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# Minutes of Meeting 15 November, 2016

The meeting was called to order a bit late at 7:53, as there was a big traffic accident on Hwy 17 and several people had called in to say they were trapped in traffic. The meeting was on an odd date due to the conflict with Thanksgiving. Although numerous notifications were printed in the newsletter, and via E-blast, several people didn't read them and thus didn't know about the meeting change date. All officers were present except for Larry Finch, Bob Benson, Denny Morse and Irene Smith. A total of 22 members signed the roster and there were three Panteras in the parking lot.

**New Members/Guests**: There were no new members.

<u>Changes To Last Month's Minutes</u>: Although the published date for the November meeting

was correct, the verbiage in the minutes incorrectly stated that the meeting would be the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, when in fact it was the Tuesday before the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. Also, the Christmas party flyer directed people to 'sign up at the link below', but the link was missing.

<u>Club Store Report</u>: In Irene's absence, Forest reported that she was planning on having the entire inventory of the store present at the Chrismas party, and would be debuting a new shirt design as well.

<u>Club Treasury Report</u>: Due to the short period since the previous meeting, there was no activity to report.

<u>Club Membership Report</u>: Lori urged everyone to examine their entry in the 2016 PCNC membership roster. If there are any changes needed, please send an e-mail to Lori. The 2017 roster will be generated and mailed in January.

A fellow in Visalia has been in contact with Forest and claims to have joined PCNC through POCA, but PCNC hasn't yet been formally notified. Hopefully his information will arrive in time to be incorporated into the roster.

<u>Club Motorsports Report</u>: There was no report this month.

<u>Club Website Report</u>: The website continues to provide information both to club members and prospective members. The board of directors page will be updated after the elections. If you have any suggestions or contributions to make, please contact Denny Morse.

<u>Club Library Report</u>: The library continues to exist in a rather static fashion; a complete listing of library contents can be found on our website. If you wish to check out something, please contact Forest.

**Past Events**: There were no events since the last meeting.

#### **Upcoming Events**:

<u>Super Bowl Party</u> — <u>5 February</u>: Bob Benson will again host the annual Super Bowl party at his workshop in Campbell. Besides lots of food and a football game to watch, Bob will be making his workshop available for any technical work that one might want to accomplish. Watch for a flyer in next month's newsletter.

Larry Carter Collection Tour: Bud has been trying for more than two years to nail down a date for us to tour Larry Carter's extensive collection. (Larry is the CFO of Cisco Systems). Since initially pursuing the idea, Larry has added another whole building and filled it with cars. Bud is hoping for a springtime date. Beyond that, there are no other specific events planned, but Bud is always working to come up with something. If you have any suggestions (or better yet, would wish to stage an event on behalf of the club) contact Bud right away.

#### **Club Business**:

**PCNC Bylaws Changes**: The initial proposal to change the bylaws to allow for electronic

distribution and voting, will be voted upon at the Christmas party. Assuming the vote passes, then the remaining sections of the bylaws will be addressed throughout the course of 2017, but members won't have to be present to vote.

<u>Club Officer Elections</u>: Paper ballots were circulated and turned in to Greg Taylor. He will also be accepting mail-in ballots and the election results will be announced at the Christmas party. As there are only single candidates for each office, the results of the election will be fairly predictible....

**President's Award Plaque**: This perennial award, which has been handed down from one president to another for many years, has amazingly gone missing. It is a wooden plaque with a Momo Prototipo steering wheel mounted, covered with brass plaques with the names of our former officers; it has an adjuct plaque hanging from the bottom by chains, as we eventually ran out of room on the original. Nobody seems to know where it has gone since it was awarded last year; if you have it, please return it!

#### **Buy, Sell and Swap**:

<u>302 Valve Covers For Sale</u>: Greg Taylor has removed the aftermarket finned aluminum valve covers (that say FORD) from his Mangusta engine, in favor of something a bit more esoteric. He asked if there was any interest in the room, and several voices chimed in and urged him to sell them on E-bay where he would undoubtedly find a more suitable audience.

