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Cars and Characters at Knott's All Ford Show April 27 by John Walcek

Above, Steve Ehrler's '88 Mark VII Convertble. Right,Vince Scully's '31 Lincoln Custom with Jim Ayres' '64 LC. Below, Scott Witt's '64 LC. Below right '63 Ford Galaxies.



I look forward to the All Ford Car Show at Knott's Berry Farm, the largest Ford only event on the west coast, now in its 29th year. This year 1776 cars participated in the 50th anniversary of the Mustang, and there was no shortage of Mustangs (over 1,200), from the first '64½ to the new 2015 Mustang. It was also the 55th anniversary of the Ford Galaxie and the 75th anniversary of the Mercury.

All cars were assembled according to Ford body styles in the vast Knott's parking lot. I helped park for the event, with LCOC member Barron Knight, and Activities Director Jim Ayres. We got an early start, and set up our Lincoln booth in the nice grassy Milestone Display section.

The day was overcast and quite cool in the morning, with the sun breaking through as the day wore on; perfect viewing of the cars assembled.

A total of 38 Lincolns from the '30s to the '90s made for a nice display of the Lincoln class. Vince Scully, dressed as a chauffeur (a character indeed!), was quite busy posing for pictures all day with his '31 Lincoln Town Car. Mal MacFarland brought his '47 Lincoln Continental Coupe.There were two '56 Continental Mark IIs, owned by Dennis Kay and Bob Barger; Tom Lehn drove his pink '63 Lincoln Continental convertible (with leopard-print seats) with the top down (Continued on Page 4.)



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Director's message

Recently, I took my '58 Continental out for its monthly drive in the country. I am fortunate to live close to rural roads weaving through the orchards that haven't changed in the last 60 years. I love to wait until there are no cars ahead of me, take off, and cruise as if mine is the only car on the road. On these old roads



when no other cars are seen, it can easily be 1958 again. As I look over the long beautiful hood and survey the spectacular dash, I am transported back in time, and I feel that same mix of peace and excitement that folks from my father's era felt as they drove their new Lincolns off of the dealer's lots. There is nothing like this feeling of being one with my car on the open road in this timeless environment. Going to our meets, I love showing my car. I love all of the excitement when people at shows come over to talk about the fun times they remember when their family had a car like this, or when they used to drive one. However, it is hard to beat the pure joy of these moments of open country solitude, just me, my car, and the open road! If you haven't already done so lately, when life gets stressful, take your old Lincoln or Continental out in the country and relive the experience of owning this new car. I guarantee that the world will be a little easier to take when you return.

I would like to repeat my call for help in managing our club over these next few years. We have plenty of need for assistance, especially as we plan and execute the October, 2015 Western National Meet in San Diego. Ron Cressy and Jim Ayres have gotten off to a great start on what has the potential to be the best meet ever, and we are looking for those who would like to participate in the fun of helping to pull together this great event. If you have time and further energy to expend in the name of our Lincolns, you can also consider placing your name on this year's Board of Managers ballot that will go out in the August *Confab*. If you are not sure about what is involved or how you could best contribute, give me call (805 642-9211) or email me at sroscoevta@aol.com, and I will be happy to discuss all of this with you.

The 2014 Western National Meet, hosted by the Pacific Northwest Region is less than 2 months away! This meet takes place July 16th – 20th in Tacoma, Washington at the LeMay America's Car Museum. Full registration packets can be obtained at http://www.lcoc.org/Meets.asp. The hotel for the meet will be the Best Western Plus Tacoma Dome Hotel. A block of rooms is now reserved for Lincoln Club members at a rate of \$119. The address is 2611 East E Street, Tacoma, Washington 98421-1225. The phone number for reservations is 253 272-7737. I look forward to seeing you there!!

Enjoy the drive!!

Until next time.....Stacy

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Western Region and LCOC Calender of events and All Makes Events for 2014

