



September 2017

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 2017

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Annual Elections – Oct, Nov, December

October Nominations – November Elections – December Passing of gaval.

Directors Message



Fall is here. Great to have some breathable weather. Hope you all agree.

Looking forward to our last 3 events of this year and hope everyone will be able to join us.

As you already know – **October is the long awaited Progressive Dinner** – with Hosts: Dave and Linda Bergmann, Stan and Gail Sollid and Terry Eggleston and Michelle LaVoie. Looking forward to good weather for the day. Details to follow in an Evite soon. There will be a request for potluck (specific category) dishes – *in the Evite, so please be sure note your dish in your RSVP. AND please be sure to review what others are bringing.*

November – 4nd Annual BCR Poker Run– this year in Northern Sonoma County. Details under construction as we write this Newsletter.

December 9th – our Annual BCR Christmas party and Pirate gift exchange

Elections nominations are here – anyone interested in holding an officers position for 2018 Buick Club of Redwoods, please be sure to share with other members for nomination and/or come to the meetings the next few months.

2018 – is right around the corner – *notation in Sept Meeting notes* – we picked a date for the **Planning meeting to lay outline for our 2018 events. (January 13)** Bring ideas to share or be sure to send ahead of the meeting with any details you may have to support the idea. Please be sure to note if you are willing to host / co host the event.

Happy Buicking

April Kahnberg

BCR Director 2017

MINUTES OF THE BUICK CLUB OF THE REDWOODS

SEPTEMBER 13th, 2017 MEETING

Director, April Kahnberg, called the meeting to order at 6:57 p.m.

April welcomed the newest BCR members, Dave Uhlig and Cindy Omoth, who just purchased a 1952 Estate Wagon. Other members present were Don and Lois Brooner, Keith Brumbley, Bill and Joan Costello, Terry Eggleston, David Hoogendoorn, Rich and April Kahnberg, Leo Ladner, Bill Marsh, Will Norton and Stan Sollid. Ben Karnes stopped in to say hello to everyone but did not stay for the meeting.

A motion was passed to accept the minutes of the August meeting as published in the Nailhead News.

Rich gave the Treasurer's report. There was a deposit of \$11.00 from the August raffle and \$20.00 from new member dues. Membership remains at 24. Rich suggested that we make a \$100.00 donation to Sutter Care at Home in Vicki Fertig's honor. Leo made a motion to the effect which was seconded by David and passed by majority vote. Vicki's name will remain on the roster until the end of the year.

OLD BUSINESS

BCR patches are on order and will be here by the October meeting. The price of the patches will be determined.

All who attended the barbecue at Jeff and Bruce's home reported that it was a delightful afternoon. Thank you, Jeff and Bruce, for being such great hosts.

NEW BUSINESS

Terry brought up the question of whether we want to place want ads For Sale on the BCR webpage from non-members. Many different situations were discussed. Most members felt that how it is presently handled is the best solution which is to have the seller or buyer put the information in an email. April then sends it out to all BCR members for them to respond directly back to the buyer or seller. BCR members can place ads in the classified section of the Nailhead News.

Jack Wilson was presented with the City of Reno Chief of Police award at the recent Hot August Nights Car Show in Reno. Congratulations, Jack!

The BCA 2018 National Meet is in Denver, Colorado from June 19th – 23rd. April received notification that the Marriott Hotel is sold out. A list of other hotels in the area is available.

The ROA National Meet is in Overland Park, Kansas from June 25th – 28th. Rich and April will be attending both meets.

Don and Lois Brooner were presented with the Best of Show award at the Twin Pines Car Show. Congratulations Don and Lois! That is quite an honor.

The club's annual planning meeting will be held at the Kahnberg's on January 13th. This is a pot-luck brunch meeting where we schedule at least one social event monthly for 2018.

As per the BCR bylaws, nominations for officers are to be made in November, elections in December and incoming officers to assume their duties in January. Any member who is willing or interested in holding an office, please let April know.

Rich has an engine stand that he would be willing to give to an interested member.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Leo. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joan Costello
Secretary



BCR's own Whistle Blower 😊
(in the Lumber industry – Donkey Punk)

DO YOU REMEMBER?

