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From The President:

Happy May, I hope everyone is doing well. We had a decent turnout at the meeting last month, thanks to everyone who showed up and for all who participate, it is good to see. Speaking of participating, we are going to need everyone's help this year with the Swap Meet. I know a lot of people would like to keep the Swap Meet going, and in order to do that we need everyone's help. We need help with set up on Saturday, and we need help early Sunday with parking. The food court is always a good revenue source for the club, so we need help there, and then of course clean up at the end of the day. Dave Peterson sent around the sign-up sheet at last months meeting and there were a few open times that will need to be filled, we need everyone's help, so if you have signed up, then Thank You, if not please sign up at the upcoming meeting. If you are not going to make it to the meeting, then please call Dave Peterson and find out where he needs the most help. Carol will have a sign-up sheet for the Food Court at this month's meeting, so if you are not going to make it to the meeting, you can give her a call as well. This event is what funds the club and we need everyone to participate. Thank You in advance. Well, we just got back from the Black Bart tour and we had a great time, there a was a really good turn out this year. We were at a new location this year in the town of Murphys. A really nice place in Gold Country. There was a nice tour on Saturday to Railtown 1897 State Historic Park in Jamestown, and a nice banquet at Ironstone Winery on Saturday night. We did have more rain than usual this year which put a little damper on things, but we all prevailed and had a great time despite the rain. May is a pretty busy month, with the Cinco de Mayo Tour on the 5th, the Swap Meet, and of course the Burney Tour. And if that wasn't enough, we went ahead and stuck a little three-day RV trip in there as well. Looking forward to all the above.

See you at the meeting. (or on the road)

Steve McClain

REDWOOD REVIEW MONTHLY MINUTES

Minutes of Monthly Meeting: Date: April 8, 2025

The meeting was called to order 7:03 pm by our Co- President Mike Buegeleisen .

The Minutes of Meeting: The minutes of the last month's meeting were approved with no corrections.

Members in attendance tonight: 41

Treasurer's Report: Denise gave everyone our monthly treasurer's report. We are in good standing.

New Members and Guests: None

Birthdays: None present

Business: Dave Peterson reported a sign up sheet was going around for working to set up the parking lot at Petaluma Fair-grounds. There will be sign up sheets next month for swap meet spaces and Carol's sign up sheet for working in the snack bar area. Dave also said next June/July we will have to decide if we will continue with the swap meet in 2026. If you have any questions please call Dave at 707-484-6191

More Information/Stories: Bill Baxter reported that the Willits Car Show will be held in downtown Willits on Sunday May 25th. Dave & Carol Rasmussen, Rick & Bev Tamagno and Danny & Sherry Dortch traveled to the Portland swap meet and had a great time. The weather was perfect and all found something to buy. Mike Buegeleisen has an old license plate collection of local car dealers. Contact him if you have any you would like to sell.

Tours and Events:

April 12th Lucky Lady Garage Tour to Kelseyville. Meet in Healdsburg at Pepper's Restaurant at 8;30 am. Contact Linda Ortega for information.

April14th Ford Chick's luncheon at Tomatino's Restaurant in Montgomery Village at 11:30 am RSVP to Sherry Dortch, Denise Burns or Linda Ortega.

April 25-27th Black Bart Tour to Murphy's Meet at Safeway on Calistoga road at 9 am. Contact Carol Rasmussen or Charlene Trabucco

April 26th Healdsburg High School Car Show at high school.

May 5th To celebrate 55 years of RERG #27 Club there is a tour to Warm Springs Fish Hatchery at Lake Sonoma. After tour lunch will be at La Tequilla Mexican Restaurant in Cloverdale, 134 N. Cloverdale Blvd., Cloverdale. Meet at Pepper's Restaurant in Healdsburg at 9:15 am, leave at 9:30 am. For info contact Charlene Trabucco or Patty Girman

May 19th Ford Chick's luncheon at Frida's Mexican Restaurant in Napa at 11:30 am. Contact Carol Rasmussen for info.

