



Sep - Oct 2016

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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.)))

Confirmed - Room reserved thru Dec 2016

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Directors Message



Busy Busy Summer for Richard and I. Lots going on and lots to plan for.

Great outings in September and October this fall. Thanks to the coordinators for all your hard work to bring these events together so successfully.

Mark your calendars for two more events this year, as well Planning meeting for the club in January. Three - as we plan to add a Drive to Sonoma for Toys for Tots on Nov 20th.

As Director I am pleased to welcome all new members this year. It's exciting to see our club grow this year.

This newsletter is full of events that members wanted to share with everyone, as well as, additional information about upcoming events...

Happy Buicking

MINUTES OF THE BUICK CLUB OF THE REDWOODS

September 14, 2016 MEETING

Director, April Kahnberg, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Members in attendance were Keith Brumbley, Bill Marsh, Bill Costello, Terry Eggleston, Leo Ladner, Stan Sollid, David Hoogendoorn, Don and Lois Brooner and April and Rich Kahnberg.

The minutes of the August meeting were accepted as published in the Nailhead News.

Rich gave the Treasurer's report. The annual dues from our new members were deposited. We now have a total of 23 members. A check for \$60.00 dollars went to Terry to pay for the docent on the recent tour of the USS Hornet. Rich will withdraw a total of \$75.00 for the upcoming prizes at the Poker Run.

OLD BUSINESS

April reported that there is no update concerning the 2018 BCA National Meet. It is still scheduled to be held in Colorado.

Keith reported that he attended the Cloverdale car show along with Don. There were about 250 cars this year including 3 Buicks...a pearl white 1955 Special; Don's 1957 Roadmaster; and Keith's 1963 Riviera.

About 10 members joined the outing to Nick's Cove. It was reported that they had a fun time and good weather.

Another recent event was the tour of the USS Hornet. Members said it was a "real treat" and "it didn't sink!"

It was also reported that the Fairfax car show had about 120 cars and our member Kenny Silvestri received one of the Merchant's Awards!

NEW BUSINESS

We discussed the upcoming Poker Run club event on Sunday, October 2nd being organized by Gail and Stan Sollid. It will be for members only and there will be 1 poker hand per car. Cash prizes will be awarded for Best Poker Hand=\$50.00 and Worst Poker Hand=\$25.00. We will have lunch together at the Union Hotel in Occidental.

April reminded everyone that nominations for club officers will be accepted at the October 12th meeting.

We discussed the Progressive dinner scheduled for Saturday, November 5th. Terry and Michelle will be hosting the appetizers; Joan and Bill with the help of Don and Lois will host the entrée; Adele and Alden will host the desserts. More details will follow as the time gets closer.

Saturday, December 10th is the date for our annual Christmas Dinner and Pirate Gift Exchange. This is always a favorite event for all club members. April explained that, because of the increase in our membership, it is difficult to find room for any one family to host the dinner part of this event. She has contacted Willie Bird's Restaurant for reservations for dinner. She presented a sample dinner menu that we will be able to choose from. As in the past, the club has helped pay for this event, so she asked for a motion to approve the club's partial payment for this event. It passed unanimously. The Pirate Gift Exchange and dessert will take place at Gail and Stan Sollid's home. More details to follow.

Leo mentioned to the group that he is interested in touring Sturgeon's Mill in the near future. After the tour, a barbecue lunch is available. April suggested he send an email, with a date he would like to go, to members of the club to see who might also be interested.

Terry let members know that the Vintage Trailer Rally will be this weekend at the Petaluma KOA.

Bill Costello won the raffle of \$20.00

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by
Lois Brooner for
Joan Costello, Secretary

Cloverdale Sept 2016 Car Show

Contributed by Keith Brumbley

I have been trying to sign up for car shows this year that I have never attended before and this was one of them.

Cloverdale is a neat little town, very small with a lot of old stores and restaurants in the downtown area where the car show was held. Before the 101 by pass was built all the freeway traffic went right through the downtown area so it was pretty busy, now a days it's a lot quieter. I drove my Riviera and I thought I would be the only club member attending because the club outing to the USS Hornet was on the same day. I was surprised to see Don Brooner already there with his and Lois's beautiful 57 Roadmaster- looks like we had the Buick contingent well represented!

