



SOCALAMX CALENDAR

9th Annual Cactus Classic

April 9-11, 2010
Phoenix, AZ

socalamx.net/flyers/CactusClassic.pdf

Spring Fling

April 17-18, 2010
Van Nuys, CA

<http://www.cpwclub.com/springfling.html>

SoCalAMX's 4th Annual

"West Coast All AMC Car Show"

May 22, 2010

NHRA Museum, Pomona
socalamxcarshow.info

2010 AMCRC National Show

June 25-27

Sacramento, CA

socalamx.net/flyers/AMCRC2010.pdf

Las Vegas AMC Reunion

November 5-6, 2010

Railroad Pass Hotel & Casino
Henderson, NV

<http://snamc.amcrc.com/carshow.html>

Join SoCalAMX so you can automatically receive updates and details of events listed above.

Go to socalamx.net/join.htm

Check out
"socalcarculture.com"
for listings of shows in S. Cal!

MAY 22 AMC CAR SHOW

Keep your calendars open for May 22 this year. The 4th Annual SoCalAMX car show is less than two months away. Entries have already arrived which help in the planning of the event. Send yours in when possible. There will be a complementary souvenir handout in everyone's registration packet with a list of entrants and their cars—who have preregistered. This year, as well as last year, you can sign up and pay online at socalamxcarshow.info. There is a downloadable form there also.

The list of trophies to be awarded is slightly changed from 2009. Last year we were overwhelmed with AMX's (a good thing!) and only had 3 trophies for 26 cars, where as in the AMC and Rambler classes there were 3 trophies for 10 cars in each class. So to more fairly share the number of trophies between cars the list below has been developed. The AMX class is being split into two classes, Stock and Modified. The 68-70 Javelins, and 71-74 Javelins are being grouped together; and then split into Stock and Modified. Here is the list of awards for the show.

Best Of Show

1st—3rd Place AMC

1st—3rd Place Stock AMX
1st—3rd Place Modified AMX

1st—3rd Place Stock Javelin
1st—3rd Place Modified Javelin

1st—3rd Place Rambler/Nash/Hudson

At the show we have 8-Track Carl lined up to play music on his DJ system. He once owned a 68 Rouge years ago which he says he wishes he still had.

Get signed up and we'll see you on May 22!



Like Yo, I can't wait until the Big AMC Show on May 22! I'll be there with my AMC Hot Wheels!

ROAD TRIP!

The road trip to Phoenix is here! We're leaving this coming Friday, check into the Yahoo Groups to find out when and where to meet if you're coming..

Just to refresh your memory, there's a bar-b-q Friday night for everyone, Saturday is the main show, followed by attendance at a local cruise in town. The weekend ends with a breakfast brunch Sunday morning before returning home.

Below is the probable list of who is going from our group.

John Caley 68 AMX
Steve Fox 68 AMX
Dave & Kati Chick 68 AMX
Mark Melvin 69 AMX
John Siciliano 69 AMX
Bob Martinez 70 AMX
Randy Kirby 70 AMX
Stacy Thompson 72 Ambassador
Wagon

For more info go here:

<http://snipurl.com/cactus1>

Mark Melvin



Part of the Cactus Classic 09 Show Field Last Year.

UPDATE!

On Phoenix Road Trip

Hi everyone, just a reminder that the Cactus Classic IX AMC Car Show is fast approaching and we have some up dated info. We have added an Under Construction class for cars that are being restored but are not completed in an attempt to get people to trailer a project car instead of waiting for the car to be totally done. We all like to see the before and after pictures so it makes sense to take it to the next level.

Also, The North Hill Church of God Men's Group has asked to serve lunch as a fund raiser for their Church. They will begin serving lunch at 11:30 am. They will have a Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Beans, Chips and Soda for sale. A meal will be five bucks. We will also have Donuts and water for sale in the morning before the Church group starts serving lunch. If you like coffee than bring it with you since we will not have coffee at the show site.

Also a reminder on the Host Hotel. They will be having another Car Club there doing a Car Show on their grounds so they will already have a bunch of car guys there and they will have 24/7 security for their grounds. They have two security guys on Segways 24/7.



We look forward to seeing everyone on Friday evening at 5:00 pm at the BBQ.

Thanks, Kirk Fletcher



Take a good look at this picture and ask yourself, "American, Swiss, Spanish, French, Brazilian, or Italian?"

The answer is Polish! Don't believe it? Answer on page towards back of newsletter!

