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Here we are like kids in a Candy Store. It's not a dream; we really really are in the Candy Store Car Club where members can display their car when they aren't driving it to a show or to the race track. Everyone agreed this was a real treat.

ACTIVITY NOTICE

May 4-7, 2006 - Marque Madness at Laguna Seca (See page 6-7)

June 3-4, 2006 - NCKCC Mini-Carshow at Art & Wine Fest in Walnut Creek. (See page 3)

WORDS FROM THE PREZ

Well race fans, the time has come for MarqueMadness! I haven't heard from Terry as to how many of you have signed up for this event, but let me reassure those of you who have are in for a great time!

Prices are available on-line at the MM web sight. Also a word about the registration form. The updated one is also on the web page. There were not many changes from the one you received in the newsletter, but it would be a good idea if you have not sent yours in as yet to use their on-line method and pay with a credit card. The dates of the event is less than a week away by the time you receive this newsletter.

I made a mistake in last months newsletter about the pricing. There is a difference between the full event price and the weekend price. There is also a one day price for just race day. At first there was doubt about offering a one day price, but through Terry's negotiations one is available. The prices are as follows:

For car and driver:

4 Day package	\$120
2 Day weekend	\$100
1 Day Sat. or Sun	\$50

For Guest or passenger:

4Day event package	\$100
2 Day weekend package	\$80
1 Day Sat.or Sun package	\$40

Please check the MM web sight for activity's there are available for the days that you want to attend. They do vary.

Parade laps are Saturday at noon only. So if that is what you want to do the most, buy accordingly. Leanne and I will be involved with the Tour DE Vin (Wine Tour) most likely for Fri.and Sat. I will cut my tour short on Sat. so that I can be there for the parade laps!

There will be so much that you can become involved with! The choice is up to you. Try all days or one and see if you like this event. Terry says it will be a once a year thing as long as he can get the sponsorships to continue.

Just a reminder that the next weekend is the big Merced car event, and the Niles merchant Associations Spring Fling. Both are advertised on our web page under "Hotline". The Merced event is Friday night, Sat. and Sun. The Niles event is Sat. only from (officially) 9AM to 3PM.

If you are interested in the Merced event, contact Greg Hampton, our secretary, at 209-402-9748 or his e-mail unofun@aol.com.

If you are interested in the Niles event, contact me at 510-471-6411 or e-mail me at vnimus1@yahoo.com . I will get there early to reserve parking for the club members that want to attend. Registration for the Niles event is \$18 before May 1 then \$25 on the day of the event.

The weather should co-operate for all of these events. Time to check the oil, polish the paint, and clean the windshield! Another driving season is upon us, so get out there and participate! See you soon!

ART & WINE FESTIVAL WITH NCKCC MINI SHOW

By Ruth King

The annual Walnut Creek Chamber "Art & Wine Festival" offers something for everyone - the wine connoisseur, micro-brew dilettante, art lover and sun-worshiper who yearns to relax in the grass with good music and tasty food. Scheduled for June 3 - 4, the Walnut Creek Chamber Art & Wine Festival 2006 is expected to attract more than 95,000 people to the bucolic and expansive Heather Farms Park during its two-day run. Celebrating its 25th year this year, the festival features wines from local and regional wineries, and beers from major breweries and local microbreweries. Dozens of local restaurants representing many cultures offer everything from snacks to desserts to full meals, and 200 artisans share their creative arts and crafts. The sounds of Big Band, rock 'n' roll, country, folk and jazz fill the air from two music stages. Entrance is free; additional souvenir wine and beer-tasting glasses can be purchased.

Our car club members

have exhibited their handcrafted cars for many years on a somewhat shady knoll. Bring extra shade if you like, bring a blanket or chairs, bring the kids or grand kids (there is fun for the kids as well, including a cute little train). Along with your handcrafted car, and your loved ones, bring pictures and stories of your car(s).

Paul King will need to know as quickly as possible if you will be attending on Saturday or Sunday, or both days, and whether you prefer to receive a free wine or beer glass (or one of each, for two days) so that he can get the glasses bright and early on Saturday morning. Paul's e-mail address is: aprhk@sbcglobal.net or call Paul at 925-938-3035 (you can leave a message).

Here is last years show. Can we make this year a bigger show?



COMING OUT PARTY **APRIL 8th AT “THE CANDY** **STORE”**

By Vern Hance

I thought we had a nice event with our visit to the Candy Store and it looked like everyone else was really interested in the many museum quality cars on display in spite of our slightly delayed starting time. The lunch at Zeyno's Mediterranean Grill, before the visit, was successful with 18 people in attendance and some good reports on the exquisite Salmon offerings.

