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# SOCALAMX CALENDAR

Temecula Rod Run March 13 & 14, 2009 www.rodruntemecula.com/

Cactus Classic VIII April 4, 2009 Phoenix, AZ

Spring Fling XXIII
April 25 & 26, 2009
Woodley Park, Van Nuys, CA
www.cpwclub.com/

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual SoCalAMX All AMC Car Show May 30, 2009 NHRA Museum, Pomona, CA www.socalamxcarshow.info/

2009 AMO International Convention July 17 & 18, 2009 Collinsville, IL (St. Louis, MO) www.gatewayamc2009.com/AMO2009.htm

Picnic By The Bay August 23, 2009 Embarcadero Marina Park, San Diego

Wheels 'N Windmills
August 29, 2009
Solvang, CA
www.wheelsnwindmills.com/

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Go to socalamx.net/join.htm



Randy Kirby on the throttle again!

## Calendar Chit Chat

I fear this issue of the SoCalAMX newsletter will be a little light since we didn't have any club attendance at an event in February. It was probably a good thing since there were a good number of rainy days last month. Hopefully the sunshine will prevail in the coming months and we'll be back together at upcoming shows, of which a few of them I'll mention below.

The first one up is the Rod Run in Temecula in two weeks on March 13 & 14, a Saturday and Sunday. The Friday event is an all night long cruise around the blocked off from public city streets. Saturday is the Shine and Show your car day. I'm already signed up to go as well as Randy Kirby. He says a few others from San Diego might be attending, and John Caley from Mission Viejo will try to come.

Next is the road trip to Arizona for the annual <u>Cactus Classic</u> put on by the Cactus Cruisers AMO club on April 4th. I know it's a long drive over there but if we expect a few of their cars to come to our show in May, we need to take a few of our cars over there in April for their show.

Another big event in SoCal is the <u>Spring Fling</u> put on by the Chrysler Car Club. They have had three AMC trophies in recent years and upwards to 15-20 AMC's have shown up.

I can never promote our own event enough, so remember on the weekend of May 29-31, is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual SoCalAMX All AMC Car Show. We've had 50 cars each of the past two years and several new people have signed up for this year, two from Bakersfield, so hopefully we'll hit the 60-70 mark this year!

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The <u>2009 AMO International Car Show</u> in the Saint Louis area in mid-July. I know, it's way too far for 99.9% of the people to attend, but I'm a nut and I'm planning on driving my AMX all the way there. I did so as well in 2007 when I drove it to Denver for the same event.

There are two shows in August, a ways off still, but not too soon to start thinking about them. The first is the Picnic by the Bay car show in San Diego on August 23. I've been there three years in the past, once with Steve Fox joining me with his 68 AMX. It's one of the best shows I've been to and look forward to returning when I can. The show area is a park area next to the Marina, where all cars park on the grass. The entry fee includes lunch, they have a huge raffle where hundreds of prizes takes all afternoon to get rid of, and the host club members make you feel welcome as you arrive and depart. If we had 10 cars at the Burger Run in January, I know we can get 15 cars to this show!

The other August show in the Wheels 'N Windmills show on August 29 in Solvang. It's a somewhat short road trip for most, only about a 2.5 hour drive from the Los Angeles area, to Solvang, 45 miles past Santa Barbara. The trip there takes you up the coastline with a view of the ocean on the left, then on Sunday after breakfast together a trip back through the mountains past Lake Cachuma back to Santa Barbara and home Sunday by mid-day. The car show itself estimates its crowd attendance at 10,000 each year, so a lot of people will get to see your car. It should be a fun weekend!

There are smaller once a week or once a month shows that we'll plan from time to time. Usually those are on a spur of the moment decisions and have to be communicated through Yahoo Groups on short notice.

Well that's it for now, I hope to see a few AM-C'ers at Temecula in two weeks, and then more in the coming months. Get those AMC's tuned and ready to go!

Mark Melvin 1969 AMX

# 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.

Mark



Please own an AMC responsibly!



