

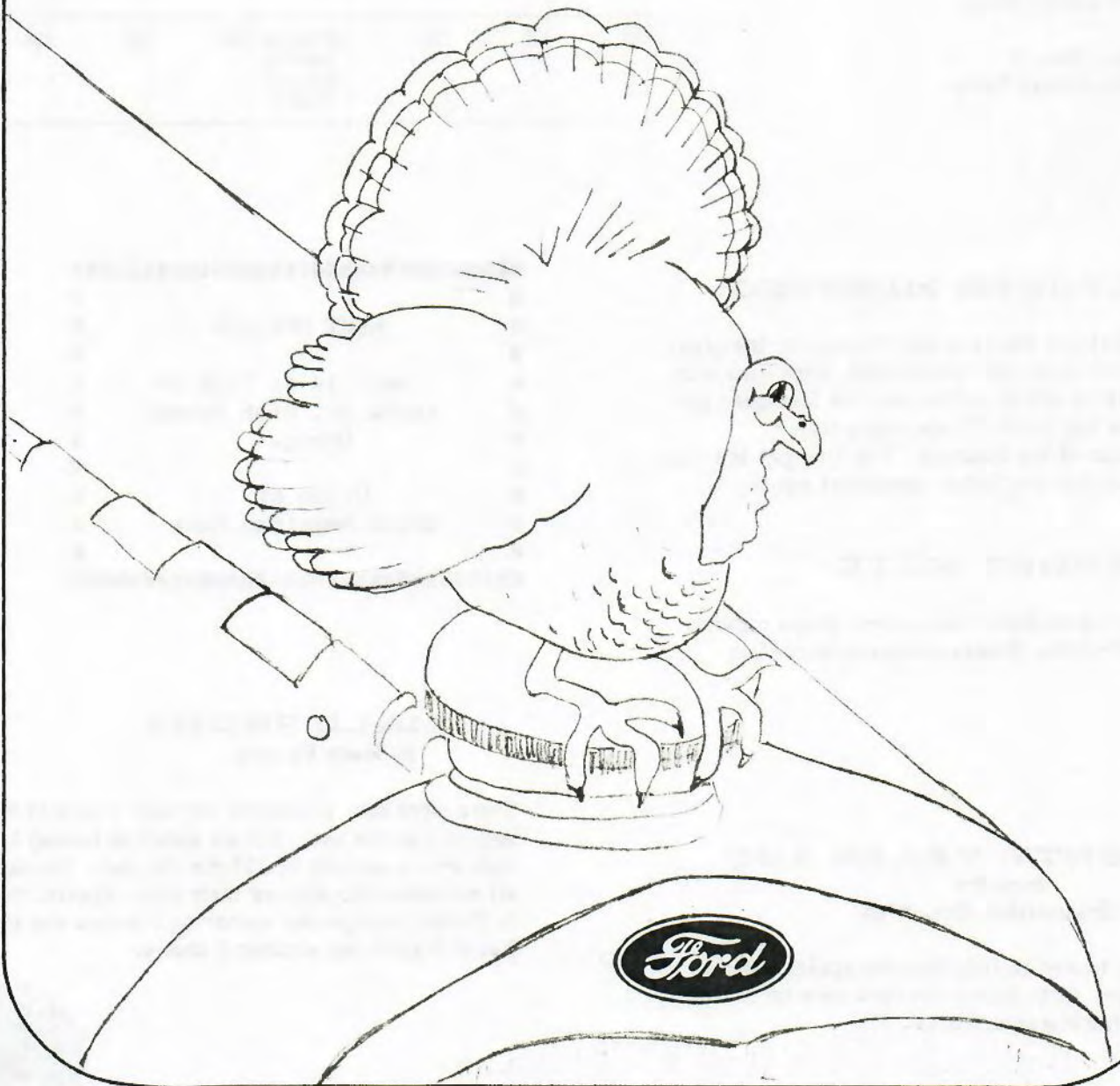
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CALENDAR

