

SocalAMX



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### **Edelbrock 10th Annual Car Show**

May 2, 2015 Torrance, CA http://snipurl.com/edelcarshow

### West Coast All AMC Car Show

May 30, 2015 911 Design parking lot 5505 Moreno St, Montclair, CA 91763 Next door to Pegasus Hobbies Hosted by SoCalAMX socalamx.net/carshow

### Lake Tahoe AMC Regional Show

June 27, 2015 Biltmore Hotel http://www.tahoebiltmore.com/ Hosted by High Desert AMC http://hdamc.amcrc.com

### **AMO National Convention**

July 22-25, 2015 Cleveland, OH http://www.amonational.com/

### Las Vegas AMC Reunion

November 6-7, 2015 Railroad Pass Hotel & Casino Henderson, Nevada snamc.amcrc.com

Check the online Calendar at socalamx.net

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

### SoCalAMX Car Show

May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015, in Montclair, CA

The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual SoCalAMX car show is on! Permission to use the same location as last year has been obtained. The t-shirt design has been finished. The pieces are starting to fall together. But the word about the show still needs to get out.

One big word or phrase to spread around is that at the beginning of the show at 10am there will be a short presentation of the "Playmate AMX Reveal." The Playmate AMX has been undergoing a three year restoration, and will be on display at the show after its car cover is pulled off at the presentation.

I received several positive comments about the site we used last year, no negative comments, so I pursued the possibility of again hosting our show there—and with the help of Tom Macomber—and we have the whole parking lot to ourselves.

As for food, I will once again have pizza delivered around noon time for everyone. Cold drinks & water will be on hand for everyone.

Some changes I have made for this year's show deal with the trophies. Instead of multiple classes of cars I have decided to have simple Top 10 Car trophies, and a Best Of Show. This will make balloting easier, and will allow relaxed parking rules for the show cars. Pretty much everyone can pick where they want to park, although I will try to get all the AMX's and Javelins to park together along the long row on the east side of the parking lot.



# Playmate AMX Update

The Car was the Star

Well as a final explanation mark for the Playmate AMX's completion, the car was taken for a joy ride over to a building in Burbank, CA where the car was taped for a future episode of the "Jay Leno's Garage" show.



The guy who contacted me found out about the car while doing some research for an AMC he is working on. He passed the info to Jay Leno, Jay said get them in here, and the guy tracked me down. When he first told me they wanted to tape the car on April 1, I thought really? April Fool's Day? He laughed, no it was for real he said.

In the days leading up to this we had to rush and do some final tweaking to the engine to make sure it was running well. We (Allen) did a bunch of cleaning on it, and he bolted on the very last pieces needed to 100% finish the car.

I drove out to Allen's home, rented a U-Haul trailer, loaded up the car, and we were on the way to the designated address. Following Allen and I were John Siciliano and Edward Flores, the painter.

Once there we were led into the famous garage for a tour. Wow, wow! No pictures were taken as we were asked to not take any, and we complied.

As we made our way back to the front Jay and the film crew were arriving back from taping an episode with another vehicle.

After having lunch with the crew and everybody else there, about 40 people, the film crew headed back into the garage to set up for the taping of the Playmate AMX, and put wireless mics on Allen and I. When everything was ready word got to Jay and he appeared shortly after.

I had only about 3 hours of sleep in the past two days so I was feeling a little flat, and it'll probably appear in the video once it is released in a few weeks after editing.

After a short intro from Jay, I came into frame and talked about the history of the car. Then Jay called

for Allen to come in and talk about the restoration process.

Next Jay and I piled into the car and he drove out to the front where a film vehicle was waiting. Together we took off around the streets of the local neighborhood.

It kind of caught me off guard, I had forgotten about the follow vehicle. All of a sudden it pulled up alongside us and Jay started talking while 3 guys were hanging out the side with cameras. It was a surreal moment for me. Here I was, sitting in my car, with Jay Leno driving it, while being filmed. Who would have thunk it 2 weeks earlier.

The film crew pulled over and got out, and stood on the road side as we made 3 passes back and forth in front of them. Then we got back on the road and onto the freeway, before returning to the garage.

Jay made the comment several times that this car was very nicely restored, and it was great on the road, handling fine and tracking straight.

