



SOCALAMX CALENDAR

Spring Fling 27

May 11 & 12, 2013

Hosted by Chrysler Performance West
Woodley Park, Van Nuys, CA
<http://www.cpwclub.com/>

West Coast All AMC Car Show

Saturday, May 18, 2013

Hosted by SoCalAMX, NHRA Museum, Pomona, CA
socalamx.net/carshow

2013 Las Vegas AMC Reunion

November 8-9, 2013

Railroad Pass Hotel & Casino
<http://snamc.amcrc.com/>

Check the online Calendar at socalamx.net

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!



Hang in there Grandma, we promise you won't be late for your bingo game!

THE NEW GUY JOHN HAYES

Hobie, Bob Martinez, Gary Thompson, and I, met John Hayes at the Roam'n Relics Show last year in Moorpark. He said he would come out to our show in May the following year. Well, May is only a few days away, and the show a few weeks after that. John, I hope your AMX is ready to go! Mark Melvin..

Here is a short post by John from Yahoo Groups a few months ago..

"I have the body of our AMX back from the paint shop. Still do not have the fenders and bumpers. I got the motor and transmission stuffed back in today. Still a lot of work before the May show."

John and Felice Hayes



Cactus Classic

We missed the Cactus Classic last year so it felt good to make a run over to Phoenix this year and check out the AMCs at the Cactus Cruiser's annual show. Making the trip were myself, Randy Kirby, Allen Tyler, Bob Martinez, John Siciliano, and Steve Fox.

We all took the Friday off and met in Beaumont at the Denny's before roaring off into the sunrise. In the Valley of the Rising Sun we first stopped at Dan Curtis' AMC shop for a quick lookie before checking into our hotel. Before turning in for the night we buzzed over to a small car cruise in the area and checked out the scene.

Saturday was the car show of course. There was a nice assortment of AMC cars on hand. Allen found a few nice parts from the used parts vendor area. Steve Fox won an award for his 69 Scrambler, and Allen Tyler won three awards, Best AMX, Best Under-Carriage, and Best Paint.

The Cactus Cruiser's did another fine job of putting their show on. I am looking forward to next year already. Oh, by the way, they moved the show up one month from April to March, and I'll tell you this, the weather was nice, comfortable, and enjoyable—not hot in other words!

MARK MELVIN



playmate amx update



Another update on the Playmate AMX. In mid March the car was moved to Allen's house where he has been working on it almost daily. In just a few weeks Allen has finished stripping the bottom of the car as well as the body.

Now that the body is completely exposed he can examine the sheet metal of the body and better determine what will be required to repair the body panels and prepare the car for painting.

On a few visits to his house I helped him pull some dents out of the roof and pull the right door off and repair the hinge. The trunk lid was taken to



a local paint store to get a perfect paint match for the fresh coat going on. According to Allen the painting might only be a few months away. Mark Melvin..



Whittier Area Church Car Show

This past weekend I took a day off from working on the Playmate Car and joined Jim Weil with his beautiful white 1970 AMX at the 2nd Annual Whittier Area Church Car Show.

For only their second go around at hosting a car show they really have their act together and did an outstanding job of planning. They capped the total number of entries at only 325 I hear, but there was so much going on everybody was kept busy.

There was a nice variety of cars, including the two AMXs Jim and I brought, as well as two Ramblers and two Nashs. We talked to the Rambler owners and they promised they would bring their cars to our May AMC car show (since then I have indeed received entries from Tom Garcia & Louis Drapac.)

The one Nash was a beautiful 1953 Healey, owned by Bob Segui, who is already signed up for our show, and the other was the blown motor Metropolitan, owned by Bryan Thatcher, that won Best of Show a few years back at our 2010 show.

They had a large grass area with an inflatable slide for kids to play on, and vendors galore selling t-shirts, sun glasses, collectable car insurance, and a bunch of other things. One notable thing that you don't see at a car show often, which we did this day, was how many food vendors were there. They had like 8 catering trucks lined up in a row selling like anything you could think of, including Kettle Korn, cookies, pizza, hot dogs, chili fries and more.

Part of the section of cars there were some rail dragsters and the blown motor Metro. Twice during the show they allowed the engines to be fired up for a few minutes each—and either wow or annoy the crowd, depending on who you asked. It was a little loud for me since I was trying to talk to Jim Weil about his car.

