

A newsletter of the Orange County Region of the
Vintage Chevrolet Club of America by and for its members



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The Orange Peel



Director's Message January 2024

Happy New Year! Now that the Rose Parade is over, it's time to start planning our club activities for 2024. We hope to have a good year.

Our first meeting of the year is set to be held on Tuesday, January 9th at 7 PM at the Church of the Foothills in Santa Ana. Please mark your calendars.

The Supper Club dinner at Spires in Tustin is at 5:30 PM before the meeting. RSVP with Sabrina, so we can make the necessary arrangements in advance.

Our Breakfast Club will meet next at 8:30 AM on Saturday, January 13th at Hof's Hut, located at 12489 Seal Beach Blvd. Please also RSVP with Sabrina.

Sabrina will give a report on our first tour of the year to go see the Browning Collection in Cerritos. You won't want to miss this one!

Don't forget to reserve your hotel room if you're attending All Cal in May. We will have more information to share about All Cal at our Meeting.

Until next month, remember; life is a journey -- not a destination, so relax and enjoy the ride!

Jim Karras, #43031 - Director - OCVCCA

"The Worlds Best Chevrolet Club!" "Dedicated to the restoration, preservation, and enjoyment of all Chevrolets and GMC's."

OCVCCA Business Meetings

The OCVCCA meets on a monthly basis on the second Tuesday of every month except December. Guests are welcome to join.

The meetings are held at:
Church of the Foothills
19211 Dodge Ave, Santa Ana, CA 92705

Next Meeting:

January 9, 2024 at 7:00 pm



For more information on the OCVCCA such as upcoming events, online membership application & renewal, club gear, event & member vehicle photos, Orange Peel archive, and more go to our website at www.ocrvcca.org



Be sure to check out our Facebook page! Search for OCVCCA and click follow to keep up to date on all the happenings in the club!



Breakfast Club Gathering



The OCVCCA breakfast club meets on the second Saturday of every month at Hof's Hut in Seal Beach at 8:30 am.

Hof's Hut is located at 12489 Seal Beach Blvd, Seal Beach, CA 90740
Members and guests are welcome to join us for fun, food, and fellowship.

**Next Gathering:
January 13, 2024 at 8:30 am**



Supper Club Gathering

The OCVCCA supper club meets on the second Tuesday of every month before the business meeting at Spires Restaurant in Tustin at 5:30 pm.
Spires is located at 13451 Newport Ave, Tustin, CA 92780
Members and guests are welcome to join us for fun, food, and fellowship.

**Next Gathering:
January 9, 2024 at 5:30 pm**





Luke & Stephanie Redmann



Jeanne & Michael Krogh



Gregg & Pam Bunch



Tom Clarke & Linda



Bill & Colleen Ingalls



OCVCCA Holiday Luncheon Saturday, December 2nd



Chuck & Donna Gray



Fred & Sue Fossek



Jean Evans



Tom & Linda Clark



Jim & Sabrina Karras



Dave & Janet Potter



Denis & Sue Hergenreter



Matt & Amanda Medina



Gary & Judy Howard



Jim Long & Jean Burns



Gary & Gerry Eldred



Art & Dorothy Scully



Marla Woodward



Brittany Peyatt & Justin Valley



Mark & Deborah Bird



Carl & Brandon Slaney



Howard & Pat Neff

VCCA Touring and Passport Programs

Mission Statement

The Touring Program is dedicated to the promotion and enjoyment of owning and driving Chevrolets and GMCs, social interaction and fellowship among the members, and increasing awareness of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America in the general public.

Introduction

The popularity of driving our Chevrolets and GMCs continues to increase in the VCCA. In an effort to support and enhance the experience the VCCA Touring program was developed, and consists of three segments:

1. Tours
2. Vehicle Passport
3. Touring Awards



Tours

Driven vehicle tours have been a part of the VCCA since the club was founded in 1961. In 2003, a Touring Committee was established to develop a program for the recognition of these driven Chevrolets. In 2014, GMCs were added to the program. The first and most important aspect of the program was to offer tours of various types across the country. A number of vehicle or era specific tours had been conducted for many years. This has rapidly expanded offering numerous types of tours. A key factor of the program permits any VCCA member to be the Tour Master and to plan and conduct a tour.

Vehicle Passport

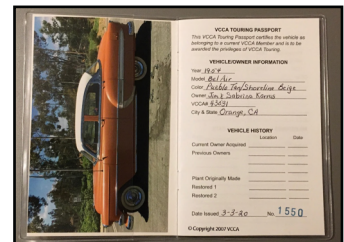
The concept of using a document to record a vehicles driven VCCA tour miles was developed in 2004. The document was designed to mirror a U.S. Passport. Each vehicle participating in the Touring Program is issued a Passport. It includes a photo of the vehicle, owner information and entry areas to record tour title, date and official tour mileage as indicated by the Tour Master. Unique to the VCCA, all Chevrolets and GMCs to current production are welcome to participate in the program.