Nov. 8, 9, 10
San Diego Fun Meet

Thursday, Nov. 14, 7:30 PM
General Meeting
Yorba Jr.H.S., Orange

Wednesday, Nov. 27, 7:30 PM
Board Meeting
Justices

COMING EVENTS

Thursday, Dec. 12
Kids Christmas Party

Saturday, Dec. 21
Adult Christmas Party

NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7 Gen. Meeting Yorba JHS 7:30 PM	8 San Diego Fun Meet	9 Fun Meet
10 Fun Meet	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Board Meeting Justices 7:30PM	28	29	30

OCTOBER MEETING

Jim Willet got the hard luck trophy for the great job his fan blade did to his hood. Dick Riha won the Model A driver raffle, and the Dwingers got the name tag prize. There was a lively discussion of the Roundup. Don't forget the food collection for the Sitton home next month.

SHORT NOTE

Bob and Karyn Sitter have a new phone number: (714) 777-2486. Please change your roster.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

from the
Distributor, Oct., 1965

The club toured to Oak Glen for apples early in November. Both Eatherton cars were on the tour, as was Jim Marsh's truck.

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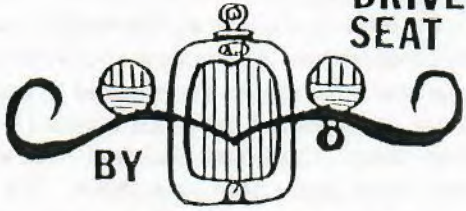
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#           Yorba Jr. High School   #
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#           Great American Race     #
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MALL SHOWS
by Wade Roberts

There were few prospects for mall shows at the beginning of the year, but we ended up having 5 mall shows earning \$2,220 for the club. Thanks to all members who showed their cars. Special thanks to Pieter Dwingier for cornering 3 shows and to David Graham for another 2 shows.



**FROM
THE
DRIVER'S
SEAT**



BY

PIETER N. DWINGER

639-4767 **633-1921**

The Las Vegas Imperial Palace Antique Auto Run was, according to all of us, the best tour that we have ever been on! Beautiful cars, era clothing, fabulous food, etc., etc. Please see Glen Johnson's article for a full tour rundown. If you would like to join us next year on this tour, October 23-26, please call me right away. I have the application forms. Since there will again be a limit of 300 cars, I recommend that your reservations be mailed in ASAP.

The club officer election ballot for 1986 is attached. Please bring it to the Nov. 14 business meeting, or mail it to Dan Simmons before November 30. The results will be announced at the adult Christmas party.

Sign-ups for the adult Christmas party will be at the November meeting. The party will be at the Claim Jumper restaurant in Fountain Valley on Saturday, Dec. 21. We will have dinner and dancing to music provided by a live DJ.

The progressive dinner was a smashing success. We all owe a big thanks to the Sitters, Osbornes, Ferazzis, Wavras, McKinneys, Balmers, Hamptons and Marshs for all the great planning and cooking. The highlight of this dinner was the Sitters' museum-sized antique record player collection which filled every room of their house and every square inch of wall space. A tour through their house is a must.

Don't forget to bring boxed and canned Christmas food donations to the November meeting for the Albert Sitton Home. Sign-ups for the childrens Christmas party will be made at the November 14 meeting. The party will be held after a very short business meeting on Dec. 12.

BOARD MEETING NOTES

by Jim Marsh

Meeting was called to order by President Dwinger at 7:50PM.

Secretary's report by Jim Marsh: Corrected to indicate that the La Vegas tour will be a mileage tour and the board meeting will be on Oct. 30.

Treasurer's Report by Wade Roberts: Accepted as read.

Activities Report by Jon Heiland: The San Diego fun meet will be Nov. 8, 9, 10 in Escondido. Jon thanked everyone who helped with the progressive dinner. Jon will do the kids Christmas party. Wade moved that \$275 be allocated to reserve the DJ for the adult Christmas party. Seconded by Jon Heiland. Motion carried.

Distributor report by Keith Justice: Everything is A-OK.

Technical report by Dick Riha: November seminar will be at Rihas on engine assembly, Friday November 15. Next program will be a video on the Great American Race.

