

THE PREDICTOR



The monthly newsletter of the Packard Club of San Diego
– JUNE 2025 –

UPCOMING ITEMS OF INTEREST

Board Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at the IHOP restaurant in Rancho Bernardo, CA at 16759 Bernardo Center Drive, San Diego, CA. The meeting begins at 6:00 pm. Please arrive early if you plan to dine. Members are always welcome to attend our meetings. Our next meeting is Wednesday June 4th, 2025.

◆ Since finding the hidden Predictor has become boring, let's look for another candidate. Buttercup thinks she is a star so let's give her a try. Please don't ask who is Buttercup? She would be very offended however, if you want a signed autograph to see what she looks like, one can be yours for \$5.00 plus handling and shipping. I am going to sweeten the pot. The first person to find Buttercup will receive a Chicken Dinner; no more overpriced Starbucks card. But that's not all, the second person to find Buttercup within 48 hours of receiving the Predictor will also win a chicken dinner. I know the treasurer will gasp when reading this, but not to worry, we got it covered by a wealthy car nut, who occasionally is not aware of what is going on.

◆ Check out the upcoming car shows and events and consider attending. You are guaranteed to be a celebrity. People of all ages love these works of art. Bring the Packard out and instantly become a star, after all we are a car club and we gotta share these icons of the past.

Regional Director's Message

By Richard Schauer



OK Dads, fire up the Packard and take you and your Dad for a Father's Day Spin.

May has indeed been a very busy month

for our club. It started off with Motorcars on Main Coronado, where unfortunately rain dampened our plans to display a large group of Packards (see article). The following Saturday was the Carlsbad show, where once again Packard dominated (see article). Our congratulations go once again to Tom O'Hara! Then the Western Regions Tour took place in southern Oregon at Klamath Falls. Karen and I represented the San Diego Region at that wonderful event (article next month). Next was the Fallbrook Car Show on May 25, their annual Memorial Day collector car extravaganza. Exhausted yet? Our season is in full swing. Originally Cruisin' Gand (CG) was planned for May. It is a blessing the CG season has been postponed for two months due to delayed construction on Grand Avenue in Escondido.

June is quieter than May so far. The June 11 Father's Day celebration at the Oceanside Senior Center has been cancelled, largely as a result of the passing of Phil Pizzuto's mother this month. There may be another opportunity to support another community service activity in September., so be alert for notices about that. Please contact Phill Pizzuto if you are interested

July includes three great events. At long last, Escondido has completed work on Grand Avenue, so Cruisin' Grand will resume. Packard/Pierce-Arrow night is Friday July 11th (see flier). This is a premier event for our club, and the public flocks to see our fine cars, so please plan to attend. The Leo Carrillo Wash & Shine show is on July 12th, the very next day (see flier). Finally, the Main Street America Car Show in Seaport Village is Sunday July 13th, so we have three back-to-back wonderful events! Who among you can hit them all? I plan to. Then it is time to mark your calendar for the annual membership meeting and BBQ at the home of Catherine and Jim Woolsey, on August 9th And our season is hardly concluded then! The garage tour at Gary Marchetti's garage takes place

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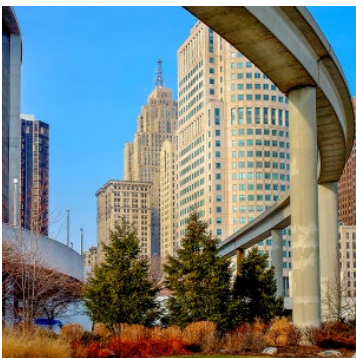
in September. The “hits just keep on comin’, as they say. Let us know what you have been doing with your Packard. Have you been taking your Packard out for a spin? If so, where. Let us know so we can let everyone know.