A member may obtain a Touring Passport by submitting a request to the Touring Committee via Chair Dean Echols - 2049 Mohave Street, Chino Valley, AZ 86323-8213. The request must include the following:

1. A copy of your current G&D mailing label information
2. Phone number and email address [if available]
3. A 4"X6" color photo of the vehicle
4. Year, Make, Model, Color/s of vehicle



Please allow a minimum of 30 days to process a Passport request. A new passport using the same number will be issued once the original passport is filled.



Touring Awards

Recognition of the tour driven mileage was the final portion of the program development. Vehicle Awards, similar to the VCCA Class Judging Program were developed in 2007. The design consists of an oval with the likeness of Louis Chevrolet and stacking mileage tabs. A member upon reaching the following milestones may request award recognition:

- 500 miles – Oval with Louis Chevrolet
- 1,000 – 2,000 – 5,000 and 10,000 mile stacking tabs

Also unique to this program, Touring Awards may be displayed on the vehicle in addition to Class Judging Awards.



For complete information on how to plan a tour, obtain a passport, and obtain tour awards, see the Touring Guidelines Manual on the VCCA website at <https://vcca.org/page/touring>

OCVCCA Tour to Richard Nixon Library

Saturday, November 4th



OCVCCA Meeting Minutes - November 14, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: Jim Karras, Director, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Denis & Sue Hergenreter, Gary & Judy Howard, Bill & Colleen Ingalls, Carl Slaney, Jeanne Krogh, Jean Burns, Jim Long, Dorothy & Art Scully, Luke Peter Redmann, Brittany Peyatt, Dave Potter, Jim & Sabrina Karras

FLAG SALUTE: Denis Hergenreter led the flag salute.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS:

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Minutes from the October meeting were distributed and discussed. Colleen Ingalls made a motion to accept the minutes. Gary Howard seconded. Motion was voted on and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jim Karras gave report in Tom Clark's absence. Treasury is in the positive. Colleen Ingalls made a motion to accept the report as presented. Jim Long seconded. Motion was voted on and approved. Badge fine collection was suspended for this meeting.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:

CAR SHOW: Denis Hergenreter wanted to thank everyone involved in making the car show such a great event. The show was a success financially according to the Treasurer's report. Denis has spoken with Connell Chevrolet, and they have agreed to serve as venue for the 2024 car show. A committee wrap up meeting will be held immediately following the general meeting tonight. Susan Hergenreter made a motion to issue the charity donation to the Vintage Chevrolet Heritage Foundation in the amount of \$500 from the proceeds of the revenue of the car show. Bill Ingalls seconded. Motion was voted on and approved. Judy Howard made a motion to name the Vintage Chevrolet Heritage Foundation as our charity partner for the 2024 car show. Susan Hergenreter seconded. Motion was voted on and approved.

TOURS: Sabrina Karras reported that the tour to the Nixon Library was a wonderful time. There was a big turnout with 22 attendees from multiple VCCA regions. The docent was great and afterwards a pleasant meal was had at Mr. D's Diner in Placentia. The next tour is tentatively scheduled for February 24, 2024, to the Kent Browning Collection in Cerritos with lunch to follow. More details will be available after the holidays.

BREAKFAST CLUB: Sabrina reported that our breakfast club gathering at Hof's Hut Seal Beach will be on hold until after the holidays. Our next date will be on Saturday, January 13th at 8:30 am.

SUNSHINE: Mike Sherman is currently undergoing treatment for non-Hodgkins's lymphoma. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. If any members are ill or in need of sunshine, please let us know.

MEMBERSHIP: Colleen Ingalls reported that she sent emails to members that are currently in arrears with region and national dues payments to get them up to date. We have had 5 new members join over the last few months.

ORANGE PEEL: Bill Ingalls is stepping down as newsletter editor. December will be his last edition. Thank you, Bill, for serving over the last 10 years as our editor!

WEBMASTER: Jim Karras reported that he has made several updates and revisions to the region website. He added a page that has information and links to obtain region jackets and polo shirts. Check it out.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Jim Karras stated that is time to call for any further 2024 officer nominations. Gary Howard made a motion to close nominations with the slate as it stands. Jeanne Krogh seconded. The motion was voted on and approved.

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OCVCCA Meeting Minutes (Con't.) - November 14, 2023

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Karras called for a vote on the current slate of 2024 officers. Gary Howard voted to approve the 2024 officer as follows: Director – Jim Karras; Assistant Director – Denis Hergenreter; Treasurer – Tom Clark; Secretary – Sabrina Karras. Colleen Ingalls seconded. Motion was voted on and approved.

