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SOCALAMX CALENDAR

4th Annual Cops & Rodders Car Show
June 20th, 2009
San Diego

3rd Annual Boy Scout Car Show
June 27, 2009
Covina, CA

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

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

Roam'n Relics
October 25, 2009
Moorpark, CA
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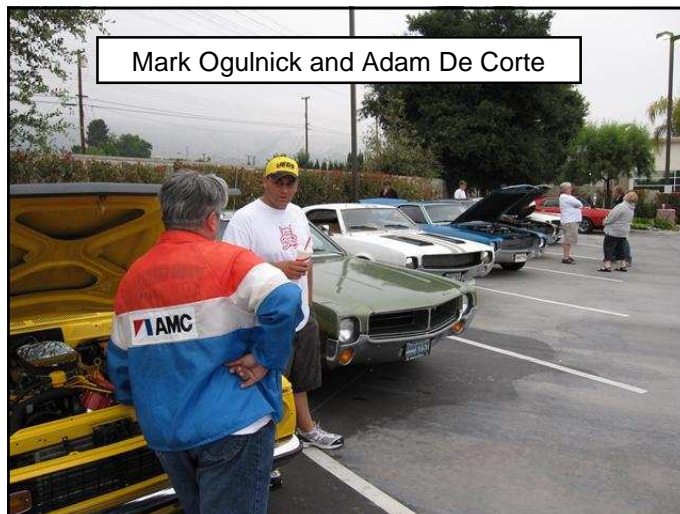
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SHOW TIME!

"Wow, this is great!" were the words I kept hearing on Saturday, May 30, 2009, as the 3rd Annual SoCalAMX All AMC Car Show unfolded. In the spirit of the Field of Dreams movie, I guess the phrase, "Organize it and they will come!" holds true. Regardless, the day turned out to be simply fantastic as over 60 AMC cars converged upon the famous Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum in Pomona, CA.

To start the weekend off there was a Friday night cruise to Legend's Diner in Glendora. A father and son team, Bob and Guy Hairfield and family, drove in all the way from Bakersfield with a pair of 1968 AMXs, and from the Las Vegas area we had Larry Daum with his



Mark Ogulnick and Adam De Corte



Adam De Corte and his 1973 Gremlin

1969 Javelin and Andy Ray with his 1968 Javelin, and President Mark Ogulnick hitched a ride with them. The locals showing up were Dave Chick-68 AMX, Nat Powers-69 AMX,

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Keith Magee-69 AMX, Mark Melvin-69 AMX, and Adam De Corte in a 73 Gremlin.

Saturday morning it was all about the AMX, the largest class of cars at the car show. It seemed like they just kept coming and coming, with the final tally topping out at 26. Really,



A Field Of Dreams?

when was the last time 26 AMXs got together in Southern California? Randy Kirby from the San Diego area won the top prize in the AMX class with his BBG 1970 AMX.

There were numerous fine looking Javelins with Jim Mitcham winning the 68-70 Javelin class with his silver 1968 Javelin. Did ya notice the 69 BBO Javelin belonging to Jonathan Feltis? Great paint job for being done in his back yard only weeks earlier. Tyler won the 71-74 Javelin class. As I write this article I'm missing some paper work to tell you what year Javelin he has. My apologies!



Stacy Thompson, with his 1972 Ambassador Wagon

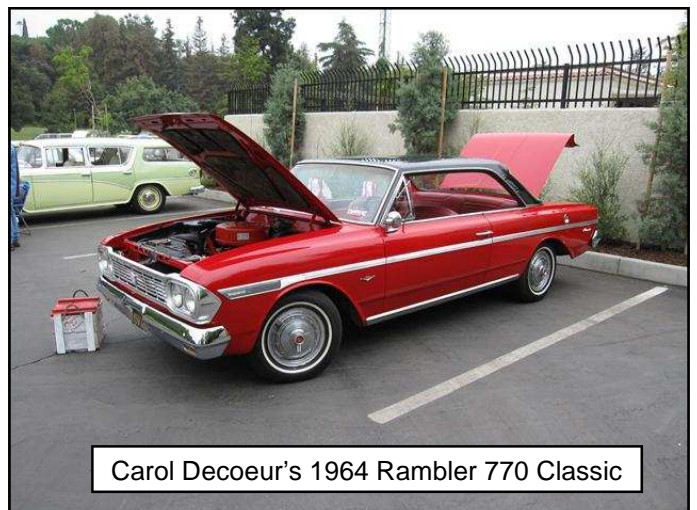
The show crowd was dazzled to see a fine pair of Pacers on hand, one belonging to Danny Barnett from Las Vegas and the other from the City of Orange belonging to Gary Spake. There were a few of just about everything



Mark Ogulnick, a busy AMC shutterbug..

