THE PREDICTOR



The monthly newsletter of the Packard Club of San Diego

– **September 2026** –

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Board Meeting is Wednesday September 2, 2026, @ Elijah's Restaurant 7061 Clairemont Mesa Blvd, San Diego. Meeting starts at 12:00 noon.

Please check out our club's website. It has Predictor Newsletters, upcoming events, photos of past events, photos of Packards and much, much more. Our Webmistress, Catherine Woolsey, has developed a great Car Website. To access go to www.sandiegopackard.com.

The Whaley House Halloween FLYER event is on UNMUMBERED pages 10 and 11.

How to join or renew your membership in Packard Automobile Classics inc. (PAC). You will need your membership number which can be found on the address label of the Cormorant News Bulletin, then log on pac@cornerstonereg.com. The cost of membership is $58.00 for one year. **You must be a member of the PAC** to join the San Diego Region. The PAC provides our members with liability insurance while we are attending a sanctioned event. You may also renew by logging onto the PAC website at packardclub.org. Check out this website, it has some interesting info.

Regional Director's Message

By Richard Schauer

TO THE LABOR FORCE



We are slogging our way through hot, muggy days with our Packards. I have taken my '34 to Cruisin' Grand four weeks in a row, a new record for me. Why do I endure the heat like that? Answer: Because it is fun, and I always meet interesting people. Mid-month a father and daughter walked up to the Packard. The girl was 10, or perhaps 11. She was absolutely enthralled by the car, all wide-eyed, smiling, positively giddy with excitement. She asked many intelligent questions, so I invited her to sit in the driver's seat. She did not hesitate and was thrilled. After father/daughter said thank you and walked on I thought how important it is for us to trot our precious cars out there for people to see. I planted a seed in the girl's brain before they left: Wouldn't it be just wonderful to use a beautiful car like this for your wedding some day? She was so excited. That day will be a long way off, and I will likely be on the other side of the grass by then, but I feel certain she will never forget our encounter. It is especially wonderful when a youngster takes such an interest in our Packards, right?

Once again, we thank Catherine and Jim Woolsey for opening their beautiful home to club members for our annual membership BBQ and meeting. People who do not take the lead on tours and club events have little idea of how much work goes on in days like August 22. Hot days notwithstanding a great day was had by all. Master chef Paul Santy once again did a great job roasting the Cardiff Crack tri-tips, which were clearly better than last year's in terms of tenderness and flavor, and guests supplemented the meal with all kinds of delicious side dishes and desserts. Some announcements were made.
Everyone was reminded our board election campaign is under way.

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Anyone interested in running for Assistant Regional Director and/or Secretary is invited to submit their name to election chair Tom O'Hara NLT at the end of September. Balloting will take place in November, and office winners will be announced and installed at the December Christmas luncheon. Next, our 2027 meeting planned is Saturday September 19 at Tom O'Hara's house in Clairemont at 10:00 am. Donuts will be provided. Bring your ideas for next year, or if you cannot attend yourself, please send your ideas to any board member for consideration. One more item: The board has decided to seek an individual to assist with club tours, calling this newly appointed position Tour Coordinator. Pay is lousy but it will be a fun job for the right individual. A member or associate member may apply for this job. Reason: Tours are great fun, we all enjoy them, but they take a great deal of time and energy. Nearly always the person suggesting a tour is the one saddled with the responsibility of taking the lead and running whole show. Could it be that someone is reluctant to submit an idea because they are fearful that if they do then they will be stuck with the job of running it? Could be, and that would be unfortunate. So, this new board person would partner with the idea originator to take on some of the load. Additionally, this person would work with Predictor editor, and Snodgrass Award winner, Steve Ross to send out notifications to club members, our famous "email blasts", which have been so successful. Anyone wishing to inquire about such a position please contact any board member. In closing, members were reminded of upcoming fall events in the club.

October 9-11 is our Fall getaway to Idyllwild. There may still be a room available at the Strawberry Creek Inn, so if you want to go, I urge you without delay to call 951 659-2552 and ask for Lisa and then ask for the Packard Club block of rooms.

October24 is our haunted mansion tour at the Whaley House (see flier) …Wear a costume if you wish to get in the spirit of Halloween!

November 11 is the Escondido Vetfest. Time is getting short for volunteering your Packard for this fine event. Paul Santy is the point of contact, so please contact Paul right away to let him know you are coming. The parade comes first, with the luncheon and veteran recognition party afterward at the American Legion Hall. The latter is optional if you are pressed for time, but escorting a precious veteran through the parade is clearly the priority.

