



Jan 2022

**During Corona Virus Pandemic Follow CDC Guidelines
And Local Recommendation**

Buick Club of the Redwoods.....Founded Aug 1998

Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at

Mary's Pizza Shack

Piner & Marlow

Santa Rosa CA.

Social starts at 6:00

Meeting 7:00 to 8:00

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS POSTPONED

SEE DIRECTORS MESSAGES BELOW

Our room is free for this meeting, and attending members are encouraged to have dinner while at Mary's.

Room reserved to Dec 2022

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Message From Your Director



Welcome to 2022, a brand-new year with new ideas and wants. I was hoping for a better start but with the Omicron virus surrounding us, we are at a standstill. As you know by my previous email, we have postponed the January Planning Brunch for no better reason than to keep everyone safe.

When I called Mary's Pizza Shack to inform them of our change of plans, they responded that they had shut the party room down anyway. It would have been nice if they had called to let me know.

In regards to the Planning meeting which has been rescheduled for March (time to be determined), bring your ideas, old or new, so we can get a quick start on the 2022 activities.

THE PERFECT TIME IS ALWAYS NOW, DRIVE A BUICK!

Bill

P.S. There is a swap meet and car show scheduled for April 10th at the Santa Rosa Vets Building. The club has some Buick parts to sell and would enjoy seeing you there. Any parts you want to donate, see Rich Kahnberg.

DIRECTORS SPECIAL MONTHLY MEETING UPDATE ISSUED JAN 4,2022

Hello BCR Members,

I have spoken to all the Board Members (including our interim Board Member) about the surge in the Omicron virus spiking throughout the country and Sonoma County. We all agreed that the club should postpone all activities until March. The March meeting and the Planning Brunch will be combined as one. This will take place at Gail's house with time and date to be determined later. Our first meeting back at Mary's Pizza Shack will be in April. Hopefully we will also have an activity in April whether a car run or lunch. This will be determined at the planning meeting.

Leo would like to continue the newsletter so anything you can contribute will be helpful

Stay safe,
Bill



No Regular Meeting was held in January
February Meeting Postponed

BCR Membership and Treasurer's report
December 1, 2021 to January 19, 2022

Membership drive results:

The BCR membership drive for 2022 has ended with all members responding.

Four members chose not to renew their membership.

Two new members joined the Club.

A big welcome to Dan Joseph and Greg Morgan

BCR membership is 21 as of January 19, 2022.

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Checking account activity for the period of
December 1,2021 to January 19,2022.

Checks written and cashed. \$223.89

12/8 \$73.89 to April Kahnberg for progressive dinner main course

12/11 \$150.00 to Dave Bergmann for the Holiday lunch at
Cattlemen's

Deposits to checking. \$155.00

12/16 \$55.00 Dues and 12/18 meeting raffle.

12/28 \$40.00 Dues

1/19 \$60.00 Dues

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Kahnberg

The Dreaded Heater Core Replacement..... and then some

Contributed By Keith Brumbley



I have owned my '64 Riviera since March of 2004. An unmolested 100% original car it was in fairly good shape when I got it.. However, the paint was shot, interior was a mess and it needed attention just about everywhere. Luckily rust was not much of an issue. The forty years spent in the sunny dry New Mexico high county kept rust away. Over the years I have addressed just about all the cosmetic issues and made mechanical repairs as needed to keep the car on the road. There have been several things that have never worked on the car. Two big ones were the heater and A/C system. These were fixes that I had been putting off.

Our fellow club member Leo Ladner recently restored his '72 Electra. I helped Leo with some the restoration. One of the main issues on his car was getting the A/C system working again. When his car was finished, Leo encouraged me to tackle my car.

I knew going in this was going to be expensive and time consuming. Holy cow what a project!

First step was to go to the Riviera Owners Association website. They have a step by step instruction. Looking at the instructions, it didn't look too difficult...Wrong!

The plan was to have Merv's Radiator repair and pressure test the heater core, radiator, evaporator coil, and condenser. Leo and I would do the removals and reassembly work at Leo's place. Once all that was done the car would then go to Dave's Automotive in Petaluma to charge and fine tune the A/C system.

Just getting access to the heater core and A/C evaporator requires removing most of the dash, center console, glove box, passenger seat, and kick panels.

