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President: Duane Ingernson - 619-870-7732



## The Prez Sez.

Hello fellow V8ers.

As we end this year and look forward to the next I want to again thank all who attended our past years events and those who attended the Christmas Party. This is the time of year the President has to ask all who can to help with our money making event the Big 3 swap meet, so please sign up and fill in the vacant spots and be a part

of this event. To those who will be running and managing the event from start to finish, you can't be thanked enough. Our upcoming tours and events should be very interesting and fun thanks to Jim and Diane Thomas and their sense of humor. This year it would be great to see 50 of our cars in a caravan to one of our events. How cool would that be? Don't forget our first tour on



Sat 1/24/15 to Cebe's poultry ranch in Ramona. (See page 10). I look forward to seeing many of you at our first General meeting in January. So repack the wheel bearings, change the oil and get the rides ready. ---Onward and forward V8er's Duane Ingerson

V8ers of the Year-Jim and Diane Thomas!

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**Current Name Tag Jackpot is** Now \$25 Bucks

All current member names are in pot. If your name is drawn and you are at the meeting, wearing your name tag, YOU WIN! Pot will increase until we have a winner

We have A WINNER--VP Bob Symonds won

\$125 bucks prize money when his name was drawn and he was wearing his Name Tag. The prize now is **back to \$25** for the Jan 21 General Meeting.



Next Tour Jan 24--Ramona Tour...See page 10



### My first long distance trip in an old Ford. – Walter Andersen

In High School about 1956, one of my good friends had a Model A Ford Cabriolet he rescued from a drainage ditch in Ramona, I thought it was a 'cool car'. In 1958 I was in Nebraska with my parents. I asked around, if anyone had a Model A Ford for sale. One of my Fathers friends said he had one on his farm. We drove out to see what he had. Under an old Elm tree was a 1929 tudor sedan. It had been parked there for about 15 years. It was complete, but kind of sad looking. No big rusted areas, it was all original including what paint was left on the car, deep blue. It had a lot of surface rust and one small dent in the back and a couple on the fenders. I paid the guy \$25., he gave me the title. I remember it had a homet's nest under the driver's seat; my Father bought some Cyanide powder from a hardware store and dusted it under the seat to kill them. Cyanide? Yes back then you could buy it 'over the counter' at a hardware store, at least in Nebraska.

We took the wheels off, then went to Montgomery Ward's in Grand Island Nebraska and bought 4 new tires and tubes "off the shelf", we also bought a new battery. We mounted the new tires in my Uncles garage, then went back and towed the car with a rope about 20 miles back to my Uncles house. We tinkered with it some, sanded the points and changed the oil. We put water in the radiator (no leaks) and gas in the tank. It did not take much to get it started, did not sound too bad! I checked the transmission and rear end oil levels. The car was all original including the mechanical brakes, which weren't the best, but they did manage to stop the car. I got a "30 day Nebraska plate" and drove it around town a few days. The steering had quite a bit of play, but you can adjust for that, 'sort of'. We all thought it might make the drive to San Diego, if we kept our fingers crossed. We left Nebraska heading in a southerly

direction, I did not want to go over the Rocky Mountains, so we headed south toward New Mexico. My parents were following me, so in case there were problems I had someone behind to help. Luckily nothing really bad happened for the first few days, the car seemed to run OK no strange noises or knocks. It never ran hot. It did use a lot of oil, some must have leaked out too; it really didn't smoke too badly. I put in a quart of oil about every 100 miles or so. I was buying it at Western Auto Stores in 2½ gallon containers. (1400 miles = 14 quarts?)

In New Mexico, I ran into a huge thunder storm, really raining hard. The windshield wipers did not work. A large semi truck was traveling the opposite direction, the wind gust ripped the rotted fabric top off, the fabric dragging behind.



I stopped and tore the top the rest of the way off and headed out again. Now there was only 'chicken wire' above me and I was getting soaked. Once out of the rain, things went well for a while. Until about 50 miles east of Yuma, the left front wheel bearing started screaming.

I pulled over and took off the brake drum, the outer bearing was shot, partly melted. My Father drove into Yuma, found a Ford Dealer and bought a new bearing (the inner bearing was still OK) and some grease. This round trip took about 2 hours, I sat in the hot sun and waited. The 'race' in the brake drum was scratched, but not too bad, so we just put in the new roller bearing and headed off.

I don't recall how long the trip was, but I'm thinking about 5 days, I pretty much drove 35 to 40 miles per hour the whole distance. No heating problems, but the front end would wobble bad when I hit a pot hole or railroad track, just slow down, tug the steering wheel to one side or the other, and move on.

