

2023 Nov/Dec Edition

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Important Dates

Nov 10 th RV Group Planning Meeting
Nov 11 th Veteran's Day Parade
Nov 13 th Car Show Meeting
Nov 14 th Board Meeting
Nov 29 th Juliet's Paint N Sip
Dec 2 nd Christmas Parade
Dec 9 th Toys 4 Tots/Romeo Lunch
Dec 13 th Juliet Lunch
Dec 14 th Holiday Dinner Meeting



The Fallbrook Vintage Car Club members share a common interest in the preservation and appreciation of vintage vehicles. We are dedicated to serving others through donations to local charitable organizations and participation in events and activities that reflect positively on the Fallbrook community.

The Talepipe

President's Message: 2023 year is rapidly coming to an end. We have had a great time using our cars in a variety of ways and enjoying some top-notch private collections. We had a successful 56th Car Show and have given more than \$19K in donations back to the community. Big thanks to all that have volunteered for jobs big or small to make this a very successful year for our club!

Our outside activities committee is already hard at work planning another fantastic variety of activities for us to enjoy next year! It is now time to RENEW your membership for 2024! It is easy to do on our website. Get your AACA membership number out and your credit card. Go to our website and click Membership, then Renewal. Fill in your info, Add to Cart, Proceed to Pay Pal. Don't Worry if you do not want to use the Pay Pal option! You will get the option to use your debit or credit card...I just finished our renewal and now it is time to register for the Holiday Dinner Meeting Dec 14th! Again I have registered and paid on our website! Nice!

We have a fun evening planned for you with a delicious dinner of Chef-carved Roast Beef with Au Jus and Horseradish, Roasted Salmon with Tarragon Butter Sauce and all the trimmings (See pg3 for more info).

Our Cochairs of the 57th Annual Car Show are gearing up to make next year's car show one of the BEST downtown Fallbrook has ever experienced! Happy Holidays with those you love!

Smiles, Kathy

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FALLBROOK VINTAGE CAR CLUB

Officers, Board Members, Committee Chairs

2022/2023 Fallbrook Vintage Car Club Board Officers

President: Kathy Hesser

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2022/2023 Fallbrook Vintage Car Club Board Members

Doug Allen, Gloria Andrews, Gary Hesser, Michael McGuire,
Chuck Pedigo, Elaine Pedigo, Fred Weisberger

Club Committee Chairs

Car Show: Steve Shapiro, Doug Allen

Donations/Scholarships: Michael McGuire/Doris Shapiro

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Membership/Roster: Elaine Pedigo

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Outside Activities: Jim Binford, Gary Hesser, Dana Meadows

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RV Camping: Kathy Hesser

Sunshine: Pam Rusch

Talepipe Editor: Kathy Hesser

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Website : Ron Mintle

Steering Column

Here is a summary of your FVCC Board Actions and Plans. Just like steering a car, it takes a lot of parts coming together to keep your club on TRACK!



Fall/Winter Meeting Topics: October Guest Speakers: Miss Fallbrook, December Holiday Dinner Meeting reserved at The California Golf Course Dec 14th

Donations Approved: none submitted for October

Treasurer's Report: September report submitted and approved

Outside Activities: November: Poker Run, Veteran's Parade; Dec: Christmas Parade, Toys 4 Tots Mini Car Show

Publicity: Scarecrow Car Display for Scarecrow Days

Website Report: Ron continues to update calendar and photos.

Your FVCC Board meets the second Tuesday of the month at 2 pm unless otherwise noted. You are always welcome to attend! We meet either at FPUD or at member's houses so if you would like to host please let Kathy know!

We love to hear your ideas for club activities so don't be shy!

Next Board Meeting is at Tom & Susie Shea's 2 pm

November 14th





FALLBROOK VINTAGE CAR CLUB

HOLIDAY DINNER CELEBRATION

Make your reservations for our annual Car Club Holiday Party

Thursday December 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Location: The Golf Club of California, 3742 Flowerwood Lane

Come join us for Good Food, Camaraderie, Celebration and fun surprises.

Buffet Menu includes Appetizers, Chef-Carved Roast Beef Au Jus with Cream Horseradish,

Oven-Roasted Salmon with Tarragon Butter Sauce

Eight delicious salads, Three Cheese Scalloped potatoes and seasonal vegetables,

Freshly baked bread and butter

A Variety of tasty pies and Self-Serve Coffee and Tea

No Host Bar. \$40.00 per person includes gratuity.

