



## SOCALAMX CALENDAR

**SoCalAMX's 4th Annual**  
"West Coast All AMC Car Show"  
May 22, 2010  
NHRA Museum, Pomona  
[socalamxcarshow.info](http://socalamxcarshow.info)

**2010 AMCRC National Show**  
June 25-27  
Sacramento, CA  
[socalamx.net/flyers/AMCRC2010.pdf](http://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](http://socalamx.net/join.htm)

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



your entry form soon. Forms and online registration are available at [www.socalcarshow.info](http://www.socalcarshow.info).

Don't forget that there's a cruise on Friday night to "The HAT" in Glendora starting at 5pm until everyone's ready to leave. Then Saturday after the show is over there's another cruise to "Legend's Diner," also in Glendora, both of which are to grab some really good grub and share the AMC friendship. Maps to both are on the car show web site.

See you in three weeks!

*Mark Melvin*  
1969 AMX

## Start Your Waxing!

So close yet so far away! The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual SoCalAMX "West Coast ALL AMC Car Show" is almost here! Only three weeks to go to the BIG, BIG Show on May 22! In only weeks from now there will be AMCs pouring in from all directions to the Wally Parks Motorsports (NHRA) Museum.

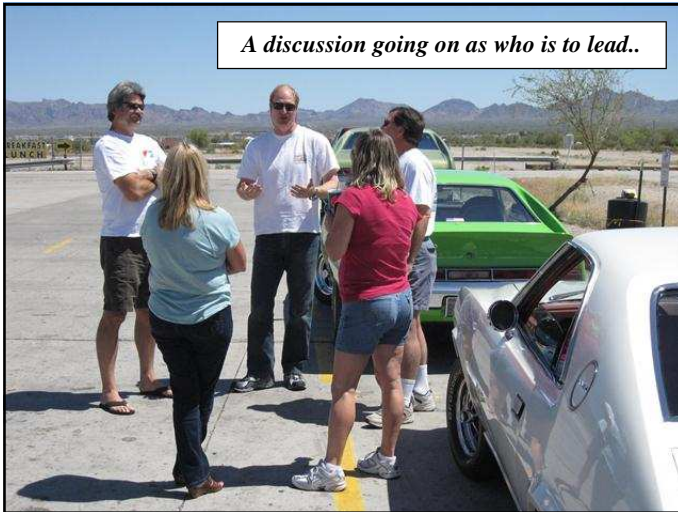
It would be much appreciated that everyone pre-register for the show because there will be a souvenir car show booklet in every registration packet, personalized with each show attendee's name, hometown, and car on the front. Inside will be a list of all pre-registered entries. Help me fill up that list by sending in



# CACTUS CLASSIC

Pictures: [snipurl.com/cactus10](http://snipurl.com/cactus10)

Friday, April 9, was a great day to play hooky and take a day off from work for several members of SoCalAMX. The focus of our laziness—an annual AMC car show in the Phoenix area called the Cactus Classic, now in its 9<sup>th</sup> year of operation. The host of the show was the Cactus Cruisers, a chartered club of the American Motors Owners, a national AMC club. The Cruisers really put on a great show this year!



*A discussion going on as who is to lead..*

Last year I motored out to Phoenix by myself on a Friday afternoon, spent the night sleeping in my car in a parking lot, before getting up early and cleaning my car for the show. This year was a whole different story. Leading up to the weekend get-a-way a bunch of the SoCalAMX members let it be known on the Yahoo Groups that they were going to make the journey there along with me.



*Fuel stop at Quartzsite, AZ.*

The people making it to the Cactus Classic this year were Dave & Kati Chick in their 68 AMX, John & Shelly Siciliano with their 69 AMX, Randy & Cindy Kirby in their 70 AMX, Bob Martinez in his 70 AMX, John Caley with his 68 AMX, Steve Fox in his 68 AMX, Stacy Thompson & Sheri in a 72 Ambassador Wagon, and myself in a 69 AMX.