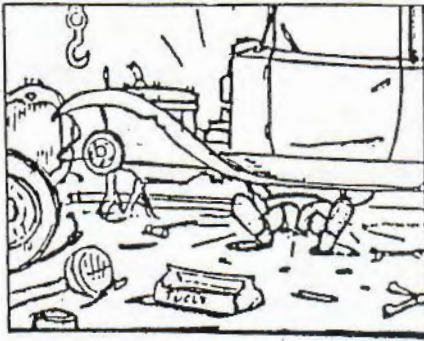
Roundup report by Jon for Jerry Sterling: The board authorized Jerry to sell left over trophy plates at the next meeting for \$15 each. Discussed the possibility of eliminating the Roundup and expanding the Pancake Breakfast with a large raffle.

Mall Shows: Wade reported that we had 5 successfull shows this year.

Old Business: Duane Hampton is working on the 5,000 mile patches and stantions. Dan Simmons has put together a slate for the elections.

New Business: None. Meeting adjourned at 9:01PM.



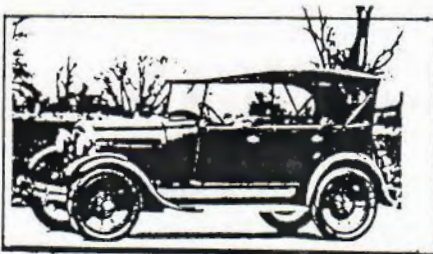


TECHNICAL TALK

by Dick Riha

With no seminar in October, there is little to report. On our trip to Maui, Hawaii we saw two Model A's in unrestored condition. One was an A30 chopped frame roadster purchased for \$150. The other was a 1931 Sport Coupe which was sold for \$500 Oct. 6, 1985.

The seminar for November will be at my house on the 15th at 7:30PM on engine assembly. The program for the November meeting will be a talk and VCR tape by Bill Halliday on the 1985 Great American Race in which he was a participant.



TIME TO TOUR

by Jon Heiland

Several groups are leaving at various departure times for the San Diego fun meet November 8, 9, and 10. Please call me for details. This is the only event in November, and there are no mileage tours in December, but bring the kids to their Christmas party Thursday, December 12, and join us at the adult party on the 21st.

Do it in an A!

ROUNDUP REPORT

by Jerry Sterling

We have discussed the issue of the Roundup at several Board meetings as well as at the regular meetings with no conclusions. As you are aware, the Roundup, while having an exceptional Orange County turnout, did not get much support from the other clubs. The Board and next year's Roundup chairman would appreciate your input. The following questions are not all inclusive, but may start us thinking. I would appreciate your comments so as to assist the board in having the activity most desired by the club. Once again, I cannot thank the membership enough for the exceptional support and attendance.



GOLDEN OLDIES

For Sale: '31 Deluxe Roadster, Washington Riviera blue, Tacoma stripe and wheels, LeBaron Bonney top and upholstery, cut glass wind wings and mirror, quail, stone guard, luggage rack, sidemounts. One of the best in the country, \$16,000 (price open to negotiation). Phone 213-472-6700. Los Angeles.

For Sale: Heavy duty tow bar (used by an old car nut to tow his 1931 Chevy). \$49.00 Charles Robles, 998-8474.

Trade: 1929 Roadster Pickup. New top, interior, tires, etc. Looks good, runs good, good driver. New bed wood, nothing left to do! Will trade for '28 or '29 Fordor Town Sedan in same cond. Might consider a Tudor. No '30-'31's. Lets talk. Tom Osborne, (714) 537-7766.

Free! A now OBSOLETE Auto Club windshield sticker that will not be available again. This one goes on from the inside, in 3 colors, with red bell, and in the center says "Member Over 50 Years". An interesting item for your Model A. Limit: 1 per car. Send SASE to: Tom Osborne, 12082 Marlowe Dr., Garden Grove 92641. Offer good until supply is exhausted.

ROUNDUP QUESTIONNAIRE

Please bring to November meeting or mail in during before December 1. No matter how you answer question 14, please answer questions 1 through 13.