### FREE! FREE! FREE!

I hope that grabbed your attention. The new 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 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





Wind up Rebel's 343 cube 4-bbl. Typhoon V-8 - and you'll wind up owning the first Excitement Machine in the Intermediate class! Okay, drivers, here's how one of the Now Cars looks from your end. Three of Rebel's five engines are optional Typhoon V-8s: slim-wall cast-iron, mass balanced beauties with the lightest reciprocating weight of any industry V-8s. 280 horses are on tap in the big bore, high-compression 343 Job. There's a road-gripping wide stance, a 4-link trailing arm rear suspension (the first ever in a single-unit body), and optional handling hardware like heavy-duty shocks and springs, extra-wide-profile red-line tires for high-performance driving, and power disc brakes,

A machine? Of the first order. But Rebel SST is also a car for the groovy gal next to you (even if you married her). She can get bucket seats with headrests, Shift-Command

Transmission with stick or automatic control (unless you've vetoed that for a 4-speed floor stick, and tach), and an SST convertible that seats three in back easily. She also gets a lot of Rebel safety for Now: energy-absorbing steering column and deep-dish wheel, a signal light that monitors both Double-Safety brake line systems, anchor plates for shoulder belts, and plenty more features to help her drive with care and confidence. The place for you to wind up this

machine is your Now Car dealer. Your American Motors/ Rambler Dealer. That's right, your American Motors / Rambler Dealer.

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# 2009 Temecula Spring Rod Run

Please Leave Your Dogs, Bikes, Skateboards, Scooters and Alcohol at Home



Proceeds benefitting the Boys & Girls Club of the Southwest County





March 13 - Friday Night

Cruise

5pm to 8:30 pm

March 14 - Saturday All Day

Show & Shine 8am to 4pm

#### Rain or Shine

- Limited to 650 Cars
- Up to 70 Trophies

#### Registration Fees

- \$35.00 Pre-Registration
- \$40.00 after Mar. 1
- No Refunds

City:	State: Zip:
Phone:	
	T-Shirt Size:
Email Address:  Only Pre 74 Cars Allowe (Special Interest Vehicle	d es will be allowed at Promoters Discretion)
Vehicle II	nformation

## Come Together & Park Together

RESERVATION: The event organizers reserve the rights to restrict participants to acceptable behavior during any and all activities. If for any reason participants of their vehicle as objectionable appearance or conduct, the participants will be subject to removal with no refund.

LIABILITY: In Consideration of the acceptance in the Temecula Rod Run, by execution of this entry form I herby release and discharge the event sponsors, and its directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, and servants, and anyone else connected with the management, or conduct of, for any, and all known and unknown damages, losses, judgments, and/or claims from any causes whatsoever, that may be suffered by any applicant to their person of property. Further each applicant expressly agrees to indemnity and defends at the foregoing entries, firms, persons, and body of, any and at claims, against P.8. It Foundation, the Drifters Car Club, the City of Temecula, demands, damages, of his/hers/theirs principles, agents, errors, representatives, assigness, and insurance carriers or any person attending the corporation with applicants and under direction and control of the applicants.

Mail Registration/Check payable to:

P & R Foundation 39252 Winchester Rd 107-361 Murrieta CA, 92563 Register Online at: www.rodruntemecula.com Event Information: 951-245-9355

\$25.00 Charge for Returned Checks
Proceeds going to the Boys and Girls Club of Southwest County



# CACTUS CLASSIC VIII 15025 North 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue PHOENIX, ARIZONA



APRIL 4, 2009

9:00am-2:00pm

Please complete and return this form with your check for the correct amount to Cactus Cruisers AMC and send to Gary and Elda Zinman, 20625 North 63<sup>rd</sup> Drive, Glendale, Arizona 85308. Make checks payable to Cactus Cruisers AMC. <u>Please print clearly</u>. Entry fee applies to one individual car. For additional entries please photocopy this entry blank and fill in the required information

Name:				
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For more information call Gary You can also call Jim Jensen at		[[[ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [		Control of the contro
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Performance Class-AMY Jay	olin SC/Ramb	lor Robel Machine SC	360 Hornet etc	

Show Site: North Hills Church 15025 North 19th Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85023

Rambler Class- All Rambler vehicles from 1958-1969 (except those in Performance Class)

AMC Class-All AMC vehicles from 1970-1988 (except those in Performance Class)
Daily Driver Class-Vehicles must be used as daily or highly frequent transportation.

