



SOCALAMX CALENDAR

Heights Cruisers Monthly Donut & Coffee Run

1st Saturday each month - 7:30am
Krispy Kreme Donuts Store
@ the Puente Hills Mall
Azusa & 60 Freeway, Hacienda Heights, CA

Dr. George Car Show

February 11, 2012
Palm Springs, CA
<http://snipurl.com/carshow>

Riverside Airport Airplane and Car Show

March 31st, 2012
www.riversideairshow.com/

Spring Fling XXVI

April 21–22, 2012
Woodley Park, Van Nuys
<http://www.cpwclub.com/>

West Coast All AMC Car Show

May 19th, 2012
NHRA Museum, Pomona, CA
www.socalamx.net/carshow

2012 AMCRC National Show

June 21-23, 2012
Sparks/Reno, NV
<http://amcrc.com/meets/meets.htm>

Join SoCalAMX so you can automatically receive updates and details of events listed above. Go to socalamx.net/join.htm

Check out
“socalcarchculture.com”
for listings of shows in S. Cal!



GRAND NATIONAL ROADSTER SHOW

Dave and Kati Chick and myself attended the 2012 Grand National Roadster Show on the last weekend of January.

Overall the exhibits were all great with lots of interesting and wildly customized cars, although the event didn't seem to have the wow effect of previous years.

Never less we had a great time and are looking forward to next year's edition of the show. For more pictures go to: <http://snipurl.com/gnrs2012>

MARK MELVIN





BURGER RUN

The 2012 Burger Run on January 9 proved to be a good showing of AMC cars. Randy Kirby kept promoting the event, and we as a club delivered, with a total of 14 AMC cars showing up. Stu Jackson, who passed away last year, would be smiling, that not only was his car there up front close to the trophy table, but was also one of the featured cars on the event



t-shirt!

We arrived towards the end of the parking window but still managed to find a nook/cranny behind a building for all of us to park together. We had a few new faces but I can't remember the names almost 4 weeks later. Better write them down next time! I hope to see them at future events.

MARK MELVIN



Heights Cruisers

For the AMC'ers who live in or near the San Gabriel Valley there is a small but growing car cruise on the 1st Saturday of each month at the Krispy Kreme in Hacienda Heights.

The coffee and & donut shop is located at Azusa and the 60 freeway. The show gets going around 7:30am and lasts for no longer than a couple of hours.

Of course I have been the only AMC to ever show up there, but I was hoping next month on March 3 a few of you would join me there and shake things up!

MARK MELVIN

Tom Dulaney visited Sweden recently and his host, an enthusiastic AMC owner, passed along an old copy of an article that David Simon had written for the Larry Mitchell club magazine, "AMX-TRA," back in early 1983. I am reprinting it here..

RETURN OF THE PINK AMX!!!

By Dave Simon

In 1968 Playboy Magazine awarded Playmate of the Year Angela Dorian with a brand new 1968 'Pink' AMX. For the next fifteen years, the whereabouts of this special car became a mystery. Rumors had it the car had a short life. Only recently has the AMX been discovered in Los Angeles-and, most interesting is the fact that it is still owned by the original owner!

On December 28, 1982 CACI club member David Simon had the pleasure of having lunch with the attractive actress Victoria Vetri (AKA Angela Dorian) on the famous Sunset Strip in Hollywood. He was surprised to find Victoria a serious car buff. Over the years she has owned a variety of sports cars including an Austin Healy which she raced, an Alfa Romeo, a bug-eye Sprite and a 1955 Porsche Speedster. At one time she even drove an A.C. Cobra 427. Of all the cars she has owned, Victoria has cherished her AMX the most.

Victoria's AMX is equipped with a 290 engine, an automatic transmission and air conditioning. Originally her AMX had chrome wheels. However, they have been replaced with slotted mag wheels. Presently the AMX is painted a gorgeous black lacquer but this is not the first time the car has been repainted. About a year after she received the AMX it was painted to chocolate brown because Victoria became tired of being pulled over by spectators and cops for autographs. "It seemed that everyone knew this was the Playmate of the Year car!" It became a real obstacle getting to and from places!"

Victoria commented that the Pink AMX pictured in Playboy in 1968 is not her present car. It was a dealer's car with a temporary pink paint job used for the magazine before she received her present AMX. What is so unique about Victoria's AMX is that it was painted Playboy Pink at American Motors!

