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Freewheelers ooh and aah the vast inventory of restored and in process restorations at Delong's British Restoration Shop
(Photo Keith Cambra)

Spotlight on Restoration Tour Shines Bright!

— by Tim Finnegan

The Restoration Tour on June 15th gave the over 40 attendees a chance to see some great works-in-process, marvel at some just-restored Freewheeler's classics, and learn some new restoration techniques in the cleanest and most interesting workshop anyone had ever seen!

A classic auto restoration shop with a refrigerated wine rack, a cappuccino machine, and polished, painted floors? It sounds way over the top, but some serious top-quality work goes on here. It's all directed by one Matt Pumphery, one of the most talented young professionals in the field today. From massive machine tools and

lathes to the most basic crucible for casting metal, Matt's shop has the unique capability of making almost any kind of body or engine part. He certainly can't call the Deussenberg factory and order a left-rear door handle for a '32 Custom Cabriolet!

The shop tour started about 10:30 am with delicious doughnuts and several boxes of wonderfully bold Starbucks that kept everyone particularly perky, despite the climbing thermometer. Matt's tour of his shop was punctuated by his many humorous stories and his deep knowledge of his craft. Passing the Packards, the Lincolns, and the Locomobiles, the final stop was at

the '31 Deussenberg where he gave an in-depth and scientific demonstration of metal polishing. This came complete with a white-board diagrammatic explanation of light refraction off scratched surfaces featuring several different colors of erasable white-board pens. The actual part polished in the demonstration was a rear-door stainless trim piece off of a certain, very elusive 1962 Lincoln convertible that has rarely been seen by the club. The "new" owner of this mystery car insists he will finish it "one day" and start bringing it to Freewheeler events.

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Co-President's Messages...

Tim Finnegan put together a really great June 15th event. Highlight for me was the Duesenberg roadster. It's my dream car and it will remain just that, sigh. Warren Lubich brought his Packard to the event, his father's car Warren drove back in High School days. Beautiful, original time capsule car. The restoration shop was very impressive. I found out it's the place I could have had our '33 Packard engine rebuilt. Bad timing as the Packard is long gone. That is truly the one we should have held onto. Loved the British sports cars. The XK 120 model is a favorite. Back in '53, my sister's almost fiancé drove a fixed head coupe. Lusted after both him and the car. The Catholic vs. Protestant thing ended it for them, though. Now it's wars over religion. How sad. Exciting events ahead: WCM, August pool party, and a possible new venue for our Sept. Car Show. For those of you attending, enjoy WCM 2013.

Henry Hopkins

Co-President, Freewheelers Car Club

It's that time of year again: the West Coast Meet. As Great Autos is hosting, we have extra time to obsess about the roadability of our vehicles. Personally, I take issue with psychiatrists who say there is no advantage to worrying: I contend you actually accumulate credit the more you stress and wring your hands, thereby reducing the likelihood of anything bad happening on the way to SLO. As this theory remains to be proven, it doesn't hurt to carry spare motor oil (and one of those cute paper funnels in case you have bad aim), coolant for the radiator, water for yourself and Windex for the vanity mirror(s). I wonder what the early settlers did without cell phones and AAA? For that matter, I wonder what my parents did. What used to be the promise of gold and the California sun has been replaced by over 300 gays with fabulous cars and the promise of a terrific weekend.

If you haven't yet registered, there are still rooms available at the Embassy Suites and (it gets better) Great Autos has waived the late fee for registering. I hope to see you in SLO.

Larry Salvador

Co-President, Freewheelers Car Club



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After finishing at Matt's shop, the group sauntered in the noon heat 2-doors up to DeLong's British Restoration shop and was treated to some much-needed cool refreshments. The owner, Dave Osborne, really was from the "Sceptered Isle" and had the accent to prove it. DeLong's parking lot was festooned with British classics including Aston Martins, MG's, and quite a few Jaguars -- including one gorgeous late '40's or early '50's one that changed color from grey to pink to purple depending on the light. Apparently the unusual and stunning color was the result of a wonderful accident of paint-mixing.

Some notable, not-often-on-tour or newly restored luscious loveys that showed up were:

Ted Downing's 1958 Edsel Station Wagon with its magical TeleTouch transmission control and jaw-dropping restoration. Yes, Virginia, Edsel's TeleTouch really did work by magic. Michael Sousa's 1964 Continental 4-door convertible. We need to see a lot more of that -- if only just to marvel at the paint job.

Warren Lubich's 1953 Packard Clipper. It is a beautiful color. What did Packard call it? If I ask a man who owns one will he tell me? If he doesn't know can we just make something up? How about ... "crem brule"?

First on tour cars also included Jay Remick and Michael Amodt's spring time fresh yellow 1965 Corvair, Lorenzo Dunns svelt 1966 Alpha Romeo Duetto, and on the more modern side, Steve Hamp's 2002 Lexus ES 300 and Hal Yeager's 2005 Buick Park Ave.

