tuolumne Area. Tuolumne is home of many mines and a rich lumber industry, as well as being one of the oldest established communities in California.



From the ranch, we drove to the Black Oak Casino for a closing buffet lunch that was both delectable and beautiful. We lingered over lunch as long as we dared, considering

the cloudy sky that had been with us most of the day. There were some folks who went to the Veterans Memorial Hall in Soulsbyville to check out the antiques and some who just drove the last seven miles back to Twain Harte to pack up, load up and drive home. With the rain came some stuck vehicles in the trailer parking lot, but everyone pitched in and got everyone on the road for the return trip home.



Kudos to Charles, Bill and Bill for a wonderful tour, complete with a double tour bag (a bag within a bag), fabulous meals and tour routes. Everything was perfect with the exception of the precipitation, which is out of man’s control. We hope everyone had a great time on the 2014 Bay Area Tour. We all agreed, this is a great area to tour and we could do it again in the future.



Article courtesy: Joyce Azevedo, Pictures: Jon Alff

BREAKING IN THE BANDS IN TWAIN HARTE:

The Twain Harte BAHCC tour was the first tour for our restored 1911 Ford Model T Touring.

The car, owned by Andy Griffith was acquired in 1989 as an older restoration with an oxblood red body color. While it looked very acceptable, in 1992 but we elected to have it fully restored as a true 1911 with black fenders and a dark blue body. Body off restoration, mechanical, body, upholstery, top, etc.

When it came to the body color, the 1911 Ford "blue" was so close to black, it was uninspiring. We chose the 1911 Cadillac blue, which was gorgeous. Upgraded with larger headlights, leather seats, and ended up with a beautiful "trailer queen".

The car resided as part of the Candy Store collection (Burlingame CA) for about 10 years. Recently we chose to drive it for the first time, and assumed that as it had been completely restored, it was "ready to go". The car was sent to Forestville CA for a tuneup and shakedown. When we got it back, it seemed to run fine, and we thought it was "fit to tour".

We made some local trips, none required strenuous downhill or uphill efforts. However, sometimes the engine sputtered. The new plugs were fouling. Changed plugs, changed, carburetor, checked timing, etc., Nothing we "changed" seemed to help. The fouling issue was due to "low spark", but why?

As we had spent several hours exhausting the "change the part philosophy", we then opened our "Ford Model T" DIAGNOSTIC section that describes the problem and remedy. **If your Ford engine sputters, check, check, and if everything else seems in order, check the "grounds" for your electrical system. Ah ha.** The car was fully restored, but not grounded properly. Both the battery and engine must be properly grounded to the frame.

In our case, there were two problems, the paint on the frame had not been scraped properly to allow a good ground; the ground between the engine and the frame was missing, hence the engine got good spark only intermittently, hence when pulling up on a hill, the plugs didn't get enough spark, and carbon built up, making the plugs perform poorly.

Once the engine was grounded, the engine purred. Drove around town a few miles and everything seemed fine. Trailered to the Twain Harte rendezvous, in the mountains a few miles East of Sonora, CA. Most of the "tour" involved driving downhill into Sonora, CA. We anticipated our first venture in the fully restored car would be a "beautiful thing". But, as soon as we left Twain Harte, CA we encountered some long downhill grades. By mile 2 the brakes were "mushy", and by mile 2 ½, there were no brake at all.

Time for an instant decision, continue with no brakes on a huge downhill, and pull into a tree to stop, or take the next uphill road, which we did. Didn't even try to use the reverse pedal (which probably would have worked), and wasn't in

enough of a crisis to reach the emergency brake. The "uphill" road was easily in sight.

Hitched a ride into town, returned with the trailer, and that afternoon pulled the transmission cover for inspection of "whas amatta". BAHCC members assisted in checking the bands. Couldn't find anything wrong except that the bands weren't tight. Used some bailing wire to keep the brake band tight, stuffed the gearbox with a rag to prevent dropping the nut and wash in, took the brake band nut and washer off, and noticed the "washer" was worn almost smooth. (should have been replaced when it was rebuilt). Concluded that brake band nut was backing off because the washer wasn't holding it in place. This was the wrong assumption (as the bands had never been adjusted before). Got a second nut to use as a jam nut. Tightened brakes, and ready for another day of touring.

