



October 2023

DRIVE LINES



CAR OF THE MONTH

1940 Ford Deluxe Tudor Sedan

Owner: Stan Miller, Past President

Message from Prez Jim Ellerbrock

September 19, 2023

Thanks to all who attended the September 5th meeting. Thanks to our speaker, Pin Striper, Johnny Martinez. He was very energetic as he explained how he got started what he does. Johnny started to pin stripe when he turned 60 and is self-taught. A great inspiration. Thanks also to Joanie and Kenny for inviting him and again to Joanie for taking the minutes.

Those of us that attended the annual BBQ at Steve and Sue's had a very enjoyable time. Rex Jaramillo gave a report on members that we have recently lost. Each one will leave a memory with us as they were all active in the club. Entertainment was again provided by the "Sugar Sisters" singing hits from the 40s and 50s. The weather was warm but not unbearable. A good time was had by all.

Ernie has a driving trip planned for this Saturday the 23rd. Please let Ernie know if you have ideas for future outings. We need more participants.

A few of us are planning on attending the play, "One Night in Memphis" at the Fred Kavli Theater in Thousand Oaks on September 30th, at 3:00 PM. Tickets are still available. We will be getting together after the show.

Remember that the Club Auction will be at our next meeting, October 3rd. bring in all of your priceless family heirlooms.

A discussion was held on donating to the Maui Relief effort. A donation of \$1000 was suggested. A few of the members encouraged the idea to increase the donation to \$2000. Sue Boscovich has contacts in the Catholic Relief Organization. No fees will be deducted. More details to come.

Again, please encourage the recruiting of new members. A welcome goes out to our new member, Louis Buono, who was recruited by Joanie and Kenny.

See you next meeting.

Recommended Cruise-ins:

1. Every Thursday morning at Earl's Donuts (Steve's Donut Run) at 8am at 20429 Devonshire & Mason in Chatsworth.
2. Every Fri night at 4pm-8pm at Bob's Big Boy in Northridge at 8876 Corbin Ave. @ Nordhoff Way
3. Every Tuesday Night a 6pm in Chatsworth at 18090 Chatworth starting a 6pm.
4. On the 2nd Saturday of every month, 5pm-9pm at the "Route 66 Classic Grill" with a small \$10 entry fee. Has a Live band playing too!
5. On the first Friday of the month (April-October) The Santa Paula Cruise Night starts at 5pm in Downtown Santa Paula between 7th St. and 10th St.
6. The Coachmen Cruise Night in the Old Town Simi parking lot 2196 Tapo St. on the 1st Saturday 4pm- 8pm of the month April-Nov.
7. Every Sunday Morning 8am-11am Antique Adventures in Ventura Ca. 6587 Ventura Blvd.

Car of the Month

For some reason, since I was a child a 1940 Ford has always been my “dream car”. My wife and daughters knew this, and through the years I have received '40 model cars and t-shirts. At some point in around 2010 I was browsing them on eBay, following the auctions, and my wife saw that I was still dreaming of owning one. Much to my surprise, she started following auctions that I was following, and she actually decided that it was time for me to get one. There was one in particular I was following, and she zeroed in on that one, all without my knowledge. She had never bid on anything before, much less a car, but decided what her top offer would be and waited until a few minutes before the end of the auction. The rest is history, she was bidding against two other guys, and she won the car! She called me in, and told me I had a car. I was amazed, and very excited. The owner in Stockton had quite a few collectible vintage cars, and had hoped to open a destination restaurant with a car museum on the top level as an attraction. The city refused to issue the permit, and in an angry moment the owner decided to sell his collection. My good fortune! Next issue was to go see the car and drive it before handing over the cashier's check. We went to see it, and it was beautiful, but there was an issue with the brakes so I could not drive the car. We agreed that we would return when the brakes were fixed, I would drive it and then hand over the check. When I returned the car was ready for a test drive and all went well, so we paid the man and proceeded to arrange transport get the car home to Granada Hills.

The car is all original, with the flathead and still on a 6 volt system. Since I have owned the car I have improved the running of the car. At some point I discovered the original toolkit in an alcove in the trunk. I also discovered that it had been painted over the original paint, so I had the car stripped and repainted black. As a result of purchasing this car I entered a new phase of my life. It has led me into joining the Valley V-8 Club. I met a great group of guys.

Stanley E. Miller



Guest Speaker

Johnny Martinez




Our guest speaker for September was award winning pinstriper, Johnny Martinez, introduced to us by Kenny Sapper. Johnny taught himself the art of classic pinstriping at the age of 60 simply because he wanted to know how to do it. Attending and winning Grand National Roadster Shows, his time was interrupted as he and his wife fought off cancer simultaneously, only to return and pick up where they left off. He is most humble and appreciative for all he has and we were happy to have him as our guest speaker. Thank you Kenny for bringing him!

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Steve and Sue's Annual BBQ



It was another wonderful time hosted by Steve and Sue Boskovitch at their lovely Chatsworth home. We enjoyed barbequed burgers and chicken grilled by Jim Ellerbrock and Rex Jaramillo along with many delicious side dishes and desserts brought by other members. No one went hungry! We were also entertained once again by the delightful Sugar Sisters who took Steve's suggestion from last time and added "Make The San Ferando Valley My Home" to their repertoire.