Nitrous Performer Intake: Brent Stewart has slowly been going through the flotsam and jetsam of the late John Colombero's take-off Pantera parts, and one treasure he has to offer is an Edelbrock Performer 4V intake manifold that is plumbed for nitrous oxide injection. Nitrous really isn't appropriate for use in a car like the Pantera (which is undoubtedly why John removed it), and again, people urged Brent to offer it up on E-bay instead, in the hopes that a hot-rodder or a kid with an old Mustang would appreciate it.

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

<u>Driver Pantera Update</u>: Mike Drew gave an update on the Pantera L that he and Garry Choate bought together a few months ago. They (but primarily Garry) have been working hard

key driving car as possible. Besides major work such as installing a completely new cooling system front-to-back, they also attended to details such as door weatherstripping and a brass gear for the headlight motor. They will be taking a break for the holidays, but hope to complete the titivation in January and soon have the car available for market. Watch this space!

on it to make it as perfect of a turn-



Senior Center Car Show: Lori Drew works in a large retirement community (it encompasses hundreds of acres), and they recently decided to have a car show. It was restricted solely to residents and employees, which is why the total number of cars entered was only about a dozen. Lori chose to drive her Pantera for the day, and numerous clients and residents were fascinated to talk with her about it. One elderly lady she had never met regaled her with tales of owning and driving a Lamborghini Miura (!) back in the 1970s!

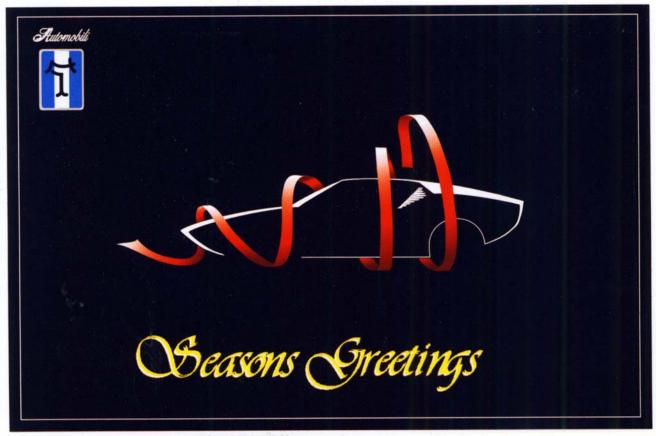
**John Colombero Pantera Update**: John Colombero Jr. is inheriting his late father's Pantera. He lives in Southern California but wants to get some work done to it before he brings it down there. It has some overheating issues because the radiator fans have inexplicably stopped working. Although he was considering shipping it to southernin California and having it worked on there, Cheryl has contacted Marcus Smith, the club's resident electrical expert, who has agreed to come over and fix it.

**<u>Driving For Dinner Raffle</u>**: The winner was Walt Miranda.

**Raffle Results**: Once again, Brent Stewart and Brett Santos passed the hat, with the following results:

Box of Christmas cookies — Walt Miranda, John Tomlin, Forest Goodhart
Bottle of wine — Greg Taylor, Bud Millard
Piston Christmas ornament — Lori Drew
De Tomaso watch — Mark Bailey
Eggnog — Walt Miranda, Diane Silven
Drilling/driving kit — Brett Santos

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m., with chatting and socializing taking place until the restaurant closed at 9:00 p.m.



## **Membership News**

#### **New Members for December:**

The club is pleased to welcome **Ryan McGuire** from Visalia. He contacted the PCNC president several months ago, expressing interest in getting a Pantera, and joined the club through POCA. He has always loved Panteras and is now at the point where he is starting to get the bug about owning one. He already has a '68 Mustang California Special and a '70 Olds 442, and his father has a '68 Shelby GT350 and a '68 Ford Bronco, so he is no stranger to American-powered performance cars. He is looking for a driver-quality Pre-L Pantera that has already had a lot of common upgrades (cooling, A/C, brakes etc.) done, and he isn't opposed to tasteful modifications. He's already looked at a few cars in southern California, but the hunt goes on.