The trip to Phoenix took two different convoys, Steve and Stacy heading out of the San Diego area eastbound taking the lower Arizona route, and the rest of us heading straight due east on I-10. To meet up together and form the I-10 convoy we all stopped in the City of Beaumont at Denny's Restaurant. That's where we got to meet newcomer Linda Sufficool and her green 1971 AMC Hornet for the first time. Linda is really excited about the big AMC show on May 22 and just had to stop by and see us and our cars, even though she had to pass on the trip to Phoenix.

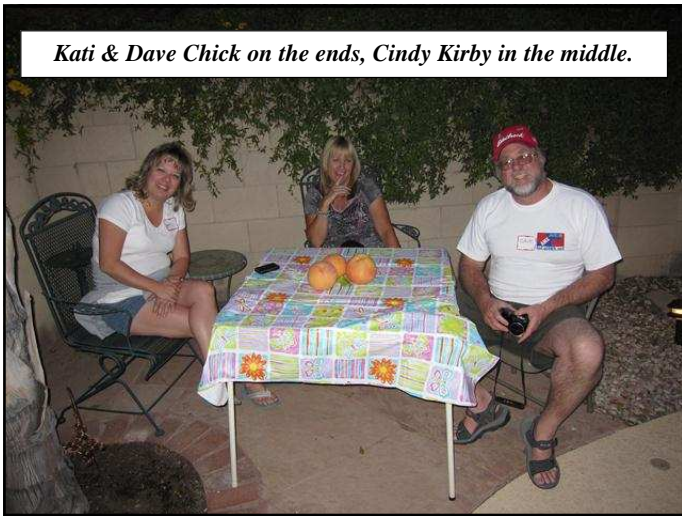
Shortly after 9am we were back on the road, with our tummies full of eggs, pancakes and coffee. We set up a nice pace of around 68-70 miles per



*K.T. Chick*

hour (the years of the AMXs in the convoy) and pointed our cars in an easterly direction. Several hours later just past the CA-NV border we stopped at Quartzsite to refuel our tanks and tummies again. There was a food stand/trailer off to the side of the gas station where Brats and Burgers were washed down with soda. A Chihuahua dog, apparently belonging to the food stand owners, was all too willing to eat any scraps hitting the ground!

Another three hours of driving put us at the Embassy Suites around 4pm. For \$99 a night this was a great deal. Each suite was divided into two rooms, a bedroom and a family room, both with

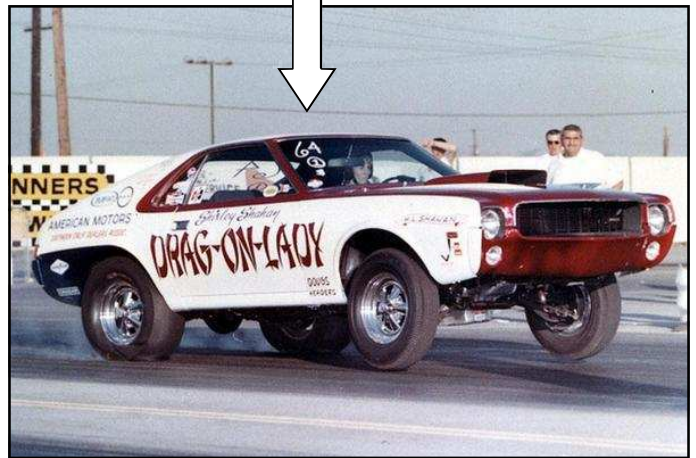


*Kati & Dave Chick on the ends, Cindy Kirby in the middle.*

flat screen TVs, and included was a microwave to heat food and a small refrigerator to keep drinks cold. Also included in the price was an all you can eat breakfast buffet and omelet bar. It turned out that there was a "Small Car" car show being held right there at the hotel the same weekend, parking on the grass areas all around our rooms.