We all parked along the downtown streets and I would estimate about 200 cars and motorcycles in attendance. There was quite a varied group from muscle cars to 1930's classics. There were also quite a few vintage motorcycles on display.

Towards the end of the day our friends **Don and Lois took home the award for best stock 50's car. So a big congratulations to them.** The car that won Best of Show was a beautiful 1933 Packard Victoria sedan.

All and all I had a great time and would definitely sign up for this show again.

Keith Brumbley

Member at large..



Best of Show - Packard



Custom Chevy



Indian Board track Racer Replica



Small Harley from 40's



1929 Crystler Rodster



'55 Buick Special

Owned by a couple from Santa Rosa.

TOUR OF THE USS HORNET IN ALAMEDA

By Terry "Maverick" Eggleston

Twelve souls (April, Richard, their friends from Oregon-Pat and Phyllis, Bill, Joan, Stan, Gail, Leo, Bill, Michelle and this reporter) and five beautiful Buicks left Rohnert Park under cloudy skies, merged onto 101 South to begin the 55 mile journey to Alameda to tour the USS Hornet Museum. Life is full of wonders, and the fact that all five cars stayed in sight of each other through the labyrinth freeway changes, exits, tunnels, and stoplights continues to amaze me.

We had reserved parking spots on the pier:



We were met on the pier by our docent, Chuck. He explained that this version of the Hornet was commissioned in 1943 after the first Hornet carrier was sunk in 1942. This carrier participated in several Pacific campaigns in WWII, the Vietnam War, and also picked up the astronauts of Apollos 11 and 12.

After climbing the brow (ramp to you landlubbers!) we mustered (cool Navy talk) on the hanger deck. This large, cavernous area is where the airplanes (both props and jets) were serviced and repaired before being put on one of three large elevators and taken up to the flight deck.

Here are some hanger deck pictures:



We rode in a flight simulator where we took off and landed on the flight deck, took out a derelict ship, and splashed a bogie!



The Apollo quarantine trailer, plus mock ups of the Apollo and Gemini capsules:

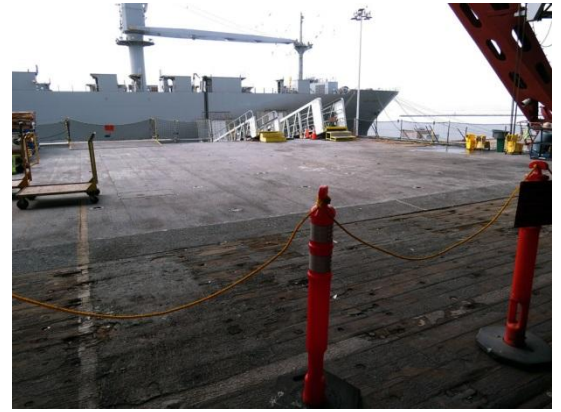




Our docent, Chuck



This reporter's ship (1970's)



Elevator #3



Officer Staterooms



Enlisted....need I say more?

We went below decks to visit the officers and enlisted berthing areas:

The Mess decks and the Galleys:



Stan found the print shop interesting

The Brig



Lunch in the Chief Petty offer's Mess

Medical Department:

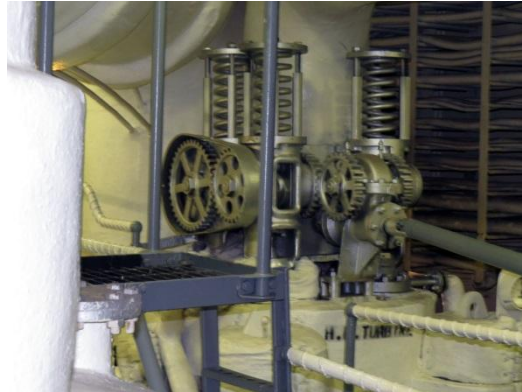


Dental Department:



Terry in the dental lab .. much like the one he worked in on the Hancock.

We then descended into the bowels of the ship to visit the Engineering Department...i.e. engines.....



