



REDWOOD REVIEW

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From The President:



Happy July everyone, wow, this year is flying by, at least for me. We just returned from the Fort Bragg Tour, what a fun time we had at the coast, the weather was picture perfect and we managed to see a lot of great scenery and a little car related stuff, and of course a lot of great food. What a blast with great people.

Well, the Board of Directors has a big decision ahead of them at the next Board Meeting. At last month's meeting the consensus was that this year's Swap Meet would be the last one, costs are going up, and attendance is dwindling. We did make a profit, but it has been getting smaller and smaller every year over the last few years, especially for all the work it takes to put it on. There also is a lot of uncertainty regarding the City of Petaluma and lot of complaints regarding the condition of the field. The Board will get together over the next few months and make a decision and also put together a budget with the remaining funds the club has and make it last for many years to come. The club isn't going anywhere, and there are a lot of fun years ahead of us.

Speaking of fun, we have some fun one day tours coming up in July with the Skunk Train Tour and the Lavender Bee Farm/Petaluma Creamery Tour. Plus, I know a lot of club members make the trip up to Fortuna at the end of July for the Fortuna Autorama. Not sure if anyone will come up with something in August, but we are on track for Miranda in September.

Happy Motoring

Steve McClain



REDWOOD REVIEW MONTHLY MINUTES

Minutes of Monthly Meeting: Date: June 10, 2025

The meeting was called to order 7:08 pm by our Co- President Mike Buegeleisen .

The Minutes of Meeting: The minutes of the last month's meeting were approved with no corrections.

Members in attendance tonight: 34

Treasurer's Report: Denise gave everyone our monthly treasurer's report. We are in good standing.

New Members and Guests: None

Birthdays: Bill Baxter, Rick Tamagno, John Berizzi & Juanita Cooper. Rick won the prize.

Business: Mike reported that the Swap Meet did very well. It was decided that after 50 years it would be the last one. Mike thanked all the members who have helped over the years.

Tours and Events:

June 16th Ford Chick's luncheon at Mary's Pizza, 535 Summerfield Road, Santa Rosa at 11:30 am. RSVP to Julie McClain or Bev Tamagno

June 17-19th Fort Bragg Tour. Contact Steve or Julie McClain

July 2nd Skunk Train Tour from Willits. Meet at Pepper's Restaurant in Healdsburg at 8:30 am. Contact Steve or Julie McClain for info.

July 10th Lavender Bee Farm & Petaluma Creamery Tour in Petaluma. Meet at Rohnert Park Target parking lot at 10:30 am. RSVP to Irlene at Chealsea 970@aol.com

July 14th Ford Chick's luncheon, Hopmonks Tavern, 691 Broadway, Sonoma at 11:30 am RSVP to Charlene Trabucco or Jan Taurian

July 25-27th Car Show in Fortuna.

Sunshine Lady: None

Hard Luck: None

Tech Tips: None

Cars and Parts for Sale: None

Club Cars Driven to the Meeting: 6 old cars were driven to the meeting. Juanita won the prize.

Membership Attendance Drawing: Zandra Aguilar won the prize.

Carol's Carload of Fun: We played a Father's Day Trivia Quiz game. Rick Tamagno & Chuck Paul won the prizes.

Scholarship Raffle: There were 9 winners of raffle prizes and the club collected \$80.00

The meeting was adjourned at: 8 pm

Minutes submitted by: Beverly Tamagno



RERG #27 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JULY/AUGUST

For more information: Charlene 707-539-2867 or text Patty 703-402-2097, jrgplg@aol.com

JULY

- 02 **RERG #27 Skunk Train Tour** - McClain's
- 05 3rd Annual All American Car Show, 9 am – 2 pm, Santa Rosa Veterans Bldg., 1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa, sponsored by Vietnam Veterans and Am Vets of Sonoma County
- 08 **RERG #27 Monthly Mtg@** Round Table Pizza 2065 Occidental Rd. Santa Rosa, 7 pm
- 10 **RERG #27 Lavender Bee Farm Tour** - Irlene Duncan – See flyer in newsletter
- 14 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** 11:30 am, *HopMonk Tavern*, 691 Broadway, Sonoma. RSVP to Charlene Trabucco, 707-539-2867 or Jan Taurian, 707-569-1430 or jantau2@gmail.com
- 19 Devil Darlin's 36th Annual Car Show, Sonoma Veterans Memorial Hall, 126 1st West, Sonoma. Contact for more info: DevilsDarlins1951@gmail.com
- 19 VFW Post 3919 6th Annual Car Show, 10 am – 2 pm, 282 High Street, Sebastopol
- 25-27 Annual Fortuna Autoxpo, Questions: 707-572-7855. For further information or to download a registration form go to www.redwoodautoxpo.com

