



REDWOOD REVIEW

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From The President:



Happy July everyone, I hope everyone is doing well, hoping for a fun and safe 4th of July celebration. We had a great time on Carol's Murder Mystery Tour last month, a big thanks to Carol. I know she put a lot of work and effort into making it a great day, well done. Speaking of the Rasmussen's, Dave's Garage Tour is coming up this month, which also should be a good time. Speaking of a good time, a big Thanks to Loretta and Gene for the Taco Party at their house in Healdsburg, I know Loretta put in a lot of time and effort to make it another great event. The turnout was great and everyone had a great time. Also coming up in July will be our trip to San Francisco to the Walt Disney Museum, should be a fun day. After that some of us will head North for the Fortuna Car Show, which many of us have been attending for many years now, it is always a good one that a lot of people enjoy. Then at the end of the month, we will head east for the Big Sky RG Peaks & Prairies National Driving Tour, where we will visit stops in Montana and Wyoming. We are really looking forward to this trip, should be a good time. As far as club business, I know that Rick has distributed the club scholarships for this year, I have not heard if we have received Thank You letters yet. I am sure Rick will have more information at the meeting, and we should have more information on club clothing coming soon. See you at the meeting.

Steve McClain



REDWOOD REVIEW MONTHLY MINUTES

Minutes of General Meeting: June 9, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by our President Mike Buegeleisen

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

Members in attendance: 39

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

New Members and Guests: None

Birthdays: June birthdays present: Gloria McIntosh, John Berizzi, Juanita Cooper, Loretta Kirkeby, Rick Tamagno, Cheryl Porter & Bill Baxter. Juanita won the prize.

Business: Mike reported that Rick Tamagno had delivered the auto shop scholarship checks to Healdsburg, Petaluma, Casa Grande and Santa Rosa High Schools. Loretta Kirkeby reported that her and Linda Ortega have been looking for stores to order our club logo clothing from. They found two who were easy to work with. One is Queensboro.com online and the other is The Brandery Store.com who also have a store in the Santa Rosa Plaza. Loretta & Linda will be working to get them our logo so anyone can order clothing from them. More information coming.

Tours and Events:

July 11th Garage tour to Dave & Carol Rasmussen's, 1116 Austin Way, Napa, 9:00 am

July 16th Tour to Walt Disney Family Museum at the Presidio in San Francisco. Bring a picnic lunch. Meeting and leaving at 9:00 am sharp from the parking lot at Target in Rohnert Park.

July 20th Ford Chick's Luncheon, Olive Garden in Rohnert Park 11:30 am. RSVP to Cheryl Porter or Kim Williams.

July 24 to 26th Fortuna Car Show in down town Fortuna

Sunshine Lady: None

Cars and Parts for Sale: Ron & Zandra Aguilar bought Gloria McIntosh's 1937 Ford

Club Cars Driven to the Meeting: Mike & Amy Buegeleisen, John & Rochelle Berizzi, Rick & Bev Tamagno, Chuck Paul, Sterling Cooper & Juanita, and Ron & Zandra Aguilar. Amy won the prize.

Membership Attendance Drawing: Linda Ortega won the prize.

Carol's Carload of Fun: We played a 4th of July Trivia game. Patty Girman and John Girman each won a prize.

Scholarship Raffle: There were 10 lucky raffle prize winners & the club collected \$106.00

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:00 pm

Minutes submitted by: Beverly Tamagno



RERG #27 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JULY /AUGUST 2026

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

JULY

- ** 3rd Annual All American Car Show, Santa Rosa canceled for 2026, will resume 2027
- 11 **RERG #27 Garage Get Together @ The Rasmussen's** – more info in this newsletter
- 11 **Devil Darlin's 37th Annual Car Show**, Sonoma Veterans Memorial Hall, 126 1st West, Sonoma. Contact for more info: DevilsDarlins1951@gmail.com
- 12 **Cars & Coffee & Clam Chowder**, The Tides Wharf, Bodega Bay, 12 – 3 pm
- 14 **RERG #27 Monthly Mtg@** Round Table Pizza 2065 Occidental Rd. Santa Rosa, 7 pm
- 16 **RERG #27 Disney Museum @ Presidio** - McClain's - more info in this newsletter
- 18 **VFW Post 3919 6th Annual Car Show**, 10 am – 2 pm, 282 S. High Street, Sebastopol
- 20 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** 11:30 am, location **Olive Garden**, 6430 Redwood Dr., Rohnert Park, hosted by Cheryl, 707-206-5970 and Kim, 707-483-8896
- 24-26 **Annual Fortuna Autoxpo**, Questions: 707-572-7855. For further information www.redwoodautoxpo.com