There were 27 attendees at the Candy Store where we checked out and photographed the cars for about 45 minutes, then assembled in the library for a video report on the 2005 San Lenandro show, followed by a “not-quite-short-enough” business meeting to announce upcoming events.

Unfortunately we had agreed to conclude our Candy Store visit by 3:30 p.m. and we just plain ran out of time to do the proper recognition of our “Honored Guests”. As the organizer, I extend my apologies for this omission. The “New Member” honorees that attended included: Chuck Latty of Pacific Grove (Porsche 550 Spyder), Peter Kuendt of Los Altos (Just acquired Bernardi), Rick & Jeani DeLany of Valley Springs (Gatsby-type, under construction) and Greg & Lisa Hampton (M-B 540K,

Bernardi & Bearcat - at various times during the year)

In addition we salute Ted Evora of Union City for finishing his Cobra in the past year, Doug & Sandra Wallace of Daly City for finishing their '57 T-Bird replica and James & Wendy Wagner, Foster City, for finishing their newest kit car, a Fiero based ZR-2.

Other attendees included, David Jones, Bill Landers with guest Carmen, Ted Evora guest Dominguez, Marty & Bette Rosenthal, James McKarns with guests Jodi Sullivan & Clarence Zoller, Chuck & Sue Maddux, John Knebel and guest Mike Dinger and Vern & Carol Hance.

The weather was half-way threatening so we had a limited number of cars, I saw the Mercedes 500Ks of Chuck Maddux and Tom Wallters, Dave Jones Cobra and Peter Kuendt's Bernardi. There may have been others that I missed since we didn't have a single area to park.

Thank you all for attending and for those special Honorees please accept our salute to your recently completed creations and our pleasure at having many new members in the past year.

Some of the images of our event are shown on pages 5 and 8.



Blower Bentley (above)

1962 Ferrari 250 GT Spyder
(below)



Harry Garschagen introduces us to
the Candy Store Car Club. (above)



Mercedes 300SL Gullwing (right)

MARQUE MADNESS NEWS - April 22

Announcing a first time for MM – an opportunity to drive **Hot and Loud** Laps at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca. Thursday, May 4th, is a test day for many of the race teams that will be in the weekend races. We have been granted two (2), forty minute (40 min.) exclusive lapping sessions.

Do you and your car qualify? If so, go to www.marquemadness.com/activities/hotloud.php for the details. After reading the information on the web site, if you still have questions, please call the MarqueMadness office at 510-528-2050.

Another exciting announcement from your MarqueMadness team. Club Sportiva is sponsoring the Funcours at Marque-Madness. Club Sportiva, through their Club Membership & Daily Drives programs, bring you the ultimate sports car driving experience and all the pleasures of driving a classic car - without the hassles and costs of car ownership. Their collection consists of Ferraris, Corvettes, Bentleys, Jaguars, Morgans, etc.

Wouldn't you like to have in your office, bedroom or garage a trophy that reads 'Car that Club Sportiva would most like to add to their collection'? Be at Marque Madness, parked in the corral of your marque, and you just may be the lucky one! Members of Club Sportiva and their staff will be in the corral on Saturday. They are bringing five (5) of the Club's cars to be on display. They will be walking

the corrals and conducting the judging for the Funcours awards.

MARQUE MADNESS NEWS - April 25

We've just added 2 new Technology Sessions and a Leadership Forum.

Shell, our title sponsor, will be speaking on the topic: "Shell V-Power; the leading edge of performance fuels and what's in our future". Two sessions:

- Saturday, May 6th, 10:00–10:40 a.m.
- Sunday, May 7th, 10:00–10:40 a.m.

One of the topics we will be sure you hear about is how Audi R10 TDi, teamed up with Shell V-Power Diesel for "a resounding victory, making history as the first diesel-powered vehicle to win a major international race and it ran as smokeless as a Marin County bar" Denise McCluggage, Autoweek.

The second session will be Steve Dinan, of DINAN will be speaking on the topic: "Performance without sacrifice."

- Saturday, May 6th, 9:00 – 9:40 a.m.
- Sunday, May 7th, 9:00 – 9:40 a.m.

This is the same presentation he made at this year's Bimmerfest. How great for us that he was willing to give a repeat performance!

Both sessions will be held at: Skip Barber Racing School Classroom, Paddock Area, Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca

Seating for both of these presentations is very limited – so reserve your seat today. RSVP to www.marquemadness.com/contactus Select the day that you would like to attend. (There's no additional cost, it's included in your MarqueMadness ticket).

