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Club Meetings

2nd Saturday of the Month

Meeting Location:

Fremont Chevrolet

(Also, Zoom when available)

NEXT CLUB MEETING: Fremont Chevrolet

5850 Cushing Pkwy, Fremont CA

Saturday April 11th, 2026 @ 10:00 a.m.

Message from the Editor,

Here we are in the Madness of March!!! We had a very exciting and eventful month ranging from cars and coffee shows, a cruise to lunch event, Artichoke run, Cobra Experience, and Goodguys! We will also continue our adventures with Regina on her Route 66 tour as well. Nonetheless we have a lot of exciting content in the pages that follow so let's start that Chevelle/El Camino up and get our cruise on... Please, if you have attended an event and have pictures, please send them in. The more content for the newsletter the better.



After all, the radio is the proper medium.

Lloyds Dounut's Rosies Cars and Coffee ---- Fremont CA, March 7th, 2026

This months Lloyd's donuts cars and coffee wan not only attended by your Newsletter editor, but as well as Lance and Maria Glidewell! If two or more members attend the same event, does it count as a club event? As I have broadcasted before about this one, it gets very heavy with Chevells and El Caminos.



Niles Flying A Cars and Coffee ---- Niles, CA March 8th, 2026

Member's in attendance were Ram & Stan and myself. This event was unique as there was an invasion of French and Japanese cars! There were 5 Citroen cars, 4 were DS models and 1 was a Traction Avant (I think). Then there were 5 Nissan Figaros! There were also some Chevelle wagons as well! This is a really wonderful event and an excellent photo opportunity as well.





Treasure Island Cruise & Lunch

Mersea Restaurant

699 Avenue of the Palm, Treasure Island Sat., Mar. 14, 2026

(Submitted by Bev Mosqueda)

We had a great turnout for our lunch March 14th on Treasure Island at the restaurant Mersea. It was very lively with lots of conversation going on, not only amongst our club members but the many other guests at the restaurant that day. It was busier than we've experienced in the past, no doubt due to the ideal weather conditions that day. No wind!!



Mike & Darlene Saunders arrived in their Chevelle first, the Mosquedas parked next to them, the Cruscos parked next to the Mosquedas, then Joanie Butler squeezed in with her red Chevelle. (Non-Chevelle drivers for the day were the Glidewell's, Brett & Judith and Dave Reed and Sheila.) We dined on caesar salad, fish chowder (not clam chowder), double-stacked cheeseburgers, fish & chips, and their famous fish tacos. They have a saying there: "Come for the food, stay for the view." You can see why!



Darlene & Mike Saunders

Bev Mosqueda (George took the pic)



Cindy & Michael Crusco



Joanie Butler



The View!



Everyone! Brett, Joanie, Lance, Cyle, Michael & Cindy



Foreground: Judith, Dave & Sheila Back to front: Mike, Brett, Joanie, Lance, Cyle Background: Lance, Cyle, Cindy & Michael

Everyone sitting outside enjoyed not only the gorgeous weather but the live entertainment as well. As we were settling up the bill inside, Brett ran in from outside, apologized for interrupting, and told us we should come outside because “you’re gonna wanna see this.” He didn’t tell us Judith was playing with the jazz group outside!

What an unexpected surprise! Everyone thoroughly loved the show!



Judith on drums!



Some of Judith's fans



Judith's biggest fan, Brett

After lunch, we gathered for a group photo with the San Francisco skyline behind us. Fortunately we were able to snag someone to take our photo; unfortunately we learned that we should never have the skyline background and lighting from the sun behind us. Eager beavers Dave Reed and Sheila disappeared before we could take a group picture, but we caught up with them in the World's Fair Museum enjoying some afternoon cocktails.

The rest of us drove over to the World's Fair Museum, just a short distance from the restaurant, where there were lots of interesting photos and snippets of information. There was also a full bar inside with gin and whiskey tasting flights for those who chose to enjoy, like Dave & Sheila (smile).

March 21, 2026 Annual Artichoke Run to Castroville (Submitted by Bev Mosqueda)



Our third event in March was the Annual Artichoke Run to Castroville put on by the East Bay Ford F-100 Elite club. Many times, in the past this event has been rained out, but this year the weather couldn't have been any nicer. On a beautiful Saturday morning, this friendly group (including our club members Kimberly Culbertson & Tony Nicholson, Joanie Butler and Jay Ball) met in Fremont at 9:00 and then cruised to Morgan Hill to pick up

additional participants in the South Bay (including George & Bev Mosqueda). From there everyone cruised down to Pezzini Farms in Castroville where everyone found somewhere to park and then wandered around a bit and visited with others who had cruised down. As a thank you for visiting, everyone was treated to a free bag of artichokes! Yumm! You meet the nicest people on small cruises! I met the F100s President (John) and his wife (Aurora) who live in Jackson (!) and said they'll look for us at Sutter Creek later this year.