*Shirley Shahan the Drag-On-Lady in person!*



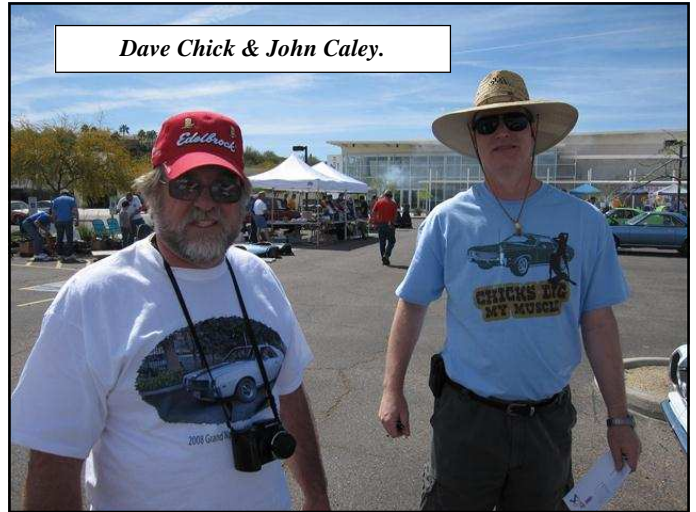
After resting briefly, napping, and/or changing shirts, we formed up our AMC convoy again to head to a bar-b-q at Mark Fletcher's house (past president of the Cactus Cruiser's Club) to which everyone was invited. This bar-b-q was really out-



*Mini car show at the bar-b-q!*

standing, not only for the quantity and variety of food, but for the quality of people there and their cars—it was like a mini car show preview of the following day. Also in attendance was Shirley

Shahan, the first woman to win a NHRA national drag racing event. On a side note Mark Fletcher was trying to sell some of his AMC parts, possibly preparing for a move. I bought an instrument cluster I needed badly to replace mine, where the speedometer needle has fallen off, and also found a small gem in a dusty little box—a brand new NOS trunk light setup, including all hard-



*Dave Chick & John Caley.*

ware, instructions, and a 40 year old light bulb. I wonder if it'll still light when I plug it in?

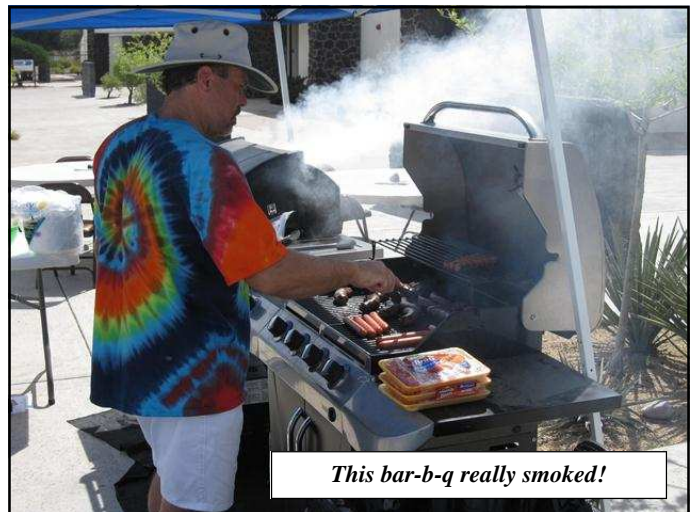
After leaving the stupendous bar-b-q, with really full bellies I might add, we went straight back to the hotel for a late happy hour. There were many drinks bought for one another, but the three drinks I had didn't seem to have much alcohol in



*Galvin and Ben from Galvin's AMC/Rambler Parts*



*Show Center!*



*This bar-b-q really smoked!*

them (no surprise there) and I felt no buzz. That wasn't the case for John Caley who with one drink briefly felt the "Happy Hour," much to the amusement of the others around the table.

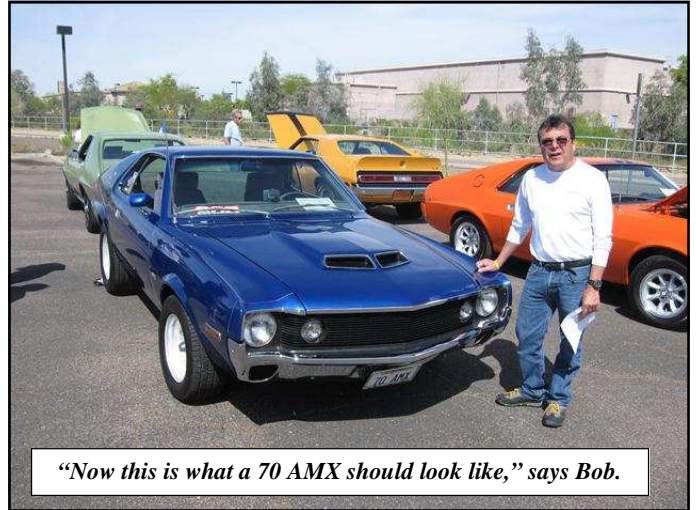
The Saturday morning sun arrived early, as it always done, and somehow motivated everyone to wake up and get up, to make it to the breakfast

