



March / April 2015

Directors Message



March is in the rearview mirror and the month of April is clearly in sight.

Sure would be nice to have some April Showers but there isn't much in the forecast. So that leaves lots of opportunities to take the old Buicks out for a ride.

As an officer of this club it has become seriously evident that there isn't a weekend that goes by that someone couldn't find a car show somewhere in Northern California. So many different venues that many of us have not ventured to, that look very interesting not only for the ride but for what awaits at the other end. Looking forward to planning new events and locations - that should prove to be our new challenges for this year.

Please plan to join us for the EVENTS PLANNING meeting on April 11th.

Planning the year in advance - allows us to plan our vacations and personal events around our time shared with our many car club friends.

Hope to see you on Saturday the 11th.

The Buick Club of the Redwoods
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Founded 1998

Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday night of every month at
Round Table Pizza, 1791 Marlow Rd in the Safeway Shopping Center,
Santa Rosa.....(Corner of Marlow and Guerneville Roads)

Social starts at 6:30

Meeting 7:00 to 8:00

(((Our room is free for this meeting, however this agreement is based on members planning to have dinner at Round Table.)))

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BUICK CLUB OF THE REDWOODS MINUTES OF THE MARCH 11, 2015 MEETING

The meeting of the Buick Club of the Redwoods was called to order by President April Kahnberg at 7:00 pm.

Members present were Stan, Terry, Keith, Kenny, Vickie, April, Rich, Don & Lois. We were pleasantly surprised by Rusty's attendance at the meeting and he was warmly welcomed.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as published.

Rich gave the treasurer's report. He also let us know that all our members are now registered BCA members in good standing. Rich reported that he filed the IRS 990N form for non-profit clubs and thanks Connie for her help.

OLD BUSINESS

Don & Lois hosted the mystery tour in February. Eleven people enjoyed lunch and each other's company at the Union Hotel in Occidental. It was a beautiful day and the ride from Santa Rosa was great.

April reminded members (that Keith mentioned last month) that we are looking for ideas of how best to develop and fund a scholarship that will help a student of the Industrial Arts. Everyone is encouraged to offer ideas.

NEW BUSINESS

April announced that the planning brunch meeting she and Rich are hosting has been rescheduled to April 11th. They will send an Evite reminder to all members.

Members present discussed the winery tour that Kenny's friend Rich had mentioned at the last meeting. April asked Kenny to talk with Rich and be the point person for the event. He agreed.

We also discussed the tour of the San Francisco Academy of Arts and Auto Museum. Kenny will call for contact and information. The Sacramento Club recently shared with Rich and April that some of their members have been to this museum and said it is very interesting.

April announced that Promoco (the grill badge people) can provide static cling decals for our car windows with our club decal and name on them. These decals do not permanently stick on the window and are easily removed. There is a 100 piece minimum at \$1.13 each plus set up, tax and shipping. Estimated cost would be \$170.00 for the 100 decals. They would be sold to members for \$2.00 each. Discussion followed with the suggestion that new members be given a free decal. Members present voted and all approved this.

Terry will check on the renewal for our Website which will be July 12th and cost about \$72.00 for two years.

April reported that the suggestion for the Ladies Event at the Octagon House in San Francisco will be discussed at the April 11th planning brunch meeting. We will coordinate timing with Gail and her docent schedule.

Rich asked members about the Buick BUGLE ad for Buick pins. Because of the lack of sales, it was decided that we will, for now, not sell pins and the ad will be pulled from the BUGLE. All members present approved.

Rich also let members know that he is willing to have the BCR's mail sent to his home address. That means the post office box the club is currently paying \$128 a year would be closed. All members present approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 with Rusty winning the \$15.00 raffle!

Respectfully submitted,
Lois Brooner for
Joan Costello, Secretary



T-Shirts / Sweatshirts for sale.

We only have a few left of the white sweatshirts and t-shirts.

It was decided in our last meeting - that we would have a FIRE SALE prior to obligating the club to a new color in apparel.

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:

4 Large

4 X Large

6 2X large

T-shirts -- Now selling for \$10.00 each

2 X large

5 2X Large

Car events - shared by many members - all in one place

Anyone has something to Add, Please forward to me and I'll include in the overall list below.