GREG'S TIP TIME

When I purchased my 69 AMX (390, Go Pak, T-10) there were "fiddley" things needing attention, but I was on the look-out for an original set of rear louvers. I found them on eBay in fairly decent shape but needed re-riveting, blasting (gently as they are delicate aluminum) and painting.



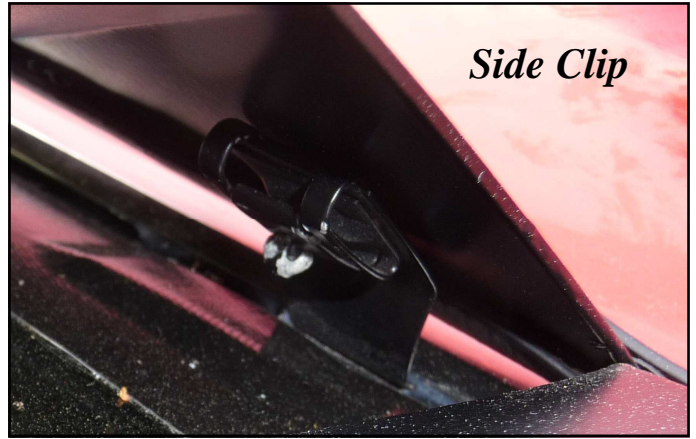
I was initially very happy to have the original hardware and "Dzus clip," however installing it was a chore. The clips shown in the attached schematic latch over the edge of the glass and I assume relied on the window molding to retain them, which was far too insecure for my taste. My thought was to epoxy to the windows but epoxy generally does NOT adhere very well unless one 'roughs' up the surface. Do this to the glass and if someone wants to remove it the damage would be there for all to see—ugly, ugly!

After weighing alternatives I decided on industrial silicone glue injected to form a wedge under the trim, and thus retain engagement of the clip over the glass edge (max important.) Once the silicone set up I added a 6 inch strap of Gorilla tape (see pics.) So now the louvers are ultra-secure and can be removed without leaving tell-tale witness marks.

Also important is a secure enough mounting which has the ability to "undo" the bottom Dzus fasteners and hinge the louvers up allowing one to clean the rear window without the whole rig deciding to wander about.

Positioning is not easy but cosmetically very important. Locate the clip positions with them

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Side Clip



Top Attaching Bracket

AMX REAR LOUVER CLIPS

Top clip
1 of 2
PIVOTS ON NUT & BOLT

FASTENS WITH DZUS (TOOL HANDY) SIDE CLIP 1 of 2

SIZE 3" x 1 1/2" (STEEL 0.062" THK)

— REGISTER ON EDGE OF GLASS UNDER CHROME WINDOW MOLDING

attached to the louvers as an assembly—hold them temporarily in the desired location. I used small pieces of gorilla tape again so



Dzus Clip Tool

their positions would be retained in position. Once the clips are located, release the louvers and attend to the “permanent” attachment of the clips.

There are, I am sure, alternate methods but what my research told me was there have been many “bootlace” approaches taken most of which leave their irremovable calling cards. This damage and insecure mountings likely are why so few examples exist.

All the best, Greg Millard

P.S. Dzus is an aircraft-originated fastener used for quick removal of an engine cowling.

P.S. I have all these pics in higher res if required—just ask, Greg..



BANACEK AMX

Thank you to Kevin Preston for sharing this link about a recent auction of the “Banacek AMX.” For those who have not heard of the car, in the early 70’s there was a detective series on TV called Banacek.

According to this article an AMX was used in one episode, an AMX modified by none other than George Barris. Pretty cool looking car for the time!

<http://snipurl.com/banamx>



Midnight at the Oasis

Car Show

Yuma, Az. March 4, 5, 6. This is a little late, but I had to share it! What a great show, I'll be back!

Friday morning I met up with friends from the Loners Car Club for the Cruz to Yuma. Rain was in the forecast & some people decided to





not go; John S. because his windows leak & Richard cuz' of wiper problems & work.

I was told it was only the second time they had rain, it didn't rain till 3am Sunday morning, then the ride home too. I bought big sponges to shove into my hood scoops. Friday & Saturday were Beautiful! The Show was Saturday & at least 950 of the cars showed up. They only sell 1000, & they usually sell out in May.

We got there Friday, registered, went to where ever we were lodging, unloaded & cleaned up, and went back for Dinner & the Concert. When



we got back, there was a parade of cars on like a 5, or 6 mile Cruz. The street sides were full of people watching the cars go by, seems to be a big deal, so I got in the lane for it & opened up my Headers for the last half of it.