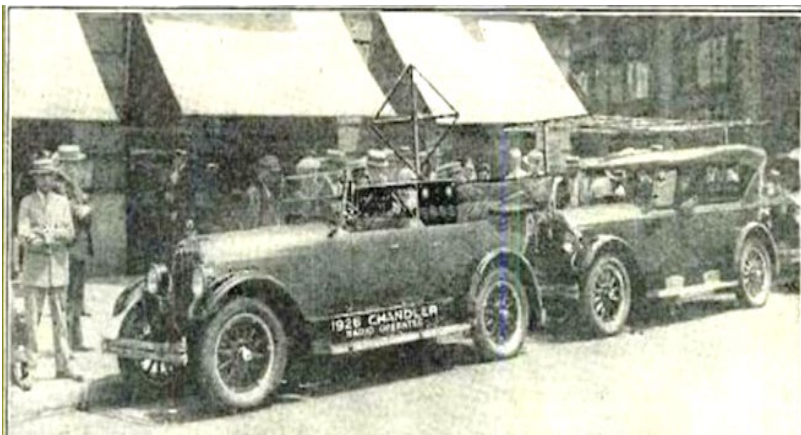
HIDDEN PREDICTOR LOCATION AND OTHER INTERESTING STUFF



Nick Pisano quickly found the Hidden Predictor. Rean further to learn what else he won.



Detroit was called the “Paris of the West”, renowned for its breathing architecture and elegant boulevards that were designed by same urban planner who created Washington D.C.’s iconic layout. Detroit built the nation’s first mile of concrete highway in 1909, forever changing how Americans would travel their vast country.



In the summer of 1925, Houdina’s driverless car, called the American Wonder, traveled along Broadway in New York City—trailed by an operator in another vehicle—and down Fifth Avenue through heavy traffic. It turned corners, sped up, slowed down and honked its horn. Unfortunately, the demonstration ended when the *American wonder* crashed the event.

Hot Rods & Cool Treats

May 10, 2025

By Richard Schauer



The gang minus Todd and Paul. Kathy Santy, Tom O'Hara, Richard Schauer and Mark Rothermich

It's all Paul and Phil's fault, you know. I never heard of this Carlsbad car show

before they started attending. This is the fifth year Packard Club members attended. It is also true that all five years Packard cars took home the Best of Show trophy. The first three years Paul Santy took home the top prize. In 2024 Phil Pizzuto won. In 2025 Tom O'Hara won best of show, and

deservedly so. HRCT is a great community show. Limited in the number of cars due to space availability, this is a more intimate show than others we typically attend. But, having said that, there was a great variety of collector cars represented, including hot rods, vintage muscle cars (like the 1964 Corvette 427), a modern replica of a VW microbus, 427 Cobra redux, and a Dodge Power Wagon...a very interesting display overall. The staff were extremely welcoming and accommodating, making it easy for our Packards to park together.



Kathy and Paul



Todd Schonenberg



Tom O'Hara's 34 Dietrich Best in Show



Richard's award-winning interior

Four Packards were represented. Paul Santy drove in with his award winning 1936 model 1400 club sedan. Todd Schonenberg arrived behind the wheel of his beautiful 1939 model 1703 touring sedan. Tom O'Hara drove up I-5 a long way in his 1934 Dietrich Convertible Sedan. I brought my '34 model 1100-8 touring sedan. For a small show there was a big crowd of onlookers and car nuts, everyone smiling and happy to be there. Of personal interest to me were the old folks who began coming around

to admire our cars. Listen to me talking about old folks like I'm not one of them...fine! Turns out there is a senior living center in close proximity to Pine Park. Word spread. Soon even more folks from the senior center came to look at our cars. My personal favorite was Cheryl, originally from Massachusetts, who drove to Las

Vegas at age 22 with her infant child and husband. She landed a job at a casino counting money and shortly after divorced her husband. She was a flaming redhead then, and high spirited.

She met all the big-time entertainers of the '70's. Wayne Newton called her "Red" or "Dear", while she called him MISTER Newton. White haired now and in her 70's she is still high spirited. We hit it off immediately! Cheryl insisted on voting for my Packard, which I appreciate. When I won the prize for best interior I walked over to her and gave her a big hug, saying it was because of her that I won the prize. We both laughed. Encountering gems like Cheryl are a chief reason I enjoy attending these shows.

I'm hooked on this show now. God willing, I will attend the 2026 show. I hope more members decide to come. It would be great to have an entire lineup of Packards!



Tom O'Hara with yet another Best- in- Show Award.



Richard Schauer wins another award, this time for the best interior.