After a short final wrap up with Jay back at the garage, he disappeared and the video crew and still photographers started their work on the car. For over an hour they took a ton of video footage and still photos to use in promoting the episode once it comes out.

Finally the day was over, everybody had left, it was just Allen, myself, and Angela (the car). I started the engine and eased off the brake slowly inching my way up to the front door, with Allen catching it on video. We loaded the car up and headed back home-rush hour traffic of course.

Jay Leno might have been present, but for a moment in time <u>The Car Was The Star</u>!

MARK MELVIN



### **DR. GEORGE CAR SHOW FEBRUARY 14. 2015**

#### **BY RANDY KIRBY**

I met up with Mark, and Rod & Debra for breakfast on the way to the show. Rod & Debra let us

know they were finally! coming. Had not heard from them since we met at the Vegas Show in November!

They have a black

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primer with Lime Green stripes, I kinda like the green stripes! They have plans for the car down the road, and I think it looks great.

We got here about 9:30, and parking was scarce! But we found these 3 spots....you might notice the speakers right over our spot....gee, I wonder why these were open....

This show was full this year, they only take 1000 cars here.

Sorry my pix are coming out blurry, damn camera is too complicated, I liked my old point & shoot.

I got to see "EVERY" car here, I was passing out fliers for the "Cruisin' Grand" Fundraiser on the next weekend. I didn't get to hang with our little group, so I hope I didn't hang anyone up



There was a Nash Wagon, 4 Hudson's, a Rambler Wagon. another AMX, and a Marlin here! Pretty Cool!

Yea...I have a soft spot for Cobras....

We met Gary Reed when he stopped by as we were parking, Mark gave him Club info and they talked awhile, and I grabbed some pix of his



Green 68 AMX on my long trek with fliers. he was parked a few rows over from us.

John & Mary Humphrey are down from Oregon!

I think they do a tour of shows in SoCal to get out of the cold in the winters.

Thev have this 66 pretty Aqua Marlin, and I have met them before, could have been here, or the National in Sacramento, or the National in Sparks. but we



have met before! And will again! Nice People.



Bob has this big Hornet, and he also has a 1957 Rebel, you know, the first Muscle Car! I told him about the All AMC Show in May, and I hope he brings one of his

cars out. AMC has run in his Family, so you know he has some stories to tell!



Had to take pix of this Big Beautiful 1948 Diamond T Truck, Very Nice! A lotta love went into this baby.

No way to get a real grasp of the show field. but here is a pix from the back of the DJ truck.





Cool "old school" car hauler. The Dunkel Bros. '49 GMC And MHS Car Hauler (Video at http://goo.gl/RQbH44)



I have it from reliable sources that this is the actual AMX owned by Dave & Katy Chick as it made its way down the assembly line in 1968. Well it could have been!



What's the difference between an AMX and a Javelin?



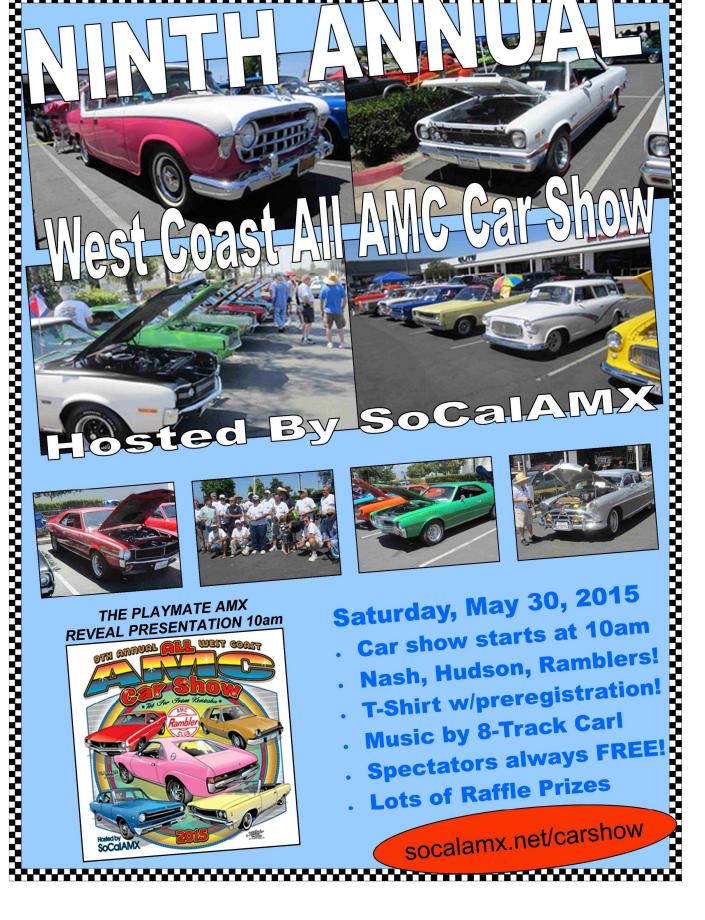
Who's for going to Lake Tahoe on a road trip? With a 1952 Hudson Hornet package? Sign me up!