We finished up our tour on the flight deck: learned about arresting cables, catapults, color coded vests, and some basic air operations:



San Francisco



The "Island"





Parting shots:



We left the pier about 3:00 PM and begin the 54.8 nautical mile trip home on a north by northwest bearing, with the catchy tune *Anchors Aweigh* going through our heads....sort of...

Ruby was cruising nicely across the Richmond Bridge at about 65 mph (58 knots)....I noticed a very strong crosswind...at least 30 knots...so I'm thinking.....If I had only had a tail hook and a catapult.....Nahhh!



POKER RUN

October 2, 2016

Hosted by Stan and Gail Sollid / Article written by Terry Eggleston

In the opinion of this reporter, our October event was one of the best of the year. Gail orchestrated a Poker Run...at each of several stops the occupants of each car are given a card...a total of seven...the best and worst poker hands each receive a cash prize (funded by the club).

Participants were Rich and April Kahnberg (with Rich's aunt Bettie), Stan and Gail, Don and Lois Brooner, Terry and Michelle (with their friends from the Netherlands, Lex and Jetske), Bill and Joan Costello. Keith Brumbley met us at the Union Hotel in Occidental for lunch. The Sollids, Costellos, and Kahnbergs brought their classic Buicks...despite the threat of rain...gutsy folks!

We met at the **Veteran's Building** in Santa Rosa where we got our first card:



We then headed south on Petaluma Hill Road to the **Petaluma Visitor's Center** (train station) where we got our second card....



From there we headed out D Street (which morphed into Red Hill) into the beautiful countryside of Sonoma and Marin counties. Not long after we crossed the county line we stopped at the **Marin French Cheese Company** for some shopping and our third card:



The next stop (and our fourth card) was **The Tomales Bakery:**



More shots of **Tomales:**





Ever diligent, we moved on to the **Bodega School House**, the site of one of the scariest scenes in the history of the movies (The Birds...) and our fifth card:





More Bodega School House:



Los Tres Amigos



Moving onward, we headed out Bodega Highway, made a left on Bohemian Highway, and landed at the **Wild Flour Bread and Bakery** in the thriving megapolis of **Freestone**. The sixth card was handed out:





We continued on the Bohemian Highway to the town of **Occidental** and the **Union Hotel**, our final stop. The seventh and final cards were handed out.....



And the winner is.....



Bill and Terry borrow..... Stan's Joker hat to show off their winning hand(s) and prize(s)



Bill and Joan's worst (but valuable!) hand.....and Terry and Michelle's winning flush

PROGRESSIVE (pot luck) DINNER



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

We will gather at

- Terry and Michelle's home at **3:00 for appetizers** (2270 Dancing Penny Way, Santa Rosa).....
- **EST 4:30** Then we all get in our cars and drive to **the main course** hosted by Lois and Joan at the home of Bill and Joan (5130 Burnham Ranch Rd, Santa Rosa) Bill will lead the caravan so no one gets lost along the way.



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After we have sufficiently satisfied our appetites, off we go like a herd of turtles

- **EST 6:30/7:00 PM** for dessert at Alden and Adela's home. Some will agree that this is the best part of the evening. (1145 Lombardi Ave, Petaluma)
- Bill will again lead the caravan as to assure that all reach our destination safely.....



*If you are able to join us for this annual and fun event, you will be asked to **bring an appetizer to share**. If you cannot make all three stops, just join in when you can... even if it is just for dessert (provided completely by Alden and Adele Hennings at their home in Petaluma.*

SAVE the DATE

Let's do a BUICK CLUB of The Redwoods - Toy Drive

Sunday November 20th

We can all meet for Breakfast (TBD)

and Drive together with or without the classics (Weather depending)

to deliver a toy(s) for the

TOY FOR TOTS collection

Sponsored by the Chevrolet Dealer in Sonoma

Buick Club of the Redwoods Holiday Party 2016

Saturday DEC 10th. 3PM

Early afternoon dinner (late Lunch) at

Willie Birds Restaurant. on Santa Rosa Ave.