AMC produced, including a Matador, three Gremlins, an Ambassador, and then an Ambassador Wagon owned by Stacy Thompson from San Diego which earned him the 1st place prize in the AMC class.

To talk about Ramblers I think there were a few less than last year, but that didn't stop Carol Decoeur, a new comer to SoCalAMX,



Carol Decoeur's 1964 Rambler 770 Classic

from winning the Rambler class with her beautiful red 1964 Rambler 770 Classic. Also had a pair of Marlins on hand to round out the Rambler class.

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In the months leading up to the show I was trying to find a Nash Healey to come to the show but struck out. To my surprise on show morn-



A 1954 Nash Healey!

ing a 1954 Nash Healey showed up and it was gorgeous, a true show piece!

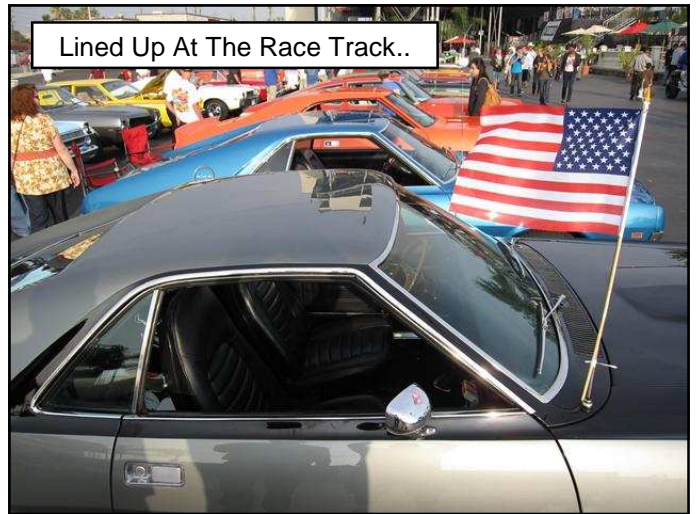
The true star of the show as it turned out was a 1946 Hudson Pickup owned by Lance Baroldi. Although I doubt the truck's Big Bad



Lance Baroldi's 1946 Hudson Pickup. Best Of Show!

Orange color is original, the truck was immaculate on all sides and ended up winning Best Paint and Best Of Show.

After the show ended nearly half of all the car show attendees convoyed to the Toyota Speedway to drive their cars on the track in front of the crowd just before the night's scheduled racing started. For participating in the track's "Club Night" function all were given free passes to stay and watch the races.



Lined Up At The Race Track..

The glue that held the show together was the girls in the registration tent, mom Kati Chick, and daughters Ashley and Karley. They did a superb job of handling check-ins, and the cash box! Working hard all morning and afternoon was Nat Powers who stepped up and handled the parking of cars in-between talking to other AMC'ers. He did a knock up job of keeping an eye open for late arrivals and directing them to their parking areas.

All in all it was a great day for AMC owners and fans. I am looking forward to next year and increasing the number of cars that show up and making it even a better show in 2010!



A Lot Of Happy Winners!

For complete pictures of the show go to so-cal-amxcarshow.info and click on the "Show Picture" links!

Your Car Show Reporter..
Mark Melvin

CAR SHOW COMMENTS!

I had a Blast ! I was hoping to see a few Rebels & SC/Ramblers, but ALL THOSE AMX's were Awesome ! Some sweet Jav's too. Thanks Mark !

