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## SUMMER ACTIVITIES:

- \* RENO MEET
- \* SAN SYLMAR
- \* BASEBALL NITE
- \* CAMPOUT
- \* BEACH PARTY?

## SAFETY SEMINAR

The May 10th safety seminar was not a good event. It was a fantastic event, and although it was conceived as a preventative maintenance seminar for the coming Reno tour, I think that the concept should be used on a regular basis. The activity was, once again, well-planned by technical advisor, Dennis Griffin and the bulk of the work was done by Dennis, Bud Lacey, Duane Robinson, Steve Balmer and Dave Nelson, helped by Lou Spielberger, Jim Manos, Tom Matthey, Dick McNabb and Jim Marsh.

A total of 9 cars were checked in the following areas: WATERPUMP: end play, bearing and shaft, packing & leaks, fan belt. GENERATOR: oil, bushings, pulley, RADIATOR: rust, leaks, hoses, CARB.: Leaks, gas line, butterfly, adjusting. DISTRIBUTOR: shaft, point gap, plug gap, examine cap, plate wire. Also checked: oil level, starter, spark & throttle balls. Bud and Duane did this mammoth job.

Dennis Griffin stayed underneath the cars all day. We did provide him with an antique creeper, however. He checked: trans oil, rear end oil, all cotter pins, muffler, motor mounts, flywheel housing, wiring, shock links, all lube points, king pins, rear springs, shackles, front springs, perches, brake rods.

Inside the car, we checked: steering, lubed throw-out bearing, checked headlights & tail lights, horn and inside gas line. Also battery cables and wiper motor and blade.

Lubrication included: steering, drag link, king pins, shocks and repacking of front wheel bearings.

The junction box and coil wire was checked and fuses installed where needed. Breaks were adjusted and tires were inspected for cracks, tread wear and valve stem cracks.

Many possible problems were pin-pointed ranging from missing lock washers and cotter pins to dry transmission and cracked motor mounts.

I listed all of the above check areas to show you what a complete check was done. This type of check could easily be done as a fund raiser, a couple times a year. I would gladly contribute a "fee" to the club to have an expert go over my car the way they did on May 10th.

While the men were busy outside, the following women were inside working up a supply list for the tour: Sue Nelson, Pearl Spielberger, Bev Marsh and Dionne McNabb. Their list included the following items: milk of magnesia, kaopectate, toe nail polish, romantic novels, credit cards, red wine, white wine, rubber chicken, etc.

I didn't see the finished list but I am sure we will be prepared for any eventuality.

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## PROGRESSIVE DINNER VOLUNTEERS

Are there any volunteers for serving courses for our annual progressive dinner? We have two volunteers already, the Mattheys and the Willetts. Please let Diane Manos or Bev Marsh know if you are interested in having one course. The club reimburses you for all of your expensed.

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## COOKIE PERSONS

The cookies for the May meeting were contributed by: Myrna Morgan, Dorothy DeGray and Mary Stockard. Thank you, they were the best I've ever tasted in my whole mouth.

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If you actually look like your passport photo, you are obviously too sick to travel!

## JUNE MEETING

DATE: Thur. June 12  
PLACE: Trident Jr. Hi School  
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

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### A MESSAGE FROM CHUCK WILLIAMS

On May 24th and 25th we had a car show at the Mission Viejo Mall. Although we were able to round up only 9 cars, the club still made \$270.00 for the two days.

Many thanks to the following loyal members who showed thir cars: Jim Willett, Steve Balmer, Richard Carter, Bob Ames, Herb Hester, Jean Griffin, Sharon Johnson and Oney DeGray. The hard luck trophy should surely go to Earl Baker since his 'A' broke down on the way to the show.

As a lot of you already know, the next general meeting will be my last one as President of this club. Due to my transfer to Placerville in Northern Calif., I have resigned as of the June meeting.

These last five years as an Orange County member have been some of the best in my life. Linda and I both hope that the relationships we've made can still continue even though we will be living in Northern Calif. The welcome mat will always be out, so please stop by and visit us when you're up our way.

Good-bye, we'll miss you all!

Sincerely,  
Chuck

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### PAST PRESIDENT TO PRESIDE

During the recent May 29th Board meeting, Tom Schenk, last year's club President, and current advisor to the Board, was appointed to fill in the vacancy created by Chuck William's transfer to Northern Calif.

## WINE TOUR REPORT

The May 4th wine tour was another success. We left the Orange Mall at the regular 9:30 departure time and travelled out the 91 freeway to the 31 to the San Bernardino freeway and just north of Foothill to the Opici Winery in Alta Loma, arriving at 11:00.