AUGUST

- 2-7 **Montana/Wyoming Tour**
- 11 **RERG #27 Monthly Mtg@** Round Table Pizza 2065 Occidental Rd. Santa Rosa, 7 pm
- 15 **Montgomery High Alumni 8th Annual Car Show**, Montgomery High School, 1250 Hahman Dr, Santa Rosa, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm. For more information www.montgomeryvikingsalumni.org
- 15 **Dinucci's Annual Classic Car Show**, 14485 Valley Ford Road, Petaluma. Noon
- 17 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** 11:30 am, **Iron and Vine Restaurant, Bennett Valley Golf Course**, 3330 Yulupa, Santa Rosa, hosted by Juanita, 707-293-3945 & Carol R, 707-246-4158
- 21-23 **Good Guys 39th West Coast Nationals**, Alameda County Fairgrounds, 4501 Pleasanton Ave., Pleasanton.
- 29 **RERG #27 Garage Get Together @ The Dortch's** – more info in next newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 12 – Sturgeon Mill Tour
SEPTEMBER 18-20 - Miranda Tour
OCTOBER 3 – Garage Get Together

NOVEMBER 8 - Turkey Trot Potluck
DECEMBER 6 - Christmas Brunch

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 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., 9 am

CRUISE-IN

- Friday - Santa Rosa - Machado's Burgers, 406 Larkfield Center, 4-7 pm
- 2nd Sunday - Rohnert Park – Cruisin' North Car Club - Hooters, 6099 Redwood Drive, noon - 3 pm

MYSTERY RUN 2026



It was a warm and sunny day when the V8 Club met behind the Sonoma Plaza to help solve the recent murder of Ivan Dorf. Our fearless fraudulent FBI leader, Carol Rasmussen, was decked out in FBI gear and ready to solve the murder with the help of 37 V8 Club members who arrived in 18 fabulous old Ford vehicles. We each received our fake Federal ID's and one of many packets which included our clues and, of course, treats and gizmos. We were given the inside information on the murder and the characters who were under suspicion. We learned that Ivan had sold the same vehicle, a nice little Ford Falcon, to several of his acquaintances; including his barber, his dentist, his coworker, a friendly baker, and a girlfriend. No one ever got the car and Ivan kept the money, so they all had motive to unalive him.



We proceeded to our first stop, the Stanley Lane Smokehouse in Sonoma. The shop was suspiciously closed, so we were left in the dark at that time. Our next packet directed us to the Grape Crusher Statue off Highway 12, where we got a new clue and for a brave few, an uphill walk to see the statue up close. (how many times have we seen it from the highway?)



With new clue in hand, we proceeded to the Levi Outlet in Vallejo, where we found a nice (and necessary as we are mostly older folk) restroom and picked up our next clue. We visited Skags Barber Shop, a large and impressive business with friendly barbers who were hard at work. Carlos was Ivan's barber and had also been sold the Falcon so held a grudge against him. At that point, Carol gave the barbers homemade cookies to thank them for their participation in our event. Our packets contained barber combs as a remembrance of this exceptional place of business, and, of course, another clue.



We proceeded to Sweetie Pie Bakery in Napa, a small but thriving business where we were each treated to a nice big freshly baked cookie. This is where Oscar worked, and he had also purchased the Falcon from Ivan.



Next, our favorite stop...Lunch! We all gathered at Frida's Mexican Grill to partake in our favorite Mexican Cuisine and enjoy the cool and relaxing atmosphere. The service was great and quick, and the food delicious; but we still hadn't solved the mystery, so we were off once again, clue in hand.



This time we headed to the Bev Mo parking lot in Napa where we had a quick stop and received another clue. Following this clue, we proceeded to Ivan's Dentist's office. Dr. Kyle was deeply involved in this case as Ivan's sister was employed by him. As it was a Sunday, the office was closed but we were getting more savvy with each stop.



We then drove to Hansel Ford Dealership where Ivan had been employed. He had sold the Falcon to his coworker Brian but never delivered. We met Danny, the assistant manager, who was celebrating his birthday that day. Danny was pleased to see the old Fords lined up and he was also treated to some of Carol's homemade cookies. The clues kept coming.

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MYSTERY RUN 2026 (continued)



We continued through the Chevron Station where some of us needed gas but we were getting close to solving the crime so hurried along.