Started Saturday tour, again downhill, and this time got 11 miles before "the brakes went out". Found a good spot to pull over right next to a goat farm. Learned a lot about goats. Waited 2 hours for AAA to pick us up, got back to Twain Harte. Hadn't figure out the problem yet, and decided we didn't want to do a "three strikes you're out" on the brakes. And it was starting to rain. Put the car on the trailer, and threw on the tarp.

Met afterward with the other Model T owners, and all of us came to the conclusion that following installation of new bands, the brake bands needed to be "broken in" for a day or two then readjusted before the car could be safe to travel. The "[Rebuilding the Model T Ford Powerplant](#)" book quotes from the Ford Service Manual:

After adjusting, examine the bands to make sure they are not adjusted too tightly so that they drag on the drums when the pedals are released. When the bands drag on the drums it causes premature wear on the linings and exerts a braking effort on the drums which tends to overheat the engine. The correct procedure is to adjust the bands as loosely as possible without causing them to slip on the drums, the after the car has been driven one or two days, tighten the adjustment.

So, the moral of this story is that any work on the Ford Transmission will require a short break-in period, and afterward readjustment. You will need your large screwdriver and a 15/16 wrench handy to do this.

Eric Lundquist – BAHCC



BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB

HOLIDAY DINNER-DANCE AND INSTALLATION

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 10th 2014

Piedmont Community Hall, 711 Highland Ave., Piedmont

COCKTAILS 6:30 DINNER 7:30

**Featuring: Mr. Ron Sparza on Tyros 4 Keyboard
with festive Christmas and dancing music.**

**Traditional holiday dinner provided by:
Steve Piane of "Catering for All Occasions"**

\$25.00 pp members \$35.00 pp non-members & guests

Guests welcome

**GIFTS: Please bring one wrapped gift per person attending
clearly labeled as Man's or Woman's gift. \$15.00 limit per gift**

RESERVATIONS DUE DECEMBER 1ST

Call: Carolee Morrison 510-655-6128

Or Email: johnpmorrison@sbcglobal.net Or mail your check payable to BAHCC to:

Treasurer, Whitney Haist
12 Sunrise Hill Road, Orinda, CA 94563



If you are willing to help decorating a table,
Please contact Carolee





Date: 10/16/2014

To: Regional Groups and Affiliated Registries

From: Carlton Pate – Regional Group Chairman

Re: 2014 MARIAN WELCH SERVICE AWARD

REQUEST FOR NOMINEES

Each fall the HCCA requests from Regional Groups and Affiliate Registries nominations for candidates for the Marian Welch Service Award ... (list of past winners on page 20 of the 2012 HCCA Roster).

The award is presented annually to a member who has demonstrated truly outstanding service to the Horseless Carriage Club of America. Recognition is for dedicated, consistent, continuing service over a considerable length of time. The plaque on the trophy reads: "Presented in Recognition of Outstanding Contribution to the Horseless Carriage Club Hobby and the General Welfare of the HCCA". As Executive Secretary to the HCCA for many years, Marian Welch gave so much extra of her time. Paul N. Eoff conceived the idea of the award.

This award is not a popularity contest, but is intended to honor an individual who has rendered substantial service to the HCCA over the years.

Annually nominees are sought for the award from throughout the membership. Any member or group of individuals wishing to submit a nominee to the Awards committee for consideration must be received by the committee designee on or before December 1, 2014 so that a selection can be made by the HCCA Board of Directors by the end of the year. The individual will be honored at the annual Convention.

With detail information about a candidate, there needs to be a description of the activities, efforts and contribution that the person has made to the organization over years of membership. The HCCA board of Directors will consider all nominations received.