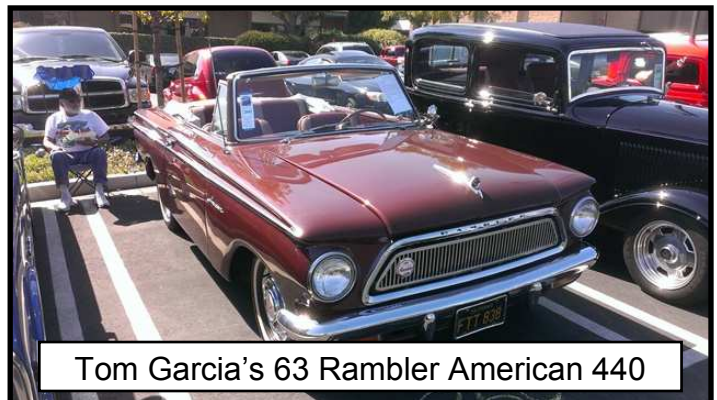
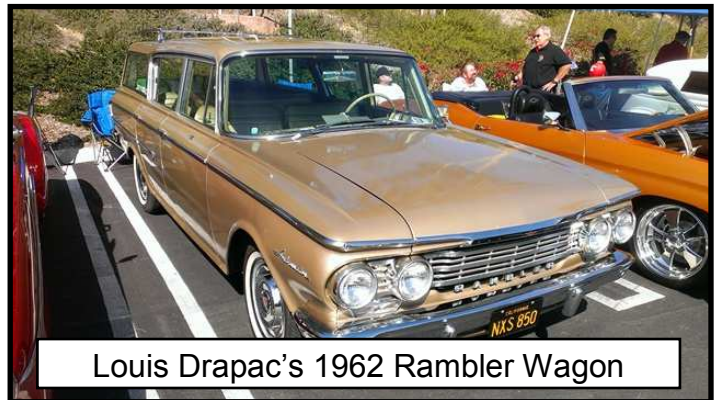
They had two live bands playing music during the day. They were further away and not missed. Man, it sounds like I'm getting old, eh?

And if you still couldn't find anything better to do there was a blood bank motorhome sucking blood out of anyone who was in the mood to donate.

And the highlight of the show had to of course be the appearance of the Bat Mobile. You know you're at a big show when Batman's old ride shows up. Probably wasn't free I'm guessing.

It was a pleasant day weather wise to attend this show. The organizers have really done a professional job for only their second year. I hope we can get a large contingency of AMC's and Ramblers there next year.

MARK MELVIN





Jim Weil's 70 AMX



Mark Melvin's 69 AMX



This car needs no introduction!



At least 8 food trucks to feed everyone!

AMCRC

SoCalAMX is joining a national AMC organization called the AMC Rambler Club, or AMCRC, and become a chartered club. The foremost reason for this is car show insurance coverage through AMCRC for our annual car show in May each year.

I haven't filled out the application form yet but already we have at least the required minimum of five AMCRC members to start a chartered club. A number of SoCalAMX members are already AMCRC members from when we went to the AMCRC National Show in Reno last year and signed up. I would like to submit the chartered club application no later than the AMCRC National Show in Denver this coming August.

These are the initial members with a AMCRC number.
Steve Fox #8634
Randy Kirby #9399
Mark Melvin #9470
Dominic Silvestri #9551
Jeffery Jung #9554

The web site address to sign up for AMCRC is www.amcrc.com. The benefits of signing up are, in addition to being a member of a chartered club, a nicely produced quarterly AMCRC newsletter, and access to a national roster of members. If you would like to be a member of our AMCRC Chartered club email me with your AMCRC member number if you already have it, or when you receive it. Thank you!

Mark Melvin: mightypilot@gmail.com

No EZ ups
in car show
area allowed

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TRACK DAY EXPERIENCE
May 9, 2013
WILLOW SPRINGS RACEWAY
www.cpwclub.com



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

Saturday night
cruise in at
Bob's in
Northridge

PROUDLY PRESENTS

SPRING FLING XXVII

All Mopar Show and Parts Exchange

May 11th & 12th, 2013

at WOODLEY PARK, VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA

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

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

Vehicle entry 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 20.**

■ **Confirmations mailed May 1.**

■ **Make checks payable to:**
Chrysler Performance West
PO Box 3127
Granada Hills, CA 91344

■ **Optional Online Payment Available at cpwclub.com**



CHRYSLER PERFORMANCE WEST
PO Box 3127
Granada Hills, CA 91344



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Entry gate opens at 7 am and CLOSSES at 10am
All entrants must remain PARKED UNTIL 1 PM
No parking on dirt areas along Woodley Ave.

WATCH FOR FALL FLING XVIII

SEVENTH ANNUAL

West Coast All AMC Car Show

Hosted By SoCalAMX



Saturday, May 18, 2013

- 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

2013 All AMC Car Show



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

www.socalamx.net/carshow

Saturday, May 18th, 2013

Wally Parks Motorsports "NHRA" Museum, 1101 West McKinley Avenue, Pomona, CA
Car Show Starts at 10am and Ends At 3pm

Car Show T-Shirts are limited and guaranteed with Pre-Registration only!

Pre-registrations must be postmarked by May 15, 2013

Confirmations Cards Will Be Mailed

Bring your own food and drinks. Subway Store 1 mile away at 10fwy & White

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 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

From The List Below Select The Trophy Class For Your Car!

- AMC (A)
- AMX Modified (XM)
- AMX Stock (XS)
- Javelin (J)
- Hudson & Nash (HN)
- Rambler (R)
- High Performance (P)

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.

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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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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 mightypilot@gmail.com 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 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.