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Important May Dates

May 1th Car Show Meeting

May 4th Barona Flat head Drag or Perris **Antique Truck Show**

May 11th Fred's Antique Lunch Meet & **Greet Car Show**

May 14th Board Meeting

May 17th Senior Center 50th Anniversary

May 16th Romeo Lunch

May 23rd Juliet Lunch

May 26th 57th Annual Car Show

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:

Well the 57th Car Show is only 25 days away! We sold out for car registration over a month ago! Most of the car entries are from Fallbrook with many local car clubs represented! With community involvement for volunteering, as well as local schools' entertainment, this is truly going to be a great community event! Big thanks to all the Car Show Committee chairs that have planned this show for months. We still need some volunteers to help with raffle and sales booths in the afternoon. Please let me know if you can help.

Mark your calendars for our Annual BBQ and Elections of Officers Saturday June 29th at the VFW. Burgers with all the trimmings will be served; see pg. 7 for the flier.

Big welcome to our new members! Plan to attend Fred and Karen's Annual An-

tique lunch to meet and greet our newest members and catch up with others. (see pg 5 for more info). Check our new member Case Klumper's 1972 Lancia Fulvia Coupe in the Headlight section.

We have several ways to get out there with your car or drive your modern car to see drag races and antique trucks.

Read more in this month's Talepipe!

Smiles, Kathy



Mike Socha having fun, showing his "strength" At the Skilled Nursing Mini Car Show



FALLBROOK VINTAGE CAR CLUB

Officers, Board Members, Committee Chairs

2022/2023 Fallbrook Vintage Car Club Board Officers

President: Kathy Hesser

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Vice President: Terry Decker

Secretary: Steve Shapiro

Treasurer: Ron Mintle

Treasurer@FallbrookVintageCarClub.org

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/

Sheila Luedtke

JULIET: Elaine Pedigo & Sheila Luedtke

Membership/Roster: Elaine Pedigo

Merchandise Sales: Gloria Andrews, Jim Andrews

Outside Activities: Jim Binford, Gary Hesser, Dana Meadows

Publicity: Gary Hesser ROMEO: Doug Allen

RV Camping: Kathy Hesser

Talepipe Editor: Kathy Hesser

Trailers & Club Property: Michael McGuire

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!



Spring/Summer Meeting Topics: April: Decades of Fords; BBQ June meeting will be at the VFW June 29th.

<u>Donations Approved</u>: Approved Camp Pendleton YMCA and Potter Jr Hi Band

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> March report submitted and approved

<u>Outside Activities</u>: April 13th Fallbrook Skilled Nursing BBQ and Mini Car Show, April 21 Avocado Festival, April 27th Nethercutt Tour, May 4 Barona Drag Races or Perris Antique Truck Show May 11th Fred's Antique Car Lunch

<u>Publicity:</u> Ads on the 57th Annual Car Show the month of April in Village News and Valley News. Section B was published with our Car Show Full Publicity, Map and Ads sold

<u>Website Report:</u> Ron continues to update calendar and photos. Car Show Online Registration closed!

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!

<u>Please Take Note!</u> Next Board Meeting is at Doris and Steve Shapiro's home at 2 pm May 14^{th.}



Community Mini Car & Other Local Shows Coming Up!

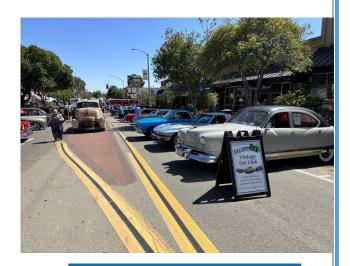
Each year we are asked to gather our cars and share them with those in the community. This is always fun and serves to meet our club's motto of participating in worthwhile community events.

Mark your calendars and please RSVP to Gary Hesser at garyhesser@gmail.com if you can share your car and you for a couple of hours with folks around town!

Friday May 17th The Senior Center 389 Heald Lane, is having their 50th Anniversary Celebration and would like around a dozen cars to display at the Community Center Parking Lot.

Cars: 10:30 Free Lunch. Leave by 1:30 PM. .

Summer Nights are BACK!! Stay Tuned for more details to come but mark your calendars for these dates! July 27th and August 10th downtown Fallbrook.