NICOLE MEGUIAR'S
Benedict Castle
CONCOURS
CAR SHOW



Tom takes home Best-in-Show at the Benedict Castle Concours. I see Pebble Beach in the future for this Packard.



Tom receives his award from Wayne Carini, star of the TV show Chasing Classic Cars.

FALLBROOK CAR SHOW

We had a major presence at the Fallbrook show again this year and, of course, took their share of awards. Let's see who the Packard celebrities were.



Debbie and Todd Schonenberg pose with Paul Santy's 1936 1703.



Paul Sandy and Mark Rothermic with Evelyn. Where's Phil?



A visiting Packard



Lynn and Rick Carlson with Tom O'Hara's 1934 Dietrich.



Tom O'Hara, Phil Pizzuto, and Mark Rothermic. We found Phil standing on the running board of the Best-in-Show winner.



1949 Super Eight Touring Sedan



Phil and Mark are evaluating the worth of the Packard after hearing it was for sale.



BEST-IN-SHOW!

Everyone must surely know by now who owns this Packard. Yes it is Tom O'Hara's 1934 Dietrich Convertible Sedan, and yes it did win three Best-in-Show awards in different car shows this month.

This issue of the Predictor has a first ever happening. We had a grand slam when Nick got both the mystery car and hidden Predictor, a first and the same Packard was awarded best-in-show in three shows.

Since Tom put the top down it has been winning.

MOTORCARS ON MAIN STREET

We had a shortage of Mercedes-Benz and Packards this year but plenty of owners and drivers. The threat of rain caused attendance to be reduced significantly, but that did not hamper our enthusiasm. There was a nice selection of interesting cars. We invited the Lincoln folks to join us for lunch, since Marjo is in that club too, and they parked with us.



Carl Ross's 1968 280SE Coupe parked, AKA known as Ms. M, next to Marjo Miller's 2005 Thunderbird, the latest addition to her collection. 2005 was the last year for Thunderbird production



Looks like the police are protecting Marjo's Bird



The interior of the Thunderbird. This is a very nice example of the car, and the color combination is very pleasing.



Ms. M waiting to be judged



Buttercup and Her new friend, a 1941 120 Coupe



From the Left, Tim Pestotnik, Steve Ross, Janice Furman, Nick and Raisa Pisano, Elayne Bendel. Marjo Miller, Halsey Posadas, Karen and Richard Schauer

WASH 'N SHINE CAR SHOW AT LEO CARRILLO RANCH IN CARLSBAD

SATURDAY JULY 12, 2025

Come one, come all to the Leo Carrillo Ranch with your Packard and and enjoy a fine day touring this famous hacienda. Admire our period vehicles in a natural setting!!! Staff loves having us come, and there will be another wedding following our Packard display.

6300 Flying Leo Carrillo Lane, Carlsbad, CA 92009



Cars are asked to arrive by 9:00 a.m.

Lunch provided by Board and Brew, Carlsbad, cost \$20/person including beverages and dessert:

RSVP to Richard Schauer at: packard1934@sbcglobal.net or by phone at: 760-740-9188.

People's Choice award will be given to the best Packard

Please RSVP with: Name, number of people attending, and year, make, and model car.

JULY 11, 2025

Packard, Pierce-Arrow Night



Come join the signature summer club event of the year. This is the #2 overall Cruisin' Grand event of the year in popularity. **And it is FREE!!!!** Lets show off our cars to an adoring public.

WHEN: Friday **July 11**

WHERE: Grand Avenue, Escondido, between Juniper and Escondido Blvd. Cars displayed on S. Broadway.

Note: Grand

Avenue has been totally re-configured!

Itinerary: RSVP Richard Schauer, packard1934@sbcglobal.net or **ONLINE**

Attending? Y or N

Note: Please RSVP

at least 48 hours ahead of June 16!

- Meet at **Charlie's** 210 N. Ivy, Escondido at 3:00 for a **free** appetizer and **soft drink; depart 3:45**
- Cars must be parked on Broadway no later than 5:00
- Placards will be provided for each Packard/Pierce-Arrow that attends
- Open viewing 5:00-8:00. Enjoy refreshments at Packard booth
- **People's choice award** offered for best Packard, Pierce-Arrow,

Register: Car Make _____ Year _____ Model _____

Time is short, so SIGN UP soon!!!!

