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The Feed Bag

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Above: We're ready for our tour



Right: Christopher in action



Former mechanics loved showing us all the gadgets on these planes

UP, UP, AND AWAY!

Not only is Christopher Theodorou an avid Mustang enthusiast, but he is also a walking encyclopedia when it comes to both military and civilian aircraft and spacecraft. A group of us, on November 11, had the privilege of getting a personally-led tour by Chris through the wonderful Aerospace Museum of California at the old McClellan Air Force Base near Sacramento. There were many interesting exhibits on the inside of the pavilion, but the most fun was the huge display of former fighter planes and jets on the outer tarmac. Many of them had open cockpits that we were allowed to scramble up into and pretend to be Maverick and Goose from Top Gun! It was Veterans Day and the place was packed. Everything was set up as a learning experience, from paper airplanes in a wind cylinder to demonstrate the principle of Lift to having actual pilots standing at each plane to answer any questions and to tell about their experiences flying these puppies. A lot of the pilots and former mechanics were from the Vietnam era but some were from the more recent conflicts in Iraq and Afganistan. It was a terrific day with John and Anne Haugrud, Dwight and Barbara Moreland, Harry and Karen Davis, and Tom and Francine Martindale who came all the way from Marin County to join us. After our time on the flight deck we did what all Mustangers do—we went to a local restaurant to “fuel up” for the ride home. Thanks again Chris for a terrific day. We all really enjoyed it!



Karen and Harry peek out of a Baby Hughey helicopter



John and Anne will be your captains today



The business end of a jet fighter



Barbara gives a Top Gun “thumbs up”

We learn about a Delta-wing aircraft



Chris gives us the lowdown on a Warthog

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To provide a common meeting ground for Mustang Owners and further the enjoyment of ownership: to include workshops, question and answer sessions and technical sessions. To promote a more favorable relationship with the general motoring public. To further the preservation and restoration of all Mustangs. MOST IMPORTANTLY TO HAVE FUN.

DVMA General Information

The DVMA meets on the second Wednesday of each month at Fuddruckers. The Board of Directors meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at one of the Board Members homes on a rotating basis.

Club Meetings

When: The second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM...Arrive early to order food. Order and pick up your food downstairs. Bring your food upstairs to the meeting.

Where: Fuddruckers

1975 Diamond Blvd, Concord, CA 94520

(925) 825-1443 In the Willows Shopping Center

Directions

From the South:

Take Highway 680 North to Willow Pass Road. Exit at Willow Pass Road and at the light at the bottom of the ramp, turn right. Move immediately into the left lane and turn left on Diamond Boulevard (the next traffic light). Stay in the left lane and turn left into the Willows Shopping Center.

From the North:

Take Highway 680 South to Willow Pass Road. Exit at Willow Pass Road and turn left at the light at the bottom of the ramp. Turn left on Diamond Boulevard and stay in the left lane. Turn left into the Willows Shopping Center.

DVMA Membership Information

Membership is open to any Mustang enthusiast. Dues are \$30.00 per year plus a \$10.00 first year initiation fee. Business card size advertising is \$50.00 (25.00 for members) for 12 monthly issues. ¼ page ads are \$100.00 per year. Other advertising and insert rates are available. Members are allowed brief, one-time For Sale and Wanted ad's.

DVMA DISPATCH

DVMA Dispatch

President Message

Another wonderful DVMA event was held on Nov 11 at the Aerospace Museum in Sacramento. There were several Mustangs in a line driving to Sacramento in the early morning. We arrived before the Museum opened at 10:00 am. Christopher Theodorou met us and was our docent for the day. Christopher is amazing! He is an excellent guide and has a ton of facts at his fingertips. His stories were interesting and you felt that you were actually there in the airplane he was describing, and what it would do, and why it would do what it did, and what the end result was. You need to hear his story about the plane that landed itself after the pilot had to eject.

In lieu of the annual DVMA Car Show in 2018, we will be having a mini show (Mustangs only) at Bill Brandt Ford in Brentwood in early June. There will be limited space but you will enjoy the full day and friendship of Mustang owners. Watch for more information.

Have you signed up for the annual Christmas party on Dec 10? Send a payment of \$10 per member to the DVMA post office box. We will have the exchange gift fun time, as in the past. I hope you can all join us! El Tapatio will be decorated and we will be ready for Christmas.