Saturday was Show day, so we got there early & cleaned up our rides & put the chairs out,

and then headed over to look at cars, check the Vendor areas & Food court. By then it was Lunch time. They had poker runs on Friday & Saturday, and had some good prizes for the winners. Then the Concert for Saturday night had America & another group.

Sunday was still a little wet, so the short Show n Shine wasn't happening. We had a brunch while we waited for the few trophies to go out, had a raffle, then a yearly car raffle for a 57 Chevy this year.

Only three other AMC's here, a 70 BBG Javelin with our group, a clean old Nash, & another 70 AMX that's set for burn out comps! He has a tire sponsor, & I think he said he's with the Phoenix group.

This Show cost \$85, BUT, you get 2 tickets that cover both Concerts, the whole show area, Fri Dinner, Sat lunch, & Sun Brunch.....And a T-Shirt! That's bang for the Buck! I'll be going every year!

Randy Kirby

TEMEGULA ROD RUN March 12th

Wow! They bumped it up to 750 Cars! When I got there, John S. & Allen were already there & had our corner from last year saved. John's 69 AMX in that Beautiful Geo Blue & Allen in his self restored Silver 71, NICE Job, now he's building a SWEET 68 in RWB from the ground up (another story.)

Shortly after I set up, Stu & Timmy showed up. Stu's AMX was having its tranny rebuilt, so I let him bring his plastic car. Stu has a 70 Vette & Timmy a 71....both like Black Glass....Beautiful, even though they are plastic! Shortly after they set up, Richard got there & we had our 68, 69, 70, & 71 ready to show & it was time to walk.



We found the same Silver 68 that was there last year, sweet, clean car, still for sale. He lowered the price to 32K, it's a nice set up, nicely restored 290 4spd, badged as a 390. We have his email if you're interested.

Another 68 was there, Red w/white, we've seen the car before but the owner wasn't around. I left fliers for all the AMC Shows coming up.

I had trunk problems, on top of electrical problems, and everyone helped me get it open so I could connect my battery to leave.

The 4 AMX's ended up at John's house so I could get my trunk lubbed & Richard could get his fluids changed out. What's with these needy old cars? I just wanna' drive!

So here's pix of the 2 at the show, our 4, & our 4 in front of John's house....in order, 68, 69, 70, 71.

Randy Kirby
BBG AMX



Hurst/B&M Car Show

March 21st, Chatsworth

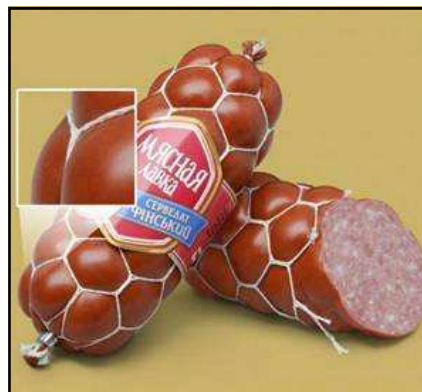
I took the AMX, even though I traveled with 25 new Camaros! I was going to take my Camaro, but the organizer asked me to bring Kermit. Pretty big Show, I didn't get the count. It was an early model show but they invited the Challengers & Camaros to come out.



Robert Martinez stopped by & we got to talk a little, we're both doing the 4 AMC Shows this year. Sometime after Bob left, I got a call from Hobie, he said he'd sneak buy & say Hi, so we also talked a little. His car is still down, I hope he gets it on the road for May, he said he would. I miss C'ing the 2 of them!

I went with some of the Camaros for a bite to eat before the ride home & we parked on the upper level for a few pix, but mostly to park away from non car people. Yep, I was the only AMC—again. It was a 2 hour drive home, but it was cooler & the thumbs up I got along the way made it a nice casual Cruz! C U on the Road!

Randy Kirby
BBGAMX



See, it's
Polish!
Didn't
believe
me, eh?

2010 SoCalAMX's 4th Annual "WEST COAST ALL AMC CAR SHOW"

Date: May 22, 2010

Time: 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Location: Wally Parks Motorsports (NHRA) Museum, Pomona, CA

All AMC Cars are welcome, including, AMX's and SS/AMX's, Javelins, Gremlins, Nash/Hudsons, Metropolitans, Ramblers, Ambassadors, Concordes, Eagles, Marlins, Rebels, Rouges, SC/Ramblers, Hornets, Matadors, Jeeps, Spirits, and Pacers!