- May 31 Huntington Beach Rod and Custom Show http://www.hbconcours.org/ June 1 - Western Region Spring Meet at the Huntington Beach Concours http://www.hbconcours.org/ SEE PAGE 6 June 8 - San Marino Concours http://www.sanmarinomotorclassic.com/ June 21 - California Automobile Museum Tour and Lunch Sacramento **Details Page 5.** June 22 - Forty Ford Day http://sanmarinomotorclassic.com July 13 - Cupertino BBQ with Cadillac La Salle Club - Contact Jeremy Sanford July 16 - 20 - Western National Meet, Tacoma, Washington http://lcoc.org/documents/Meets/2014_Western_Meet_Promo.pdf August 6 - 9 -The Lincoln Homecoming at the Gilmore and Lincoln Motorcar Museum Dedication http://lincolncarmuseum.org/news-dedication August 23 - Mike Cunningham Memorial Wine Country Picnic - Details Soon. September 14 - Palos Verdes Concours http://www.pvconcours.org/ September 17 - 21 - Mid-America National Meet, Rockford, Illinois
- September 17 21 Mid-America National Meet, Rockford, Illinois http://lcoc.org/documents/Meets/2014_Mid-America_National_Meet_Registration.pdf
- September 21 Dana Point Concours

http://danapointconcours.org/

October - Car Show at Witt Lincoln, San Diego Details to be announced later

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from Palm Springs. There were two '64 Lincoln Continental convertibles a turquoise one brought by Jim Ayres, and a nice red one, brought by Scott Witt, of Witt Lincoln in San Diego. Bob Blevins drove his '77 Lincoln Town Coupe from Arizona. Steve Ehrler brought his '88 Lincoln Mark VII, convertible (one of 12 made). There were two '56 Continental Mark IIs. The Lincoln Mark VII and VIII club showed up en mass with some 20 cars.

A corn-cob pipe-smoking owner of an old Model T rust-bucket fired up the engine of his operable vehicle.

There were many nice Mercurys and Galaxies parked near our LCOC booth in the Milestone Display section. Many potential LCOC members told us of their Lincoln project cars. Other interesting characters wandered by the booth throughout the day.

Being volunteers, we were treated to a nice lunch with event VIPs. Ford Regional Manager John Clinard, introduced Henry Ford III, who recognized other significant people, including Cleo Shelby (Carol Shelby's wife), race car drivers Scott Pruett and Linda Vaughn, among others.

Because of time and events, I didn't have time to browse among the many other makes and models of Fords. Suffice to say, Ford has an awesome history, and I'm glad to see so many people and clubs collect and preserve examples of this heritage. The variety of cars, the characters that collect them, and the admiring public (some characters indeed!), always make for an interesting and memorable day. Above, LCOC Western Region booth.





Vince Scully's '31 Lincoln K and Dennis Kay's 1956 Continental Mark II.



Fifties Mercury's.





29th Annual Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance May 31st – June 1st, 2014 Family Car Show, featuring Classic Automobiles and Motorcycles.

The beautiful venue is at the Huntington Beach Central Park directly behind the Huntington Beach Library at 7111 Talbert. The event will feature live entertainment by Aprile Deanne - DJ/ Vocalist, Hot Wheels racing for the kids, good food and interesting vendors.

The Sunday event has free ice cream, face painting, and balloon art for the kids!!

The Huntington Beach Concours d' Elegance is a non-profit organization benefitting the Huntington Beach Children's Resource Center at the Library.

The picture to the right is from last year's Concours. You can see what a beautiful setting we have there. The Concours committee is working hard to make this a fun event for everyone. You can register on-line or download and print an entry form and mail it in. As always, there are classes for Concours or Driver/Touring. You can also elect to have your car on display only, not judged. All are welcome. This year promises to have some cars not seen before at previous shows.

Don't miss out, please register soon as the deadline for registration is fast approaching. At \$35, this show is one of the best values around!

http://www.hbconcours.org/

Jim Ayres

LCOC Western Region Activities Director

California Automobile Museum Lunch and Tour Saturday June 21, 2014 11 a.m.

Enjoy a simple lunch on the lawn followed by a guided tour of the California Automobile Museum in Sacramento.

\$10 per person includes food and tour! The California Automobile Museum is located at 2220 Front St. Sacramento, CA
95818. Please RSVP to Jeremy Sanford (916) 769-2333 by June 18, 2014.



Western Region at the 2013 Huntington Beach Concours.



LCOC's Rain Show at DeSoto Park, St. Pete's Beach, Florida.

2014 Eastern National Meet at St. Pete's Beach, Florida April 30-May 4

Stormy weather in more ways than one overshadowed LCOC's first "no formal judging" National Show held in St. Pete's Beach, Florida April 30-May 4.

Originally, the Florida Region was to have organized the event. This region had put on no activities and published no newsletter in over a year. As the event approached there were practically no registered cars. The event was simply not coming together.

Ultimately, National Executive Vice President Bob Johnson with the help of Chris Dunn took over the show's organization. By two weeks before the show they had 28 cars registered, the least in LCOC National Meet history, but better than none. The final turnout of people was better than expected.