Contributed by Bill and Joan Costello



Does anyone remember Rex and Dixie Black? They were very active members of BCR for many years before they moved to Minden, Nevada twelve years ago. They bought this beautiful 1965 Gran Sport brand new. It is in immaculate condition inside and out. They recently won "Best of Show" (please note huge trophy in above picture) from a local Rotary Car Show. In June of 2015, they had their entire family at their home for a 50th birthday party for the car.

They love their life in Minden. They are active members of the local Jaguar club and the Reno Corvette club but there are no Buick clubs in the area. We miss you, Rex and Dixie.

A VISIT TO STURGEON'S LUMBER MILL IN SEBASTOPOL

Event organized by Leo Ladner
Article and Photos by Terry Eggleston

Beautiful weather greeted the Buick Club of the Redwoods as we met in Rohnert Park to caravan to the September event.

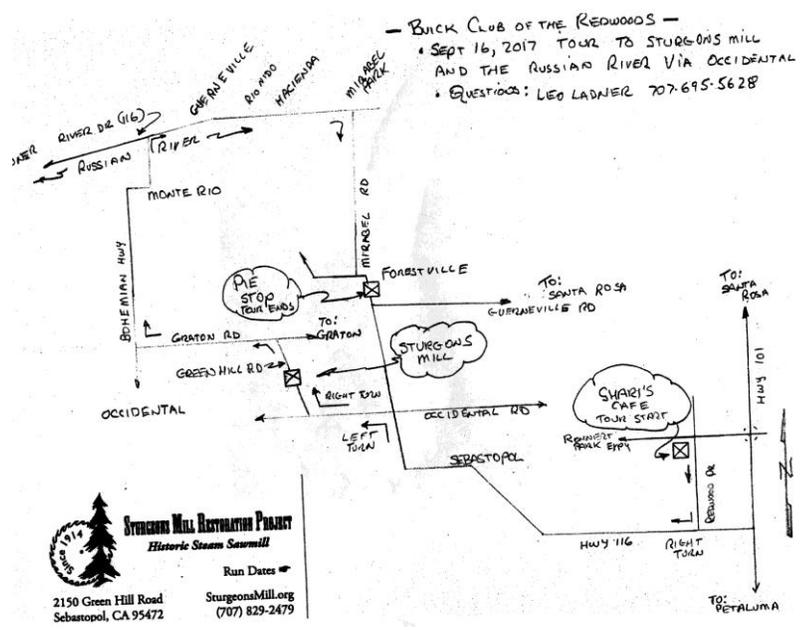


Rich and April Kahnberg, Bill and Joan Costello, Dave and Lori Hoogendoorn, Leo Ladner (accompanied by friends Jeff DeMorest and son Damian), Michelle LaVoie and Terry Eggleston made the trek west.



The stars for the day lined up and ready to go....

Leo knew that we wouldn't have cell reception, and I don't think any of the cars had factory GPS...so he did us one better. Utilizing his graphic art skills he provided this map:



There was no way anyone was getting lost with a copy of this in the car...plus all one had to do was keep Leo's beautiful green 1954 Super in the sights.....

Beautiful cars plus the beautiful scenery of our West County made for a very pleasant drive. We arrived and were provided with enough parking to keep our ladies together:



And then something amazing happened.....on the walk from the parking lot to the mill I definitely felt a force field of some sort (probably a worm hole) and we were suddenly in the early twentieth century.....



The mill was originally founded in 1914 on Coleman Valley Road...and then moved to its present location in 1923. It is one of the very few steam operated lumber mills anywhere. We were told that the Sturgeon's never bought anything new....talk about recycling!

Originally, the felled logs were hauled by oxen...until this widget was invented....its power is not measured in horsepower, but rather donkey power...so they call it...you guessed it...the Donkey.





Our docent and guide, Tim Talamante



Joan blowing the horn on the donkey...she really let it go!



We stopped by the blacksmith's shop and got a live demonstration of the forging process....Michelle and Joan checked out the items that had been made in the shop...