Our next meeting will be Dec 13 at Fuddruckers. I hope you enjoy this wonderful holiday season. Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, and Happy Holidays to all! HAPPY NEW YEAR!

DVMA CHRISTMAS BRUNCH



When: Sunday, December 10, 2017

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Where: El Tapatio

40 Golf Club Road, Pleasant Hill CA

There will be a champagne brunch followed by our annual “gift exchange.” Limited space; maximum 50; you must reserve your chair. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a gift with a value of \$15 - \$20.

Cost is \$10 per person, pre-registration by Dec 6.

Cost is \$20 per person for non-members

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Better Late Than Never

Editor's note: This article was submitted some time ago but I could not find it when the time came. But I've found it now and thank and apologize to Hugh Blackwell for the tardiness. This sounds like a terrific car show and maybe something to add to your calendar for next year!

The American Iron Car Show in Pleasant Hill on August 13th was a great show. The venue was excellent, downtown on Crescent Dr. It is limited to 100 cars and fills up fast. Registration starts in July. There was a big variety of cars there, from hot rods to classics. Lots of places to eat and shop. The awards were fantastic and you got a t shirt with your \$30 registration fee. The weather was wonderful and I met a lot of great new people.

Hugh



December 2017/2018 DVMA Hosted Events

December 2, 2017 DVMA Breakfast, Giant Chef Burger, 10 AM, 10 Golf Club Rd, Pleasant Hill

December 10, 2017, Christmas party, El Tapatio, 11 AM, 40 Golf Club Road, \$10.00 per person.

December 13, 2017, DVMA monthly meeting, 6:30 PM for Social and 7:00 PM meeting at Fuddrucker's

January 6, 2018 DVMA Breakfast, 9 AM Dad's Café, 1135 2nd St, Brentwood

January 10, 2018, DVMA monthly meeting, 6:30 PM for Social and 7:00 PM meeting at Fuddrucker's

February 3, 2018 DVMA Adopt-a-Street meet at 9:15 AM, Seafood city, Breakfast, Giant Chef Burger, 9 AM, 10 Golf Club Rd, Pleasant Hill

February 8, 2018, DVMA monthly meeting, 6:30 PM for Social and 7:00pm meeting at Fuddrucker's

Other Events

January 22, DVMA board meeting, 6:30 PM for social and 7:00 meeting, Mountain Mike's Pizza, 5358 Clayton Rd, Concord, come get involved in your club.

Non-Club Events

December 9-10 2017 Carquinez Toy Train Operating Museum and Carquinez Model Railroad Society hosts Christmas Open House. 10 a to 4 pm, 645 Loring Ave, Crockett, CA Suggested donation: \$8

April 29, 2018 Pacific Coast Dream Machines, Half Moon Bay Airport

HOLIDAY TRAIN SHOW

We invite you to join us for a celebration of model railroading.

Carquinez Model Railroad Society | www.cmrstrainclub.org

Carquinez Toy Train Operating Museum | www.cttom.org



December 9 & 10, 2017

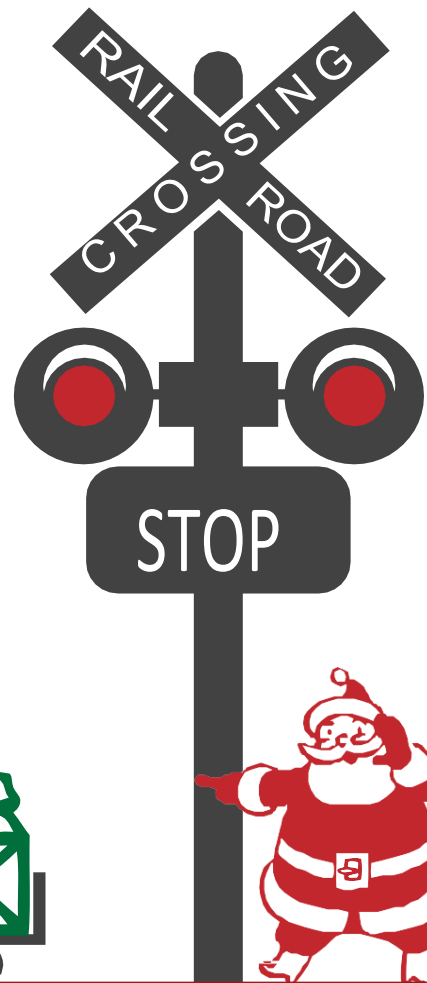
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\$8.00 Suggested Donation / 18 & under free

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Meeting Highlights November 8, 2017

DVMA General Meeting Minutes

Fuddruckers – Concord CA

November 8, 2017

President Harry Davis called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm at **Fuddruckers** in Concord CA.

