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MOTOR CAR CLUB

SAN DIEGO REGION

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Antique Buggy
ca. 1875
Found at the Rancho

Rancho Guajome
Adobe Restoration

Grand Opening
September 21, 1996, 11:00 a.m.



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Coming up at our September meeting...

**GEORGE GERRODETTE
SPEAKS ON
"REFINERIES AND FUELS"**

Regular meeting
September 4, 1996
Packard's Grille
I-15 and Miramar Road
6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

The board, with the help of the membership, has planned a number of good tours and programs for the regular meetings in the months to follow. As you may know, the Packard Grille is under new management, and it appears that they will enhance the menu choices by the time of our next meeting.

The members at the September meeting will select a nomination committee for next year's officers and directors. This is your club. We would encourage new members, or anyone inclined to help the club, to take a more active role next year. We are also planning to have an auction at our regular meetings in September and November. If you have a "white elephant" or anything else you wish to donate to the Region, please bring it to the auction. The auction serves two purposes: fun for the members, and added revenue to the Region to help meet expenses. Again, mark down September and November for the auction dates. In October, Pete Laughon will talk on the "History of the Hudson Car." If you made the tour to his garage, you know he has a lot of experience with both the antique and modern Hudsons.

Please also mark October 20 on your calendar for Aerospace Museum. This will be a rare opportunity to get a "behind-the-scenes" tour of the restoration shop. Please also note the enclosures on the November tour. Please sign up as soon as possible.

Speaking of tours, we are trying to plan our calendar for 1997 tours and guest speakers at the monthly meetings. We need tour leaders for a few months, or we may have a vacant spot or two next year. If you have any ideas, we can help you work on the plans for tour.

As always, drive your Packard. It not only brings attention, but there may be an occasion that will bring in a new member.

Sincerely,

Colin Fort

P.S. Board meeting at Coco's!

Our cover picture this issue...

Fred Perkins Packard Garage restored top and bows of this antique buggy from pictures.

Boy! Is our face red!

In the last issue of the *Predictor*, we named James Dahmann as a winner of the "Wheels 100" award. Well, we goofed. Ken Yankee is the lucky winner, not James Dahmann. Our apology to Ken for the mixup, and to James for the excitement our announcement might have caused. Congratulations, Ken. Sorry about that, James.



Did you know?

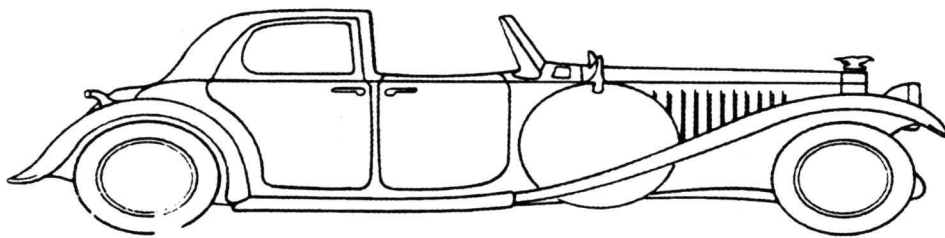
From ACC deFender, Volume XXI, Number 6, June, 1996

SB2162-Leslie: Vehicles: registration: non-operation: fees and penalties

Existing law generally requires the registered owner of a vehicle who does not intend to renew the vehicle registration to file a certification of nonoperation (CNO) and pay a \$5 fee. This certificate is required to be filed annually, prior to the expiration of registration of the vehicle.

This bill would authorize the filing of a certificate of nonoperation after the expiration of the registration of a vehicle, but not later than 90 days after the registration expiration date, subject to payment of the \$5 fee and a specified penalty. This bill would also make a certificate of nonoperation valid until the vehicle's registration is renewed, rather than only for one registration year.