DJ Music by 8-Track Carl—*He once owned a Rouge!*

Friday afternoon cruise to the "HAT" in Glendora for AMC Fellowship & Great Food
Saturday after the Car Show gather at "LEGEND'S" in Glendora for Post Show Cruise

Complete Information at: socialamxcarshow.info



The 2010 Car Show
T-Shirt Design



2009 Best Of Show & Best Paint—1946 Hudson Pickup—Lance Baroldi



2009 1st Place Rambler—1964 Rambler—Carol Braddock



2009 1st Place AMX—1970 AMX—Randy Kirby

2010 ALL AMC CAR SHOW ENTRY FORM



Friday—Cruise at "The HAT" in Glendora Saturday—AMC Car Show
Saturday—After AMC Show, "LEGEND's Diner" for Post Show Cruise

Trophies
Raffle Prizes

For More Information Visit The Car Show's Web Site:
www.socalamxcarshow.info

Entry Fee Includes T-shirt

Entry Cost: \$30 if you Pre-Register By May 8 or \$35 On Day Of Show

Pre-registrations must be postmarked by May 8, 2010
Confirmations mailed May 9, 2010

All AMC Cars Are Welcome To Any Of The Activities.
Car Show Starts at 10am & Ends At 3:30 pm

Pay Online at: <http://socalamxcarshow.info/entry-online.htm>
Or Make Checks Payable To "Mark Melvin"
and mail payment/entry form to: 1517 McCabe Way, West Covina, CA 91791
(One registration form per vehicle entered)

\$30 Car entry if pre-registered by May 8. (what size shirt?) _____ (S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL)
(\$35 May 9 or later.)

Each paid entry gets an event t-shirt included with entry fee. Additional t-shirts are available for \$15 each.

(additional shirt: what size?) _____ (S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL)

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ eMail Address: _____

Car Year: _____ Car Make & Model: _____ Color: _____

If Your Car Is An AMX or Javelin—Which Trophy Class? STOCK or MODIFIED (circle choice)

All Entrants Hereby Release and Discharge SoCalAMX & Wally Parks Motorsports (NHRA) Museum From Any Known Or Unknown Damages, Injuries, Losses, or Claims That May Occur During This Event. I also agree to permit SOCALAMX and its associates to use my name, likeness, pictures, and photos of me or my property for advertising, publicity purposes, and relinquish any rights whatsoever.

2010 **AMC** *Rambler* CLUB

NATIONAL CONVENTION & CAR SHOW



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JUNE 25-27 (FRIDAY TO SUNDAY)

Host Location: California Automobile Museum, 2200 Front Street, Sacramento, CA. 95818

(Please Print Clearly)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone (Home): _____ Phone (Cell during meet): _____

E-Mail: _____

AMCRC Membership #: _____ (or affiliated club name)

VEHICLES REGISTRATION: (\$25.00 per vehicle, which includes 2 Adult museum entries & Friday night BBQ!)

MAKE: _____ MODEL: _____ YEAR: _____ \$ _____

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(Add additional vehicles to back of form.)

Event T-Shirts: \$20.00 for one, \$18.00 each for additional t-shirts.

INDICATE Quantity of T-Shirt(s) & Size(s): S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ \$ _____

(Add \$2.00 each for these sizes) XXL ___ XXXL ___ \$ _____

(pre-purchased T-shirts will be placed in event bags. Additional shirts available at show)

Friday Swap Space - FREE !! Bring out your extra parts \$ FREE

Friday Drive Tour - FREE !! \$ FREE

Saturday Swap Space: VENDOR \$20.00 (Specify # of car spaces needed) \$ _____

Saturday Swap Space: INDIVIDUAL \$5.00 (One 'car' parking space) \$ _____

Friday "BOX LUNCH" @ \$8.00 x ___ \$ _____

Sat. Evening Buffet & Guest Speaker @ \$20.00 x ___ (LIMITED SPACE) \$ _____

TOTAL OF ALL REGISTRATION, T-SHIRTS, SWAP SPACE, etc.: \$ _____

Make checks payable to: **PGR Ramblers**

More on the back side....

CONTACTS: Todd Monday 209-639-2069 or Doug Galvin 209-365-6315, www.AMCRC.com



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Make Payment, and mail to: PGR Ramblers
634 E. Lockeford St.
Lodi, CA. 95240

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RESERVATIONS: The Pacific Gold Rush Rambler Club reserves the right to restrict participants to acceptable behavior during any and all activities. If for any reason, participants or their vehicles, their behavior to their appearance is deemed objectionable, the participants shall be subject to removal.

