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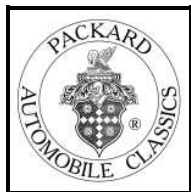
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## *The Pious Pelican*

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Director's Report

by

David Pava

I would like to thank Bob McCoy for coordinating our recent Garage Tour along with Ron Carpenter and Fred Hill for opening their shops and making that event a huge success. Several of us left with serious case of garage envy! By the time you read this our scheduled April tour to Ardenwood Farm in conjunction with Packards International will be behind us – but based on the number of sign-ups this should be a very well attended event.

We are fortunate to have many tours and other activities planned for your enjoyment during the next several months. In May, our club hosts the Western All Regions Tour in Calistoga, at this point 22 Packards are expected and their may be room for a few more ... if interested contact me no later than May 1. The WRT will be followed by the GoodGuys Summer Get Together Car Display and separately the Hayes Mansion Tour in June. In July, we will again join with the Cadillac-LaSalle Club for a lovely picnic in Menlo Park. Many of our members will be showing cars in August at the Hillsborough Concours which will feature Packard's this year - and our of course our annual Swap Meet is scheduled in September. There are more events in the early planning stages for October and November and we will be returning to Zio Fraedos on December 4, for our annual Holiday Lunch.

The most current information on these and other club events is always on the calendar section of our website – [www.norcalpackards.org](http://www.norcalpackards.org). **Please note, in an effort to operate the club more cost-effectively the board has decided to eliminate mailing individual fliers for tours and other club activities.** Email announcements will replace all individual tour and activity announcements. *The Pious Pelican* will continue to be printed and mailed approximately every other month, and - as in the past - will include a list of upcoming events. If you are hosting a tour or other club event be sure our editor, Bud, has the information to include in the *Pious Pelican* well in advance so your event can be appropriately publicized. A list of planned activities was also published on the back cover of this year's roster – but since dates and events are subject to change – the best source for the most current tour information is our website.

I look forward to seeing you down the road,

David Pava

## A Word from your Editor

### Bud Juneau

Well, Spring is finally here, but the light rain and showers just won't give up. We have some nice tours coming up with the Western Regions tour in May being next.

The San Jose history tour looks interesting; there's more information on it on page 17.

Hal Schuette has arranged for Packard to be the featured American Marque at the Hillsborough Concours on August 28th and we are hoping for a nice Nor-Cal turn out. See details on page 9 of this issue.

Happy Packarding to all.

### 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, David Pava 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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**Board Minutes  
April 10, 2011**

Members Present: David Pava, Becky Schuette, Hal Schuette, Bill Young, Mark Barchas, Phil Sherman, Steven Austin and Milton Wheeler.

Voted: Bill Young moved that we accept the January Board Meeting minutes as presented.

Treasurers Report: Mark Barchas, the club treasurer, gave a financial summary for the first quarter. Our membership dues are down from last year because not everyone has paid. If all former members pay their dues we should be back to normal. Overall we are financially sound.

Tour Directors Report: Tour Director, Becky Schuette, stated that the last two tours were well attended and was looking forward to the Ardenwood tour sponsored by Phil Sherman. Becky also thought that once a year there should be a tour for the "men", like the garage tour which was very successful. David Pava will be hosting the Western Regions Tour in May. In June the Packard Club was invited to display our Packards at the "Good Guys" show in Pleasanton. In July will be the joint picnic with the Cadillac in Cupertino. Becky also said that the Mozart Museum is available for the Packard Club on October 8.

Membership Report: Bill Young, our membership director said that we have 116 members. He indicated that most members are in the 408 and 650 area codes. He also stated that the Membership Directory has been published and includes each members Packards.

Health and Welfare: Steven Austin reported that he has responded to several informational items from club members. He also suggested that we put a picture of a Packard automobile on the cards that are sent out. The board members thought it was a great idea.

Projects: Phil Sherman reported that he sold the remaining "Blue & Gold" Packard cap and two key fobs and that we have one cap left. He also suggested that we remove the futuristic Packard picture from our ad in the Packard News Bulletin and put a picture of our Packard caps. The board members felt that this was a good idea.

Web Site: There was nothing new to report and it seems to be working well.

Old Business: The question was, what is to be sent by E-mail to the club members? After much discussion, the board felt that our policy towards E-mail would be the following: *The Pious Pelican* publication will remain in the present format and be sent to all club members. In our publication will be the announcements of all tours and activities but the application forms will be sent by E-mail.

Voted: *The Pious Pelican* will be mailed to all members. E-mails will be a reminder of all tours including the reservation form. There will be no communication by regular mail for tours unless requested.