A Metropolitan looking for a race!



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# 2015 All AMC Car Show













For Maps and More Information Visit The Car Show's Web Site:

### www.socalamx.net/carshow

Saturday, May 30, 2015 Location: The Parking Lot of 911 Design 5505 Moreno St, Montclair, CA 91763 Next Door To Pegasus Hobbies Car Show Starts at 10am and Ends At 3pm

## **TOP 10 & Best Of Show Trophies**

### The Playmate AMX "Reveal" at 10am

Car Show T-Shirts are limited and guaranteed with Pre-Registration only! Pre-registrations must be postmarked by May 23, 2015 Confirmations Cards Will Be Mailed

Pizza and	Cold	Drinks	will	be	available	for	lunch
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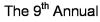
Pay Online (\$30) (PayPal) at: http://socalamx.net/carshow/entry-online.htm Or Make Checks (\$30) Payable To "Mark Melvin" and mail entry form & payment to: 1517 McCabe Way, West Covina, CA 91791 (One registration form per vehicle entered)

(what size t-shirt?) (M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL)

Each pre-registered entry gets an event t-shirt. Additional t-shirts are limited and available for \$15 each.

Name	Address
City	State Zip Code
Phone	E-Mail
Car Year Make	Model Color

All Entrants Hereby Release and Discharge SoCalAMX, 911 Design, & Pegasus Hobbies 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.



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Information Page

CAR SHOW DATE & TIME Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015

10am to 3pm

CAR SHOW LOCATION

(Same as last year: 911 Design Parking Lot—Next Door To Pegasus Hobbies) 5505 Moreno St., Montclair, CA 91763

#### A BUDGET MOTEL CLOSE TO CAR SHOW LOCATION

Super 8 Upland 1282 W. 7th Street, Upland, CA 91786, 909-985-8115 http://snipurl.com/8motel

### Master Map on GOOGLE MAPS http://goo.gl/2Ja8JP

After receiving positive comments about last year's show location, approval was obtained to hold the car show once again next door to Pegasus Hobbies in Montclair.

<u>Car show entrants, please enter the show area using the driveway between the two orange rubber cones.</u>

For lunch there will be free pizza once again for everybody. Also there is a 7-11 store in one direction, and a McDonalds in another direction, both within walking distance. Still, plan to bring your own ice cold drinks or snaks during the show.

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, 5pm: <u>Bar-b-q at Dave & Katy's</u> home in Monrovia. 162 Poinsettia Ave, Monrovia, CA 91016 MAP: http://goo.gl/maps/dclAE

Saturday, 8am to 9am, Early bird breakfast at Cable Airport 1749 W. 13<sup>th</sup> St, Upland, CA, 91786 http://www.maniac-mikes.com/ MAP: http://goo.gl/maps/rcHb3

Saturday, 10am to 3pm, AMC Car Show at 5505 Moreno St, Claremont, CA 91763 MAP: http://goo.gl/maps/AUIcM

Saturday, 4pm to whenever, Let's eat at "The Hat!" less than 10 minutes away. Great chili cheese fries and more! 857 N. Central Ave., Upland, CA 91786 MAP: http://goo.gl/maps/fnlcc



#### 2015 AMC CAR SHOW LAYOUT 5505 Moreno St., Montclair

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Please make checks payable to: High Desert AMC Car Club

Mail to: HDAMC Car Club c/o Mike Lakin, 2615 Sorensen Road, Fallon, NV 89406

RESERVATIONS: The High Desert AMC Car 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 or 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 High Desert AMC Car Club, AMC Rambler Club, Tahoe Biltmore Lodge & Casino, and their officers, directors, employees, representatives, members and servants, and anyone else connected to the management 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.