WIN A CHICKEN DINNER



Nick Pasino identified this 1954 Hudson Concept Car within 4 hours of receiving the Predictor. But wait there more, he also found the hidden Predictor. A chicken dinner and Starbucks Card! Wow that is a grand slam and Nick is the first one to do a grand slam



THE MYSTERY CAR FOR MARCH IS THIS AMERICAN BEAUTY

IDENTIFY THIS CAR AND WIN THE COVETED CHICKEN DINNER

To win this prestigious award, send Steve Ross the manufacturer and the year of this car. By winning the Chicken Dinner Award, you may become a respected authority on automobiles in your house and throughout the automotive world!

***CHICKEN DINNER RULES: CONTESTANTS MAY ONLY WIN 2 CHICKEN DINNERS PER CALENDAR YEAR.**

Even if you have won your allotted limit, please guess anyway...and if you're correct, the editor will buy you a big orange drink at our next event.



Ask the man who owns one

Name:

Name of spouse/joint member:

(If a spouse or joint member is listed, the club roster will show both names and each will receive a membership name badge. For all regional elections and ballot issues, each membership [or household] is allowed one vote.)

PLEASE COMPLETE ONLY IF INFORMATION HAS CHANGED FROM LAST YEAR:

Street Address: _____

City State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: (Res) _____ (Bus): _____ (Mobile) _____

E-Mail Address: _____ @ _____

OK to list your email and phone numbers in the local region (San Diego) roster? Yes No Packards Owned (Not required for membership) OK to list your Packard in the local region (San Diego) roster? Yes No Please refer to reference articles in the club handbook (or consult) <http://packardinfo.com/xoops/html/modules/modelinfo/> for correct Chassis and Body numbers. Year Chassis # Body # Body type description

2025 Local Dues \$15.00

I am no longer interested in renewing with the Packard Club (Please check if appropriate)

**** REMINDER: MUST RENEW WITH PAC NATIONAL ****

Use this link to join PAC online

<https://pac.cornerstonereg.com/Member/Renewgift>

Mail completed form with payment to:

Packard Club of San Diego c/o Catherine Woolsey
2052 Cima Court
Carlsbad, CA 92009

MEMBERS' CORNER

LOOKING FOR PARTS FOR YOUR PACKARD? GO TO
<http://www.sandiegopackard.com/packard-parts-for-sale/> AND CHECK THE
INVENTORY

A sample of what we have to offer, plus much more



1935-39 Junior Hood End Anchors



Horn Damper



1948 327 Packard engine for sale. Complete re-build, nothing left untouched. Call for details, Mark Ballerini 760.473.422



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FOR SALE

The award-winning Packard listed below is for sale.
This beauty is well known the San Diego area.



PACKARD 1929 626 Convertible coupe. First sold in San Diego. Found in 1960 in a Poway avocado orchard turned into a water wagon. The farmer kept everything, making ground up restoration easier. Two tone French blue, daily driver, always under cover. 320 ci Engine - straight 8. Golf club door (with wood shaft clubs), trunk, rumble seat, trip lights, cormorant radiator ornament, antique tools, nice leather upholstery and canvas top. Many awards, notably Best of Show over 350 other autos. California gasoline makes regular driving necessary. My age and medical condition make taking it out regularly difficult. Asking \$85,000. 760-726-5955. Leave message - will call back. Email: theramsings@gmail.com

Packard Club of San Diego**Projects:** Paul Santy 619-990-9668, email pjsanty@sbcglobal.net**Address:** Packard Projects, P.O. Box 503605, San Diego, CA. 92150-**3605 Website:** www.sandiegopackard.com**Make Checks Payable To: "Packard Club of San Diego"****Shipping & Handling Costs in Continental US:**

Battery Boxes: \$22.00 each. All other items: \$15.00 or 10% whichever is greater.

