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FREEWHEELERS



Hillman Aviation Museum Tour - February 2013



Freewheelers 2013 – The Year in Review

By Eric Whitney

Perhaps it's the cooler weather, or the promise of warmer weather approaching, that finds winter lending itself toward introspection. As the New Year begins, let's look back over the last year and reflect on what a wonderful year it has been for our car club. As an entirely volunteer run organization, it's impressive to review the breadth of activities sponsored by our membership, and enjoyed by so many.

Our years' journey began last January at our Annual Business Meeting hosted at the Vallejo Yacht Club. What a lively and wonderful start to the year as friends old and new came together to welcome the new year, share laughter, and brainstorm a list of activities for the year ahead. Little time was wasted as our first get-together came a few weeks later when 46 of us congregated at Marvin Gardens pub in Belmont for lunch before our short driving tour to the Hiller Aviation Museum in San Carlos. March saw nearly 70 folks turn out for lunch on Treasure Island and then enjoy a drive tour through San Francisco to visit the Disney Family Museum in the Presidio.

By April we were ready to leave the tarmac as nearly 90 of us hopped aboard the U.S.S. Potomac for a water-bound tour around the bay as we helped the crew celebrate the 96th Opening of the San Francisco Bay. Returning again to the Vallejo Yacht Club in May, over 40 of us welcomed new and returning members at our annual New Member Brunch, where longstanding members delighted us all with stories of Freewheelers' delightful (and sometimes sordid) history. Later in the month more informal gatherings of our club's members could be found at Friendship Day in Redwood Shores, and in the North Bay at the Marin Concours d'Elegance. Before we said goodbye to spring, another group of more than 40 of us descended upon Pumphrey & Company, and DeLong's British Restoration shops in Campbell to tour two impressive shops and learn some *(continued on page 5)*



President's Message

Happy New Year! This is going to be another banner year for the Freewheelers. We're planning driving tours all over the Bay Area, north, south and east, so be sure to start hoarding water for hydration, moisturizer and the radiator.

Eric Whitney has created a 2013 Year-in-Review article for this Flyer. Not exactly a bodice-ripper and you won't cry at the end, but it is comprehensive and beautifully written. Hats off to Eric for his contribution and for paying attention.

One of the last acts of the 2013 Board was updating the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Conduct to reflect 21st century living even if we're still 20th century driving. It may have been a while since you've perused the CB&Rs (I just made that up ... nobody refers to them that way). Before you start going through line-by-line hunting for the revisions (and possibly developing whiplash), we have a "marked" version of the documents available by email or hard copy. Additions are highlighted in yellow and deletions in red (I created the document, I chose the colors ... deal with it).

As you probably know from the CB&Rs (and who doesn't have a copy on their nightstand?), amendments to the By-Laws and Rules of Conduct are made by the Board, however, amendments to the Constitution are approved by the General Membership at the Annual Board Meeting. Relax ... there's only two and they're not that big. Speaking as one of the original authors of the CB&Rs, they generally follow the work of Henry Robert (no, he wasn't a Freewheeler) who, in 1876, created Robert's Rules of Order (no, he wasn't a classmate of Ray Menefee). Once that's taken care of, we're good for another 35 years.

We're also hard at work on the West, West, West, West Coast Meet (now that needs an abbreviation). We'll keep you apprised of work on the car show, decorations and entertainment ... you won't want to miss it! Let's Redo 1962! And here's to 2014!

Larry Salvador

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Do You Know the Way to San Jose?



— by Keith Cambra

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 16th to join your fellow Freewheelers as we visit the fabulous collection of cars at Larry Camuso and Kirk Wentland's garage in San Jose. "Garage" hardly seems appropriate for what is more like a museum filled with an amazing collection of automobiles and cool memorabilia. We will meet in the morning for our customary coffee and donuts, and of course tire kicking before enjoying the Camuso-Wentland collection. Afterwards we will enjoy lunch as we caravan to one of the fabulous restaurants in the area. So save the date and plan on coming out for what is sure to be a great time. More details to follow in the March Flyer.