- **Due Date:** Nominee application and information must be received by **December 1, 2014;**
- **Format** of the Application: Though there is no formal format, the key factor is a clear concise explanation of the long term contributions that the individual has made to HCCA over many years of service;
- **Delivery:** Nominee candidate information should be sent to Awards Committee Member:
Gil Klecan, 2966 N Arroyo Dr., San Diego, CA 92103

Carlton Pate / Secretary

HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



To: Regional Groups (RG) and Affiliated Registries (AR) Contacts and Others
Re: **Marian Welch Nominees, 2015 HCCA Convention, Auction, Election, Hershey, Personal Information, Roster, Century Plaques**
Issue: 2014-10-24 #09

- **2014 HCCA Marian Welch Award Nominees** – It is time for members to submit candidates that they want to be considered for one of the highest HCCA award – the Marian Welch award is issued to an individual who has demonstrated truly outstanding service to HCCA; Recognition is for dedication, consistent and continuing service over a considerable length of time... Recommendations with detail candidate information should be sent to Gil Klecan by December 1, 2014.
- **2015 HCCA National Convention, TX** – In March 1-6, 2015 the Horseless Carriage Club of America will hold its annual Convention and tour at the YO-Ranch Resort Hotel and Convention Center in Kerrville, TX. This is your chance to start your new touring season with good roads in scenic hill country. For information and registration, visit the HCCA web site (hcca.org) / menu “Calendar” or contact Karl Darby, Mercer20@aol.com / 609-397-1586.
- **HCCA Hershey Auction Results** – When a member, Richard West passed away, he left to HCCA a large number of one cylinder Cadillac car parts including 3 engines. Thanks should be given to Bill and Anne Ottemann of Fallbrook, CA for transporting the trailer load of parts from CA to the auction at Hershey, PA. With the help of the Ziegler Auction Co. of Hummelstown, PA and various board members, the parts were unloaded and set up for the auction. On Thursday, over 50 people showed up and bid on the batches of parts. From the auction, the gift to HCCA was over \$31,000.
- **Election of 2015 Board Members** – In the Sept / Oct issue of the HCCA Gazette is the biographies of the 7 nominees for the 2015 slate of Directors. Voting HCCA members received with their magazine the form to vote for their 5 choices for the new 2015 slate of National directors. If you misplaced your magazine, go to the HCCA web site and view the candidate biographies and pictures (Under Highlights). Your vote does make a difference. Get involved and participate, it’s your club.
- **2014 HCCA Hershey Show Space** – At the Hershey flea market (10/8/14 – 10/10/14) the Horseless Carriage Club of America again under a large tent offered shelter, a place to rest and a chance to meet the directors and purchase store items. On Friday annual noon grill lunch and Get-Together was a great success and gave members a chance to meet others.
- **2014 HCCA Personal Information** – Though out the year, based on when you joined HCCA, members are sent a summary of their personal information sheet ... As we develop new services and new ways to contact you, we need your correct contact information. Though you can update your contact information at any time, the time of your membership renewal is a good time to verify your contact and vehicle information is correct.
- **2014 HCCA Roster / Production Status** – With the 2014 summer tour season over, the focus is now on the final details and production of a new 2014 HCCA Roster. The plan is to have the roster distributed to the members sometime after Hershey but before the end of 2014. Though the member data is all set (if your personal information is correct), advertisements are being collected and laid out in the final format ... When I am advised of the distribution time, you will be advised.
- **Premier Century Plaque Program** – The popularity of the program continues to grow and the number of requests is increasing as we go into the 12th year ... Because of a pledge to “never leave any honored vehicle behind”, we are working on a web page that will honor the program, all of the vehicles, pictures, their history and stories. To protect owner confidentially, contact information and addresses will not be found on the site.

Educate, Share and Pass It On...

Carlton Pate / anpcop@aol.com
HCCA National Secretary

50th ANNIVERSARY WATSONVILLE FLY IN



I know you're not going to remember, but last year's Watsonville Fly In story said "a picture is worth a thousand words, but I didn't take any. Maybe next year I'll remember to take some" Well, believe it or not, I did, so enjoy.

2014 was a little different than 2013. Me and my big mouth! This year I told them I could muster up at least 20 "special" cars for the 50th Anniversary celebration Watsonville Fly In, but alas, the planets were not aligned and although we had quality....., just not as much as I planned on. Well at least the air show lived up to all expectations, spectacular! And as far as cars go we were still the icing on the cake! Our display included, Karen and Ed's 1906 Locomobile 7 pass. touring, Eric and Muriel's 1911 Ford touring, Jack Passey's 1920 Pierce Arrow 7 pass. touring, Walker Wollover's 1925 Marmon 7 pass. touring, Peder and Maria's 1925 Lincoln Judkins Berline, Joe Kirley's 1926 Ford roadster Doug Rich's 1929 Lincoln Locke phaeton, Steve Gulko's 1932 Chevrolet Confederate 2 door sedan, David Clover's 1937 Rolls Royce James Young Saloon, Heinz Schu's 1941 Lincoln continental Convertible, and Lorraine Blackburn driving her 1947 Cadillac Conv. Come to think about it, pretty hard to come up with a better variety of cars covering a span of nearly fifty years.