New Business: None.

Adjournment at 3:30 pm Next meeting on July 10

Respectfully Submitted by: Milton Wheeler, Secretary

FUTURE  EVENTS



**2011 EVENTS**

MAY 19-22	Western Regions Tour -Calistoga
JUN 3, 5	GoodGuys Concours Outreach Display-Pleasanton
JUN 12 (Sun)	Hays Mansion Tour/San Jose
JUL 10 (Sun)	Board Meeting-Blackhawk Museum/Danville
JUL 11-15	PAC National Meet/ Iowa-Illinois
JUL 24 (Sun)	Annual Membership Picnic w/CLC-Portal Park, Cupertino
AUG 28 (Sun)	Hillsborough Concours (Packard featured Marque)
SEP 11 (Sun)	PAC/PI/CCCA Swap Meet – Vallejo
OCT 2 (Sun)	Board Meeting - Auto Vino/Menlo Park
OCT 15, 16	Gold Country Overnighter-Jackson
DEC 4 (Sun)	Annual Christmas/Holiday Party, Zio Fraedo's-Vallejo

**Other Local Events of Interest**

May 15	Friendship Day-Redwood City
May 15	Marin Sonoma Concours
Jun 25, 26	Palo Alto Concours
Jul 17	Presidio of San Francisco Concours
Aug 21	Pebble Beach Concours
Aug 22	Blackhawk Museum Free Open House
Sep 18	Shriners' Concours-Sacramento
Oct 2	Niello Concours
Oct 5-8	Hershey Swap Meet

If you have an idea for a tour or would like to help with one, contact Becky Schuette, Tour Director, 650-595-2806 or email at: [rebecca.schuette@gmail.com](mailto:rebecca.schuette@gmail.com). For more detailed information on events, check the "*Calendar*" page on the Nor-Cal Packards website at [www.norcalpackards.org](http://www.norcalpackards.org).

## Where We've Been Progressive Garage Tour

March 20, 2011

Text by Bob McCoy

Photos by George Beck and Roy Brett



The day started out at the McCoy's with threatening weather which got better throughout the morning. There was coffee and home baked goodies from Mary Jane McCoy that were enjoyed at each stop. All three garages have home shops with machine tools such as lathes, milling machines, welders and more! Fred Hill has the greatest shop but, of course, he is the greatest craftsman. Automobilia was displayed with great care in the form of signs, gas pumps, hood ornaments and more. Automotive instruments to test engines, generators, distributors, coils, carburetors, batteries and other automotive equipment were also on display. Technical articles were offered as handouts on topics which included chrome plating, batteries, coils, brakes, etc.

Ron Carpenter demonstrated an on-site training class on a Sun Distributor Machine with a Packard distributor. He went on to give us all a welding demonstration on a new Miller MIG welder as well as the rebuilding of a Packard ignition switch and cable.



*The Moores' '56 400 and the D'Amatos' '39 coupe.*

### **San Jose History Comes Alive Again!**

Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 12, to join the Packard Club and the Freewheelers on a tour that includes two historic homes in South San Jose.

The first stop will be the Hayes Mansion, which is the 41,000-square-foot vision of Sarah Winchester's equally eccentric and wealthy cross-town rival, Mary Hayes, and noted architect George Page. The home is now the centerpiece of a resort and conference center, and we will enjoy the facility's famed Sunday brunch before venturing on to Casa Grande and the New Almaden Quicksilver Mining Museum.

Designed and built to be the home and office of the quicksilver mine superintendent, Casa Grande now houses the mining museum. It has been renovated over the last two years and recently reopened with new exhibits and artifacts. Both properties are wonderful examples of San Jose's rich history, and this is a tour you won't want to miss! Stay tuned for the final details.

Clint Moore, Tourmaster.

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one grandchild, Paul and Toni Chapot in their 1946 Packard, Anthony and Irina D' Amato in their 1939 Packard coupe, Fred and Pam Hill in their 1955 Packard 400, Jack and Merna Holmes, Doug and Julie Moore in their 1956 Packard 400, Allen and Ana Nelson, Hal and Becky Schuette, Dean and Sheila Scott with three children, Tim and Kathie Toland, and William Young in his 1954 Packard sedan.

Those who attended the tour for Northern California Packards International included: Armand and Linda Annereau in their 1938 Packard 120 convertible, Rob and Marion Corley and two grandchildren, David and Pat Grundman, David Kanadle and his guest, Robert and Julie Plummer with two guests, Phil and Susan Sherman, and Bill and Janet Vassar with their Daughter and Son In Law and their two children.

