

## news

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## Minutes of Meeting 27 June, 2013

The meeting was called to order by the president at 8:04 (Verizon time). All officers were present except for Greg Taylor and Mike Drew. There were 36 members present, and two De Tomaso cars in the parking lot

<u>New Members/Guests</u>: The club welcomed Ben Gage, who recently bought a red '73 Pantera. Although it runs, he is now going to start going through the car and refurbishing it.

<u>Changes To Last Month's Minutes</u>: The report about Dave Crego referenced his 'late' wife which implied her early demise, when it should have said 'former wife'. Also, Diane's name is spelled with only one "N" and not two.

<u>Club Treasury Report</u>: Tom says we're ramping up for the Monterey event; deposit checks are all in and final payment checks are starting to arrive. The over-billing issue with the printer has been resolved and a refund issued. Our treasury is remaining somewhat steady.

<u>Club Store Report</u>: Bud had no new merchandise to share, but reported we would probably have some new items in a month or so.

<u>Club Website Report</u>: Greg sent out two e-blasts, with the second one sent because the link to the online version of the newsletter was incorrect the first time. The newsletter printing was delayed slightly so most people had not yet received their paper version at the time of the meeting. Denny believes that we should be using the no-cost option for E-blasts (associated with the new website) as opposed to the high-bling version we have now. The board will be meeting to discuss this and other issues shortly.

Some club members are not receiving the E-blasts, and indications are that within a 48-hour period, only 60 or so people are opening them.

<u>Club Motorsports Report</u>: There are no motorsports events on the horizon, although several PCNC members were slated to run with the Alfa club at Sears Point a few days after the meeting. Monterey Corral passes are now being handled directly by the track when tickets are purchased, with no PCNC involvement.

#### **Past Events**:

<u>Vintage Mustang Owners Association Show</u>: Brent Stewart attended and reported that it was largely the same as last year—not huge, but a lot of fun. He and Tom Hasenberg had the only two De Tomasos on display.

<u>Tiburon Car Show</u>: Bud Millard attended this show, along with Tony Blevins, and Gary and Richard Spratling with their knockout cars. Richard showed his one-off custom car which has a Mangusta chassis, suspension and drivetrain and a unique open body that looks nothing like a De Tomaso, but is truly spectacular to behold.

#### **Upcoming Events**:

Hole In The Ground Tour, Part Three — 27-28 July After an absence of many years, we are thrilled that Michael and Roxanne Fertitta have again organized a weekend driving event for the members of PCNC. After meeting in the Bay Area at the Country Waffle restaurant in Livermore, we will convoy to the Sierra Foothills for lunch in Jackson, then spend the afternoon touring a cave formation. We will return to Jackson and spend the night and have dinner together.

The next morning, another scenic drive through the mountains will be followed by a visit to a mining museum, and then another drive to another cave formation.

Although it's structured as a two-day event, people are welcome to participate for only a single day if they so choose. Please RSVP to Michael Fertitta so he can get an accurate head count, and make sure to make your hotel reservations early.

See the information flyer elsewhere in this newsletter for all the information.

<u>Pre-Monterey Tech Session And Housewarming BBQ — 10 August</u>: Todd Glyer and Renee will be hosting a party at their new home in the Santa Cruz mountains. There will be two lifts available for tech session work, with priority going to those cars entered in the Concorso Italiano. See the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter for more information. Please note that while all are welcome, an RSVP is required!

<u>Concorso Italiano — 16 August</u>: This year's Concorso will feature a special tribute to the Apollo, the brilliant and under-appreciated hybrid from the early 1960s, with Italian coachwork and Buick aluminum V8 power. Go to www.concorso.com to sign up.

<u>PCNC Monterey Dinner — 16 August</u>: Diane Dean is collecting the checks for dinner reservations for PCNC's traditional Friday dinner; cost is \$47.50 each (unchanged from previous years). You can pay in person at the July PCNC meeting, or by mailing your check (payable to PCNC) to:

Diane Dean 815 W. San Martin Ave. San Martin, CA 95046

Connie Martin is looking for volunteers to help with setup and tear down afterwards. The theme for this year's dinner is American Sports Events. Come dressed as your favorite basketball, football or baseball player!