At-a Glance:

What: Larry Camuso and Kirk Wentland's Garage
When: Sunday, March 16th, at 10:00 AM
Where: San Jose, CA
Fee: \$5.00 event fee. Lunch on your own.
RSVP: Upcoming Evite or contact Keith Cambra at mrbouge@astound.net or 925-202-9665



Advertising in the Flyer

Over the years we have had advertisements placed in the flyer. Most of these are member ads for selling cars, equipment and occasionally a garage space.

We have had an increasing interest in business advertising in the Flyer, which we would like to encourage as a way of offsetting the cost of producing the Flyer.

After Board discussion, we have set the following rates starting January 1, 2014. We will provide other rates for different size ads or different durations on request.

Type of Ad	Members Non-Commercial	Non- Members Non-Commercial	Members Commercial	Non-Member Commercial
Ad for car, equipment, etc	3 for Free, then \$10./insertion	\$20. per insertion	n/a	n/a
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Quarter Page Size	n/a	n/a	\$60.00 per insertion \$500.00/year	\$70.00 per insertion \$600.00/year

To Place an ad, please contact Michael Sousa, Promotions Director at msousa94@yahoo.com or Jay Remick, Treasurer at jayremick@me.com.

Time to Renew for 2014 -or-

It's a West, West, West, West Coast Renewal.

If we do not receive your Renewal by February 15th, we cannot guarantee you will be included in the Roster.

Dues

Membership will remain at \$50.00 as it was last year for the year Jan. to Dec. 2014

A discount of \$10.00 for those who prefer the online/digital version of the Flyer and the Roster with no print versionsent to you by mail...that means membership will be \$40.00 for you.

Options for Renewing Your Membership

If you would like to join by mail and sending a check, please use the paper form. You can also download a form on the website (see below). Please fill in all the information and be sure to sign the application to acknowledge the Club's liability policy.

If you would like to renew online, or print a form please go to our website at www.thefreewheelers.net and click on the Contact/Join button and follow the directions

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FEATURING CARS FROM 1962

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tips first-hand in aligning and brightening the chrome of our vehicular family members. Nearly all of us rounded out the day at Flame's Restaurant in San Jose, sharing a few more hours of laughs and tire kicking.

June wouldn't be June without Pride events, and Freewheelers could be seen showing their pride parading down Market Street in San Francisco, while other Freewheelers were down the peninsula receiving well-earned awards at the Palo Alto Concours d'Elegance. By July we were ready to turn our sights southward for our annual foray into decadence, better known as West Coast Meet in San Luis Obispo. Great Autos of Yesteryear, our Los Angeles counterparts, threw a merry James Bond-themed *"The Car That Loved Me"* event for dozens upon dozens of us to enjoy. Never to be outdone, some of our own clever and creative members hosted the Bondage, James Bondage Leather Lounge cocktail party, boasting the signature blue Thunderball Buster cocktail! We never did figure out what was in those things. As usual, the Freewheelers came home with more than our share of well-deserved awards. Rounding out our summer in the best of ways, we enjoyed a lovely poolside afternoon at Bill Burks and Jack Adam's wonderful home in Emerald Hills for our annual Pool Party.

On the cusp of autumn The Freewheelers returned with much fanfare to the Castro with our 29th Annual Benefit Car Show. With over 50 vehicles and nearly as many volunteers, we all rallied together to produce an event we'll remember for years to come. Only a few days later, Freewheelers could be spotted heading inland to participate in the annual Ironstone Concours d'Elegance in Murphy. Never ones to rest on our laurels, October found nearly 60 of us "ooing" and "aahing" over a spectacular collection of vintage travel trailers and travel-related memorabilia in a private collection in Ben Lomond, later we'd gather again at the Oak Tree Restaurant in Felton for a delicious lunch and a hundred more laughs. In a few short weeks, over 100 of us came together for coffee, doughnuts, tire-kicking, and a tour of the beautiful cars at the Blackhawk Automotive Museum in Danville.