We have reservations for 30/40 people Max

Dinner selections will be:

- Pasta Primavera (Penne pasta w/vegetables served in white wine cream sauce) with dinner salad **Member cost \$9.00**
- Roasted Turkey Dinner (Fresh oven roasted turkey served w/old fashioned dressing, mashed potatoes) with dinner salad **Member cost \$9.00**
- New York Strip (8 oz charbroiled to your order served French fries and dinner salad **Members cost: \$10.00**

Cost to members is 1/2 cost per meal / including tax and gratuity

NO Host Alcohol

Non Alcoholic drinks - club will pick up cost of non alcohol beverages

Committee will collect costs for dinners at time of RSVP's - checks made payable to Buick Club of the Redwoods.

RSVP timing will be critical so please be timely in response to the EVITE that will be sent out Late November.

And we haven't forgotten DESSERT.

Hosted by Gail and Stan Sollid at their home - after dinner.

will include our usual Pirates gift Exchange - always the highlight of the evening

CARS and COFFEE

Contributed by Joan and Bill Costello

Want something a little different on **Sunday mornings**?

Try **Cars and Coffee in Novato**. You will find anywhere between 200 to 300 cars ranging from old, new, unusual, beautiful and everything in between. It is a must do! The 1st Sunday of each month (rain or shine) – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. – Vintage Oakes Shopping Center in front of Starbucks. Arrive when you want, park where you can, leave when you want. Check it out on Facebook – Cars and Coffee Marin County.

The 2nd Sunday of each month is new this summer – **Cars and Coffee at Coddington** Shopping Center – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. in front of Starbucks. Only about 25 cars this month but word is still getting out so they should be more and more cars each month.

Sunday Susan's Cars and Coffee will have its first gathering this month (August) in Petaluma at the Washington Square Shopping Center (South East corner of Washington and McDowell) - parking between Pete's Coffee and Noah's Bagels – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. – 3rd Sunday of each month. Come out and support the memory of Susan Verno Giammattei.

OTHER CRUISE INS

Fourth and Sea Fish and Chips, Petaluma (corner of 4th & C Streets). Last Sunday of the month – 11:00 to 2:00 – May to 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 Ctr, Santa Rosa. Every Friday – 3:30 to 8:00 – weather permitting through September

DID YOU KNOW - CARs Do and Don'ts

1. **Resting Your Hand on the Shifter:** Unless you're actively changing gears, there's no reason to touch the shifter. Resting your hand on the shifter places weight on the transmission's bushings and synchronizers, causing [internal wear](#). Keeping both hands on the steering wheel, and only taking one off to switch gears, is the best idea.
2. **Not Using the Parking Brake:** Neglecting to use the [parking brake](#) forces the entire weight of your vehicle to rest on the parking pawl, which is one little piece of metal within the transmission. Doing this could cause the parking pawl to eventually wear out and break, making "P" on your shifter [effectively useless](#). Use the parking brake every time – there's really no reason not to.
3. **Hauling Unneeded Weight:** You may not drive a Lotus, but the phrase "simplify, and add lightness" applies to every car. We're not advocating stripping out sound deadening or removing the back seats, but you should clear out unneeded cargo from your car. Every pound of extra weight impacts fuel economy and handling, plus causes extra stress on [suspension](#), brake, and drivetrain components. Give your interior and trunk a thorough clean so you're only carrying the [essentials](#).
4. **Only Keeping a Small Amount of Fuel in the Tank:** Sometimes the cost of a full tank of gas doesn't fit into your budget, so you only add a gallon or two at a time. Most drivers don't know that this can lead to costly repairs further down the road. Modern [fuel pumps](#) are cooled by being submerged in fuel, so driving with only a small amount of fuel causes it to heat up and wear out more quickly. Keeping your gas tank at least a quarter full helps prevent this.
5. **Hard Starts and Stops:** This one's a no-brainer. Mashing on the gas can be fun, but uses significantly more fuel than gradually applying throttle. Sudden stops are sometimes necessary, but cause faster wear to the [brake pads](#) and rotors. Looking ahead, planning ahead, and pressing on the pedals [smoothly](#) is the best strategy.
6. **Reving the Engine When It's Cold:** It's not a bad idea to let the engine idle for a minute or two after a cold start. This helps it warm up and gives the oil some time to circulate. However, you should resist the urge to rev the engine when it's cold. Sure, the exhaust sounds great, but revving it when it's cold causes abrupt [temperature changes](#) that can damage components. It also causes undue wear on parts of the engine that haven't been lubricated by thorough oil circulation. Your engine will sound better, and rev more smoothly, once it's had a chance to warm up.
7. **Riding the Clutch:** You're at a stop light in your manual transmission car. You're pressing on the [clutch](#), ready to drop it as soon as the light turns green. All that time spent waiting with the clutch in damages the pressure plate, release bearing, and release arm. Riding the clutch causes its surfaces graze against each other, wearing them down and opening the possibility for [sudden failure](#). It's better to be stopped with the clutch out and shifter in neutral, only pressing the clutch and engaging gear when the light turns green.
8. **Switching From Reverse to Drive Before Stopping Completely:** When you're trying to fit into a tight parking spot, it's common to shift from reverse to drive while still slowly rolling backwards. This habit should be avoided at all costs. Doing so places strain on the [drivetrain](#) when it's suddenly forced to move in the opposite direction. Simply take that extra moment to make sure you're completely stopped before switching from reverse to drive.
9. **Dragging the Brakes Downhill:** Driving down a steep hill can be daunting, so you rest your foot on the brake pedal to be ready to slow down at a moment's notice. This causes strain and heat to build up in the brake system, wearing out components like brake pads and [rotors](#). Instead, you should shift into a lower gear when you're driving downhill. This will cause engine braking, which helps slow the car down through natural drivetrain decompression. You'll find that [engine braking](#) can be as effective as regular braking in maintaining your downhill speed.

