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September 26th - Ironstone Vineyards show

October 3rd & 4th - North South Meet

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2009 Nor Cal CLC Calendar of Events

(*) Indicates an event of interest, but not an official club event.

Aug	12th – 16th	* Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. Carmel, CA Call 831-622-1700 or info@pebblebeachconcours.net
	Sat 15th	* Garden Railroad Tour and Food Drive. bagrs.org "15th Annual Benefit Layout Tour". dalemcanally@ verizon.net or 408-683-4537.
	Sun 16th	Wings and Wheels
	Thu 20th	* Danville Hot Summer Night's Hot Rod and Classic Car Show 2009
Sept	Sat 26th	* Ironstone Vineyard's - 13th Annual Concours d'Elegance. Details TBD.
Oct	3rd- 4th	North-South Meet in Visalia, CA Hosted by the CLC SoCal Region. Details inside
Nov	TBD	Annual Planning Meeting Hosted by Sandy Carrion, at the Buttercup Pantry in Oakland
Dec	Sun 13th	Christmas Tour and Lunch at Dunsmuir House. volunteers needed!

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A Message from Your President



July was a month full of car events just ripe for the taking. On our own Calendar of Events was Hot San Jose Nights, the 7th Annual Marin Yacht Club Car Show, the First Annual Presidio Concours, Danville's Hot Summer Nights and our own Portal Park Picnic (Don Frolich Memorial National Meet). I'm certain there were plenty of other venues to choose from as well. (More on Portal Park elsewhere in the newsletter.)

The photos below provide a glimpse of just how wonderful it was at the Inaugural Presidio of San Francisco Concours d'Elegance. The weather cooperated even if it was a bit schizophrenic... being quite cool in the early morning, turning to pleasant then quite warm by mid-day. But the famous San Francisco fog could be seen slinking along through the Golden Gate and by afternoon, it had spread just a bit over the Presidio bringing the natural air conditioning. The venue was an historic drill field surrounded by vintage military buildings that had lovely Spanish influence features.

While there were many trophies handed out at this show, those associated with CLC were Henry Hopkins and Richard Palmer taking 1st place in their class for their freshly restored 1960 Chrysler 300 (OK, it's not a Cadillac, but they are in our club!); Geoff and Katharine Smith of San Rafael taking 2nd place in the class with their 1957 Eldorado Brougham; Nick Rassushin taking 3rd place for his 1957 Cadillac Sixty Special; and Don Barnes taking a trophy for his 1937 Cadillac Convertible Sedan.

I've included a few photos of the haut couture fashion show that occurred right in the middle of the field of fine automobiles. This goes to show that there's more to a concours d'elegance than just "boys and their toys." There was a group of lovely models who strutted their stuff down a red carpet, returning to the small tents to change outfits over and over. Quite a show. See more of all the photos at <http://www.sfconcours.com/g1.htm>.

This month's Self Starter magazine contains an article about the winner of the 2009 Newsletter of the Year – none other than our own Headliner. By combining my interest in everything associated with the Cad & LaSalle Club with my interest in graphic artistry, I enjoyed doing the newsletter each and every month. Because I was elected President this year, I have turned over the responsibility for the newsletter to our new Editor In Chief, Carolyn Dippel. Doing the newsletter kept me very close to all the events, but more importantly it kept me close to the small cadre of people who try very hard to figure out what the club members would find interesting in the way of club sponsored tours. I know the economic downturn and the high price of gas have caused many of us to stick closer to home. This has given rise to a new term, "Staycation," for a stay-at-home-vacation. It would be very cool to hear from many of you as to what would be of interest to you as far as car-related events go. I invite you to send ideas to any Board member, and I guarantee your ideas will be considered. We're at the height of the summertime events, and there's lots to choose from. This weekend for me is Novato Nostalgia, so I'm busy cleaning road dust and dog hair out of my trusty '49 convertible to be ready to cruise down the mainstreets of Novato and to join in the Show 'n Shine festivities on Saturday. I hope you are enjoying the season, and I especially hope you are enjoying your vintage Cadillac or LaSalle (the modern ones too!). All the best!

- *Charles Thompson*

July 19, 2009

Presidio Concours d'Elegance

Below is a photo of Nick Rassushin receiving a trophy for his beautiful baby blue 1957 Cadillac Fleetwood Sixty Special.



Just above is a magnificent 1930's Packard dual cowl phaeton. At right is the 1960 Chrysler 300 owned by Henry Hopkins and Richard Palmer. This car was recently restored to "better than new" and took first prize in the class. Congrats to Henry and Richard!



Clockwise from above left:

Mary McDonald takes it all in while relaxing in a fancy fold up lounge chair. Joe & Mary McDonald's navy blue and gray 1949 Coupe de Ville; three photos from the Fashion show; Joe McDonald's Caddy undergoes the scrutiny of several judges. The judges were serious and professional in doing their jobs, and their attention to detail was appreciated.



A WORD FROM THE TOUR DIRECTOR

August 2009

In case anyone missed me, I've been on hiatus since April. Finally, I'm baaa-aaack!