Jim Karras will be making the Committee Chair appointments for 2024. There is still a need for a member to fill the open position of Sunshine Coordinator. If you are interested in the position, contact Jim for more information.

Colleen Ingalls shared that her son-in-law's church produces a prom for special needs youths called "A Night to Shine", and they would benefit from a monetary donation. The region has donated to this event in the past and it was agreed by the membership that we should support it once again this year. Bill Ingalls made a motion to donate \$300 to this event. Denis Hergenreter seconded. Motion was voted on and approved.

MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION:

Denis Hergenreter shared that he, Blake Montero, and Bill Ingalls participated in the Placentia Heritage Parade on October 14th. He let everyone know that Bill Ingalls made custom flag holders for Blake and Denis to match the ones he had made for his car. He designed and fabricated them himself from scratch just in time for the parade with only a couple of days' notice.

Denis also shared that he was able to travel to Las Vegas to participate in the big SEMA show over the first week of November and that it was an awesome event with a lot of walking!

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 9th at the Church of the Foothills, Santa Ana at 7:00 pm

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Judy Howard moved to adjourn. Jeanne Krogh made the second. The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Sabrina Karras, Secretary.










2024 All Cal Update

Hello All, The December issue of the Generator & Distributor came out this week and there was some exciting news regarding the 2024 All Cal Meet! In the Events Calendar section was preliminary meet events and hotel information available. Copy of the blurb below:

May 1-4, 2024 | Sacramento, CALIFORNIA | All Cal Meet hosted by the Sacramento Valley Region
The four-day event will include sanctioned tours to Galt historical sites, the Sacramento River Delta, and the city of Sacramento. It will end on Saturday with a dinner banquet at Brewster's Restaurant located in Galt, CA. Most attendees will be driving home on Sunday, but feel free to hang around and attend the 73rd Sacramento Autorama held at the Cal Expo. There will be more information as it becomes available, but you can start making your hotel reservations at La Quinta Inn or the Days Inn, which are adjacent to each other and share a phone number. Limited rooms are available at the La Quinta Inn for \$150/night and at the Days Inn for \$115/night. Call 209-251- 7788 to make reservations at either hotel. For more info, contact Mario Briseno at 916-698-1175 or brisenom@att.net.

The host hotel rooms tend to fill up fast so if you are thinking of attending, make your reservations soon. The All Cal meets are fun filled events that should not be missed. As more information becomes available we will keep you updated as soon as possible.

January 2024 Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1  New Year's Day	2	3	4	5  Buena Park Elks Lodge Car Show 4 - 8 pm	6
7  Long Beach Swap Meet 6 am - 1 pm	8	9  Supper Club at Spires Tustin - 5:30 pm OCVCCA Business Meeting - 7:00 pm	10	11	12	13  Breakfast Club at Hof's Hut - 8:30 am
14  Pomona Swap Meet & Classic Car Show 5:00 am - 2:00 pm	15  Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16	17	18	19	20  16th Annual Jeff's Fun Run - 8:00 am
21	22	23	24	25  Throwback Thursday Car Show - Highway 39 Event Center 5:00 pm	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Weekly Car Shows & Cruises

Tuesday: Laguna Hills - Hot Rods Unlimited In-N-Out Cruise In - 5 PM - 7 PM - 24001 Avenida de la Carlota

Wednesday: Placentia - Big Wednesday Car Show - 5 PM - 7:30 PM - 2001 E. Orangethorpe

Friday: Garden Grove - Main Street Friday Night Car Show - 4 PM - 8 PM - 12891 Historic Main Street

Saturday: Huntington Beach - Donut Derelicts - 6 AM - 9 AM - Magnolia & Adams

Sunday: Seal Beach - Hot Rods at the Beach - 8 AM - 11 AM - Glory Days Seaside Grill, 620 Pacific Coast Hwy

Sunday: Newport Beach - Car Meet Up - 9 AM - Chihuahua Cerveza, 3107 Newport Blvd.

Happy Birthday

Diana Welch - January 9th | Mark Bird - January 12th | Janice Wise - January 16th
John Milia - January 19th | Tom Clark - January 21st | Diana Cinamon - January 25th
Allen Morris - January 25th | Jim Richardson - January 28th | Terri Spangler - January 30th

Bob Crane - February 1st | Chuck Kasnow - February 11th | Doug Gillespe - February 13th
Jeanne Boberg - February 15th | Richard Palazzo - February 17th | Larry Boberg - February 18th
Fred Fossek - February 22nd | Tom Roberts - February 23rd | Connie Roy - February 28th

Happy Anniversary

Bill & Connie Roy - January 4th | John & Julie Patterson - February 12th
Bob & Stacey McCoy - February 14th | Angie & Dave Wilson - February 14th
Mark & Deborah Bird - February 20th