And we all know this last one - by experience with the oldies we all have parked in our garages - that get out for those fair weather outings.

10. **Ignoring Warning Signs:** It's easy to ignore those little [squeaks](#), intermittent [rattles](#), or other [unusual noises](#) your car makes. Those sounds are warning signs that something's wearing out or about to go wrong. Don't wait to find out the cause of the noise, or it may make itself abundantly clear at the [worst possible time](#). If your car is making strange sounds or giving you other warning signs, it's important to inspect the issue right away.

CAR NUT CALENDAR

			Added or modified	Indicates Club Planned events
Oct	Sun	2-Oct		50/50 Poker Run (hosts - Gail and Stan Sollid)
	Sat	1-Oct		Rip City Riders 11th Annual Chilly Billy Fun Run Hot Rod & Motorcycle Show Petaluma Marv @ 415-897-0583
	Sun	1-Oct		11th Annual Chilly Billy Fun Run Sonoma Marin Fairgrounds Petaluma CA Marv 415-897-0583 or Honda Larry 415-892-2753
	Sun	9-Oct		2nd Sunday May - October 2- 5 PM Cruisin North Car Club Sonoma County
	Sun	9-Oct	Added	27th Annual Hot Rod Party, Paulsen Ranch, French Camp 209-983-0271 ppaulsen@petepaulsen.com Website: www.petepaulsen.com
	Fri - Sat	Oct 28 - 29		Ironstone Vineyards, Murphy, CA Phantom of the Opera Silent movie Friday evening and Sat Matinee 209-728-1251 ext 11
Nov	Sat-Sun	Nov 12 - 13		Good Guys 27th Autumn Get Together, Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton CA
	Sun	20-Nov		Toys for Tots event Drive to Sonoma Chevelot Dealership
	Sat	5-Nov	Modified	Progressive Dinner - Appetizer - Terry and Michelle; Main course -Bill and Joan and Lois assist, Dessert - Adela and Alden.
Dec	Sat	10-Dec		Buick Club Christmas Party - HOST - TBD
Other ideas - to carry over to 2017				
				Bowling
				Gualala
				Overnight in Fort Bragg - early Spring - Botanical Gardens (May - June)
				Sturgeon Mill Oct 15/16, 2016 and 2017 dates: May 6/7; June 17/18; Sept 16/17 and Oct 14/14, 2017
				Armstrong Woods - Korbel rose garden tour



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:

- 2 Large
- 3 X Large
- 4 2X large

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

- 4 2X Large

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



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

Send Request to Richard Kahnberg, Storekeeper.

Check to: Buick Club of the Redwoods.

