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Newsletter of the Southern California Chapter of the H-E-T Club
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SCC goes to the Will Rogers State Park



The Southern California Chapter will gather at the **Will Rogers State Historic Park on Saturday Feb 23**. 1501 Will Rogers State Park Road (at Sunset Boulevard), Pacific Palisades, CA. / (310) 454-8212. After driving up a rather steep little side road, you park your car near the Visitor's Center, where you can tour a small museum with exhibits about the cowboy-comic (containing busts, photos, a scale model of his home, etc.). You may also watch a short film here about his life & times. A free "audio wand" will help lead you on a self-guided tour of the large

estate, with "listening posts" located throughout the estate.

On the south side of the parking lot is the broad green lawn of a regulation-size Polo Field. Will Rogers was an avid polo buff, and the field is still used today on Saturdays for colorful polo matches.

Meet at noon in parking area; bring your picnic lunch / share if you want; we'll eat & socialize til 2:00 when we join up with others for a docent-led tour of the grounds and house. Please note the **\$7.00 per car** entry fee, so grab your chapter buddies and see how many people you really can fit in a Hudson. This site is **targeted for shutdown** by our governor, so we want to enjoy this place before it gets padlocked. The home has just finished a multi-million \$\$



renovation - this will be a fascinating look at a legendary actor's home & hangout. See http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=626 for photos & details.....



Mark Your Calendar

Sunday, March 9, we are going to meet **Patty Teague** and tour the **Wine Country of Temecula**. See the enclosed flyer.....

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Woodill Wildfire, 1953 Maverick Sportster, two 1954 Hudson Italias, 1954 Hudson Hornet Convertible, 1954 Kaiser Darrin, 1954 Nash Healey, 1955 Chevrolet Corvette, 1955 Ford Thunderbird. (Details at <http://www.americansportscars.com/>)

Following the tour, participants continued north on Hwy. 101 to President Jon's house, where he and wife Sue had assembled a tri-tip barbeque and fixins. Jon's neighbors were astonished to see so many Hudsons in the neighborhood. Perry Spring's flamed '41 was the next-door neighbor's favorite! The east winds died down in time for a late lunch and everybody had a chance to catch on Hudson happenings. Goodbyes were begun as the afternoon shadows lengthened, and folks piled back into their cars for the ride home, left to wonder what it would be like to ride in an open-topped *Woodill Wildfire, Nash-Healy or Maverick Sportster*.....

Upcoming SCC Events

- Feb. 23 – **Will Rogers State Park**
- March 9 – **Wine Tour and Picnic with Patty Teague** in Temecula
- April 27 – **CHVA Car Show** in Sherman Oaks
- May 22-24 – **Western Region Meet** in San Jose, CA
- June 8 – **Annual Picnic & Elections**, Ernest E. Debs Regional Park
- July 22-28 – **National HET Meet**
<http://www.freewebs.com/neceditor05/>
- Sept. 26-28 – **All-Cal Meet** (Date change)
- Nov. 8-9 – **Laughlin Economy Run**
- April 2009 - **Western Region Meet** in Oakhurst, CA

Board Meetings are normally scheduled for 2 PM on the third Sunday of each month, and are **open to all members**. Phone 805/987-8187 for directions.
 Want an SCC Meet close to your home? Just find a park or other attraction with parking and facilities. Then give Noah a call (626/799-6107)

January Report

Fred & Deanna Roth hosted 36 HET enthusiasts from 3 chapters at their Thousand Oaks home. Nine Hudsons of various ages made the trek to the Home of American Sports Cars, along with a few more ordinary cars. Deanna had decorated Fred's woodworking shop in CAR'S motif, complete with napkins and cups for all the breakfast goodies laid out for the guests. Once "refueled", guests were treated to guided tours of Fred & Deanna's car and music machine collections. The cars in their collection include: **1952 Muntz Jet, 1952**

A Word from Mike C.

Hello to all in Hudson Land: We are not far from the **2008 National Meet** which is shaping up to be a great get together! Hopefully you have made your plans and are registered. It will be a meet you don't want to miss.

