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HIT & MISS

This Month:

Don't miss the
WAPA Fun Day on
September 22

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Tom Millett Tells It Like It Is

As we enter the last third of the year, you may have noticed that our calendar is pretty well crowded with activity. Seems like every thing bunches up around September and October and spreads our show resources a bit thin. I actually had to give one latecomer the bad news that we are stretched beyond what we can handle in the "Shows" department. Show Director Bob Smith does a great balancing act with trying to fit in as many as we can do. So, the next time you ask yourself, "What is it I can do to help out the club?" think about pulling a machine out from under your collectibles in the corner of the barn and let someone see it. By the way, check out your WAPA calendar for a Fun Day on September 22nd. We need more of those kinds of activities. Our members need to have some private time to mingle and swap tales. Show

Director Bob will give details, as it gets closer.

I'm told that the Evans brothers, Ken & Larry, did a fantastic job putting together a couple of tours of the Mt. Wilson activities. At last minute I had to cancel out, but those who went all report it as being a great experience. Thanks, guys for taking that on. That's no easy task of coordination.

Craig Maxwell is communicating with San Bernardino County officials on the land matter. The Corps of Engineers has asked to be refreshed on the subject of crop growing. That was an issue that had to be dealt with during the Environmental review process. It's encouraging to know Craig has a dialog going.

Lastly, I must ask that you give a lot of thought about how you want this organization to run in the coming year. Leroy Overstreet is Chairman of the Nominating Committee. He has the

task of finding nominees to fill our Board of Directors. As of this writing, he has at least two director positions without candidates; the President and Membership Director. I think I have made it very clear that this is my last year at the helm. Every organization needs new blood. It's time to jump start with new directional goals. Please help Leroy out and step up to the plate. That's it for now. Attend our shows and play safe.



Mount Wilson Tour
Photo by Marshall Skinner

From the Editor's Desk

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Enclosed with this month's Hit & Miss, WAPA members will find their membership rosters. The data was typed in manually by yours truly, so there's a distinct possibility that there is an error or two. If that's the case, if you want different information listed, or if you want to add an email address, please send off a note with the updated info. Recipients of a complimentary newsletter will not receive the roster.

Special thanks are owed to several folks who have provided pictures for the Hit & Miss. Joan Westgate, Larry Evans, Marshall Skinner and Bob Smith have all helped in this regard. Thanks also to everyone who has submitted articles promptly so that we can get the newsletter in the mail before the first of the month.

Playing Safe

This is a new column that will appear periodically in the Hit & Miss. Topics will range from specific safety issues directly related to our hobby to general safety advice that is pertinent to everyday life. Our first topic is a no brainer.

Safety Glasses: So you're drilling a hole, grinding some metal, weed whacking the sidewalk... all of a sudden, BAM! Somethings in your eye, it hurts like crazy, and you KNOW you should have known better.

OSHA estimates that DAILY there are 1000 eye injuries resulting in lost time or medical attention. Medical costs and lost time total more than \$300 million annually.

Luckily for us, we can choose to protect ourselves from the exposure to these hazards.

In the tool catalog I'm currently looking at, there are fourteen pages of safety glasses, with prices starting at \$1.57.

For the price of a cheeseburger and fries, you can get enough safety glasses that you can put a pair next to the grinder, drill press, lawnmower and any other equipment that poses a hazard to your only pair of eyes.

Classified Ads

Rock Crusher, Chipmunk crusher, made by Braun. On skids, small enough to be dragged around by hand. Suitable for belting up to a small engine or the flywheel can be turned manually. \$475. Bucket of rocks FREE with purchase. Pick up in La Habra. Call Rob Skinner at 562-694-2301.

Hot Air Show Video filmed in Tulare earlier this year. This video was professionally produced and features one-of-a-kind engines, magnificent models, every size Rider, and every remaining size Ericsson left in existence. \$35. Call Dick Bouma at 909-988-7744.