Many thanks are to be given to Ardenwood Park and its staff for being such good hosts, and Stephen and Flo Austin and Becky Schuette of the Packard Club and Janet Vassar of Packards International for their help with this tour.

Happy Packarding!

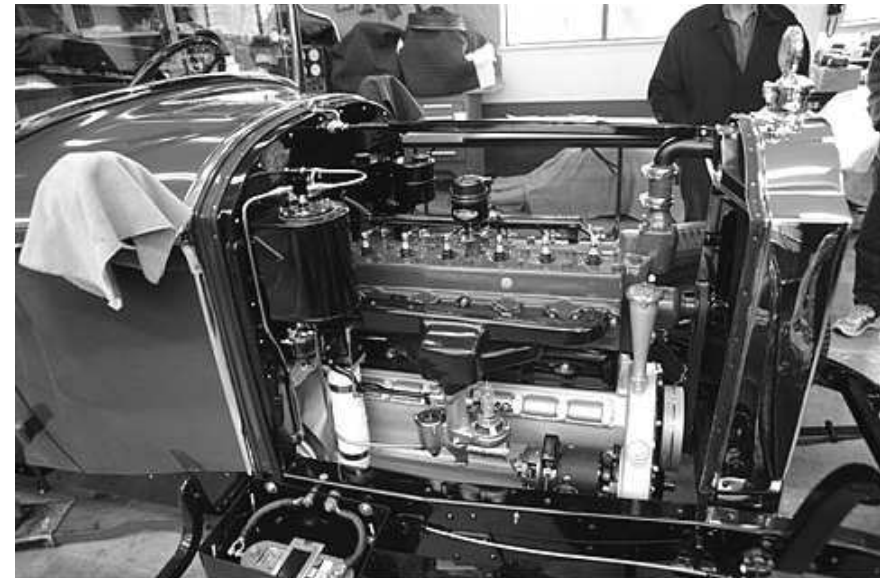
Phil Sherman, Tour Master



*Part of the group in the Patterson house dining room.*



*Milt Wheeler and Roy Brett surprised Ron Carpenter with this nice scale model of a '51 Ford Woodie like the one Ron is restoring.*



*The engine compartment of Fred Hill's '28 shows the expert level of restoration he is giving to this car.*

Some of the cars that were on display in the garages included 1928 Packard convertible coupe, 1936 Packard 120 convertible coupe, 1937 Packard 12 club sedan, 1941 Packard Woodie, 1941 Packard 120 convertible coupe, 1956 Packard 400 2-door hardtop as well as other interesting collector cars such as a 1935 Ford coupe, 1951 Ford Woodie, 1956 Mercedes 190SL, MGA, and a 1926 Buick roadster. Cars under restoration included Fred's almost completed 1928 Packard and Ron's 1951 Woodie in the early stages of a frame-off restoration.

It was great to see the different garages "in operation", many thanks to Ron and Fred. Thanks also to Pam Hill, who gave us a tour of her beautiful cats and kittens.

Bob McCoy, Tour Leader



*Waiting for its turn for a restoration is this 1937 Twelve club sedan at Fred Hill's garage.*



*The group entering through the restored train station.*

cooking demonstrations, ukulele performers, and sewing demonstrations. Also on the agenda were rides on the Park's narrow gauge horse drawn and switcher drawn 19<sup>th</sup> Century Carter made rail cars. Mr. Hess tried to crank start the farm's 1921 Plymouth Switch engine, but it was stubborn and refused to cooperate. If it had been named a Packard, perhaps it would have started for us!

At 1:15 PM we caravanned for a delicious luncheon buffet at Sinodino's Steakhouse in Newark. There both clubs could socialize and enjoy a hearty meal. All in all, this was a fun event, and for those who missed it, a visit to Ardenwood Park and Sinidino's is highly recommended.

Those who attended the tour for Northern California Packards Included: Stephen and Flo Austin, Mark and Kay Barchas in their 1941 Packard Super Eight, George and Eddie Beck in their 1937 Packard Super Eight, Roy and Elaine Brett, Ron and Mary Carpenter in their 1941 Packard 120 Wagon with

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When we arrived at the Patterson House we were divided into two groups, with one group going with Mr. Hess and the other going with an equally knowledgeable woman docent. Each was dressed in the appropriate attire for an upper class family's Victorian Farm. Your author went with Randy Hess's group, and he had a vast amount of information on the 7,000-square-foot Queen Anne Victorian Mansion that we were visiting and the history of the Pattersons and their relationship to the community. One of the more fascinating tales was the battle for a railroad's right of way across the farm, which was won with whiskey bribes to Mr. Patterson's guards while Patterson was away from the farm on his honeymoon with Clara in 1877. We learned much about the lifestyle of a successful Victorian farmer, which Mr. Patterson epitomized, owning by 1900 over 6,000 acres in what is now suburban Fremont and Newark.

