

# **March 2018**

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

Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at **Round Table Pizza**, 1791 Marlow Rd in the Safeway Shopping Ctr, 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.)))

Confirmed - Room reserved thru Dec 2018

## Officers 2018

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**Newsletter Editors: Rich and April Kahnberg** 

#### **Directors Message**



Nicks Cove Feb 27, 2018

It's still raining just a bit...but sunshine on the horizon. So looking forward to a bit of spring. Now just to keep the deer out of the yard – will become our next challenge. Twice this week Richard and I were out there in PJs and robes chasing the same deer out the front yard. After he ravaged our few rose bushes that have started to bloom. Fingers crossed he won't be back anytime soon.

Great outing last week to 1901 Central Ave, Alameda. Our host Jerry Wagner was quite the character and wonderful host; as he opened his home to 17 members, of which he only knew 2 from our club. Cudo's to Dave and Linda Bergmann for the suggestion and execution of this event. Based on attendance – it goes down in the books in 2018 as a very successful one.

Richard and I are looking forward to a family style dinner at Coppula's Winery in April. Evite will be out soon and hope we have a good turnout.

May is just around the corner – and the summer car fun begins. Many will participate in club scheduled events, while others have their favorites (off the BCR grid), but hope they will share their high points.

PS: We received a lovely letter from our donation to People with Disabilities Succeeding. Richard will scan and send out to all members.

Ready to Ride Happy Buicking April Kahnberg BCR Director 2018

#### MINUTES OF THE BUICK CLUB OF THE REDWOODS

#### MARCH 14th, 2018 MEETING

Director, April Kahnberg, called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

Members present were Dave Bergmann, Don and Lois Brooner, Keith Brumbley, Bill and Joan Costello, Terry Eggleston, Jay Emery, Rich and April Kahnberg, Leo Ladner, Will Norton, Dave Uhlig and Cindy Omoth.

April opened the meeting by welcoming members and sharing a recent correspondence from Gail. Gail thanks all members for their kind thoughts and prayers during this tough time but it is still difficult to talk to friends on the phone. Text and emails are always welcome. She will be returning to meetings and events in the near future.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the February meeting as published in the Nailhead News. The motion passed by majority vote.

Webmaster, Terry, announced that February's Nailhead News was posted to the website from India.

Rich gave the treasurer's report. There was no activity with the checking account. As soon as Rich gets the paperwork to the Exchange Bank, Lois will officially be the 4<sup>th</sup> signer on the BCR checking account.

Membership stands at 22.

Rich made a motion that BCR donate \$100.00 to Stan's charity of choice which is People With Disabilities Succeeding. The motion passed by majority vote.

There will be a Celebration of Life for Stan at Armstrong Woods on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Larry Marcom who is a member of the Chevy Club will be organizing a classic car procession to Armstrong Woods. Terry is also a member of the Chevy Club and will coordinate with BCR members who would like to join the procession.

The Hillsborough Concours D'Elegance is July 15<sup>th</sup>. Gail would like to enter the Buick "Liz" but needs help getting it there. If you are interested in driving it to the Concours or have a truck and trailer, please email or text Gail.

The Mystery Dinner at Charlie's, scheduled as the February event, was cancelled due to lack of interest. April asked for feedback from members as to why. Some of the comments were: too costly, do not drive at night, prefer to cruise, and previous commitments.

Leo will be coordinating members who have signed up for the American Graffiti Car Show on May 19<sup>th</sup> to be staged and parked together. If you are interested in parking with other BCR members, contact Leo.

April visited Monograms Plus and purchased a T-shirt to show members fabric and color. Members previously decided on a soft grey. April also had pictures of three different women shirts with three-quarter sleeves. The design can be silk screened or applied with a process called photo to fabric. Members will be able to order

individual styles and choose where they would like the design (e.g. front center, upper shoulder, back, etc.) Shirts will be pre-ordered before the August Anniversary Barbecue plus a handful of additional shirts to sell.

The 20 year Anniversary Barbecue will be Sunday, August 19 at the home of Jeff and Bruce in Sebastopol. Bill and Joan will chair the event. After much discussion, April made a motion for the club to provide a cap of \$300 to be spent on the main dish, paper products and drinks. The motion was seconded and passed by majority vote. Bill asked if past members will be invited to join us. Rich said he would send out an email to all past members asking whether or not they would be interested in attending.