Please have your reservation paid by Dec 3, as we need to confirm with the venue.

Call Gloria Andrews if any question 760- 695-8092

The club is underwriting the balance including room, tax and gratuity

A short business meeting will be conducted

You can register and pay on our website under "Shop: Option Events"

Or fill below, clip and send in your check.

Clip and send to P.O. Box 714 Fallbrook, CA 92088

RSVP by Dec 3, 2023

Name _____ Name _____

Number of reservations _____ (Adult Members only or 1 guest per membership)

I enclose a check in the amount of \$ _____ at \$40.00 each

October Activities



Murrieta Car Show October 14th



**We all had fun admiring the beautiful cars!
Breakfast at The Mill was a blast!**

Camp Pendleton Red Ribbon Week! 10/26 Thursday



The following members brought their cars: Doug Allen, Glenn Wior, Terry Decker, Richard Root, Mike Rigas, Charlene Rigas (They each drove a car), Brent Taylor, Bob Hassig and Jim Binford.

We had a good mix of cars / trucks and although the Marine expected attendees did not show other Marines stopped by to view the cars. Our group expressed a good time and we attended a good briefing on dangers of the Fentanyl drug.

Trunk or Treat Mini Car Show

Sunday October 29th



Big thanks to all that decorated their cars and brought candy for the kids! The congregation loved all the cars!

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Tom Long Annual Poker Run

Wednesday November 1



The annual Poker Run is a timed route from the “River Village Cinema” parking lot through a route of roads and stops to pick up 5 Poker Cards.

Steve Rusch did a great job planning the route through beautiful rural as well as downtown areas. His assistants Pam Rusch, Valerie Long and Dana Meadows kept the event flowing. Winners of the timed route were Hesser’s and Kemper’s with 49 minutes and 51 minutes respectively closest to the 50 minute secret goal. Highest Poker hand went to Mike

Rigas and lowest to Glen and Louise Patterson. We had a nice leisurely lunch with a short car club meeting.



Out and About Around Town

RV Group had a great “Staycation” time at Santee Lakes and around the area to San Diego and Julian. We will be meeting Thursday, Nov 10th, 2 pm at Gary and Sheila Luedtke’s Home to discuss future trips for 2024. Let Sheila know if you will be able to attend.



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Hershey Headlight: Hershey Now and Back then

Member Memories

Up early in the morning for a non stop flight to Phila. Five couples were going to Hershey for the Eastern Fall Nationals. We had been briefed by Keene Brewer on the ins and outs of parking, swap meet wares, BBQ lunches by the Horseless Carriage Club and so many other great tips.

We were first timers but we were prepared. We had a plan for the week with each day full of activities. We had cane chairs, sliders, good walking shoes and five days to see what Hershey and the surrounding country side had to offer. We visited the AACA Museum, Library, Hershey World for a "ride" through the candy making process the very first day. Pedigo's, Kemper's, Mintle's, Shapiro's and Hesser's stayed in Harrisburg with 4 rental cars. Some thoughts of buying a cool, cheap car from the car corral were just that, thoughts and laughs about them at the five o clock daily beverage gathering prior to dinner.



Chuck was looking for lug nuts for his Studebaker and Bill had some REO parts in mind. Lots of booths at the swap area and Bill scored the parts he needed but Chuck did notOh the joy of looking though.



We had two days in the country-side with picture perfect weather. The Amish shops were a big hit with the ladies. Too bad our suitcases were already full. So many pumpkins everywhere. Every house had fall decorations.



The AACA Museum did not disappoint. So many special beautiful cars!

Check out more pics from the show on the next page!

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Hershey Headlight: More photos of Hershey Fall National



Thursday back to the Swap meet and Car Corral!

We watched vintage race cars show their stuff around the track at Hershey field. Next we had BBQ lunch at the Horseless Carriage club booth. The guys stayed on to walk over 5 miles through the Car Corral and the rest of the booths.

Friday was the Big Car Show. The pre 1930's cars were pretty awesome. There were so many makes and models you just



don't see very often, if not at all. We all came away from the car show thinking we do a great job with our car show though. We were proud of the quality and diversity of show cars we get each year. Hershey was great, but we are so lucky to have some awesome private collections right here in So Cal that offer vintage car enthusiast a special view into vintage cars.



