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Minutes of Meeting 26 June, 2003

The meeting was called to order by the president at 8:05 p.m. All officers were present except for the Renshaws, John Hansen and Mike Drew. Roxanne Fertitta once again kindly filled in for the perpetually missing secretary, taking the minutes and then forwarding them to him so he can construct the newsletter *in absentia*. There were 33 members and nine De Tomaso cars in the parking lot.

<u>New Members/Guests</u>: The club welcomed **Barry Hosier**, who is currently looking for a Pantera. He was able to seat-test several cars in the parking lot, and determined that he can fit reasonably well, so now it's down to finding one for sale that meets his criteria.

<u>Changes To Last Month's Minutes</u>: The dates for Hot August Nights were reported incorrectly; the actual dates are 7-10 August. San Luis Obisbo was misspelled, as was Rich Walling's name.

<u>Club Treasury Report</u>: The club's account is nice and healthy, and Diane has received several deposits for room at the Los Laureles Lodge.

<u>Club Store Report</u>: There was no club store report noted—either Gary Kono was especially quiet, or Roxanne was snoozing for a few minutes!

<u>Club Membership Report</u>: Russ was happy to report that he finally got an updated PCNC membership listing from POCA. The transition between the outgoing and incoming membership directors has been anything but smooth, but hopefully the wrinkles will be ironed out fairly soon.

<u>Club Motorsports Report</u>: The PCNC Track Committee held its first meeting just prior to the monthly club meeting. They will have a second meeting in August to hammer out the details for next year's event.

<u>Club Website Report</u>: Mark had nothing specific to report about our website, but he did mention a parking lot rally held the last Wednesday of each month in Palo Alto. Called the "American Graffiti", it's an informal car show and gathering of car enthusiasts. Information can be found on the club website.

Past Events:

King Of The Castle Car Show/Wine Tasting: Five Panteras and three Mangustas made the drive to the Napa Valley for the car show. The Panteras of Gary and Mary Kono, and Dennis Turrin, tied in the popular vote for "Best of Show". The weather was fantastic, and Terry hopes that more PCNC members will attend next year, since the manager of the winery has enthusiastically invited us back!

The winery recently opened a B&B on the premises, which means drivers won't have to drive directly to the car show.

Reno/Tahoe Panteras Fun Rally: Larry reported that the weather was a bit warm, but not too bad. Several PCNC members were there throughout the weekend. Larry managed to wangle an invitation to run his Pantera on the new Reno-Fernly race track, and he was able to get several other Pantera owners out there, where they ran an open track event for about an hour, with no charge!

The event also featured trips to Virginia City, a Dyno Day at Mallory Ignition, and a tour of a small but significant private car collection (among the cars was the original Shelby "Flip-top" prototype for the 427 Cobra!)

Additional events included an outing to a comedy club, an open house at Pantera Parts Connection, a car show on the plaza at Harrah's, and a riverboat tour of the lake, ending at a private beach in Incline Village for a BBQ. Attendance was quite small; there were 22 Panteras in the car show.

<u>Sears Point Vintage Races</u>: Bob Benson reported on the event at Sears Point (now "officially" named Infineon Raceway). The Shelby Club corral had an admirable De Tomaso contin-

gent, with six Panteras present.

Upcoming Events:

<u>Monterey Historic Races/Concorso Italiano Weekend — 13-17 August</u>: Anita Kuehne and Diane Dean are coordinating with the Las Laureles owners for this fantastic weekend event. Diane is accepting \$100 deposit checks to hold a room and already has 14 deposits in-hand. After months of negotiating, they were able to announce the final room prices.

The cost will be \$585 for a single room (for three nights); this includes two dinners for two people (a total of four dinners? That's what Roxanne's notes said!)

The Surrey Queen room will be \$645, also with two dinners for two.

The Junior Suite will be \$890, again including two dinners for two.

The Hill House (which sleeps six people) will cost \$2340, and that comes with six dinners.

The dinner will have a Mexican theme this year, and Los Laureles has expanded the lawn area, so we can display even more cars.

Diane and Anita will not be chairing this event next year, so a volunteer needs to step forward to help with this year's event, as training for doing it next year. For that matter, we need to decide if we even want to do it next year, since we have to book the hotel for next year while at this year's event. If we fail to do so, we will lose it forever!

<u>Highway 9 Banzaii Blast — October TBA</u>: Chuck Melton and Mark McWhinney pre-ran a nice drive on Highway 9 to Big Basin. They will plan a one-day driving tour for sometime in October, and it may include a winery stop as well as several stops at scenic overlooks. Watch for details in upcoming newsletters and the club website.

PCNC Christmas Party — **Early December**: The club needs somebody to take charge of staging the annual club Christmas party. The formula is fairly straightforward; we just need somebody to honcho the thing. See Diane if you're interested. Please!

Buy/Sell/Swap:

Rubberized Key Blanks: Chuck Melton has ignition key blanks with rubberized ends for only \$10.

Gills Needed: Larry Henley needs a pair of quarter panel trim pieces (gills).

<u>Mufflers For Sale</u>: Terry Morofsky has a set of 1971 stock tailpipes for sale, in excellent condition.

ZF Wanted: Brian Bernard needs a ZF gearbox, so if you have a spare, let him know!

Driving For Dinner Raffle: The winners were Bill and Brett Santos.

Raffle Results: Larry and Brett once again passed the hate, with the following results:

Corbett Canyon cabernet — Larry Henley Montevina zinfandel — Steve Liebenow POCA centerfold posters — Larry Henley, Eric Sundblad, Anita Kuehne Belgium beer T-shirt — Brian Bernard
Carb spacer plates — Darryl Johnson
10 Krispy Kreme doughnuts — Steve Liebenow
De Tomaso Flag — Bob Bentley
Ferrari 250 Testa Rossa gold earrings — Pam Sharp
Car catalogs (Pegasus, Eastwood, Northern Tool Equipment) — Brian Bernard
Ratfink figurine keychains — Pam Sharp, Terry Morofsky
Pontoon Ferrari gold tie tack — Mark Tumbarello

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m. to the parking lot.

NEXT CLUB MEETING

THURSDAY, July 31, 2003 8:00 P.M.

COCO'S RESTAURANT 1209 OAKMEAD PARKWAY SUNNYVALE, CA (Take Lawrence Expressway South Exit off Highway 101)

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

August 7-10 — Hot August Nights (Larry Stock)

August 13-17 — Monterey Historic Races/Concorso Italiano (Diane Dean)

REMINDER — NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY 15th OF EACH MONTH

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