The 1996 Concours Organizing Committee is proud to announce
The 16th Annual
SAN DIEGO CONCOURS d'ELEGANCE

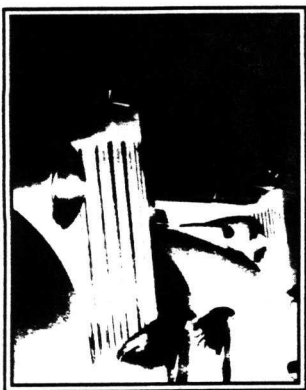


**TO BENEFIT CANCER RESEARCH AT
THE SCRIPPS RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

September 29, 1996
Please save this date!

Your invitation to exhibit will be mailed in the coming weeks.

For more information, please call (619)678-6349



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GATSBY ON THE EAST LAWN

Schedule of Events

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1996

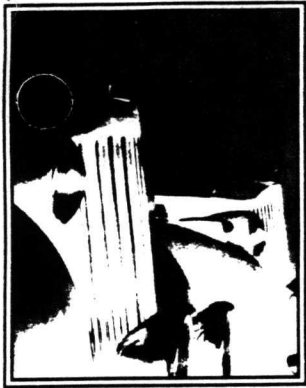
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| 7:00am - 10:00am | Placement of Packards
Prepare for Judging |
| 9:00am - 10:00am | Judges Meeting |
| 10:00am - on | Judging begins and continues to conclusion |
| | Packards on view all day
No host bar available on East Lawn
Cover your car at night if you wish
Security will be provided |
| 10:00am - 6:00pm | Poolside/patio relaxing
Shopping in Fashion Island |
| 6:30pm - 9:00pm | Hosted cocktails and heavy hors d'oeuvres
poolside/Cabana Room |

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1996

- | | |
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| 9:00am - 11:30am | Brunch, Awards and Presentation |
| 11:30am - on | Camaraderie on the East Lawn with your Packard
No host bar available |

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Newport Beach, CA 92660



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APPLICATION

Dear Robert:

Please include us for the 1996 "GATSBY ON THE EAST LAWN" at the Four Seasons Hotel, Fashion Island, 690 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA, September 21 and 22, 1996.

Weekend package \$89.00 per person, includes all events: Saturday, Sunday and registration*.

Number Attending

Please make checks payable to SoCal, P.I. Total amount enclosed \$

Name

(Please Print)

Guest(s)

Street

City..... State..... Zip.....

Packard: Year..... Model..... Series.....

To be: (Please check one): Judged Exhibit only

Previous Awards earned:

Liability Insurance carrier:..... Policy #.....

I would like to be on a judging team: (please check one) Yes No

* For those that are unable to attend both days, registration and Saturday's events are \$55.00 per person and registration and Sunday's events are \$38.00 per person

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT (Please read and sign)

The undersigned desiring to enter and participate in the Packards International Gatsby on the East Lawn to be held at the Four Seasons Hotel, September 21, 22, 1996 does hereby tender his/her application to participate. If this application is accepted, the undersigned registrant, having suitable automobile insurance, and his/her guests assumes liability for, and shall indemnify and hold harmless Packards International Motor Car Club and its region, members, officers, directors, employees, agents, servants, invitees, and assigns from and against any and all liabilities arising from said event. The undersigned holds the aforementioned harmless and indemnifies them against judgments whatsoever arising directly or indirectly out of or in connection with, participation in said event.

Agreed and signed (guardian if under 18) Date

Be advised that you must send in your application no later than September 12, 1996. If special arrangements are necessary, please call (714) 543-2980, Robert Escalante. Also note that refunds for cancellations after the deadline will be made on a best effort basis depending upon the club's ability to reduce our guaranteed number of participants in the events with the Four Seasons Hotel. Full refunds for cancellations after the deadline are not guaranteed.

Mail to:
Grand Salon
Packards International
302 French St.
Santa Ana, CA 92701

THE AEROSPACE MUSEUM TOUR

Balboa Park, San Diego, California

Sunday, October 20, 1996

San Diego Region
PACKARDS INTERNATIONAL MOTOR CAR CLUBS, INC.