Once home, I stripped off all the paint and surface rust, I sanded and primed it, I patched the small dent in the back with 'Bondo' and I painted the car a metallic blue lacquer and buffed it all out. Back then everyone was using lacquer, it was kind of

forgiving, and easy for a beginner. I kept the four cylinder engine, rebuilt it, and put on early Ford hydraulic brakes from a wrecking yard donor, (probably from Rose Canyon). The master cylinder came out of a Chevy, at the time, it was easiest for me to mount. I had Kaisers Top Shop put in white naugahide interior and top. I kept the 21" wheels for a long time. I joined the Model A Restores Club and drove the car for many years on tours and around town. The car also made two trips to Yuma, with the Model A Restorers Club. I entered the car in the Model A Restores Club National Meet (1963) in San Diego and got first prize in the 'modified class'. As I got older and started a family, the car was less important, and I did not have the time or money to keep it on the road, so I put it in 'storage'. I still own the car, but most of the paint has fallen off and it looks almost as bad as the day I bought it. Maybe someday?









Win here, and there are no cash prizes (although there have been in years past). Although there's a bracket system, it's not particularly enforced; instead, it's driver against driver for a waved-flag start and an eighth-mile run down the beach. Win, and you get bragging rights. Lose, and you line up again to redeem yourself. There are only three classes here: bangers (powered by a four-cylinder engine),

flatheads (powered by a flathead V-8) and bikes, and horsepower is largely irrelevant. Beach racing is more about finesse than brute force, since drivers are dealing with limited (and ever-changing) amounts of traction. Blow the launch with too much wheelspin, and the likelihood of catching your competitor in an eighth-mile is slim indeed. --Hemmings Blog

#### **Back to the basics: The** lure of The Race of Gentlemen --

Before there were sanctioning bodies, trophies or even cash prizes, the very first automobile races were likely between drivers wanting simply to prove their car was faster than another. Today, such a quaint ideal is all but absent from the highdollar, sponsor-driven world of motorsports, but there are still exceptions to the rule. One of these is The Race of Gentlemen (TROG), now in its third year.





### Linville, North Carolina, 1950s

Postcard photo of Grandfather Mountain near Linville, North Carolina, undated, but apparently taken sometime in the mid-1950s. It appears the entrance to the tourist area's famed suspension bridge is in the background, and the folks in the foreground are contemplating whether to cross it or just enjoy the view from where they sit. What do you see here? --Hemming Blog San Diego Early Ford V8 Club---Page 5

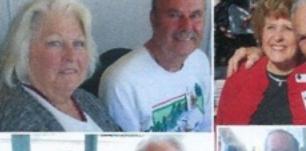
# **Christmas Party 2014**

The Pineapple Express storm took the day off and our party day turned beautiful. We had a head count just shy of 70 enjoying the big bay views across the golf course in

Coronado. Prez John Hildebrand brought the meeting to order. After a few remarks re the past year and great tours we moved through our business agenda post haste. Four lucky members found matching cards and won \$100 each., VP Bob Symonds won the \$125 prize in the Name Tag drawing. Someone at each table won the Center Piece Multiple-Gift prize. Some 25 Award Certificates were handed out, including several with Dinner coupons for those that had worked the hardest during the year. The Ollie Smith fund received a record number of checks and Paula Pifer noted the Scholarship Ford Asset Program will resume in 2015. Three car loads of Toys were loaded up and will be delivered to the Marines Monday. And, if that wasn't enough, we had a terrific 4-Star lunch. The new V8 Board was introduced and recited the "So Help Me Henry" Pledge. Duane Ingerson stepped up and was installed as President.







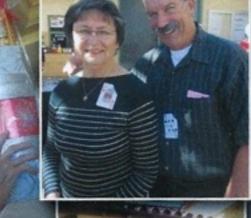






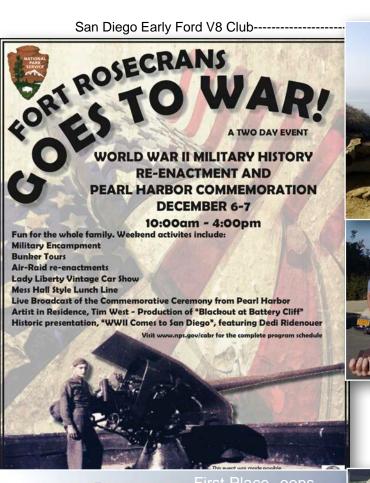


















When Pearl Harbor was bombed in 1941, San Diego became the front line for a possible attack. Point Loma bristled with anti aircraft bunkers and machine gun