We had a very nice presentation and talk about various wines by one of the winery people, after which we visited the retail shop and continued visiting on the outside patio until time to proceed to the second stop, the Brookside Winery in Guasti.

Here we gathered under the trees in a nice picnic area and ate lunch, played Bocci Balls and looked at various crafts for sale. Most of us took the winery tour and later sampled wines in the retail shop.

The third stop was California's oldest winery, the Thomas Winery in Mira Loma. Here, as on the previous stop, we did not have a formal presentation but each person could sample whatever he chose from the wine list.

The retail store was quite interesting and there was a very nice gift shop in back which was constructed out of a huge wooden tank.

The tour left the Thomas Winery and headed home on a beautiful, sunny day, however, Dick McNabb's coil gave up touring forever in Ontario. The crew soon diagnosed the trouble and a new coil from the tour kit was installed and we enjoyed the rest of the trip home.

Those seen on this beautiful Sunday were: The Stinnetts, Glenn Johnsons, Navras, Balmers, Marshes, McNabbs, D. Griffins, Schenks, Conkols, Duane Robinson and in modern cars: Livingstons, Ralph Johnsons, Gibases and Berbiars.

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Get your 'A' out on tour!



## Nuts and Bolts

TECHNICAL REPORT  
by  
DENNIS GRIFFIN

I'd like to thank the McNabb's and everyone who helped at the safety seminar. It was a lot of fun and we uncovered a lot of potential problems.

Our next seminar will be at my house on Friday, June 27th at 7:30 P.M. The subject will be Model A rear ends.

Ladies are most welcome to come and share in the evening's activities.

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### BOARD MEETING NOTES

Secretary's report, Sharon Johnson treasurer's report, Dick Berbiar, Activities report, Bev Marsh. Chuck Williams discussed the July 11 car show at Huntington Plaza, stressed the need for 30 cars and the much-needed revenue that can be realized. Tech. report by Dennis Griffin. Discussion to raise the reimbursement limit for seminars from \$11.00 to \$20.00 voted on and passed. Round-up report by Steve Balmer, discussed contract, advertising, gift solicitation. Chuck Williams spoke about participation at recent shopping center car show. Discussion of possible new meeting places. Bev will contact Ball Jr. Hi. Tom Schenk will line up Hart Park for July and Aug. July meeting to be potluck. Discussion to reimburse Joe Wavra \$130.00 for purchase of T-shirts, voted and passed. Discussion regarding interim president. Steve Balmer moved to appoint Tom Schenk, Bev. second, passed. Meeting adjourned, next meeting June 26 at Chuck William's house.

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Your car will last a lifetime if you are just a little careless.

### TROLLEY TOUR by Sharon Johnson

Bright and early (for Conkol) the tour left the Orange Mall and headed for Perris and the Trolley Museum. There were 8 Model A's and one 1940 pickup. Those attending were Carter, Conkols, Sharon Johnson, Lacey's, Marshes, Matt and Marla Plotkin, McClellan, Stinnetts, Duane Robinson and Wavras.

The trip was one to be remembered. After turning off the freeway, we had a small creek to cross. We managed that quite well but the best was yet to come. Down the road a piece (as they say), we came to lots of fun stuff called gravel. Then we started winding up the hill and around Lake Matthews. It was a very scenic drive. The countryside reminds me a lot of Ely, Nevada. Marcaccis would be right at home there.

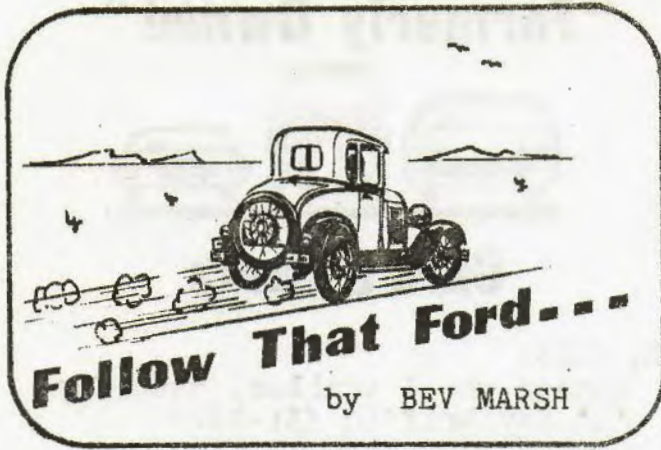
After various encounters with pot holes, ranging from sauce pan size to the old iron skillet size, we finally arrived at the Trolley Museum. We found a nice, shady spot and set our picnic lunches down and then everyone explored the museum.