AUGUST

- 09 Montgomery High Alumni & Friends 7th Annual Car Show, Montgomery High School, 1250 Hahman Dr, Santa Rosa, 10:00 am - 2:30 pm. For more information, contact Mike Francis, mike@francisinsurance.net or www.montgomeryvikingsalumni.org/6th-annual-car-show
- 12 **RERG #27 Monthly Meeting@** Round Table Pizza 2065 Occidental Rd. Santa Rosa, 7 pm
- 18 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** 11:30 am, *Olive Garden*, 6430 Redwood Drive, Rohnert Park, RSVP to Kim Williams, 707-483-8896 or Cheryl Porter, 707-206-5970
- 22-24 Good Guys 37th West Coast Nationals, Alameda County Fairgrounds, 4501 Pleasanton Ave., Pleasanton
- 23 Dinucci's 2nd Annual Classic Car Show, 14485 Valley Ford Road, Petaluma. Show starts at noon. Parking at the side of restaurant

UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 19, 20, 21 [Overnight Tour - Miranda - McClain's](#)

DECEMBER 7 - *Christmas Brunch - Carol Rasmussen*

CARS AND COFFEE SUNDAYS

- 1st Novato - Vintage Oaks Shopping Center, 132 Vintage Way near Starbucks, 6:30 -10 am
Santa Rosa - Montecito Shopping Center, 560 Montecito Rd., 8 - 10 am
Sonoma - Devil's Darlin's, East side of Sonoma Plaza, 8 – 10 am
- 2nd Santa Rosa – 358 Coddington Center near Starbucks, 8 - 10 am
Napa - Premium Outlet Mall, 629 Factory Stores Dr., 8 - 10 am
- 3rd Petaluma – 389 S. McDowell near Peet's Coffee, 9 - 11 am
- 4th Penngrove - 10070 Main St., 8 – 10 am

CRUISE-IN

Friday - Santa Rosa - Machado's Burgers, 406 Larkfield Center, 4-7 pm

[Sunday - Santa Rosa - Machado's Burgers, 406 Larkfield Center.](#) 11 am – 2 pm

2nd Sunday - Rohnert Park – Cruisin' North Car Club's Cruisin' Hooters, 6099 Redwood Drive, noon - 3 pm

2nd Sunday & 4th Sunday - Santa Rosa – Acme Burgers, 1007 W. College Avenue, 6 pm

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Jul 03	Gayle Kuhn
Jul 06	Steve Penning
Jul 06	Red Hamilton
Jul 11	Jay West
Jul 14	Robert Smith
Jul 20	Doug Braik
Jul 20	Sharon DeCarli
Jul 27	Jerry Mattos
Jul 27	Ted Carpenter
Jul 28	Sharon DeCarli
Jul 30	HENRY FORD
Jul 31	Oona Achard



LAVENDER BEE FARM TOUR AND PETALUMA CREAMERY

THURSDAY JULY 10th, 2025

Cost \$20.00 per person

(money will be collected when we meet at Target)



Meet at Target in Rohnert Park and leave @ 10:30 A.M. From there we will make our way down to Petaluma. Our group will be greeted by owners Rick and JoAnn for a brief history of their farm. After that we will be free to walk around the farm, visit their store where they sell lavender bouquets, sachets and honey. We can enjoy our picnic lunch with the view of the lavender field from the gazebo!

Next stop will be at the Petaluma Creamery. We can do a little cheese tasting and a little shopping in their store. They have a nice variety of ice creams to indulge in. Yummy.



RSVP

A sign up sheet will be passed around at the June and July monthly meetings,
or email Irlene @ Chelsea970@aol.com



FORT BRAGG TOUR

Steve and I hosted a V8 tour to Fort Bragg from June 17th to the 19th. We had 10 cars meet up at Peppers Restaurant in Healdsburg and began our tour at 10AM. It was a beautiful ride and we stopped at Gowan's Oak Tree for a rest stop and most everyone bought some fruit to share. We got to Russian Gulch for lunch about a half hour late due to the seemingly endless work on the road. The weather was perfect and the view was spectacular. After we enjoyed our running board lunch (and Bev's famous brownies) we headed to Fort Bragg for a garage tour at Don Kustoms. It is a full-service custom paint and fabrication shop. What a great stop. Don has been customizing cars and trucks for more than 30 years. It is a very small world in Fort Bragg because I went all through school with his older brother Ron. We were there for over an hour as he graciously answered all of our questions and talked to us about his builds. It was well past 3 pm by the time we made it to the Surf Motel to check in. Red Hamilton was already waiting for us to arrive because he wanted to take who ever was interested to Schnaubelt Distillery to look at a collection of flathead parts. A few of the guys drove down to Noyo to see what was there. While the guys were gone, the girls played cards. Charlene, as always, was the leader of the pack. HaHa!! At 5:30 we went to dinner at Los Gallitos. The place was packed. Thank goodness we had reservations. The food was great and the margaritas went down smoothly. What a day.... But the best was yet to come. Wednesday, we left the Motel at 9:15 and drove to the Mendocino Botanical Gardens for a docent led tour. We were divided into 2 groups. Our Docent was a lovely woman named Donna who was 93 years old and a spitfire. As we were talking, I realized she was the mother of a good friend of mine from High School. We had a great time reminiscing. She led us to the overlook shed at the ocean and told us of the 72-foot blue whale that beached not far from there. There were some bones on the wall from that whale. We made it to the dahlia garden and were so surprised that some of them had started to bloom. It was gorgeous!! We left the gardens about 11:30 and Dave Rasmussen drove the group to Red's house. Steve and I stopped at the Harvest Market to pick up the bag lunches that everyone ordered. We had a picnic in front of Red's airplane hangar and we had brownies and lemon cake that Marilyn and Red made for us for dessert. We kind of scattered after lunch. Steve and I took a few cars to Mackerricher State Park to take a walk on the boardwalk to Laguna Point. The ocean is my happy place and I must say – everyone was happy!! We had a couple of hours to relax and rest before we headed to dinner at the Noyo River Grill. After dinner, a bunch of us headed into town to get ice cream at Cowlick's. Yummy. While we were parked a man named Frank Hartzell took pictures of all of our cars and talked to a couple of people in Cowlicks. Lo and behold, he wrote an article about us in the Mendocinocoast.news entitled Rolling Ford V-8 museum spends a week in Fort Bragg if you are interested in reading it. We got up early Thursday morning and had breakfast at a nice little café near the Motel. We hit the road home by 9:30 and decided to take highway 20 instead because of the road work we encountered on Tuesday. All in all, it was a GREAT tour (If I say so myself)!!