nests to protect our harbor and Naval installations. On Dec 6 and 7, the Military Historical Society provided men in uniform, Hell Cat dive bombers, encampments, weapons and vehicles to commemorate the war effort. And car clubs across San Diego, war erfort. And car clubs across San Diego, sent pre -1945 cars. A Miss Liberty-1940 contest attracted girls in vintage clothing to pose with the cars and winners of a People's Choice 'Best Restoration-of-an-Original' competition, which I won --for a minute. Turns out the embarrassed MC had called me and my '24 Cabriedat to the pedium by

mistake. Instead, the trophy belonged to Ray Brock and his '34 Tudor. Ray was contrite, insisting I keep the trophy. but I smiled and handed it over. I hold no grudge, but I did call my attorney to file a personal injury, public humiliation suit. *More on pg. 12---TS* 





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our club members for stepping up once again with a generous donation of toys for the Marine Corps toy drive. On Monday after the Christmas party Joe and Paula Pifer, Tim and Sandy Shortt and Dennis Bailey drove their old Fords full of toys to the Marine Corps Reserve Base to deliver the toys collected at the party and those purchased by the club to Toys for Tots. The Marines and their helpers were very busy since this was the last week they distribute toys to the needy children in the county of San Diego. They said they have already distributed more than 46,000 toys this year and anticipate delivering 10,000 more this week. This year they will give toys to 290 different children's organizations in the county. The success of the "not for profit" Toys for Tots Foundation depends on support from groups such as ours.....Paula

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# France barn find worth millions...

PARIS – The Collectors' Car Department at Artcurial Motorcars has discovered 60 collectors' automobiles, all major marques dating from the early days of the motor car through to the 1970s. Found following 50 years of lying dormant, the multi-million-dollar Baillon collection will be sold by Artcurial Motorcars in the first part of the traditional sale at Retromobile Salon, on Feb. 6, 2015, in Paris.

These motor cars have been tucked away in a property in the west of France, under makeshift corrugated iron shelters and in various outbuildings. Matthieu Lamoure, managing director at Artcurial Motorcars, said, "Not since the revelation of the Schlumpf Collection in Mulhouse, of which Maître Hervé Poulain was the expert, has such a group of emblematic automobiles been disclosed and what is more, in such

original condition! Visitors to the Retromobile Salon will be able to share in our emotion, much like that experienced by Lord Carrington and Howard Carter entering Tutankhamun's tomb. Artcurial will show the magic of these 60 mysterious mechanical creatures, like a giant work of art: the unrealized dream of its owner brought back to life."

"These sleeping Beauties are clothed in the precious patina of time gone by," said Pierre Novikoff, motor car specialist. "A collection like this can't fail to arouse the passions of those who love automobiles, as well as art and history enthusiasts. Never again, anywhere in the world, will such a treasure be unearthed!"

Bugatti, Hispano-Suiza, Talbot-Lago, Panhard-Levassor, Maserati, Ferrari, Delahaye, Delage... these legendary marques make up the extraordinary cache discovered by the Artcurial car department team, Matthieu Lamoure and Pierre Novikoff. Many of these cars were built by highly celebrated coachbuilders such as Million-Guiet, Chapron and Saoutchik, with a number of Talbot Lago T26s including a very rare Grand Sport Aérodynamique and a rather extravagant Cabriolet once owned by King Farouk.

Sheltering in a garage, conserved in good condition, the two specialists came across one of just three Maserati A6G Gran Sports with coachwork by Frua, dating from 1956. Beneath piles of newspapers, they discovered a Ferrari 250GT SWB California Spider, with covered headlights. It had been bought new by the actor Gérard Blain, then sold to fellow actor Alain Delon, who was photographed several times at the wheel of this machine, including in 1964 with Jane Fonda during the filming of 'Les Félins' and on the Côte d'Azur with Shirley MacLaine. One of 37 examples, this Pininfarina-designed cabriolet, its whereabouts unknown to marque historians until now, is bound to attract the attention of collectors of important historic Ferrari.

This collection was assembled during the 1950s by Roger Baillon, an entrepreneur who ran a transport company based in the west of France. As enthusiast from the early days, he exhibited, at the Paris Motor Show during the 1950s, a roadster that he had built. His dream was to conserve the heritage of pre-war automobiles in museum surroundings. During the 1970s, before he could carry out the necessary restoration work, his dream was shattered when his business suffered a setback. He was forced to sell some 50 cars, and since that time, the rest of the collection did not move until this discovery.---*Old Cars Weekly* 

# Next Tour: Sat, Jan 24, 2015 **RamonaTour&Collection**

#### Scenic Tour route to Joe Cebe's poultry ranch in Ramona.

Joe has a Quonset hut full of older original and restored cars of various makes. Not to mention a complete 1930's style gas station, and more.

