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Sierra Nevada Gold Country National Driving Tour Smashing Success!

Coming Events

Saturday, June 28th
Swap Meet at Times Passed
Concord, CA

Sunday, July 27th
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Show and BBQ Picnic at
Portal Park





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Message From The President

Starting with this month, those individuals who have not paid their dues for 2008 will no longer receive the Headliner newsletter. The cost of printing and mailing the newsletter consumes most of the dues members pay, and we can't afford to keep sending it to non-members. Should you run across any former members who complain that they are not receiving the newsletter, tell them all they have to do is fill out a renewal application and send it to Treasurer Jerry Brick.

I just returned from the National Driving Tour and what a great tour it was. We had cars from 1936 to 2008. Approximately 40 cars started the tour and, except for those mentioned in our Tour Director's Column, all finished. This proves that Cadillacs were meant to be driven, so there is no excuse not to join one of our tours. Check the calendar of events in this newsletter and pick out one or more to attend. I hope to see you soon.

Don Barnes

A Word From The Tour Director

After a whirlwind week of touring through some of the most beautiful scenery on Earth, we jolly adventurers have scattered in all directions and returned to our homes. Due to the amount of daily mileage logged, the tour was hectic, but fabulous ... what an understatement. There are so many stories about what we saw and did and didn't do, the upcoming article for the Self-Starter can only hit some of the highlights. A few NorCal members experienced car trouble or breakdowns. A mere 15 miles from leaving home, Rob and Linda Leonard's 1962 Sedan DeVille had to turn around and go back; Dave and Patti Ricci's 1961 Sedan DeVille made it to Lodi and had to be towed home; Carl and Ann Steig's 1941 Sedan limped home from Jackson; and Larry and Joanne Brennan's 1960 Eldo required some serious carburetor tinkering in Mammoth Lakes. Members from all regions helped each other solve problems with advice, hands-on assistance, and very strong support ... teamwork was the order of the week.

Speaking for everyone on the tour, we all were awed by the majesty and vivid spectacle of the landscape, had vast quantities of fun, some good hearty laughs, some worry about old cars climbing to 9,624' altitude and then being able to brake safely down the other side, some travel fatigue, and the general consensus that it was more important to smell the flowers along the way than rush and try to do it all ... you just couldn't ... too many choices and not enough time. What a wonderful trip! Kudos to Ed Gunther for the concept and planning, with assistance from Carl Steig; promotional material for presentation to the National Board prepared by Charles Thompson; a comprehensive and detailed tour guide and souvenir booklet produced by Carolyn Dipple (who unfortunately couldn't make the tour); and the dedicated efforts of Jerry Brick for keeping all the registrations and endless paperwork in an orderly and timely manner. Yours truly has been appointed scribe ... look for the full article in an upcoming Self-Starter.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch ... our annual Portal Park picnic is the July 27th event. This year expect to see some attendees from the Lincoln, Packard, Hudson, Imperial, and Zephyr Clubs, along with the multi-marque clubs ... the Freewheelers and CHVA. Pray for comfortable weather and bring a lawn chair.

On August 24th there will be a joint tour with the Packard Club to the Alameda Naval Air Museum, with catered box lunch ... reserve the date and watch for details next month. And so much more to see and do through the end of 2008 including the North-South Meet, our annual planning meeting, and our first holiday party in decades.

See you on tour.

Sandy Carrion

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CLC 2008 Calendar of Events

If you have an event or article you would like to submit, please contact the newsletter editor. The **deadline** for all submissions is the 25th of the month prior to the publication date.

June	Sun 22 nd	*Palo Alto Concours, Sand Hill Road at Pastuer Drive, Stanford University Ticket or Entry information – 650/961-5444 or www.paconcours.com .
	Sat 28 th	Swap Meet at Dave Ricci's Times Passed Garage (Details inside)
July	Sat 26 th	CHVA Cable Car and Tall Ships Tour (See details and RSVP inside)
	Sun 27 th	Portal Park - Don Frolich Memorial Car Show & BBQ Picnic Cupertino, CA (Details and Registration Form Inside)
August	Tue 12 th - Sat 16 th	2008 Grand National-The Golden Jubilee of the CLC 1958 - 2008 Hosted by the Valley Forge Region, Cherry Hill, NJ (Visit www.cadillaclasalleclub.org for more details)
	Sat 16 th	* Novato Nostalgia Days Car Show. Contact Marv Giambastiani at 415/897-0583 and email registration@NostalgiaDaysOnline.com
	Thu 14 th - Sun 17 th	* 2008 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance Visit www.pebblebeachconcours.net for details.
	Sun 17 th	* San Anselmo Downtown Merchants 2008 Car Show 11:00 AM For entry of cars between 1900 – 1972. call Bob Capurro at 415/453-0464 or just come on down to San Anselmo and enjoy the cars and the food!
	Sun 24 th	Joint tour with the Packard Club (See Tour Director article)
September	Sat 6 th or Sun 7 th	Napa Mystery Tour with Oldsmobile Club (Details TBD)
	Sat 20 th	50th Annual San Diego Regional National Show at Ventura Cove in Mission Bay Park! 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Look for registration forms next month.)
	Sat 27 th - Sun 28 th	* Ironstone Concours d'Elegance and Saturday PM CLC BBQ hosted by Jeff and Jeanene Nielsen
October	Fri 3 rd - Sun 5 th	2008 North-South Meet (Details inside) Please make your reservations and RSVP.
	Sat 11 th	Alameda Car Show (Details TBD)
November	Sun 9 th	CLC NorCal Planning Meeting (Details TBD)
	Sat 22 nd	* The Annual San Jose Classic Chevy Club Toy / Food Drive Car Show. The entrance fee for each vehicle is a new toy and non-perishable food item. Cathedral of Faith Church in San Jose; 2375 Canoas Garden Ave, San Jose, CA 95125. 10:00 AM—3:00 PM (Rain or Shine) Arriving at the Church, follow the signs around to the back of the Church to the Car Show entrance.
December	Sat 13 th	CLC NorCal Holiday Party & Brunch (Details TBD)