Jack Wilson will be attending Hot August Nights in Reno and would like to connect with any BCR member attending. Contact Jack if interested.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Terry. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Joan Costello Secretary



#### Many roads to travel ....

#### Men are just happier people:

- If Laura, Kate, and Sarah go out for lunch, they will call each other Laura, Kate and Sarah.
- If Mike, Dave and John go out, they will affectionately refer to each other as Fat Boy, Bubba and Wildman. When the bill arrives, Mike and John and Dave will each throw in \$20, even though it's only for \$32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and none will actually admit they want change back. When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.
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- A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he needs
- A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't need but it's on sale.
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- A women has the last word in any argument
- Anything a man says after that is the beginning of new argument
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- A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband
- A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife

#### This is the final to a tale of an "urban barn find"

Contributed by Keith Brumbley – part 3.



#### 15 Pounds of Buick in a 5 Pound Garage!

A few months ago Leo Ladner invited me down to his place to take a look at my 55' Buick to see if we could get it run a bit smoother and sort out some charging issues.

Leo has a neat little ranch with a big garage that holds a few vintage Buicks. I think you have all seen his beautiful 54' Super sedan, but he also has a '54 Buick Special coupe that is just as nice. Well the more I was there looking at my tired '55 compared to his beautiful '54 and what it would take to get my car anywhere near as nice as his – well, the wheels started turning....

I asked Leo if he was thinking about selling it and it turns out he was! Now the wheels were really turning! How could I come up with the money, would it fit in my garage (that was a big one!), if it wouldn't fit could I somehow modify the garage to get it too fit?

So I started measuring my garage. I have a typical two car garage and currently my Riviera takes up most of it along with a workbench and toolboxes, etc. With all my figuring I could see that I was going to be short about three measly inches! I was not going to let three little inches stop me so I commenced to digging up the backyard to put in a gravel foundation for a shed so I could move the toolboxes out. After digging a hole in the wet and heavy adobe clay I shoveled a yard and a half of pea gravel and leveled that out. Once the gravel was level I built a shed and put some heavy duty ply wood on the floor so it would support the heavy tool boxes. This all took about a month of working weekends and dodging the rain. Finally, everything was moved out of the garage and I could the now modify the back wall of the garage.

We cut out the sheet rock and backed the Riviera in to see how far into the wall we would have to go. It turned out it was just a couple of inches so we removed a 2x4 and part of the subfloor and it fit!



I did not think it was going to be possible to fit two rather large Buicks in my garage but with just a few inches to spare they are all in....Houdini would be proud!



I would like to thank Linda and Leo Ladner for letting me be the next caretaker of their beautiful 54' Buick Special and I'm sure you will see at some upcoming car shows this summer!

## A ROAD TRIP TO ALAMEDA TO VISIT THE HOME OF JERRY WAGNER, REPLETE WITH MANY TREASURES OF YESTERYEAR

By Terry Eggleston

Chilled air and fog met our Club members as we gathered at Skillets Diner in Rohnert Park to begin our March outing. This event was well attended....the following came along: Dave and Linda Bergmann (our hosts for this event), Bill and Joan Costello, Jeff Mounce and Bruce Johnson, Keith Brumbley, Bob and Marge Giuntoli. Alden and Adela Hennings, Rich and April Kahnberg, Dave Uhlig and Cindy Omoth, Michelle LaVoie, and yours truly.







After a hearty breakfast (*very* ample!) we piled into daily drivers and navigated the 65 miles to the island and City of Alameda in the East Bay. The three in our car arrived a little early and took a walk around the block and caught sight of this jewel, that I felt I must include in this article...



But, alas, this article is not about mid-sixties Thunderbirds, but rather a private residence on Central Avenue. Jerry Wagner is the owner of this Arts and Crafts home designed by the famed architect Julia Morgan (I know this because Michelle told me so, and she knows about these things!):



The house is a time-warp...you feel a distinct disturbance in the space-time continuum when you step across the threshold and into the rooms on the first floor....a player piano, an antique radio, and really cool wall paper and décor.















Jerry then escorted us downstairs where he has assembled a 1940's style movie theater....we saw part of a flick with W.C. Fields...amazing how many adjectives that guy could use to describe his girlfriend, from "my little kumquat" to "my little chick-a-dee" and many others. We then saw a film on the famous ACD (Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg) museum in Auburn, Indiana.







Jerry took us to an adjoining room that had this working old-time movie projector, and explained to us how it works. The rest of that room had equipment from the office of a retired urologist....so....if y'all don't mind, I'll just skip the pictures and details on that!

Then the tour went from really good to off the charts. We crossed a small backyard and saw this 1940 Buick in the driveway...it belonged to a friend of Jerry's.





Then, inside the garage we found this 1931 Cadillac. Jerry told us of a recent six-mile trip around the island that used three quarts of oil....he's working on that...