It is not too soon to begin thinking about our December Christmas luncheon, once again at the John Wayne room at the Lazy-H on Saturday Dec. 5.

What have you done with your Packard lately?

HIDDEN PREDICTOR LOCATION AND OTHER INTERESTING STUFF

The hidden Predictor was spotted by Phil Pizzuto on page 2 in the Officers and Directors list.

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Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance celebrated its Seventy Fifth this year: Packard has won best in show four times at this prestigious Concours. The last Packard winning Best-in-Show was in 2013. The winner was a 1934 1108 Twelve Dietrich Convertible owned by Joseph and Margie Cassini.

Judge Cassini and Margie with their daughter Caroline



Judge Cassini has entered a car in the Pebble Beach Concours twenty-four times, winning Best-in Show twice. The first win was in 2004 with this 1938 Horch 853 Erdmann & Rossi Sport Cabriolet. Both these cars were restored by RM Auto Restoration. This Horch sold in 2012 at RM auction for $5,170,000.

Best-in Show Score Board: Packard has won four times, Pierce-Arrow has won twice, and Peerless never. Duesenberg has won eight times, the most for any American made car. Bugatti and Mercedes-Benz are tied for the most wins at ten each.

PEBBLE BEACH



Phil Pizzuto and Paul Santy



Tim Pestotnik, Phil Pizzuto and Paul Santy are up early to see the Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance.



Phil admires a 1939 Lagonda V-12 James Young Sedanca Coupe, a class winner.



Paul Santy gives a thumbs up to this 1953 Apha Rameo Berlinetta Aerodinamica Tecnica (BAT)

First place in class, 1930 Packard Deluxe 8 Roadster



MEMBERS BBQ

Three Packard automobiles and a pack of hungry Packardites gathered at the Woolsey's for the annual Tri-Tip BBQ.



The Star of the event, Chef Paul the man who ensures the Tri-Tip is prepared to perfection. He has never failed us.



The table is prepared awaiting the Tri-Tip and baked beans



The baked beans are being monitored by Catherine Woolsey, Everett, and Raisa Pisano





Marjo Miller on the left and Kathy Santy conferred with Chef Paul. It was nothing serious.

Marjo and Chef Paul noticed something prior to Kathy being consulted. Nick Piasano looks concerned and dejected.



Nick Pisano, scratching his head, and Dion Dyer listen to Todd Schonenberg, a Navy man, as he tells a sea story. Tom O'Hara, an Army man, doesn't listen to sea stories.



Karl Ramsing and Marjo Miller



Nick Pisano and Dion Dyer



Peggy Ramsing, Sam Judd, Phil and Heather Pizzuto. The photographer failed to include Sam's head in the photo.



Mark Rothermich, Richard Schauer, Debbie and Todd Schonenberg.



Regional Director Richard Schauer, standing, shares information. With back to camera, Phil and Heather Pizzuto, Peggy Ramsing, Mark Rothermich and Tom O'Hara.



Staying Kool under the tent are Catherine and Jim Woolsey, standing Ian Sanderfer with his son Everett and Kathy Santy.



Todd Schonenberg's 1939 Super 8 Touring Sedan next to Nick Pisano's Corvette. These cars look brand new.



Ian Sanderfer's 1951 Convertible

We had good food, cool drinks, lots of laughs, and shared some Packard stories so I am sure a good time was had by all!



PLANNING BOARD MEETING

When: Saturday, September 19, 2026

Where: Tom O'Hara's Casa, 5341 Jamestown Rd. San Diego, CA

Time: 10:00 am

Please join us in the planning of fun, exciting and educational events for the coming year. 2026 was a great year and we want a repeat in 2027. We had a variety of events in '26 and several car shows. We also joined forces with the Mercedes-Benz Club for several of our tours. Why not join the gang and help us kick around some ideas for some fun?

What makes the task easier is when the members tell us what they like and so, of course, the "planners" want to plan activities that car people like and the assumption is that they like to drive their Packards, and food is also very popular. No one likes surveys very much, so you are invited to join us in planning the fun. As an incentive there will be food AND if you have an idea, you will not be asked to be the organizer.



We hope to see you at our get-together to enjoy some refreshments, comradery, and provide ideas for a fun filled 2027 with our Packards and great Packard guys and gals.