OCVCCA Leadership



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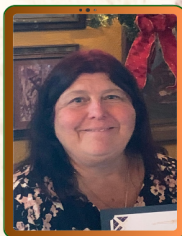
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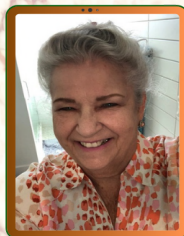
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Other VCCA Resources

Orange County Region Web Site

www.ocrvcca.org

National VCCA Web Site

www.vcca.org

Area 1 VCCA Web Site

www.area1vcca.org

VCCA Area #1 Board Member

Dean Echols - (928) 710-4325 - deanechols38@gmail.com

VCCA Member Services

(708) 455-VCCA (8222) - memberservices@vcca.org

VCCA Internet Chat Forum

www.vcca.org/forum/



Purpose

The Orange County Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (“VCCA”) was organized to promote the restoration and preservation of Chevrolets and GMCs and welcomes everyone with an interest in the history of Chevrolet and sharing knowledge and experiences about these wonderful automobiles.

Our club has an extensive technical expertise knowledge base to draw from. If you are still building your dream project, or need assistance with your Chevrolet and GMC vehicle, someone in our club is always willing to offer technical assistance.

We welcome guests at our meetings and many of our events. If you are looking to join a car club with members who appreciate Chevrolet and GMC vehicles, please contact us or come or visit us at one of our monthly meetings!

Our region is comprised of many members who join together at many fun events including; tours, picnics, car shows, banquets and other interesting outings.



Membership and Dues

An active member is defined as an individual who has paid dues to both the National VCCA and the Orange County Region. Ownership of a Chevrolet is not a requirement of membership.

National Dues: Dues for the National VCCA are \$40.00 per year for a regular membership or \$25.00 per year for an online membership. National Dues include membership card, badge, club decal, and monthly publication – the *Generator and Distributor*. To join, go online to <https://vcca.org/>

Orange County Region Dues: Dues for the Orange County Region are \$15.00 per year. Dues are payable on or before January 31st. An active member receives a monthly newsletter – the *Orange Peel* and notification of all club activities. An active member may participate in the business meetings and all club events, both regional and national. To join, go online to <https://ocrvcca.org/>



Orange Peel Publication Information

The Orange Peel is published every month. Ads and other contributions from members are welcome for publication in the Orange Peel. The deadline for all contributions is the last Tuesday of every month. To submit material send via email to orangepeel@ocrvcca.org. Newsletter Editor is Sabrina Karras.





THE VINTAGE CHEVROLET CLUB OF AMERICA INC.

Orange County Region



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name _____ Birthdate _____
 Spouse _____ Anniversar _____
 Address _____ Unit No. _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Phone _____ Cell (Member) _____ Cell (Spouse) _____
 Email (Member) _____ Email (Spouse) _____

Are you a member of the National Vintage Chevrolet club? YES NO

If YES: Your membership number: _____ **If NO:** It is a prerequisite for becoming a member of a local region. Yearly dues for National Membership are listed below and are forwarded to the National Organization. Dues for Orange County Region membership is \$15.00 per year.

ORANGE COUNTY REGION DUES.....\$ 15.00 per year

NATIONAL DUES RENEWAL NEW

Digital Membership (Member, Spouse & Children), two votes \$ 25.00 per year

Periodical Membership (Member, Spouse & Children), two votes \$ 40.00 per year

TOTAL ENCLOSED\$ _____

NOTE: FOR INSURANCE PURPOSES ALL REGION MEMBERS MUST JOIN NATIONAL IN ORDER TO JOIN THE REGION. If you send the Orange County Region your national dues, we will send them on to National.

REGION: All members receive a monthly Region newsletter and information on upcoming events and tours.

NATIONAL: All new members will receive a club badge, decal, membership card and the national magazine, Generator & Distributor. Members are entitled to free classified advertising in the club magazine and participation in Vintage Chevrolet Club activities. Members are entitled to free classified advertising, access to member-only website features, and participation in all VCCA activities. Chevrolet ownership is not a requirement for membership. Dues are non-refundable.

The purpose of the VCCA is to promote interest in the preservation and restoration of vintage Chevrolets.

If you presently own a Chevrolet, please fill in below.

Year	Model	Body Style	Cyl.	Condition
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Recruited by (VCCA member recruiting optional) _____ VCCA # _____

FOR CLUB USE ONLY

Paid \$ _____ Check/Cash
 Date Paid _____
 Region Membership Number _____

Return complete form and mail with dues to:
ORANGE COUNTY REGION VCCA – Attn: Tom Clark
 5351 Huntley Ave., Garden Grove, CA 92845-1925

X _____
Applicant's Signature