While the nice folks at Pezzini Farms walked around trying to decide which car they liked best, people bought goodies from the Pezzini Farms "store", 50/50 raffle tickets, and tickets for the other raffle prizes. Bev won a Golden State Warriors cap, and Kimberly won an event T-shirt which she shared with George. Thank you, Kimberly!



Bev & Kimberly in the background



ZZ Top on the Cruise??

This car won the hearts of Pezzini Farms . . .



... but I think one of the Chevelles should have won. Top up or top down, either way Joanie's is a real beauty.



(George & Bev's)



It was a great day, and everyone had a good time. At the end of the day, even though some of us enjoyed artichoke soup and delicious artichoke tacos from the Choke Coach, our group cruised on down to Monterey for a more substantial lunch on the Old Wharf at SandBar & Grill. Believe it or not, parking was no problem(!), and the view was delightful.

Cobra Experience in Martinez

March 15, 2026

We had a beautiful day cruising to the Cobra Experience in Martinez. We had nine people in total attending and seven cars. Those in attendance were Lance & Maria Glidewell, Paul Muransky, Jim & Denise Matson, Robert & Vickie Deen, Robert Cortez and Bob Morgan. Camaro Club and Nor-Cal cruised down to Martinez. Arrived before the museum opened and we participated in their cars and coffee event. Lots of mustangs of course but our cars got looks as well. Robert and Vickie met us there. We strolled through the museum, watched a 20-minute documentary on Carroll Shelby's vision in a state-of-the-art media center. They had knowledgeable docent giving guided tours or just answering questions. Some of us took the scenic route to get to our lunch location, crazy road apps. We finally gathered together at JP' Bistro and enjoyed good food and great company. Nice museum so much to see.





Steve and Sonja Spatola's 1985 El Camino Conquista

2026 CLUB MEETINGS AND EVENTS

(AS OF APR 2, 2026)

February

7 – **Business Mtg** & Yearly Events Calendar Planning Meeting

March

14 – **Short mtg** at Fremont Chevrolet then cruise to lunch at Mersea Restaurant on Treasure Island

15 – **Cobra Experience Tour & Lunch** – Coordinators: Lance & Maria

21 – **Artichoke Run** – Watsonville – Coordinator: Kim Culbertson

April

11 – **Business Meeting** & cruise to Rosie the Riveter Tour & Lunch

25 – **Lodi Wine Country "Sip & Savor" Cruise** - Coordinators: Robert Deem & Randy Ochs

May

3 – **Niles Spring Fever Car Show** – Coordinator: Chris Paulson

9 – **Gathering/short mtg** – Cruise to Wente Golf Course for Lunch & Rubino Wine Tasting - Randy

17 – **Annual Club Picnic** at the Meek Estate in Hayward – Michael Saunders & Joanie Butler

23 – 25 – **Memorial Day Weekend**

June

13 – **Gathering/short mtg & Ladies Day Event** – Coordinators: Katie Schurtz & Maria Glidewell

20 – **Castro Valley Car Show** – Coordinator: Ed Robles

July

4 – **Fremont 4th of July Parade** – Coordinator: Joanie Butler

11 – **Business Meeting** with Cruise to lunch at location TBD

August

6 – **Official AMC Pacer Reveal** at HAN (Reno) – Coordinators: David & Katie Schurtz

9 – **(Sun) Hot August Niles Car Show & Club Meeting** – Coordinator: Joanie Butler

September

5 – **Gathering/short mtg** with Club Leadership Nominations and cruise to lunch (location TBD)

12 – **Hold for Run to The Coast - Poker Run**

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26 – **Apple Pie Run** – Coordinator: Ramasses

October

3 – **USS Hornet Carrier & Oktoberfest Beer Crawl & lunch** – Coordinator: Katie Schurtz

10 – **Business Meeting** with Election of Officers & Cruise to Roy Brizio's Car

Collection

11 – **Sutter Creek Car Show** – Coordinator: Randy Ochs

24 – 25 – **Carmel to Cambria Overnight Cruise & Hearst Castle Tour** – Coordinator: Bev

November

7 – **17-Mile Drive Cruise & Lunch** – Coordinator: TBD

14 – **Gathering/short mtg** with cruise to lunch at the Ritz Carlton (Half Moon Bay) for lunch

26 – **Thanksgiving**

28 – **"Day After Thanksgiving" Niles Lights Parade & Tree Lighting** – Coordinator: Joanie Butler

December

12 – **Annual Christmas Party (Members only)** at TBD – Coordinators: TBD

Events for consideration:

April 19 – Benicia Classic Car Show – Coordinator: Joanie Butler

Aug 6-9 – Hot August Nights (Reno)

