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## Lincolns at the Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance

On Sunday June 5 the Western Region participated in the Huntington Beach Concours d' Elegance for the fifth time, again with our own Lincoln Class.

Among the Western Region participants were Peggy Dempsey, 1961 Lincoln Continental convertible; Mike Moreno, 1961 Lincoln Continental sedan; Jim Ayres, 1964 Lincoln Continental convertible, Craig Roberts, 1997 Lincoln Town Car; Ray Gonzales, and Ron Cressy, 1992 Lincoln Mark VII LSC, Donald

Torrence, 1970 Continental Mark III with submarine; Bob Blevins, 1990 Lincoln Mark VII; Elayne Bendel, 1964 Lincoln Continental convertible, and Bob Barger, 1956 Continental Mark II. The Region's 1989 Town Car and Alan Cressy's 1987 "Sail America" Town Car were on display.

The Western Region voted Bob and Carmen Rosa's 1962 roadster convertible as their favorite Thunderbird, and the Thunderbird club voted Peggy Dempsey's 1961 Lincoln Continental convertible as their favorite Lincoln.

For more photos of Lincolns at the show see Page 4.

*Above left, Jim Ayres '64,  
Mike Moreno's '61,  
Elayne Bendel and her '64.*



*Left, Peggy  
Dempsey's '61.  
Lower left,  
Edward Schibig's  
'56 entering.  
Below,  
Don Torrence  
entering with his  
Mark III and  
submarine,*

**Photos by John  
Walcek.**



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## Director's message



Several times over the last two years I have written about growing and developing our club leadership as I have encouraged members to run in the yearly elections and/or to participate in the annual meetings. I want to congratulate those who have heard the call and responded. Today we have a board of directors with very strong leadership skills as our National Meet in San Diego showed. It is also a board with fresh energy and ideas as over 40% of our directors have not yet completed a full 3 year term.

As you will see in the detailed announcement in this edition of *Confab* this new energy and initiative has played out again with the planning of our August 6th annual meeting at the Yucca Valley home of Ron Cressy and Ray Gonzales. In addition to the meeting itself, Ron and Ray are hosting a Friday night cocktail party and dinner and a Saturday morning tour of their extensive car collection. On Sunday, John Burge and Mike Steiner are hosting brunch and another exciting car collection tour in nearby Desert Hot Springs.

All club members are encouraged to attend and participate in both the wonderful array of activities and in the development of future direction and leadership for our club. We need your ideas and help to make the next chapter of our club's history even more exciting than the last.

There are three other events that I want to encourage all members to consider:

The first is the annual Mike Cunningham Wine Tasting and Picnic on August 27 in the Napa/Sonoma wine country hosted by our Northern California members. My wife, Kerry, and I traveled from Ventura, California to this for the first time three years ago and enjoyed it so much that it has become a "must do" event each year ever since. Members from all over our region will be there to share great wine, cars, and camaraderie.

The other two events are the remaining LCOC National Meets. If you owe yourself a nice vacation in a new and interesting place and have not yet decided where to go, I strongly encourage you to consider one of these fantastic National events on the LCOC calendar: The Western National Meet in Westminster, Colorado on September 7th through the 10th, or the Eastern National Meet in the White Mountains of New Hampshire on October 13th through 16th. Kerry and I are going to both! Go to the National website and look at the listing of events and plan the vacation of the year!!

Until next time .....Stacy

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## Western Region 2016 Events Identified to Date

August - Western Region Board Meeting August 6 in Yucca Valley followed by a tour to a collection in Desert Hot Springs August 7.

August - Annual Mike Cunningham Wine Tasting and Picnic Event, August 27, Sabastiani Winery, Sonoma. Details to follow.

October - Participation in the California Mercury Owners event.

### Region Board Meeting August 6, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Western Region will be holding our annual Membership meeting on Saturday, August 6, 2016 from 1:00 until 6:00 and the general membership is cordially invited and encouraged to attend.

The meeting will be hosted by Ron Cressy and Ray Gonzales at their home in Yucca Valley.

There will be an informal cocktail party at Ron and Ray's on Friday evening, which will include dinner. Bring your own libation! A tour of these cars and motorcycle collection will take place Saturday morning. Lunch will be provided after the tour. The Board meeting will be from 1:00 until 6:00 p.m. Following the Board meeting, an on your own dinner in Pioneer Town at Pappy and Harriet's will take place.

Sunday, we will be touring John Burge and Mike Steiner's collection in Desert Hot Springs and they have generously offered to host a brunch.

There is a Best Western just a few minutes away from Ron's. Members are on their own to make reservations if they choose to stay over. The hotel's number is 760-365-3555 or 800-637-5958. Breakfast is included.

Agenda items should be submitted to Stacy Roscoe.

If you are planning to attend (or need more information) please contact Jan McNiel at 760-375-5337 or marvnjan@iwvisp.com. It is important that you let us know if you are attending as we will need to know the attendance for reservations and meal planning. ``

*Left, the Lincoln field at Huntington Beach.*



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Alan Cressy's  
1987  
"Sail  
America"  
Lincoln  
Town  
Car.