Indicates Club Planned events		
April 2015		
	11-Apr	Planning Event - Brunch
	TBD	Alexander Valley drive - to Hwy 29 / Lunch in Calistoga
	April 18 - 25	Redding Kool Nights koolaprilnights.com 530-226-2894
	26-Apr	NSRA Western Street Rod Nat'ls Kern Co Fairgrounds Bakersfield, CA 901-452-4030 NSRA-usa.com
	25-Apr	Downtown Grass Valley Car show main street
	26-Apr	Pacific Coast Dream Machines, Half Moon Bay Airport 650-726-2328
May 2015		<i>(((Mothers day 05-10)))</i>
	9-May	Stokes Ranch, Old Redwood Hwy
	9-May	Petaluma Fairgrounds swap meet
	9-May	Gold Rush Car Show Downtown Oroville 530-282-4667
	May-14, 15, 16	American Graffiti Petaluma 10 anniversary (Reg by Feb 2)
	16-May	18th Annual Maxwell Classic Car Show and parade 530-438-2376
	23-May	May 23rd Classic Car show and Cruise 1976 and pre 10-4 1005 Gravenstein Hwy N, Sebastapol Benefits Sr Ctr dean@sebastapolseniorcenter.org 707-829-2440
	May 30 - 31	Pleasanton Summer Get Together (Good Guys)
	Last Sunday	4th and C Petaluma Last Sunday of the Month 12-3 pm (fourthandsea.com)
June 2015		
	11-Jun	Peggy Sue, Santa Rosa —(canceled again)
	Jun 5 - 6	Thunder Vally Casino Lincoln / Auburn area
	13-Jun	Cache Creek Winery Car Show and Concert 707-998-1200
	21-Jun	Julliard Park 20th annual Fathers day car show www.nceca.org 546-5500
	20-Jun	North Coast Rodders Classic Car & Bike Show, Downtown Fort Bragg 707-764-8648
	June 30 thru July 3	2015 BCA International meet ST Charles, Ill

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July 2015		
	07-08 thru 12th	1st Annual Lakeside Car and Boat Show Konocti Vista Casino Lakeport Dave Lakotos 272-6932
	07-08 thru 12th	Roseburg Oregon Graffiti Weekend
	25-Jul	Fabulous 50's Charity Car Show, Riverside Park, Grants Pass OR 541-592-6009
	July 25,26,27	AutoRama - Fortuna 725-3916
	July 26 or 27	Sat or Sun Pengrove Fireman's Fundraiser
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Aug 2015		
	Aug 1 & 2	Hot August Nites Reno NV (www.hotaugustnights.com)
	15-Aug	Main Street Reunion Car Show Downtown Napa
	08-21 thru 23	29th West Coast Nationals Pleasanton (Good Guys)
	Last Sunday	4th and C Petaluma Last Sunday of the Month 12-3 pm (fourthandsea.com)
Sep 2015		
	TBD	Lake Sonoma Consani Car show
	18-Sep	Friday Night Bash Airport Business Park Ukiah
	19-Sep	Fabulous Flashback Car Show Downtown Ukiah (www.earlyironofukiah.org)
	21-Sep	Poker Run Applebees Ukiah
	Last Sunday	4th and C Petaluma Last Sunday of the Month 12-3 pm (fourthandsea.com)
Oct 2015		
	TBD	Rip City Car Show and Swap meet
	Last Sunday	4th and C Petaluma Last Sunday of the Month 12-3 pm (fourthandsea.com)
Nov 2015		
	Nov 14 - 15	Autumn Get together (Good Guys)
Dec 2015		
	2nd Sat	BCR Christmas Party

Pending ideas

Bowling

Nicks Cover

Gualala

Rip City Petaluma Car and Motorcycle show Oct

Overnight in Fort Bragg - early Spring - Botanical Gardens (May - June)

Cruisin Calistoga

Progressive Dinner

Car Show Yountville

Day trip to SF Academy of Art Museum on Vaness (call for private tour)

Alexander Valley Drive Hwy 29

Sturgeon Mill (Open May 16-17; Jun 10-21; Sept 19-20; Oct 10-11)

Club Pot luck /BBQ

Poker Run

Armstrong Woods - Korbels rose garden tour



Brunch with Capitol Club at the Ryde Hotel, Ryde, CA

By Rich Kahnberg

On March 8th April and I joined the California Capitol Chapter (Sacramento) of the BCA for their third annual brunch at the Ryde Hotel. We thoroughly enjoyed their first brunch that we attended but could not attend last year. We made it a point to have our agenda open for the brunch this year.