May 22-25th Burney Falls tour. Contact Patty Girman or Charlene Trabucco

July 2nd Rescheduled Skunk Train tour Contact Julie McClain for more info



Sunshine Lady: None

Cars and Parts for Sale: Don Troya's 1936 Ford 5 window coupe is for Sale. Contact Tom Johnston for information.

Club Cars Driven to the Meeting: 7 cars were driven to the meeting. Basil Scott won the prize.

Membership Attendance Drawing: Ron Mollo was present to win the prize.

Carol's Carload of Fun: We played a mixed up automobile parts word game. Sterling Cousins and Linda Ortega won the prizes

Scholarship Raffle: There were 8 winners and the club collected $128.00

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm

Minutes submitted by: Beverly Tamagno

RERG #27 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MAY/JUNE

For more information: Charlene 707-539-2867 or text Patty 703-402-2097, jrgplg@aol.com

MAY

04 Spring Turlock Swap Meet, info 209-201-8491, registration@springturlock.com

05 **RERG #27 55th Anniversary Tour** – See Flyer in this newsletter

10 The Rollin" Rosies Classic Car Show, Cotati, La Plaza, 15 W Sierra Ave., 2 – 6 pm

13 **RERG #27 Monthly Mtg** @ Round Table Pizza, 2065 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa, 7 p.m.

15-18 American Graffiti – Petaluma, http://www.americangraffiti.net, 707-762-3394

18 **RERG #27 SWAP MEET** – Info – Dave Peterson, 707- 527-9183 See flyer in this newsletter

18 -27 Hot Cars & Kool Nites, Redding, CA – https://koolaprilnites.com

19 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** – 11:30 am, **Frida's Mexican Grill**, 1533 Trancas St., Napa. RSVP Carol Rasmussen, 707-246-4158 or Kinnie Gallegos, 707-815-2952



22-25 **RERG #27 Burney Tour** – Contact Tom Johnson, 707-812-0747

31 Cars & Critters Fundraiser Show, Petaluma High School, 201 Fair St., Raises money for student scholarship to advance their career trade education. 8am-3pm. PHASEauto.org

JUNE

06-07 19th Peggy Sue's Car Show 8am – Friday, Drive-in Movie; Saturday - 3pm Sonoma County Fair-grounds (cruise to follow in downtown Santa Rosa 5:30-8:30pm. Alton Ferrin, 707-486-3370 or peggysuecarshow@gmail.com. Website: www.cruiseforpeggysue.com

10 **RERG #27 Monthly Mtg** @ Round Table Pizza, 2065 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa, 7 p.m.

15 29th Annual Father's Day Car Show, Juilliard Park, Santa Rosa, 9 am – 4 pm

16 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** 11:30 am, TBA RSVP Julie McClain, 707-529-4169 or Bev Tamagno, 707-480-3066

17-19 **RERG #27** Fort Bragg Tour – See flyer in newsletter

22-26 Central National Ford V8 Meet - see your V-8 Times for more information

UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

JULY 2 - Skunk Train Tour - McClain's
JULY 10 - Lavender Bee Farm Tour - Irlene Duncan
SEPTEMBER 19, 20, 21 Overnight Tour - Miranda - McClain's
DECEMBER 7 - Christmas Brunch - Carol Rasmussen

CARS AND COFFEE **SUNDAYS**

1st Novato - Vintage Oaks Shopping Center, 132 Vintage Way near Starbucks, 6:30 -10 am
Santa Rosa - Montecito Shopping Center, 560 Montecito Rd., 8 - 10 am
Sonoma - Devil's Darlin's, East side of Sonoma Plaza, 8 – 10 am

2nd Santa Rosa – 358 Coddingtown Center near Starbucks, 8 - 10 am
Napa - Premium Outlet Mall, 629 Factory Stores Dr., 8 - 10 am

3rd Petaluma – 389 S. McDowell near Peet's Coffee, 9 - 11 am

4th Penngrove - 10070 Main St., 8 – 10 am

CRUISE-IN

Friday - Santa Rosa - Machado's Burgers, 406 Larkfield Center, 4-7 pm

Sunday - Santa Rosa - Machado's Burgers, 406 Larkfield Center, 11 am – 2 pm

2nd Sunday - Rohnert Park – Cruisin' North Car Club's Cruisin' Hooters, 6099 Redwood Drive, noon - 3 pm

2nd Sunday & 4th Sunday - Santa Rosa – Acme Burgers, 1007 W. College Avenue, 6 pm



RESCHEDULED!!!