(*) Indicates an event of interest, but not an official club event. (TBD) Indicates dates or details are To Be Determined

Member Ads

For Sale 1956 Cadillac 6019 Sedan. A real head turner. People wave at us as we drive "Miss Daisy" around town. Brand new- Heavy duty tires (heavy car), wheel emblems, shocks, lettering script, crests, "V"s, tune-up parts-spark plugs, wires, rotor, cap etc., wheel cylinders, heater hoses, battery cable, vacuum advance, motor mounts, alternator (have original generator), belts, window motors, rear bumper and flying lady re-chromed. New modern/vintage-looking radio. Mileage= 41,062. Lots of parts and manuals for continued restoration. More photos on request at mkijak@cds1.net. \$18,000 b/o. Contact Mike Kijak 707-836-0171.



Lead: 1928 LaSalle in Martinez, CA. Price \$23,400. Body is medium blue, top is black, moulding is light blue. Good condition, Mechanically Excellent condition, Trippe lights, all original, wood spokes, spokes remanufactured in 80s to original specs, rear mounted spare. Contact Stuart Ryce, Martinez CA 94553. Phone 925-228-5614. Let the Photos be your Guide, Check website: <http://www.chooseyouritem.com/classics/files/288000/288474.html>.



For Sale: 1939 La Salle Sedan. 34,000 original miles. Totally original car with nice original upholstery, fair paint & perfect engine. Runs excellently. No rust. I am second owner. Beautiful example of original car. \$25,000. Art Robbins 2722 Preston Dr., Mountain View, CA 94040. 650/380-3586. . *Photo is file copy for illustration purposes only.*



For Sale 1971 Cadillac Fleetwood Brougham 60-S. Dark green exterior, green leather interior. Clean, straight, runs great! Condition #3, second owner. 95,841 miles. \$2,500 takes. Contact Dennis Echols in Stockton, CA at 209/939-9261.



For Sale: 1984 Cadillac El Dorado Biarritz Convertible Limited Edition. This Cruise Night ride is in excellent condition, and runs like new. Second owner, 102,000 miles (28,000 on remanufactured factory engine), always garaged, oil change every 3,000 miles. New front tires and striping Sept 2007. Custom tonneau cover, original boot cover, new top and motor. Original factory service manual, original leather-bound owner's manual. Although this car is well above average, today's selling price is only \$9,000. Reply by phone to Ron in Auburn, CA at 530-823-5653. *Photo is file copy for illustration purposes only.*



For Sale: 1949 Cadillac Series 61 Sedan \$17,000. 2k on \$8k rebuilt engine; Complete brake system overhaul, Nov '07; Original upholstery and headliner like-new; Second owner; Radio overhaul, replaced all caps and resistors; Large capacity radiator; New muffler; Electric fuel pump; All work done by Ray at Gasoline Alley.



"Barn Find!": 1929 Cadillac Convertible Coupe in storage since 1958. Owner is Virgil Baker, phone 707/425-2558. E-mail: bakersuphostery@sbcglobal.net. Virgil's son, Brad Baker, provided information from two plates found on the drivers side firewall: Fisher Body Corporation Detroit Mich. Job number 7890, Body number 469, Engine number 309851. The heads are off of the engine apparently for a valve job. The block is in the chassis. There are boxes in the trunk and on the seat. Dad said to the best of his knowledge that the only thing he knows is missing is the hood ornament. The radiator cap is there. There are extra engine parts...what they are I can't say. There are extra wire wheels, and the side mount covers for wheels are there. I did not think to look at the mileage,

More information and photos of this "barn find" 1929 Cadillac will be provided in the next issue of the Headliner as research into this rare car continues. [Editor]





A couple of the winners of the infamous “Golden Hammer” award on the 2008 National Driving Tour were Chevonne and Clyde Robison from Yorklyn, Delaware. The very flat tire shown below on this 1980 Eldorado was the culprit that won them this coveted award. But their determination to continue the tour and their courage in the face of adversity allowed them to direct AAA to the trouble spot just north of Topaz Lake near Minden, Nevada and get the tire changed. Chevonne is shown receiving an award below with Dave Mikol and Ed Gunther. One positive byproduct of this event was that there were so many Cadillacs pulled off at the side of the road to offer moral support, that when it came time to leave, we constituted the largest parade seen in Topaz Lake for years!





