

# Classic Lines

Big Bear Lake Antique Car Club

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## FROM THE DRIVERS SEAT

As we bid adieu to yet another winter month, I can honestly say January was certainly one for the record books. More snow kept things nice and white and our pretty babies tucked warmly away in their garages, which is exactly what we expect in the winter anyway!

Cold weather however has not kept any of us gear-heads from staying busy in the BBLACC. A great time was had at the Grand National Roadster Show (even though it rained) as the show was inside 7 buildings at the Pomona Fairplex. Next Sue and Mary did an outstanding job of our January Cruise Nite at the Azteca. Russ as always kept us amused as only he can with a few "Lack of Command and Control Awards" issued to those of us who allowed our significant others to skate out on the 1st social gathering of 2009, such as the 1st Lady with her Girls Weekend Out!

February brings the Winternationals on Friday the 6th and we'll meet at the Rite-Aid parking lot at 8:30 a.m. Even though earplugs will be needed, it's a great day. Next, don't forget the Valentines Party on Wednesday Feb. 11th at the Old Country Inn. This will be huge fun. Thanks Sue and Mary for all your coordinating efforts.

March is our travel trip to the Nethercutt Museum in Sylmar via luxury coach with lunch and cocktails provided. I'm really excited about this trip, so don't miss out on your reservation.

We're already working hard on Fun Run, apps are being printed, mailings to take place in

February and this year shortly after direct mailings go out, the application will be down loadable off our web site. Cal has put on his "creative genius" again in the form of "cool art" and we've sent ideas to Midnight Impressions in the attempt to come up with art as equally unique as last years. I'm likin' it.

Let's keep that white gold falling from the sky, (it keeps the 1st Lady happy)

Keep that tank full . . . . .

Cliff



## BBLACC Calendar

### February

6 <sup>th</sup>	Winternational drag races – Pomona
11 <sup>th</sup>	Valentine' Day Party = Old Country Inn
14 <sup>th</sup>	Dr. George Car Show
16 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting

### March

11 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies Luncheon – TBA
16 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting
19 <sup>th</sup>	Nethercutt Museum Bus Trip

## WINTERNATIONALS

The Winternational drag races will be held at Pomona the first weekend in February. Club members are planning to go on Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. They will meet in the Rite Aid parking lot at 8:30 a.m.  
Contact Cliff Fowler

## LADIES LUNCHEON

The February Ladies Luncheon will be canceled this month due to the Valentine's Day dinner

## DR. GEORGE CAR SHOW

The Dr. George car Show will be held on Valentine's Day weekend at the tennis gardens in Indian Wells.  
Contact Dan Percifull for information.

## VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

The social chairman has made arrangements for a dinner at the Old Colony Inn for February 11 at 6:00.  
This event will require a prepayment \$15 each to save a meal/seat.  
Contact Sue Greek to make reservations.

## NETHERCUTT MUSEUM TRIP

The social chairman has made arrangements for a visit to the Nethercutt museum in Sylmar. The \$50 each includes the bus trip, box lunch, drinks, guided 2 hour tour, and return to BBL. We will leave BBL at 9:00 am from somewhere. Must be prepaid by check.  
The passenger limit is 44 people.  
Contact Cliff Fowler for reservations.

# GRAND NATIONAL ROADSTER SHOW

Friday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>, eight club members of BBLACC traveled off the hill to the Grand National Roadster Show at the Pomona Fair Grounds. Dan Percifull drove one car along with Cliff Fowler, Russ Greek and Cal Roe, and Bud Nelson drove the other car with Owen Miller, Harry DuPre and Carl Hammers. They planned to stop for breakfast, but the cafe where they usually stopped was closed, so they went to a Mexican place about a mile east. The 'breakfast burritos' stayed with them all day! Carl took his electric scooter, but the battery pooped out about half way through the show. So Carl returned to the car and had a nice two-hour nap.



The main building had about ten contenders for the Americas Most Beautiful Roadster (AMBR) award. For what it is worth, here is my choice. Note this is a Ford "Westlake" engine. It appears that a small block Chevy is not 'hot stuff' nowadays!



There was another building that had about twenty-five past AMBR winners including Ray Allison's 1961 winner that has won three of our Fun Run awards.

There was another building that seemed to specialize in cars from "East LA". Lots of "low riders" with all the glitter and hydraulic lifts.

Shown here are Owen Miller, Harry DuPre, Russ Greek, and Bud Nelson trolling the show. The crowd was not as large as in past years, the rain may have kept

some of the usual spectators away.

The group returned to the parking lot in the rain, and secured Carl's scooter. As usual, Owen Miller did the heavy lifting while Harry, Bud, Carl, Cliff, and Russ lent supervisory support.

After the show, they were ready to eat and sit down for a while, so they found a IHOP. The service was slow as only one waitress was available, but the food was good and the conversation hilarious. The return trip up the hill was slowed by Friday night traffic and heavy fog, but they all arrived safe and according to all reports enjoyed the day.



# JANUARY CRUISE NIGHT



The Azteca restaurant played host to a Cruise Night on January 25<sup>th</sup>. Local members took advantage of the opportunity to meet together while dining on a tasty Mexican cuisine.

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