



# NEWS

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## Upcoming Events

- CCM General Meeting  
Tuesday May 7  
Hot Dog BBQ !!
- Maxwell Car Show and Parade  
Saturday May 18 -- FREE !!
- CCM Board Meeting  
Tuesday May 21
- ACCC Conference  
Wednesday & Thursday May 29-30
- CCM Day in the Park XXVI  
Saturday June 22

## CALLING ALL CLUB MEMBERS

We need all members to sign up for the various activities for this years Mopar Day in the Park car show on June 22. Areas where we need help especially are setup on the day before, raffle ticket sales and raffle booth staffing, food booth, judging, cleanup, awards presentation and photo printing. Come to the Meeting on May 7 to add your name to the sign up lists or call Tom Pluth @ (916) 283-6112 and leave a detailed message.



Have fun and meet your obligation! No, I'm not recruiting you to the armed forces... however some of us signed up as we actually believed that slogan back in the '60s and '70's. (Hey, we were young and dumb)

Mopar Day in the Park is Saturday June 22<sup>nd</sup>, and all members should participate with this event. Why? Because the car show is fun, the Club needs you, and you get free doughnuts and coffee.

One of the best jobs to volunteer for is parking duty. The parking squad assists the drivers with getting their show cars parked properly and in the correct place. Parking starts at 8 am and finishes at 10.

This is a chance for you to get close to some great cars while the engines are

running. Stand next to a '68 GTX Hemi powered car with all the noise and smells of an iconic '60s car, or talk to the owner of a new HellCat and listen to the smooth quiet idle. You can also chat with the owner of a car you really like.

Oh yeah, with over 200 cars expected to be on site that day, you'll get close to whatever type of Mopar you like. How about a restored 1953 Dodge Coronet, a 1963 Imperial (with a turning radius of a Little League infield), or new Hemi powered Charger? Don't forget the trucks and race cars. They are there!

I'll need about 10 volunteers to assist with the parking detail, and a few to help set up the parking grid. I can honestly tell you that this volunteer job is way better than being stuck on the condiment table, refilling catsup and mustard bottles. (Just ask John Gerson)

Sign up at the May meeting, or email me at [jack\\_porter@comcast.net](mailto:jack_porter@comcast.net) and I'll save you a spot. Sign up for the volunteer spot you want, or risk going home with catsup and mustard stains on your shirt. ★

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## CCM's visit to the National Auto Museum

In March a few CCM members and guests got out of our garages and went for a drive to Reno, to visit the National Auto Museum (The Harrah's Collection).

Jack Porter, our activities coordinator, organized this trip. A friend of Jack's is a museum docent and gave us a very great tour filled with lots of information; he also got our group in for free.

This Museum is one of America's top 10 automobile museums with over 200 cars and many other exhibits. It starts with the very first cars and includes an extensive collection of the first years of autos, as well as a very impressive bunch overall.

Some makes are represented by one (or more) car from every year of production. In addition they have some one-offs - concept cars or cars of which there are only one specimen left. We saw cars with radial

engines, steam engines, diesel, air cooled (not just VW), electric, and some very unusual methods of propulsion. We saw Lana Turner's car, the Edsels, the very first that won the 1908 race around the world, a Chrysler all aluminum ride from the '50's, some race cars, and even a surprisingly thorough collection of fashion to go along with the early cars.

Everyone had a great time viewing the cars and learning a little more auto history. We then stopped for a great lunch before a nice drive home.

Thanks Jack for spearheading this trip!



Lana Turner's 1941 Chrysler

1915 (the first) Dodge \$795



1959 Chrysler Scimitar all aluminum body



name this car



# This Month in MOPAR and Automotive History

## Cannonball Baker starts his first cross country run May 5, 2017

Erwin "Cannonball" Baker, the winner of the first race ever at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway (a motorcycle race in which he rode an Indian), took off from San Diego on this day in 1914 in his first of many runs across America. He reached his destination, New York City, riding an Indian Motorcycle in just 11 days, smashing the old record by 9 days. After the

incredibly quick run a journalist stated that Baker was faster than the Cannonball express train. The name stuck. To this day cross-country races, usually

unsanctioned and outlawed, are known as cannonball runs all across the world.

In the 1970s Car and Driver sponsored five Cannonball Runs, none were official races, yet they each gathered quite a crowd and allowed for numerous records to be set. They were conducted in protest of the 55 MPH highway laws that had gone into effect.

## Daimler-Benz purchases Chrysler Corporation May 7, 2017

On this day in 1998 Daimler-Benz



purchases Chrysler Corporation for \$36 billion. This deal is the largest acquisition of a US company by a foreign buyer. The sale proved to be quite beneficial in the short term, as stock prices rose quickly on the New York Stock Exchange, but the sweetness soon turned sour. In 2006, following a \$1.5 billion loss on the year, Daimler sold Chrysler to Cerberus Capital Management for a measly \$7.4 billion.