1. Is a cost of several thousand dollars reasonable for the Roundup? yes___ no___
2. Would you prefer Knotts Berry Farm? yes___ no___
3. Would you prefer a park and a lesser cost factor, with no major attractions? yes___ no___
4. Would you like to use Lion Country again next year? yes___ no___
5. Would a barbeque/picnic approach be acceptable for the Roundup? yes___ no___
6. Assuming barbeque/picnic should it be:
free? yes___ no___ about \$5.00? yes___ no___
about \$2.00? yes___ no___
7. Do you prefer to bring your own food? yes___ no___
8. Do you think we should have a band? yes___ no___
9. Do you think it is important to have the cars displayed in or close to the activities area? yes___ no___
10. Do you prefer:
large raffle? yes___ no___ small raffle? yes___ no___
both? yes___ no___
11. Should we provide dash plaques? yes___ no___
12. Do you like the Roundup in
September? yes___ no___
October? yes___ no___
13. Do you think we should try the multi-club approach again? yes___ no___
14. Should we discontinue the Roundup? yes___ no___
15. If we discontinue the Roundup, should we expand the pancake breakfast?
yes___ no___
by adding a large raffle? yes___ no___
some other way? _____

16. Additional comments, or answers to questions I should have asked (use back of sheet):

BALLOT

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TOM OSBOURNE	

write-in	

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THE IMPERIAL PALACE ANTIQUE AUTO RUN TOUR

By Glenn Johnson

On Thursday evening, Oct. 24th, seven Model A's and one modern left from the Dwinger's house for Las Vegas, Nevada and the Imperial Palace Antique Auto Run. Driving Model A's were Joe and Marion Wavra (The Blue Box), Larry and Gerry McKinney (Black Beauty), Piet and Judi Dwinger (Chuckwagon), Joe and Rickie Lane (Bonnie L), Glenn and Sharon Johnson (Wrong Way & Buzzsaw), Vince and Joan Mariola (alias Dennis & Judy for this weekend), and Dan and Valerie Simmons (usually The Rose but this weekend driving the Town Truck). Cory Simmons and a friend driving a Toyota pickup with the tow bar were our backup vehicle known as Rockin' Red. With CB's on channel 11 and everyone running fine, we drove out the 91 Freeway and turned North on Hwy 71 as darkness fell. Just before we reached the 60 Freeway, Chuckwagon's generator cutout burned out. Repairs were made quickly, and we were soon on the freeway headed for Cajon Pass. We all made it over the pass with ease and stopped for dinner in Victorville. Back on the road again, I started having problems with dimming headlights due to a low battery. I turned off the lights and stayed in the middle of the pack for about 10 miles to let the battery charge up a little. This helped some, but I continued to have headlight problems the rest of the night. The next stop was Baker where we gassed up and worked on the Blue Box's jammed starter switch. After about a half hour of tinkering with the cars, we were back to the desert darkness again, headed for the Las Vegas lights. We all got separated for awhile on the big hills outside of Baker, but everyone caught up just before we got to Las Vegas and we all pulled into the Imperial Palace about 1:30 AM Friday morning.

We spent Friday working on our cars and looking at all the other antique cars of various makes from as far away as Ohio and Colorado. Friday night we all dressed in our era clothes and went to the welcoming cocktail party and then enjoyed the Legends in Concert show in the Imperial Palace showroom.

Saturday morning, the day of the run, the weather was gorgeous. All the 1900-1927 cars left on the run at 7 AM. Our group left at 7:30 AM and the later cars up to 1936 left at 8 AM. A large number of the participants on the tour were again dressed in era clothing. By 8:30 AM, 300 antique and classic cars, 1936 and older, were making their way across the Nevada desert and through the

Valley of Fire toward Boulder Beach on Lake Mead. Our group arrived about noon and found the barbeque and festivities well under way. Two huge open sided tents were set up right on the beach and the barbeques were smoking away with hamburgers, hotdogs, chicken, roast beef and ribs. There were also several salads, corn on the cob, wine, beer, soft drinks and a live band. Everyone ate as much as they could, with Piet Dwinger outdoing us all by going back for 3rds and 4ths. After lunch, the Legends in Concert stars joined the band and performed part of their show for us right on the beach.