Before we sat down to eat, Rex shared touching memories of four recent members we have lost: Bobbie Searl, John Wolf, Don Stout, and Jim Kelly. As he spoke of each, you could easily picture Bobbie carrying in those large plants for the Ladies Raffle, Jim Kelly's big smile after he made the long drive from Culver City to the meeting in his Pantera. And John Wolf, a quiet man prepared for anything who always had that part you needed with him when you were far from home on a car outing. And who could forget the Coffee and Cars get togethers at Don Stout's house and all the amazing memorabilia he had collected and displayed so perfectly! We miss them all.



Annual BBQ at Steve & Sue's September 10, 2023



Valley V8's Sept 2023 Minutes

Opening – Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm by President Jim Ellerbrock. Our newest member, Louis Buono, was introduced. He is the proud owner of a 1952 Ford with a H&H Flathead engine! We welcome you, Louie!

Dates to Remember – Our next meeting will be **October 3**. This is our BIG Yearly Auction. We need your very fine stuff that you would like to pass onto the highest bidder. This meeting will not have the normal 50/50 and Raffle. Please put it on your calendar!

Sunday, September 10, our annual BBQ at Steve and Sue Boskovich's home. This event will be passed by the time our Drivelines comes to you. We are all looking forward to the fun, food, Fords, and friends. Special entertainment is planned again from the Sugar Sisters!

Club Tour Plans by Ernie – ***Sat, September 23 a Driving Tour** starting at Park & Ride at the 118 & Stearns. We will travel the 118 to 23 to Filmore/Santa Paula onto Lockwood Valley Road, to Frazier Park. Stopping at Big Jim's Café in Frazier Park. Then take the scenic route home via Lake Castaic- *Music concert, **One Night in Memphis at the Fred Kavli Theatre** in Thousand Oaks. **Sept. 30, 3:00 pm** show. Great music from these artists, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, Johnny Cash and even Elvis. Please go online and reserve your tickets- ***Scott Doudrick's personal JPL tour, Tuesday, Sept. 26**. Call Scott 818-687-9836 ASAP before it's filled up - ***September 10**, Cops & Cruisers in Simi Valley – ***October 8**, Ponies by the Sea Car Show, Oxnard - ***September 9**, Cruisin' for a Cure, Costa Mesa

Ongoing – Thursday mornings at Earl's in Northridge – Bob's Big Boy in Northridge.

Valley V8's Sept 2023 Minutes cont

Review of Wings Over Camarillo, August 19, Car and Air Show. Ernie reported on the great afternoon many of us had! Due to Hurricane Hillary, the Sunday show was moved to Saturday. Highlights were the great Fly-bys, honoring our Korean War Vets. The F-18 was exhilarating! If you signed up for the event and could not go Sunday, your way is paid for the 2024 Show!

Treasurer's Report – Joanie Sapper presented to the club donating to the Lahaina, Hawaii Relief Fund \$1000. It was suggested by a member that we give \$2000. Approval by the club was unanimous.

Officers Needed – a Club Secretary to take care of monthly minutes AND a Drivelines Editor. On the National Club level, Jerry Littner needs a West Coast member to take over his job as member of the National Board of Directors. Call him if interested (818-632-9017).

Program – Ken Sapper introduced his friend Johnny Martinez, Pinstriper. Johnny began his artistic talent later in life. His story is very interesting. He has a 1929 Ford Model A Truck. We were grateful he shared with us, coming all the way from Ventura. Just look on U-tube or Google to learn more about this famous man.

And Finally –

50/50 – won by John Fredricks, \$43! - Name Badge, Gerard Buck! - Many lucky raffle winners thanks to Steve Lehman. – September birthdays were announced.

The meeting adjourned at normal time.

Submitted by Joanie Sapper Sept. 5, 2023

Wings Over Camarillo Air Show

Well to start with we were notified the Air show was cancelled on Sunday and that we could join the Saturday show with our tickets or they would honor our tickets for next years show. So Howard and I decided to notify our respective clubs by email to meet on Saturday instead of Sunday. So Howard and I drove in my 48 Plymouth and Rich Kimmel from the Studebaker Club joined us in his "Whatisit" Hot Wheels truck. We had a nice leasurly drive out to the Camarillo Airport but arrived a few minutes late of the 9am shutoff time but the guard came over and let us in because we were one of the Sunday entries. Due to the confusion of the weather and canceling of the Sunday show were not able to get in the Vintage Car Parade. However we did run into Ken & Joan Sapper of the Valley V8 Club that had come up with another club, they brought there beautiful 1932 Ford Roadster Highboy. We also saw Harvey Jacobs who drove his Model A Sedan with the Model A Club. So we had a small group of Valley V8 Club members there. Hopefully next years show will work out a little better. Of course there were many beautifully restored Air planes with all eras covered the 20s, 30s, 40s, World War II, Korean War, Vietnam and later Planes including a Demo of a F-18 Super Hornet that diffently woke up everyone. All in all it was a nice day not overly hot but we had our share of Sun. Hopefully next years Air Show will go off without a hitch!

Ernie Baily - August 2023

Wings over Camarillo



Valley V8 Birthdays



October	5	Kenneth Stanton
October	11	Dave Bergman
October	15	Rich Mottern
October	24	Leslie Littner
October	25	Al Mooney
October	29	Anne Marie Batesole

Annual Club Auction

Tuesday Oct 3

Bring things to sell

Bring \$\$\$ to buy