The first day members toured to Chris Dunn's Lincoln Land and Herb Sheffer's Lincoln Parts Store, both in Clearwater.

The second day heavy rains began, but this was a minor problem because the driving tour was to a car museum, an indoor event, and of course the Friday night banquet and auction were held indoors.

The big problem was the Saturday show with heavy rains continuing. The show, previously arranged, was held at DeSoto Park, which is located on one of a

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Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance Registration Form

Fill in the information for the appropriate day(s) and sign the Liability Release. Please print legibly.

LCOC Western Region Spring Meet

at the Huntington Beach Concours Car Show

> Automobile Entry \$35.00 *Day of Event \$45.00

Motorcycle Entry \$20.00 *Day of Event \$30.00

> Bicycle \$15 *Day of Event \$20

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*Registration includes admission for you & a guest.

Make checks payable to: Huntington Beach Concours

Mail to:

Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance Attn: Bart P. McGrath, Entries P.O. Box 5578 Huntington Beach, Ca 92615-5578 Be sure to include your check!

Sunday Choose a class from the Sunday Class list

Lincoln Class List: 08A Pre-War 1922 to 1942 08B Post-War 1946 to 1960 Inc. MKII 08C Modern 1961 to 1979 08D Modern 1980 to Present

08E Modern Marks 1969 to 1998

Tell us how you'd like to be judged: Concours (90+ pts)

Street or Race

Do Not Judge

Liability Release: Entrant intending to enter and participate in the annual Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance event, held on ! Saturday, May 31, 2014 and Sunday, June 1, 2014 at Huntington Beach Central Park; does hereby: (1) release the Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance, Inc., the City of Huntington Beach, inclusive of directors, staff, volunteers and agents from any liability arising out of said event; (2) release all other contestants and officials from any and all liability arising out of said event; (3) warrant that the undersigned has personally read the rules and regulations; (4) give permission to use enclosed photographs and photos taken at the day of the event and information of entrant's automobile(s) and motorcycle(s) for publication and program inclusion: (5) understands that vehicles are to remain on the field until 2:00 pm on Saturday and 4:00 pm on Sunday. I have read the above, and accept the terms and conditions (both must sign).





Premier Car Show!

June 1, 2014 9 AM*- 4 PM

Sunday Concours & Classics Huntington Beach Central Park 7111 Talbert, Huntington Beach hbconcours.org - 714-375-8414

* Cars must be on field by 8 am & stay until 4 pm.

Contact Jim Ayres at jayres01@ca.rr.com or (949) 646-5644

can finalize details:

Picnic on the lawn

Enjov club camaraderie

Bask in the sun or lounge in the shade

*Please let Jim Ayres know as soon as

possible if you are registering so we



Sunday, June 1st Concours d'Elegance

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Description and history		
The committee reserves the right to accept or deny	entry. All entrants will be notified of acceptance or denial.	
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Exhibitor (print name)

Exhibitors Signature / Date

Confirmation cards will be sent beginning May 1st. If your entry is not confirmed within 10 days of your mailing, please contact us.

Entry must be received by Tuesday, May 27 to be judged





Above, Palmer's 1955 Lincoln Capri was Best of Show. Below, Bob Johnson and John Talbourdet in the rain.

Rain Clouds Over Florida Show continued from Page 5

series of small keys at the entrance to Tampa Bay. Were it not for the rain this would have been a perfect setting, a paved parking lot with palm trees surrounding the lot and between the lines of parking rows.

Bob Johnson decided the show would go on despite one downpour after another. Nearly all the registered cars showed up and hot dogs from Chris Dunn were served to members in a Park shelter. Everybody enjoyed the show despite the rain which cleared up during the late afternoon.

A meeting of the reorganized Florida Region was held back at the host hotel Friday afternoon where a new Florida Region Director and board members were elected.

At the Saturday night banquet winners by People's Choice were announced with John and Dorothy Palmer winning Best of Show with their 1955 Lincoln Capri coupe from Barnum, Minnesota.

LCOC National President John Talbourdet and Executive Vice President Bob Johnson announced that these nonjudged meets will continue one per year for two more years as an experiment. The Florida show has been discounted due to the rain and Florida Region problems.

Four Western Region members attended the Florida event. They were Tim Howley and John Walcek for *Lincoln and Continental Comments* and Bill Greene and Jerry Holub of Palm Springs who were vacationing in Florida at the time.









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Above, right: John Walcek in the rain with Jeanne Talbourdet and Tina and Eric Snyder of Florida. Right, members in the shelter at DeSoto Park, Florida.





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