The weather couldn't have been better, sunny with a little breeze. Even the tour down in the morning was pleasant. Some met in South San Jose and toured down together. Joe, Karen and I trailered to Gilroy and toured over Hecker Pass to the gathering point. We all gathered in Freedom, and toured the last quarter mile to the airport together and entered the fly in as one group. I'm not a street rod guy so once we got there, from my perspective there was one downside. They parked us behind the 150 or so mostly street rod type cars. To offset that, the upside was that is we didn't have to crane our necks looking straight up to see the air show, it was more out in front of us, and that was great, except for the model airplane segment. We were too far away to really get the full benefit of that part of the show, and couldn't hear the announcer well enough to get us "into it". But no matter, the rest of the show made up for it, including some of the unique cars parked on the tarmac just ahead of us.

No need for a growling stomach as food vendors were serving up a good variety at normal "event" prices, and we all wasted no time finding our favorite palate pleaser. It was sure good to see Jack Passey wandering about. He's dealing with a lot of back pain but trying to make the best of it, conversing with everyone in our group. Of course the fly in is almost in his own back yard so he and Son Bill couldn't resist attending. At the end of the day they left a few minutes early, so by the time we got our engines warmed up and ready to leave, they were probably already home. Everyone kind of went home they're own way, with no organized tour. Traffic was relatively light and I guess everyone made it home alright since I didn't hear to the contrary. As for Joe and I the climb up Hecker Pass held up a few modern cars but was otherwise uneventful. Another memorable wonderful day with a great bunch of people.



Karen and Ed's 1906 Locomobile



Muriel and Eric and their 1911 Ford



Lorrain's 1947 Cad and Heinz 1941 Lincoln



Peder and Maria's 1925 Lincoln

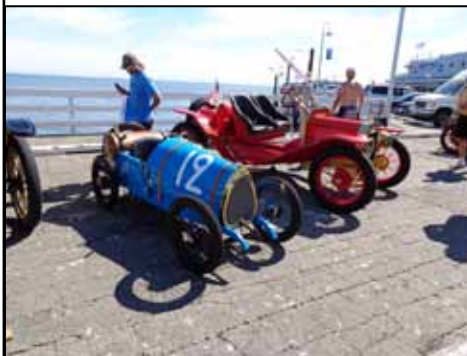


David and Kristi's 1937 Rolls Royce

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ON THE SANTA CRUZ WHARF-OCTOBER 4, 2014



The fun began on October 4, 2014 with the Santa Cruz High School Marching Band leading a historical procession of Antique Cars (some with dignitaries from Santa Cruz's sister city in Japan) onto the wharf. There were many musicians, costumed characters and local legends attending the celebration. The day long community celebration was fun to attend and it was our pleasure to bring out the old cars that would have been around near that time 100 years ago. The weather was incredibly hot, even with a bit of a breeze coming in off the water. The sound of bellowing, barking sea lions under the wharf and the site of the dolphins and sea otters frolicking in the bay made for a very pleasant day. Some folks stayed late that night to see the Fireworks Spectacular at the Main Beach. Club members participating were Don & Joyce Azevedo in their 1906 R.E.O., Ed & Karen Archer in their 1917 Auburn and Sam & Anne Gurnee in their Stevens Duryea.



Joyce Azevedo





Silver State Tour Revisited

Harvest Tour 2015

**Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
June 28, 29, 30 and July 1, 2, 2015**

***Carson Valley Inn
Minden Nevada***

This promises to be a great tour
*Come join us for four full fabulous days of touring!
Old Favorite Roads, along with some new routes
Lake Tahoe, Kirkwood, Virginia City, Monitor Pass*

***El Dorado HCCA is a DRIVING Club
Expect 100 miles a day***

***Wear your Blue Jeans – Very Casual
If you would like to wear Antique Clothes – Bring Them***

Return the attached registration form with a \$50.00 deposit
By January 31, 2015

Tour is limited to 50 Pre-1916 Cars

More information and details to follow.



