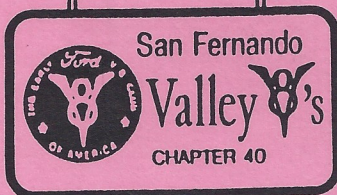
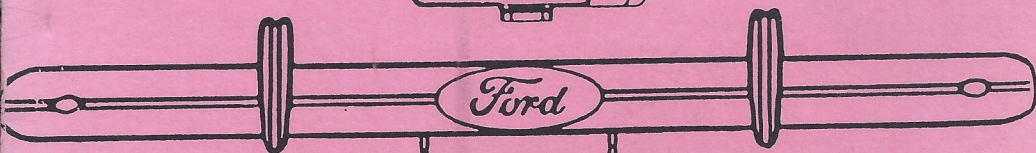
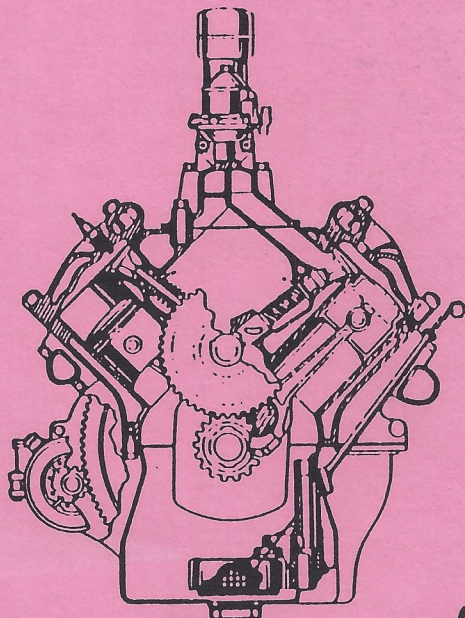




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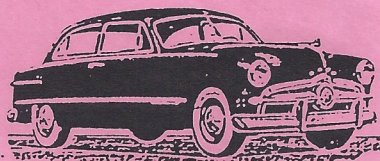
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Hello to everyone,

It looks like maybe the cold, unpredictable weather is behind us and that means that we can take our old FORDS out more often.

For those unable to attend the Hooky Day tour on May 12, you really missed a fun and interesting day.

We started the day at the Durkee's with a great barbecue lunch and checked the progress of Don's '40 pickup. We drove the backway to Moorpark and cruised leisurely through High Street and over to Fillmore and Santa Paula to Ojai.

Our thanks to Merle and Melanie Fourez for their hospitality including a tour of his garages and delicious snacks and drinks on their patio. Then, on to the unique home of Elmer and Joan Swift for a tour of his garage complex and old cars, including a couple of very nice 34's. They built their own home which is typical of the 1930's including fixtures and furnishings.

Be sure to include our upcoming tours in your schedule.

Hope to see you all at Baker's Square on June 1. We've had a very active year so far and it's been a lot of fun. Join us because "the more - the merrier".

Thanks for all your support.

Rose

Editor's Corner

Both Rose and Patti talked about the Durkee mid week tour, so no need to rehash that, other than to say that the Durkees once again outdid themselves. Also, a special thanks goes to Vince Barisic. Not only did he man the charcoal, but he also stayed behind and cleaned up, after the rest of us left on our journey. For those of you that haven't heard Vince is giving up the reigns of the Ventura Presidency, as he and Sandy relocate to Pollock Pines, (Gold Country) . Vince has passed the gavel to our own Lesley Littner, who will complete Vince's term (and probably a year, or two more) as president of the Ventura V-8s. Congratulations Lesley!

It was good to see Ed Warnock at our last meeting. Ed's been busy with his weekly commute between L.A. and Atlanta, Georgia, where he's a flight simulator instructor for Delta Airlines. He's also been busy with plans for his new house and garages, east of Placerville, where he plans to eventually retire. With Ed and Vince both moving to the gold country, looks like Tomy Thompson will have some company for his Fords.

You may have heard that Dennis Keene has joined the executive ranks at Home Depot. Said he's been busy and didn't have time to get his program information to us. He said do not fear though, since Durkee will be here, with a program on paint preparation at our June 1st meeting. Speaking about Durkee, seems he's taking a lot of ribbing from the Conejo Valley guys, for running out of gas on the Cambria tour. Mary says that was nothing, she remembers a Sunday afternoon when he ran out of gas twice; first with the '36, then with the '40. Apparently Dave Gott, knows the drill too. He had to call the Auto Club, for a gallon, coming back from Ojai.

Thanks again to the Blackwells, Boskovichs and Di Fatta's, for a great tour to Cambria. Their hard work is much appreciated. ...On the subject of work, the year is almost half over and it's not too early to be thinking about officer positions for next year. So, if you have been in the club for more than two years and have never served as an officer, before you put your head on the pillow tonight, ask yourself, what am I contributing and how can I pitch in? Then talk to Rose at our next meeting and let her know you're available.