There were many different trolley cars to ride and they changed cars about every fifteen minutes. Also on the premises was a junk shop that was unbelievable. It had old newspapers from 1927 to 1975 and all kinds of old railroad memorabilia.

The museum itself is housed in two converted railroad cars and has lots of interesting things in it.

While we were having lunch we were serenaded by a bluegrass, one man band. After lunch, we all collected our things and headed home.

What fun this time, I hit pot holes that I missed the time before. It was a fun day and Larry Conkol's tour was really well planned.



- \*June 14-23 Reno/Squaw Valley tour
- \*June 21 San Sylmar tour, Orange Mall, 8:00 A.M. sharp add Jerry's Barbeque (Artesia offramp, S.A. freeway 8:15 A.M.
- \*June 22 CHVA car show, Rancho Calif. Orange Mall 9:30, So. Coast Plaza 9:45
- July 11-13 Ely, Nev car show/swap
- July 14 Baseball night, Anaheim Stadium, Gate 3 on State College 7:30 P.M.
- \*July 25-27 Annual campout, Oak Glen Resort, Yucaipa.
- \*Progressive Dinner

First of all, special thanks to Larry and Cheryl Conkol for organizing our tour to the Trolley Museum which was fun and interesting. Thank you also to Sue Nelson for her help in organizing our club's first night at the horse races.

I may not be able to make it to the June meeting (it's our son's graduation day) so please contact the names mentioned for the events you are interested in, and please feel free to call me on any questions you may have.

Bud Lacey has done an excellent job in taking charge of our Reno tour.

The tour to San Sylmar will be full. If you have signed up and cannot attend, let me know so I can notify them and allow someone else to attend. Jerry Sterling will be leading the tour, and will be

stopping at a restaurant on the way home. Remember, no children under 12, no flash equipment on cameras, no tape recorders and no smoking. Also, no jeans, shorts halter tops or thong-type sandals permitted. The tour will begin at the Orange Mall and stop at Jerry's Barbeque to pick up those who live up that way.

Larry Conkol will be leading the tour to the CHVA car show at Rancho Calif. Bring a blanket and picnic lunch. There will be lots of beautiful antique and classic cars. The tour will leave Orange Mall at 9:30 and pick up others at South Coast Plaza at 9:45 (By the Broadway).

Get your Baseball Night tickets from Mary Stockard. They are \$2.50 each. This will be your last chance to get tickets.

Mary will also be collecting your \$10.00 deposit (one night's stay) for the Campout. It was suggested that we try a different area than "down South", so it sounds as though Oak Glen will be really great. It has specialty shops, horseback riding, 2 very large pools, mini-golf, children's playground, full hook-ups, showers and restrooms. June 12 meeting night will be your last chance to sign up.

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#### RENO RESERVATIONS

Chuck and Linda Williams will not be able to use their reservations for June 15-19 at the Holiday Inn, South in Reno. If anyone would be interested in using them, call Linda at 336-7057 after 3:30.

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#### MAY WINNERS

Model A driver: Steve Balmer  
Name badge: Richard Carter  
Hard luck trophy: Jim Marsh



### ERA ACCESSORIES

Model A era women's purses were usually of the envelope type. They were made of leather or various materials such as cloth or beads. They were much like present-day purses, never extremely large and never zippered.

Gloves were often a gauntlet design without buttons, and were of any length. Contrasting to the previous era, the Model 'A' lady often wore evening gloves and they would more than likely be color matched or complementary to the gown. Some evening gloves were buttoned at the wrist.

Eye-glasses are a good accessory for your era clothing collection. With the proper glasses, the side bows came off from the middle of the lenses, not the top. Various materials were used, including gold, tortoise shell, bone, celluloid and silver. Plastic was experimental and not on the market until the late 1930's. Ladies wore pinch-nose spectacles in gold with a chain attached around the neck. The same type were worn by men, but were usually made of bone or tortoise shell.

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### RECIPE FOR ELEPHANT STEW

2 med. size elephants, 2 med. size rabbits.  
Cut elephants into small pieces over a period of 4 weeks. Mix water and flour for brown gravy. Cook for 6 weeks. Serves 4,800 people. If more people are expected, add in the 2 rabbits, but don't do it unless necessary since most people do not like hare in their stew.