Harvest Tour 2015
Please complete and mail with your \$50.00 Deposit
By January 31, 2015

Driver Name _____

Passenger _____

Passenger _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Phone _____ **Cell Phone** _____

Email _____

Please check which accommodations you would like:

Hotel Room (non smoking)

RV Space

You will be mailed a packet with the information needed to reserve your accommodations

Make checks payable to El Dorado HCCA

Mail to:

El Dorado Regional HCCA
Kris Benzow, Registration
18601 View Circle
Fiddletown, CA 95629

209-296-3826
harvesttour2015@gmail.com



SCVHCC Has planed a tour of the USS Hornet.

Date--Saturday, November 8th,2014

Time--10:00 AM.

Meeting Place-- We will meet on the pier at10:00 AM. And we will enter the ship together.

Price--\$22.00 per person, and it includes lunch and tour.

Lunch will be buffet of chicken, roll, vegetables, cookies, coffee or soft drinks.

Lunch will be held in the Officers Wardroom.

SCVHCC has invited the Bay Area Club, and The Model T Club to join us. To make your reservations, please call the following club members.

SCVHCC

Karl Chulick

408-281-1980

408-966-9470

Bay Area Club

Tony Wollesen

408-264-2444

Model T Club

Jim Boyden

408-268-4872

The tour is limited to 40 people so please respond by October 30th, 2014 as we need to finalize all of the reservations.

For those who don't wish to take the tour, we will serve coffee in the wardroom.

This tour of the USS Hornet will take the place of our November 7th, 2014 meeting.

HERSHEY 2014

This year Hershey was attended by John and Christine Crowell, Doug and Susan Durein, John Morrison, and Norm and Adria Schwartz, from the Bay Area Reg Group.

Weather was OK this year. It rained each night, but was clear each day. The temperature was in the high 60's, so it was pleasant walking, but I would have liked a little more sun. The rain was coming late Friday afternoon, and I think the Saturday car show was pretty much washed out. I didn't attend Saturday, so I'm not sure of my comments. Personally, I haven't liked the car show since they moved it to its new location over five years ago. It used to be at the East end, in what is now the Red field, surrounding the stadium. All on pavement, easy to get to, and even if it had rained during the night, the pavement was dry for the car show. Now the show is at the opposite West end, beyond the Orange field. It is on grass, with trees, and the setting is very Concours looking. But, it is to hell and gone if you walk to it, not on level ground, (hilly), and if it has rained the night before, or sprinkling during the show, you are walking on wet grass. So, I don't go to it.

Sellers seemed plentiful. Not a lot of empty spaces, or any more than usual. I thought there was good amount of brass booths. I didn't buy too much this year, but I always just enjoy walking the fields, kicking tires, and talking to people.

Besides the car corral, where cars are for sale, a fair amount of sellers might have a car for sale in their space. One particular space in the Red field has an interesting story, and it hooked Norm Schwartz this year. In this space is a 1909 or 1910 Rambler touring. It is an older restoration, but still an eye catcher. The top is down, it has a windshield, and on one corner of the windshield, is a small white sign showing \$15,000.00, with a line drawn thru it, and above the price written SOLD! The first year I walked by that car, I did what I'm sure most people do. I looked at the price and said to myself, "why did they sell it so cheap, and who is the lucky person that got it?" Of course, I'm saying this to myself VERY JEALOUSLY. Well, I walked by that year and didn't ask any questions. The next year, the car was in the same space with the same sign. Nothing had been changed, except a year later. Since then, I have talked to HCCA members at the tent, and this is what the person does. So, here is Norm's story. Susan and I picked up Norm and Adria at their hotel, and headed to the fields. The girls dropped us off and they went on to antique. Since I had done the Red field Wednesday, and this was Thursday, Norm and I split, with him going to the Red field, and me to the Chocolate field. About an hour in, my cell phone rings, and its Norm. He's all excited, and he asks me if I had seen the Rambler in the RED field that sold for \$15,000.00. He got hooked. End of story. I told him what you have just read. Another car guy thinking he missed out on a fantastic deal! The owner was driving the Rambler around the field on Friday during the HCCA BBQ.