HALLO
WEEN
SCARY
Night
SATURDAY
OCTOBER
24
STARTS
AT
5:00PM
5:00PM WHALEY HAUNTED
HOUSE TOUR
6:00PM OLD TOWN
MEXICAN CAFE DINNER
See attachment for details
RSVP MARJO MILLER AT
MILLER.MARJO@GMAIL.COM BY 10/17

What: A scary night in Old Town starts with a Haunted House Tour of The Whaley House. Your scariest attire is optional, but fun. Afterwards, we will have dinner across the street at the famous Old Town Mexican Cafe.

Where:
Whaley House 2476 San Diego Ave.
Old Town Mexican Cafe 2489 San Diego Ave.

When: Saturday October 24,2026. Whaley House Tour begins at 5:00pm but be there at 4:45pm. Dinner at 6:00pm.

Cost: Haunted House tour is $20/person (no child or senior discounts.) Buy reserved, discounted House tickets at the door. Order off the menu at the Cafe.

Parking: Please plan at least 30-45 minutes extra to park and get to the Whaley House. There is various street parking, and up to 4 hours free parking at the Old Town San Diego State Historic Park (view PDF parking map on the Park website.)

2027 San Diego Excursion

The 2027 San Diego Excursion is scheduled for January 10, 2027, the registration to attend will end in late 2026. If you are considering this popular drive, sign up early.

The registration statement '1942 and earlier only' is for HCCA national insurance purpose, all Packards are eligible to sign up**.** Pre 1942 are preferred, but later models are welcome.

To register go to, **https://www.hcfi.org/sdexcursion**



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SUNDAY DRIVE

Chris Halter, with passenger Chris Kueker, drives his 1931 Ford Model A Deluxe Roadster on Rosecrans Street in Point Loma on Sunday during the San Diego Excursion, a celebration of the 300-mile 1915 Exposition Road Race. Story, B1. K.C. ALFRED / U-T

WIN A CHICKEN DINNER



Sam Judd identified this 1950 Soviet ZIS 110 open Sedan. ZIS was produced in several different models from 1946 - 1958. Contrary to the popular story, Packard did not give the drawings to the Soviets, the Soviets reversed engineered Packards. FDR presented several Packards to Joe Stalin prior to WWII, and Packards were said to be Stalin's favorite automobile.



IDENTIFY THIS CAR AND WIN THE COVETED CHICKEN DINNER

To win this prestigious award, send Steve Ross the manufacturer, model, and 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.**

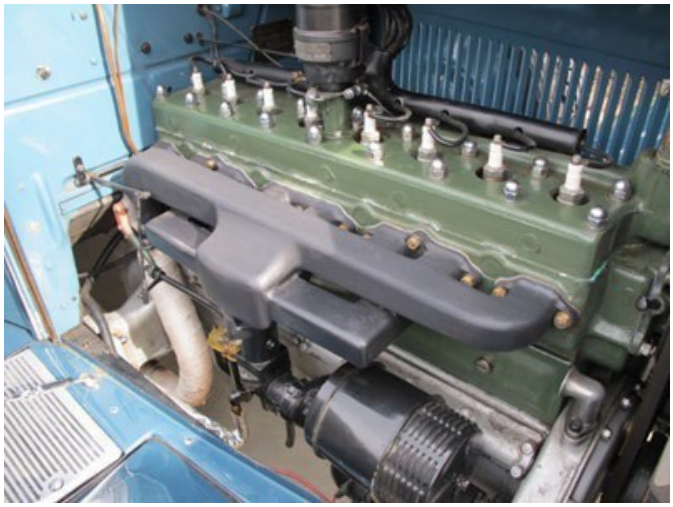
Even if you have won your allotted limit, please guess anyway…and if you're correct, the editor will buy you a big orange drink at our next event.

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

FOR SALE

1955 Packard Clipper Custom for sale. It is all complete but has 2 broken rear taillights, everything else is there, motor, trans, glass is all good, seats, dash is very good and complete, all chrome inside and out is good and there, skirts, spare tire rim, grill is perfect as is the hood, trunk lid, doors, rear bumper is rusty but can be fixed. I am asking $2,000 for it. I pulled it out of a field near Paso Robles. It has been parked there since the mid 60's.