While there was much to choose from in the month of July, I opted for our annual shindig at Portal Park. Along with perfect weather, this year we had an eye-popping turnout of 18 cars from the Packard Club. Many other marques were represented, too, and some fantastic examples of Lincoln, Oldsmobile, Hudson and others gleamed shoulder-to-shoulder on the graceful slopes surrounding the picnic area. A shame if you missed it because we had over 30 great Cadillacs, including the return of two woodies that once serviced Yellowstone Park. After missing the GN, it was a nice consolation for me to see some dear familiar faces and some excellent cars. A really good show!

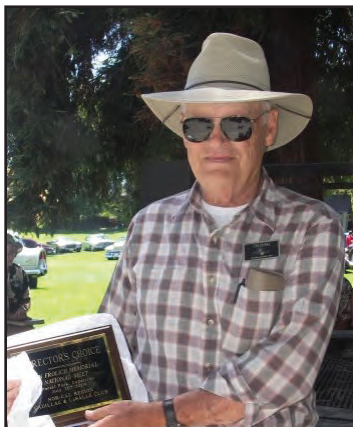
September is always Ironstone and the North-South Meet follows the first week of October, this year hosted by the SoCal Region. I don't believe we've been to Visalia for this meet in many years, or maybe ever. Be sure to reserve right away and bring along your swimsuit.

Before you know it the November planning meeting will here. Tentatively, it will be held again at the Buttercup Grill in Oakland (more on this next month). Now is the time to start planning something... a driving tour, a private collection, anything you think others will enjoy. Please show your support by hosting an event.

At this writing, the Christmas at Dunsmuir event needs someone who will volunteer to assume hosting duties and finish making the arrangements. Regretfully, I won't be able to be there in person but I'll be there in micro-managing spirit. I can finish the details and support anyone willing to be the tour leader. Most of the work is already done, it won't be hard and it will be fun... and the venue is perfect for an old-timey holiday adventure. Please contact me if you are interested at (510) 522-0536.

See you on tour,

Sandy Carrion



2009 Portal Park Award Results

CLASS	PLACE	CAD-LAS	YEAR	SER.	BODY	CITY
A1 02-24	1 st place	CAD	1907	VICT	TOURING	SAN CARLOS
C1 34-40		CAD	1940	62	CONV CPE	RICHMOND
C2		CAD	1940	60S	TOUR SED	SARATOGA
C3	1 st place	CAD	1937	60	CONV SEDAN	SAN FRANCISCO
C4		CAD	1937	75	12 PASS BUS	LOS GATOS
D1 1941	1 st place	CAD	1941	60S	SEDAN	REDWOOD CIY
D2		CAD	1941	62	SEDAN	SAN JUAN BAUTISTA
D3		CAD	1941	62	COUPE	SANTA CLARA
D4		CAD	1941	60S	SEDAN	EL SOBRANTE
E1 42-47	1 st place	CAD	1947	67	CONV CPE	LOS GATOS
E2	1 st place	CAD	1949	62	CONV CPE	NOVATO
F1 48-49		CAD	1949	75	IMP SEDAN	BRENTWOOD
H1 54-56		CAD	1955	62	SEDAN	SAN JOSE
H1	1 st place	CAD	1956		CONV	SAN FRANCISCO
K1 59-60	1 st place	CAD	1960		CONV CPE	SAN JOSE
L1 61-64	1 st place	CAD	1961	6339	HDTP SEDAN	CONCORD
L2		CAD	1964	62	CONV	SAN CARLOS
M1 65-70		CAD	1966	62	CONV CPE	SAN JOSE
M2		CAD	1969		DEVILLE CONV CPE	SUNNYVALE
M2		CAD	1965		CPE DEVILLE	MONTEREY
M3	1 st place	CAD	1967	68	CPE DEVILLE	SAN JOSE
M4		CAD	1969		DEVILLE	WALNUT CREEK
N1 71-80	1 st place	CAD	1972		SUPERIOR HEARSE	SAN FRANCISCO
O1 53-66 EL	1 st place	CAD	1966		ELDO CONV	SUNNYVALE
O1		CAD	1953		6267X ELDO CONV	LOS GATOS
Q2 81 &UP		CAD	91		BROUGHAM SEDAN	CUPERTINO
Q3	1 st place	CAD	1991		DEVILLE SEDAN	SAN LEANDRO
Q1		CAD	2005	XLR	CONV CPE	NOVATO
S1 27-33		LASALLE	1927	303	SEDAN	SANTA CLARA
S2 1st place	DIRECTORS CHOICE	LASALLE	1929	328	DBL COWL	RESCUE
T1 34-40		LASALLE	1940	52	CONV CPE	CASTRO VALLEY
T2		LASALLE	1939	50	CONV CPE	MORGAN HILL
T3	1 st place	LASALLE	1940	50	12 PASS BUS	LOS GATOS





***The Cadillac & LaSalle Club
of Southern California
Invites all National CLC Members to the
2009 “North-South” Meet at the Lamp Liter Inn
in Visalia – Gateway to the Sequoias
Friday through Sunday, October 2-4, 2009***

Please make your room reservations at the Lamp Liter Inn **by August 30** by calling 800-662-6692 during normal business hours. We have 28 rooms – the entire West Wing – reserved at just \$74/night. When making your reservations mention the Cadillac & LaSalle Club to ensure this room rate and to secure a room adjacent to our parking area. Activities include a Saturday evening cocktail hour (no host) and **banquet at the Lamp Liter Inn**, and a hosted **hospitality suite** on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon and evening stocked with beer, wine, soda and light snacks.