Before we went back in the house (and probably the coolest part of the tour) I noticed this little item in the back yard...it's an on-demand hot water heater being properly guarded by one of the locals:



Back in the house, we climbed some stairs and arrived in the attic; we were in the man-cave to end all man-caves. Standard gauge model trains haven't been produced in years, but Jerry has managed to collect the all this track, engines, cars, and accessories. He built the set-up himself....and he even kept the original boxes the cars and engines came from!





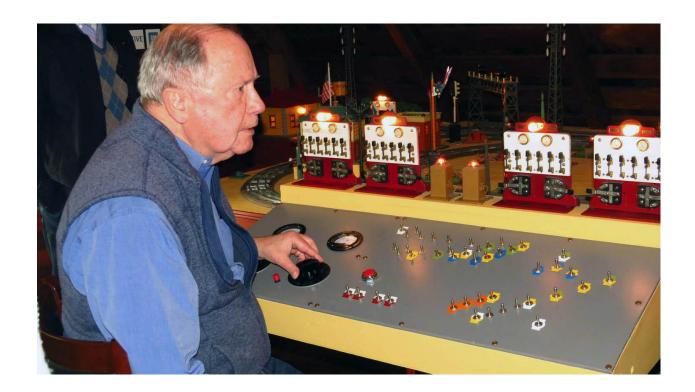












Our wonderful host at the controls...he gave us a demonstration....

So, with a glow in our hearts and a tear in our eye, we said *adios* to our host and headed back north.

Our next event is April 10<sup>th</sup>: Dinner at Coppola's in Geyserville. See you then!

Photo credits: Keith Brumbley, Dave Uhlig and Cindy Omoth, and the author.

#### **Dates to remember**

- **April 10<sup>th</sup>** Tuesday Late afternoon Dinner Family style with friends. Coppula Winery Family Dinner (POC lead for this event Bob & Marge Guintoli)
- May 18-19 Friday evening and Saturday American Graffiti, Petaluma CA (POC lead for this event Leo Ladner)
- June 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday Fathers Day at Juilliard Park POC Dave Hoogandoorn
- June 2018 BCR 20 year Anniversary ( Planning to celebrate August 19) Think of ideas to make this event special for the marking of our 20<sup>th</sup> year as the Buick Club of the Redwoods. (Committee Bill and Joan Costello, Lois Brooner, anyone else welcome. Location is Jeff and Bruce's home)
- June 19-23 BCA National Meet, Denver Colo
- June 25-28 ROA (Riviera Owners Association) Kansas City.
- July 14 Petaluma Cheese Factory, Olema Earthquake Museum, stroll Point Reyes Sta, CA.
- Aug 9-13 Hot Augusts Nites, Reno NV not a Club event but important one to share.

  (Anyone going please let members John Wilson know he will be there)
- Aug 19 BBQ and Celebration for our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary details to follow.

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(Committee – Bill and Joan Costello, Lois Brooner, anyone else welcome. Location is Jeff and Bruce's home)



April Kahnberg Dave Bergmann 18-Apr 26-Apr



None in April

## For Sale by BCR member Bill Jones





Bill Jones is selling his 1959 Buick Electra 225 4 door hardtop (see pictures above).

Asking price is \$32k. Contact Bill directly if you would like more information.

415-305-3581 billwjones@aol.com



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

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

FIRE SALE - to move current residual stock of white T-shirts and Sweatshirts.

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 (2)

Lg (1)

#### T-shirts -- Now selling for \$10.00 ea

Sizes available: 2XL (3)

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

------BCR Embroidered Patches (4") ------\$10.00 each + .50 postage (any qty)



## 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.

<u>The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday</u> – **Cars and Coffee Novato** – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. – Vintage Oakes Shopping Center by Starbucks.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – Cars and Coffee Santa Rosa – Coddingtown Mall by Starbucks – 8:00 to 10:00.

Also the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – Cars and Coffee Sonoma – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. – 19632 8<sup>th</sup> Street E – 9:00 to 12:00.

<u>The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday</u> – **Cars and Coffee Petaluma** – Washington Square Shopping Center (South East corner of Washington and McDowell) between Pete's Coffee and Noah's Bagels – 8:00 to 10:00.

**NEW** The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Cars and Coffee Rohnert Park by Target and Juice Shack – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

## OTHER CRUISE INS

(2018 dates to be established)

Fourth and Sea Fish and Chips, Petaluma (corner of 4<sup>th</sup> & C Streets). Last Sunday of the month – 11:00 to 2:00 – May to October.