Doug Durein

MORE HALLOWEEN TOUR PICTURES



HALLOWEEN AT NORMAN AND ADRIA'S MUSEUM

Sunday, Oct. 16: 10:00 AM departure from Whitney and Diane Haist's Orinda home. Muriel and Eric Lundquist, John and Amelia Alff and Jerry Robinson followed Whitney and Diane. Catch up with Rich and Ellen Green in downtown Orinda, then along "Bear Valley Road" arriving at the Martinez Trestle bridge on Alhambra Ave at 11:00AM.



The Trestle: Waiting under the trestle were BAHCC members: Ed and Karen Archer (1917 Auburn), John and Carollee Morrison (1914 Cadillac), Leon and Jane Riggs (1931 Auburn Boattail), Fred and Nancy Byl (1914 Ford) and friends, Don and Pam Johnson and their grandson, Mat and Don and Joyce Azavedo. Tour directions (Azavedo) took us West on Franklin Canyon Road along a meandering path past a "black cat", a "dead fish", then through Crockett and Port Costa and back to the trestle.



Whitney gets pulled over by the CHP: Whitney, driving his 1940's Chevy pickup with a 6 cylinder "blue flame" engine gets pulled over by a new 2014 Dodge Charger RT (unmarked CHP car). At an earlier intersection, the black CHP car pulled in between Whitney and Muriel's Tesla, just the three of us cruising at about 30 mph. It was obviously an unmarked CHP: the license plate started with 111xxxxx. (State of California vehicles have these plates).

CHP versus Tesla "Model S": Suddenly the CHP puts on his flashers (rear window and front grill) and stops dead in the middle of the highway. Driver, wearing t-shirt and shorts, gets out, picks up Whitney's jacket that flew out of Whitney's pickup truck. Back in the car, the driver "stomps on it" ("a show of speed") as to how fast the new Dodge's can get up to 60 mph (high 4 seconds). I, driving the Tesla, (3.9 sec 0-60) "mashed down on the Tesla's electric pedal" was right behind the CHP. Could easily have passed him, and wasn't even at



“electric”. In another ½ mile, CHP then pulls Whitney over, hands over the jacket, and takes off. That’s the story about Whitney getting pulled over by the CHP.

The Foothills: Our group circled back through the dry foothills to the “Trestle”, and then two blocks more to John Muir’s historic home on Alhambra where the group enjoyed an hour long visit (including movie) courtesy of the California State Park System and Rangers.

The John Muir House: John Muir, (1832-1914) was a naturalist who walked 1000 miles (1850’s) from his homeland in Wisconsin before arriving in California where he fell in love with Yosemite where he spent four years. He eventually traveled to San Francisco (1868), moved to Martinez, and in 1880 married a wealthy doctor’s daughter. The doctor had a thriving orchard covering hundreds of acres, and providing a good lifestyle for his extended family. The doctor passed away in 1890, willing the property to Muir and his wife. Occasionally Muir returned to Yosemite, and in the early 1900’s campaigned against the Hetch Hetchy dam (where San Francisco gets its water). Muir founded the Sierra Club in 1900 and was the “father” of the US National Park Service.

Mansion in Martinez: Muir’s home is a 10,000 sq ft three story mansion with a “bell fry” at the top accessed by a steep ladder. Redwood lumber was used throughout the home. High ceilings, fancy moldings. Very much a “mansion” that might sit on “Nob Hill” rather than in Martinez. Now beautifully restored by the California State Park System, and a worthwhile visit. Muriel, myself and her “EH students from San Francisco” spent a night in the living room 34 years ago. This visit brought back memories.



BAHCC visits “The Haunted MUSEUM”: Ventured onto Ward Street to the “Norman and Adira Schwartz MUSEUM” housing more than a dozen cars, mostly horseless carriages, all beautifully displayed, some adorned with skeletons and cobwebs to keep to the Halloween ambiance. Adria, Suzie Durien and helpers served a great lunch and desert. Then, three Scottish bagpipers entertained with several songs. I overheard one saying afterward, that he had missed a few notes. Must have missed that error, but Who could tell unless you knew the songs. Expected a casket to follow the bagpipers; but alas, no casket.



More BAHCC members met us at the MUSEUM. Bill Schambling and wife Elaine Carter, Bill Cassiday, Bill Austen, Dave and Pat Pava, Ed Harley, and others. About 50 total. Incredible event, and special touches of “spooky”. Thanks Norman and Adria.