## Bye, bye Chrysler, Love, Daimler May 14, 2016



automaker Daimler sells off Chrysler to Cerberus Capital Management at a loss of \$650 million on

After just more than nine years of ownership German

this day in 2007. The deal is actually etched so that CCM purchases the brand for \$7.4 billion, but due to the ongoing loss suffered by Daimler since acquiring the Chrysler brand they never turned a profit on the transaction.

Chrysler Corporation included Jeep and Dodge at the time of sale (formerly included Plymouth and currently includes RAM). The transaction left Chrysler as an independent automaker. However on Jan 21, 2014 Fiat purchased Chrysler in a deal worth about \$3.65 billion.

## Slow down you crazy kids! (First speed limit in the US) May 21, 2016

On this day in 1901 Connecticut became the first state in the United States to pass a speed limit law strictly for motor vehicles. The law stated that on city streets



automobiles could travel no faster than 12 miles per hour and on country roads

the speed limit was set at 15 miles per hour.

Speed limits in the United States had been passed into law as early as 1652 for animal drawn wagons. The colony of New Amsterdam, which is now New York, had a regiment that stated, "[N]o wagons, carts or sleighs shall be run, rode or driven at a gallop." Drivers who disobeyed this law could be fined "two pounds Flemish," about \$150 in today's currency.

## The deaths of Bonnie & Clyde May 23, 2016

On this day in 1934 outlaws Bonnie Elizabeth Parker and Clyde Chestnut "Champion" Barrow are shot to death during a police ambush while driving a stolen 1934 Ford V8 in Bienville Parish, Louisiana. The two had met in January 1930 at a mutual friend's house and Bonnie was quickly smitten over Clyde. While she was married, her husband was also in and out of jail and they never crossed paths again after the fateful meeting of Bonnie and Clyde.

Clyde already had a lengthy criminal history prior to meeting Bonnie. He had been arrested for stealing cars, cracking safes and robberies of various stores. While in jail he killed a fellow inmate for supposedly sexually harassing him, his first murder. Over the course of four years there were numerous others who joined the Bonnie & Clyde gang, including Clyde's brother Buck and his young friend, W.D. Jones, who was 16 when he first got involved.

The gang is suspected of at least 13 murders,

including nine lawmen. While they were a violent gang they were most often sought for crimes relating to automobile theft. This was because Clyde fancied the new Ford V8s as they were extremely quick compared to most other vehicles on the road. Clyde went so far as to write Henry Ford a letter the month before he died. In the letter he writes, "While I still have got breath in my lungs I will tell you what a dandy car you make. I'm sure you've seen the letter."



## The first 24 Hours at Le Mans

### May 27

The first 24 Hours of Le Mans ended on this day in 1923. This first of its kind automobile endurance race



held in Le Mans, France began on May 26 with 33 cars and all but three finished. The winners of the race were Frenchman André Lagache and René Léonard who were driving a Chenard et Walcker Sport. They completed 128 laps, second place finished at 124. Originally the winner of the race was to be determined after three years of competition, combining the distance traveled over the race each year. This idea was abandoned after the first three years. The average speed of the race was 92.064 km/h, about 60 mph. The race has been held every year since 1932 except 1936 and the war years.

## The first Indy 500

### May 30, 2016

On this day in 1911 the first Indianapolis 500 took

place. Ray Harroun, an engineer with the Marmon Motor Car Company, won the race.



More Shows...

May 4, 8pm-3pm: Downtown Copperopolis Hot Copper Car Show, open to all years and motorcycles too! Vendors, raffles, awards, two full bars, breakfast, lunch

May 4, Grass Valley Downtown Car Show 2019. 1975 & older

May 4, 9th annual Century 21 Car Show in Lincoln, 10am-1pm Food, Vendors, Chili Cook Off, Awards, Live Music 916-408-3663

May 5 8am-4pm, 70th Downtown Fair Oaks Car Show. Classic Cars, Food Vendors, Raffle, Awards, Music & much more. 1974 & older street rods, vintage, classic, & muscle cars, trucks

May 11, 10am-3pm Back to the Street Car Show & Cruise in Downtown Woodland on Main Street. 1987 & older

June 1. Downtown Lincoln Car Show

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Fellow CCM Members:

Randy Wilson is holding his 22nd Annual Maxwell Classic Car Show on Saturday, May 18th in Maxwell, and is seeking a lot of nice Mopars.

The event is free and offers all the bells and whistles of a paid event!

Preceding the show is a parade (optional) and we offer the famous Chuckwagon Lunch.