Lincoln-  
Zephyr  
Custom  
Coupe.

## Lincoln Experience Center



Lincoln opened the first ever Lincoln Experience Center in Fashion Island, Newport Beach, in July. They've asked me to help plan a club event there, date to be determined. As soon as I get more info, I'll fill you in. Jim Ayres.

Here are a few of the events that might be of interest to you.

- July TBA-----
- Lincoln Experience Center Grand Opening Celebration
- August 14-21-----
- Monterey Car Week
- Sept. 11-----
- Belmont Shore Car Show <http://belmontshorecarshow.com/>
- Sept. 17-----
- Cornwell and Sheridan Movie Car Tour---Details coming soon
- Sept. 24-----
- Cruising for a Cure. OC Fairgrounds <http://www.cruisinforacure.com/>
- Sept. 24-25-----
- Ponies at the Pike <http://bcmcmustang.homestead.com/qm15page-main.html>
- Oct. ??-----
- Socal Cougar and Mercury Meet <http://www.socalcougarclub.com/>
- Oct. 23-----
- Wings, Wheels and Rotors <http://www.seecalifornia.com/festivals/los-alamitos-wings-wheels-rotors.html>
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The Rocky Mountain Region of the LCOC has been tapped to host the Western National Meet in the Fall of 2016.

**Location:** The meet will be held in Westminster, CO, ([www.ci.westminster.co.us](http://www.ci.westminster.co.us)) which is a suburb about fifteen miles to the North and West of Downtown Denver. The host hotel will be The Westin Westminster, located at 10600 Westminster Blvd. The hotel is a thirteen story elegant Award Winning Starwood facility with tons of amenities and a huge paved parking area that will accommodate all of our Lincolns and then some.



[www.westin-denverboulder.com](http://www.westin-denverboulder.com)

To book your room, call them at 303-410-5000 or click on the Hotel Reservation On-Line link in the Western National Meet section of the LCOC website. Our rate is \$99/night.

**Events:** On Thursday, we've planned an all day 50 mile tour to the picturesque mountain town of Estes Park, ([estes-park.com](http://estes-park.com)) which is

## Western National Meet Westminster, Colorado September 7-10, 2016

situated in the Rocky Mountain National Park, and is the site of the renowned Stanley Hotel. For details of the tour, refer to the Western National article in the May-June issue of 'Comments.'

It wouldn't be an LCOC Meet without checking out at least one car collection.



*1933 Lincoln Town Car*

On Friday, we've arranging a visit to the Cussler Museum in nearby Arvada. You may recognize Clive Cussler as the best-selling author of the Dirk Pitt adventure novel series. Clive is also a car guy, and has a collection of over 100 meticulously restored pieces from iconic marques like Duesenberg, Bugatti, and Isotta-Fraschini, to a humble 1946 Ford Club Coupe that he bought and restored because his wife had one in high school. He also has rows of chrome slathered 1950's era American Beauties that will have you reaching for your sun glasses to cut down the glare.



**Other Attractions:** Once you've gotten your fill of looking at Lincolns, there are plenty of other things to do here. Within short walking distance of the host hotel, you'll find an Indoor Ice Rink, a Craft Beer Brew Pub, a 24 Screen Movie Complex, a Bowling Alley, a Dave&Busters Restaurant with Electronic Arcade, a Comedy Club, several ethnic restaurants, and a Butterfly Pavilion.



If golf is more your speed, there are 5 first rate courses within 20 minutes of the hotel. Also, there is an Adventureland Mini Golf and Go Cart Raceway Amusement Complex 10 minutes away. If you enjoy tours, check out The Denver Mint (book ahead) Coors Brewery, or The Denver Art Museum. If you're up for a little more travel, consider Pike's Peak, The Garden of the Gods, or the Red Rock Natural Amphitheater. A steam train buff can ride the narrow gauge Georgetown Loop or the Durango-to-Silverton daytrip. If you can swing it, we encourage you to spend a few extra days here in 'Colorful Colorado' and create some new memories.

To register for the meet, go to [LCOC.org](http://LCOC.org), click on 'National Meets', scroll down to '2016 Western National Meet' and click on 'On-Line





Help Support the Restoration of this Iconic 1969 Lincoln Continental  
United States Marine Corps KC-130 Squadron Car at MCAS Miramar, San Diego  
“THE RAIDER MOBILE”

The “Raider Mobile Foundation” has a goal to raise \$55,000.00 in order to restore an iconic 1969 Lincoln Continental that has been the Squadron Car for the United States Marine Corps KC-130 Squadron on MCAS Miramar, San Diego for over three decades. On February 1, 2016 we officially launched a campaign and are asking for sponsorships and or donations from individuals like you.

By giving to this project you will be “giving back” to the Marines and families within our community throughout time, bolstering morale and camaraderie within VMGR-352 and the KC-130 community. This Foundation chronicles the story of the Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 352 (VMGR-352) squadron car throughout its history. The objective is to portray the vehicle’s rich and colorful past, the car’s relationship with the squadron as it experiences peacetime operations as well as during time of war.