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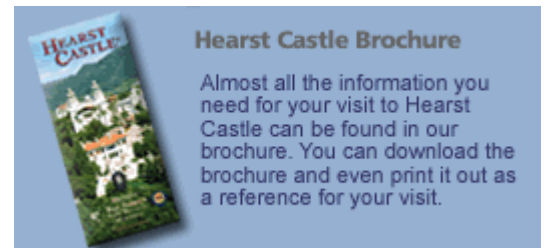
October 3rd - 5th, 2008
San Simeon, California
2008 North-South Meet

Back by popular demand...

This year's North-South Meet scheduled for Friday, October 3 through Sunday, October 5, will be returning to San Simeon (last visited in September 2001). We have blocked the entire Sands by the Sea Motel (total of 33 rooms – many with ocean view). It's located right off Highway One (on the beach side of the highway). There are several restaurants within walking distance.

Sands by the Sea Motel is family owned and operated, and is just 3 miles from the Hearst Castle easy express. It has the only heated indoor pool in the area (the pool area is being reserved for our hospitality suite), and is within walking distance to the beach. All rooms have refrigerators, coffee makers and microwave ovens. Rates (until August 30, 2008) are \$79.00/night for a King room, \$89.00/night for 2 Queens.

Be sure to make your reservations early – our block on the hotel ends on August 30th.



<http://www.hearstcastle.org/>

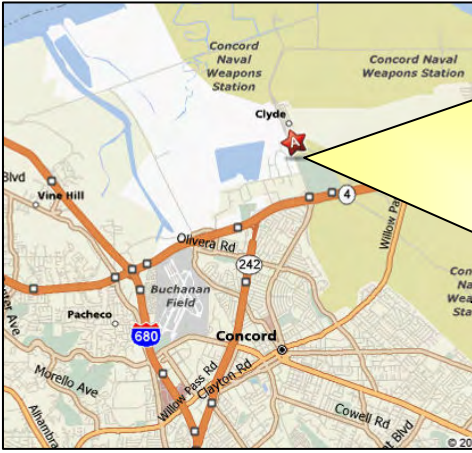
Contact Information

Sands by the Sea Motel
9355 Hearst Drive, San Simeon, CA 93452
Phone: 800-444-0779
Fax: 805-927-2919



Dinner on Saturday evening will be at the "Hamlet at Moonstone Gardens", located approximately 2 miles south of the hotel - the food is fabulous, and the location can't be beat. We have the entire lower level (bar included) for the evening as well as the use of the beautiful gardens for our cocktail hour. The menu and pricing will be published in The Headliner in the coming months.

For attendee count, please RSVP to Patti Ricci,
2008 North-South Planning Coordinator -- 925-686-4531



Swap Meet June 28th

Only about 2 weeks left to go through car parts (I mean the ones you stash away and forget you have—Cadillac parts are best, but all parts are welcome)

Now is the time to dig them out

Go through them

Tag them with Make, Model and Year

(this helps everyone and eliminates a lot of questions)

Be sure to note if the parts are applicable for multiple years or models

Price (be sure to mark the price but be prepared to bargain)

Large Parts such as fenders, doors, trunk lid?

Make a list to hand out (Photos would be welcome)

Don't forget gaskets, decals and emblems,

collectible items, books and posters

Bring a table (for small items) - I have a few at the shop, but will be available on a first come, first served basis

Remember.....you never know what someone else may be needing

Dave Ricci

Date: June 28, 2008.

Early arrival is 8:00 AM for sellers; 10:00 AM for buyers;