Questions? Call **Rob Leonard at (310) 679-2803** or rl@caditalk.com
Register early as the first 25 registrants will receive dash plaques!

Mail the bottom portion of this flyer by **September 26th** to:

Craig Chally, 1644 Meadowglen Ct., Newbury Park, CA 91320

For more information see www.caditalk.com

YES, I will attend North-South Meet in Visalia!

Enclosed is my check made out to “**SoCal CLC**”

Name: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ I will be driving my _____

Buffet Dinners include tri tip, chicken malanaise, vegetable du jour, baked potato, green salad, pasta salad, fresh fruit, coleslaw, dinner salad, fresh bread & butter, and assorted desserts; served with coffee & tea. Other beverages are to be individually purchased.

Total number of dinners: _____ @ \$35 each = Dinner subtotal \$ _____

Family Registration: \$ 25

Family Registration plus Dinners = Total Enclosed \$ _____

Please remember that the club has a signed contract with a minimum guarantee. Refunds are not possible for late cancellations unless the reservations are assumed by others with cash payment or the minimum guarantee obligation has been fulfilled.

Ironstone Concours d'Elegance & Cadillac Club BBQ

Saturday, September 26, 2009

Ironstone Winery, 1894 Six Mile Road
Murphys, CA 95247
209 728-1251

"Nestled against the Sierra Foothills, in the heart of California's scenic Gold Rush Country, Ironstone Vineyards will surprise and delight you with a winery that places as much emphasis on the natural beauty and history of our surroundings, as we do on the quality of our wines." "A warm welcome with outstanding hospitality and exceptional wines were the dreams of the Kautz family when they created Ironstone Vineyards. This seven-story entertainment complex is located in the historic Gold Rush town of Murphys, quietly nestled in the Sierra Foothills. Murphys is located off Highway 4, in Calaveras County, approx. two hours drive due east of San Francisco, halfway between Lake Tahoe and Yosemite National Forest." (from the ironstone website)

This year Ironstone is featuring Hudson (including Essex & Teraplane), Rolls-Royce and Bently, plus a special class for cars from the former Harrah's Automobile Collection. You will need to be at the Concours by 9 am. Deadline to enter is September 1. You may print an entry form from their website (ironstonefoundation.org) or call Jeff to send you one. 650 740-5204.

Jeff and Jeanene Nielsen and Fran Barnsley will be hosting a BBQ after the Concours around 4:30 pm. This year we will offer pulled pork or chicken sandwiches, salads and a build-your-own ice cream sunday for desert. BYOB. Cost: \$15 per person. Please send your check to: 949 Cherry Street, San Carlos, CA 94070 . Return by September 21, to confirm your reservation.

Please call or email Jeff with any questions karkidd121@comcast.net. Directions will be handed out at the concours.



Welcome New Members

Del and Myrna Meyer of
Monterey, CA and their 1965
Cadillac Coupe DeVille



Hot August/Cool Cars

August 16, 2009

Downtown San Anselmo Merchants Association's 4th Annual Car Show. Sunday August 16, 2009, 11 AM to 5 PM. Over twenty awards, dash plaque to all entries. BBQ, Micro Brew, Music. Late registration after June 16th is \$45. All entries must be pre-1972 and registered by August 1 -- no vehicle entrees will be accepted day of show. Entry fee includes free T-shirt; extra T-shirts are \$17 each.

For information, call Drew McEachern at 415/254-7796 or email secretary@dsama.org. or go to www.dsama.org/carshow.html to download the registration info.



Novato Nostalgia Days

August 14 & 15, 2009

Hot Rod and Kustom Show on Grant avenue in Novato. Go to their website to download a registration form to enter your car, or call Marv Giambastiani at 415-897-0583.

There will be live bands, a Friday night Sock Hop, and Hot Rod Cruise, and many other events.

<http://www.nostalgidaysonline.com/>

For Sale



1969 Cadillac el Dorado. It has been sitting under a carport for 17 years. The vinyl is in perfect condition and and it runs, but need work under the hood to really make it drivable. Everything about this car is original. it has 47, 124 miles on it. I have been looking for someone who is really into the old cadillacs to buy this car. Car is in Ukiah, CA \$6,000 obo contact Chelsea at chelsmyers2@hotmail.com

Wanted

Car clocks-- pre 1970. What do you have? I am building a small collection to display at an event... Will purchase and pay shipping.. E-mail to Lionel@garlic.com or call 409-776-1373