Aug 21 – 23 GoodGuy’s West Coast Nationals (Pleasanton) for those interested

Aug 22 – Castro Valley Cruise Night – Coordinator: TBD

Sept 19 – Newark Days

Sept 20 – Roarin’ the Redwoods Car Show – Coordinator: Joanie Butler

Nov 14 / 15 – GoodGuy’s in Pleasanton for those interested

CLUB MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

March



Kelli Guardanapo

Sonia Spatola

Classic Car Shops & Repair Services

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Specialty	Business Name	Contact	Tel #	City	Recommended by:
Upholstery	Top Notch Upholstery	Tony	408-529-3720	San Jose	Robert Cortez
Engine Machining	A.P.M. Custom Engines	Felix	408-778-3688	Morgan Hill	Randy Ochs
Transmissions	All Standard Transmissions		408-379-7290	Campbell	David Schurtz
Radiator Services	B&M Radiator Service	Grant	510-440-8919	Fremont	Randy Ochs
Classic Car Repairs	S S Toy Shop	David	408-813-8588	San Jose	Randy Ochs
Steering Box Rebuild	Straight Line Steering		408-289-9850	San Jose	Lance Glidewell

Notes: Recommended by a Club Member who has had a recent positive experience.
Some shops "may" provide a Nor-Cal Member discount.

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2026

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Lodi Wine Country “Sip & Savor” Cruise

April 25th

This will be a Nor-Cal ChevelleCamino Club Wine Cruise to the Lodi Wine Country. During our cruise, we have selected the following three locations: Lodi Wine Visitor Center, Calivines Olive Oil and Michael David Winery. We'll enjoy some great food at stop # 1, Olive Oil Tastings at Calivines and then cruise to lunch at Michael David at stop # 3. Sign-ups will be first come, first reserved, so don't wait too long.

As an inspiration for the event, a 1969 song titled "Lodi" by Creedence Clearwater Revival, written by John Fogerty, tells the story of a washed-up musician stuck playing in small-town bars in Lodi, California. As a car group, we will cruise through Lodi in search of these small-town wineries and culinary experiences.

With this size group, our only option is to reserve seating space and purchase 4-5 bottles per stop for everyone to share. The fee is \$ 25/person, whether or not you choose to participate in wine tasting. This fee covers each winery's minimum charge for our group. The fee will be collected at the March Club meeting or day of at Stop # 1. Please plan to bring cash. Food can be purchased separately at the 1st and 3rd stops.

Please RSVP your attendance to Randy Ochs at either my email randy.ochs@comcast.net or text me at 925-963-2999. Some folks “may” decide to stay overnight, and there will be more hotel info provided as we get closer.

Cruise Notes:

- 8:15AM Meet at Starbucks next to Safeway in Pleasanton, (off 680 & Bernal Rd.)
- 8:30AM Depart for Lodi Wine Country
- 9:45AM Meet everyone at **Lodi Wine Visitor Center** (2545 W. Turner Rd. Lodi)
- 10:00AM Pastry snacks & tasting at Lodi Wine Center
- 11:30AM Depart for Calivines Olive Oil Tasting (13950 N. Thornton Rd. Lodi)
- 12:00AM Olive Oil Tasting at **Calivines Olive Oil Tasting**
- 1:30AM Depart for Michael David Winery (4580 Highway 12, Lodi)
- 2:00PM Lunch & tasting at **Michael David Winery**
- 4:00PM Depart for Home



Spring Has Sprung! Don't Forget to Stock Up on Club Merch for Summer Cruisin'!

Visit the club website to order your club apparel:
<https://nor-calchevelles.com/club-apparel/>

Stitches & Stuff Website: stitchesstuff.com
Tim Ragan Email: info@stitchesstuff.com
Contact Tim Ragan (510) 786-3946

Vendor Catalog Website: sanmar.com

Prices for Single Item Polo with Logo
S - XL \$22.50 - Polo with Logo
XXL \$25.50 - Polo with Logo
Men's Polo - Item # KP 155
Ladies Polo - Item # LKP 155

Standard Turnaround is 10 Business Days



**Member supplied items - \$15.00 each for left chest-sized design (Must be new)
Full Back Logo 11 in. wide by 7 in. high - \$50.00 ea (e.g. varsity jackets)
**member supplied items can be clothing and non-clothing items (e.g. blankets, throws, scarves, aprons, golf towels)

Questions? Contact Jerry Kochan for Embroidered items at (925) 570-6173 or Kimberly Culbertson for Non-Embroidered items at (510) 673-7322

From your Webmaster Michael Crusco:

We're always looking for a new Featured Car for the club website. If you would like to participate, send me four pics of your car with at least one picture with you in or next to it to me at mikec44212@aol.com. Also send details on your car on how and when you purchased it. The more details the better.



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