2023 Summer Nights

May 4th RPM Barona Drags 10 a 1750 Wildcat Canyon Road

RPM Barona Drags, an offshoot of the ever-so-popular RPM Nationals Flathead Drags, the annual event was held at the Barona Drag Strip in San Diego County. RPM "You Asked For It" Drags, the event's official name, is open to cars 1940 and earlier with parts that are 1963 and earlier. Similar to RPM Nationals Flathead Drags with three new race classes https://racebarona.com/track/

Another option! Perris Antique Truck Show! May 4th

A Chevy truck right off a Depression-era farm. A renovation of a rusty 1962 Ford pickup. The past will roar to life at the Antique Truck Show at Southern California Railway Museum in Perris.

Presented in conjunction with the American Truck Historical Society Southern California Chapter, this one-day special event features hundreds of restored, vintage trucks — from semis to pickups to delivery vehicles and farm and fire equipment — in addition to our rolling locomotives and street cars. An incredible variety of antique transportation equipment will be on display for your viewing enjoyment. Photo opportunities abound as the trucks and trains pose together!

https://socalrailway.org/scrm-events/antique-truck-show/

Fallbrook Avocado Festival

April 21st, 2024









Click Here to see more photos from the Avocado Festival

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1CStpudDgtAr-hWS8z2Us6qlfwlim2j66?usp=drive_link



General Meetings

May 26th Annual Car Show: Come join the fun and help our club earn money for 2024 donations back to our community! Our donations have supported a variety of community non profits from youth sports, senior center vans and lunches, arts, community beautification, military family support, music, high school scholarships and PTSA's...well the list goes on and on. Over \$26,00 this year! What other club gives back to their community like this? Be proud and find a way to help with the show. If you can't join us send in gift certificates to local merchants for the Raffle. There are many ways to help! Contact Kathy to explore how you can participate before and during the show! We still need volun-



teers for the afternoon shift in the Raffle and Merchandise booths. Let Kathy know if you can help!



May 11th Fred's Antique Lunch 10 a -1p

Get your motor runnin' and plan to attend this 3rd annual event! Bring your vintage car and be ready to meet and greet new members and catch up with those you know. Fred and Karen will be grillin up hot dogs with the "works". Bring a chair. They are providing all the food but appetizers, desserts or your favorite beverage to share are always welcome! Please let Kathy know if you plan to attend but come anyway if you decide that day to drop by! We will be emailing his address.

June 29th Annual BBQ and Election of 2024 Board!

Mark your calendars and plan to attend this year's BBQ. We will be at the VFW for some juicy burgers with all the trimmings. Lunch will be at 1 pm with a chance to share your car and have a drink or two from the no host bar starting at noon. Cost: \$8 plus tip! See Flyer Page 7 for more information.



Meetings return to the Crossway Community Church 731 S
Stagecoach

6:30 PM Social 7:00 PM: Meeting Begins

July 23rd General Meeting Topic: TBA

August 27th General Meeting Topic Aircraft Carriers



Fallbrook Skilled Nursing Mini Car Show & BBQ

Fifteen members brought their cars to this Community Outreach event. The residents really enjoyed the cars and nearby neighbors stopped in to get a look too! Young and old enjoyed the cars. Mike Socha was up to his old tricks of getting the young people interested in the antique cars. People lined up to take pictures in his Model A...





way to go Mike & FVCC





Fallbrook Vintage Car Club



Annual General Meeting and BBQ

Saturday June 29th 12:00 noon



Be sure to attend our annual BBQ and General Meeting at the Fallbrook VFW Lodge. This is the most important meeting of the year for we will be electing our 2024-25 Board of Directors. Come, bring your vintage car, and join in on the fun. There will be a mini car show and other fun activities planned. We will vote in our new board and learn about activities planned for the rest of the year.



Lunch catered by the VFW will begin at 1 pm. They will be grilling up burgers or Veggie burgers with fries, green salad,

fruit medley, and dessert. No host open bar is also available. Please bring cash to tip the staff serving us!

Cost \$8 per person plus cash tip!

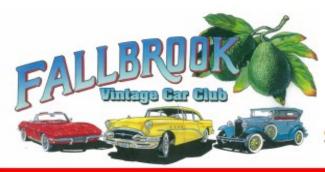
Address: FVW 1175 Old Stage Road LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR THE BBQ IS JUNE 21st!

It is easy and preferred to register and pay online at: https://fallbrookvintagecarclub.org/
Choose Events/merchandise

Or fill out below and send to FVCC P.O. Box 714 Fallbrook Ca 92088



| Name: | Name: | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|--|
| Please choose one burger option below for each person attending: | | |
| Burger | Veggie Burger | |
| Burger | Veggie Burger | |
| Money Due: | Date Sent: | |
| Registration Due: June 21 th 2024 | | |



Open to the Public 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM Free Admission Rain or Shine Swap Meet and Food Vendors

Fallbrook Vintage Car Show Sunday, May 26, 2024 In Downtown Fallbrook



This Year's Featured Car
The Decades of Fords





For Information and Registration - Go to: www.FallbrookVintageCarClub.org/carshow/ Or Scan QR Code



Proceeds Support Youth Organizations, Senior and Civic Organizations, and Military Groups

We have over 340 cars registered so far! Register your car now and also let us know if you can help with parking show cars! Once we get all the show cars parked restaurants will be serving breakfast! It will be a great day!