buffet. Eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes, omelets, pancakes, waffles, orange juice, milk, coffee, cereal, fresh fruit, pastries—included in the price of the room!

With our coolers full of drinks and ice we made the short jaunt down the street to the show site



*Randy Kirby twisting Bob Martinez's arm.*



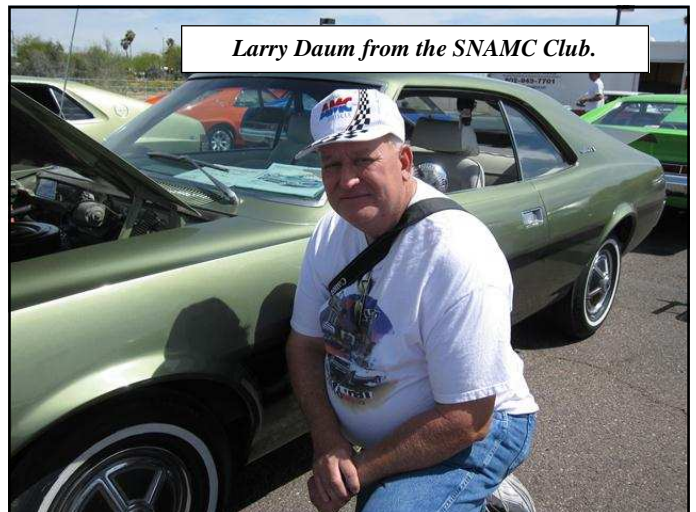
*"Now this is what a 70 AMX should look like," says Bob.*