It was a beautiful day and leaving at 7am we encountered virtually no traffic. The hotel is about 12 miles from the Rio Vista bridge, on Highway 160 (levee road), that is, unless you miss the drawbridge at the 10 mile point to get back across the river to the west side, where the hotel is. We ended going past the hotel by 3 miles and soon arrived in Walnut Grove. No loss though. a quick U-ey, then across the bridge in Walnut Grove and we were soon pulling into the parking lot. We arrived about 30 minutes before the group from Sacramento, which gave us a chance to re-explore the hotel and sit in the sun on the patio.

It was not long before the folks from the Capital Club began arriving. There were about 13 classic cars, including 10 Buicks, a Packard, a Chevrolet and a Ford. In addition, several members drove their daily drivers. 10 classic Buicks. In all there were about 35 attendees.

We enjoyed meeting people we knew from previous outings with the Club and making some new Buick friends.

As with our first brunch the food was very good, a huge variety and plenty of it! We are planning on attending the brunch next year and maybe some of the members of the Buick Club of the Redwoods will be able to join us. It is a great Sunday morning drive and the members of the Capital Club are a very friendly group. If anyone is interested in possibly joining us next year, let us know.

Happy Buicking!





Bill's Trivia

(contributed by Bill Costello)

1. In 1942 what car was equipped with hidden headlights? A switch under the dash lifted the covers and turned on the lights. Chrysler, Dodge, Desoto or Plymouth?
2. What car outperformed all American eight-cylinder models in the 1953 economy run (achieving 23.4 MPG). It also set the Bonneville Salt Flats record for a stock car and won six Nascar victories that year. Hudson, Dodge, Chevrolet or Buick?
3. This year saw the opening of the first McDonalds, the opening of Disneyland in California, Rock and Roll was in its infancy and Bill Haley and the Comets topped the charts with "Rock Around The Clock". This year was 1954, 1955, 1956 or 1957?
4. "Ask The Man Who Owns One" was the most famous slogan in the motor manufacturing world for decades. This was the cars of the Rockefellers and Vanderbilts, actors, European royalty, the last Russian Czar, movie royalty and U.S. presidents. It was a Cadillac, Chrysler, Packard or Lincoln?
5. Sadly the final year for a true Packard built automobile was in 1956, 1957, 1958 or 1959?
6. Ford made automotive manufacturing history by offering the largest ever total of 21 production models including the Skyliner with retractable hardtop and the first car-derived pickup, the Ranchero. This was in 1957, 1958, 1959 or 1960?
7. The worst recession year of the post-war era was 1958. Car sales fell 30% over the three previous boom years. Honda cars were taking their share of the market and Toyotas as well as Datsuns arrived to claim their share. The bestselling American car that year by 10% higher than other American cars was Ford, Chevrolet, Dodge or Plymouth?
8. In 1942 Henry Ford's son, Edsel, died, The Ford Motor Company in honor of Edsel Ford launched a new production model. After three years in the planning, the first Edsel rolled off the assembly line in 1955, 1956, 1957 or 1958?
9. Lincoln introduced the Continental in 1940. It was considered by many to be the most beautiful car ever built. It was longer, lower and had a continental spare tire look. The original Continental was powered by an in-line 8, V-8 or V-12?
10. The first car/truck concept like the Ranchero or El Camino was introduced by Hudson, Studebaker, Ford or Chevrolet?

ANSWERS

1. Desoto
2. Dodge
3. 1955
4. Packard
5. 1956
6. 1957
7. Chevrolet
8. 1957
9. V-12
10. Hudson