NEW Fourth and Sea – every Thursday from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. – April through October

Straw Hat Pizza, Rohnert Park. 2nd Sunday of the month 1:00 to 5:00 – May to October -Sponsored by Cruisin North Car Club.

Buns and Burgers, 406 Larkfield Center, Santa Rosa. Every Friday – 3:30 to 8:00 – weather permitting May through September.

|              |                |             | CAR NUT CALENDAR 2018  |
|--------------|----------------|-------------|--|
| Мо           |                | Date(s)     | EVENTS   |
|              | Tues late      |             |  |
| Apr          | afternoon      | 10          | Coppula Winery Family Style Dinner   |
| Apr          | Fri-Sun        | 27-29       | 42nd Western Street Rod Nations, Kern City Fairgrounds Bakersfield 901-452-4030                                    |
| May          | Sat            | 5           | 18th Annual Hot Copper Car Show, Copperopolis 9 - 3 PM deadline April 15 Bob Toynbee 209-785-0682                  |
| May          | Fri-Sun        | 18-19       | American Graffitti Petaluma CA   |
| May          | Sun            | 27          | Community Festival Car & motorcycle Show, Willits Call Willits Chamber of Commerce 707-459-7910 or www.willits.org |
| Jun          |                |             | Anniversary MONTH: BCR Celebrates 20 years / Celebration - Details TBD / See AUGUST Celebration plans.             |
| Jun          | Sun            | 17th        | Father's Day - Juilliard Park  |
| Jun          | Fri-Sat        | 9-Aug       | 17th Annual Peggy Sue Sonoma Cty Fairgrounds Registration closes 5/31/2018   |
| Jun          | Sat            | 16          | Fort Bragg Car Show, Downtown Fort Bragg   |
| June         |                | 19-23       | BCA National Meet, Denver Colorado   |
| June         | Sun            | 24          | Armstrong Woods - Celebration of Life for Stan Sollid (1 - 4 PM)   |
| June         |                | 25-28       | ROA National Meet Kansas City  |
| July         | Sat            | 14          | Ukiah Cruise and Bash Orchard Shopping Center Ukiah (Late afternoon 4:30 pm)                                       |
| July         | Sat            | 14          | Petaluma Cheese Factory, Olema earthquake museum, Stroll Point Reyes   |
| July         | Sat            | 14          | Station, CA  |
|              | F.: C          | 42.45       | Hillsborough Concours, Featuring Buicks this year Pre-registration required  |
| July<br>July | Fri-Sun<br>Sun | 13-15<br>15 | www.hillsboroughconcors.org  Monte Rio Car Show  |
| July         | Fri-Sun        | 27-29       | Fortuna AutoXpo Fortuna 707-572-7855 www.redwoodautoxpo.com  |
| July         | Sat            | 21st        | Gualala Car Show, Gualala CA sponsered by Gualala Arts Center  |
| July         | Thurs -        | 2131        | Gualala Cai Silow, Gualala CA sponsered by Gualala Arts Center   |
| Aug          | Mon            | 9-13        | Hot August Nites, Reno NV  |
|              |                |             | Main Street Reunion, Napa Car Show (Show and Shine - Friday5 - 8:30 PM)  |
|              | Full Call      | 47.40       | Car Show Sat 10 - 3 PM Downtown Napa   |
| Aug          | Fri-Sat<br>Sun | 17-18       | Reg: 707-257-322 or donapa.com/event/main-street-reunition-2018  |
| Aug          | Afternoon      | 19          | BCR Celebration 20 years - BCR Potluck, BBQ at Jeff and Bruce's home   |
|              |                |             | Amador Recreation and Park District - 32nd Annual Street Rod Extravaganza  |
| 6            | Full Call      | 7.0         | Chester, CA (Pre register Sep 7 4-7 pm) Sat Reg 7-9 AM 530-258-252 or  |
| Sep          | Fri-Sat        | 7-8         | yourarpd.org   |
| Sep          | Sun            | 9           | Poker Run  |

| Sep | Sat       | 15  | Ukiah Car Show, Downtown Ukiah                                |
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| Sep | Sun       | 16  | Boonville Fair and Car Show, Fairgrounds, Boonville           |
|     | Sun       |     |   |
| Oct | Afternoon | 14  | Progressive Dinner  |
| Nov | Sat       | 17  | San Francisco Zoo - late lunch at the Beach Chalet restaurant |
| Nov | Sun       | 18  | Toys for Tots Run to Sonoma Chevrolet                         |
| Dec | Sat       | 8th | BCR Holiday Party / Cattlemen's Petaluma                      |