East Bay Grease Tour — 14 September: After the great success of his East Bay Grease Tour last year, Matt Kelleher is working on another tour event for 2013, with help from Bud Millard. The date will be sometime in September. He plans to return to Moal's hot rod shop, the Ferrari workshop of Patrick Ottis, Eric Zausner's incredible clubhouse next door, and also pay a visit to the high-end paint shop owned by Dennis Hoyt that does all their work as well as lots of high-end Ferrari paint and restoration work. It will again culminate with a late lunch at a Chinese restaurant, same as last year. Watch for more information in upcoming newsletters.

<u>Ironstone Concours Weekend — 27-29 September</u>: Kevin Abbey is once again organizing our group participation in this concours. We will depart on Friday, meeting at the OSH in Foster City, then stopping in Farmington, and a lunch stop in Angel's Camp, before arriving in Murphys late in the afternoon; dinner will be upstairs in the Murphys Inn. After the concours Saturday, he will be hosting a dinner at his country club. Ironstone has an online registration page on their website. See the flyer elsewhere for detailed information on lodging, etc.

#### **Club Business:**

**LED Lamp Kit Update**: Ron DeMaderios showed off his progress with an LED light kit for Panteras. These use the latest, state-of-the-art LED light arrays, and the kit will come with full instructions, to be distributed by the PCNC store. He is considering including interior lamps and the dome light as well. A motion was made and approved to proceed with efforts to present this kit for sale in the club store. This is a feasibility study and not approval to proceed with purchase of components in quantity, as the design still needs to be finalized and the pricing structure formalized.

#### **News, Clues and Rumors**:

**Rolling Car Show**: The Konos, Goodharts and DeMaderioses took their Panteras on a weekend drive up Hwy 101 to 128, out to Ft. Bragg to ride the Skunk Train. Whenever they stopped together in a parking lot, an impromptu car show broke out! True to form, Gary arranged for it to rain....

<u>Tales Of The Old South</u>: Ron Southern had several stories to share. He attended a car show called Mainstreet Auto Museum, and Dennis Gage of My Classic Car was present. He didn't pay too much attention to Ron's Pantera, but it did get caught for a few brief seconds of air time when the show aired as they panned off to go to commercial.

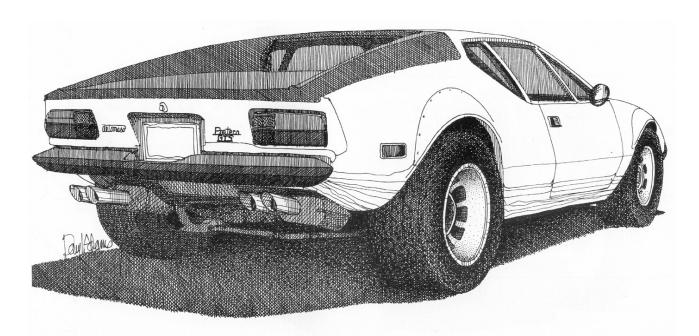
He also showed off the Pantera belt buckle that was featured in a recent POCA *Profiles* piece by Jim Demick.

Finally, he showed off a 1/20th scale slot car of a Mangusta that he made. A friend stumbled across a very crude Mangusta slot car body, and Ron used a lot of creativity to adapt it to a Ferrari F1 chassis and then super-detailed it.

**Raffle Results**: Although Kevin was present, Brent and Brett ran the raffle this month, with the following results:

Tool bag w/assorted Tools — Darryl Johnson
Mini-Mag LED flashlight — John Colombero
20pc Craftsman ratchet set — Steve Liebenow
Craftsman BBQ set — Curt Hall
Picnic Basket set with two bottles of wine — Bob Lucas
De Tomaso Watch — Brian Bernard
Car/drink holder combo — Ron Southern

The meeting adjourned to the parking lot, although the specific time wasn't noted....



## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

## **New Members for June:**

Lou Brizzolara – Lou lives locally in San Mateo. He's never had a Pantera, but wants our help in finding just the right car. He's dreamed of owning his own Pantera for 40 years! He talked to Steve Young (of Peterson Museum fame) and they were looking at Elvis' Pantera, talking about how Lou should acquire his own. (Did you know Elvis shot his car a couple of time...and we all know why.) Steve suggested Lou join his local Pantera club to get support. Boy did he get it right! I told him we were the friendliest group going and that we would be more than happy to help him find the right car.