San Dimas Car Show

by Tom Millet

I got there at a little before 7 a.m. and Leroy and Jim were already unloaded. They said they wanted to beat the heat. Well, it did get hot by mid-afternoon, but it didn't dampen spirits. We had eighteen members with some good display items. Marshall Skinner came by for support. Larry Madole brought out some hot air engine items that were crowd pleasers. Everything went like it's supposed to. The lady distributing the Rody's lunch vouchers had to be tracked down. I darned near had a mutiny on my hands before I got them. The machines ran about as much as one would expect. Mags seemed to fail. I think it may have been the phase of the moon. The club corn grinding John Deere mag went south and would only run on a battery and coil. I was disappointed that the crowd wasn't finding us. In years past our driveway approaches on both ends were open without show cars, etc. blocking. That wasn't the case this year. Before we do a show next year I'll have one of Jim Davis' soothing, soft-spoken chats with the lady in charge.



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF AUGUST 10, 2007

Members Present: Bob Smith, Bob Swan, Jim Davis, Joe Siddons, Leroy Overstreet, Jack Johnson, Tom Millett, Wayne Mabb, Slat Seeley, George Noble, John Hampton, Gus Lukrofka.

Called to order at 7:00

Flag Salute was led by Jim Davis.

President Tom Millett invited all to speak on any issue.

Vice-President's report: Bob Swan Had nothing to report.

Secretary's Report: Wayne Mabb moved to have the minutes of the July Board of Directors meeting approved. Bob Swan seconded the motion. Addition to minutes is Gus Lukrofka name to the members present. Motion passed with the addition.

Treasurer's report: None, Kelley on vacation.

Membership report: Jack needed Jarvis Williams' address for the Hit & Miss. The need for a current roster in the hands of the membership was discussed and he can double side the roster and get it to Rob for publication. Tom to email Rob.

Purchasing: Leroy reported that repairs to the JD corn grinder was partially complete. He needs to replace magneto bushings, gear bushings to finish up. Leroy informed us that he now has a magneto charger.

Library: Jim Davis had nothing to report.

Shows: Bob Smith reported the Mt. Wilson tours will be the 12th and 18th of August. Please call and reserve a space. Marina Del Rey show was a beautiful day with lots of cars and boats. Seven to eight members came out for a great show. Highlight was the Getty boat that has been restored with it's original engines.

San Dimas was a good turnout but some were disappointed with the layout. Cars and vendors blocked our area. Tom will clear up for next year.

Chino Show on August 25th. Larry Madole to chair, directions in H&M.

September 8th will be our fun day at the Hurst Ranch in West Covina, 9:00AM to 2:00PM. WAPA brings the burgers and hot dogs, members bring salads and deserts. Jack to chair.

Sept 16th South Pasadena car show. Bob Smith moved to sanction this show and Leroy seconded. Motion passed.

Safety: Joe thanked all for coming out to his house for the sale.

Prado Regional Park: Tom has email from Krause at the county.

Rubel Castle Project: Tom pulled a MOU off of the internet and adapted it for our use, needs to send it to Culver Heaton and the Glendora Historical Society. Tom to call Culver and discuss what they really need and require. Tom and Bob Swan to meet with Culver to review insurance and other issues and will report back at the September meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45

Wayne Mabb, Secretary

Classic Yacht Show Marina Del Rey by Ken Evans

On July 22, 2007, WAPA members joined the Classic Yacht Association for their 31st Anniversary of the Old Fashioned Day in the Park. It is held annually at Burton Chace Park in Marina del Rey.

The day started out a little overcast, but soon the sun was shining down upon us. The afternoon was the typical patchy clouds with a cool ocean breeze.

This year WAPA was represented by Bruce and Sandy Byram assisting John and Monique McFarland. John brought his unique 1938 Clark outboard motor that has the piston and crankcase underwater. The propeller runs directly off of the crankshaft. John also had a 1937 Johnson outboard motor.

Bob and Beverly Helm were next with a small Novo engine. Jim Davis demonstrated a Fuller-Johnson with a pump jack circulating water into and out of a bucket. He also had a Maytag twin-cylinder engine.