#### **December Membership Anniversaries:**

We congratulate the following persons for the indicated years of continuous membership in the Pantera Club of Northern California:

Jon and Olivia Linke: 17 years Peter and Christine Kovacs: 13 years

Marcus and Irene Smith: 11 years

Trevor Fougere: 10 years

Dennis Sellen: 7 years

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William and Robert Ashury: 5 years

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Greg and Michael Hiebert: 4 years

Ed and Paula Dossen: 1 year

#### **Attention All Members!**

The 2017 Club Roster will be going to the printer very soon. Please take a moment to look at your 2016 roster to make sure all your information is correct. If you would like to make any corrections or updates, please send me an e-mail ASAP at CLoriDrew@gmail.com so the 2017 roster will have the most up-to-date information.

Each year at our club Holiday Banquet, three members are awarded the Most Active Member award. Members are awarded points toward Most Active Member for various types of participation throughout the year. The three members with the most points for the year earn the award. For example, if you attended our Holiday Banquet, you were awarded ten points. If you were in charge of the event, you earned a whopping fifty points! Attending a monthly meeting earns you one point, and if you wore your name badge, and/or drove your De Tomaso to the meeting you would earn points for that as well. Attending club events, attending the Fun Rally, writing an article for any club publication, sponsoring a new member into the club, and serving as a club officer, are all ways to earn points. There are many ways to participate in our club. If you have an idea for a club event, or would like to write an article for our newsletter, please contact a club officer to get started. By getting involved and attending meetings and events, you will strengthen our club, associate with great people, and most importantly...have fun!

# **PCNC Bylaws Amendments**

The PCNC bylaws have not been updated for years, and arguably are now woefully out of date. In response to several member requests, the PCNC board has agreed to take on the not-inconsiderable challenge of updating our bylaws. The existing bylaws were extremely restrictive with respect to the mechanics of changing the bylaws, reflecting the club's origins as a very local organization where almost all members could be counted on to attend the monthly meetings. The first proposed change was adopted by a vote at the Christmas party, which means the right to vote will be afforded to all members, rather than just those present at a meeting.

The next topic will be Article II, covering Membership and Dues, with the proposed revisions appearing below. Discussion and proposed changes to these amendments will be made at the January meeting, final text will be published in the February newsletter, and the vote will be held at the February meeting. Members who are unable to vote in person will be afforded the opportunity to do so via electronic means.

Article II of our bylaws appears below, with the proposed changes embedded within. Existing text that is to be stricken is annotated with red strikethrough, while new proposed text is in green:

# ARTICLE II Membership and Dues

#### Section 1. Classification of Members

There shall be four (4) classes of members of PCNC, to wit: Regular Members, Associate Members, Dual Chapter-Only Members, and Honorary Members.

#### Section 2. Eligibility for Membership

A Regular Member is one who has an interest in the furtherance of the DeTomaso Marque and DeTomaso automobiles, including, but not limited to: Pantera, Mangusta, Vallelunga, Deauville and Longchamp. Each Regular Member must also be a member of POCA.

An Associate Member is one who is the spouse, family member, close friend or significant other of a Regular Member, Chapter-Only Member, or Honorary Member. Each Regular Member, Chapter-Only Member, or Honorary Member has the right to name one Associate Member.

A Dual Chapter-Only Member is one who is a member of another chapter of POCA and pays to PCNC the equivalent amount of dues rebated to PCNC for a Regular Member. A Dual Chapter-Only Member shall have all the rights and obligations of a Regular Member except that Dual Chapter-Only Members may not run for elected Board positions.

An Honorary Member is one who has been selected for special recognition by PCNC.

#### Section 3. Qualifications and Admission of Members

Regular Members, and Associate Members and Chapter-Only Members shall be persons of responsibility, integrity and high standing in the communities in which they

reside. A member shall be admitted to membership only upon approval by the Board of Directors or upon approval by such Membership Committee or Membership Secretary as the Board of Directors may, by resolution, have authorized to admit members.

Honorary Members must have performed some special service to PCNC, to the automotive industry, or for the good of the sport, and are selected by a majority vote of the members at a regularly held meeting.