**Kendall Swenson** – Lives in Eureka and has a similar story to Lou, he wants our help in finding a Pantera! Kendall has owned 3 Ferraris, a 911 and other exotics but was introduced to a Pantera 30 years ago through as friend who had one. He enjoyed the car but really like the American V-8 and the fact when he raise the rear bonnet there were things in there he recognized!

Let's see if we can help these guys realize their dreams! (Since they're not in the Roster yet just call or e-mail me directly for their contact info.)

We have five members that show a lapse in their membership so if you know who you are, please renew today. I will be sending each of you a reminder notice shortly.

## **July Membership Anniversaries**

We congratulate the following persons for the indicated years of Membership in the Pantera Club of Northern California

Pam Sharp 25 years
Bruce Bartling 22 years
Gary Glenn 16 years
Mark Tumbarello 13 years
Tom Hasenberg 12 years
Bob Paizs 9 years
John Buckman 1 year
Hank Szeto 1 year

Roger Sharp 25 years
John Bartole 22 years
Ron Singley 13 years
Art Mowry 13 years
Barry Hosier 10 years
Ron and Bobbi DeMaderios 7 years
John Koslosky 1 year

NOTE: I send our an E-Blast each month just prior to the scheduled meeting. My results report shows that it is not getting through to a number of you. Please check your e-mail addresses as listed in the Roster to make sure we have it correctly and also check your spam settings to see if it is getting sent to spam.

Greg Taylor Membership Coordinator

## 2013 Calendar of Events

July 27-28 Hole In The Ground Tour, Part 3, Jackson Michael Fertitta Phone: 775-450-8409 (cell) e-mail: mike300zxtt92@aol.com

August 10 Pre-Monterey Tech Session and BBQ, Soquel Todd Glyer (RSVP required): (831) 588-3612

August 10 Car Crazy Car Show and BBQ, San Mateo http://www.carcrazypromotions.org/

August 16 Concorso Italiano, Monterey http://www.concorso.com/

August 16-18 Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion, Monterey http://www.mazdaraceway.com/rolex-monterey-motorsports-reunion

September 14 East Bay Grease Tour, Berkeley Matthew Kelleher Phone: (415) 816 3687 e-mail: matthew.kelleher@comcast.net

September 28 Ironstone Concours, Murphys http://www.ironstonefoundation.org/

October 6 Horses to Horsepower, Redwood City http://www.horsestohorsepower.net/





## Hole-in-the-Ground Tour Part 3



A two-day adventure through California's Gold Country, visiting ancient caverns and modern wineries!

When: Saturday & Sunday, July 27 & 28, 2013
Starting Location: Country Waffle Restaurant, Livermore
Departure Time: 9:00 am

We will drive to Jackson, California over Highway 88, and stop for lunch at Mel & Fayecs Diner. We will have lunch and meet with the Sierra Nevada Mini Club coming from Carson City, Nevada. Once we have all eaten, we will head out to our first cave, Black Chasm in Volcano (we will travel a short distance east up Highway 88). The tour will take approximately 1 hour. After the tour, we will visit a couple of wineries on the way back to Jackson and check into the Holiday Inn Express. You must make your own hotel reservations. The phone number is: 209-257-1500. The room rates are \$139.00, AAA or AARP rates are \$133.00. We will be arranging for group rates as soon as we have a total head count from both clubs and will update you on the pricing as soon as we can.

Please RSVP to Michael Fertitta ASAP so we can get a headcount and group rates before you book your rooms!! Email: mike300zxtt92@aol.com

After we get settled in, we will walk across the street to Thomiecs Restaurant (or drive, your choice!) for dinner. The following morning, the hotel is providing a complimentary breakfast. After breakfast, we will drive a bit farther north through Jackson to visit the Kennedy Mine, which is one of the many mines that produced millions of dollars in gold during the Gold Rush. This is a surface tour (we done go into the mine!), and should be very interesting. After the mine tour, we will caravan over to California Caverns at Cave City, which is about a 20 mile drive though some backroads. This tour is approximately 80 minutes long. They also have a gift shop and picnic area at the site, as well as restrooms.

The temperatures in the caverns will average about 55 degrees, and you may encounter muddy locations inside, so please wear sturdy walking shoes and clothes that you dong mind getting a little dirty!