This is the boiler that provided the steam power for the carriage and saw blades in the main part of the mill. Once a week some unlucky ‘small’ person had to climb in the hole in the center and clean out the debris, which was considerable.

Not the greatest job in the world, as I see it...



Our docent explaining the workings of the Atlas 30HP 200 RPM engine that drove the carriage...that’s the widget that moves the logs through the saw blades.....



Left to right: the authors' rather feeble attempt to photograph a rapidly spinning saw blade in poor light...but you get the idea; the smoother/planer that refined the boards after they came off the carriage; and the finished product being loaded onto a forklift for distribution.

Here's a trio of shots of the 'tools of the trade', as it were.....



Here are some pictures of older, interesting items.....First of all...we sighted Vicki Fertig's Buick... apparently one of the mill's volunteers bought it from her not long before her passing...



This is a 1924 Dorris. There are only five remaining in the world, and this specimen is the only one still running!



Lori getting ready to pop the clutch on a 1927 Federal



The truck in the middle is in pristine shape..but it does have a defect on the tailgate...it says FORD!



Our outing concluded with a nice drive through Occidental, the Bohemian Highway, Monte Rio, Forestville and landing at Mom's Apple Pie on Highway 116 for goodies and more comradeship. Kudos to Leo for putting together a wonderful event!



Buick Club of the Redwoods

September 16, 2017

Did Buick make Trucks? Was a question I, Lori Hoogendoorn, asked April Kahnberg on Saturday 9/16/2017 at the Sturgeon's Mill in Sebastopol, California. Here are my findings



Picture of a 1942 Ragsdale Buick



It's been seven decades since the truck went to work in Flint, Michigan.



about Buick Trucks.

The Buick brand of Trucks never seemed to take off like Ford and Chevrolet. Buick, like most truck companies, started as commercial use only. The first truck to carry the Buick name was built in 1907 when Henry Ford produced the first light commercial trucks, it was given the name of 1 M-2A Truck. It had a "plumber's body".



By 1912, the Commercial Trucks grew in size with more horsepower adding in a 2 cylinder engine. That's when they introduced the three-speed sliding gear transmission which was adopted using three-point mounting on a sub-frame and moving the engine to the front of the trucks with the clutch type being a leather-faced cone.

In 1923, the Buick made their first truck. But not many were made. They carried the Buick name but were made under the Buick motor division of General Motors. Buick focused on building more luxury automobiles than trucks. In the later years, G.M also made sport cars called "hot rods." Only a few trucks made it out of the assembly line in the early days. General Motors no longer makes trucks under the Buick name. The Buick trucks started to look more like the trucks we see on the roads .

- **Contributed by Lori Hoogendoorn—after research on the Internet**

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Pictures taken at staging – for Sturgeon’s Mill Event at Shari’s parking lot in Rohnert Park. Early Morning – gathering – and there is always a hood up.



Contributed by Lori Hoogendoorn

Worthy of an announcement.

BCR Member...John Wilson of Lucerne CA took an award at Hot August Nights 2017 .

Award Presented by: City of Reno, Nevada..... Police Chiefs Awards.

Congrats to John Wilson

(Glad to see the Buick back in award worthy status)



Also Note Worthy

BCR Members Don and Lois Brooner – took BEST of Show at the Twin Pines Car Show

Congrats to Don, Lois and Brutus

No Pictures available (See Lois' camera). 😊

Dates to Remember

OCT 21st – Progressive Dinner

Hosts: Appetizers: Dave and Linda Bergmann

Entrée: Stan and Gail Sollid

Desserts: Terry Eggleston and Michelle LaVoie (note chg)

NOV 4th Poker Run – Details to follow

Dec 9th Save the Date – for the BCR Holiday Party - At Cattlemen's,
Petaluma 2:30 – 5:30

Gift Exchange at the Kahnberg's for the end of year celebration.

2018

Jan 13, 2018 ---- 2018 Planning Meeting / Brunch at Kahnberg's Home

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.

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

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

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

The 3rd Sunday – **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 4th Sunday – **Cars and Coffee Rohnert Park** by Target and Juice Shack – 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

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.

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.

