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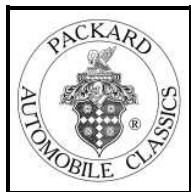
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Stan Baldwin

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Director's Report

by

Lee Kimball

I hope this message finds everyone enjoying this beautiful weather and taking advantage of the opportunities to enjoy the Packard legacy; whether a comfortable morning ride in "the silent boss of the highway" or maybe catching up on the club and its activities in the *Pious Pelican* under the shade of a big tree.

Since the last publication of the *Pious Pelican*, members enjoyed getting together with the Rolls-Royce club for a tour out to the Railway Museum in Suisun. You can find the details on that event in a feature article of this edition.

For those adventurous, the Western Regions Tour in mid May provided an opportunity for Packard enthusiasts from Southern California, Nevada and the host, your Northern California region, to get together for three days down in Morro Bay. Details on that event will be featured in the next edition.

This year is shaping up to offer more opportunities with automobile enthusiasts through joint participation in different activities; the June Napa-Sonoma Wine & Garage Tour with the Classic Car Club of America, the August Alameda Naval Air Station Museum Tour with the Cadillac-La Salle Club, and of course the annual Swap Meet with Packards International and the CCCA in Vallejo during the month of September.

Check these events and others in the event calendar of this publication or you can get further details on the club's website at www.norcalpackards.org.

If you have an idea for a tour and would like to host it please contact our Tour Director Larry Nannini. My wife Anne and I really enjoyed organizing the recent Western All Regions Tour, along with the great help of other club members.

The annual club picnic is just around the corner. Come on out and enjoy the fellowship and food. Meantime, travel safely and I hope you...

ENJOY THE CARS AND THE PLACES THEY TAKE YOU!

Lee

A Word from your Editor

Bud Juneau

WESTERN-REGIONS TOUR: The Western-Regions tour was a great success and will be featured in the July-August issue. Accolades are due to Lee and Anne Kimball whose hard work resulted in a very well-run tour that was enjoyed by all. The Babineau's '34 photographed from our hotel with Morro Rock in the background previews more to come next issue.



Technical Advisors

We thank the fellow club members listed below who have offered to try to help solve problems encountered by others when working on their Packards. If you can help with a certain area of expertise, please let Director, George Beck know, so we can add your name to the list. Although they will do their best to help, neither the club nor the advisor can accept responsibility for or guarantee the accuracy of suggestions.

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- MONEY CLIP, red, white, & blue hex hubcap design on brushed metal clip: \$8.
- LARGE OVAL LAPEL OR HAT PIN with Packard radiator + Packard script, red, white & blue enamel: \$4.
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- KEY RING WITH LARGE OVAL MEDALLION, Packard radiator + Packard script, red, white, & blue enamel: \$6.
- PACKARD SCRIPT HATS. BLUE HAT WITH GOLD PACKARD SCRIPT. HIGH QUALITY COTTON HAT WITH SWEAT BAND AND ADJUSTABLE SIZE: \$15 at meets, \$18 post-paid.
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FUTURE  EVENTS



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| June 22-27 | PAC National Meet – Des Moines, IA |
| June 29 | Napa-Sonoma County Driving & Garage Tour with CCCA |
| July 20 | Membership Picnic – Flood Park (Details to come) |
| Aug 3 | Carter Collection Tour - Los Gatos |
| Aug 24 | Alameda Naval Air Museum tour with Cadillac/La Salle Club
Short, informal Board Meeting to be held at meet. |
| Sept 7 | PAC/PI/CCCA Combined Swap Meet – Vallejo |
| Oct 18-19 | Gold Country Wine Tour – (Details to come) |
| Dec 7 | Holiday Banquet - (Details to come) |

If you have an idea for a tour contact, Larry Nannini, Tour Director, 650.992.2689
For more detailed information on events as it becomes available, check the Calendar page on the Nor-Cal Packards website at www.norcalpackards.org.

Health & Welfare

by Becky Schuette

As mentioned last issue, we have a new position on the board. I am happy to say I will be the contact person for Health and Welfare issues, this includes news to share with the club, send cards of Sympathy, Get Well cards, cards of encouragement, etc.

Pam Hill recently had arthroscopic knee surgery. Happy to report she attended the Western-Regions Tour in Morro Bay. She recuperated rapidly and is doing very well. It was nice to see her participating in all events. What a gal!

My hope is that this communication will prove to be of service to Northern California Packards, so please keep me informed of any family milestones or events.

Minutes of Board Meeting

June 1, 2008
Blackhawk Museum

The meeting was called to order by Director Lee Kimball at 1:05 PM. Members present: Lee Kimball, George Beck, John Kilkenny, Stan Baldwin, Becky Schuette, Hal Schuette, Fred Hill and Milton Wheeler.

The Board would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to Lee Kimball for the outstanding job done on the Western-Regions Tour.

Voted: A motion was made by Stan Baldwin and seconded by Hal Schuette to accept the March Board Meeting minutes. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Hal Schuette reported that our current available funds are up from last year. This is due to interest on our CDs and careful spending by the board. We are currently in good financial shape and should stay that way. The last two tours financially were on the positive side. George Beck moved to accept the treasurer's report with a second by Stan Baldwin; the motion passed.

Membership Report: Stan Baldwin, membership director, stated that we currently have 93 paid members. He will send out an update letter with corrections and new members. This can be placed in our current membership directory. George Beck then passed out a pamphlet on *Ideas for Building Your Club*.

Tour Director's Report: Tour director Larry Nannini was not there but Lee Kimball gave the following information: The Membership Picnic will be on Sunday, July 20 in Flood Park.