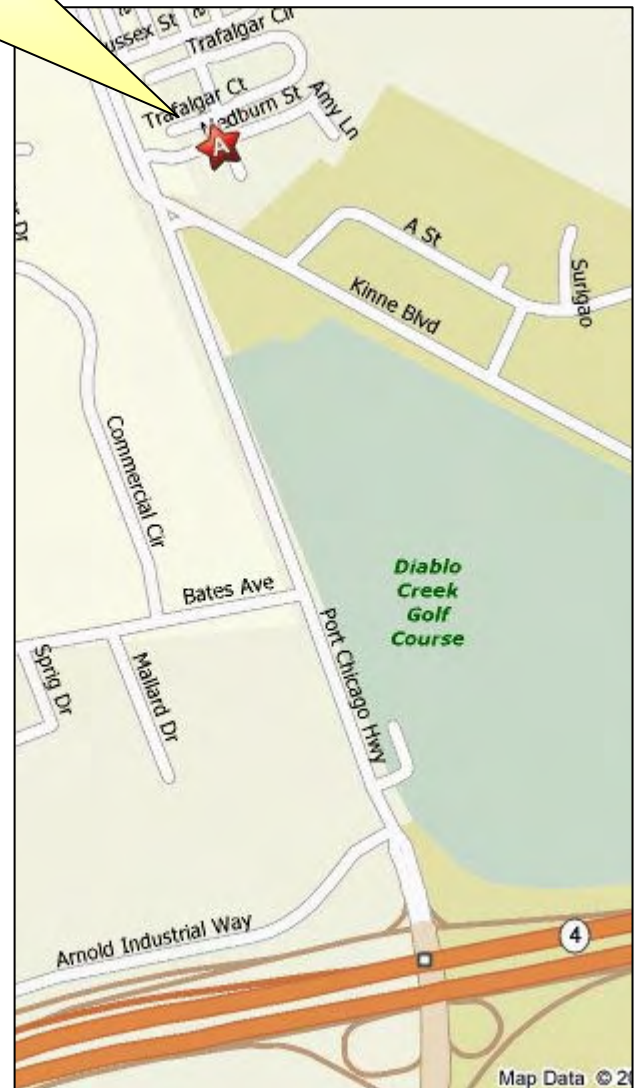
2:00 PM time to pack up and go home.

Location: Times Passed Auto Restoration

108 Medburn Street, Suite E-1; Concord, CA 94518

Contact David Ricci

(925) 825-1268 or (925) 270-6900



THE 2008 DON FROLICH MEMORIAL NATIONAL MEET
AT PORTAL PARK IN CUPERTINO
Hosted by the
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION,
Cadillac-La Salle Club, Inc.
SUNDAY JULY 27th, 2008

NOW IS THE TIME TO SEND IN YOUR RESERVATION FORM AND CHECK FOR THIS YEARS NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-CLC NATIONAL MEET! This is always the most popular event of the NORCAL CLC touring season. There is an entry blank/reservation form elsewhere in this newsletter. You will find driving directions below.

PLEASE MAIL YOUR RESERVATION FORM AND CHECK TO FRED BAUSCH BEFORE JULY 19th. *Earlier would be most helpful. After that deadline, you are still welcome to attend, but bring your own food and drink and plan to park in the parking lot.*

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS-**EVERYTHING ELSE WILL BE FURNISHED:**
CHOICE OF CHICKEN, ITALIAN SAUSAGE, OR BBQ'D TRI-TIPS OF BEEF, CHILI, CHOICE OF GREEN OR POTATO SALAD, GARLIC BREAD, WATERMELON, AND HOT DOGS FOR THE KIDS

SEE THE REGISTRATION FORM TO REGISTER YOUR CAR AND ORDER THE BBQ LUNCH
PLAN TO ARRIVE AT PORTAL PARK BETWEEN 10:00 AND 11:30am.
THE BARBQUE LUNCH IS SERVED PROMPTLY AT NOON!

PLEASE NOTE (ESPECIALLY NEW MEMBERS) it is not necessary that you bring a Cadillac or LaSalle in order to participate in this event, nor need your Cad or LaSalle be in top show condition to be "entered" in this Meet. This is a very low key, social, fun event. There's a great play area for small children, and there is lots of grass and shade in this safe **RESIDENTIAL PARK AREA.**

DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? Please call FRED BAUSCH @ (650) 592-9159. PLEASE SEND YOUR RESERVATION AND CHECK TO FRED BEFORE JULY 17th. **THANK YO**

SEATING FOR EATING

Since we are experiencing a larger group at this event every year, and seating in the BBQ area is minimal, I would like to encourage anyone who has a folding picnic table and benches, to bring them along. There are lots of places under the trees where you can set up for your BBQ lunch in shady comfort.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO PORTAL PARK IN CUPERTINO

From anywhere in the Bay Area - - - Drive to 280 (between 85 and 880) in Cupertino.
Turn west on WOLFE ROAD (toward the hills). Go past the Valco Shopping Center, to STEVENS CREEK BLVD. Turn right on Stevens Creek and go 1 long block to PORTAL AVE. Turn right on Portal Ave, go past the round-a-bout and you will soon see PORTAL PARK on the left. There is an island at the first parking lot entrance, so go to the 2nd entrance where you will see the "CLC BBQ" sign. Turn left into the lot, left again, and follow the signs and arrows thru the parking lot and they will guide you into the park and bar-b-que area. (Turn right up a slight incline next to the enclosed debris bins.)