Headlight: Case Klumper's 1972 Lancia Fulvia Coupe 1.3 L





Hi, my name is Case Klumper and I own this 1972 Lancia Fulvia Coupe 1.3 liter. I bought it during the pandemic, in August of 2020. I bought it because I always liked this model, that reminds me a bit of another classic car I have owned for about 25 years now, a 1969 Mercedes 280SL, nicknamed the 'Pagoda'. I find it a very elegant design. It weighs less than 2,200 lbs.

These little Lancia's are rare in the United States. They were only briefly imported, and many were (and are still being) privately imported, mostly from Europe. Lancia won the 1972 Monte Carlo rally with a Fulvia coupe, and this started Lancia's many rally successes in the following years, notably with the purpose-built Lancia Stratos and the various Delta iterations.

Lancia was an Italian manufacturer of cars founded in 1906 and was known for its high-quality, uncompromising engineering and innovations. For example, the engine in my Fulvia is a V4 but with only one cylinder head! It's a very narrow angle V4, 13 degrees, 1,231 cc that puts out about 90 hp, and is mounted at a 45-degree angle. It drives the front wheels, something also relatively rare in the seventies.

When I bought this car in Santa Monica in 2020, it needed a total restoration. It had spent part of its life in Norway, as evidence by many artifacts I found in nooks and crannies behind the dashboard. I also found an Italian Lire piece, and it's anyone's guess what countries this car has seen in its life. The engine condition was suspect and, being a 1970-ies Italian car that had not had the best of care in its long life, there was serious rust in the chassis and body that needed to be addressed. A complete novice to welding and any sort of fabrication and bodywork, I bought a

MIG welder, and many other tools, at Harbor Freight and, armed with some hours of watching YouTube 'how-to' videos on the various subjects, I set to work. Parts are still readily available, and I was able to buy repair panels in France for the 4 fenders, and fabricated everything else with shears, cutting discs and whatever was needed. I took literally everything off the car and apart, including the engine. Many parts came from France, but also from Germany, Italy and several suppliers in the United States.

I decided to try and paint the car myself, in my 2car garage, never having held a paint gun before

in my life. So, I first practiced on a 1971 Volkswagen 411 that I had bought for \$2,000 in Long Beach and, after doing some rust and other repairs, and painting it in its original gold/yellow color, managed to sell on Bring a Trailer for \$10,500! Not a bad result and the paint came out well also. That gave me the courage to paint the Lancia next and I am really pleased with how it came out.

Headlight: Case Klumper's 1972 Lancia Fulvia Coupe 1.3 L





The engine bottom half was in good shape: I checked all the tolerances and only had to replace the piston rings. The head was another matter and I decided to get all new valves, valve springs and seats installed by a machine shop. I first had to have a different specialist machine shop drill out 4 of the head bolts that had become fused in the aluminum head. The engine has two overhead cams, which I timed. I also fitted a new oil pump, water pump, thermostat, a rebuilt dynamo, and a new starter. I also completely rebuilt the brakes

and suspension and reconditioned the electrical wiring. I had a couple of interior pieces recovered or remade by an

interior shop in Lawndale. So, in the end, only the cylinder head work and some interior pieces were 'outsourced', I did everything else myself. I learned a lot along the way.

The only story I can talk about this car other than its restoration, so far, is that it took me about 10 months to move the DMV to issue me the new title and registration. I bought it with an out of state title, that also had a VIN transposition error. I made numerous trips to the DMV and to the CHP to get this all sorted. Unfortunately, the DMV then lost all the paperwork and I had to do much of it all over again as a result. But all's well that ends well, and a few weeks ago, I finally received the new title and registration in good order.