*Picture of Hornet Wagon just for newcomer Linda!*



*Nice Marlin!*

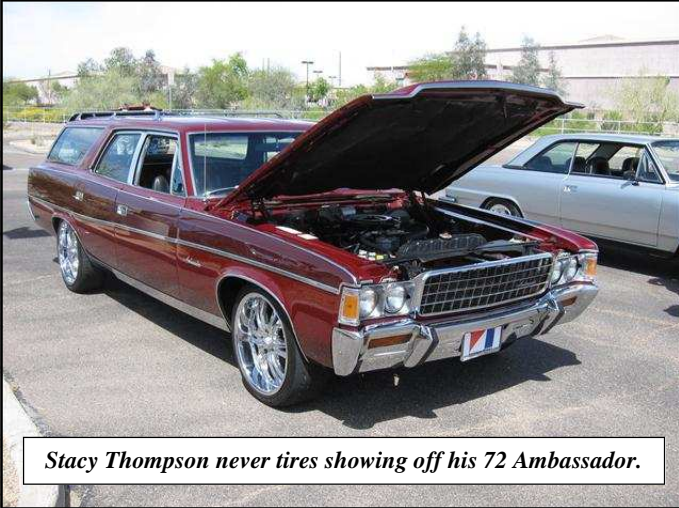


*Larry Daum from the SNAMC Club.*

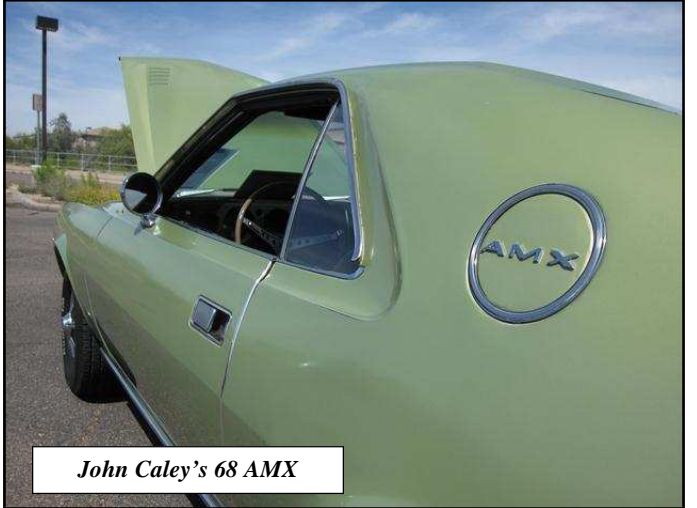
only blocks away at a church. The Cactus Cruiser's show this year was a practice rehearsal for when they host the 2011 National AMO Convention in Sedona next year. The club's workers were busy parking the cars as they arrived into each of their different class areas. It didn't take long for the show to settle into its normal routine of people walking around, talking to each other,

and taking tons of pictures. The men's group of the church put on a very good bar-b-q of brats, burgers and drinks, which satisfied growling tummies many times over.

I think the total number of cars at the show was in the high forties or so. With our eight cars from Southern California we were approximately 20%



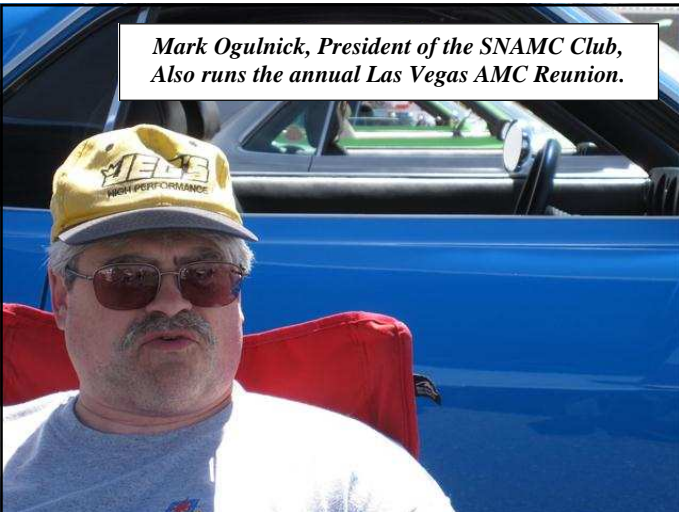
*Stacy Thompson never tires showing off his 72 Ambassador.*



*John Caley's 68 AMX*



*John Siciliano's 69 AMX*



*Mark Ogulnick, President of the SNAMC Club, Also runs the annual Las Vegas AMC Reunion.*



of the whole show field. At the end of the show trophies were announced and Steve Fox won an award for his 68 AMX, Stacy Thompson won for his 72 Ambassador Wagon, and the big prize went to Bob Martinez, the big "Kahuna" who won the trophy for driving the furthest distance to get to the show!

I'm already looking forward to next year's Cactus Classic and hope more will make the annual trek and join in the fun!