Eric and Muriel Lundquist



BAHCC MEETING MINUTES

October 1, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:35 by President Ed Archer.

Visitors and Guests: No visitors or guests were in attendance tonight.

Health and Welfare: Kaaren Brommer reported she needed to keep the case on her broken foot for 2 to 3 more weeks.

Meeting Minutes: Joyce pointed out the due date for articles in the September newsletter should be September 22, not August 22. The minutes for the September meeting will be corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Received \$750 from Charles that was advanced as seed money for the Bay Area Tour. All bills have been paid.

Tours/Activities:

Sept 13th we participated in the Castro Valley Car Show where 270 cars were on show. The show was a very successful advertising event for the club.

Sept 14th we participated in the Antique Autos in History Park event in San Jose. Even though the number of cars were a little lower this year, we had a good time and the club received a lot of exposure.

The Great Gatsby Event sponsored by the art deco society and held at the Dunsmuir estate had about 25 cars this year and was very nice event.

Our own Bay Area Tour was held on Sept 26-28 in Twain Harte. Participants enjoyed great food, nice country roads and enjoyable fellowship. We were promised an enjoyable tour and were not disappointed. We got a little wet on Saturday afternoon, but that did not dampen our spirit.

We have been invited to attend the 100 year celebration of the Santa Cruz Wharf on October 4th. If interested, see Ed Archer.

Saturday, October 11th is the 50th Annual Watsonville Fly In and Air Show. Ed will be leading the group out of Gilroy going over Hecker Pass into Watsonville. We need to be in Watsonville by 10:00 and can leave at 3:30. We will be parking together as a group. The entry is waived for our group. There is a limit of 20 cars for this event and we have 10 cars so far. We will depart Gilroy at 9:15.

The annual Pumpkin Tour has been scheduled for Sunday, Oct 19th. Norm and Adria are the organizers. We will begin the tour at the train trestle in Martinez on Alhambra Road just south of Highway 4. We will visit the John Muir House and then have lunch at Norm and Adria's haunted garage in Martinez where we will party the afternoon away.

The BAHCC has been invited to join the Santa Clara

HCCA Regional Group on Saturday, November 8th as they will be touring the Hornet Air Craft Carrier in Alameda. Tour organizer Bill Lewis flew off the Hornet during his military service and will be our personal docent. Lunch is planned on the Hornet. The cost is \$22 each for tour and lunch. If you want, bring a car if you wish and meet at 9:30 at the south end of Alameda or meet at Hornet at 10:00.

Our Club Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, Dec 10th. It will be held at the Piedmont Community Center with Santa Claus, gifts, music dancing and a delightful dinner. Mark your calendars.

Nuts and Bolts: We do not have a Nuts and Bolts event planned for this month. We will try to schedule something for November that does not conflict with other events.

Web Site Report: Gerry reported the improvements to the web site are coming along.

Newsletter Report: Muriel is very thankful for the pictures and articles that members have submitted. Muriel asked for more write-ups on tours and events. She reminded us that whoever is the chairman of an event should ask a participant to prepare an article for the newsletter. The due date for articles for the next publication is October 22nd.

Membership: Nothing to report.

Authenticity: Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business: No unfinished business was presented.

New Business: Fred Byl is Chairman of Board and presented Bill Schrambling as a candidate for the board. Fred asked a volunteer for the other vacancy. At the end of the meeting, Jon Alff agreed to include his name as a candidate for the Board.

Board Meeting: The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 15th at Doug Durein's home in Alameda. All interested members are welcome to attend.

Birthdays: Fred Byl is celebrating his 75th birthday this month.

Communications: No communications were shared with the group.

The business meeting adjourned at 8:25 at which time refreshments by Donna were enjoyed.

Respectfully submitted by Don Azevedo, Secretary

BAHCC Board Meeting Minutes

The BAHCC Board met at the home of Whitney Haist on Wednesday, September 17, 2014. The meeting was called to order by President Ed Archer at 7:36 p.m. with all Board members present except Doug and Gerry. Bill Cassidy and Bill Austen attended the meeting as guests.