Besides being painted pink on the body, the engine compartment, the trunk and the floors are pink too! The unfortunate thing is we have no idea what the door code tag said because the original door was replaced and with it went the tag.

Another unique feature is the dash number located on the glove box: AMX 36-24-35, her measurements!

Victoria Vetri wants to thank the National Club for making her a lifetime honorary member. She plans to become active in the Southern California AMX Chapter too!



Victoria's Vetri and her Playmate AMX in 1983.



The Playmate AMX today..

Miss America 2012

As far as Beauty Queens go, if there was ever a perfect candidate for a Miss AMC, the award would have to go to Miss Wisconsin, Laura Kaeppler, who was just crowned the new 2012 Miss America on January 14, 2012.

Kaeppler, who was born and raised in Kenosha, Wisconsin, attended St. Joseph High School, and graduated from Carthage College in 2010 with a degree in music.

Kaeppler won the talent portion of the contest with her rendition of the Luigi Arditi waltz "Il Bacio." In the swimsuit competition, she wore a white bikini. When asked if beauty queens should declare their political viewpoint, she answered, "Miss America represents

everyone, so I think the message to political candidates is that they represent everyone as well. And so in these economic times, we need to be looking forward to what America needs, and I think Miss America needs to represent all.

Kaeppler is the first woman representing Wisconsin to win Miss America since Terry Anne Meeuwsen won in 1973.

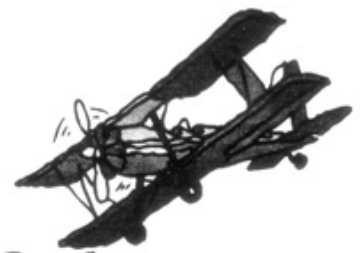
When informed of the pink Playmate AMX made in her home town of Kenosha, she replied, I am really interested in the car and would like to go for a ride in it someday!"

P.S. Just kidding about the last paragraph..





Riverside



Municipal Airport



&

Classic Chevys of Riverside

presents

WINGS AND FINS 2012
AIRCRAFT & CAR SHOW



MARCH 31, 2012

All Money to Cystic Fibrosis and Other Charities

Family FUN FOR THE DAY 9AM to 4PM,
Pancake Breakfast 7AM at Airport Terminal
Vintage Airplanes, Military Aircraft & Vehicles, Carnival,
Food & Souvenir Vendors, RIC Model Demos,
Emergency Preparedness Fair & Airshow with Aerobatics!



CAR SHOW REGISTRATION \$20.00 (No Pre-Registration)

Registration OPEN at 7AM

Open to all American Made Cars & Trucks (No Minis)

TROPHIES - 2:30PM

Show Cars Enter on Adams St. at Arlington by the Harvest Church

One Ez-Up per Vehicle



Car Show Information:

Bill Jeffords (909) 862-1805 or

Chuck Bevins (951) 780-4266





\$99 Host Hotel
Includes Trailer Parking
1-800-2-AIRTEL

ALL MOPAR
TRACK DAY EXPERIENCE
APRIL 19, 2012
WILLOW SPRINGS RACEWAY
www.cpwclub.com

PROUDLY PRESENTS

SPRING FLING XXVI

All Mopar Show and Parts Exchange

April 21st & 22nd, 2012

at WOODLEY PARK, VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA

Swap Set-up 7:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Show Car Parking 7:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Gates close at 10:00 a.m. sharp

KICK OFF PARTY
Picture Car
Warehouse
5-9 pm
Friday

- SATURDAY SHOW AND SHINE
- HUGE MANUFACTURES MIDWAY
- EVENT T-SHIRTS
- DASH PLAQUES (1ST 400 SHOW CARS)
- SUNDAY JUDGED SHOW
- TROPHIES IN 43 JUDGED CLASSES
- FREE TO ALL SPECTATORS
- PICNIC AREA
- TRAILER PARKING
- FOOD COURT

Largest Mopar show and parts exchange west of the Mississippi
Web site with flyers, hotels, maps, past show pictures, F.A.Q.:

www.cpwclub.com

CPW Hotline (818) 759-1779

NAME: _____ PHONE: (_____) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____