Rallye to Leadership Forum

The purpose of the Leadership Forum is two-fold: first, we believe that there will be value from club leaders meeting one another and developing ongoing supportive relationships. We all share a passion for our automobile and activities surrounding this hobby. It only makes sense that this common thread will be useful in developing our clubs, groups and establishing long term friendships. No reservations required. This year's topics are:

You and Your Car on the Track – Future Risks that could keep us and our cars home

Friday, May 5th 2:30 – 4:00 PM at Skip Barber Racing School Classroom, Paddock Area, Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca

This will be a roundtable discussion

among a group of professionals and enthusiasts that work on the inside of driver events.

“But nobody told me it would be like this!” – What happens to the club member when they become a club officer

Friday, May 5th 4:00 – 5:30 PM Skip Barber Racing School Classroom, Paddock Area, Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca

If you have been, or currently are a club officer, you can certainly relate to the title of this forum. If you are considering ‘throwing your hat into the ring’ to become an officer we want you too! Our panel is made up of car club officers, both old and new, so they will be speaking from experience. Our panelists are:

- Stan Ambrozi – Vintage Mustang Club
- Paul Ayers – Golden Gate Chapter Audi Club North America
- David Jones – Northern California Kit Car Club
- Myles Kitchen – Ferrari Club
- Steve Souza – Ferrari Club

Barry Trailer of CSO Insights will be our moderator for both sessions. With many years in sales training, Barry will insure that you get from this group what you came to hear/learn.



Zeyno's Mediterranean Grill where NCKCC members are enjoyin lunch before the Candy Store tour. (below)

James Wagner shows his Dad around the Candy Store. (above)



Tom Wallters discusses the features of this Classic Touring car with Bill Navratil. (below)



UPCOMING AUTO EVENTS OF INTEREST

May 13, 2006 - Niles Merchants "Spring Fling" car show. Niles District of Fremont. For more information go to <www.nilesmerchantsassociation.com>

May 12-14, 2006 - Springtime Reunion Car Show, County Fairgrounds in Merced. Has KitCar Class. Info? Go to <www.springtimereunion.com>

May 20 - 21, 2006 - Hats Off America Car Show - 3rd Annual Show in San Ramon at Bolinger Canyon Road & Camino Ramon. This is a two day show to honor American Soldiers who gave all in Iraq & Afganistan and benefits families of those servicemen. Display fee \$25 for one day \$40 for two. See www.nckcc.com for info.

June 25, 2006 - Palo Alto Concours at Stanford, 7:00 a.m to 4:30 p.m. Concours Field; Sand Hill Road & Pastuer Drive, Palo Alto. <<http://www.paconcours.com>>

July 4, 2006 - Morgan Hill celebrates the 4th of July and the City's 100th Anniversary from June 30 to July 4th. Greg Hampton urges NCKCC members to participate in the Parade and Car Show. Registrations must be sent before may 24th by individuals but we can parade as a club IF you enter NCKCC (Northern Calif Kit Car Club) on the "Club Affiliation" line. See www.nckcc.com for info.

July 18, 2006 (Fathers Day) The Towe Auto Museum will hold the "River City Roundup"

car show at the Towe Museum. Info? Go to <www.toweautomuseum.org>
July 23, 2006 - Pete Paulsen's 6th Annual "Hot August Nights" Rod, Custom, Truck, Motorcycle Show. Register 8 a.m, Show ends 3 p.m. Fee is \$22 before 7/16/06. Information at (209) 983-0271 or <www.petepaulsen.com>

July 29, 2006 - Arroyo Grande Car Sho Info? Check website: <www.arroyograndevillage.org/carsho.asp>

July ??, 2006 - Bethel Island 50s Bash Car Show in Bethel Island. Can't find the date yet, but suspect it is Saturday 7/22/06

August 20, 2006 - Pebble Beach Concours, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tickets \$150 in advance, \$175 at gate.<www.pebblebeachconcours.net>

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We welcome one new member this month.

Harry Craycroft lives in Concord, (925) 827-4616, and is building a Porsche Spyder 550 by Automotive Legends. It will be powered by a 2165cc engine fed by dual Webers and drive through a 3.88 Street-Pro tranny. He is most interested in shows but plans to participate in other events too. Harry discovered us on the internet.

Welcome Aboard and we look forward to seeing that completed car at our display events.

