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SO CAL METS Calendar

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Planning Meetings: Every 3 months normally. Adventures: Every Month

Day & Date	Event	Location & Hosts	Start
<i>Jan 18, Saturday</i>	<i>Hello LA County Metters</i>	<i>Metropolitan Pit Stop, 5324 Laurel Cyn Blvd, NoHo Host: June Valentine 800-677-5519</i>	<i>10:30 AM</i>
<i>Jan 26, Sunday</i>	<i>Planning Meeting</i>	<i>9435 Cormorant Cir., Fountain Valley Host: Marcia Jones 714-963-9116</i>	<i>1:30 PM</i>
<i>Feb 15, Saturday</i>	<i>Sweet Heart Lunch Rainforest Cafe</i>	<i>1515 Disneyland Monorail System, Anaheim, CA 92807 (714) 772-0413 Please RSVP to Marcia Jones 714-963-9116 by February 11</i>	<i>11:30 AM</i>
<i>March 16, Sunday</i>	<i>Automobile Driving Museum,</i>	<i>610 Lairport St., El Segundo, CA 90245 (310) 909-0950</i>	<i>10:00 AM</i>
<i>March 28-29</i>	<i>Unique Little Car Show</i>	<i>NHRA Museum, Fairplex, Pomona</i>	<i>TBD</i>
<i>April 19, Saturday</i>	<i>Cruise to Tom's Farm - Corona</i>	<i>Temescal Canyon Road & I-15</i>	<i>11:00 AM</i>
<i>May 17, Saturday</i>	<i>Visit Stanley Ranch Museum & Village</i>	<i>12174 Euclid St., Garden Grove 714-530-8871</i>	<i>10:00 AM</i>
<i>June 1, Sunday</i>	<i>HB Concours Car Show</i>	<i>7111 Talbert, Huntington Beach</i>	<i>7:00 AM</i>
<i>June 8, Sunday</i>	<i>Annual Picnic Pot Luck</i>	<i>Craig Park, 3300 N State College Blvd. Fullerton</i>	<i>10:30 AM</i>
<i>July 26, Saturday</i>	<i>Cruise near the Cool Ocean</i>	<i>17002 Bolero Lane, Huntington Beach Hosts: Ken & Judy Conner 714-846-5003</i>	<i>10:00 AM</i>
<i>August 16, Saturday</i>	<i>Surf City Garage Car Show</i>	<i>5872 Engineer Drive, Huntington Beach</i>	<i>9:00 AM</i>
<i>Sept 13, Saturday</i>	<i>Visit Day Family Classic Car Museum</i>	<i>2525 Wardlow Road, Corona, CA http://www.dayfamilyclassiccars.com/</i>	<i>10:00 AM</i>
<i>November 30 Sunday</i>	<i>Car Show & Lunch</i>	<i>Original Mikes – Santa Ana 100 S. Main Street</i>	<i>11:00 AM</i>
<i>December 13 Saturday</i>	<i>Laguna Niguel Holiday Parade</i>	<i>27001 Moulton Parkway (& Oso) Aliso Viejo Parking lot between Pancake House & 7-11</i>	<i>8:15 AM</i>
<i>December 14 Sunday</i>	<i>Annual Christmas Party</i>	<i>Mama Cozza's – 2170 W. Ball Road Anaheim 714-635-0063</i>	<i>1:00 PM</i>

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Our September visit to the Day Family Museum was a treat! Docent & guide Ed Janoski led us through the impressive auto collection of Tom & Diane Day. Not only were the cars immaculate but the backdrops and settings exceptional. The mannequins were so realistic you had to look twice to make sure it wasn't some one from your group just staring away!

Ed was kind enough to pull the museum's Met out from its spot so we could take the group photo.

Although the Corona Museum is almost across the street from the In-N-Out alongside the 91 Freeway we elected to lunch at a nice Mexican restaurant on the other side.





Above docent Ed Janoski talks about the museum's Metropolitan.

Below from left to right are Phyllis & Bob Burchett, Gary Loomer, Tony & Jackie Bilotti, Paul & Allison Van Wig, Caryl Stephenson, Nick Anderson, Marcia Jones, Renee Anderson, Ken Conner, Barbara Bauman, Mike Dahlberg & Ronnie Bauman.



Bonjour,

New York has the Subway, London the Tube and Paris the Metro.



Early in our October visit to Paris I noticed the original and very ornate cast iron signs for the underground system which read "Metropolitan". That got me excited because I had a planned get-together with a (Nash) Metropolitan owner who lives near the famous Arc de Triomphe. Thanks to John Dowling, editor for the Metropolitan Owner's Club in the UK I was put in touch with French citizen Maurice Chorenslup. Our meeting with Maurice was one of the highlights of our trip. Besides being a Met owner he turned out to be a real movie buff which thrilled my wife Judy. Looking like a young Albert Einstein, Maurice is re-

tired & enjoying the good life. Before retiring he operated a business of selling western clothing to Europeans.

Today he travels & continues to be a real film buff. He enjoys movies from all genres. His favorite director is Francois Truffaut. His one daughter is a script editor in the French film industry. His other daughter works for the French perfume company Guerlain and travels the world representing them.

Maurice was kind enough to put his Met out in front of his residence for us see & photograph. He said that in the early 70's he first bought a hard top from a Belgium collector although he really wanted a convertible. Shortly thereafter he discovered and purchased a black 1961 convertible from a French collector. Today his convertible is decked out in a fashionable Parisian pink and grey color scheme.

The sporty Met has a 1600cc engine which he acquired in England & hauled back home in the trunk of his other classic car, a Checker Cab!

Over the years he has replaced the carburetor, water pump & generator. In 2012 he took it across the English Channel (by ferry) and showed it at the Manchester Automobile show. The Met's license plate reads BS-678-LN which is a collector car plate. He said that he drives it mostly in the summer time but this year not so much.

As we chatted by the car one couldn't help but notice the many pedestrians that paused and took a picture of it! Maurice said that the last time he took his Met to the Place de Concorde so many tourists

asked to photograph the car that if he had charged one Euro per picture, he could have made 200 Euros per hour! (That's \$271.19 in US Dollars!)

In a country where most cars are the same size as a Met, a Metropolitan still garners the attention of tourists & Parisians alike.



Viva la Met,

Ken Conner
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