Meet at: Parking lot in front of Best Buy in the Parkway Plaza shopping center (149 Fletcher Parkway). We will leave at 10:00 am.

(Want to leave a little early since there is a long, up hill section of Hwy 67 leading to Ramona that might challenge the cooling system of a flathead ) Jim Thomas 619-669-9990

# Jan 21, General Meeting Program:

Good news! Dan Krehbiel has agreed to travel down to our January General meeting to do a presentation on the topic of overdrives, and Columbia overdrives in particular. As many of you know, Dan is a long time go-to Tech guy for old Fords & Mercurys and is The Columbia Overdrive technical resource for the Early Ford V8 national chapter. If you have any overdrive questions, come to the meeting and take advantage of having Dan Krehbiel's willingness to share the knowledge!--Joe V



Judy Grobbel -1956 SDHS Baton Twirler. On way to Prom with boyfriend, soon to be husband Bob McCoy. 25 years Grossmont College as an Evaluations Tech for advancement & Graduation. Mother of four. World traveler. Now volunteers for Coronado Visitors Center and the U.S.S. Midway Museum and, most important, V8 Sunshine Person



Membership Paula: Latest head count: 148. Welcome all new members. Sunshine Judy: Fred Lobello back in hospital with pneumonia. Tom Cook home from hospital feeling good. Chris Cook hit her chin but is OK.



V8 General Meeting Minutes. Christmas Party, Dec 14, 2014 Prez: John Hildebrand pounded the gavel at 12:309 pm. Guests: Gary Smith.

Presidents Report: John noted that we had a great year filled with lots of tours and events.

VP's Report: Bob thanked everyone for helping out and participating in all of the events Secretary: Dennis Bailey: The minutes for last months General Meeting were approved for Nov. as written in the Fan. Treasurer: Ken Burke gave the financial report and it was MSC to approve. Membership: Paula Pifer: Paula reported 37 single and 56 joint members. She also gave a report on the Ford Asset program which is scheduled to restart in the Fall of 2015.

Accessories: No Report Sunshine: Mike Pierson is recovering with his broken arm.

C.C.C.: No report. Fan Editor: Tim Shortt. The Jan. Fan is coming together and will include a lot of personal stories. Tours: The Christmas Party on Dec.14th. Jan. Ramona cruise and Feb. The Big 3.

**Programs**: Next month's program will be a presentation by Dan Krieble on Columbia overdrive.

Christmas Lunch Break. This was our first Christmas Party at the Coronado Golf Course. The lunch was a Greek Buffet and was a great success. Program: The program for the Christmas party was the presentation of awards for all of the members that helped out throughout the year.

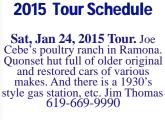
New Business: Our new board members were introduced. The new board members are Bill Dorr and Walter Anderson and the continuing board members are Bob Symonds, Dennis Bailey, Ken Burke, Tim Shortt, Rick Carlton, Joe Valentino, Jim Thomas and John Hildebrand as Past President Pro Tem. John Hildebrand introduced our new President Duane Ingerson. John then swore in all of the new and old board members. Our new president gave his acceptance speech and hopes we have another great year of Tours. Old

Business: None. Misc: None. Tech Tips. None. 50/50: No tickets

were sold for the 50/50. Name tag Raffle: Bob Symonds was the first winner of the name tag raffle. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30. ----Respectfully submitted: Dennis Bailey Secy.



Check out Bill Dorr's new ride: The 'Silver Bullet'



Feb/2015-**Our one & Only Fundraiser:** The Big 3. Have you signed up?

**January Anniversaries** 1/19 Nick & Rachel Murrell 1/22 Al & Linda Petani **January Birthdays** 1/02 Phil Spaid 1/05 Augustin Martinez 1/06 Jim Wells 1/07 Marty Ries 1/09 Dennis Bailey 1/19 Raphael Hargrave 1/20 Ken Tibbot 1/21 Webb Smith 1/23 Lois Pierson 1/23 Sheryl Carlton 1/26 Mary Timm 1/28 Rachel Murrell 1/30 John Giuliano

Send Rick Carlton your email address-if you want to receive FAN by email.

