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SO CAL METS Calendar

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ADVENTURES: EVERY MONTH

Day & Date	Event	Location & Hosts	Start
Jan 21 Saturday	Great Park & Canyon Cruise	Mike & Kim Dahlberg 18142 Theodora Dr. Tustin RAINED OUT!	9:00 AM
Feb 18 Saturday	Great Park & Canyon Cruise	Mike & Kim Dahlberg 18142 Theodora Dr. Tustin RAINED OUT!	8:30 AM
Mar 18 Saturday	Orange/Tustin Hill Cruise	Mike & Kim Dahlberg 18142 Theodora Dr. Tustin	8:30 AM
April 7 th & 8 th	Southwest Unique Little Car Show	Historic Downtown Upland	TBA
May 13 Saturday	Canyon Cruise below Saddleback	Mike & Kim Dahlberg 18142 Theodora Dr. Tustin Lunch at the Cantina	8:30 AM
June 25, Sunday	Annual Picnic Pot Luck	Craig Park, 3300 N. State College Blvd., Fullerton	10:30 AM
December 10 Saturday	Laguna Niguel Holiday Parade	27001 Moulton Parkway (& Oso) Aliso Viejo Parking lot between Pancake House & 7-11	8:15 AM
December 11 Sunday	Annual Xmas Party	Mama Cozza's 2170 W. Ball Rd., Anaheim	1:00 PM

Revised: April 15, 2017

METROPOLITANS FROM MINNESOTA PRESENT:

2017 MOCNA International Meet
July 12-16, 2017
Minneapolis, Minnesota



Name(s) _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____ MOCNA # _____

Number of Adults @ **\$65.00**/person _____ **t-shirt included w/ RSVP before May 1st** \$ _____

T-shirt sizes: _____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL

Concours or Test of Time judging **\$45.00** fee per car
(Contact Chief Judge Gary BosseIman with questions (815) 389-9500.)

Judging total \$ _____

Grand total \$ _____

(Make checks to: Mets from MN)

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Wednesday

Early Bird Meet & Greet

Thursday

MOCNA Board Meeting
Road Tour - Como Park & Conservatory
Bus or car to Mall of America
Ice Cream Social

Friday

Road tour - Lake Harriet & Trolley Ride
Bakken Museum
Bus or car to Mall of America
BBQ & Slow Drag races

Saturday

Car Show 9am - 3pm
Walking Technical Session
Vendors on Site
Mets from MN - MOCNA Banquet

HOTEL INFORMATION

Ramada Plaza Minneapolis
1330 Industrial Blvd NE
Minneapolis, MN 55413
www.ramadaplazampis.com
(612) 331-1900

MOCNA Event Rate: \$109,
Breakfast included

BOOK ROOMS EARLY - BY MAY 1st

(early registration includes free event t-shirt)

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First Cruise Of The Year



After two rained out dates this year, we got lucky with an event on March 18th. Not that we didn't want the moisture but we sunshine people were ready to put on our sunglasses! The planned cruise location had always been the hills of Tustin and Orange not just because of the fun curves and scenic vistas, but your webmaster, Mr. Bilotti, keeps his Met at a hillside home there. Additionally, your editor has fond memories of a scenic parking spot up there on "Peacock Hill". It was the site of our first date in 1964. We snuggled in my 57' Karman Ghia. Two years later we both said, "I do".

Our Met caravan gathered at Mike & Kim Dahlberg's place in Tustin. The group consisted of Ron Bauman & Renee Anderson, Marcia Jones, Gwen Tolleson, Tony Bilotti, Ken Conner, John & Anita Fildes, Kim Domingues & friend, Cindy & Bill Harris, and Chuck Hatfield. Mike Dahlberg's Met wouldn't leave his property so he rode with one of us. We did get separated once but the lead bunch waited and the lost ones caught up. After we toured Orange Park Acres we crossed over Chapman Ave and Tony lead the caravan up to his parents home where we enjoyed a scenic visit. Then we coasted down to downtown Orange and had lunch at the Ruby's restaurant in the old Santa Fe Depot alongside the active railroad tracks.

March 18th
1st Cruise



The Southwest Unique Little Car Show



One wonders if there has ever been an Amphicar giving rides at this organization's previous gatherings. Thanks to hosts Greg & Kiki Hahs from Upland, it happened this time and with two of the aquatic vehicles! One was a red one belonging to a gentleman here in So Cal and the other shown above belonging to gentlemen from the Sacramento area. The experience of riding directly down to the water and then leveling off as a floater, made for a bucket list Check Off for yours truly and I dare say a few others on Friday April 7th. Above, Sue Smashey sports a thumbs-up after rolling ashore.





Late Friday afternoon there was a parade of cars from the hotel to the Hahs residence in Upland. An Italian Buffet was served. It was fun renewing old acquaintances. There were several Met people there including So Cal Met Members from Las Vegas, Peter & Rita Bulow (above).

Saturday's Car Show Downtown Upland



Justin Barsony from the Metropolitan Pit Stop (above) shows off a blue Met convertible that once belonged to the late Joe Englehart.

(Left) Brian Cotariu poses with the Met he drove down from the San Francisco area. In July he plans to drive it to the International Met Meet in Minneapolis, Minnesota!



Event Hosts & big time small car connoisseurs Greg & Kiki Hahs, pose with MOCNA president & spouse, Brad & Gail Swiggart. One thing both women have in common is an acute awareness of breast cancer. Funds raised at the banquet that evening went to the Susan G. Komen organization.



MOCNA President Brad Swiggart presented a special photo set to our So Cal Mets President Ron Bauman. Ron lost his dear Barbie just 4 months ago and a photo of her & her Met comprised the scene. The trophy Ron is holding is for Barbie's Met (Did it my way) and the inscription reads "Car of Excellence".