Hal Schuette gave a glimpse of what is planned for the Carter Tour on August 7. This is one tour you will NOT want to miss. He said that we should be honored because the Packard Club and the Duesenberg Clubs are the only two car clubs invited to visit the Carter Collection this year.

Lee Kimball is proposing a joint tour with the Cadillac/La Salle Club on August 24. More information to follow. There was discussion about whether we should have a board meeting during the tour. Lee will check out the possibility.

George Beck gave us information on the September Packard Swap Meet. He said that vendors have been informed and flyers were passed out. The Swap Meet will be combined with Packards International and the Classic Car Club.

Projects: John Kilkenny said that sales are slow but he sold all of the key fobs, however, he will order more. Lee will look into making a mold of the Packard Radiator with plans to make Packard Chocolate Bars. George Beck will make Packard Card stock for the Health and Welfare program.

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Our vintage 1914 "Salt Lake & Utah" private parlor car.



Phil Sherman's 1956 400 hardtop next to table with coffee & donuts.

Rio Vista Railroad Continued

parking at the front of the Jelly Belly factory.

All in all, this was a fun tour with a chance to meet some other car people and for all of us to view and admire some very beautiful representatives of each other's marques. It was a trifle windy at the Railroad Museum, so not every thing was perfect., but I believe that all those who attended had a very enjoyable tour. Also there was a quiz of Packard and Rolls-Royce lore won by Ms. Carlen Colgett of the Rolls-Royce Club. Our Director, Lee Kimball had the highest score for members of the Packard Club. Packard Club members and guests who attended this event included:

Mark and Kay Barchas driving their 1940 Packard 160 touring sedan
George and Eddie Beck driving their 1937 Packard 1500 touring sedan
John and Arlene Brazil driving their 1947 Packard Super Clipper
Robert Coffin and Gordon Pratt driving Robert's 1951 Packard 300
Bud Juneau driving his 1937 1508 V-12 Packard touring sedan
Lee and Anne Kimball and their daughter Sarah
Anthony Koepfle
Jeff Mihaly and Beth Eng driving their 1937 Packard Super 8 touring sedan
Wayne Parsons and Roger Brennan driving Wayne's 1956 Packard 400
Philip and Susan Sherman driving their 1956 Packard 400



Wayne Parsons' 1956 400 hardtop.

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Parades and Events: There was discussion about having a web page to announce parades and car events. There was a consensus of opinion to keep it simple and not have a specific web page.

Historian's Report: Fred Hill, the club Historian, reported that he has most all *Cormorants*, *News Bulletins* and *Pious Pelicans* since the early 1970s. He is still looking for club publications from the 1960s. If you have any of these publications and would be willing to give them to the club, please contact Fred Hill. He currently has multiple copies of the *Pious Pelican*. What to do with them? George Beck suggested that we announce in the *Pious Pelican* and on the Web Site that these are available to club members.

George Beck moved and Stan Baldwin seconded that we send Packard Mugs as a thank you to families who helped Lee with the Western Regions Tour. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by
Milton Wheeler, Secretary



All aboard! See next page...

Where We've Been The Rio Vista Junction Railroad Museum

Text by Phil Sherman

Photos by George Beck, Bud Juneau & Phil Sherman



On April 19, 2008, 23 members including guests of the Northern California Packard Club met for a special tour shared with a like number of members and guests of the Northern California Region of the Rolls-Royce Club. The tour was hosted by Philip Sherman for the Packard Club and Patricia Lopez of the Rolls-Royce Club. Members of both clubs met at about 10:30 AM at the Western Railway Museum in Suisun, for a special spring tour of the countryside in an antique parlor car. The Museum has a special collection of electric powered locomotives and trolleys, and our parlor car was pulled by such a locomotive at our 11:00 AM departure. What kept going through this observer's mind was that we could look to updating the solutions of the past to help with our current issues of high fuel costs and Global Warming.

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George Beck was kind enough to take this group photo of Packard Club members who filled the observation platform and the tracks below after we returned from a "Wildflower Viewing Excursion" into the nearby countryside.

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The ride through the countryside showed us a pastoral side of our area as the parlor car went at a leisurely pace through the farm land. We were treated to lemonade and cookies while our conductor told us some local railroad history while pointing out varieties of wildflowers and historic sights . After the tour, some of us were invited to a tour of the Museum's Restoration Shop. Other members looked at the Museum displays while others set up a picnic lunch at the Museum's picnic grounds. Packard Club members brought their own lunches while the Rolls-Royce Club hosted a gourmet Pot Luck worthy of the Rolls-Royce name. Some of us, including your host, were able to sample their wares and came away very impressed with their spread. Rolls-Royce Cub Hostess, Patricia Lopez correctly noted that Pot Lucks should also be set up for future Packard Club events. At 2:20 PM, the tour at the Western Railway Museum broke up with some of us going on to a special VIP tour that had been set up with the famous Jelly Belly Factory in Fairfield. One of the Rolls-Royce Club members knew people at the Jelly Belly Factory, so we were shown parts of the plant that others do not get to see plus the Jelly Belly Factory was very generous with some gifts at the end of the tour. Our cars were also given special VIP

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Comfortable swivel chairs, original leaded glass windows, and authentic smoking tables marked "Pullman" added to the ambiance.



Mark & Kay Barchas' 1940 160 touring sedan and George & Eddie Beck's 1937 Super Eight sedan.



John & Arlene Brazil's 1947 Super Clipper sedan & Bob Coffin's 1951 300 sedan next to one of the Rolls-Royces.

All aboard at Rio Vista Junction



**Bud Juneau's 1508
Richard Murray's Rolls
by the 1914 Parlor Car we rode on**

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