



President's Message

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What model and year is this Packard. Is it even a Packard?

The Packard pictured here in the February Predictor was a 1903 Model F referred to as *Old Pacific*. This was one of the first automobiles to drive across the United States. It has a one cylinder engine that produces 12 HP, and we are afraid to drive our Packard's up a long grade!? The photo was taken at the Ford Automotive Museum in Dearborn MI. 2012 is in full swing for our club. We had a really nice turn out at the Elephant Bar last month. Coming up this month we are going to Humphrey's for brunch. We hope to see a few Packard's there as after brunch we are going to take A nice tour to show off our vintage Packard's.

For those of us who do not have our Ole gals ready for the summer touring, now is the time to start on that. Yours truly has a ways to go to get the Yellow Peril on the by-ways safely. On March 25, 2012 we are invited to the Pauma Valley Airport for a gathering of old aircraft and old cars. There is a full description of the event in this Predictor. I plan to attend and hope we can get several Packard's out. We have fun tours planned for the next three months building up to our premier event in June, Crusin Grand. Note that Crusin Grand has been moved to June instead of our usual September outing. Mark Burnside is our Tour Director with your board serving as his team. We welcome all who want to get involved in this fun event. We are told that Packard night at Crusin' Grand is among the top three most popular groups they have for Crusin Grand.

Remember Drive your Packard AND if ya ain't havin fun you ain't doin it

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FOR SALE – CARS AND PARTS



'38 Packard 6 Cyl block
FIRST TAKER-FREE!

Tony Paradowski
619-267-4096

2/12

Losing garage space, must sell:

'55 Super Clipper Constellation
'55 Super Clipper Constellation
'56 Clipper Deluxe (not complete)
'57 "57L-P8 Clipper

Donald Smith, 619-281-4733
3510 33rd St., San Diego, CA 92104

For P.I. – San Diego Members:

Do you have a collector car or parts for sale? To place an ad in our newsletter, send an e-mail to Kira Campana at kcampana9192@gmail.com

If you have an e-mail address at home or work, but get your newsletter by regular mail, e-mail Kira Campana to be placed on our email list.

'56 Packard Patrician sedan, ext. blue,
int. blue, good condition, \$8,500;

217-443-0014, 4/11
michael.dogpack.dubois@gmail.com

'22 Packard Touring, ext. deep royal blue, int.
black, straight six, easily started, #30396,
\$45,990; 800-600-2262, specialtysales.com 4/11

'40 Packard Super 8 160 Coupe, ma-
roon, o.d., sidemounts, trunk rack,
restored CA car, \$58,500
Tom at 253-941-3454 6/11

'38 Packard "six" 4 dr not running, com-
plete, not bad, engine cranks on starter-good
oil pres. No compression. Includes extra
parts. #3500 or offer. C D Finney 858-755-
7206 10/11

Members: Your Board needs your Recommended
Services/Parts persons or firms that you have had fa-
vorable dealings with during restoration and preserva-
tion of your Packards. Please send person/firm
(name/address/phone number) to Mark Burnside at
markburnside@cox.net where he will post this on
our updated website. We are also accumulating a list
to publish for your use – Karl Ramsing

'51 Packard Patrician 400, black,
rust free, good chrome, original
headliner & upholstery, recent me-
chanical repairs, \$17,000; 925-743-
9897, rjmatthews@comcast.net
5/11

'49 Packard Custom 8, Sednet. repainted
Packard Blue, 3 speed with Overdrive,
renewed gas tank, new battery. Original
interior **\$20,500** Irvine, California,
Tel: (949) 246-1413. 7/11

'55 Packard 400 Hardtop, engine runs, excellent
sheet metal, torsion suspension works, located in
SoCal; Gil at 951-272-3351 5/11

'48 Packard Patrician . Interior has been re-done
619-546-4778 7/11

'49 Packard Super Eight, 23rd Series, blue, engine
runs, excellent sheet metal, will not part out, make
offer, 951-272-3351, ask for Gil 5/11

'53 Packard 300 Cavalier. \$2500 Call Devon 760-622-
1040 10/11

'53 Packard Convertible, black ext., white top,
black/red int., chrome wires, restored southwest car,
new hydraulics, top, drive-line, asking \$38,500
Tom at 253-941-3454 6/11

