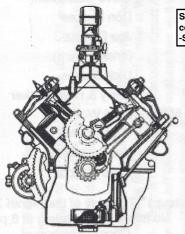


June 2007

"Our 37th Year"



Scanner's note: Based on content I think this is July 2007 -Scott Doudrick, Dec 5, 2024

## Drive Lines

Car of the Month: John Wolf's green 39 Roadster

Drive Prize (for bringing your V8 to the meeting) Larry Weiss's 36 Ford with a mannequin

Program for the Evening: Joe introduced two young men who started the San Fernando Illegal Soap Box Derby a year ago. They race down hills around the valley. They choose courses with no houses or intersections. They have spotters with walkie-talkies at the bottom. They give them code names such as Foggy Fairlane, etc. The cars must be gravity powered, no motors. If they complete the race they receive a sticker. There is a home made trophy that is passed from winner to winner. Their first race had 5 cars entered and the last race had 22 cars. They go from 40 to 60 MPH. The courses are from 4 tenths to 1½ miles long. They have no permits. They wear helmets, leather and shin guards. You can get hurt. They use scrub brakes, metal against wheel by pulling a lever. It is held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 7 AM. There are usually 50 to 60 people watching. The police have come but never caused a problem. They notify people where to go by flier and their web site. <a href="https://www.SFVISBF.com">www.SFVISBF.com</a> At the break, we went in the parking lot to look at a soap box car they brought and they showed a film of some races on their computer.

Raffle Winners:

Ladies: Judy Shubb and Helen Hutchinson

Name Badge: Karen Lehman 50/50 Drawing: Randy Watson

Thank you Karen for all the effort of recording and compiling the minutes each month!

And thanks to Gordie Chamberlin, who submitted the following for our enjoyment:

### A LITTLE ABOUT OUR CLUB FROM INFORMATION IN THE NEW ROSTER:

Geez, some people have too much time on their hands but when I received my new roster at the meeting I looked immediately like most of us to see if my name and information was correct and of course it was. I then got curious as to how many '40 Fords were listed and noticed that there is lots of great information in the roster in addition to our names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. There are 91 members listed up from 90 last year and we have a total of 160 cars even though 9 members listed no car. There are 3 original members from 1971 plus Jack Miles who joined in 1970, a year before the club started. Just a typo! 34 members have joined since the year 2,000 and now to the good stuff! There are 18 '32 Fords, 10 '34's 8 '35's, 10 '36's, 2 '37's, 3 '38's, 14' 39's, 33 '40's 7 '41's 6 '46's, 4 '47's, 6 '48's, 1 '49, 9' 50's, 3 ' 51's 4 '53's, 4 Lincolns, 12 Mercury's and a Ford tractor. The guy with the most cars listed is Ed Warnock with 7 but I know several of you have many more than that!. It is easy to see that 1940 is the most popular year by far and there is no '33 or '42 listed. If your name is missing please be sure that your dues are are paid for 2007 so you will be included next year. Thanks to Dick Stones for doing such a great job again and please let him know if you buy or sell a car or move or change your telephone number so we can keep this great roster current. Gordie Chamberlin

#### Classified Ads:

#### For Sale:

Custom made tow bar for 1932 to 1934 Fords. It bolts to the front frame rails and has a standard hitch to take a 1.75 inch ball. \$50

Set of four 16" Kelsey Hayes "bent spoke" wheels. Make Fair Offer

1939 Ford complete steering box, column, lock, and nice banjo wheel.

Pair of 1939 Mercury bumpers.

Single 1941 Ford bumper, requires straightening and chroming

Single 1942-1948 bumper. Please call regarding any of these

1934 Ford factory built tow truck. Ford built a few of these "service bodies" from 1931-1934. Rolling chassis with 21 stud block. Unrusted cab with uncut firewall. NEEDS EVERYTHING! It still has the painted Ford script on the doors with the name of the Los Angeles Ford dealer "J. A. Nadeau". \$2000

Wanted: A two car garage to rent in the North Valley. Also, a 1939 Mercury metal transmission cover. 1940 would work.

To inquire about any of the above, please contact Gordie Chamberlin, (213) 842-4673, or at gordies1@verizon.net

**Steve's Closing Note:** Editor/Publisher position(s) still available...Only half a year left to go...See your name in print!