ZIP: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Please check and fill out the appropriate section:

☛ Parts space: # of 20'x20' physically connected space(s): _____ at \$45 ea. = \$ _____
or

☛ Car entry: MAKE: _____ MODEL: _____

YEAR: _____ CLASS: _____ CLUB: _____

LIABILITY WAIVER: I release and discharge C. Performance West Inc. and its members of any and all known and unknown damages, injuries and claims from any causes that may be suffered by this entrant if his person or property related to this event. I also agree to permit C. Performance West Inc. to use names, pictures and photos for advertising and publicity purposes, and relinquish any rights whatsoever. C. Performance West Inc. will not be liable for refunding fees under any conditions.

Entry gate opens at 7 am and CLOSSES at 10am
All entrants must remain PARKED UNTIL 1 PM

Signature _____

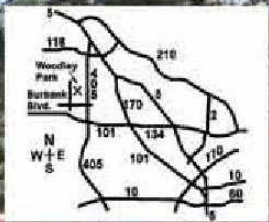
Date _____

Unsigned forms will be returned

ENTRY FEES includes both days

- \$30** Car entry (\$35 day of show)
One registration form per vehicle entered
- \$45** per 20'x20' space (\$55 day of show)
End to end length of vehicle and trailer must all fit into space(s). Will measure.
No trailer disconnecting or vehicle unloading for swap only. Vehicles not physically connected must fill out two forms. **No food or beverage sold in swap area.**

- **Pre-registration must be postmarked by April 1.**
- **Confirmations mailed April 1.**
- *Make checks payable to:*
Chrysler Performance West
PO Box 3127
Granada Hills, CA 91344
- **Optional Online Payment Available at cpwclub.com**



SPRING FLING XXVI

April 21st & 22nd, 2012



TO WOODLEY PARK

Take the (405) San Diego Frwy. to Burbank Blvd. off ramp, go West to Woodley Ave. North to 6100 Woodley.

SPECTATOR PARKING FREE

Parking at Balboa Park entrance (see map). Obey posted NO parking signs. LAPD traffic enforced & mandated.

www.cpwclub.com - flyers, maps, directions, past pictures, frequently asked questions. CPW hotline 818-759-1779 or info@cpwclub.com
Coastal Carvan from Bay Area, scenic Hwy 1, Friday. Cruise to Malibu leaving from Woodley Park on Friday. See website.
CPW would like to thank Dave Pany for photos.

SIXTH ANNUAL

West Coast All AMC Car Show



Hosted By SoCalAMX



NEW VENUE

We've moved back to the Wally Parks NHRA Museum in Pomona! Plenty of room for trailer parking!!

- Saturday, May 19, 2012**
- Car show starts at 10am
 - Nash, Hudson, & Jeeps!
 - T-Shirt w/preregistration!
 - Music by 8-Track Carl
 - Spectators enter FREE!
 - Lots of Raffle Prizes

socalamx.net/carshow

2012 A/I AMC Car Show Entry Form



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

www.socalamx.net/carshow

Car Show Fee: \$30. After May 5 & on day of show: \$40

Car Show T-Shirts are limited and guaranteed with Pre-Registration only!
Pre-registrations must be postmarked by May 5, 2012

Confirmations Cards Will Be Mailed

Car Show Starts at 10am & Ends At 3pm

Wally Parks Motorsports "NHRA" Museum, 1101 West McKinley Avenue, Pomona, CA

Pay Online (PayPal) at: <http://socalamx.net/carshow/entry-online.htm>

Or Make Checks Payable To "Mark Melvin"

and mail entry form & payment to: 1517 McCabe Way, West Covina, CA 91791

(One registration form per vehicle entered)

\$30 Car entry if pre-registered by May 5. (what size shirt?) (S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL)
(\$40 May 6 or later.)

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

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

Name Address

City State Zip Code

Phone E-Mail

Car Year Make Model Color

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

All Entrants Hereby Release and Discharge SoCalAMX & Wally Parks Motorsports 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.