## "Formerly Owned"



## Cars & Parts

### FOR SALE:

Tandem wheel trailer, made for 'A' Ray Griffin 551-4229

1929 chassis, complete, needs restoring. \$500.00 Dave Gatterall 897-0730

1941 Graham Hollywood, restored Dick Berbiar 637-5497

Speed equip. for 59-AB eng.  $\frac{1}{2}$ " stroked, turned crank with new bearings, race cam, alum. flywheel. \$250.00 for all Lloyd Marcacci 1-702-289-2624

### WANTED:

Side mount (triangular shaped) bracket, 30-31. Glenn Bowers 213-431-7123

4 blade fan, 30-31 cowl band, inside window cranks for Vic., cabriolet or slant window sed. Dennis Griffin 894-7661

1928 fan shroud, Dan Simmons 968-7466

Info. where to get wood kit for four door steelback. Harry Norris 848-1782

30-31 roadster package tray Kevin Vidal 847-1164

Model A script coil, Richard Carter 495-0509

Wind wing brackets, orig. type for closed car. Jon Heiland 538-1139

Need body work, paint, assembly Dave Moyle 529-9687

ADDITIONS TO ROSTER

Hinds, Darrell & Carol  
Holly  
7471 El Rosal Cir.  
Buena Park, Ca. 90620  
522-1669 1930 coupe

Morgan, John & Eleanor  
5721 Club View Dr.  
Yorba Linda, Ca. 92686  
528-4744 '28 rd. pickup  
'29 Dlx roadster.

Fischer, Jim & Jan  
4565 Elder Ave. Seal Beach, Ca.  
90740,  
430-3278, '28 Phaeton

Dey, Kenneth & Carol  
31301 Paseo Nogal  
San Juan Capistrano 92675  
493-7126

Cholewinski, James  
9682 Hazard St.  
Santa Ana, Ca. 92703  
'29 town sedan

Royster, David & Jennie  
1602 Nissan Rd. Apt. K-4  
Tustin, Ca. 92680  
832-5313

Noyle, Dave  
1350 Tamarack Ave.  
Brea, Ca. 92621  
529-9687 '30 four door.

Tukua, Robert & Janice  
11502 Foster Rd.  
Los Alamitos, Ca. 90720  
213-430-0402

Massey, Lloyd  
1331 Hampshire Cir.  
Newport Beach, Ca. 92660  
548-1490

Livingston, Mike & Mary  
415 Bayside Dr.  
Newport Beach, Ca. 92660  
'29 tudor

Shermerhorn, Marty & Liz  
722 Oakwilde Dr.  
Anaheim, Ca. 92804  
761-5750

Feddersohn, Chris  
249 Vista Del Monte  
Anaheim, Ca. 92807  
637-6369

CHANGES:  
Manos, Jim & Diane correct  
number is 2743 Punta Del Este.

Raskin, Al  
731 Fairmont Way  
Orange, Ca. 92669

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GARAGE SALE A SUCCESS

Our May 17th garage sale was a success to the tune of \$211.75 net profit. Linda Williams coordinated it and she thanks all of those who participated and those who donated all of the "good junkie".

Separating and pricing items on Friday night were Dennis and Judy Griffin, Glenn & Sharon Johnson, Chuck & Linda Williams and Dick McNabb. Helping on Sat. were Chuck & Linda, Sharon, Pat Douglass, Conrad Sterten and Dick McNabb. Visitors were Darlene Matthey and Oney and Dorothy DeGray.

(Editor's note) The event was successful, considering the small amount of club participation, however, a club of this size can certainly put on a much bigger sale in the future.

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CHANGE IN FUTURE MEETING PLACE

Due to the closing of Trident Jr. High, the June meeting will be the last one at that site. As in past years, the July and Aug. meetings will be at Hart Park in Orange. The July meeting will be a pot luck, details later.

Plans are underway to secure a permanent meeting place.

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Is your car a Model 'A'? Heck no, it is a horrible example!

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S PUZZLE

CLUB ITEMS FOR SALE

P	B	R	A	S	S	T	R	L	B
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Jacket patches \$4.25  
 T-shirt patches 1.50  
 Name badges .75  
 Window decals .50  
 T-shirts 4.50  
 Jackets (about) 13.00

Jackets can be purchased at the Army-Navy store on Glassell, south of the traffic circle in Orange.

See Dionne McNabb  
 642-2137

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DON'T FORGET.....

The Strawhat Pizza Parlor after the general meeting.

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