The club wishes to thank both businesses for so graciously opening their doors to our club and being such great hosts and knowledgeable speakers. Their continued success would be assisted by any club member patronizing their shops. Matt, for example, has a lot of big, long-term projects; and would appreciate any smaller, short term projects or repair business Freewheelers might steer to his shop.

Pumphrey and Company www.pumphreyandco.com can be reached at (408) 371-8030

Delongs Automotive. www.delongsautomotiverepair.com can be reached at (408) 371-7679

I wish to thank everyone who enjoyed this event. Tim Finnegan

THIS PAGE: Top row – Freewheelers learn about various restoration tips and tricks Bottom row – CONTEST! If you can identify the roadster, tell us what it is on our Facebook Page!. After a day of education, Flames served up good grub.



Sunday, August 11, 2013:

Things to do:

- Stop and Smell the Roses
- Caravan and Eat the Barbecue
- Swim and Taste the Chlorine

Join us on Sunday, the 11th for a Pool Party and Barbecue at the home of Jack Adam and Bill Burks in Redwood City. We will gather at the Gamble House in Palo Alto to enjoy the gardens, drive to Jack and Bill's beautiful home for a barbecue and linger poolside for swimming and whatever. Details and directions in August Flyer.



Not actual Freewheelers. Not even close. No even when we went to the gym three times a week in the 1970's.

The New Website is Here!

Just in time to celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the Freewheelers, the club has a new website with a whole new look and interactivity. If you haven't seen the new website, log on today! You can still find all the club information you need like upcoming events, the club roster, flyers- past and present, as well as some brand new items. Peruse vintage ads, read the blog or catch an episode of your favorite classic on *Freewheeler TV*!

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Car Oddities - The Iranian Seville

by Stuart Gunn

Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, Shahanshah of Iran, House of Pahlavi, Aryamehr, Bozorg Arteshtārān, head of a dynasty whose ancient roots go back to 1925 was a forward-looking monarch who used Iran's oil revenues to modernize his country. In 1966 an agreement was reached between Pars Khodro of Iran and American Motors and [General Motors](#) (GM) to produce cars under license. Among these was the Seville Cadillac, manufactured in Iran under the brand name of "Cadillac Iran" by Pars Khodro, which was known as "Iran General Motors". The car produced was known in Iran as the Cadillac Civil and a total of 2653 Cadillac's were made in Iran from 1977 until 1980. All information available indicates the Cadillac Civil was identical to the Seville.

By the late seventies Reza Pahlavi's grip on the country was weakening and his chances of remaining on the Peacock Throne were fading as fast as the brakes on a '59 Coupe de Ville. The successful [Iranian Revolution](#) and subsequent government forced the cessation of the manufacture of and links with GM in 1981.



Exact number aren't available, but because of their excellent build quality it is believed that there are a number of 1977-1980 Cadillac Civil in use, mostly in the Middle East. For more information please visit the Iranian Cadillac Society page on Facebook. (there's a facebook page for everything!)

Join the Caravan to the West Coast Meet!

Are you a little nervous about how your car will perform on the trip down to San Luis Obispo? Picture the scene: you're stranded on a lonely stretch of 101, wind whipping the eucalyptus trees about. Steam billows out from under the hood, and feelings of anxiety and fear envelope you. A lone wolf cries in the distance.

I know, I know, so you get out your cell phone and call AAA. But wouldn't it be a little more comforting to have some friends there to help you out? Join the caravan to West Coast!

Meet at Clint Moore's house on Thursday morning, July 11 for coffee and pastries before we set off for our weekend adventure. We will plan to be on the road south at 10am, stop for lunch in King City, and arrive in SLO in time to unpack your Bond gear before cocktail hour. Please RSVP so we don't leave anyone behind!

What: Caravan to West Coast

When: Thursday, July 11, 9am tire kicking/10am departure

RSVP: Clint Moore batbuick@yahoo.com or 408-426-0741 (cell)

Where: Clint's Casa de Kitsch, 661 Trace Ave., San Jose, 95126

Directions:

From 280:

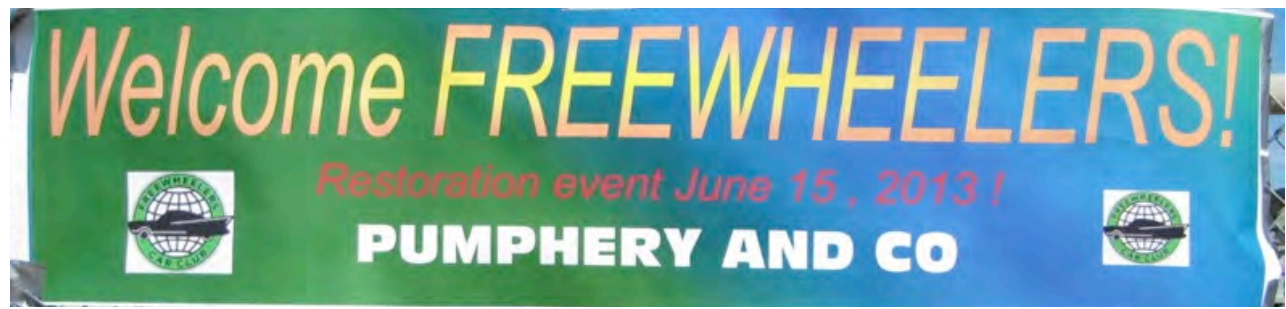
Take 880 North to the first exit at Bascom Avenue South. Merge onto Bascom and turn left at the second stop light onto Naglee Ave. Turn right at your first opportunity onto Trace Ave. It's the second house on the right.