Wednesday July 2, 2025
SKUNK TRAIN TOUR

Step back in time for a magical ride through the redwoods on the World-famous Skunk Train. We will embark on a scenic 16-mile journey to the highest point of the line to the majestic Wolf Tree. This takes about 2 hours. The train departs the Willits station at 10:30. We will have a picnic lunch at a park near the Depot about 12:45 or so. We will be meeting at Pepper's restaurant (formerly Adeles) in Healdsburg at 8:30 and leave at 8:45. The cost per person is $74.00, but if we get 20 or more riders that price will drop by 15% to $63.00. If you do decide to come with us, don't forget to pack a running board lunch to enjoy. There has been a sign-up sheet passed around at the meetings. If you were unable to sign up at the meetings and want to go on this tour, please contact Julie McClain – (707) 529-4169.



1970 REDWOOD EMPIRE REGIONAL GROUP #27

RECEIVES ITS CHARTER

"CELEBRATING 55 YEARS"

On Monday, 5/5, the RERG #27 V8 car club will tour to both the Milt Brandt Visitor Center and the Warm Springs Fish Hatchery at Sonoma Lake, 3227 Stewarts Point-Skaggs Spring Road, Geyersville. Here we will have a docent-led tour. The Visitor Center tells the story of Warm Springs Dam and focuses on the culture of the Pomo tribe of native Americans and their way of life, with particular emphasis on their basket making skills. Then after a short walk over to the Hatchery behind the Visitor Center, our docent will explain the operation of the hatchery and we'll see displays which describe the life cycle of the coho salmon, steelhead and chinook. The hatchery was built to replace and enhance salmon and steelhead spawning grounds. If we are lucky, we will cross paths with local school children who have been hatching salmon eggs and who will be there to release their fry (newly hatched salmon).

After the tour, we will head into Cloverdale for lunch at La Tequila Mexican restaurant, 134 N. Cloverdale Blvd., parking behind the restaurant. *After all it is Cinco de Mayo, too.* We should be there around noon if you can't make the tour and would like to join the group for lunch and anniversary cake.

We will start this tour at the at the Pepper's restaurant (formerly Adeles), 200 Dry Creek Road, Healdsburg. We will meet there at 9:15, leaving at 9:30. Rain or Shine. Please contact either Charlene, 707-539-2867 or text Patty, 703-402-2097, or email jrgplg@aol.com We will need to give a count to the docent and the restaurant for set-up.



Lady Luck Garage Tour

We met in Healdsburg on a beautiful sunny morning with blue skies to greet us. There were 15 cars (12 classics / 3 everyday) that came along for the ride. Steve & I provided every car (I hope) with a goodie bag to have along the way. It was awesome to see the cars out on the road with the green hills and full lakes. Lady Luck Garage was a great place to spend some time talking cars. I want to give a big thank you to Chuck, Cynthia and Dale for welcoming us to the shop. We enjoyed the cars, learning the history of the business and the building (100+ years old), and playing pinball & the jukebox. Several members walked around town, had lunch at Pogo's or Studebaker's and stopped in Ukiah at Be-Bops for ice cream (some went for lunch) on the way home. Steve and I had an awesome day with friends and want to thank everyone for coming along for our outing and thankful there were no major issues with cars. I hope everyone had a good time and look forward to our next adventure.

(If you go on Facebook to Lady Luck Garage, Chuck posted a bunch of pictures from our visit.) ~

Linda Ortega

















The Lady Luck Garage

By John & Patty Girman

The sun was shining on a cool, crisp morning as 13 cars from RERG27 departed from Peppers restaurant in Healdsburg for a tour to Kelseyville. We cruised up 101 in at stately procession and enjoyed the beautiful green hills of Northern California, before turning onto Rt. 20. The green hills continued and were soon joined by beautiful views of lakes and rivers, at times decorated by redbuds in full bloom. It was a really nice drive.



