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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

26th Annual Burger Run

January 12, 2013 270 S. Santa Fe Ave, Vista, CA 8AM - 1PM http://www.burgerrun.info/

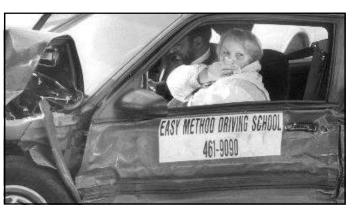
Grand National Roadster Show

January 25-27, 2013 LA Fairplex, Pomona, CA http://www.rodshows.com/gnrs/

Check the online Calendar at socalamx.net

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2012

It seems like it was just a short time ago that I was heading home from last year's 2011 Las Vegas AMC Car Show. Here it is, 2012, and this year's edition of the show is already behind us. For the first time in many years I could not take Friday off and had to leave after work. Therefore I cannot report on the happenings of the Paddle Boat Ride on Friday for the early arrivals.



However I can report on the car show on Saturday, which started off with a bang—literally! Early in the morning just before people were starting to wake up a power vault feeding the hotel blew and the hotel ordered everyone to evacuate as a precaution. Later guests were allowed back into the hotel, however without electricity in the rooms. The casino was closed as there was no power to fuel the voracious appetite of the bells and whistles of the gaming machines.

But we came to town for the AMC Car Show and the loss of power in the building did not affect the





show's operation. The outcome of the show was never in doubt with Mr. President Mark Ogulnick of the Southern Nevada AMC Club running the show! Everything started on time and ran smoothly throughout the day.



The weather was great with clear blue skies, and temperatures ranging in the low to mid 80's. There were several part vendors on hand, and many dollars exchanged hands. If there was one thing that didn't go well it was the music DJ not having power from the light pole and could not play any music until the show was almost finished.

The popularity of the show is growing. In addition to out of state cars such as Arizona and California, there were cars from South Dakota, New Mexico, Minnesota, Oklahoma, and British Columbia, Canada.





Winners from our club were John Siciliano (69 AMX), Dale Crum (70 Donahoe Javelin), Dave & Kati Chick (68 AMX), Mark Melvin (69 AMX), Randy Kirby (70 Rebel Machine), and Allen Tyler (68 RWB AMX). Allen also took home Best of Show. Also in attendance was Steve Fox (69 SC/Rambler) and Richard White (68 AMX at home).

After the awards ceremony we headed up to Dave & Kati's large Presidential suite and had a super happy hour, which lasted so long that the dinner buffet shut down for the night and we missed it. I don't know what the others did for dinner but I left around 7:30pm and headed south about 90 miles to Bullhead City to see my aunt and uncle at their



riverfront home. Although they have owned it for over 20 years it was the first time I saw it. I spent the night there and left Sunday and got home around 10pm.

I have attended all seven Las Vegas AMC Reunion Shows that Mark Ogulnick has organized for us, and they have all been great! I hope you can take the time to thank him yourself the next time you see him. I am looking forward to next year's show in 2013. I hope you can join me and the other AMC'ers there! For pictures of this year's Las Vegas show go to: http://smu.gs/T5nUow

MARK MELVIN



Allen Tyler (left) accepts his "Best of Show" trophy from Larry Daum (right) at the 2012 Las Vegas AMC Reunion Car Show!

Roam'n Relics 2012

The weekend just before the Vegas trip a few of us went to the Roam'n Relics annual car show in Moorpark. Those folks were myself (69 AMX), Hobie (69 AMX), Gary Thompson (70 Donahue Javelin) and his brother who drove Gary's recently purchased AMX, and Bob Martinez (70 AMX).

This is a large show so it takes time to wander around and see all the great cars. Around the corner to the west we discovered a gentleman by the name of John Hayes with a white AMX and a super charged Chevy motor in it. The engine was done nicely and is very streetable. I think he takes his wife to the grocery store in it just to keep the battery charged.

He was pleased to find some other AMC'ers besides himself and I think we'll see him from time to time, at least for sure at our 2013 AMC Show in Pomona. Good meeting you John!

MARK MELVIN





PLAYMATE AMX

Just a quick update on the progress of the Playmate AMX. We are making slow but steady progress over at John's house. Allen has been leading the charge in doing the critical body work stuff.

He's Mr. Picasso with a sheet metal hammer in his hands. You'll see in the pictures the before and after of the lower right quarter panel—from cancer and a huge hole, to repaired status.

The car has been stripped down to a shell and is hanging on a rotisserie for its metal work. Wow, it was really dirty underneath when we took it apart.

Thank you to everyone who worked the first weekend in July when the motor was pulled and restoration started. Also more news, the engine has been rebuilt



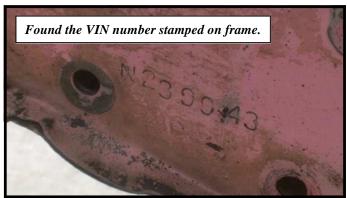


and is back home. It's going to be a sweet motor, purring like a cat, or maybe a Playmate!

MARK MELVIN





















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**

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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 11, 2013

Confirmations Cards Will Be Mailed

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, 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 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)

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Mark Melvin, SoCalAMX Newsletter Editor

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