New Members: David & Helen Conway ... '35 Ford Pickup
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Calendar

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| June 1 | Meeting ... Baker's Square |
| May 22 | Tour to Roy Roger's Museum (Leave Baker's Square at 8:00 a.m.) |
| June 6 | Sunday Malibu Brunch tour (Leave Woodley Park 10:00 a.m.) |
| June 21-25 | Western National Meet ...Dana Point |
| June 27 | Literature Meet, Irwindale Speedway
'40 Ford Day, La Palma Park |

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

MAY 5, 1999

PATTI SMITH

Meeting called to order at 7:30PM by President Rose Gott. We had 3 guests present, Richard and Judy Chutok. Actually they were former members who rejoined the club. Richard and Judy have a '40 Pickup, '34 Cabriolet, '39 convertible, and a '39 Fordor. David Conway (Helen) was our other guest. David has a '35 Pickup. David also joined our club. Please be sure to welcome our newest members.

Old Business: The Spring tour to Cambria was a great success. A special thanks to the Blackwells, Boskovichs, Ben and Isable DiFatta, and Bub and Pat Phillips. You guys were fantastic! THANKS!

The Garage Sale raised \$500 for Jerry Case. A special thanks to the Cowans, Boskovichs, Gotts, Stouts, Keene, Kemmerers, and Wolfs for helping.

A great Hooky Day Tour took place on Wednesday, May 12. We met at The Durkee's for lunch then toured to Ojai. It was a gorgeous day for a fun tour.

Race Day was Saturday May 15. The Ventura and Valley groups met at the Ventura Race Way. After a special parade lap each car received two pit passes to the races.

There is a National Director position open. If you are interested, please call Rose Gott 818/767-6153 for further details.

New Business: Saturday, May 22 there will be a tour to Roy Rogers Museum followed by lunch. We will leave Baker's Square at 8:00AM. Please call Steve Boskovich at 818/341-6876 to sign up.

Sunday June 6 there will be a Malibu Brunch Tour, we will leave Woodly Park at 10:00AM and drive to Malibu for brunch. Call Joe DiFatta 818/700-1939.

Gerry Blackwell reports she is busy planning our Fall Weekend Tour to Sequoia. This will be the first weekend in November. She is also thinking about a tour to Yosemite, maybe next spring.

Lady's Door Prizes: Karen Lehman and Gerry Blackwell both won Coke Gift Sets.

Name Badge: Gary Glass won \$20.00.

Our speaker for the evening was Art Bjornestad. Art is the Past President of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors. The program included a brief history of time and time keeping. Art also spoke about clock collecting, introducing us to United and Master Crafter Clocks. They are mechanical clocks that can be found in antique stores for \$20 to \$100. They would be a fun and inexpensive way to start clock Collecting. Thanks, Art for a great program.

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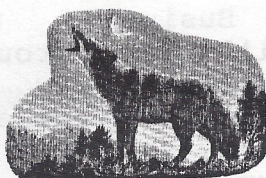
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* Hi John, I've written to you several times and even sent you a fax, but you haven't printed my question. What type of letter, or fax, do I have to send to get an answer?

G. G.
Moorpark, CA

... *This type !*

* How can I tell the difference between a '40 Ford car heater and a '40 Ford pickup heater?

Don Durkee
Thousand Oaks, CA

... *They're the same configuration, Donald, but the pickup has a draincock on the bottom and the core water necks are a bit longer, on the pickup.*

* Say John, with summer coming on, what do you recommend we use as an additive in our old Ford cooling systems?

Jake
Burbank, CA

... *The same thing as in the winter, as long as your car is garaged and driven in southern California. I, as well as Jerry Jensen and others have had good luck with PenCool. Unfortunately the only place we seem to be able to find it is at truck stops and garages, such as Kenworth in Sun Valley. It comes in half gallons but you only need a pt. per 4 gallons.*

Who is he?

To look at this guy you'd think he's about ready to qualify for his first social security check. Talk to him for a couple minutes and he's quick to tell you he was a teenager when FDR ushered in the "New Deal" and the Social security system.

Born in Glendale and raised in Eagle Rock, his first car was a 1914 Model T. Wasn't long before he knew he wanted to go a little faster and put a V-8 in the T. Following a stint of street racing, he and his pals became regulars at Muroc. After being discharged from the service, in the late 40s, he opened an auto repair shop, in Glendale, with his partner Bruce Robinson. Wasn't long before they were running a track roadster on Saturday nights and then pulling the engine and putting it in his '32 Roadster to run at El Mirage on Sunday. If they got lucky, they made it back to the valley, in time to get a run in at Saugus or San Fernando Drag strips. They also spent time working with A. J. Watson, before he moved his operation east.

Cars and racing weren't his only interests. Family played a big part, too. He and his wife Barbara have five children, including twins and will soon celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. In addition to driving race cars, he also flew experimental aircraft and still holds a valid pilot's licence. His current projects include a '48 F1 Flatbed, that is almost completed and a '54 pickup, that he has owned since 1956. Although the current roster says he joined the club in 1996, he has been a member off and on since the early seventies. You can catch a glimpse of some of his past cars in Don Montgomery's books, including a last page shot of his '32 Roadster, sporting an "Eagle Rock Thompers" club plaque. ... Give up? See page 12

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Letter to the Editor

May 11, 1999

Dear Valley V-8 members:

To know how to approach letting you ladies and gentlemen of the Valley V-8s, (and a few outside the club, I've been told) how Suzanne & I feel about the generosity & kindness you all have bestowed on us, is a near impossible task. *Shocked, Overwhelmed and Grateful* are a few of the things that come to mind.