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

THE NOR-CAL C&LC REGION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CHVA, THE FREEWHEELERS, AND
THE HUDSON, IMPERIAL, AND LINCOLN CLUBS, PRESENT

THE DON FROLICH MEMORIAL NATIONAL MEET

AT PORTAL PARK IN CUPERTINO, SUNDAY JULY 27TH, 2008

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS ENTIRE FORM AND SEND IT WITH YOUR CHECK MADE OUT TO NORCAL C&LC TO---FRED BAUSCH, 806 EL CAMINO REAL, SAN CARLOS 94070-4093.

CHECKS AND REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE JULY 19th.

CLASSES (Cad and LaSalle only)....Please indicate yours on the entry form below

(A) 02-24 CAD	(F) 48-49 CAD	(L) 61-64 CAD	(Q) 1981 TO CURRENT CAD
(B) 25-33 CAD	(G) 50-53 CAD**	(M) 65-70 CAD	(R) V12 & V16, ALL YEARS
(C) 34-40 CAD	(H) 54-56 CAD**	(N) 71-80 CAD	(S) LA SALLE 27-33
(D) 1941 CAD	(J) 57-58 CAD**	(O) ELDO 53-66	(T) LA SALLE 34-40
(E) 42-47 CAD	(K) 59-60 CAD**	(P) ELDO 67-80	**EXCEPT ELDORADO

PLEASE LIST YOUR ENTRY(s) ("MAKE" means Cadillac, LaSalle, or other Marque)

<u>MAKE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>SERIES</u>	<u>BODY STYLE</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<u>OTHER MARQUES</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>MODEL</u>		<u>BODY STYLE</u>
_____	_____	_____		_____
_____	_____	_____		_____

THE FOLLOWING RELEASE MUST BE SIGNED!

Whereas the undersigned, desiring to enter and participate in the 2008 NorCal Region, C&LC Inc. National meet does hereby tender his/her application to participate. Now therefore, in consideration of acceptance by the Club of the undersigned's application to participate in said event, the undersigned does hereby:

RELEASE THE CITY OF CUPERTINO, ITS OFFICERS AND AGENTS, THE CADILLAC AND LA SALLE CLUB, INC. AND ITS OFFICERS AND AGENTS, AND THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION OF THE C&LC AND ITS OFFICERS AND AGENTS, FROM ANY LIABILITY ARISING FROM SAID EVENT; AND 2, RELEASE ALL OTHER MEMBERS, PARTICIPANTS, AND OFFICIALS FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY ARISING FROM SAID EVENT.

THIS APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED IN ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

SIGNATURE(S) _____ OR _____
OWNER/MEMBER DATE EXHIBITOR DATE

BAR B QUE AND REGISTRATION RESERVATION

ADULTS---CHICKEN x # _____ ITALIAN SAUSAGE x # _____ @\$16.00 EA= _____
BARBEQUED TRI TIPS 12 OZ ----- x # _____ @ \$18.00 EA= _____

CHILDREN (under 10 years) HOT DOG & trimmings x# _____ @\$8.00 EA= _____

REGISTRATION FEE, including any number of cars will entitle the registrant to one dash plaque per vehicle. THIS REGISTRATION FEE MUST BE PAID BY EVERY REGISTRANT!!! \$10.00

MAKE YOUR CHECK OUT TO NORCAL C&LC FOR THE AMOUNT SHOWN- total- \$ _____

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME _____ Phone (____) _____
CITY - _____

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR CLUB AFFILIATION- -C&LC, _____ CHVA, _____ FREEWHEELERS, _____
HUDSON CLUB, _____ IMPERIAL CLUB, _____ LINCOLN CLUB _____

Come join the CHVA Cable Car Tour

Saturday, July 26th

“Don’t Miss The Boat” (or Ferry). We will be leaving at 10:25 a.m. SHARP from the Alameda Ferry Terminal, 2900 Main St., Alameda, for SF. Parking is free at the Terminal.

We’ll arrive at the San Francisco Ferry Building at 11:10, take a short walk to California St. and ride a Cable Car to the Cable Car Barn where we will arrive at approximately 11:50 for a guided tour of the lower level of the Barn. Address of the Barn is 1201 Mason St.

Then back on a Cable Car down to Fisherman’s Wharf to visit the Maritime Museum, Hyde St. Pier and the Festival of Tall Ships, which are located at different piers along the Embarcadero.

We will have lunch at Cioppino’s (Fisherman’s Wharf) 400 Jefferson St. at approximately 2 p.m.

For your return to Alameda you can leave from Pier 41 (same Terminal for the Ferry to Alcatraz) at 4:55 p.m. This will be the same Ferry that leaves the SF Ferry Building at 5:10. Other options are: taking a long walk, taxi or an old streetcar to the Ferry Building for the Farmer’s Market. The Ferry leaves from there at 5:10, arriving in Alameda at 5:30.

Please R.S.V.P. as we need a head count for the restaurant. For questions or directions please contact:

Larry Jett . . . JettRanch@aol.com (510) 794-7911

Chuck Harrison . . . chucko33@comcast.net (510) 792-0329



NorCal CLC Adopts!