For more information or an application, call Randy at 530-631-9824 or e-mail vicki-wilson@hotmail.com

Some of us are going to go up and be in the parade. If you want to join us, give Cindy a call at 916-759-5772

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SATURDAY, 14th Annual Salute Car Show and Cruise, Downtown Petaluma, 10AM - 8PM

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## MOPAR ALLEY'S 29th Annual

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Show 2019



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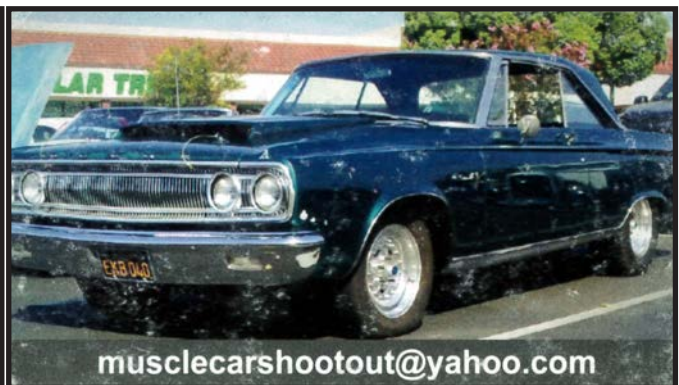
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**Event Schedule (club events in bold)**

5/5/19	Spring Turlock Swap Meet	Stanislaus County Fairgrounds	209-201-8491
<b>5/7/19</b>	<b>CCM General Meeting</b>	<b>California Auto Museum</b>	<b>Bob</b>
5/10/19	Auburn Cruise Night	5 - 9 p.m., Lincoln Way. pre-1972 only	530-878-7936
5/11/19	Berry Fest Classic Car Show	Placer Co Fairgrounds, Roseville \$15	916-947-0689
5/16 - 5/18/19	Petaluma's Salute to American Graffiti	Petaluma, CA	Check their website
5/16/19	Motherlode Cruise	Jackson CA 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. \$35	209-304-6269
<b>5/18/19</b>	<b>Maxwell Car Show</b>	<b>Car show, parade, &amp; events</b>	<b>Bob</b>
<b>5/29-30/2019</b>	<b>ACCC Conference</b>	<b>California Auto Museum</b>	<b>Bob</b>
6/2/19	Thunder Valley Show & Shine	Thunder Valley Casino 4-7 p.m.	
<b>6/4/19</b>	<b>CCM General Meeting</b>	<b>California Auto Museum</b>	<b>Bob</b>
6/3 - 6/4/2019	Good Guys Summer Get Together	Pleasanton CA (more info later)	
6/9/19	Mopar Alley	29th Mopar Rally at DeAnza College	
Date Pending	<b>CCM Show goody bag assembly</b>	<b>Mark Perry's house</b>	<b>Mark &amp; Cindy</b>
6/21/19	Mopar Car Show Set up 2 p.m.	Hagen Park, Rancho Cordova	Tom
6/22/19	Mopar Day in the Park	Hagen Park, Rancho Cordova	Tom



**Feedback Please**

What do you like or not like about our newsletter? What do you use the newsletter for? What do you want to see in it? How can we make it better? Call, text or e-mail Mark with your comments & suggestions. 916-956-8863 mark@chlng.com

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**Guest Speaker Ideas Wanted**

*We are looking for ideas and suggestions for guest speakers to appear at our monthly General Meeting. In the past we have had insurance agents, oil industry experts, DMV officials, an expert from the WPC museum, and various others. These speakers provide information and entertainment for the meetings and are always appreciated.*

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Remember the ACCC  
Conference May 29-30.  
Volunteer to need help  
with the BBQ lunch.



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## What We're All About

Capital City Mopars (CCM) provides a place to share your enthusiasm and knowledge about Mopars and enjoy the company of other Mopar enthusiasts. CCM membership is open to anyone interested in Chrysler Corporation or American Motors vehicles who are eighteen years or older and have a valid drivers license. Annual membership dues are \$36 for regular members and an additional \$6 per co-member. One co-member is allowed for each regular member. The co-member must reside in the same household and be eighteen years or older. All members and co-members are required to participate as worker/chairperson in at least one function per year, and everyone must work at the annual car show.

## The Lunch Bunch

Several CCM Members have been meeting for lunch at various locations in town, on the last Wednesday of the month - next one will be May 29. They call themselves "The Lunch Bunch". This is an open invitation for anyone interested in attending. Time is usually 11am. John Riordan is the organizer and you can call him at 415-823-7009 to get on the list.

John will call a few days before each to let you know to what restaurant the group will be going.

## Donate Raffle Prizes

Got any items that you don't need? Something you bought and never used, or won at a previous raffle? Consider donating them to the Club, as raffle prizes for the General Meeting or the annual Car Show.

**DMV Help Line (916) 657-6560**

**Note:** Complimentary car club member passes to the California Auto Museum can be obtained from President Bob Berry or Treasurer Norm Benedict. Passes can also be mailed with your newsletter when requested.

## CCM Members!

Got a business?

Provide a business card and it will be printed  
in the pages of CCM News - free!

## Next Meeting

Tuesday May 7

7:00 pm

California Auto Museum

2220 Front Street, Sacramento