#### Section 4. <u>Termination of Membership</u>

A membership shall terminate upon the death or resignation of the member, or upon expulsion by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. A member may be expelled for nonpayment of dues or for conduct which the Board of Directors shall deem inimical to the best interest of PCNC. Expulsion for nonpayment of dues shall be automatic and shall take place on the first day of the third month following the month in which the dues were due and payable. A member may not transfer his/her membership or any rights arising therefrom, and any attempted transfer of a membership shall cause such membership to terminate automatically. All rights of a member in PCNC or its property shall cease upon termination of the membership.

#### Section 5. Dues

Dues shall be paid annually in the amount set by the Pantera Owners Club of America (POCA), and shall be payable to POCA in accordance with the POCA By-Laws. Chapter-Only Member dues shall be paid directly to PCNC, with the amount being the equivalent of dues rebated to PCNC for a Regular Member from POCA.



## My Reflections Against Proposed Changes To Article II of PCNC's Bylaws

by Forest Goodhart 2016 PCNC President/2017 PCNC Vice-President

I am opposed to the bylaws change proposals (which can be found elsewhere in this newsletter, and will be voted upon soon). Before I disuss my opposition in detail, I would like to clarify how our existing membership structure has evolved.

Sometime in the 1990s the PCNC Board proposed a change to our bylaws that would allow anyone to become a member of PCNC by merely paying to PCNC an amount equal to whatever the POCA member rebate would be at the time. I was opposed to this at the time because I felt that it would undermine POCA and we would be ultimately left without a national organization. At that point the Board then explained that the reason they proposed this was that Larry Stock had moved to Nevada and affiliated with Reno-Tahoe Panteras but was still supporting our chapter in several ways. The Board wanted to provide a vehicle so that he could still receive our newsletter and enjoy the advantages of being a member. A subsequent vote killed this proposal and replaced it with Honorary membership, which is bestowed to anyone deemed worthy as proposed by the Board of PCNC and approved by a vote of members in attendance at the meeting.

In 2012 the idea of members of other chapters wishing to be members of PCNC was revisited. We again proposed that any member of POCA aligned with another POCA chapter could become what we designated as a Dual member by paying to PCNC the equivalent of the POCA rebate. This afforded these Dual members with most of the rights of a regular PCNC member including the right to vote on chapter matters, but specifically denies them the right to run for an elected Board office. They would be eligible for appointed offices. This proposal was presented to the members and a vote was held approving it. The bylaws were

then amended accordingly.

I have become aware that some of our members do not seem to understand that these Dual members still have to be POCA members and that they do not get to be Dual members without having paid their POCA dues. At this time the POCA dues are \$75 per year and PCNC gets a \$25 rebate for each POCA member who designates PCNC as their chapter. A Dual member pays an additional \$25 to PCNC to become a Dual member so they are paying \$100 per year total. They are not getting anything at a lesser cost than our regular PCNC members.

This then brings us to the proposals at hand, which were inspired by a very specific set of events.

The POCA election for officers for 2016-2017 brought us a previously unknown (to most of us) person as President. The year started with him forging ahead to make many changes to POCA. Some of these changes were considered to be beneficial and some were rejected by many of the members, whose opposition was funneled to the POCA Board by the chapter Presidents.

Normally this process would lead to discussions and compromise, but no one was aware of the temperament of our new President. He was unilateral and attacked anyone who dared to disagree with him. There ensued an electronic battle causing the resignations of some POCA Board members and generating a number of requests from PCNC members who no longer wished to retain POCA membership but wanted to remain PCNC members.

They were advised that this could not happen as our bylaws were written

so a large turnout attended the next PCNC meeting where a motion was made, seconded and approved by vote. This motion was basically to allow non-POCA members to become PCNC members without being POCA members.

This requires amending our bylaw and drafts were done by a few members to initiate the process. The PCNC Board reviewed these proposed changes and decided to phase the changes to first bring our bylaws into alignment with our modern electronic processes. This first change, if approved, would give us a much broader voter base as it no longer required attendance at a meeting to enter a vote. This change was approved by the members present at the Christmas party and now we are ready to proceed with the final phase.

Since this proposed change was sparked solely by the actions of the 2016-2017 POCA President who is no longer in office I feel that there is no legitimate reason to approve this change and I urge everyone to vote NO! I feel the same as I did in the 1990s, that not requiring POCA membership will weaken POCA and pass added costs on to those who are POCA members. I would go so far as to request that POCA revise their bylaws and require POCA membership be required for all chapter members.