#### **DriveLines, May 2007**

Message from Steve:

Please feel free to send any input to this publication to me via email at <a href="mailto:steve-8427">steve-8427</a> McLennan Ave, Van Nuys, CA 91406-5540. Email is preferred, due to the ease of processing the submission. Thanks

Last Meeting: First off, I want to thank Dave Bergman for all his efforts, the fruits of which we all experienced at our last meeting. Everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves, and this perception was borne out in the results of the opinion survey Dave had prepared for us. He got 51 responses, and 45 of them were unanimously positive. The remaining six, coincidently, unanimously expressed a positive response to the restaurant as well, but expressed some concern/dissatisfaction with the additional distance traveled. This I can well understand, as we, too, live east of the old venue and have to travel further west to reach the new one. However, I tend to believe that the benefits (rewards, if you will) of being able to meet in a location where we are enthusiastically appreciated, and not just tolerated, outweigh the minor annoyance of having to get there. Hopefully, this same perception will be widely held, and we'll continue to support the new place. I believe we should give the new place another couple of months to let "the shine wear off" and then we'll all be more able to come to an informed decision, as a club, regarding what we would like to do.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Coco's, corner of Farralone and Sherman Way (1 block west of Topanga) "no host" (as always) dinner at 6, meeting starts at 7, have to be finished/gone by 9:30. Please come support our club. The **program** will be a presentation on the Western National V8 Meet in Temecula, given by the inimitable Gerry and Blacky Blackwell.

**Upcoming Tours:** Plans are in the works, but not yet finalized, for us to tour to, and display our cars at, the Camarillo Air Show at the Camarillo Airport, August 18 & 19. There will be plenty to see and do, as this is one of the local airport Air Shows that still permits demonstration flying, and not just static ground displays of the planes. The show will go both days, but we will not be required to display both days. I, myself, will most probably only be there Saturday. More to come.

**Previous Tours:** The big news this month (June) was the Western National Meet down in Temecula. As noted above, the Blackwells will be giving us a complete report at the July meeting. A not-to-be-missed program, I'm sure.

#### **Previous Meeting's Minutes:**

Secretary's Minutes Date: June 5, 2007

Meeting Place: CoCo's in Canoga Park Meeting Leader: Steve Batesole

Carl's Car Count: 17

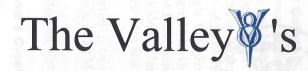
Start Time: 7:30 Adjournment Time: 9:20

Introduction of Guests: Dave Crockett and Marsha DiFatta's brother

Treasurer: Wendi Potter: We have \$4686.75 in the treasury.

Tours: Gerry Blackwell told us how much everyone enjoyed the Federal Reserve tour. \$35 million dollars a day goes through that building. Lunch at Felipe's was great. She said she will plan another one next year for those who missed out. The Blackwells are planing a pot luck brunch for our chapter and the Ventura chapter in Agua Dulce on July 21 at 10 AM. Sign up. The Route 66 tour will be in the fall.

Announcements: Jerry Littner is taking orders for plaques. They will cost \$24 if we order at least 26. We need 9 more. Joe DiFatta has three of the \$25 watches left. Wendy Potter is now working for the Valley Cultural Center at Warner Park. She brought fliers for their concerts on Sundays and their movies on Saturdays. There is an air show at Camarillo airport Aug. 18-19. Should we make it a tour? The admission is \$10, if you bring your old car, it is free. Jeff Olshane told us about how well the LAPD car show went. He said they have a program where they take a wrecked car around to high schools and they have not had any Grad Night crashes the last few years. Gerry Blackwell brought the donation can for the Blind Dogs of America. Geordie went to Missouri and had 8 tires blow out on the way. He went through Greenburg Kansas, the tornado town. He said it was just unbelievable. He also went to a meet with car games. Do we want to have a car show at the Sunrise Assisted Living Center in November?



#### 2007 Officers

Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month 7:00 p.m. No host dinner starting at 6 p.m. Coco's Restaurant 22200 Sherman Way, West Hills, California

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Jim Rowe	1971
Doug Peterson	1972
Don Durkee	1973 - 1974
Ed Warnock	1975
John Busk	1976
Chip Werstein	1977
Stan Misraje	1978
Bill Culp	1979
Al Spencer	1980
Larry Caplan	1981
Bob Rose	1982
Don Durkee	1983
Paul Kirk	1984
Kent Lowry	1985
Dave Sanborn	1986
John Kemmerer	1987
<b>Dudley Ochsner</b>	1988
Jerry Jensen	1989 - 1990
Joe DiFatta	1991
Chuck Shubb	1992 - 1993
George Richards	1994
Jerry Littner	1995
Dick Smith	1996
Chuck Mair	1997
Dennis Keene	1998
Rose Gott	1999
Don Stout	2000
Steve Boskovich	2001 - 2002
Joe DiFatta	2003
Wendi Potter	2004
Ken Sapper	2005 - 2006

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ATTENTION: Important Information Enclosed Regarding The Location For The July Meeting!

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