'55-'56 Packard parts for sale: parting out a '56 Patrician, including rebuilt
engine, overdrive transmission, etc. Also parts from '55 Patrician, '56 Execu-
tive, and '56 Clipper; trunk lock assembly, two 352 c.i. engines, one 374 c.i.
engine, rebuilt Chrysler 727 transmission-fits Ultra-torque for V-8's, V-8 sen-
ior tail lights, load leveling motors, 4-barrel carb, instrument panel with gaug-
es-probably from Executive, third member for '55 Patrician-missing left axle,
plus other misc. parts. Robert Dougherty, 858-748-2228, P.O. Box 337,
Poway, CA 92074

'39 Packard 110 Touring Sedan, side mounts, fender
skirts, visor, garaged since '85, contact:
msgs967@live.com 3/11

'41 Packard Rollson 180 All Weather Cabriolet, CCCA National Winner,
Frank Childs at 561-578-0319; P.I. Website 3/11

Buy Packard parts at the packardsandiego.org website

'20 Packard Touring, great running and driving with no rust!
With a 3 speed transmission \$34,950
Beverly Hills Motor Cars 619-232-6864 9/11

See McLellan's Automotive History for Packard
Sales Literature, Dealer Literature, Magazines,
Out-of-Print Books, Manuals & Memorabilia.
713-772-3285 or mclellansautomotive.com

'37 Packard 120 Convertible Coupe, trunk rack, fender
skirts, recent tune-up, service and drive-line, \$73,500
Tom at 253-941-3454 6/11

Check these two websites for Packard Information:
Packardinfo.com yesterdays-cars.com/Packard_clubs.htm

St PATTIES DAY BRUNCH FOR PACKARDS

Steve Ross



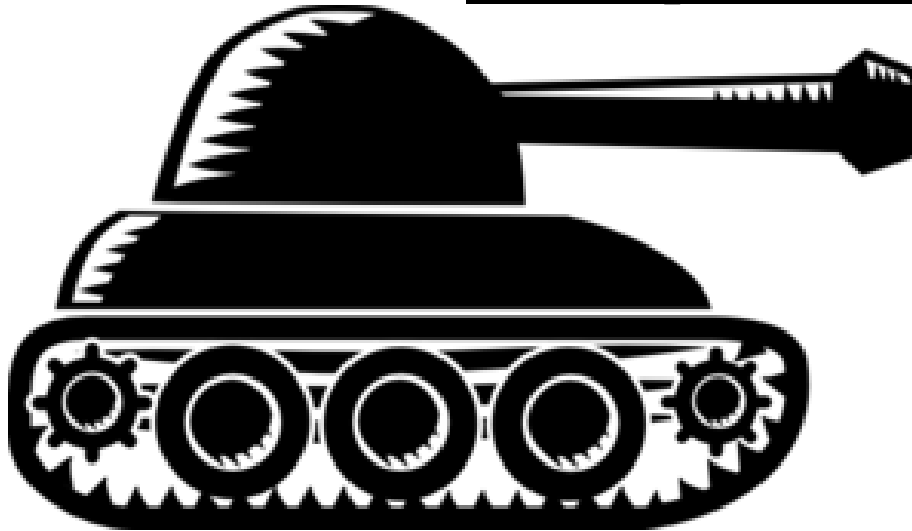
The San Diego Region of Packards International Automobile Club is celebrating Saint Patrick's one day late on March 18, 2012. We are having the celebration one day late because no one has Sunday Champagne Brunch on Saturday. We will gather at the Humphrey's Restaurant on Shelter Island overlooking the bay. As many of you may recall we went there on March of 2007 where the above photo was taken. This was one of those occasions when the Yellow Peril failed to proceed and we rode home on a flat bed. It was also the debut of Mark and Sydney's Miss Daisy. After a delightful champagne brunch we will take a tour in our Packards or other car. This is a surprise tour and promises to be fun. Here are the critical data on the event:

- DATE: March 18, 2012
- TIME: 10:00 A.M.
- PLACE: Humphreys Restaurant. 2241 Shelter Island Drive, San Diego CA
- COAT: \$52.00 PER PERSON TAX AND TIP INCLUDED.

PLEASE RSVP TO Steve Ross by March 13, 2012. 6109-508-3925 or inewsx@sbcglobal.net

MECHANIZED MUSEUM TOUR

At Camp Pendleton



Joint Tour:

**PACKARD &
AACA**

**Docent to
conduct tour**

Large number of military and support vehicles of all sorts dating back to WWII. Includes tanks, duck, military dune buggy, equipment transports, motorcycles etc.