As we surrounded the Lady Luck Garage in Kelseyville, we were greeted by Cynthia Radoumis, a long-time RERG member, and Chuck Sulfin, the owner. Lady Luck Garage consigns, buys and trades Hot Rods and Classic Cars and Trucks. It's in a one-hundred-year-old building that was originally a Ford dealership when it opened in 1925 and sold Model Ts and later Model As and Early Ford V8s. It still has two pits in the back of the garage, which were used to service cars. Chuck and Lynn Sulfin are the second owners of the 8,000 square-foot facility, purchasing it from the Norton Family.

The facility was a feast for the eyes. There were over two dozen cars and trucks on display, with some overflowing outside.

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The Lady Luck Garage (continued from page 6)



Among the cars and trucks were: 35 Ford 3W Coupe; 56 Corvette; 2008 Cadilac XLR-V Convertible; 65 VW Beetle; 65 Shelby Cobra; 65 Falcon Ranchero; 59 Chevy El Camino; 30 Model A Roadster; 32 Ford Roadster; 2015 Indian Chief Roadmaster; and a 59 Nash Metropolitan as well as much more. Also on display was Cynthia's beautiful 1953 Ford Victoria.

There was also a French Flathead V8 on display and it attracted a lot of attention. It was a strange mixture of the familiar and the different, mostly resembling a 52-53 Ford EAB. Chuck gave us an overview of Lady Luck Garage's operation and the facility, including its history. In addition, we saw two pinball machines and a functioning Wurlitzer jukebox as well as memorabilia. Many RERG members took advantage of the Lucky Lady Garage T-shirts that were for sale. Good fun!

Soon it was time for lunch. Some opted to stay in Kelseyville and ate at the pizza/burger shop across the street or bought sandwiches at the shop across the alley and ate at the Garage. Others decided to drive back to Ukiah and eat there.







Black Bart Tour 2025

On Friday, April 25th, 22 cars from Regional Group 27 left Santa Rosa and surrounding areas in various groups all heading for Murphys, California and the 52nd Black Bart Tour. Joining us in Murphys, were Doug & Char Clem, our members from Sparks, Nevada. The drive down was through beautiful country and we were happy that the predicted rain never appeared.

Friday afternoon everyone got settled in and you were on own for dinner. Our club was responsible for the tour bags so later that afternoon many of the ladies gathered in Dave and Carol's room to fill the bags. Several of the ladies had met a few weeks ago and made Early Ford V8 bracelets which were included in the bags with many other goodies, including a box of assorted homemade cookies.

Saturday morning we collected our box lunches and the drivers met before we headed out touring through some beautiful country on our way to Railtown 1897 a State Historical Park and Railroad Museum in Jamestown. We took a 45 minute ride through old gold country on vintage railcars pulled by a steam engine. After that you could shop at the gift shop, take a docent led tour of the round barn, or sit at one of the many picnic tables to enjoy your box lunch. There was a group who went on the docent led tour that found the employee lunchroom and enjoyed a warm and dry place for lunch. Lucky them, it was pretty cold out. Many stayed to have a photo of their cars taken with the round barn and a steam engine in the background. Later in the evening you collected a wooden plaque with the photo mounted on it.

Saturday evening's banquet was held at Ironstone Vineyards. Cars were parked in the amphitheater behind the facility. By now the rain was starting again, to be followed a bit later by a quick hail storm, then back to just rain. After a cocktail hour and visiting, a very nice buffet was served, followed by a decadent desert. A Hard Luck and Ladies Choice awards were announced, with Danny and Sherry Dortch and their 1940 convertible winning Ladies Choice. Congratulations Danny and Sherry. Tons of raffle prizes were given out before we headed back to the hotel. By now it was dark, raining, and interesting trying to figure out how to get from the parking area back to the main road. We lucked out and followed Steve and Julie McClain who led us right back to the hotel.