WELCOME to DVMA and November – a mixup at Fuddruckers has our meeting in the small room tonight.

PAST PRESIDENT and STORE – John Haugrud

John has car antenna flags for all new members who have recently joined DVMA. Use them at car shows, etc, not while driving. John will find the supply of DVMA hats.

MEMBERSHIP – Ed Guldner

Ed reported 49 members have renewed. Ed will call other members in case renewals slipped through the crack.

WEBSITE – Jim Blair – no report

TREASURER – Dwight Moreland – no report

NEWSLETTER – Anne Haugrud

All applaud Anne for a great newsletter. She has one article from Hugh that will go in the next issue. Anne had a few extra printed copies for members to give to prospective members.

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES – Karen Davis

Congratulations to each birthday person and anniversary celebrants in **November**.

PAST EVENTS –

John and Anne planned a marvelous day at Knights Ferry and seeing the Covered Bridge. The bridge was built in 1863 and was closed to vehicle traffic in 1981. Karen saw an interesting sign that read No Large Groups. The bridge is safeguarded under the National Historic Preservation Act and is owned and managed by the Sacramento District Corp of Engineers. Everyone walked past the restored mill and mill office to the Information Center.

Cookies and Break

TOUR COORDINATOR – John Haugrud

Members present at this meeting discussed various drives and events that could be planned for everyone to enjoy.

November 11 –Aerospace of CA Museum, in Sacramento. Free day for everyone. Meet at Sun Valley's Sears Tires and leave at 8:00 am. Docent is Christopher Theodorou; he will lead a tour for DVMA participants. Christopher reported that a lot of airplanes will be open for viewing. Sign up in the Event Book.

December 10 – Annual Christmas Brunch El Tapatio, Pleasant Hill. Cost to members is \$10 each. Non-members' cost is \$20 each. DVMA pays additional dinner cost above member cost. Bring an exchange-a-gift (value \$15-\$20) if you wish to participate; a fun time.

January 6 – Breakfast at Dad's Café, 1135 2nd St, Brentwood. Drive your Mustangs and show them off! There is plenty of room to park on the Safeway part of the lot.

The **Adopt-A-Street** schedule for 2018 has not yet been received; it will be similar to the 2017 dates. Note that the city cleans the street medians.

DVMA will try again at a later time for the drive to **Yosemite**.

Harry wants to plan a drive to the **Cantina in Carmel**.

Good Guys in Pleasanton is this weekend.

DVMA and 2018 Car Show –

Harry confirmed to all that the Board voted not to have a Car Show in 2018. Harry did speak with Rob Brandt and Rob would like to invite DMA members to a mini show at his dealership in Brentwood. He will provide a BBQ and will have space for about 20 cars. Dates would be either June 2 or June 9.

SECRETARY and MCA Rep – Karen Davis

Karen reiterated that MCA offers a great magazine and benefits to the club for events that require an insurance certificate. Support MCA club shows, i.e., Golden Hills and BAMA.

BOARD MEMBERS – Hugh Blackwell, Roger Davis, Ed Guldner – no report

CLUB RAFFLE – Anne Haugrud

The raffle was not held at this meeting. Members passed a hat to collect funds for the Contra Costa Food Bank; Ed matched those funds!

SGT AT ARMS – Juan Renteria

The club donated an entry to the DVMA Christmas party and Bobby Hubbell was the winner!

Frank Rowland, member since 1981, attended this meeting. DVMA has purchased a grove of five trees to be planted in Yosemite in memory of Ester Rowland


Harry reported to all that Claycord.com records 90% of Concord thievery to be in the Willows

and Diamond Road area. Don't leave anything of value in your car when you park.

The **next DVMA meeting** will be **December 13, 2017**.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm by Harry Davis, President.

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