Gen. Meeting- Jan 21. -7pm, Auto Museum, Balboa Park

#### FORD V8 SWAP CORNER...

The Ford Fan will publish ads relating to 1932-1953 Ford Motor Company Products and, on occasion, other auto related items. Ads are collected at the General Meeting or you send then to: The SDEFV8 Club c/o Tim Shortt, 1211 5th St, Coronado, Ca



'34 Ford Fordor Deluxe, \$31k Flat head V8, ('46-'48, 59A), duel carbs, electronic ignition, headers, drop axle, '39 hydraulic breaks, 16 inch Kelsey Hayes spoke wheels, white wall tires, '39 tranny, '39 banjo steering wheel,La Baron Bonny wool interior, all Henry Ford steel body and fenders too much to list here. Lou at 619 465 0431

'37 Pick up- All orig. Barn stored 50 years. All there except interior. Not running. Morongo Valley, Ca. \$6500 OBO. 760-401-6081

'35 Ca License Plates. Restored. DMV Approved. \$300. '24 Model T Touring. All Orig. Restored. Bill Lewis 619-851-3232



**'48 Super Deluxe Coupe** first fresh air heater by Ford, Stock Running Gear, Chrome Reverse Wheels. Origi Ford Hub Caps. Big & little new Fire-stone Tires. 2&1/2 half inch dropped axle. **\$10k John , 707-688-4616** 

1950 Ford Convert. One Family owned nicely restored to Factory Stock Condition.original rebuilt FlatHead V-8 .3-Speed with Overdrive. Power Top.Leather Interior.- \$45k OBO. 619-840-8800

Sale- New & NOS Ford Shoebox Parts- left over inventory from '49-'50-'51 Parts business. Les Bartlett 619-466-5475

Wanted: Windshield & Back glass, '36 Tudor. Bill 224-7391

Wanted: 1947-'48 (car) lower rear shock brackets that mount to the rear axle.Brent Clark-Mobile: 714 814-1380



'41 Packard Convert, Older resto, Yellow w/ red interior. Beautiful. Al Petani.760-789-6217

'54 Coupe. 302 V8, C4 auto. Very Clean. NEW LOW PRICE-\$15k Tom Cook 619-200-8114

WANTED Garage for storage and restoration of '47 Ford Woody Wagon Phil Stone 619-723-6754 Wanted: '36-'39 Wheels (two) Carl 619-593-1514

Sale 1932 Model B 4 banger motor. Good condition complete with all accessories-carb, disturb, starter, flywheel, manifold, etc \$500. Large capacity "One Sacker" Cement Mixer. Good cond. \$1,000. OBO Fred Lobello 619-264-9484

FOR SALE: One pair of '34 Ford Tudor Bucket Seats, complete springs, hardware. Need to be reupholstered. Ask-ing \$450.00 OBO. Todd at the Speedo Shop 619-258-8195

**OR SALE:** The 6 Fordiana Series Books by Loren Sorensen, all signed, low serial number (215) excellent con-dition, \$600.00 firm out of town, you pay shipping 1935 California Pacific International Exposition Memorabilia: Oval Wood grained Ford Building serving tray (14x17) Fair condition, Rubber '35 Ford, blue with decal, no box fair condition 1 Exposition ticket book 1 Ecced V.<sup>9</sup> (14x17) Fair condition, Rubber '35 Ford, blue with decal, no box, fair condition, 1 Exposition ticket book, 1 Ford V-8 coin, 1 embossed amber Exposition ash tray,Firestone, with Firestone Rubber Tire, Mint condition, prefer to sell as a package \$400.00. Other Ford Items: 3 1935-36 Ford Trucks, 2 panels, 1 stake bed by Sun Rubber, \$75.00 for all 3, Fair condition, 2 ceramic Ford Dog banks from the 60's, \$25.00 each. Gary Walcher-619-588-6228

'37 Slantback Tudor. Orig restored. A beauty. \$20k. Scott Cairneross La Jolla Audio 858-581-6545

'46 tuidor Deluxe. 350/350 plus much more. Jim Scheidle. 479-200-5831

6 Car Garage in El Cajon (With house attached) \$650k. Joe 619-300-4280

Oak antique cabinet/wash stand-sink & faucet included-\$250. Candy Green 619-444-7174

**'45 Ford PU**.Multiple award win-ner, concourse quality.One of a kind, early "post war" Ford. Rich (260)704-0234 -Ultra Motorsports

Wanted- '56 Ford F100 big window-Rick 619-512-7058

'36 3-window coupe-compete body. Bullet holes-yes, but no rust in door bottoms and quarter panels.Also '40 PU Body on a trailer-\$3500-fordtrk56@gmail.com

WANTER-Garage Space for a '56 Ford PU. Rick Carlton 619-512-7058











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### Wow, that Ken Tibbot sure gets the girls...



Ray and I remain friends..."See you in court, pal."

# Jan/15