Regardless of whether you find my argument compelling or not, I hope that all PCNC members (regardless of type) will take advantage of the newly created opportunity to vote, and express their opinion so that the club can go forward in keeping with the wishes of a majority of its membership.



## Please Vote NO on the Proposed Changes To Article II of PCNC's Bylaws

by Mike Drew PCNC Secretary

Although the bylaws change adopted by the membership last month was an important one, serving to emancipate those members of PCNC who are unable to attend specific chapters meetings by affording them the opportunity to vote electronically, the proposed changes now before the membership are by far the most significant, and would have long-standing consequences both locally, and at the national level. I would like to put these changes in context by sharing some background on how we got to be where we are now, and my opposition to the notion of changing this particular facet of the club.

POCA was first formed in 1973, and while the name implied it was a national organization, for all practical purposes it was just a southern California club with a newsletter and a magazine. Over the years, several regional Pantera clubs formed in various places (PCNC was founded in 1973, coincidentally) but there was no formal affiliation between these various clubs and the ostensibly national organization.

In the 1980s, the leadership of POCA sought to make it an organization worthy of its name, and proposed a 'chapter' program, whereby participating regional clubs would be considered parts of the national whole. The premise was that the local clubs would benefit greatly from various benefits the national organization was able to bestow (initially that was limited to comprehensive insurance coverage for the local club, but later benefits were extended to include cash rebates to the chapter for each member). And the national organization would benefit thanks to the greatly increased number of members, who besides contributing to the club's coffers, would also now have a stake in the national organization, and presumably the leadership of the national club would become broader as candidates would be nominated from various regions outside of southern California.

Initially, once a chapter formally affiliated itself with POCA, it was mandated that all members of the chapter be POCA members. A few years later, a disruption in one outlying chapter led to the POCA board backing away from this requirement, and changing the POCA bylaws language so that only chapter board members actually had to be POCA members.

While this was intended to appease the malcontents in the rogue chapter, it failed to do so—the chapter later chose to end their affiliation with POCA and exist solely as a regional club. However, the floodgates had been opened, and across the country, some members who were principally interested in their local club chose to terminate their POCA membership and just belong to their local club.

The harmful effects of this decision were slow to be recognized by the POCA board, but as POCA membership continued to fall, eventually it became apparent that the decision to allow members of POCA chapters to avoid paying POCA dues was a mistake. POCA's fixed costs (including insurance coverage for the chapters) continued to increase, while being spread among an ever-shrinking pool of 'taxpayers'; the only way the club could continue was to raise dues for those who remained. Most POCA chapters enjoyed all the benefits of falling under the POCA umbrella, while only fractionally contributing to the costs for these benefits.

PCNC was unique in maintaining a highly principled stance on the issue, and continued to mandate (thorough our own bylaws) that membership in POCA was required if one wanted to belong to PCNC. In so doing, PCNC has

helped to perpetuate POCA, as anywhere from 15-20% of POCA members were members of PCNC. Too, PCNC has had an outsized influence on the direction of POCA, as a substantial percentage of POCA board members have had PCNC backgrounds.

Now, some members of PCNC have pushed for us to change course and follow the example set by the other POCA chapters, setting aside our noble and conscientious principles, and adopting a position that could have a great adverse effect upon POCA, if numerous PCNC members chose to take advantage of it. The national club's financial state could become precarious, resulting in further dues increases for the remaining members, and PCNC's influence upon the direction of the national club could be decreased, as fewer of our members were afforded the right to participate in the management of the club, either through the electoral process or by serving in a management position on the POCA board.

I therefore strongly urge PCNC members to REJECT this latest chapter bylaws change proposal, and retain the status quo. While the proposal's proponents have both practical and personal reasons why they would like to get PCNC membership on an a la carte basis, I view it as being akin to surrendering one's national citizenship while attempting to retain citizenship within their particular state. That mindset prevailed in the USA in the mid-1800s and resulted in a bloody civil war, a war that established once and for all that citizenship of each state and our encompassing nation would be inextricably linked.