Project Pads List	Unit Cos
Acom Bolts, chrome, 1/4" x 28 x 5/8"	\$2.00
Acom Bolts, chrome, 5/16" x 24 x 1-1/8"	\$2.25
Acom Bolts, chrome, 3/8" x 24 x 3/4"	\$2.50
Acom Bolts, chrome, 3/8"x 24 x 1-1/4"	\$2.75
Battery Box (large) – all pre-war Seniors (except Clype1) under seat unfinished 7"H x 8"W x 10-1/2") OUT OF STOCK	
Battery Disconnect Switch (large) - 6 volt & 12 volt	\$35.00
Battery Disconnect Switch (small) - 6 volt & 12 volt	\$9.00
Bonnet Hood Seal 1932 (901,902) 3 feet OUT OF STOCK	
Bonnet Hood Seal 1932 (903,904,905,906) 4 feet OUT OF STOCK	
Bumper Guard, 1937-39, unfinished rough yellow brass rough casting: OUT OF STOCK	
Bumper Sticker " <i>My Other Car is A Packard</i> "	\$1.00
Coil Mounting Base, 1935-36 straight 8 engines, aluminum	\$195.00
Defroster/Deflector 1935-37 Junior, unfinished yellow brass rough casting	\$55.00
Door Handle Retaining Clip, Left Front, 1951-56	\$100.00
Door Handle Retaining Clip, Right Front, 1951-56	\$100.00
Door Handle Retaining Clip, Left front, 1951-56	\$100.00
Door Handle Retaining Clip, Right Rear, 1951-56	\$100.00
Door Lock Latch spring, pre-war automobiles OUT OF STOCK	
Foot Rest Pivot Boss (2/set) 1932 900 Series	\$100.00
Fuel Pump Heat Shield - unfinished, fits most 1935-42, 6 & 8 cylinder engines,	\$25.00
Gear Cover Retainer Washer - 100% Wool for 320 & 385 cid, straight 8 engines	\$8.00
Hood Support Brackets, generic, mounts on firewall many previous. model automobiles	\$50.00
Hood Enclosure Anchors - unfinished, fits all 35-37 Juniors, one pair (front & rear)	\$100.00
Horn Vibration Damper Bracket - 1932-1934, one pair	\$70.00
License Plate Frame - "<i>My Other Car Is a Packard</i>" Red Field OUT OF STOCK	
License Plate Frame - "<i>My Other Cars Is a Packard</i>" Blue Field OUT OF STOCK	
Lube Charts - '41-48 Clippers, and '48-57 models, 10 pages	\$6.00
Oil Strainer Screen - 1926-36 8-cyl Packard #163276	\$75.00
Poster Display - blank radiator & scroll, 11"x17" OUT OF STOCK	
Wiper Blade - 7-1/2" Trico replacement for most 1929-1950	\$15.00
Wiper Blade - 8-1/4" Trico replacement for most 1929-1950	\$15.00
Wiper Blade - 9" Trico replacement for most 1929-1950	\$15.00

Activities Calendar 2025 Schedule

Listed below is the calendar officially sponsored events by the Packard Club of San Diego. Also included are National PAC events sponsored by PAC or one of its regions.

You must be a member of PAC to attend officially sponsored events. Occasionally, this calendar will list events NOT sponsored by the club or PAC but deemed of interest to the membership. Those events are listed in *red italics*.

June 11	TBD		Phil Pizzuto
July 4 July 12 July 11 July 26	Wheels of Freedom Motor Show Leo Carrillo Historic Park Show Crusin Grand <i>Main Street America</i>	Poway Carlsbad TBD <i>Embarcadero Marina Park North</i>	Board Phil <i>Board</i> <i>Richard</i>
August 9 August 26	Annual Membership Meeting <i>Pebble Beach</i>	Carlsbad <i>Monterey</i>	Catherine <i>Steve</i>
September 13 September 20	Behind the Scenes Garage Tour Annual Planning Meeting	Vista Clairemont	Richard Tom Tom O'Hara
October 20	Roar and Snore Camp Out	Escondido-Safari Park	Tom and Marjo
November 9 November 11	Streetcar Museum Tour Vet Fest Honor Parade	National City Escondido	Sam Judd Paul Santy
December 7 December 14	<i>La Jolla Christmas Parade</i> Lazy H Ranch Holiday Party	La Jolla Pauma Valley	Richard Steve

SEE YA ON THE ROAD