TOUR LEADER BJ HILL/JIM WEIR

This is a SPECIAL TOUR JUST FOR US presented by Jim Weir, Studebaker Club including The Basement Workshop. He will be OUR SPECIAL DOCENT to the basement including

A restored Tri-Motor Plane

2 Planes that have been dug up in the desert restored

9:45 BE PARKED AND READY AT THE FRONT DOOR. We must go in together. Any latecomers will have to Guard provided pay the regular price to enter. OUR PRICE:

Adults \$8.00
Children 4.00 PREPAID TO BJ

For those who come early there will be crumpets and juice.

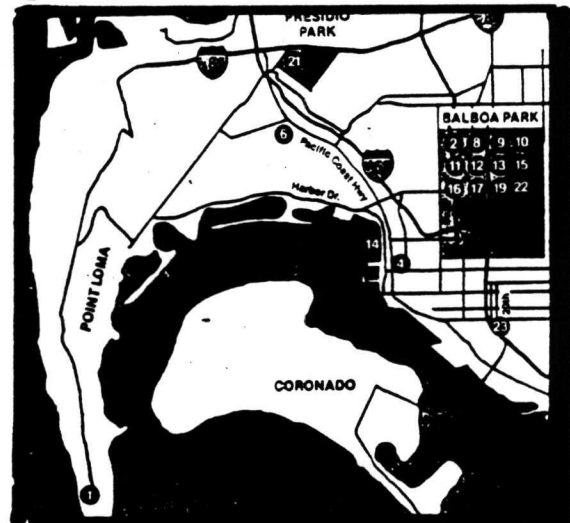
10:00 Enter the museum for a 1 hr and 45 min upstairs tour. Wear comfortable shoes.

11:45 Bag Lunch in Balboa Park (bring your own) The Cafe del Rey Moro is being restored and going out of the Park will take too long.

12:30 Meet with Docent Jim Weir for a SPECIAL TOUR TO THE BASEMENT. You will see things because Jim is our Docent that you probably haven't seen before. We will stay until you get tired or Jim let's us go.

DIRECTIONS:

Balboa Park South of The Prado.
Call 234-8291



ATTENTION ALL MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS

Millions Of Vehicles To Be Affected By New "VEHICLE CONFISCATION LAW"

On June 2, 1995, Governor Whitman signed legislation #SCS-1700. It is **NOW LAW**, and will be fully implemented against all New Jersey car and truck owners as soon as the necessary testing facilities and remote monitoring stations are constructed - expected sometime in 1996-97. Briefly, SCS-1700 states the following:

All motor vehicles over four years old will be required to report to new **CENTRALIZED TESTING FACILITIES** for "ENHANCED EMISSIONS INSPECTIONS". If your car or truck fails this test - the vehicle **MUST** be taken off the road. Only three percent of those vehicles failing the test and having already spent a minimum of \$450 for repairs will be granted a waiver allowing them to remain on the road for two more years. You have no appeal and no other options.

NOW FOR THE BAD NEWS!

Motor vehicle inspections will cost \$24. The **ENHANCED EMISSIONS TEST**, in which an operator "drives" your car through a simulated dynamometer road test, is **DESIGNED TO FAIL 60% OF ALL CARS**, this according to the EPA. Almost no vehicles over 10 years old are expected to pass. You have no protection against damage or the destruction of your vehicle by such stress testing methods. 97% of those vehicles failing the new enhanced emissions test will have their registration renewal automatically denied by the state. Such vehicles cannot be sold to any other individual or dealer and essentially become **FORFEITED TO THE STATE**... which will receive "pollution credits" they can sell to industrial polluters for every vehicle they take off the road. Owners of failed vehicles must surrender their license plates within 45 days...and since NJ law already prohibits you from having an unregistered vehicle on your own property, local law enforcement can then seize it at will. Assisting in this effort, NJ DEP recently revised the state's definition of "quasi-public" to include **ALL RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAYS AND PARKING LOTS** - Yes, you've also lost your private property rights!