On behalf of all NorCal CLC Regional Members, Jerry Brick and Sandy Carrion proudly adopted this Eldorado formerly owned by Elvis Presley and now displayed at the National Auto Museum. After owning the car for a short while, Elvis gifted it to his karate instructor. Our club will be listed as one of two sponsors for this imposing automobile for a full year at the museum. Stop by and visit when in Reno!



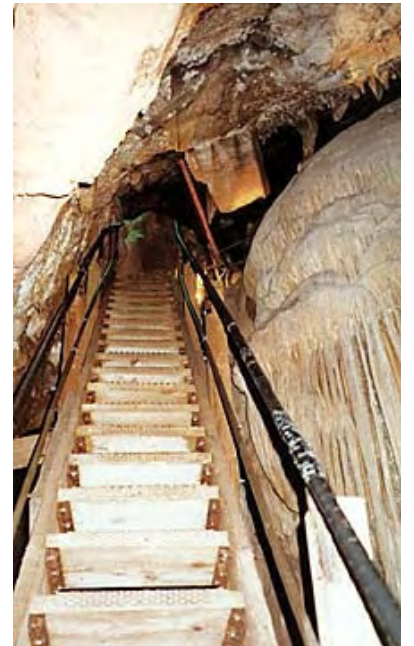


National Driving Tour June 1–7, 2008

Day 1 - June 1st Meet in Jackson, CA.

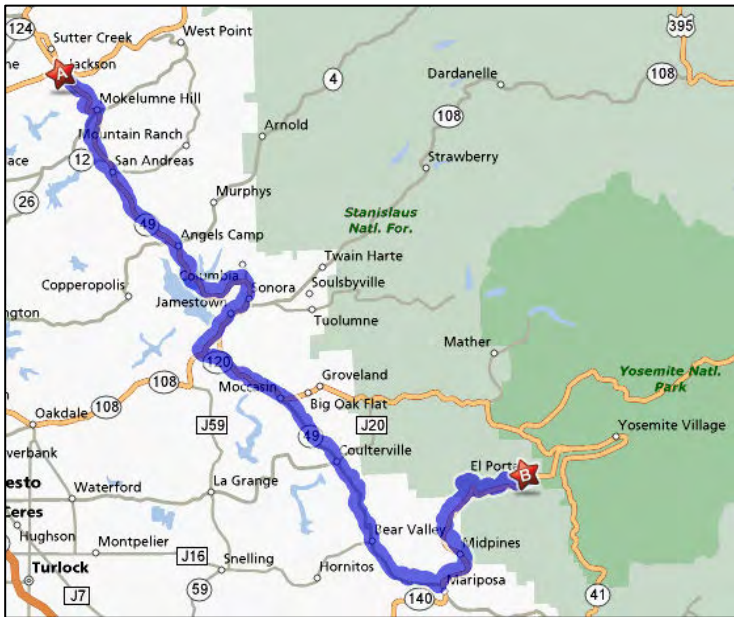
The photos on the following pages were submitted by Ron Zahn, Charles Thompson and Jerry Brick. Jerry Brick broke the record for the most proficient with his digital camera – he alone submitted 368 photos! Believe me, it was difficult to select the few you see here. Starting from upper left and going clockwise: Glenn Brown, National CLC President, flew to Sacramento and joined our tour with his Father-in-Law's Cadillac Catera. It was a delight to meet Glenn and learn first hand what a great

guy he is. At right, Fred and Penny Bausch meet us at Jackson in their vintage Jaguar for a proper "send off." This tour was designed and sponsored by Ed Gunther and Carl Steig. They carefully planned the route and made the tour a defined yet flexible combination of suggested routes and sites to see, along with an open invitation to "do it yourself" and "find your own way." On the first full day of the tour, some folks visited the three million year old Mercer Caverns in Murphy, CA – see steep stairs at right, the decent was the equivalent of 16 stories! Others visited Ironstone Vineyards home of the largest world's largest Crystalline Gold Leaf Specimen. Weighing forty-four pounds, this piece of gold was discovered by the Sonora Mining Company on Christmas Day, in 1992, only fifteen miles from its current home at Ironstone. Estimated at more than \$3 million dollars when it was found, the specimen is now considered priceless. Bottom right, Duke Gerke poses with his '59 Cad convertible, and in the background we see Jo Ann and Larry Brennan's 1960 Eldorado Biarritz. Next we see the bustle-back trunks of the two oldest vehicles on the tour – both 1936 LaSalles. Posing with his '36 LaSalle convertible is Eugene Calman from San Diego whose party also included his son Paul Calman.



Day 2 – June 2nd Jackson to El Portal. Sites along the way included Jamestown and Columbia (an old western town that only allows horse-drawn vehicles on it's main street). A dinner banquet was held in El Portal at the Cedar Lodge. Below right, Nick Rassushin and Sandy Carrion wind their way through the magnificent mountainous terrain in Nick's '57 60-Special.