Rather than following the example of the separationists, I hope that PCNC will serve as a role model for other chapters, and that soon they, too, will chose to universally align themselves with the national organization, for the best interests of all club members.

# **Ironstone Concours Weekend**

#### Story and Photos by Mike Drew

The Ironstone Concours, held on the spectacular grounds of the Ironstone Winery in the Sierra foothills town of Murphys, has become a fixture on the PCNC calendar. Although nominally it's just a nice car show, by turning it into a weekend getaway, PCNC members get to enjoy it on an entirely different level.

A group of members from the south Bay Area met up early on the Friday morning, and drove together to Rodz Grille in the town of Angels Camp, where they were joined for lunch by additional members from the Stockton and Sacramento regions. Lori and I hadn't entered either of our Panteras this year, and as Sue Choate was freshly recovering from hip surgery, Lori drove Sue in her minivan while I rode shotgun with Garry in his Pantera.

Sadly absent were event stalwarts Bud and Jan Millard, as Bud was still recovering from his heart issue from a few weeks earlier.

While lunch was terrific, the group's progress wasn't uneventful, as Greg Taylor's giant Pontiac's brand



Hans Schultz turned a rotting Pantera hulk into a beautiful driver in an amazingly short time

new power steering hose decided to fail, and decant the entire contents of the system onto the parking lot surface. By happy coincidence, the restaurant was right next door to an auto parts store, and the necessary replacement fluids were acquired and repairs were effected which allowed the car to proceed after a bit of fettling.

We were joined at the restaurant by Hans Shultz from Stockton, who did an amazing job restoring an absolute basket case GT5 clone. Earlier in the year, it was a car most people would have thought should be destined for a junkyard, but untold hours of hard labor has rewarded him with a very nice car indeed.

Also joining us was Steven Airola, a club member from nearby San Andreas. He has quietly been looking for a Pantera for three years, but after this day, his search kicked into high gear, and he has since been travelling up and down the state looking at cars for sale. It's a safe bet that he will be behind the wheel of his own Pantera before too long!

Once everyone was settled in to their hotel rooms in Murphys, after a bit of a nap the obvious thing to do was to eat again! As some people were staying in rented homes well out of town, the crowd size was smaller than anticipated, but the staff of Grounds restaurant were still more than happy to accommodate us, and an excellent dinner was enjoyed by all present.

The next morning, I once again



Greg Taylor tends to his ailing Pontiac. With a bit of help and a bit of luck, it made it through the weekend and safely home under its own power



Garry Choate and I travelled to the show together in Garry's Pantera

joined Garry, leaving Sue and Lori to lounge about until a more reasonable hour of the morning. We rolled into the show grounds and were directed to a premium spot, much closer to the main stage than in previous years. While this show normally has an extremely broad variety of cars and motorcycles from all eras, De Tomaso is



The incredibly futuristic Phantom Corsair, from the National Auto Museum



The De Tomaso contingent was blessed with its own reserved parking area, although decreased numbers of marque participants meant that non-De Tomaso interlopers were introduced into the mix

unique in being afforded its own class, and thus all our cars were displayed together. Our numbers were down considerably from last year, with just six Panteras and a Mangusta present (although Greg's Pontiac successfully made it onto the grass, and John Webber was showing his Chrysler 300G).

I took several tours around the show grounds, taking in all the sights either with Lori, or other PCNC members. Each year the National Auto Museum in Reno brings a few signature cars; while last year they had their Tucker on display, this year they had the even wilder Phantom Corsair. Built in 1938, this was a one-off, highly futuristic sixpassenger two-door sedan, designed by Rust Heinz (of the fa-

mous Heinz ketchup family) and built by Bohman and Schwartz. custom coachbuilders to the stars located in Pasadena. It was built atop a modified frontwheel-drive Cord 810 chassis, and thus had all the same features, such as the Lycoming V-8 engine, fully independent suspension and an electrically operated fourspeed gearbox. Although there were tentative plans for production, Heinz was killed in a car accident in 1939 and the project thus collapsed, leaving this as the sole example ever built.