WHEN: Saturday May 5, 2012

WHERE: 9:30 AM at front gate to base. Driver will need license and proof of insurance. Tour begins at 10 AM

FOOD: Luncheon to follow tour at Coco's on base

RSVP: Karl Ramsing 1-760-726-5955 or

Colin Fort 1-760-753-5724

PACKARDS & AIRPLANES
GATHERING AT PAUMA VALLEY AIRPORT
SUNDAY, MARCH 25 11AM-4PM

(Alternate rain date: April 15)

33129 Cole Grade Road

Directions:

From I 15, exit east on Hwy 76, drive past PALA CASINO
and as you pass PAUMA CASINO, turn right on
COLE GRADE ROAD. Proceed ½ mile.

Turn left into airport (Oak Tree Ranch on right)

Must park Packard by 10:30AM

Lot fills with spectators quickly.

A fun time to mingle with nice airplanes and fine automobiles.

Contact Karl Ramsing @ 760 726-5955

Aerial shot of Pauma Valley Airport:



THE STEFFEY WINE TOUR

Mark your calendar for April 7, 2012 for the Steffey Estates Wine Tour and lunch. If you like to drive your Packard, enjoy a glass of wine or other beverages and a scrumptious lunch this is a tour for you. This is an encore for last year and we guarantee you it will be fun. Stay tuned for more details in this publication.



PACKRAD'S AT THE ELEPHANT BAR

Steve Ross



The Blue Bomb keeps a Checker company while Phil and Heather Pizzuto dine in the Elephant Bar

Saturday February 19 was a beautiful sunny SOCAL day when the Packard Club folks arrived for lunch at the Elephant Bar. Dick Walworth and his son joined us for our first event this year along with many familiar faces.



Miss Za Za trying to hide in the bushes

We spent quality time in the parking lot admiring the Packard's in attendance. Colin Fort arrived in his Checker. Two late model Bentley's came to be seen with the Packards. Richard and Karen Schauer arrived in Miss Za Za. Miss Za Za is making her second appearance in 2012. As many of you know Miss Za Za has been away for an extended period of time at an undisclosed location for a spa treatment. She has excellent taste in the finer amenities as do Richard and Karen. Word has it that she bumped into another of our Packard ladies there whom we think may be



making an appearance later on this year. It is not uncommon for the Packard ladies to go away for a long time and come back looking different and more beautiful. Such is the way of the Stars I guess.

Miss Za Za draws an inquisitive crowd to admire the classic style and the new engine, leaving the Bentleys and Mercedes-Benz unnoticed and pretty much ignored.



Rear view of Miss Za Za. We don't like to mention age but her license says 1934

When finished with the "Eye Candy" we adjourned to the dining room and enjoyed a delightful meal from the Elephant Bars extensive menu selection. It was a great fun day and if you missed it there is another chance for an even bigger event this month

2012 event calendar

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Region</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Tour Leader</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Mar 18 | SD | St Pat Day Brunch | Humphreys | S Ross |
| Apr 7 | SD | Steffey Wine tour | Steffey Estates | Ron & Cherri Steffey |
| May 5 | SD | Camp Pendleton | Camp Pendleton | K. Ramsing/Colin Fort |
| June 22 | SD | Crusin Grand | Escondido | Mark Burnside |
| July 8 | SD | Cop Robbers Car Show | San Diego | Scott Napora |
| Aug 11 | SD | Marston House Tour | San Diego | Karl and Scott |
| Sep 30 | SD | Wash & Shine show | Valley Center | Steve and Mark |
| Oct 27-28 | SD | Over Night Tour | Palm Springs | Steffey/Ross/Wagner |
| Nov 18 | SD | Palomar MT Tour | Palomar Mt | Steve/Brian |
| Dec 1 | SD | Christmas party | TBA | Phil Pizzuto |

2012 Dates For Optional Car Show Events That We Have Attended In the Past

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Event</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Feb 27-28 | Swap Meet | Big 3 Parts Exchange | Qualcomm Stadium |
| Apr 1 | Car show | La Jolla Motor Car Classic | La Jolla |
| Apr 22 | Car show | Motor Cars on Main Street | Coronado |
| June 8-July 4 | Car show | Del Mar Fair | Del Mar |
| Aug (TBA) | Car show | Heritage Days Show | National City |
| Sep 22-23 | car show/racing | Coronado speed festival | Coronado |