

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

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Important January Dates

- Jan 4th Ribbs and Rods
- Jan 9th Board Meeting
- Jan 11th Vista Burger Run
- Jan 11th Book Talk Historical Society
- Jan 16th Romeo Lunch
- Jan 17th Juliet Lunch
- Jan 25th Kick-off Breakfast



President's Message: Happy Holidays Everyone!

Wow, this year went fast. Seems like only last week we were celebrating the new year at the Kick-Off breakfast and looking at the beautiful cars that filled Mariscos's parking lot. Then we were full steam ahead for the annual car show, breaking new ground by having the event in downtown Fallbrook. The show was a blow-out success in no small part because of the amazing number of club members who volunteered.

Gary has had us out and about almost every week attending events, tours, museums, shows and cars and coffee. If there was an opportunity to drive our cars, Gary found it for us. I am sure you will join me in giving him a huge shout out for his efforts.

Speaking of key contributors to the club...Kathy has been working tirelessly throughout the year to put on our numerous annual events. The very Talepipe you are reading is her labor of love each month. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our board members who are responsible for the well-oiled machine (pardon the pun) that is our car club.

I hope that everyone has a happy and healthy new year!

Steve

Club Renewals It is now time to renew your club membership for 2025 if you have not already done so! This year we will not be taking the AACA renewals but you will renew DIRECTLY TO AACA.

Here are the steps:

Go to the AACA website to renew first. Have your Member # and Pin# from your membership card or the latest magazine. Renew online at: <https://members.aaca.org/membership/Membership.php> or use the paper form which came with the last magazine or on their website to renew and send in.

Then go to our website and renew with us! <https://fallbrookvintagecarclub.org/product-category/carclub/> or alternately you can send in your renewal using the printed form

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FALLBROOK VINTAGE CAR CLUB

Officers, Board Members, Committee Chairs

2024/2025 Fallbrook Vintage Car Club Board Officers

President: Steve Shapiro:

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Secretary: Terry Decker

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2024/2025 Fallbrook Vintage Car Club Board Members

Gloria Andrews, Kathy Hesser, Bill Kemper, Ron Mintle,
Chuck Pedigo, Elaine Pedigo, Fred Weisberger

Club Committee Chairs

Car Show: Terry Decker, Gary Hesser, Bill Kemper

**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 : Bill Kemper

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!



Winter Meeting Topics: January Kick Off Breakfast; February Cadillacs

Donations Requests Approved: Fallbrook Wrestling Boosters

Treasurer's Report: November report submitted and approved

Outside Activities: Planning May Tucson AACA Spring National Trip, Planning meeting for 2025 outings January 2025?

Publicity: Recent Donations First 2025 Car Show Blitz

Website Report: Holiday Dinner Registration Active

Your FVCC Board meets once a month with somewhat flexible dates d/t room availability. 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 Steve know!

Board Meeting Dates at FPUD 3:30 pm:

January 9th February 13th March 13th

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



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Annual Kick-Off Breakfast!



Bring your vintage car to share with us for our annual Kick-Off Breakfast! If you have not renewed your club membership now is the time! Easy to do on our website or fill in the paper form and send it in! Renew your club membership at: <https://fallbrookvintagecarclub.org/product/membership-renewal/>

This year's Breakfast will be at Mariscos El Pacifico — 111 N Vine St in Fallbrook.

Saturday, January 25th Car Show at 9:30 with no host bar open prior to and during breakfast.

Breakfast will be served at 10:00 a.m. and a meeting will follow. Come learn about 2025 Activities and Car Show! **This is our first meeting of 2025 and you must have renewed your membership to attend.**

Pre Order from one of these Breakfast Menu Items below which includes hashbrowns, coffee, tea, soft drink and small mimosa.

Cost: \$16 per member with the club underwriting for tax and gratuity. Membership is two members or a solo member and guest. Other membership sponsored guests may pay \$20.00 to attend. We will need your pre-payment reservation by Wednesday January 15th as the club will be paying the restaurant directly and giving them your order selection.

SALMON OMELETTE: Stuffed with grilled salmon, bell pepper, onion, tomato, and cheese. Topped with chipotle sauce, cheese, and avocado slices.

DENVER OMELETTE: Stuffed with fresh onion, tomato, bell pepper, ham, and cheese.

HUEVOS RANCHEROS: Two fried eggs topped with Ranchero sauce and melted cheese and hashbrowns.

BREAKFAST BURRITO: Stuffed with hash browns, cheese, pico de gallo, and eggs with bacon and ham.