My wife and I moved to Fallbrook (actually, De Luz Heights) last December after having lived on a 50-foot powerboat in Marina del Rey for about 6 years. I work for an organization in Santa Monica and only need to go into the office once a week. This allowed us to broaden our horizon and we really wanted to live more in nature, something that is not impossible around Los Angeles, but unaffordable for us. We ended up finding a very nice home on 8 acres in De Luz and have been thoroughly enjoying living here since December. Not unimportantly, the house has a 3-car garage



Checking the combustion chamber volumes:

and I've already collected three more restoration projects: a 1961 Alfa Romeo, a 1964 FIAT convertible with a rare 4 -cylinder Maserati engine, and a 1968 Ford Mustang with a 302 V8. We also daily drive a 1990 Ford Bronco II that my wife, who is a painter, turned into an 'art car' that you may see around town (after I replace the master brake cylinder and sort out a mysterious ignition fault that has eluded the professionals so far) from time to time.

History Bits

By Fred Weisberger The Early History of the American Gas Station

For over 100 years American motorists have been able to easily buy gasoline from a convenient gas station near home and far away. Not surprisingly, during the early years of motoring (1900-1910), it was often difficult, but not impossible to buy gasoline.

In 1903, Horatio Nelson Jackson, and his mechanic Sewal Crocker, completed the first trans-continental drive. Jackson drove a 1903 Winton (2-cylinder, 20hp) from San Francisco to New York City. After 63 days, and around 4,000 miles,



the Winton had consumed around 800 gallons of gasoline. Although Jackson had great difficulty buying tires for his car, he was usually able to find gasoline for sale, even in small towns, where his Winton was the first horseless carriage in town.



Fortunately for the early motorist, gasoline was already available for stationary "hit-and-miss" engines. Starting before 1900, these simple gasoline engines began to replace animal power, wind power, and steam engines. Stationary gasoline engines were used to run water pumps, sawmills, generators, and much more. The popularity of these engines encouraged hardware stores, blacksmith shops, and General Stores to sell gasoline, usually sold in steel cans, for easy transport to one's farm.

It is difficult to determine which was the first proper "gas station" in the United States because many technical

components needed to be invented first: underground gas tanks (1902), hand-powered gas pumps (1904), gas pumps with sight glass, "spinners" and gallon bells (1910), the large clear glass holding tank for gasoline on top of the pump (early 1920s), and the first electric gas pump (1923)...

Between 1903 and 1905 refineries began to build "filling stations" to refill horse-drawn tankers, designed

to deliver gasoline to retailers and large customers, but these were not normally open to the general public. Some argue that the first purpose-built gas station was built in St. Louis around 1905. It is known that in 1907 John McLean opened a public drive-through Standard Oil gas station in Seattle, but there was no gas pump, per se. McLean rigged up an elevated gas tank and a gravity feed hose with valve. Around 1910 some retail establishments began to install simple gas pumps in front of their business—and others quickly followed.



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It is believed that two of the first purpose-built, public access gas stations, with actual gas pumps, were opened in 1913. That year Standard Oil opened a drive-through gas station in Columbus, Ohio and Gulf Oil Corp opened one in Pittsburgh, PA.

More purpose-built gas stations quickly popped up around the country. Over time gas stations also sold tires, auto parts and accessories—and later offered a service bay or two. By the 1930s gas stations were fairly standardized and very common throughout America.

Over the years the small independently-owned gas stations of the 1930s evolved into "full-service" gas stations of the 1940s to 1960s. These were replaced in the 1970s and 1980s with today's national-branded gas stations, with self-service only, and a prominent convenience store included.

More than a hundred years after the first gas stations were built in America, there is a new problem specifically for electric car owners: finding a compatible fast-charging station when away from home. Similar to the early years of gasoline automobiles, access to charging stations will likely expand to meet the increasing demand. Soon you will be able to either "Gas-Up" or "Charge-Up" anywhere in America.



Bus Trip to tour The Nethercutt Museum and Collection 4/27/2024

The bus was the way to go as the traffic was a nightmare!

Great docent tour lead by Cameron, great great grandson of



the original Nethercutt. Dana did a great job organizing this fun multi car club event! We had San Diego AACA,

Packard Club, Corvette Club, Drifters among those joining the fun!







Out and About With the RV Group

August 21-26th San Dimas/San Marino Car Show Each year we pick a car show to attend. This year it will be the San Marino Car Show. This show is one of southern California's premier car shows. Check out the website and buy tickets to the show. Join the group for a day excursion or stay overnight at a hotel nearby. August 25th is the show. Campers will be staying at Bonelli RV Park Wednesday or Thursday prior to Sunday August 21st. https://sanmarinomotorclassic.com/

Sept 15-21st Gold Country/Angels Camp

Angel Camp RV : https://angelscamprv.com/home/

Visit Ironstone Winery, Murphy's, Yosemite, Fishing at New Melones Lake etc...tons of things to do. Beau-

tiful RV Park with cabins, cottages and tent sites!