Repairs can only be attempted by a **STATE CERTIFIED REPAIR FACILITY**...to which you have no say about work quality or cost. You can no longer legally perform emissions related repairs yourself, nor can you take it to your trusted mechanic (unless they first receive state certification and invest \$100,000 in equipment).

As part of SCS-1700, roadblocks will be established throughout the state to randomly test a percentage of all vehicles. Automated sensing devices will be installed along New Jersey highways to monitor your vehicle's emissions as you drive by. Violators of the new emission standards will have their license plates **PHOTOGRAPHED**; thus enabling the state to issue summonses through the mail. Severe penalties, fines, and jail time have been attached to all violations of this new legislation. In fact, the state will begin kicking back a commission to local police for their help in seizing your car!

Remember, SCS-1700 is aimed at **TAKING YOUR CAR OFF THE ROAD!** It is aimed at producing one car families. Collector, hot rod, and hobbyist cars are history. A spare car for local trips, a teenage driver, student, or the commuter park and ride is history. That classic Mustang convertible has been redefined as a "**gross polluter**" and is now targeted by the state for the crusher. Many car and truck related businesses will suffer or fail. Ironically, state officials are recommending you start saving your money now to buy a new car - an impossibility for most individuals given our current local tax burden of around 50%.

The issue here is ever increasing government controlling not only your mobility, your life and your freedom, but even your ability to work and earn a living. It has almost nothing to do with clean air. Remember that you have **NO LEGAL RIGHT TO DRIVE** in this state. New Jersey considers it their **PRIVILEGE** to allow you drive on their roads...and starting sometime in 1996 they will be taking it back. As stated by EPA Region 8 administrator William Yellowtail, "*Cleaning up cars and the roads is only half the solution... the much more difficult half involves getting people out of their cars.*"

Sound far fetched? Can't happen? Remind you of a Soviet or Nazi style police state? **FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF.** Call Legislative Services at 800-792-8630 and ask for a free copy of SCS-1700. Ask for your legislator's phone number and voice your concern. Call DMV Director Dick Kamin at 609-984-9827 and request all administrative and DEP regulations associated with SCS-1700. Call Governor Whitman at 609-292-6000. Ask for a repeal of this horrendous legislation. Most importantly - **SPREAD THE WORD!** Copy and distribute this flyer everywhere. Fax it to business associates. Warn your friends. Till now, you've heard very few details regarding SCS-1700...since politicians desperately want to keep the nightmare they rammed through the legislature quiet until after you reelect them. Remember this election day that you finally have an alternative to the two party system that once again stomped all over your rights...and **VOTE!**

TODAY: NEW JERSEY. TOMORROW: YOUR STATE?

Contributed by Burt Williams, Taken from "Year One's Restoration Review" Winter, 1995.

Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum Tour

La Jolla, CA
 Sunday, November 3, 1996

Tour Leader: Colin Fort

Our schedule: 9:00 North County: meet at south side of J.C.Penney,
 North County Fair
 South County: meet at Montgomery Ward/Focus,
 Mission Valley
 9:30 Both groups tour to Park & Ride, Mira Mesa Blvd &
 I-805. From there we will drive to the aquarium

Arrive aquarium. Parking is \$3.00

11:30 Lunch, which is optional, in the patio area. Sandwich
 choice: roast beef, turkey breast, or ham. Whole fresh
 fruit, chips, & cookies included. Napkins, utensils, &
 condiments provided. Bring your own beverage.

Reservations: List is to be passed around at September & October meetings.
 Final cutoff is October 28, 1996. Please issue a check to Colin
 Fort when making reservations. Colin's evening phone number
 is 753-5724.

Cost:

Rates	Group*	Box Lunch	Group Total
Adult (18 & older)	\$6.00	\$5.50	\$11.50
Seniors (60 +)	\$5.00	\$5.50	\$10.50
Juniors (13-17)	\$4.00	\$5.50	\$9.50
Children (3-12)	\$3.00	\$5.50	\$8.50
Under 3 free			

*To receive Group Rate we need a minimum of 20. So tell your friends!

want to go look at the tanks full of weird fish or should you visit the museum first? Of course, this is strictly a rhetorical question. *Everyone* wants to see the fish first. But while the giant Pacific octopus can grab your attention and the skulking sharks certainly add teeth to your nightmares, the outstanding museum exhibits next door will engage you even more than a stare-down with a moray eel.