Register by Wednesday January 15th at <https://fallbrookvintagecarclub.org/product/annual-kick-off-breakfast-members-only/>

_____Clip_____

Or select your menu option, clip and send in to FVCC P.O. Box 714 Fallbrook, CA 92088

Name: _____ Menu Option _____

Name: _____ Menu Option _____

Amount Paid: _____

2024 Holiday
Dinner Party



Over 70 gathered to celebrate the holidays and catch up with car club friends. Everyone enjoyed the duet entrées of Tarragon Salmon and Chicken Cordon Bleu . We practiced passing a candy cane to our left and right as we heard a recap of the year's activities! Winner's won a variety of prizes and we also raffled off numerous gifts. Big thanks to our Holiday Committee of Gloria Andrews, Kathy Hesser, Elaine Pedigo and Susie Shea!



THE FALLBROOK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTS

Fallbrook Christmas Parade

43rd Annual

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH





 MARINE CORPS RESERVE



Check out what's new on our club Website....

Car Video's, Links to AACA Forums and Club Activities Photos and information. Register, renew, get it done, see what's going on...all on our website!!!

<https://fallbrookvintagecarclub.org/>

Big Thanks to Ron Mintle our Webmaster for keeping our site up to date and informational!



5150 Rat Rods & Old World Meat Company Presents -



OLD WORLD MEAT CO.
oldworldmeatcompany.com



RAT RODS RIBS and Rods January 4, 2025

Start Time: 10:30pm

Ends at: 1:30pm

**2209 East Valley Parkway
Escondido, CA. 92027**

**Hot Rodders enjoy a 10%
Discount on all food
purchases**



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Long-standing Vista "Burger Run" Car Show and meet-up

Saturday January 11, 8:00 - Noon

270 Sante Fe Ave, Peppertree
Frosty Drive In.

No entrance fee, just show
up!



Romeo and Juliet Lunches for January

Next Romeo Lunch is 1/16 at Village Pizza in Bonsall!

Cars 11:00 Lunch 11:30

Juliet Lunch

Ladies come join us at the California Golf Resort January 17th at 11:30 for lunch! Let Elaine know if you will be attending !



May 1-3, 2025 Western Spring Nationals/Special Grand Nationals Tucson, AZ

This will be the Tucson Region's third time hosting a dual meet! We take pride in selecting the best venues with the most amenities for attendees to enjoy. This year the event will again be held at Casino Del Sol Resort and Casino, an oasis of dining and entertainment! Just 15 minutes from Tucson International Airport and downtown, you'll discover The Sol of Tucson—Casino Del Sol. An oasis nestled in the secluded mesquites of the high Sonoran Desert. Our gracious and welcoming casino resort is a successive five-time recipient of a AAA Four-Diamond rating, and TripAdvisor's Certificate of Excellence Host Hotel & Show Venue.

Click here for brochure: <https://www.tucsonaaca.org/brochure.html>

Plan to come early and stay later to take advantage of the many attractions and points of interest in Southern Arizona! Special group rates apply for 3 days before and 3 days after the event. Note: Extended stay dates must be booked by calling the Reservation Desk at 855-765-7829.



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Book Talk: Please join us at the Fallbrook Historical Society to hear author Rob Crisell talk about The *History of Avocados*.

Ron Crisell California Avocados- A Delicious History

Saturday January 11, 2025 1:00 pm

Fallbrook Heritage Center

1730 S. Hill Ave.

About the Author

Rob Crisell grew up in Fallbrook, California, in the heart of a three-acre avocado grove. After a career in publishing, Rob is now a writer, actor, teacher and winemaker. Most recently, he is the author of Temecula Valley Wineries and The Fantastic Fables of Aesop. He has written several other works for adults and children. He earned his bachelor's degree from Yale University and his law degree from George Mason School of Law. Rob and his wife live in Temecula, California.

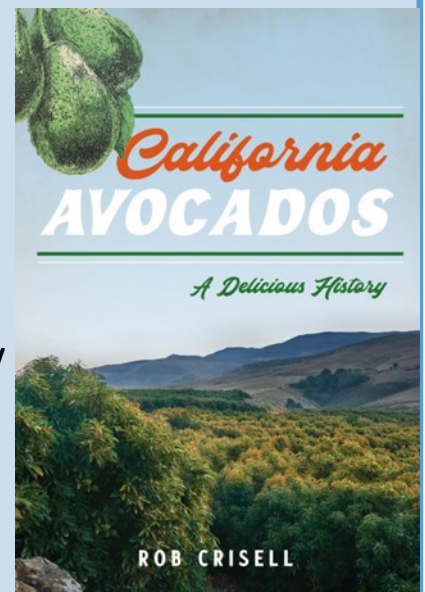
About the Book

When avocados first arrived from Mexico in the early 1800s, few Americans knew what to make of them. Intrepid settlers in California were among the first to embrace the savory green fruit, sparking a century-long love affair that transformed the state into "Avocado Land." From battling over the best avocado varieties to coaxing the public into trying the fruit by devising delicious recipes, Golden State growers created a global phenomenon. Author Rob Crisell explores how California's favorite fruit became one of the most famous and iconic foods of the twenty-first century.