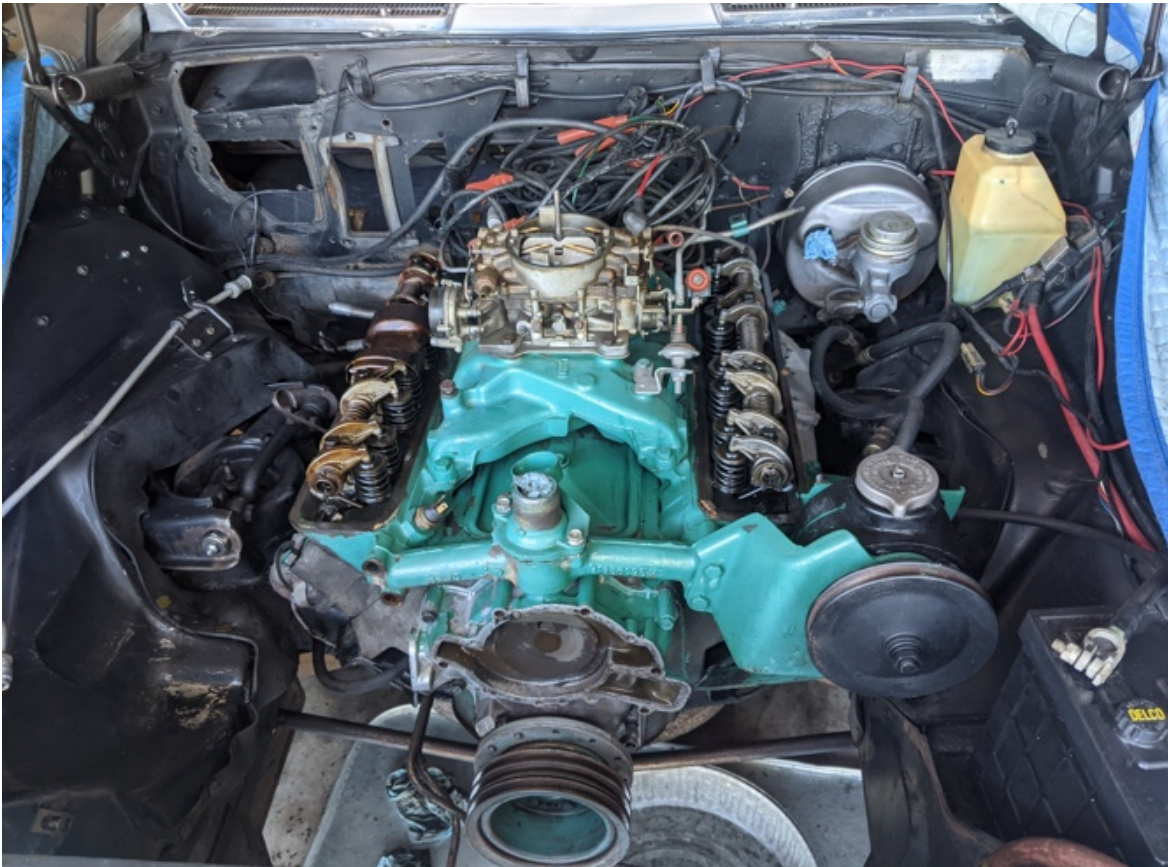


As with any old car, the more you remove the more you discover there are things that need to be repaired or replaced. This was no different. We soon discovered that all the heater-A/C control mechanisms needed to be refurbished. Getting to everything would require the under hood removal of the air handler and blower housing. We went on to remove all of the A/C hoses and pipes so that they could be properly flushed. At this point, everything had been removed on both sides of the firewall.

The good news is that all of the needed parts to completely rebuild the Heater and A/C are available. One thing we had to find locally were substitute return springs for the vacuum motors.

Inspection of the engine compartment revealed evidence of age related deterioration at every turn. Following a successful compression test a comprehensive tune-up was performed. Work included a new fuel pump, water pump, battery, hoses, belts, fan clutch, power brake, master cylinder, and more. I think the only thing that was not replaced was the alternator and power steering pump.

Meanwhile, Leo and I would get all the under-hood hoses, vacuum lines, blend doors and switch gear working.



This is one of those jobs that always takes longer than you think it will. One of the more frustrating problems was the water pump that turned into an ordeal. When the under-hood was all put back together and the radiator was filled there was a coolant leak at the water pump. No matter what we tried, nothing worked... and then one of the water pump bolts broke off in the timing chain cover!! Ouch!

That repair was added to the list of other planned work for Dave's to fix. The car needed to be towed to Dave's Auto.



Turned out the timing cover was pitted and corrosion was causing the leak. A reproduction part was installed. Also, the timing chain and sprockets were found to be worn and was replaced. So really, it was fortunate this setback happened!

After many months the Riviera is running well and ready for comfortable year around touring. And, there will always be more to do. I guess the Buick Motor Division never imagined that these cars would be around for as long as they have!

I can't thank Leo enough, he is very knowledgeable on these old Buicks and as you can see in the pictures he is not intimidated by a million wires and vacuum lines that seem to have no end!

NORCAL BUICK CLUB LUNCH-TIME ZOOM TECH TALKS

3rd Tuesdays each month

12:30 p.m

If you are new to Zoom, watch the following Youtube video:

<https://youtu.be/9isp3qPeQoE>

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

“BCR Annual Planning Meeting”

March, 2022

WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR EVITE DETAILS

BCR is looking for fun stuff to do in Twenty-Two...