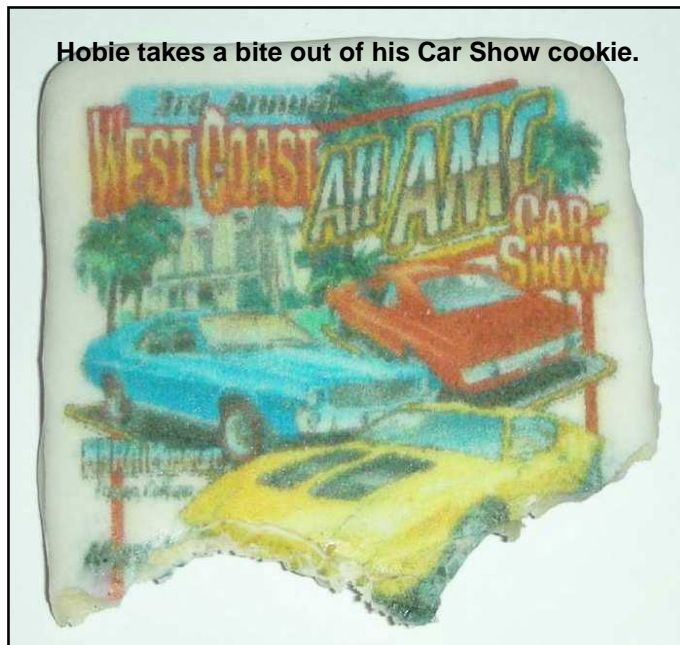
It was also fun burnin' a lit'l rubber at Irwindale also!

Yea, I know my group voted for my car to shut me up, but I saw 4 or 5 people I don't know write my car down also. I think it showed pretty good & it was the only BBG there, I think that helped. I was hoping maybe 3rd, then hoping 2nd after 3rd was called, then giving it up after 2nd was called. Wow, I was truly surprised; I want to thank everyone who did vote for me. I'm glad it wasn't a point system by a judge. I'm good now, I have a trophy, bring on the judges & let the real AMX's get the trophies ! I'm not an every nut & bolt AMC fanatic, I have always loved the AMX (even though I don't fit in it very good.) But I like Cragers, I like my aluminum dash, I have things under the hood that were not factory installed, & I'm fine with that !

I HAD FUN....

Again, Thanks Mark, & John. You guys got a lot of nice cars & nice people together, the weather was nice, as was the Museum & Irwindale raceway. I can't wait till next year. C U on the road !

*Randy Kirby
1970 BBG AMX*



Hobie takes a bite out of his Car Show cookie.

Congratulations Mark on yet another Super Tasty Car Show :-). 26 AMXs showed up. WOW! It must be some kind of a California Record? All I know is it was AWESOME!!! And I look forward to seeing all of you Next Time.

*Hobie Kaptan
1969 AMX*



Thanks for a great show Mark:

We had so many AMC's there, I've never seen so many together! It was a pleasure to meet all of you!

I hope that many of you will make efforts to support some of the many shows that a few of us attend through out the year.

*See you on the pavement!
John Caley*

CONCOURSE CAR SHOW

One week after the All AMC Car Show at the NHRA Museum two of our members were honored to display their cars at the 2009 Los Angeles Concours d'Elegance Car Show at the Rose Bowl. They were Steve Fox and his 1968 AMX, along with John Caley and his 1968 AMX.

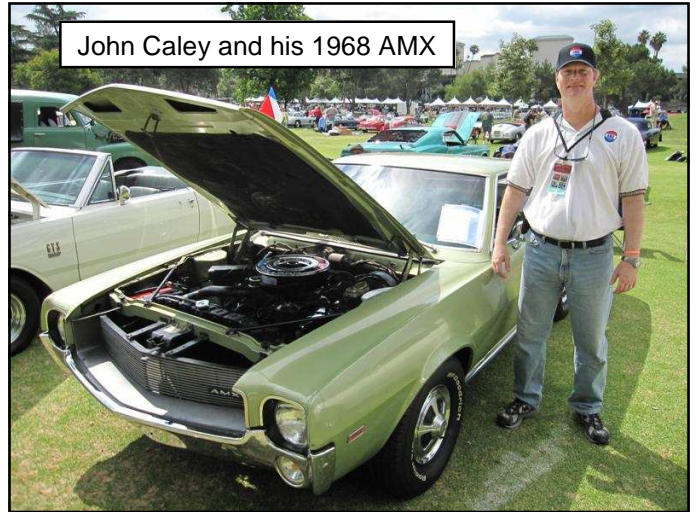


Steve Fox pulling up to accept his 3rd Place Trophy!