Our last stop was a pleasant drive to The Meadows Senior Living Center in Napa, where we were greeted by some of the residents who oohed and aahed over the old cars. The staff (including Carol's daughter Emily) had the perfect area set up for us. We were seated in a shady and peaceful patio with cool fountains and scenic views. While more residents checked out the cars, we were treated to authentic cold and tasty Root Beer Floats. What a great treat and oh did it hit the spot. Some V8ers treated themselves to two.

A number of residents joined our game and after getting the story and the clues, took a stab (no pun intended) on who had motive to murder Ivan. It was nice to see them get involved and enjoy a fun time participating in our venture.



It was now time to reveal the murderer and find out who the true villain was. Ivan was such a shyster and had cheated so many of his friends it was hard to determine who would go to the extreme of offing him; It had to be someone who had both the motive and the means.

It turns out most of us didn't solve the mystery, but we had a great day chasing clues, receiving little gifts, and driving the old cars. Those who solved the crime or came close to it received a 1 lb bag of donated mystery treats.

It was a long and pleasurable day, lots of time to see our friends and get a little driving in too. Our huge Thanks to Carol and Dave Rasmussen for the large amount of time and effort put into this event. Their daughter Emily was also a big help, and we couldn't have done it without the local businesses who accommodated us so graciously. Our thanks to all of them! Our fun captain did it again and had fun and made new friends while putting this tour together. Kudos to Carol!

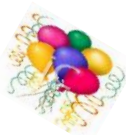
And FYI, the murderer was Ivan's sister Mary Ellen, Dr Kyle's cleaning person. She had also been promised the Falcon by her grandmother, a resident of the Senior Living Center. She conspired with Melissa, another victim of the Falcon sale who coincidentally worked at the Senior Center. While in the dentist's office, Mary Ellen slipped poison into the anesthesia Ivan was to receive from the Dentist the next day. She had really wanted that Falcon!!

Submitted by Juanita Cooper



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 30 HENRY FORD
 Jul 31 Oona Achard



"SUNSHINE LADY REPORT"

Get well wishes were sent to Patty Girman after her knee surgery. Get back on your feet soon Patty.

Submitted by Loretta Kirkeby



GARAGE GATHERING

at the Rasmussen's

When – Saturday, July 11, 9:00 A.M.

Where – Dave & Carol Rasmussen, 1116 Austin Way, Napa

Cell Phones - Dave 707-225-2434, Carol 707-246-4158



Then if you are so inclined and a still a little hungry, we can walk down to the end of the block and have lunch at Hop Creek Gastropub on their outdoor patio. Dave and Carol can see the restaurant from the end of their drive so we can just leave the cars where they are already parked.



TACO PARTY 2026



Loretta and Gene Kirkeby hosted our annual Taco Picnic on June 13, 2026. As usual, Sterling, Rick and Lloyd delivered the tables and chairs and Loretta had the pleasure of wiping them down. Loretta also provided the tacos, and the other attendees brought pot luck. There was a variety of delicious food and plenty of desserts. Lots of salsa and salads, beans and tortillas of every sort. Delicious brownies, cakes, and cookies were set out for our enjoyment.

Our hosts had tables set up with multiple miniature cars and trucks and other small vehicles. It was quite a collection and of interest to all the car buffs gathered around.

The Club had 40 members show up and 19 old cars. We also had new members Rick and Hazel from Novato, and some members we hadn't seen in a while.

Everyone enjoyed the nice day along with the good food and, of course, the camaraderie with other Club members.

Once again, a great turnout and a good time was had by the V8ers. These parties take a lot of work and coordination so a big thank you to Loretta and Gene for their diligence in making this event a success once more.

Submitted by Juanita Cooper.





CORNER



June Ford Chick's Luncheon

Julie & I hosted the June Ford Chick's luncheon at Mary's Pizza Shack on Summerfield Road. We had a smaller group this month, 16 ladies. It was Juanita's birthday so the first thing we did was sing Happy Birthday to her. Our theme was the 4th of July so we had red, white & blue little bags of candy for each lady and for dessert we served brownies topped with whipped cream and red, white & blue sprinkles. As usual we all had a great time, getting together with the V8 ladies is always such fun. We welcomed Jill Jones, Ray Swinehart's other half. It was her first time at one of our lunches and I hope she enjoyed herself & will come again.

Bev Tamagno



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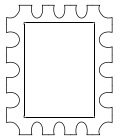
Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at Round Table Pizza- Exit Hwy 12 & Stony Point Road to 2065 Occidental Road, Santa Rosa. All interested V8-ers are invited to attend! This newsletter is a monthly publication of Redwood Empire RG # 27 of the Early Ford V8 Club of America. Other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



Ready for the Murder Mystery Tour – Sonoma to Napa

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