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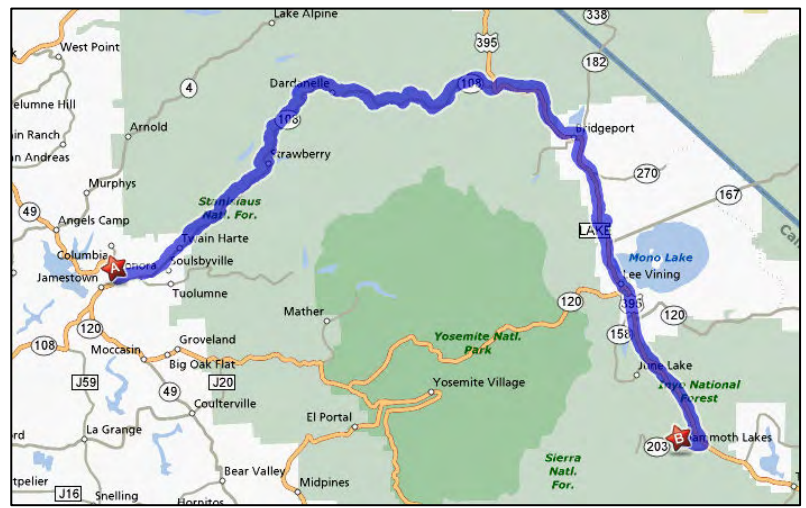


Day 3 – June
3rd El Portal
to Sonora. At

to Sonora. At right: Linda and Rob Leonard pause for a romantic photo along one of the beautiful, crystal clear rivers. Below right is the mighty El Capitan. Rising more than 3,000 feet above the Valley floor, it is the

largest monolith of granite in the world. We spent quality time in the Yosemite Valley, seeing Bridal Veil Falls, Half Dome, and numerous other unique and precious monuments. Some had lunch at the famous Ahwahnee Lodge. Below left is Mary and Joe McDonald in their 1949 Cadillac Coupe de Ville.



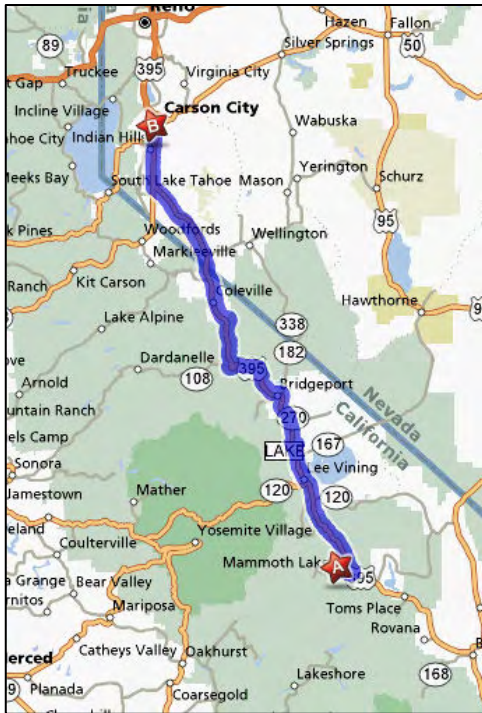


Day 4 – June 4th Sonora to Mammoth Lakes

On this leg of the trip, we followed an eighty-mile-long paved highway between Sonora and U.S. 395 that climbs the gradual western slope of the Sierra Nevada to the summit of 9,624-foot Sonora Pass. The Sonora Pass scenic drive twists up forested ridges on the gentle western slope of California's mountain backbone, the Sierra Nevada, to the airy summit of 9,624-foot Sonora Pass, one of the highest automobile roads in the state. Above left, we see Ron Zahn's magnificent '58 60-Special. Below right, we see Bob Briggs and his '41 Cadillac near Bodie – that's an 8% downgrade warning sign behind him. The bottom two photos show Bodie, a once-booming gold mining town now in a state of "arrested decay." The '37 Chevy is sinking into Bodie's bleak soil. Next is Charles Thompson dusting off his '05 Cad XLR.



Day 5 – June 5th Mammoth Lakes to Carson City Nevada. On Day 5, we turned north,



headed for Carson City. On the way, we stopped to view Mono Lake and its surrounding watershed which encompass a unique region in California. Sagebrush, Jeffrey pines, volcanoes, tufa towers, gulls, grebes, brine shrimp, alkali flies, freshwater streams, and alkaline waters comprise an unlikely world at the transition between the Sierra Nevada Mountains and the Great Basin Desert. Tufa is essentially common limestone. What is uncommon about this limestone is the way it forms. Typically, underwater springs rich in calcium (the stuff in your bones) mix with lakewater rich in carbonates (the stuff in baking soda). As the calcium comes in contact with carbonates in the lake, a chemical reaction occurs resulting in calcium carbonate—limestone. The calcium carbonate precipitates (settles out of solution as a solid) around the spring, and over the course of decades to centuries, a tufa tower will grow. Tufa towers grow exclusively underwater, and some grow to heights of over 30 feet. The reason visitors see so much tufa around Mono Lake today is because the lake level fell dramatically after water diversions began in 1941.