From 101:

Take 880 South to Bascom Ave. At the end of the offramp, turn left onto Bascom Ave. Proceed to the third stop light and turn left onto Naglee Ave. Turn right at your first opportunity onto Trace Ave. It's the second house on the right.

From Sacramento/East Bay:

Take 880 South (or take 680 and cut across to 880 South at Mission Blvd.) and follow the directions from 101 above.



THIS PAGE: Top row – Freewheelers welcome banner was a nice way to start the day. Members listen intently about restoration techniques. Richard Palmer and Henry Hopkins check out the handy work. Lorenzo Dunns 1966 Alpha Romeo Duetto looking stunning in white. Matt Pumphery has a captive audience. British cars on display for all to enjoy at Delong's British Restoration shop.



Top: Ted Downers Stunning 1958 Edsel Villager Wagon. Warren Lubich's 1953 Packard Clipper. Michael Sousa's 1964 Continental – Mrs. Kennedy. Jay Remick and Michael Amodt's 1965 Corvair. Brian McCann's 1964 Imperial smiles for the camera. Hal Yeager's 2005 Buick Park Ave.

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Henry Hopkins/Richard Palmer 510-234-9649 510-220-9134

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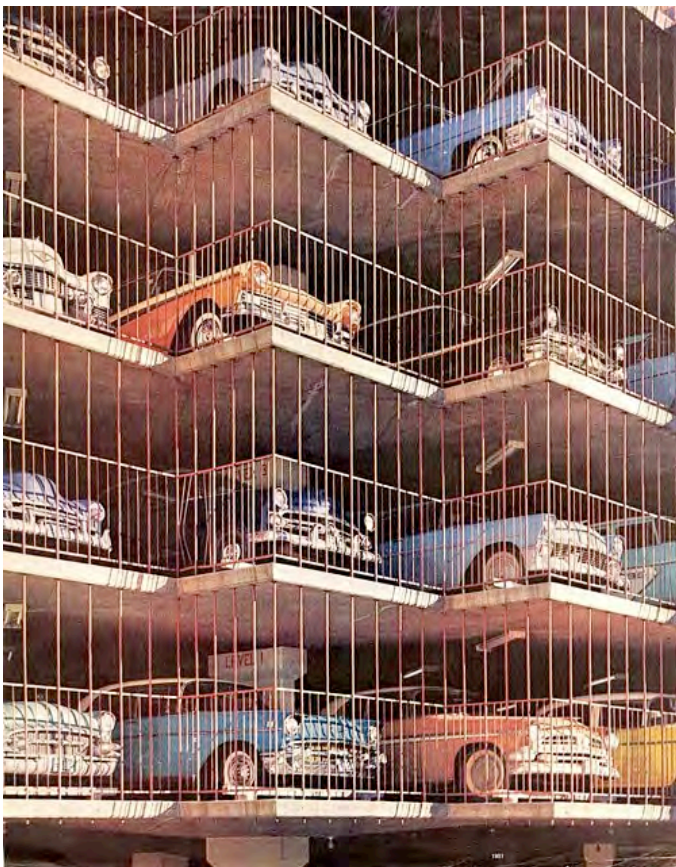
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Welcome New & Returning Members!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 2013

Thurs-Sun., 7/11-14: **SAVE THE DATE** for the West Coast Meet in San Luis Obispo. "The Car Who Loved ME"

Sun., 7/21: Hillsborough Concours d' Elegance

Sun., 7/28: Don Frolich Memorial Portal Park BBQ - No. Ca. Cadillac LaSalle Club

August 2013

Sun., 8/11: **SAVE THE DATE** Freewheeler Club Summer Pool Party

Sat-Sun., 8/16-17: Main Street Reunion Car Show- Napa

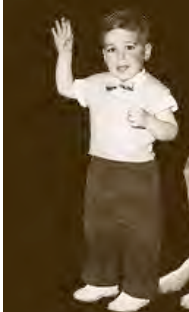
<http://donapa.com/events/special-event/main-street-reunion-car-show-2013>

September 2013

Sun., 9/22: **SAVE THE DATE** Freewheeler Benefit Car Show... Details coming soon.

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