Changing the subject, for a minute, Suzanne is finally back to about where she was before this last series of hospitalizations, that started in January and wound up with her on life support for a lot of February. It's been a long trip back, but she can finally take care of herself pretty well, now. As many of you know, she's been fighting emphysema for five years, so she's weak, at best. But back to being just weak, sure beats where she's been this year.

Now back to what you all did for us. The knowledge that we have the quality of friends that know me well enough to read between the lines, that I was in trouble is incredible. I never did cry out, help! Too much pride, I guess. But, I/we were in deep trouble and had exhausted just about all options to raise money. I had lost hours & hours of work time, bills piling up, just didn't know where to turn. It's impossible to describe the flood of emotions I experienced when Mr Kent Lowry contacted me about an emergency repair on his retractable, but in reality turned out to be an envelope full of cash and a description of the plan for the funds etc..

Now that Suzanne's stronger, I'm back at work full time. With the injection of money, you all provided, it's given us just the boost we needed to get back to holding our own. What a relief after several months of sinking, while putting out maximum effort.

I know there is nothing in the rules and by- laws of the club even remotely regarding what you all did for us, but we do profoundly thank you all.

Happy V-8ing to all
Jerry & Suzanne Case



JUNE BIRTHDAYS



2	Harold Johansen
3	Jerry Jensen
6	Don Stout
7	Larry Caplan
7	Al Spencer
7	Karen Lowry
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23	Chuck Mair
23	Al Rohrer
24	Barbara Sadd

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- 1 cup water
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 to 1/4 teaspoon crushed red peppers
- 1 can (16 ounces) red kidney beans,
drained
- 1 cup uncooked regular rice
- 2 medium green peppers, cut into 1
inch pieces
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1/2 to 1 teaspoon curry powder
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Heat oil in 10 inch skillet until hot. Cook and stir beef in oil over medium heat until brown, about 15 minutes. Add water, bay leaf, 1 teaspoon salt and the red peppers. Heat to boiling; reduce heat. Cover and simmer 45 minutes.

Drain beef, reserving broth. Add enough water to reserved broth to measure 2 cups. Mix beef, broth and remaining ingredients. Pour into ungreased 2 quart casserole. Cover and cook in a 350° oven until liquid is absorbed 45 to 50 minutes. Serves 6.

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See David Gott for any corrections and/or clarification:

Steve Boskovich	17	Dick Stones	16
Bruce Blackwell	14	Al Rohrer	12
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Dennis Keene	15	Jerry Jensen	13
Dave Gott	15	John Wolf	15

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'68Plymouth Baracudda (Runs great) (818) 761-1734.

'30 Model A Coupe ... Early 1900s Hallet Davis Player Piano
(Restored in early '80s) ... Complete Set of Fordiana Series Books (6)
Signed & Numbered by Lorin Sorensen ... Complete Set (22) of *Ford
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through volume 3-4) Let's Talk! ... John Kemmerer (818) 843-2138.



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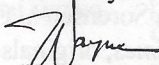
Dear EFV-8 Members,

Here are some highlights from the April National Board Meeting:

- When renewing your membership, please check the 1999 Membership Roster and use the new legends for your cars (note: all years of Lincoln are now covered). Also, I would appreciate your comments on what you would like to see in our Roster. Do you want any additional information, format change, deletion of info or separation to an individual booklet?? Please let me hear from you.
- I encourage you to join SEMA (Specialty Equipment Market Assoc.) Their membership is FREE and they will keep you aware of negative (or positive) legislation having an impact on our hobby (application form enclosed). *
- A "25 Year" membership pin is being designed. I should have more on this after the July Board meeting.
- A new "Youth Restoration Program" was approved and a brief outline will be in your next V-8 Times, with more details to follow. Active support by all Regional groups will insure its' success.
- A bid was received and approved for the Eastern National Meet to be held June 4-7, 2001. However, we have yet to receive a bid for a "Western" meet in 2000! Please talk to me on this.
- One California National Director position (mine) will be voted on this summer and I will not be running for another term. As of this date, no one has filed. Please give this your serious consideration, and call me if you have any questions. The basic filing requirements are outlined on pages 12 and 13 of your March/April V-8 Times, and the deadline is May 15.
- Attention Newsletter Editors: Are you sending a copy of your letter to Mickey Holton? This is a fun competition. Also, if you participate in his "network", you get good feedback and articles from other editors.

I hope to see you all at Dana Point.

Sincerely,


Wayne

* See Rose Gott for form

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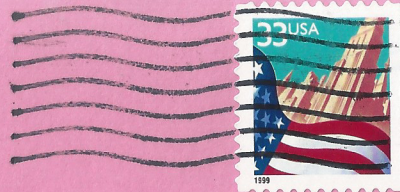
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