FOR SALE

COBRA Ford power, Jag rear-end. Silver w/ black interior. \$21,500 Call Bob Elster 707-938-3254 (1/02)

COBRA - VW KIT - 427 Snake body fits on your 3" shortened VW chassis. Two available; **reduced to \$2,200 from \$3,200** Call Wayne McAllaster (510) 656-5844 or E-mail 427medusa@sbcglobal.net (2/06)

FERRARI - TESTAROSSA Spyder. Based on 1989 Corvette with 350 V-8 engine and automatic tranny. **Reduced to \$12,000.** Contact Anthony Ramsinh (408) 268-6554 or e-mail aramsinh@aol.com (11-05)

MANX SR-2 - 1678 cc VW engine with 4-speed stick. New interior in 2002. Built in 1977 by present owner who has all receipts, etc. Includes a spare 1600 VW engine and extra parts. \$5,500. Call Don Wicks (707) 998-9383 or e-mail at dkwicks@mchsi.com (11-05)

MERCEDES 500K 4-PASSENGER. This all metal replica was built by H.T. Price with leather interior, 400cid Ford power, auto tranny, A/C, stereo/cassette, wood steering wheel. Call Diana (574) 277-3798. Write 51500 Orange Rd., South Bend, IN 46628-9419. (3/02)

MERCEDES 540K - Thoroughbred factory built. Datsun 240Z engine + 5-spd tranny. Mustang suspension. New paint, carpet, leather interior, tires & canvas cover. Only \$18,500. Vicki Cavaz (510) 769-1123 or Vicki1757@aol.com (9/05)

MERCEDES SSK (Gazelle) replica. 2.3 liter 4-cyl, 4-spd tranny. Excellent condition. **STILL FURTHER REDUCED** \$6,950 o.b.o. Norval Gryte 707-942-8215 or e-mail <gryte@calicom.net> (2/06)

PRICE REDUCTION!! Moving, must take loss to sell ASAP. - - - MERCEDES 500K - TWO Heritage turnkeys. Blue w/ black top & interior \$19,500 obo, and White w/ burgundy top & interior \$26,000.obo. Also: MG-TD (Fiberfab) red w/ white hardtop & interior \$5,500. J.D.Cellars 541-862-7112 (9/05)

MERCEDES 500K- HERITAGE Kit. Complet5e with rolling chassis and Chevy 350 TPI engine. Moving, must sell ASAP. \$9,000 obo. Call for details. J. D. Cellars 541-862-7112

MERCEDES SSK (Gazelle) MUST GO. Kit is complete and includes all necessary parts from Mercury Bobcat to complete the car. Call Mark at (916) 723-4954. \$1,000 o.b.o.

MERCEDES SSK (Gazelle) Parts: 4 fenders (brown), windshield, radiator shell, bumpers, interior leather and top (tan), tail lights, supercharger pipes, doors (yellow), latches, hinges, etc. Tim 510-278-3085 (04/05)

PANTERA Factory built, only one known to exist. Red w/ beige interior, Chev engine \$35,000 Call Bob Elster 707-938-3254. (1/02)

"Cars for Sale" ads in the Kit Car Sun are for members only. Rate is \$10 for 12 issues.

The kit car industry on the Internet:

kitcar.com
and
cobracountry.com

- Kit cars For Sale by Owner ...
- In 22 kit categories plus Cobras!
- Consumer Alert! (plus other coverage)
- Over 1200 web pages
- Pro tips on motorcar photography

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2006

- May 4-7, 2006 - Marque Madness event at Laguna Seca raceway. See <www.marquemadness.com> for more info and history from 2005 event.
- June 3-4, 2006 - NCKCC Mini-Carshow at Art & Wine Fest in Walnut Creek.
- July 3, 2006 - Torchlight parade in Benicia followed by dinner at a nearby restaurant.
- July 4, 2006 - Morgan Hill 4th of July Parade and Centennial Celebration.
- August 18, 2006 - Pacific Grove Auto Rally along 17-mile Drive & dinner. Registration and staging of cars, 1-5 p.m.Friday. This is the weekend of the Pebble Beach Concours
- September 9-10, 2006 - NCKCC "Handcrafted Auto Concourse" San Leandro
- October ???, 2006 - Wine Tour. Details TBA
- December ??, 2006 - Annual Brunch at TBA

DUES STATUS

Here are the names of 3 more people that have paid their 2006 dues. If your name was **not listed here or in the January, February March or April newsletter**, you won't get this newsletter, but you will receive a goodbye card.

Depew Lindberg Williams

It looks like we will lose about 30 members, but some of these come back when they get a "Sorry We Lost You" postcard.

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