Sunday morning different groups were heading home at different times and on different routes, as it happened to be one of the weekends that the Rio Vista bridge was closed for repairs.

All in all it was a fun time, a good start to touring season, and a chance to see friends from different clubs and catch up with one another. Many of us have already made our hotel reservations for next year. Thank you to the Central San Joaquin Regional Group for a great weekend.

Kathy Cahill













ADDITIONAL EVENT PICTURES ARE ADDED REGULARLY ON THE WEBSITE "Redwood V-8" redwoodv8.net

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MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 01	Merle Winton
May 03	Gina Crackbon
May 06	Dennis DeCarli
May 07	Patty Girman
May 10	Barbara McFarland
May 11	Tim Labra
May 14	Al Lawson
May 13	Paul Cocoles
May 17	Michelle Cambra
May 17	Steve Ortega
May 19	Julie McClain
May 22	Dave Trabucco
May 24	Marilyn Boese
May 24	Yvonne Westberg
May 24	Pam Johnston
May 24	Kathy Flynn
May 26	Kathy Cahill
May 26	Lynn Mattos
May 26	Lynn Mannwieler

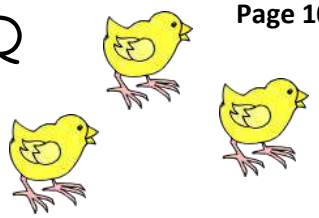








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Ford Chicks Luncheon

On April 14, the Ford Chicks went to Tomatino for lunch. It was a great turnout with 24 ladies. The decorations were very festive Easter theme. Food and service were great and I think we all had a good time. It was put on by Sherry, Linda and Denise and they did a great job. It is a fun time to go to these lunch's each month. Hope everyone can join in.

Sherry Dortch

Coconut Wheatie Cookies

1 C shortening	2 C. flour
1 C. brown sugar	1/2 t. baking powder
1 C. white sugar	1/2 t. salt
2 eggs, beaten	2 C. flaked coconut
1/2 t. vanilla	2 C. Wheaties
	(I use Special K cereal)

Cream shortening and sugars, add beaten eggs and vanilla
Sift flour, baking powder and salt. Stir into first mixture.
Stir in coconut and cereal. Use cookie scoop if you have one then roll into balls, place on cookie sheet. Use a glass dipped into water to push down the balls a little.
Bake for 12 minutes in 350 degree oven

From Bev Tamagno













Redwood Empire Regional Group #27

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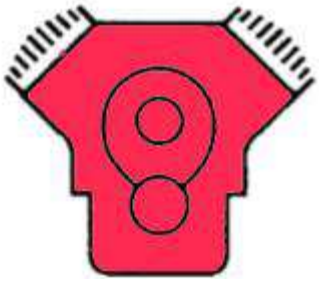
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My V8 by (club member)

We would like to feature your car in the Club Newsletter so would encourage you to write a short story about the car so we can share in the enjoyment of your V8.

You may include pictures, history of car, outstanding features of the vehicle and what you've been doing on it lately, and any other facts of interest to other club members .

You can also tell us about the work you have done on your car and the glitches you have overcome to fix these problems.

We are hoping to make this a regular feature in our newsletter so we do need input from our members.

For more information, please contact Juanita at 707 293 3945 (text) or email buffet55@comcast.net.

Articles for the V8 Club Newsletter are due by the third weekend of the month and in the WORD format. Thank you, this will be a great help in putting the Newsletter together and getting it out on time.
Irlene's email: Chelsea970@aol.com
Juanita's email: buffet55@comcast.net

REDWOOD EMPIRE RG # 27 IN SONOMA, MARIN & NAPA COUNTIES MAY 2025

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at Round Table Pizza- Exit Hwy 12 & Stony Point Road to 2065 Occidental Road, Santa Rosa. All interested V8-ers are invited to attend! This newsletter is a monthly publication of Redwood Empire RG # 27 of the Early Ford V8 Club of America. Other Regional Groups may reprint material, provided proper credit is given.

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