This Locomobile was on the cover of the AACA Magazine in the Sept/October publication. Very impressive!

Hershey Headlight: Hershey Back then

Member Memories Wayne Yonce's Hershey Moment Circa 2000

Next up Wayne's memories of when his Buick Won Antique Automobile Club's Chocolate Town Trophy for "Outstanding Senior Car at a Fall Meet." His recollections will surprise you!



The Philadelphia Story: A Memorable Meal

Our 1968 Buick Electra convertible was nominated for, and had won, the Antique Automobile Club's Chocolate Town Trophy for "Outstanding Senior Car at a Fall Meet." The following February we're flying to Philadelphia for the annual meeting and National Award presentations.

This was the year 2000. The year the Boeing 737 aircraft was having rudder problems. There had been two fatal crashes! Anyhow . . . we were delayed in Atlanta. Looking out the terminal window we saw *our plane*, a Boeing 737, having rudder inspection plates removed, men on scaffolding, in blue coveralls, with flash lights, making an inspection. Making a life and death decision. Evidently their flashlights illuminated no rudder problem. Anyhow . . . we boarded that Boeing 737.

There was no message from the cockpit, but looking down at Philadelphia's city lights, it seemed we were circling. I imagined the rudder locked in the far starboard position. Anyhow . . . our Boeing 737 finally landed and we caught a shuttle to the host hotel. It was late! We hadn't eaten for hours! We were hungry! And the hotel restaurant had closed!

I asked to speak to the manager. The man in the suit answered, "You are."

I told him our sad story and asked, "Can't we just get some soup and bread?"

"I told you we're closed. The cash register is closed. "I can't sell you anything."

I pulled a twenty from my wallet, "What if we don't run this through the cash register?"

He took the bill, folded it, and put it in his jacket pocket, "I'll see what we can do."

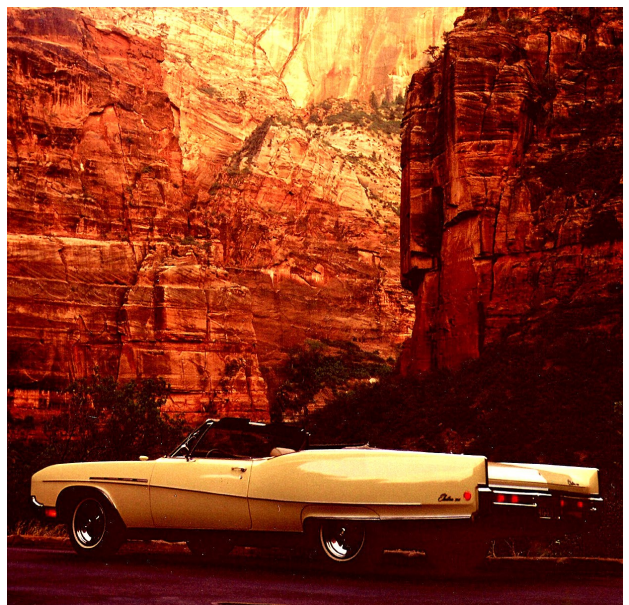
The restaurant was on the second floor. Ann and I sat at a table at the center of the wide opening that overlooked the lobby entrance. Car hobbyists were among those entering. We would occasionally exchange waves. Our dinner and silverware, delivered by the manager, arrived — not soup bowls, but large serving bowls filled with clam chowder, a loaf of French bread, sliced diagonally, and a dish of a butter-based spread. And we had soup spoons and butter knives. We had everything we needed.

We thanked him. He smiled.

The following night we're at the awards banquet. The Electra's photo was displayed on a large screen as we were presented the silver platter trophy.

Our banquet meal might have been bacon wrapped filet mignons.

I don't remember our choices.



History Bits

A BRIEF HISTORY OF EARLY AUTOMOBILE TIRES

When did tires become black?

By Fred Weisberger



Have you ever noticed that some early Brass Era automobiles (1896-1915) have all-white tires? Black tires have dominated the marketplace for so long that most people don't know the earliest automobiles actually had white tires.

Latex, or natural rubber, is a sticky white or yellow fluid from the Rubber Tree and many other plants. When natural rubber is Vulcanized (heated and sulfur added), it becomes a useful rubber product. The earliest rubber tires for carriages, carts and high-wheel bicycles were actually a gray/off-white color and were completely solid. These early rubber tires were much better than the bare wood or steel tires of the day, but they were not very durable—and they were rough-riding because they were solid rubber.