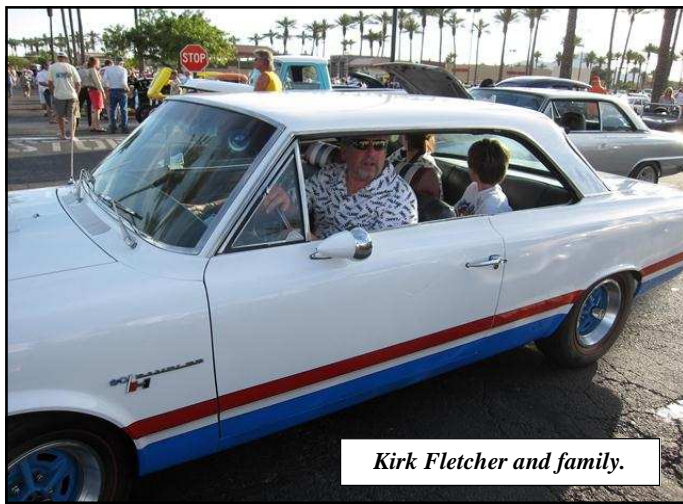
*Mark Melvin*

1969 AMX

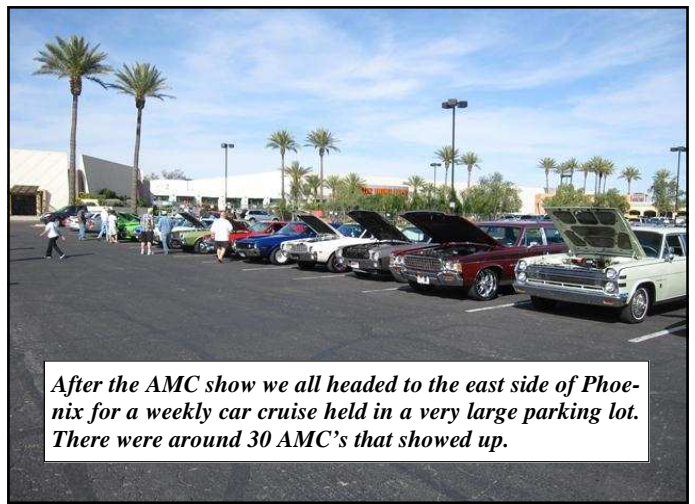




*The SoCalAMX gang at the 2010 Cactus Classic!*



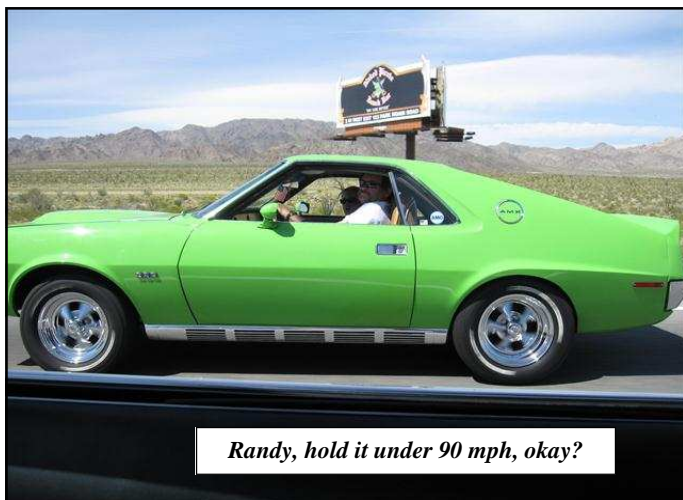
*Kirk Fletcher and family.*



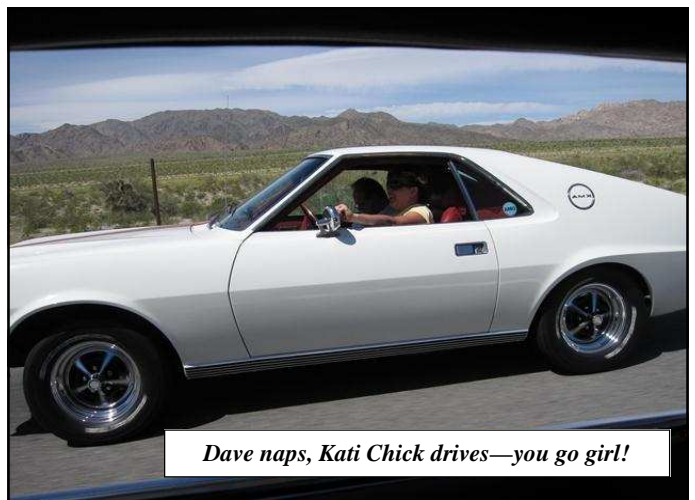
*After the AMC show we all headed to the east side of Phoenix for a weekly car cruise held in a very large parking lot. There were around 30 AMC's that showed up.*



*Bob wins the trophy for furthest distance to return home!*



*Randy, hold it under 90 mph, okay?*



*Dave naps, Kati Chick drives—you go girl!*



# 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](http://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](http://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**

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CONTACTS: Todd Monday 209-639-2069 or Doug Galvin 209-365-6315, [www.AMCRC.com](http://www.AMCRC.com)



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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](mailto: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** \_\_\_\_\_

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### 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.**

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**Signature**

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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 [markmel@socalamx.net](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://socalamx.net) and click on Newsletter.