While in the parking lot at Mono Lake, a friendly seagull rested on the hood of Rosalie and Frank Stagnitto's '41 Cad Convertible. It posed for a few photos, and then flew away – happily leaving only his footprints and nothing more! At left and below, we see Pat and Jerry Brick and Dave and Patti Ricci viewing the tufa towers. Above right is Mr. Ted Bacon, and to the left is only one of the extensive Bacon Collection -- a 1916 Model 53 8-cylinder Cadillac. It was a real treat to have Mr. Bacon walk among the cars and tell a fascinating story about the cars.



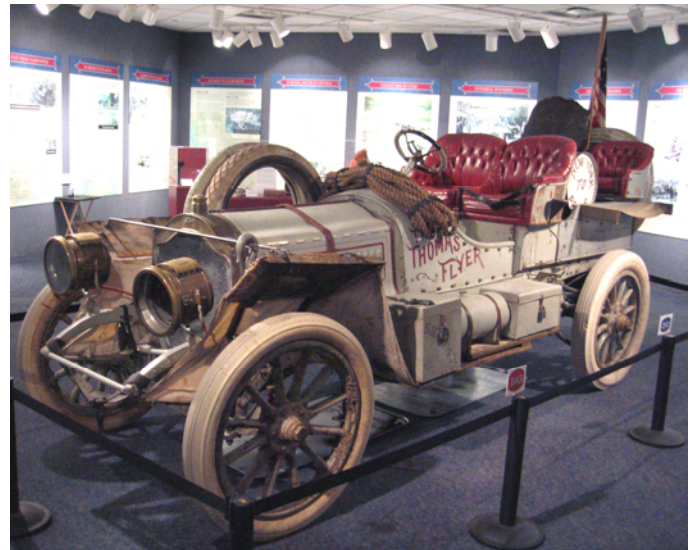
Finishing up Day 5

After touring the Ted Bacon Collection in Minden, NV, we drove out to the Hone Angus Ranch. Doug Hone placed one of his vintage Cadillac Sevilles at the end of his driveway to show us the way. Mr. and Mrs. Hone hosted a terrific and relaxing outdoor BBQ at their Angus cattle ranch in Gardnerville, NV. At right, Sandy Carrion makes friends with one of the horses on the Hone Ranch.



Day 6 – June 6th Carson City NV to Grass Valley, CA

In Carson City, the Hardman House marquee welcomed the CLC as did several of our hotels on the trip. We departed Carson City and headed up to Reno and the National Automobile Museum. We viewed the many galleries and mocked-up streets with interesting and outstanding cars parked along the way. Sandy Carrion and Jerry Brick couldn't resist adopting one of the machines – a very large Eldorado formerly belonging to none other than the King himself – Elvis Presley. After getting our fill of cars and watching the terrific movie in a full sized theater on the life of Bill Harrah, the group meandered down to Grass Valley where another fine banquet was waiting. Below you can see a few of the many immaculate cars in the museum. At left is a 1957 Cadillac Eldorado Brougham; below that is a very early model Cadillac; and at the bottom right is the 1907 Thomas Flyer that won the 1908 New York to Paris round-the-world race. There has not been another attempt at a round-the-world auto race since 1908, and as the current world record holder, this is arguably the most historic American automobile in existence.



Day 7 – June 7th Grass Valley, CA to HOME!

Don Berkheimer is pictured with Tour Sponsors, Carl Steig and Ed Gunther, as he receives his award for driving the furthest distance. While Don hails from Silver Springs, Maryland, he actually drove his 1964 Cadillac CDV all the way from Daytona Beach, Florida. Congrats to Don and to his trouble-free Cadillac. Other attendees came from Oregon, Washington, Utah, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Connecticut, Delaware, and of course California.

An optional venture on the last day of the Tour was the Empire Gold Mine -- the site of the oldest, largest, and richest gold mine in California.. Below, you can see one of the massive rock crushers used to breakdown the quartz brought out of the mine. To the left is a blacksmith working in one of the shops that supported the mining operation. At the bottom is one of the residences of the mine owner, Mr. William Bourn, Jr., and the superintendent, Mr. George Starr. The grounds included a Clubhouse for entertaining, extensive lawns with fountains, a reflection pool and gardens with a greenhouse. These features are all now incorporated into the Empire Mine State Historic Park.

This was a most memorable trip combining sweeping scenery, friends new and old, and our favorite Cadillacs into a magical and marvelous grand tour. We continue to express our gratitude to Ed Gunther and Carl Steig for sponsoring, planning and managing this wonderful tour!