The first patent for a pneumatic (air-filled) tire was issued to a Scottish inventor in 1847, but he never produced them. The first practical pneumatic tire was made in 1888 by John B. Dunlop. The following year bicycle racer Willie Hume began winning races on a new "safety bicycle" (the modern design) equipped with Dunlop's new pneumatic bike tires. Hume's successfully demonstrated the superiority of pneumatic tires over solid rubber tires. After some patent conflict, Dunlop emerged victorious.

The first experimental horseless carriages rode on solid rubber tires. As horseless carriages went into production, bicycle tire companies quickly developed pneumatic tires for these new vehicles in the 1890s. Andre and Edouard Michelin used a set of their pneumatic car tires in the 1895 Paris-Bordeaux Race. In America, B.F. Goodrich began producing pneumatic car tires in 1896. George Goodyear, the actual inventor of the vulcanizing process in 1839, started the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company in 1898. And in 1900, Harvey Firestone founded the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company



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When did tires become black?

By Fred Weisberger continued

All early pneumatic tires were a light gray/off-white color because that is the color of vulcanized natural rubber. Later a small amount of zinc oxide was added to the rubber to produce a brighter white tire. Unfortunately white rubber tires have two serious limitations, they wore out quickly and white tires are easily damaged by sunlight.

It was discovered that by adding Carbon Black (the soot from burning petroleum) to natural rubber it made tires much more durable and helped to protect the rubber from UV light exposure. An unintended consequence of adding carbon to the rubber was it turned the rubber black. Around 1910 B.F. Goodrich started selling black tires to the public. These tires were far superior to the white tires, so most car companies and the public quickly embraced the new black tires.

So now when you see an early horseless carriage with white tires, you know that the owner is not just trying to be "showy" with their early automobile, they are actually being historically correct.

Other November/December Activity Dates

11/11 Saturday: Veteran's Day Car Parade on Main in Fallbrook. Details TBA. Howard Lewis Leader

11/15 Wednesday - Saturday 11/18: RV Group camping and Jeeping Ocotillo - Borrego Area. Contact Kathy Hesser if interested

12/2 Christmas Parade Downtown Details TBA Howard Lewis Leader

12/9 Saturday: Fallbrook Airpark Annual Toys for Tots Mini Car Show, donations, and lunch.

12/14 Holiday Dinner Meeting California Golf Resort



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Next Romeo Lunch will be December 9th combined with the Toys 4 Tots Marine Event at the Fallbrook Airport. Bring your vintage car for a mini car show for this event by 9:15 am, and stay until at least 1 PM. Bring an unwrapped toy or cash donation. If you cannot stay please bring a gift for a marine youngster.

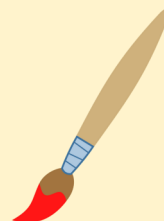
Free lunch for vintage car drivers if you stay until 1 pm. Lunch beginning about 11 AM at the Wiggly Windsock Cafe. In the morning they have coffee and donuts for a nominal charge. Please RSVP to Gary Hesser at garyhesser@gmail.com



Juliet's are branching out for November and December!



Paint and Sip Relax with a glass or your favorite beverage and paint a small gourd ornament at Kathy Hesser house Wednesday, November 29th. Bring a small appetizer or dessert to share and your favorite "sipping" beverage! Small paint brush required. All other supplies will be available. Fee: \$5 I have 9



ornaments available but can order more now so let me know ASAP if you want to participate! If you don't want to paint come anyway and join the fun, or bring something else to paint. Let Kathy know if you will be attending kathy.hesser@gmail.com

Next in December we will meet at Sheila's House for a Holiday luncheon. Wednesday December 13th at noon. Bring an appetizer or dessert with a Christmas theme. Let Sheila know if you will be attending. sheila.m.luedtke@gmail.com

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Classifieds

Email: susievix@gmail.com

Message:

Hello, I have for sale a 1947 Crosley. Would there be any interested club members who are familiar with this class? I have posted on Facebook under Crosley Automobiles. Photos are available. Project car

Thank you

Susan Vix

1930 Model A Vicky for sale, Estate Sale in Solano Beach Contact Jim King, 760-937-3588. email: jklr@gmail.com



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