Designed to celebrate Scripps's 90th birthday, the new Legacy of Exploration exhibit offers a glimpse of four eras of ocean study at the institution. You enter the exhibit through a clever façade that replicates the original Scripps building. Inside is a diorama depicting the first director's office, plus scientific instruments, oceanography equipment, and books and articles from the early years, 1903 to 1936. Other exhibits trace Scripps's role during World War II, as well as current global research efforts, which include a penguin project in Antarctica.

In addition to the Legacy exhibits, the museum has a number of interactive displays, including one that demonstrates how water is recycled from the oceans to rain and back, and another that shows how waves are formed. Our favorite exhibit, though, is the supermarket shelf filled with dozens of everyday products that contain ingredients from the sea. Your kids will enjoy scanning the bar codes on these products to learn, for example, that an ingredient in ice cream comes from kelp.

Of course, you don't want to miss the aquarium itself, especially the new collections of fish and corals recently brought back from an expedition to the South Pacific.

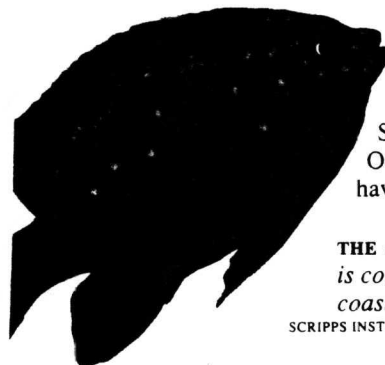
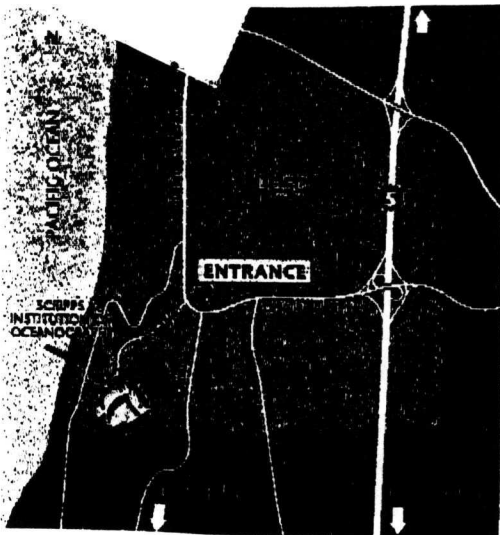
LA JOLLA

A walk through the aquarium's dry side

When you first enter the Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum at UCSD's Scripps Institution of Oceanography, you have a choice. Do you

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FOR SALE. Trumpet horn vibrating damper brackets for 1931 or 1932. Packards with light bar. \$45.00 set. Tony, 530-1414. (6-96)

FOR SALE. Two Packard Adonis/Delphane hood ornaments. \$350 each OBO. Mary Black 723-3604 or Mark Rothermich 583-2369. (6-96)

FOR SALE. Carribean hard-top Packard, well taken care of, can be seen at Packard garage. \$10,000. George Gerrodette, 459-2488. (5-96)

FOR SALE. 1951 Packard. Not running, valves probably rusted. Darrell Devine, 630-3352, 429-9664. (5-96)

FOR SALE. 1942 Packard Clipper, 4-door, nice running Southern California car, no rust, a drive. Asking \$4400 (sorry). Joe Ambrose, (619) 462-9194

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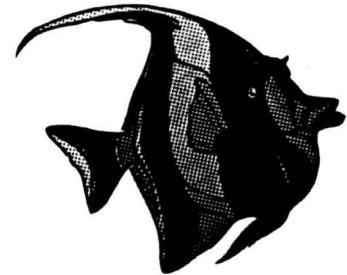
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