OPERATION RESTORE TANKER LINCOLN (OP-RTL) is the first project of hopefully many in the future, for our foundation. Its mission is to illustrate the current plight of the car, to advocate a repair and restoration campaign, and restore the squadron car and have it up and running in support of squadron professional and social objectives. To reinvigorate a spark and play a small part of a larger, more cohesive and invigorated “Battle Herk” community.

The link between the past and the present, embodied on the pages of my website, ([www.theraidermobile.com](http://www.theraidermobile.com)) tell the story of a black 1969 Lincoln Continental with “suicide doors” through more than three decades of recreation and hard work, peace and war, triumph and tragedy. It is the underlying hope that those who take the time to go to the website will involve themselves in OPERATION RESTORE TANKER LINCOLN. Through my website, I am hoping to reach out to our allies and partners to include: Raiders from our illustrious present and past, other members of the Battle Herk Community, the local civilian community, all Marines and Sailors, automotive enthusiasts, and anyone who wishes us well and would like to have a unique way to give back to Marines and Sailors whom have served.

As a sponsor, your donation will be recognized in several ways. The names of those who donate will be put on a plaque that will accompany the car to events such as the annual MCAS Miramar Air Show and to many of the local LCOC meetings, events, and car shows that the public will attend. Your generosity will make a difference in our community by allowing us to continue in our work. Remember that every donation makes a difference, regardless of size.

As a major sponsor (5 spots available) to our project I would also be honored to be able to invite you and a guest to join us for the annual Marine Corps Ball for the squadron that will take place in November, 2016. This is a black tie event, and where we expect to reveal the restored “Tanker Lincoln” to the Marines of VMGR-352. The formal event will be filled with an official ceremony, dinner, and dancing. It would be a great opportunity to meet the Marines and others in the community for whom you would be supporting through our foundation.

We hope that we can count on you to help support our cause. I am currently out of the country on business, but If you have any questions or concerns in the meantime, please feel free to contact me via E-Mail at [usmarine07727@gmail.com](mailto:usmarine07727@gmail.com). Also if you would like to learn more about this project and donate to the cause please browse my website at [www.theraidermobile.com](http://www.theraidermobile.com). Please feel free to pass on this information to any of your family, friends, and enthusiasts alike.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Jacob A. Cobb, USMC (Ret)

Member of the National LCOC and the Western Region



## Ponies at the Pike Long Beach Sept. 24-25

The Lincoln Mark VIII Addicts have invited us to join them for Ponies at the Pike on the weekend of Sept. 24-25. I realize that some of you will be going to the Western National Meet in Denver Sept. 7-10, but hope that you can still come to Long Beach for at least show day on Sunday, Sept. 25. For those of you not attending the meet in Denver, this will be a great opportunity for you to get together with other Lincoln and Ford enthusiasts. This has always been a great event, in a beautiful setting, and can be even greater with a large turnout of Lincolns and Continentals! The show is filling up extremely quickly and is limited to 300 cars. PLEASE take care of registration as soon as you are able. The class for Lincolns and other Fords and Mercurys is 930. I believe there is still a \$40 with t-shirt special happening. See the following link from Laurie Morgenthal for all the details.

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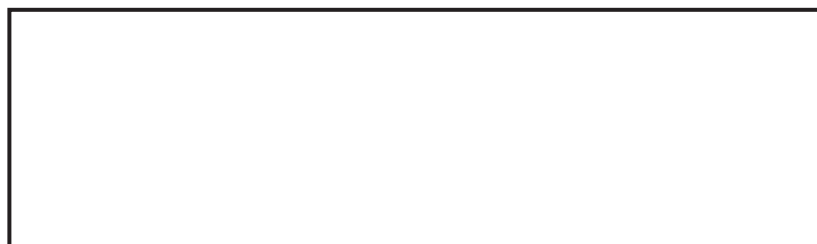


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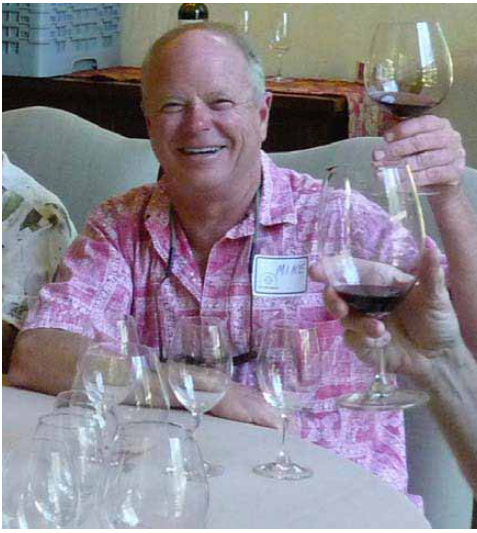
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# 2016 LCOOC “Mike Cunningham” Annual Wine Country Picnic

### Cars, Wine, Food, and Friends!

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**What:** “Mike Cunningham” Annual Wine Country Picnic

**When:** August 27, 2016

**Where:** 389 Fourth Street East  
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**Time:** 11:00 - 3:00

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