Fallbrook Historical Society

Curators of Fallbrook History for 50 years

The Fallbrook Historical Society was founded in 1976 during the national Bicentennial as a non - profit to collect, preserve and share the history of Greater Fallbrook. The Heritage Center Museum & Barn are located at the corner of Rocky Crest and Hill Ave. It is open every Saturday and Sunday 1pm-4pm.



SAN DIEGO EXCURSION
CELEBRATION OF THE 1915 EXPOSITION ROAD RACE
SUNDAY JANUARY 12, 2025

DRIVE TO POINT LOMA AND AROUND THE 1915 ROAD RACE ROUTE.



OPEN TO ALL UNMODIFIED 1942 OR EARLIER CARS.

7:00 CHECK-IN AT SAN DIEGO
AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM –
DONUTS AND COFFEE

8:00 MUSEUM OPENS AT REDUCED RATE

9:00 EXCURSION DEPARTS SDAM

11:00 PARADE OF RACE ROUTE STARTS

12:00 LUNCH ON YOUR OWN AT LIBERTY
STATION

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED bit.ly/4fWEh6n

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619-320-8422

SDExcursion@hcfi.org

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TRAILER PARKING BY OLD BALBOA HOSPITAL IN LARGE LOT AT 2115 PARK BLVD.

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Headlight:

Terry Decker's 1967 Ford Mustang Convertible



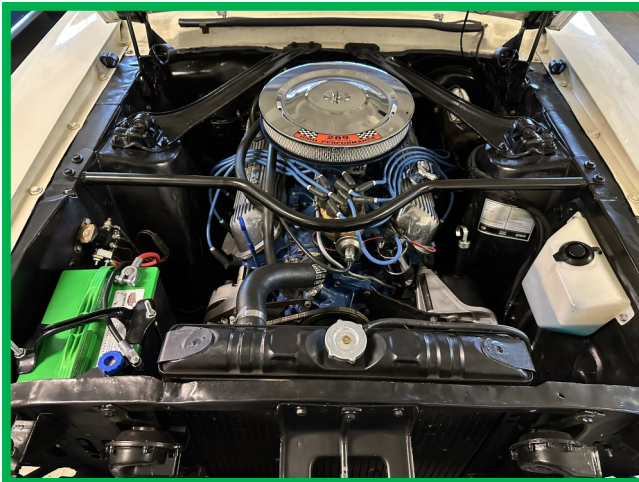
As my fellow FVCC members may know, I'm a big fan of the Mustang. I have a '66 Mustang coupe, but wanted a convertible as well. Growing up on the cold, snowy east coast, a convertible was just not practical. As a result, they have always had a special attraction to me. I had a convertible a few years ago, and there's nothing like cruising with

I got the car in August 2023 and in DIY project mode. This has not car, it seems like every two steps met with one step back. I gutted the interior, replaced most of the exterior ornaments and trim. For the placed the shocks, rear leaf bar, steering idler arm, and added Under the hood I replaced the distributor, plug wires, coil, and updated



the top down! spent the last year been an easy project forward have been and replaced the interior trim, and the suspension, I re-springs, front sway a Monte Carlo bar. tributor cap and ro- the electronic igni-

tion. I adjusted the valves, replaced the valve cover gaskets, the oil pan gasket, the transmission pan filter and gasket, and the fuel pump. The headlights and marker lights have been updated to LEDs. New Magnum 500 wheels and raised white letter tires updated the look and stance. Next up is a rebuild of the heater



box and core, and a new intake manifold and carburetor.



Headlight:

Terry Decker's 1967 Ford Mustang Convertible



When asked what is your favorite story or adventure you have had with your car? Not a favorite, but definitely an adventure. I was asked to have the car in a music video being produced by someone here in town. The song had a '60s vibe and a convertible Mustang was perfect for a few driving shots they wanted to include in the video. The day of the shoot was one of those blistering hot days we had back in early September. The temperature was well over 100 degrees. We drove out to the old 395 in Bonsall to set things up. As we began shooting videos the car was hard to start. It needed to cool down a bit but it did start up and was running fine, so we began making

passes to be filmed. After some passes, the car just quit on me and was not going to restart no matter how long we let it cool down. I was embarrassed and felt bad for the folks making the video, but they were car guys and took it all in stride. They even took some shots of the car with the hood up on the side of the road to include in the video. I ended up having the car towed back to my house. Of course, it started right up after cooling down back at the house.

Later that evening, they shot some video of the car in front of the Mission Theater. That went off fine, although I was pretty nervous driving it to the theater thinking it might die on me again. Needless to say, I did some work on the car to keep that from happening again, but I'm not going to try anything fancy with it if the weather gets that hot!