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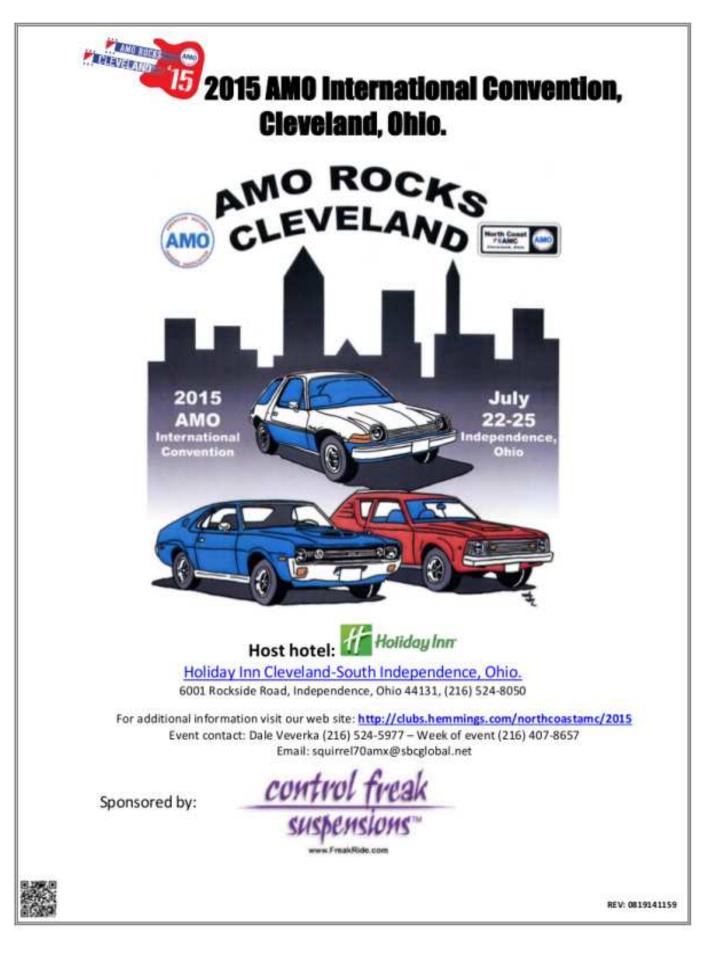
### Please join us for the 2015 Grand NASHionals July 22-25 in Fallbrook CA. Car show on Saturday July 25 / 9:00 – 4:30 Pala Mesa Resort at the Driving Range - Free admission

This Grand NASHional is presented by The SoCal Region - Nash Car Club assisted by The Northern California Region

#### Host Hotel: Pala Mesa Resort Fallbrook, California July 22 – 25, 2015

Pala Mesa Resort 2001 Old Highway 395, Fallbrook California 92028 Call: 760-728-5881 Mention the NASH Car club for your special discount rate of \$129.00 per night. Please book your room as soon as possible to guarantee availability

Please contact: Gary Marchetti – <u>marchetti.gary@gene.com</u> or Francine Felgemaker – <u>FELGEM51@aol.com</u> for registration forms



### 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! Send your stuff to: mightypilot@gmail.com

### JOIN AMCRC!

SoCalAMX has become a chartered club of the national AMC club known as AMCRC, or AMC Rambler Club. Although membership in AMCRC is not required for membership in SoCalAMX, it is encouraged that everyone join AMCRC to support the national and local clubs, and the AMC hobby in general.



To join AMCRC go to amcrc.com and click on the "Join" link on the side.

What do you get for joining AMCRC? You get a Start Up Packet, a quarterly publication, and Services. Read about the details at: http://amcrc.com/info/info.htm

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> Mark Melvin, SoCalAMX Newsletter Editor