Julie McClain







CORNER



FORD CHICKS LUNCHEON

Bev and I hosted the June get together of the Ford Chicks lunch at Mary's Pizza Shack. We made up 4th of July themed goody bags which contained the usual chocolate candy. They also contained a USA necklace and a flag themed folding paper fan. Denise made the best cupcakes for us with a little American flag on top. It was a great time. See you in July at Hop Monk Tavern in Sonoma.

Julie McClain



RECIPE

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FORD CHICKS CORNER (continued)

Lemon Poke Cake

- ☞ 1 box Lemon Cake Mix
- ☞ 1 cup Water*
- ☞ 1/2 cup Canola Oil*
- ☞ 3 Large Eggs*
- ☞ 3 ounces Lemon Gelatin Dessert Mix
- ☞ 1 cup Boiling Water
- ☞ 1/2 cup Cold Water

Lemon Glaze & Topping

- ☞ 2 cups Powdered Sugar
- ☞ 6 tablespoons Lemon Juice
- ☞ 8 oz. Cool Whip



Instructions

How to Make the Lemon Cake

Before getting started, grease up a 9x13 cake pan with nonstick cooking spray, and preheat your oven according to the package directions for your cake mix.

In a large mixing bowl, use a spatula to gently fold your cake mix, water, eggs and canola oil together until just well-combined*. If you're using an electric stand mixer with a paddle attachment, this will take about 2 minutes on medium speed.

Pour the cake batter into the 9x13 cake pan that you greased up in the first step, and bake it according to the package instructions for your cake mix. You can tell that it is done when a toothpick or cake tester inserted into the center of the cake comes out clean.

Once your lemon cake is fully baked, let it cool for about 15-20 minutes before moving on to the next step.

How to Make the Jello Topping

While your cake is cooling, whisk the Jello mix into the boiling water in a glass measuring cup until completely dissolved.

Use a fork to poke holes about 1-2 inches apart all over the top of your lemon poke cake.*

Slowly pour the Jello mixture over the entire cake, and then let it cool for another 10-15 minutes.

While your cake is cooling, whisk together the powdered sugar and lemon juice in a small mixing bowl. This will be your lemon glaze.

Next, pour or spoon your lemon glaze all over the top of the cake, making sure to spread it evenly.

Finally, you'll want to let the cake fully cool before spreading Cool Whip or whipped cream all over the top with a spatula.

Once the Cool Whip is spread on top, I recommend chilling your lemon Jello poke cake in the refrigerator for at least a few hours before serving. This gives the lemon flavor time to infuse into the cake.

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My V8 by (club member)

We would like to feature your car in the Club Newsletter so would encourage you to write a short story about the car so we can share in the enjoyment of your V8.

You may include pictures, history of car, outstanding features of the vehicle and what you've been doing on it lately, and any other facts of interest to other club members .

You can also tell us about the work you have done on your car and the glitches you have overcome to fix these problems.

We are hoping to make this a regular feature in our newsletter so we do need input from our members.

For more information, please contact Juanita at 707 293 3945 (text) or email buffet55@comcast.net.

Articles for the V8 Club Newsletter are due by the third weekend of the month and in the WORD format. Thank you, this will be a great help in putting the Newsletter together and getting it out on time.

Irlene's email: Chelsea970@aol.com

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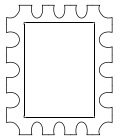
Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at Round Table Pizza- Exit Hwy 12 & Stony Point Road to 2065 Occidental Road, Santa Rosa. All interested V8-ers are invited to attend! This newsletter is a monthly publication of Redwood Empire RG # 27 of the Early Ford V8 Club of America. Other Regional Groups may reprint material, provided proper credit is given.



RERG #27 on tour

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