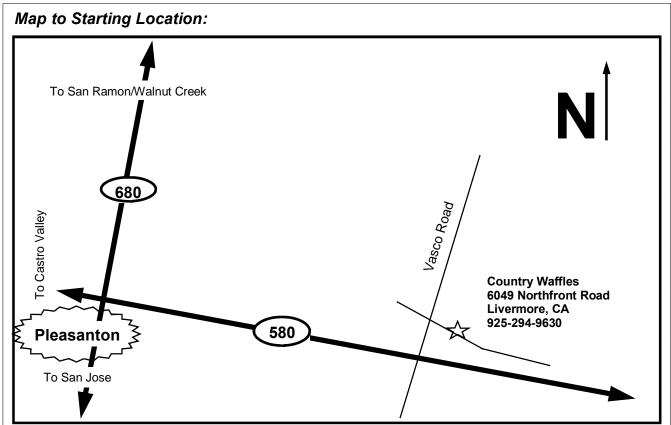
After the tour you are free to explore more of Jackson (be sure to go in the National Hotel, which has had a major renovation- you can go into one of the rooms to see how lovely they are). We will head home at your leisure.

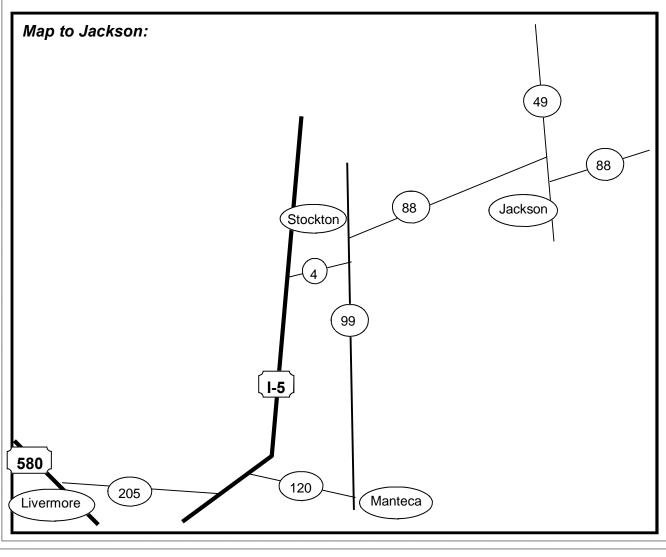
For those club members that do not want to stay overnight, you can join us for either day; please RSVP if you want to do a one day so we can let the cave personnel how many we will have in our group, as the tours do have limits of 25 people.

If you have a walkie/talkie or CB radio, please bring it and we will decide on the channel at the start.

Admission to each cave is approximately \$13.50 per adult.

Produced by Michael & Roxannes Tours for the Pantera Club of Northern California Phone: 775-267-5606 (home) or 775-450-8409 (cell) email: mike300zxtt92@aol.com





## PRE-CONCORSO ITALIANO TECH SES-SION AND HOUSEWARMING PARTY

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2013 11:00 a.m. to ??

This is your last chance to get your Pantera ready for the Concorso Italiano. There will be two lifts in service bays available to those planning on driving and displaying their Panteras or Mangustas in Monterey.

Where: Todd & Renee's home, 375 Lupin Dr., Soquel, CA 95073

Bring your own meat for a BBQ and a dish to share.

Directions: If coming from the north take HWY 880 (aka Hwy 17) toward

Santa Cruz.

MERGE onto CA HWY 1, SOUTH via EXIT 1B toward Watsonville/Monterey

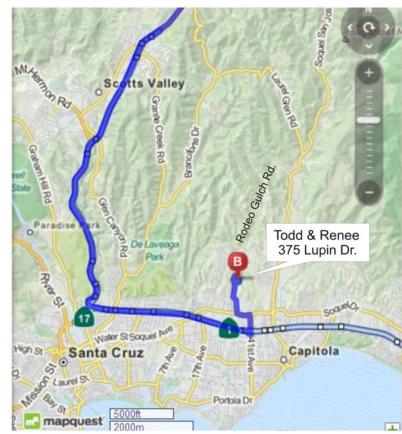
TAKE the 41<sup>st</sup> Ave exit, EXIT 438, TURN LEFT onto 41<sup>st</sup> Ave

TURN LEFT onto Soquel Dr

TAKE the 3<sup>rd</sup> RIGHT onto N. Rodeo Gulch Road

TURN SHARP RIGHT onto LUPIN Drive

375 is at the TOP of the drive.



There should be parking for 20 plus cars and the neighbor's area will be available for overflow parking.