We moved to Fallbrook in 2016. We had been in Carlsbad before that. Before Carlsbad we were in eastern Oceanside (near the Home Depot) and that's how we knew about this area. Fallbrook has a nice small town feel and doesn't have the crowded, busy feel you find in so much of southern California. There are many non-profit organizations in town at which you can volunteer and give back to the community. The people are great, and as a bonus Fallbrook has a terrific car culture!

History Bits By Fred Weisberger

“Sea to Shining Sea”

Driving Records

The idea of crossing the continent by land has been firmly in the American imagination ever since the Lewis and Clark Expedition of 1804-6. Traveling from the east coast to the west coast retraces the direction of westward expansion of the nation. Going from west to east is, in some ways, like traveling back in time as the buildings and historic sites become older. The distance between the coasts is usually over 2,700 miles, depending on route driven, and was much farther in the early years. From the early years of the horseless carriage, Americans have successfully driven across the nation. Here are three transcontinental driving records:

The **FIRST** to make the drive: Dr. Horatio Nelson Jackson (1872-1955) was visiting San Francisco when he decided to prove (and win a \$50 bet) that a horseless carriage could be driven across the country. He bought a slightly used 1903 Winton automobile and hired mechanic Sewall Crocker to assist him. On July 26, 1903, after overcoming countless challenges and spending thousands of dollars, Jackson and Sewall reached New York City with much fanfare after 63 days on the road.



The **FIRST WOMAN** to drive cross-country: Alice Huyler Ramsey (1886-1983) was an adventurous 22 year old wife and an exceptionally skilled driver. During an endurance car race, she captured the attention of the Maxwell Briscoe car company. Ramsey was asked if she would be interested in driving a Maxwell across the country as a publicity stunt. She agreed, but under the conditions that she be the only driver and that the passengers would be only women of her choice. Ramsey drove three other women in a 30 horsepower Maxwell with from New York to San Francisco. On August 7, 1909, after 3,600 miles and 59 days, the four women reached San Francisco.



The **FASTEST** drive: The secret and illegal speed contest, known as the Cannonball Run, holds the record for the quickest drive across the country. In 2020, drivers Arne Toman, Doug Tabbutt and “spotter” Dunadell Daryoush set the record of 25 hours, 39 minutes from New York City to Santa Monica Pier. The team drove a highly modified 2016 Audi A6, averaging 110 mph (record) and with a top speed of 175 mph.

Exploring America by car is almost a national birthright. You don't have to set a record to enjoy a cross-country drive. If you have not already experienced it, you might want to add a “Sea to Shiny Sea” drive to your future roadtrip plans.

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Classifieds

For Sale: 1931 Ford Deluxe Model A Roadster, Fallbrook, CA

Full restoration in 1960's. AACA First Junior and Senior awards in 70's. 1981 Second Place Grand National and First Preservation award.

Garaged for over 50 years by owner's son, full hand-written maintenance records since 1985. Full Deluxe tools in custom tool box with side curtains and custom car cover. Washington Blue, Straw wheels, exceptional condition body and chassis, see pictures. Firestone tires two years old, top never put down, Deluxe Model has lots of chrome, windshield wiper, Mirror with clock piece.



High Compression Head (5.5), Alternator, FSI Zipper Electronic Distributor and Coil, Temperature gauge, original Quail radiator cap and aftermarket with thermometer. New front seat upholstery. Electrical cut-off switch. Fuel cut-off switch. Advanced Radiator Re-core radiator '22. Odometer 5650. Garaged and driven monthly.



LED lights and turn signals. Teflon parts in steering mechanism installed to make steering easier. Brakes adjusted 10/23 by Hansen's Garage and in good condition. All fluid levels topped off. Mitchell Overdrive and 3 speed synchromesh transmission installed in 23. Contact: Gary Hesser, call/text 510-714-4004. \$39,000, negotiable. Click on this link to see more photos: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1u7GCZRrgQ8iV1tyN94XayN6BIErrzCcc?usp=sharing>

Long Range Club Calendar

1/4 Ribs and Rods

1/9 Board Meeting 3:30 FPUD

1/11 Vista Burger Run

1/11 History of Avocados Book Talk Historical Society

1/16 Romeo Lunch Village Pizza

1/17 Juliet Lunch 11:30 California Golf Resort

1/25 Kick-off Breakfast

2/13 Board Meeting

2/20 ROMEO Lunch Mountain Mikes

2/25 General Meeting Topic: Cadillacs

3/13 Board Meeting 3:30 p FPUD

3/20 ROMEO Lunch Mariscos El Pacifico

4/13 Avocado Festival

5/1 AACA Tucson Spring National

5/25 58th Annual Car Show

6/28 Annual BBQ and Election of 2025-26 Board

Events in Bold are Club Priority Events

Please Participate in these Car Shows and Events

On the website calendar they have a red bar as shown :

Fallbrook Summer Nights