This was Steve Fox's AMX less than a year ago. Nicely repaired don't you think!!!

There were many fabulous cars to see, although two stood out from the others, which were a futuristic looking "Space Ship" car, powered by a true turbine engine, and a big honking, over sized, brute of a race car. The cost to get in was \$25 person, but worth it after you perused



John Caley and his 1968 AMX

through the lines of unique and beautifully manicured cars.

To see more photos of the car show use this link: <http://snipurl.com/lacon09>

Mark Melvin



Okay, I give up. What is it?



I think they went into the future and brought this one back with them in the time machine..

Newsworthy Nat

Tom Dulaney spotted an article online about the history of the AMX. The name in the article is none other than Nat Powers who was washing his car when spotted by a reporter. The full article can be read at the following link..

<http://snipurl.com/blackamx>



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.



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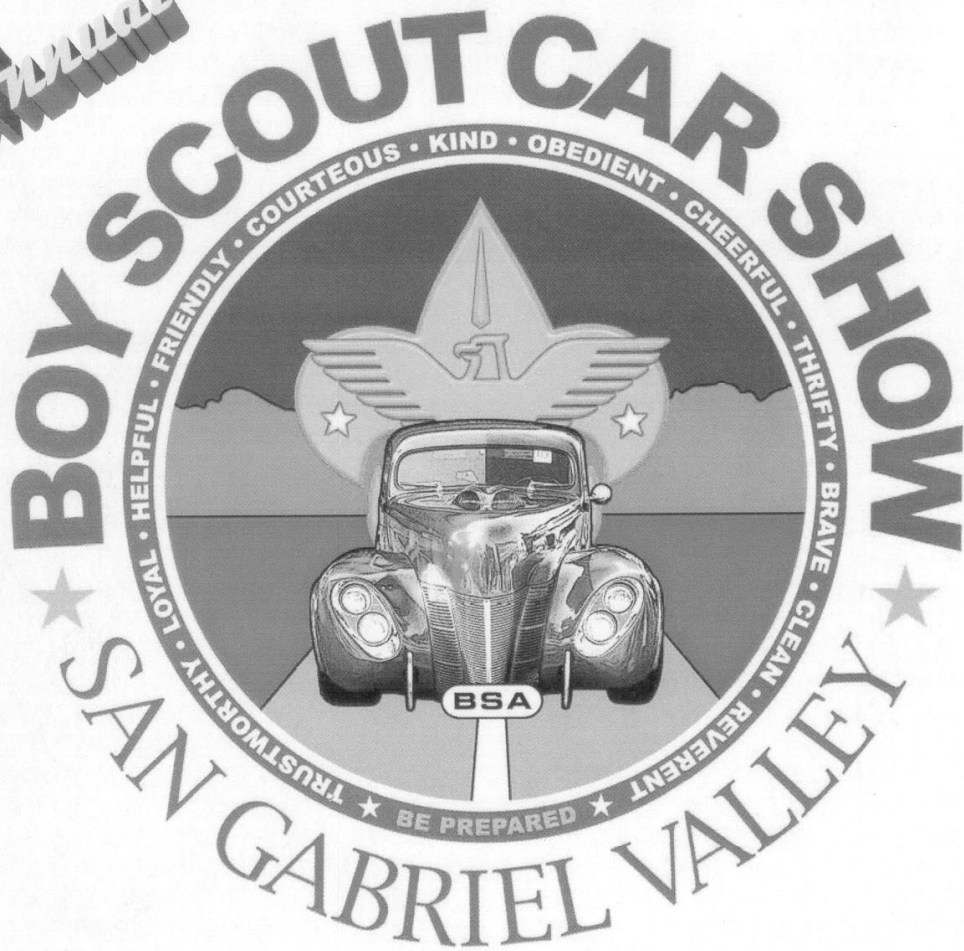
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Mark Melvin,
SoCalAMX Newsletter Editor

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