The next year, **2009 is a big year** for our club and the Hudson Motor Car Company. It will be the **100th anniversary of the motor car company and the 50th year of the Hudson Essex Terraplane Club.**

In anticipation of this important year, a committee has been formed to come up with ideas to make the year one of celebration.

Your ideas are welcome. If you have an idea on how to best celebrate this most important year, and want to share it, please contact one of the members of the committee: Carmen Laflamme, Ed Souers, Sam Jackson, Ken Poynter, Chuck Garrett, John Sherlock, Joe Stinnett or me.

Thank you, *Mike Cherry*, President, HET Club, Inc.

From the President's Garage

2008 promises to offer quite a number of unique, nearby Hudson activities, so keep a close eye on your newsletter calendar. January opened the year with a chance for up-close examination of beautiful **American sports cars of the 50's**, including the Hudson Italia. In March, we will again be joining the CIC in an event featuring **Patty Teague**, recollecting the activities of the late **Marshall Teague**. We are fortunate to have the **Western Regional** hosted in San Jose, an easy drive up Hwy 101, May 22-24. These types of events provide lots of opportunity for resource and information sharing, essential to keeping our cars operating reliably. So come on out, introduce yourself to the HET enthusiast next to you and start talking. You just might get a lead on that hard-to-find part or specialist!

Save A Hudson!

Jon Cronk

Thrasher Team

Northern California Chapter has organized the "**Thrasher Team**" whose goal is to get more Hudsons back on the road. If you have a non-running Hudson that is not a total basket case, but which just hasn't quite gotten going, call George at 408/277-6892 and they may be able to help you out.

Hudson-Essex Repair Manual Online

A fairly complete **1922-28 Hudson-Essex Automobile Repair Manual** is on the GEAA website. Pass the word.

<http://www.geaaonline.org/geaarepairmanual.html>

2008 Calendar Online

2008 SCC Wall calendar is available at:

<http://socalhet.org/calendar.htm>

Hudson Related Items for Sale -

<http://socalhet.org/salesroom.htm>

Restoration Resources & Suppliers -

<http://socalhet.org/suppliers.htm>

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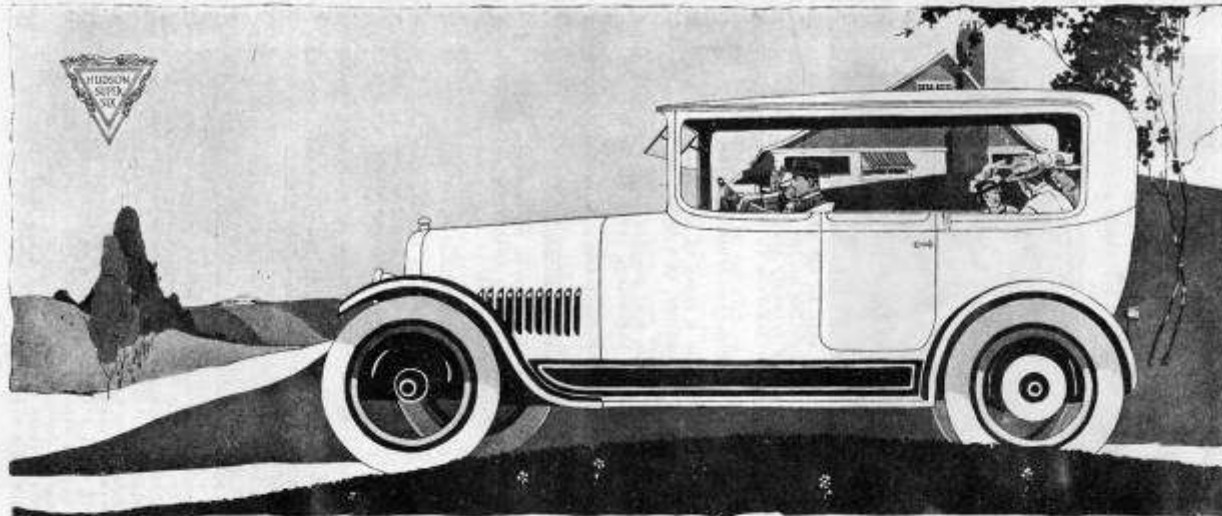
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