LIABILITY: In consideration of the acceptance of the right to participate, entrants, participants, and spectators, by execution of this form, release and discharge Pacific Gold Rush Rambler Club, The Ramada Inn, and the California Auto Museum, and their officers, directors, employees, representatives, members and servants, and anyone else connected to the management of the 2010 AMCRC National Convention & Car Show of and from any causes or damages whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant to his person or property. Further, each entrant, participant, or spectator expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless all of the foregoing entities, firms, persons, bodies of and from any and all liability occasioned or resulting from the conduct of any participant assisting or cooperating with entrant and under direction and control of entrant. *(Please make a copy for your own records.)*

Acceptance of above terms and conditions – please date and sign:

_____ Date _____ Signature _____

HOST HOTEL (Make reservations direct with hotel):

RAMADA INN

350 Bercut Drive (Interstate 5 & Richards Blvd)
Sacramento, CA 95814 US
Phone: 916-442-6971 (800-272-6232)
Fax: 916-444-2809
E-Mail: Hotel@Sacramentoramada.com

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| Hotel Features: |
| • Airport Shuttle |
| • Free Continental Breakfast |
| • Free High-Speed Internet |
| • Pets Allowed |
| • Pool |

Mention “2010 Rambler Car Show” for our special room rates!

North
I-5 South exit left onto Richards Blvd. One block left onto Bercut Drive.

South
I-5 North exit Richards Blvd. Turn right and go one block then turn left onto Bercut Drive.

East
I-80 West to I-5 South and exit left onto Richards Blvd. Go one block and turn left onto Bercut Drive.

West
I-80 East to 80 Business Loop to I-5 North exit Richards Blvd.; turn right and go one block then turn left on Bercut Drive.

Airport
I-5 South exit left onto Richards Blvd. Turn one block left onto Bercut Drive.

Las Vegas AMC Reunion Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

E-mail _____

Club Affiliation _____

VEHICLES REGISTERED:

Make _____ **Model** _____ **Year** _____

Make _____ **Model** _____ **Year** _____

Make _____ **Model** _____ **Year** _____

Make _____ **Model** _____ **Year** _____

REGISTRATION FEE:

\$25 per car (registration includes event t-shirt)

Please indicate shirt size: S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ XXL ___ XXXL ___

Additional shirts available for \$18 per shirt: Qty ___ Size(s) _____

SWAP MEET SPACE:

\$20 per space (20' x 20') No. of spaces _____

TOTAL OF ALL FEES..... S _____

Please make checks payable to:

SOUTHERN NEVADA AMC CLUB

**Mail to:
Las Vegas AMC Reunion**

**c/o Raymond Hatcher
8300 Opal Cove Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89128**

Show officials reserve the right to restrict entrants to acceptable behavior during any and all activities related to this event. In consideration of acceptance to participate, by execution of this registration form, entrants and participants release and discharge the meet committee members and sponsors from any and all liabilities and/or claims from any cause, whatsoever, that may be suffered by any entrant to his property or person.

Signature

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The newsletter is available for downloading at www.socalamx.net/newsletter. All back issues will be available as they are published monthly. If you have received a notice for this newsletter and wish to be taken off simply email me at markmel@socalamx.net and I'll get you off the list promptly.

Just think how busy I'll be if articles are submitted to me, by you, members of SoCalAMX? Send all submissions, pictures and text, to markmel@socalamx.net and I'll do my best with them. The deadline for the following month's newsletter is the 15th of the current month.

Mark Melvin,
SoCalAMX Newsletter Editor

SUPPORT YOUR NEWSLETTER

Writers are needed to help support this AMC newsletter. I welcome submissions from each of you who attend the events we go to each month.

You don't need to be a super writer or own a wiz bang word processor program. All you have to do is just send me a simple email as your article text and I'll do all the formatting and spell checking for you.

Please do attach pictures to your email if you have them!

Member Spotlight

Now is your chance to be famous! We need volunteers for the monthly "Member Spotlight" article in the newsletter. All you have to do is give up some information on yourself and your car that you think might be fun for the others to read about.

It's easy to do, just go to <http://socalamx.net/memberspotlight.htm> and use the online form to send me the goods. Please send a few photos in addition to mark@socalamx.net to use along with your information about you and your car.

To get an idea of what exactly to say read a few of the recent newsletters for the Member Spotlight articles in them. Go to socalamx.net and click on Newsletter.