Minutes: Don read last month's Board meeting minutes: The minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Whitney reported he has recently paid the Brommer's for expenses relating to the Castro Valley Car Show and Muriel for newsletter expenses. Financially the Club is solvent. The report was accepted.

Tours and Activities

- This year's Old California Tour entitled Delta Dreaming will be held September 16-20 by the Modesto Region HCCA. Michael O'Neal is the contact person 209.847.3134.
- The Pre-'16 Bay Area Tour will be in Twain Harte on September 26-28. Charles Ebers along with Bill Austen and Bill Cassidy have planned an excellent tour for all to enjoy. Registration is now closed and there are 28 cars planning to attend.
- The date for the Watsonville fly is Saturday, October 11th. Ed will organize a tour that will meet in Gilroy and travel over the hill to Watsonville. We will have a sign up at the next Club meeting.
- October 19th will be the annual Pumpkin Tour that Norm and Adria will be hosting. Don will visit with Norm and Adria and offer help on the tour. We may have a short tour before visiting the Muir House in Martinez.
- We have been invited to join the Santa Clara Regional Group on their tour of the Hornet in Alameda at 10:00 AM, Saturday Nov 8th. The cost is \$22 per person which includes the tour and lunch. If members want to bring old cars, we will meet at the south end of Alameda and drive together to the Hornet.
- The joint board meeting on will be on Wednesday, November 19th in Dublin at Johnny, Frankie and Luigi Too Restaurant in Dublin. Fred has made reservations and will have menu selections soon.
- Doug, Bill C and Ed are planning another tour later in November. Details are forthcoming.
- The Annual Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, December 10th at the Piedmont Community Center. Eric is working on the music. Ed will ask John and Carolee if they can make the necessary arrangements with the caterer. We want a traditional holiday dinner.

Nuts and Bolts: No report.

Web Site: No report.-

Gaslight Gazette: Muriel appreciated the contributions from members for the newsletter. The deadline for this month is September 22nd.

Membership Report: Eric expects we will have one new member next month.

Authenticity Report: Bill had nothing to report.

Old Business: Eric is discussing next year's Bay Area Tour with Sam Gurnee. The tour is expected to be held in the Santa Cruz area. The tour might be 4 days in length. Eric has some possible tour routes he would like to share with Sam. Since this tour will be in the backyard of the Santa Cruz Regional Group, we will extend an invitation to them to join our tour.

Eric and Bill Austen will work out the final design for the vehicle signs for each member's cars. We may request for information from each member with the dues notice. Laminated signs will be provided by the Club for horseless carriage vehicles only.

Bill Austen is not receiving his National Gazette Magazine. We asked Bill to fill out an application and Whitney we will send it with a check to the National office.

New Business: The Board discussed the Club subsidizing a portion of the Christmas Party due to the funds we have in the treasury. A motion was made and 2nd to charge \$25 per person for the Christmas Party. We will again have the gift exchange and ask each person to bring a wrapped gift for Santa to distribute.

Ed led a discussion relating to the Club financially supporting events that may not have the support of members for various reasons. The Board will consider each event and decide if the event needs more publicity or perhaps we should withhold support. Sometimes lack of support is because of schedule conflicts with other hobby activities. The attendance at the Field Meet was discussed. The Board agreed this is an event that should attract many antique car enthusiasts. We will try to use a video clip from this year's event to advertise next year's Field Meet.

The Board discussed the November election for new Board members. Don reported that Eric and Don were elected to the Board in 2013 and their terms end in December. Both Don and Eric have agreed to run again for the Board. Doug expressed the desire to be replaced on the Board in the coming election. The Board discussed increasing the number of Board members to nine as we think we have two members that would agree to run for the Board. Whitney pointed out in past years we have had trouble finding members to serve on the Board and expanding the Board to nine might be troublesome in the future. Ed pointed out the By Laws allows the Board to easily make amendments. A motion was made and 2nd to increase the number of Board members from 7 to 9 and to allow a maximum of one Board member to be an Associate Member. Motioned passed. With the addition of the newsletter editor as a permanent Board member, Doug resigning and the change from 7 to 9 members, we will need to elect two new members for a full Board. Fred as Chairman of the Board will provide nominations for the Board. Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

The October Board meeting will be held at 7:30 on the 15th at Doug Durein's home in Alameda.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04. Refreshments were provided by Whitney.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Don Azevedo

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