Contact
Scott Brownell 805- 698- 8685











FOR SALE

Parting out a 1956 Packard Clipper Super, 2-door, with lots of good parts left. Rear quarters and taillights are gone, no front bumper or rear bumper, all else is there. Seats down to the springs, bows all there, dash is excellent and complete, steering wheel, rear windows and cranks, hood is good, trunk lid is good with hinges, engine is complete, right and left doors are ok, under carriage is complete, front clip is good (left front fender has a repairable dent, all glass is there and good, most chrome is there and good, car has rims and tires and will roll. Prices vary so call if you have a question. Car will be at the Packard show in Newport Beach May 1 and 2. **$1850 for whole car.**

Contact
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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 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? □ **Y**es □ **N**o 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

2026 Local Dues $15.00

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

****REMINDER: YOU 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

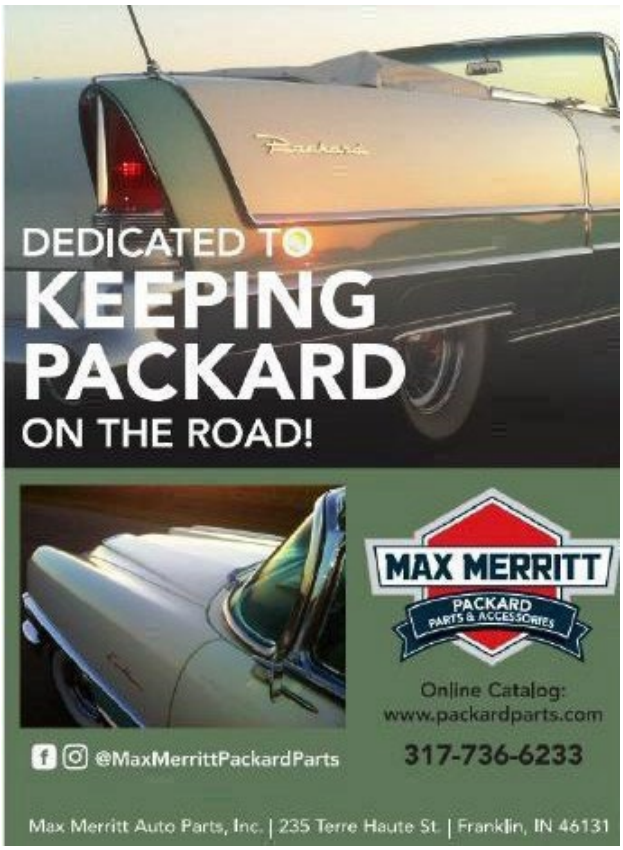
A sample of what we have to offer, plus much more.



1935-39 Junior Hood End Anchors



Horn Damper



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PROJECTS FOR SALE

PAC Packard Club of San Diego
Projects Chairperson: 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: $15.00

Project Parts List	Unit Cost
Acorn Bolts, chrome, 1/4" x 28 x 5/8"	$2.00
Acorn Bolts, chrome, 5/16" x 24 x 1-1/8"	$2.25
Acorn Bolts, chrome, 3/8" x 24 x 3/4"	$2.50
Acorn Bolts, chrome, 3/8" x 24 x 1-1/4"	$2.75
Battery Disconnect Switch (large) - 6 volt & 12 volt	$35.00
Battery Disconnect Switch (small) - 6 volt & 12 volt	$9.00
Bumper Sticker "*My Other Car Is a Packard*"	$1.00
Coil Mounting Base, 1935-36 straight 8 engines, aluminum	$185.00
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 Rear, 1951-56	$100.00
Door Handle Retaining Clip, Right Rear, 1951-56	$100.00
Footrest Pivot Bolts (2/set) 1932 900 Series	$100.00
Gear Cover Retainer Washer - 100% Wool for 320 & 385 cid, straight 8 engines	$8.00
Hood Support Brackets, generic, mounts on firewall of many pre-war automobiles	$75.00
Hood End Anchors - unfinished, fits all 35-37 Juniors, one pair (front & rear)	$120.00
Horn Vibration Damper Bracket - 1932-1934, one pair	$75.00
Lube Charts - '41-48 Clippers, and '48-57 models, 10 pages	$6.00
Oil Strainer Screen - 1926-36 8-cyl, Packard #163276	$75.00
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

2026 Schedule

Listed below is the calendar of 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.*

September	**Annual Planning Meeting for 2027**	**19 Sept**	**Board**
October	**Idyllwild Weekend get away**	**9-11 Oct**	**Richard**
	Whaley Haunted Mansion Tour & Costume Dinner	**24 Oct**	**Marjo**
November	**Vetfest Escondido**	**11-Nov**	**Paul**
December	**Christmas Luncheon, Lazy H in John Wayne Room**	**5-Dec**	**Steve**



SEE YA ON THE ROAD