After the tour of the House we gave the docents a well deserved round of applause and Mr. Hess directed us to the other activities of the day, which included watching sheep get sheared (and with Taxes due on Monday this was very appropriate!), sheep dog trials, blacksmith shop operations, Victorian



*Young 1954, Barchas 1940, Beck 1937, Carpenter 1941, Annereau 1938, Hill 1955, & Chapot 1946.*



*Not every car in Bob McCoy's garage was a Packard, as evidenced by this circa 1928 Buick.*



*Fred Hill's '39 coupe next to a wall of well-organized Packard parts.*



*The McCoy's '36 convertible coupe next to a couple of early motor scooters.*



*A final view of the McCoy's garage ends our report on the 2011 garage tour.*



*It was fascinating to watch the sheep dogs handle the sheep (top photo some shorn) in preparation for their shearing (middle photo) and to see the wool spun into thread (lower photo).*



## Where We've Been Ardenwood Farm

April 17, 2011

Text by: Phil Sherman

Photos by: Bill Young, Doug Moore,  
Roy Brett & George Beck



On April 17, 2010, Northern California Packards joined with our fellow Packard enthusiasts from Northern California Packards International to host a tour of the Ardenwood Park and the Patterson House in Fremont, California. We met at the park at 9:45 AM where we had a chance to meet friends both old and new and a chance to admire the nine beautiful Packards that came to the tour.

At 10:00 AM we were ushered into the park by the director of Patterson House, Randy Hess. Mr. Hess was a wonderful host who pointed us the way to Patterson House, as we walked to the house through the grounds of Ardenwood Park. The Park is a 205 acre working Victorian farm that is owned by the City of Fremont and has acreage with lush farmlands and many shady trees. It is a unique place where one can take a step back into the late 19<sup>th</sup> Century and get a glimpse of the life of the early farm families as exemplified by George and Clara Patterson, the original owners of the Patterson House.

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## Packard to be Featured Marque at Hillsborough Show

Packard has been selected as the American Marque at the Hillsborough Concours D'Elegance to be held on Sunday, August 28, 2011. Bugatti will be the European Marque.

Your Nor-Cal Packard board of directors unanimously agreed to support the Concours.

This event will give our Packards the exposure needed to educate the public about our wonderful Automobiles.

Hillsborough is the longest continually running Concours D'Elegance in the world, now in its 55th year. Last year, after 53 years, with the help of their partners at CourseCo and the Crystal Springs Golf Course, in partnership with the Town of Hillsborough, they made the biggest change in its history, a new location!

On the 18th fairway, with over 500 yards of beautiful lush green grass, elegant spruce and pine trees, in a splendid Park like setting, the Crystal Springs Golf Course is the new home of the Hillsborough Concours D'Elegance! At the end of August, weather at the golf course should be outstanding!

Charitable partnerships include:

Autism Speaks, dedicated to biomedical research into the causes, prevention, treatment and cure for autism.

The 49ers Foundation, helping underprivileged youth in the Bay Area.

Hillsborough Schools Foundation, providing support for the educational needs of the Children.

Hal Schuette, Nor-Cal Packard's Assistant Director will manage the Packard Display.

Plans are for a total of 25 Packards in the following four judged classes:

Pre War - Open    Pre War- Closed

Post War- Open    Post War- Closed

In addition we will feature a special display of five spectacular rarely seen Packards, these cars will not be judged.

Our objective is to make this event a very special Packard display.

All displaying participants will receive coffee and pastries in the morning and a catered lunch for two. Please see the Hillsborough Website for more information and Concours application ([www.Hillsboroughconcours.org](http://www.Hillsboroughconcours.org)).

On Saturday August 27th, consider participating in The Tour D'Elegance, a classic car drive on some of the most beautiful roads on the Peninsula. Saturday evening, join a cocktail reception for the Concours Honorary Judges at the world famous Candy Store in Burlingame. For more information call Hal Schuette, (650) 743-8834.



Paul Chapot's first tour with his new '46 Clipper



Bob McCoy's Shell gas pump



Admiring Fred Hill's '28



Docent in one of the Patterson house bedrooms.



Becks' '37 and Young's '54



Ron Carpenter telling of his '51 Woodie project



The McCoy's '36