Saturday Fun close to home....Cars and Coffee 7:30 AM



Bring your show cars and a thermos of coffee to engage with other local members of the So Cal Car Culture and it's clubs. Modern racers, Corvettes, Nissan, Mercedes, Hot Rods, Mustangs, Rat Rods, classics.

Classic cars and people with similar interests. Come make new friends and share in the Car Culture Fun. Both Temecula and Bonsall have C&C once a month, first Saturday and third Saturday, respectively.



Romeo Lunch at Rainbow Oaks on April 18th

Lots of fun and stories.

Next lunch May16th at Main St Cafe

Cars 11:00

Lunch 11:30





Juliet Lunch

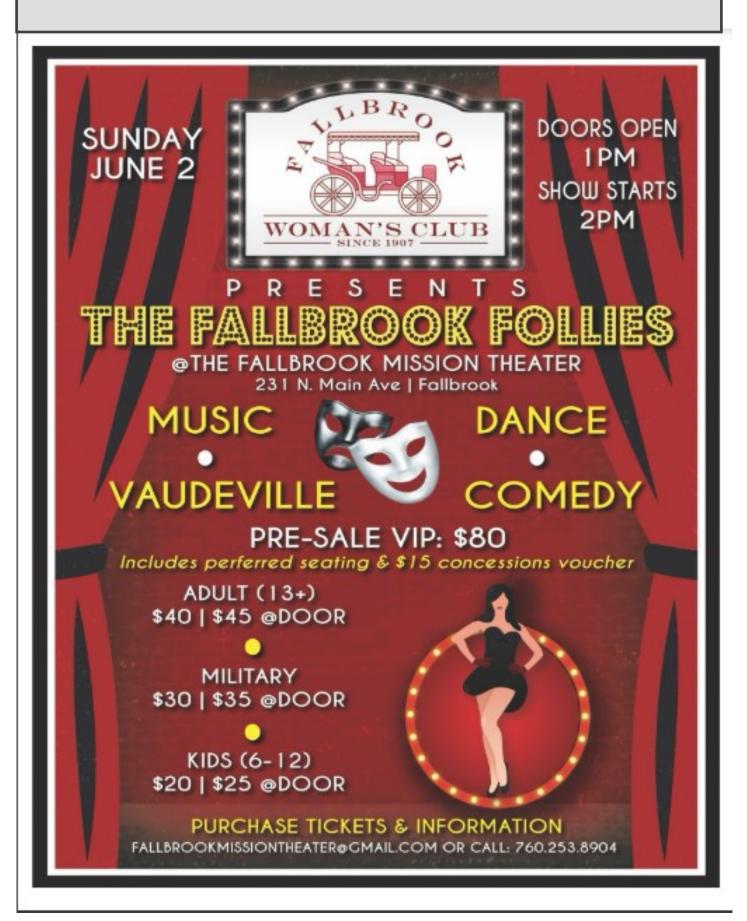
Ten ladies enjoyed the sunshine and fresh air at The Garden Center Café April 17th!



Lots of talk and sharing stories! Next Juliet Lunch will be May 23rd at Monserate Winery 11:30!

Cheers! See you there!





Thinking of traveling for AACA Car Events? Here are some to consider... Go to https://aaca.org/aacanationalshowsandtourscalendar/ for more information

July 10-13, 2024 – Big Horn Mountain, Wyoming – Western Divisional Tour

August 22-24, 2024 - Hampton, Virginia - Special Eastern Fall

September 12-14, 2024 - Loveland, Colorado - Western Fall Nationals,

September 22-27, 2024 - Fairfield, Pennsylvania - Revival AAA Glidden Tour®,

October 8-11, 2024 – Hershey, Pennsylvania – Eastern Fall Nationals

October 23-26, 2024 – Huntsville, Alabama – Southeastern Fall Nationals

Long Range Club Calendar

5/4: Saturday, Borona 1/8th mile dragstrip, Flatheads only. Model A Speedsters and others. 10 am

5/4: Perris Antique Truck Show

5/11 Saturday Fred's Antique Car Lunch

5/14 Board Meeting

5/16: ROMEO, Main St. Café

5/17: Senior Center 50th Celebration Mini Car Show

5/26: 57th Annual Fallbrook Vintage Car Show and Swap Meet

6/29: Annual General Meeting BBQ and Election of Officers

7/23: General Meeting

7/27: Saturday, Summer Nights

8/10: Saturday, Summer Nights

8/21: RV Group Bonelli Lakes/San Marino Car Show

8/27: General Meeting