The day after Thanksgiving, a small group of Freewheelers met up at the San Francisco International Car Show, as our first attempt at an informal Freewheelers' "meet up" organized through our club's Facebook page. The next day, over a dozen Freewheelers converged on Half Moon Bay to help decorate John McCue's beautiful home in preparation for the Holiday Party the following weekend. Never ones to squander a chance to have a planning meeting for West Coast Meet 2014, most of us stayed behind to enjoy a lively brainstorming session to discuss creativity, humor, and good fun. To round out our year, over 80 of us celebrated the Holiday Season at our annual Holiday Party. The meal as always was delicious, and compliments to our chefs, Todd Darling and Scott Mikkelsen, and company. And lastly, warm thanks again to our wonderful host, John McCue.

In 2013 our club's electronic media and social networking expanded by leaps and bounds, and our new website is receiving traffic from around the world. Our webmaster has created a site we can proud of, and we are lucky to have such talent in our midst, and generously donated to boot. Our club's communications through Evite and our Facebook page, not to mention Instagram and Twitter, have allowed us exposure to new and potential members like we've not seen before. Members may now enjoy spirited car-related communication on a daily basis through these media.

As with most clubs and organizations there are lots of moving parts and many details to attend in order for things to run smoothly. Like most clubs, too, it is a handful of people who regularly roll up their sleeves and do the heavy lifting so the experience is seamless for those who come to enjoy. The work is rarely hard, and often fun, but never taken lightly. While the vast majority of time is spent discussing and creating events that are fun, we also occasionally have to address the difficult issues that are troublesome. Our aim, as with all work done as representatives of the club, is to be kind, thoughtful, and respectful, while creating an environment where our members can come and enjoy each other's company. We feel that 2013 was a great year for just such an aim. But the end is also the beginning, and we're already making plans for 2014!



Treasure Island-Disney Museum Tour - March 2013



New Member Brunch - May 2013



West Coast Meet - July 2013





Benefit Car Show - September 2013



Blackhawk Museum Tour - November 2013



Holiday Party - December 2013



A FREEWHEELERS CHRISTMAS 2013

by John McCue

The weather gods co-operated as 86 Freewheelers got together to celebrate the holidays together--the highest attendance Holiday Party in 4 years. It was one of those sparkling crisp clear days on the San Mateo Coast as members navigated the familiar path over the river and through the woods on their annual pilgrimage to Bayhill Manor, the Half Moon Bay home of host John McCue. The sky was so blue, ocean so purple and Golf Course Fairways so green that it looked like a 1954 Technicolor movie. You expected Rock and Doris to hop out of a cherry red '54 Coupe de Ville Convertible and begin singing "Home for the Holidays".

The members were greeted with a beautifully decorated front entrance, thanks to the help of the elves in the Freewheelers' crew who come to decorate every Thanksgiving weekend. Columns, posts and wrought iron were festively wrapped and decorated with garlands, wreaths, and red bows in holiday red and green. The driveway and garage transitioned to a very British influence, with Bill Neill's Phantom V flanking John McCue's new (to him) first on tour 1986 black with saddle Corniche Convertible. Peeking into the garage, the British theme continued with McCue's 545 HP Bentley Arnage, next to new Freewheeler member Eric Ball's Silver Wraith. Behind those the theme continued with John's powerful dark blue Jaguar XJS12 convertible and sensible XJ6 sedan for grocery runs.

Upon going inside, signs that the decoration committee had been busy at work abounded wherever you turned, with decorations in entry hall, stairwell, chandeliers, statues, study and living room, complete with a towering ornament laden 18 foot tree, and a Lionel Union Pacific Daylight running around the base. Members placed their wrapped gifts for the gift exchange in the living room conversation area and began to circulate, tire kick and exchange good cheer.