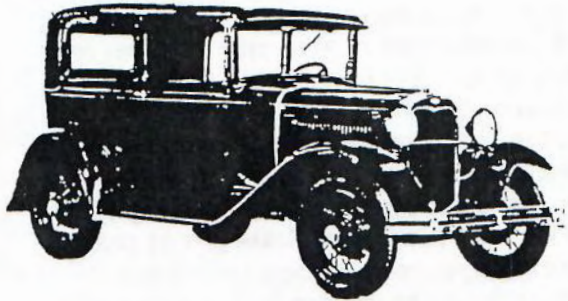
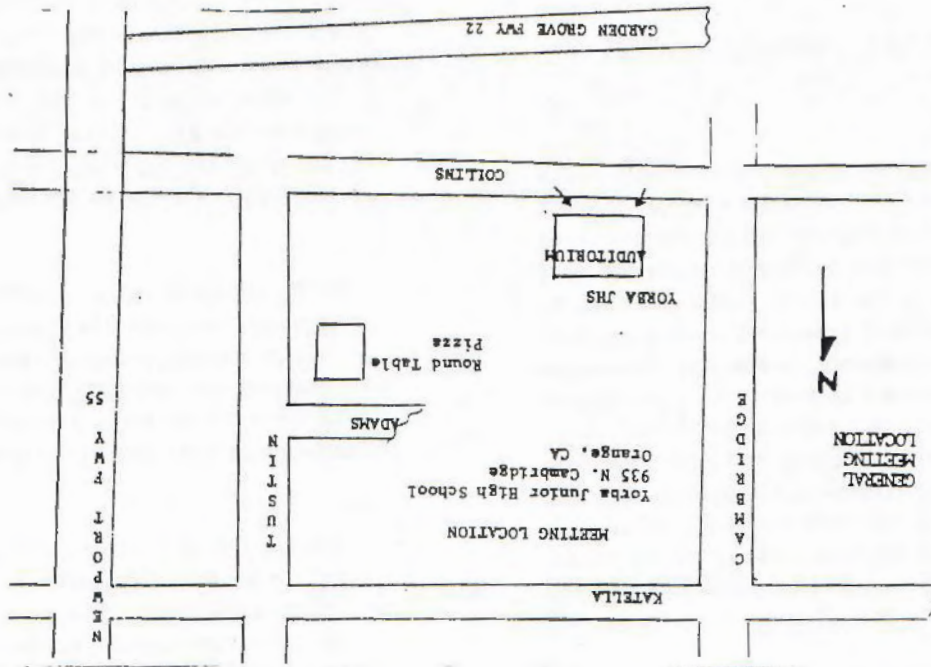
The tour back to the Imperial Palace was only about 30 or 40 miles, so we had time to relax and go to the Imperial Palace auto collection when we returned. Ralph Englestat, owner of the Imperial Palace, has 450 collector cars and about 200 of them are displayed in a very nice museum setting on the 5th floor of the parking garage. The collection varies from rare, priceless classics to Mustangs and restored old trucks. I visited the museum three times during the weekend and appreciated it more each time.

Saturday night we all dressed in era clothes again (Sharon and I brought more era clothes than modern) and went to the banquet. The food at the banquet was fabulous. Shrimp and lobster cocktail and then, without a doubt, the best fillet mignon I've ever eaten, plus an open bar, excellent professional live music, and hundreds of participants in era costumes.

Sunday morning came all too soon and we all headed out of Las Vegas about 10:30 AM for the long ride home. As we passed through the fruit inspection station at the state line, the Town Truck broke a crankshaft pulley. Fortunately Rockin' Red was behind us with the tow bar. We hooked up the Town Truck and drove on home. I think everyone who was on this tour will agree it was the best antique auto event we've ever participated in. Everyone connected with the event was most hospitable, helpful and friendly. There were many unexpected free gifts, the food was fantastic and a great time was had by all. Mr. Ralph Englestat and the Imperial Palace staff really know how to put on a super antique car meet. I'm already registered for next year.

EDITORS' NOTE

Sure sounds like this was a fabulous tour and definately something we're not going to miss next year!



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