1. Hallberg butterfly gardens
2. Sturgeons Mill
3. Armstrong Woods
4. Bodega Bay for lunch
5. Korbel Garden tour
6. Bodega Marine Lab
7. Petaluma Trolley Museum
8. Lagunitis Brewery
9. Sonoma Wildlife Rescue
10. Penngrove Museum
11. Cheese Factory picnic/Lake Sonoma picnic
12. Safari West
13. Fall color tour
14. Dry Creek Valley/Anderson Valley/Alexander Valley Wineries
15. Sonoma Barracks
16. Napa model railroad
17. Wine tours - Carneros, Copola, Fieldstone & Spring Mountain
18. Castello Amorosa
19. Old Mill Days at Bale Grist Mill
20. Bay model/Tall ship
21. USS Iowa/USS Hornet
22. Woodland Truck Tractor Museum
23. Wind turbine tour
24. Western Train Museum
25. Suisun wildflower tour
26. Blackhawk Museum

This list of past tours and locations is just a few of the many events we have enjoyed. Local shows remain popular and are not listed here. Some on the list are worthy of a second look while others may no longer be available. Bring your interests and ideas for our monthly event calendar to the March 2022 planning meeting.

27. Ferry to SFO Trolley Museum
28. S.F. Auto Museum
29. Seabiscuit's Ridgewood Ranch, Willits
30. Mystery tour
31. Poker run



9th Annual John Puccioni Memorial -Swap Meet & Car Show-



Sunday April 10, 2022

Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building Parking Lot

1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404

6a.m. to Noon

\$10 Car Show
\$20 Vehicles for Sale
Donations Accepted

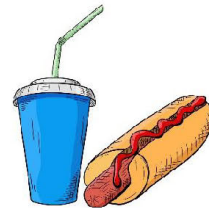
Must be off the property by 1pm

Space Fees:
\$30 truck bed
\$50: Truck & trailer
No Holds

Profits benefiting:
Redwood Gospel Mission Church
Redwood Empire Food Bank
American Diabetes Association

**Cars and Car
related
items only**

More information call:
Steve 707-843-2930
www.cruisinnorth.com



**Food & Drink
Available**



REVISED – CARS and COFFEE



Want something a little different on Sunday mornings? Try **Cars and Coffee**. They are rain or shine and year-round. It is a very casual kind of Car Show – arrive when you want, park where you can, leave when you want.

1st Sunday – **Cars and Coffee Novato** – 6:30 to 10:00 a.m. – Vintage Oaks Shopping Center by Starbucks.

1st Sunday – **Rollin’ Rosies Cars & Coffee** – 9:00 to 11:00 – at Mocha Madness, 355 Southwest Blvd, Rohnert Park

2nd Sunday – **Cars and Coffee Santa Rosa** – Coddington Mall by Starbucks – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

3rd Sunday – **Cars and Coffee Petaluma** – Washington Square Shopping Center between Pete’s Coffee and Noah’s Bagels – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

4th Sunday – **Cars and Coffee Penngrove** – Penngrove Market – 9:00 a.m.

Last Sunday of the month – **Cars and Coffee Rohnert Park** – Starbucks by Target and Juice Shack – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

CRUISE-IN

2ND Sunday – June through December, 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Bear Republic Brewing Co., 5000 Roberts Lake Rd, Rohnert Park. Sponsored by Cruisin’ North Car Club

2022				CAR NUT CALENDAR 2022
	Mo		Date(s)	EVENTS
	<i>JAN</i>			Monthly meeting postponed
	<i>FEB</i>			Monthly meeting postponed
	<i>MAR</i>	New	TBA	BCR Membership & Planning Meeting -Details to follow
	<i>APR</i>		10	Cruisin' North swap meet Santa Rosa Vets Bldg
	<i>MAY</i>			
	<i>JUN</i>		8-11	ROA NATIONAL -Branson Missouri
	<i>JUN</i>		22-25	BCA NATIONAL-Lisle, IL
	<i>JULY</i>			
	<i>AUG</i>			
	<i>SEP</i>			
	<i>OCT</i>			
	<i>NOV</i>			
	<i>DEC</i>			
2023	<i>JULY</i>		11-15	BCA National Spokane, Washington



Keith Brumbley-Jan 18

Linda Bergmann-Jan 31

Gail Sollid-Jan 31



None to celebrate this month



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BCR Anniversary (ash grey) T-Shirts available for sale

Men's XL (1)	Front logo location	\$25.00	\$10.00
Men's L (2)	Lapel logo location	\$25.00	\$10.00
Ladies L (1)	Lapel logo location (discounted/flaw)	\$15.00	\$ 5.00

NOS..... BCR T Shirts / Sweatshirts for sale.

We only have a few sweatshirts and t-shirts left. (NOS WHITE ONES)
 Please contact Rich Kahnberg if you would like to buy "at a reduced cost" any of the following.

Sweatshirts Now selling for \$20.00 each

Sizes available: 2XL (3) XL (1)

T-shirts -- Now selling for \$10.00 ea only *Size available: 2XL (3)*

---BCR - Window Decals Available -----

\$2.00 each + .50 postage (any qty)

---BCR Embroidered Patches (4") -----

\$10.00 each+ .50 postage (any qty)

To purchase: Contact Rich Kahnberg or for any information about availability.

1185home@att.net or 237-1415