33rd Annual
AMCRC NATIONAL SHOW
AND CONVENTION
June 21-23, 2012
Reno/Sparks, NV

Thursday, June 21st

All day: Check-In and Informal Gatherings. This is also a good time for chapter meetings. You can sightsee, dine, take in a show, gamble, relax by the indoor pool at the Nugget or visit the Sparks Farmer's Market at the Sparks Victorian Square Plaza across from the Nugget from 4PM – 8PM. Enjoy the best in produce and a wide variety of seasonal items, musical performances, food, beverages, arts/crafts and community booths at Whole Foods Hometown Farmer's Market. Held in Victorian Square in downtown Sparks, the market is an exciting summer event that you don't want to miss.

7:00 PM – 10:00 PM: Early show participant registration in lobby of Nugget.

Friday, June 22nd

8:00 AM–3:00 PM: Vendor check in to receive space assignments (Victorian Square show field)

Swap Meet (vendors may start selling as soon as they are set-up)

Show participant registration (Victorian Square show field)

Enjoy breakfast and/or lunch at one of the many restaurants at the Nugget or Victorian Square

1:30 PM–3:00 PM: Guided tour of the National Automobile Museum (approx. 7 minute drive from the Nugget)

4:00 PM–5:30 PM: AMCRC membership meeting in meeting room at Nugget

6:00 PM–8:00 PM: Friday Night Cruise-In at Summit Racing Equipment in Sparks (4 minute drive from the Nugget)

Saturday, June 23rd

7:00 AM–9:00 AM: Final vendor check-in and set-up (Victorian Square Show Field)

Final show participant registration (Victorian Square Show Field)

Show Cars may begin entering the show field

9:00 AM: Car Show and Swap Meet open
Show participant registration closed

2:00 PM: Judging ballots due at registration tent

4:00 PM: Car Show and Swap Meet close

6:00 PM: Happy Hour

7:00 PM: AMCRC National Banquet and Awards Presentations



2012 AMCRC National Convention Registration Form

HOST HOTEL: John Ascuaga's Nugget Casino Resort, 1100 Nugget Ave., Sparks, NV 89431. West Tower Deluxe: Thurs \$69; Fri-Sat \$89/East Tower Premier: Thurs \$79; Fri-Sat \$99 (plus tax). Mention code "AMC" to get special rates. For reservations, call 800-648-1177 or www.janugget.com to make online reservations. Reservations must be made **NO LATER THAN** May 21st to get these special rates. Check in time is 3PM and check out time is 11AM.

SHOW RATES: Show for all AMC, Rambler, Nash, Hudson, Metropolitan and 1970-1987 Jeep vehicles. Registration fee is \$15 for the first vehicle registered and \$10 for each additional vehicle. **VENDORS ARE FREE** but are requested to **PRE-REGISTER**.

For more information or if you have any questions, contact: Michael Lakin (e-mail: amcowner@ccccomm.net; phone: 775-427-2695)

PLEASE MAIL REGISTRATION TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN MAY 21ST, 2012

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Contact Phone Number _____

E-mail _____

AMCRC Membership Number _____



VEHICLES REGISTERED: (please use reverse side of form if you are registering more than two vehicles)

Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ Body _____
Style _____ Color _____

Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ Body _____
Style _____ Color _____

Class: _____ Entry #: _____ (to be completed by show staff)

Vendor: Yes ___ No ___. If yes, number of spaces requested: _____.

CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
AMCRC 2012

BANQUET: (Advance Reservations Only)

Adult tickets: _____ @ \$35.00 = \$ _____
Kids tickets (ages 5-11): _____ @ \$13.75 = \$ _____

MAIL WITH REGISTRATION TO:
Michael Lakin
2615 Sorensen Rd.
Fallon, NV 89406

CAR REGISTRATION: One vehicle @ \$15.00 = \$ _____
each additional vehicle: _____ @ \$10.00 = \$ _____

SHIRTS: (Please Order in Advance)

Event T-Shirt: _____ @ \$15.00 = \$ _____ S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___
_____ @ \$18.00 = \$ _____ XXL ___ XXXL ___

NATIONAL AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM TOUR: \$7.00 per person Number of tickets: _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

WE'LL SEE YOU IN RENO-SPARKS!

FREE! FREE! FREE!

I hope that grabbed your attention. The SoCalAMX.net monthly newsletter has a nominal cost of \$0.00 per issue due to the availability of Internet delivery. If you have problems downloading the newsletter I will make arrangements with you to send a copy via the United States Post Office, for a small fee to cover postage.

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

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.