**PLEASE RSVP:** Todd's cell phone # (831) 588-3612

## Ironstone Concours d'Elegance Weekend September 27-29

The Ironstone Concours d'Elegance will take place on Saturday, September 28th between the hours of 10a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

## **AGENDA**

The first group will be meeting at Orchard Supply Hardware parking lot in Foster City, CA on Friday, September 27, at 8:30 A.M.

Orchard Supply Hardware 1010 Metro Center Blvd, Foster City, (In same parking lot of the Starbucks and Jamba Juice Shopping center....

We will leave between 900-915 A.M. **WE WILL LEAVE NO LATER THAN THIS SO PLEASE BE PROMPT!** 

The second meeting stop will be at Hwy 4 and Farmington Road at about 10:30-10:45 A.M. (give or take a few minutes).

CIRCLE K FARMINGTON/SHELL 4469 ESCALON BELLOTA ROAD, FARMINGTON, CA 95230 (209)-886-5758

We will have lunch at:

RODZ GRILLE, 730 SOUTH MAIN STREET, ANGELS CAMP CA, 95222 (209) 736-0170.

We should arrive at approximately 11:30 a.m. for lunch.

The next destination will be our motel:

THE MURPHYS INN MOTEL, 76 MAIN STREET, MURPHYS, CA 95247 (209) 728-1818.

## **ACCOMODATIONS**

SINCE THIS IS A BIG EVENT IN THIS TOWN AND SPACES FILL UP QUICKLY, WE MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY BEFORE ROOMS SELL OUT...

The hotels we have used in the past are:

THE MURPHYS INN MOTEL, 76 MAIN STREET, MURPHYS, CA 95247 Phone (209) 728-1818

AND

MURPHYS SUITES (LOCATED ONE BLOCK WEST OF MAIN STREET

AND HIGHWAY 4), 134 HWY 4, MURPHYS, CA 95247, Phone (209) 728-2121.

NOTE: THERE IS A 10% DISCOUNT IF YOU HAVE AN AAA CARD OR AN AARP CARD—PRESENTED AT TIME OF CHECK-IN.

We will leave for dinner from the Murphys Inn Motel at 6:00 P.M. and walk to the historic Murphys Hotel for dinner at 6:30 P.M. Phone (209) 728-3444

THE IRONSTONE CONCOURS d'ELEGANCE WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28th.

We will meet at the Murphys Inn Motel parking lot at 8:30 A.M. and caravan to:

THE IRONSTONE VINYARD WINERY, 1894 SIX MILE ROAD, MURPHY'S CA 95247. ALL ENTERED VEHICLES MUST BE IN THEIR ASSIGNED SPACES NO LATER THAN 9:30 A.M.

Entry fees are \$50 and you must pre-register. Paid entries entitle the owner to general admission for two adults, a gift basket, two buffet lunch tickets, and coffee and donuts in the morning. Cars must remain in place until 4:00 P.M.

## DINNER

Following the concours, we will meet at the Murphys Inn Motel parking lot at 5:30 P.M., then caravan to the Abbey cabin, located at:

900 DEL RIO DRIVE IN, ARNOLD CA.

We will have time to have cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, before leaving for dinner a couple of blocks away, at:

THE SNOW FLAKE LODGE, 335 BLUE LAKE SPRINGS DRIVE, ARNOLD, CA 95223.

Note: THE RESTAURANT DOES NOT HAVE A BAR SO FEEL FREE TO BRING YOUR OWN ALCOHOL / FAVORITE WINE WITHOUT A CORKAGE FEE. WE WILL SEAT FOR DINNER BETWEEN 7:30-8:00 P.M.

After dinner we will head back to Murphys to our hotels, or for the ultra partiers, return to Kevin and Valerie's cabin where the party will continue until ?????

ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th, 2013 WE WILL HEAD HOME AFTER BREAKFAST AND CHECK OUT...

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## NEXT CLUB MEETING

THURSDAY, July 25th, 2013 8:00 P.M.

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

## UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

July 27 ——— Hole In The Ground Tour, Part Three (Michael and Roxanne Fertitta)

August 10 ——— Pre-Monterey Housewarming BBQ and Tech Session (Todd Glyer)

August 15-18 —— Concorso Italiano/Monterey Motorsports Weekend (Diane Dean)

September 14 ———————— East Bay Grease Tour (Matthew Kelleher)

REMINDER — NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY 15th OF EACH MONTH