A silver-haired fellow with a beaming smile was astride a pristine 1968 Kawasaki Mach III two-stroke 500cc triple. He had purchased it brand new in 1968 at the age of 16 and

owned it ever since. Its condition was especially remarkable because this model had the reputation of being a widowmaker. The incredibly powerful (for the time) engine and light



Nobody was more cheerful than this fellow, happily reliving his youth aboard his beautifully restored Kawasaki Mach III 500 triple that he bought new in 1968!

weight were combined with a highly dubious chassis, and the extreme rearward weight bias resulted in spectacular wheelies, often uncommanded by the rider. The fact that it could have

When De Tomaso owned Benelli Motorcycles, in the mid-1970s he had his engineers copy the design of the Honda 500-4 and graft two cylinders onto the ends, to produce a 750cc six-cylinder motorcycle called the Sei. Honda followed suit by grafting two cylinders onto their 750cc four, to produce the 1979 Honda CBX 1000. These have become incredibly collectible in the past few years

survived in the hands of a 16-year-old is surprising; that he held onto it and recently restored it to as-new condition is even more amazing.

Garth and Leslie Rodericks had decided to forgo a hotel in favor of an AirBnB rental home. Unfortunately for them, the house was located at the end of a very long, very dusty dirt driveway, and by the time they arrived at the show grounds, their freshly detailed Pantera was absolutely filthy from top to bottom, covered in a very fine powder of dirt. Garth, with the assistance of several other club members pitching in, did his best with very limited resources to clean the car off inside and out, and his efforts were rewarded with a first-in-class award. Thus he and Leslie were able to drive up on the stage and receive accolades from all present.

Following the concours, after a bit of freshening up back at our respective places of lodging, the group reconvened at Rob's Place, a restaurant on the edge of town that boasted a delightful outdoor patio seating area perfectly sized for us. We were positioned right alongside the road leading out from the concours grounds, so besides enjoying great company and fine food, we were



Garth Rodericks beams as he drives off the stage with his hard-earned first-in-class ribbon



At the end of the day, we enjoyed a delightful meal while watching the show cars drive past

treated to the sights and sounds of many of the concours entries driving past as the owners prepared to depart the area.

While we had originally planned to have a tour of a nearby distillery the next morning, the planning for that didn't quite come together, and so it was that in the morning, everyone got up at their own time and made their way back to their respective homes.

Already, most of this year's participants (and especially Garth and Leslie) have made hotel reservations for the weekend of September 22-24, 2017. If you haven't been to this event yet, you owe it to yourself to join us!

# Super Bowl Party, Tech Session, **BBQ** and Chili Feed

When: Sunday, 5 February

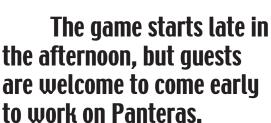
10:00 a.m. to ?????

Where: Bob Benson's shop

442 Industrial Way

Campbell, CA (408) 209-7677

Drinks, a side dish to share. Bring:



We may have a friendly wagering session, so come early to get your favorite

spots in the pool!

There will be several different types of chili available. Please bring a side dish to share, and bring your own drinks.

The BBQ grill will be ready if you want to grill your own meat.

There will be reserved parking available for those who bring their Panteras!









# FOR THE 36TH Fun Rally

Hyatt Regency Golf Club and Spa, Monterey, CA May 31st - June 4th,

Monterey has breathtaking sites, 17 mile drive, restaurants, Carmel, Big Sur, the Monterey Aquarium, Cannery Row, Baja Cantina, Talbot Motorcycle Museum and the cherry on the cake Mazda Laguna Seca Raceway. I have secured us a track event at Mazda Laguna Seca with the SCCA to drive our cars around the famous track on Saturday for several parade laps in front of the whole SCCA during their annual event. Your Pantera plus the corkscrew equals excitement! PR@POCA,COM

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## NEXT CLUB MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26th, 2017 7:30 P.M.

HOLDER'S COUNTRY INN 998 S. De Anza Blvd, San Jose

## UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

February 5th —————— Super Bowl Party and Tech Session (Bob Benson)

REMINDER — NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY 15th OF EACH MONTH