Ken Evans had a static display of an inboard marine engine thought to be a Midland brand from Ontario, Canada. He also had his running 3/8 scale model of an Aermotor 8-cycle and a cut-away of a small air compressor.

Joan Westgate took photographs for the WAPA newsletter. Gene Cerveny ran a two cylinder Falcon marine engine and his 4 hp Musashi stationary engine.

Next we had Bob and Marissa Smith running a 2 hp Rider-Ericsson "Reeco" made by Domestic

Finishing our fine display was Joe Siddons with an International Model LA 1 1/2 hp engine pumping water out various pipes. Thanks to all of you for your continued support.



UPCOMING EVENTS

**(LOAD UP SOME
ENGINES, COME ON
OUT, HAVE A GOOD
TIME)**



The Hurst Ranch, in West Covina, is a child-friendly museum that showcases early 20th century farming in the San Gabriel Valley.



September 14, Friday

7:00 p.m.

Board of Directors Meeting

The WAPA Board of Directors meeting is held at Heritage Park in Santa Fe Springs. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you have an idea on how WAPA could become a better club or want to express your opinion, please attend.

Heritage Park is located just south of Telegraph Road and west of Norwalk Boulevard. The meeting is held in the train depot next to the steam locomotive.

September 15, Saturday

8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Bouris Ranch

Chairman: Larry Madole

This is an event you won't want to miss! The Bouris' operate a ranch near Menifee that at one time covered 8,000 acres. Their ranch also houses their magnificent collection of tractors.

The Bouris' have invited us to show our engines and see their iron. Bring an engine, or just yourself, and let's show our appreciation for their hospitality. Lunch will be provided.

From the 215 south, exit on Scott Road and turn right (west). At Haun / Zeiders Road, turn left (south). This is a dirt road. Go about 1/4 mile to the ranch.

September 16, Sunday

Setup: 7:30 a.m.

South Pasadena Car Show

Chairman: Ken Evans

Once again, WAPA has been asked to join South Pasadena and participate in the 3rd Annual Cruz'n For Roses Car Show. It is a fund raising event for their Rose Parade Float and will be big like last year. We will have the same location on Mission Street at Fremont Ave.

How to get there: From the 210 Freeway, east or west, exit on Fair Oaks South and go through Pasadena and over the hill and then over the Pasadena Freeway, past Mission and turn right on El Centro St. Go west to Fremont and turn right, traveling north to Mission. We will be on your left on the south side of Mission at Fremont. Like last year the car show is going to go east on Mission and continue to Fair Oaks but no closure of Fremont Ave. PLEASE NOTE: Because of the expected large turnout of cars, groups of cars will be passing us during our setup. Do not block the street during setup. They are trying to speed up the placement of the cars by sending groups of cars to cross Fremont and fill in spaces on Mission to the east of Fremont. The Thomas Bros. map location is page 595-H2.

September 22, Saturday

9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Fun Day / Annual Membership Mtg.

Bring the family and join us for the annual WAPA membership meeting and fun day. This year we are honored to have as our hosts, the Hurst Ranch in West Covina. This is a restored ranch of the early 20th century with much of the original equipment used on the ranch. Apart from the short meeting to nominate officers for 2008, our hosts, John Simmons and Andra Hurst Simmons will conduct tours of the original farm house, grounds, model T garage, and private gun collection. At 12 we will be passing out sack lunches courtesy of WAPA.

Directions: Eastbound on 10 freeway, take Orange exit. Go straight. Just past Merced is the ranch on the right. Westbound on 10 freeway, take Sunset exit. Go left on Sunset to Merced. Go right on Merced to Orange. Go left on Orange. The ranch is just on your right.

Notify Bob Smith if you are going to attend, so he will know how many lunches to make. 909-435-9978 or smith@diamondpointe.us

October 6, Saturday

Neff Park, La Mirada

Mark your calendars. Details will appear in the October Hit & Miss.