First-on-tour cars spotted on the Bayhill cul de sac included:



- New member David Cattich's 1979 Cadillac Coupe de Ville
- New member Scott Massey's 1967 Volkswagen Van
- New member Stuart Silberman's 1972 Citroen
- Returning Member Jim Davis's 2001 BMW 740iL
- Member Bob Zapotosky's 1968 Ford Mustang

The Sacramento team, led by Scott Mikkelson, Todd Darling and Marty Hanson, with helpers Glen Taber and Bob Krambuhl, managed to outdo their already exquisite meal standards this year. Beautiful, generous portions of succulent turkey breast, roast beef, gravies, stuffing, sweet potatoes, fresh French-cut green beans and cranberry relish continuously flowed onto the buffet table from the kitchen.

Thanks to Scott and Todd, members were once again treated to REAL china, silverware, and red and black cloth napkins to add a flair of elegance to the event.

After the luncheon, Keith Cambra and his cutest elf partner Tony Nettel presided over the rogue's gift exchange. This year we only allowed an item to be "stolen" once in order to streamline the process and allow the exchange to end sometime before midnight.

After the exchange we were treated to a choice of pumpkin or apple pie and coffee. And almost too quickly after it had begun, the holiday party for 2013 drew to a close—early enough so members could wind their way home before the winter darkness set in.

The cleanup crew did such an effective job, there was scarcely an indication that a big party had occurred, leaving Bayhill Manor standing neat, orderly and tidy, still sparkling with the magic of the holiday season. Thanks to host John McCue and members Larry Salvador, Todd Mikkelson, Todd Darling, Glen Taber, Bob Krambuhl, Jim Sinnes, Lon Donald, Keith Cambra, Jay Remick, Bill Peachee, Brian McCann, Michael Amodt, Tom Ortiz, Clint Moore, Michael Sousa and Eric Whitney for making it a holiday worth remembering!





Application for Membership/Membership Renewal

Hello fellow auto enthusiast! Please complete the application, sign the bottom of the form acknowledging the club's liability policy, and return it with your check for or money order (includes access to our club roster, monthly newsletter, and privileged website access). You can also register and pay using your PayPal account at www.thefreewheelers.net and clicking on 'contact us / join'

New Membership Rates for 2014: The membership rate will remain the same at \$50.00 per year, HOWEVER, for those wishing to receive the flyer and the roster digitally/online without a print version there is a \$10.00 discount. Membership is a calendar year from January 1 to December 31. New Members who join on or after October 1 will have the following year at no charge (up to 15 months).

Couples have 2 Options:

First option - Membership is for both if you use one listing for both you and your partner have one address and the same cars listed. Both names will be included in a separate section in the Roster that cross-references partners' names.

Second option - If both of you want individual listings, each must pay individually for two separate memberships. In this option, both of you can receive your own copy of the Newsletter and Roster[±].

Applications without signature and payment cannot be accepted (applications are subject to approval by the Board of Directors).

Many Freewheelers have e-mail addresses. The listing of your e-mail address provides another communication channel for members and event notifications such as e-Vites. The optional occupational listing is for the Board's access only and is not available to the general membership. From time to time the Board seeks advice on subjects relating to the club's needs.

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If Renewal then member since			
Name of Primary Member		Occupation (optional)	
Partner/Spouse		Partner's Occupation (optional)	
Address		Home Phone	Work Phone
City, State, ZIP		Cell Phone	Other training/talents/skills?
E-mail Address		Partner's E-mail Address	
Please list your vehicles below. Attach additional sheet(s) as required.			
Year	Make	Model	Body Style
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Date		Signature	

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FEBRUARY 2014

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Contact a board member for more information

MARCH 2014

Sunday, 03/16/14 - The Camuso Collection Tour;
Larry Camuso's classic car collection in San Jose

JUNE 2014

Saturday, 06/28 & Sunday 06/29/14 - San Francisco Pride, San Francisco

JULY 2014

Thursday, 07/10 - Sunday 07/13/14 -The 30th Annual West Coast Meet in San Luis Obispo





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Don't worry, doll...that's just dress rehearsal for West Coast Meet!

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