Race Car Class-Used for race purposes only.



2009 SoCalAMX's 3rd Annual

# "WEST COAST ALL AMC CAR SHOW"

Date: May 29, 30, & 31 Time: 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.pm. Location: Wally Parks Motorsports (NHRA) Museum, Pomona, CA

All AMC Cars are welcome, including, AMX's, Javelins, Gremlins, Nash/Hudsons, Metropolitans, Ramblers, Americans, Ambassadors, Marlins, Rebels, Hornets, Matadors, and Pacers!

Complete Information at: socalamxcarshow.info

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Saturday—AMC Car Show Saturday—After show cruise to Legends Diner for food & fellowship! Sun—Breakfast Cruise Trophies Raffle Prizes NHRA Museum



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

Entry Fee Includes T-shirt with Graphic Shown

Entry Cost: \$30 if you Pre-Register By May 9 or \$35 On Day Of Show

Pre-registrations must be postmarked by May 9, 2009 Confirmations mailed May 15, 2009

Pre-Register By May 9 And Have Your T-shirt Mailed To You So You Can Wear It At The Show

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

Pay Online Or Make Checks Payable To "Mark Melvin" and mail to 1517 McCabe Way, West Covina, CA 91791

(One registration form per vehicle entered)

\$30 Car entry if pre- (\$35 May 10 or later.)	registered by May 9. (what size shir )	t?)	(S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL)	
Each paid entry gets	an event t-shirt included with entry	fee. Additional t-	shirts are available for \$15 each.	
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Name:	Address:			
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Phone:	eMail Address: _			
Car Year:	Car Make & Model:			

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.

## **2009 AMO International Convention**



## Collinsville, Illinois



# July 17-18, 2009

Pre-Registration Deadline: June 15th, 2009 (Must be AMO Member to Pre-Register! - See Below)
Note: Registrations for judging will be cut-off at 9:00 a.m. on July 18th, 2009. No exceptions

Meet Contact Persons: John Schifko 314-352-1669 or Gary Timmerman 314-921-9713
Please print clearly & your signature is required. Registration# (AMO use only)

Complete and return this form with your check/r 2009 AMO International Convention, c/o Richar Make Payment Payable to: Gateway AMC NO	d Haley, 7317 A	A Fernbrook Drive, St Lou		
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I will assist with judging:	No. of years' experience:		
If you are not a member, you may join or during any and all activities during this of the entry form release and discharge the "m from any cause whatsoever that may be that	WED TO SHOW AND/OR DISPLAY CARS. Remember to bring your AMO card.  I the AMO show field. Club officers reserve the right to restrict entrants to acceptable behavior went. In consideration of acceptance to participate, entrants and participants by execution of eet* committee members of and from any and all known and unknown liabilities and/or claims suffered by an entrant to his/her property or person. My signature on this entry form signifies		
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JN - Javelin Non-stock	HN - Hurst Non-stock		
JS - Javelin Stock	HS - Hurst Stock		
AN - AMX Non Stock	RC - Race Car		
AS - AMX Stock	JPS - Jeep Stock 1970 - 1988		
NP - Non-AMC Powered	JPN - Jeep Non-Stock 1970 - 1988		
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AMS - AMC Stock 1970 - 1988 _			
RN - Rambler Non-stock 1958 -			
RS - Rambler Stock 1958 - 1969	DI - Display Only (Not eligible for indoor parking		
MS - Marlin Stock	AC - American Cup (Non-stock)		
	AHC - American Heritage Cup (stock)		