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<b>May 14-15</b> .> Arnold Tour	<b>May 1</b> > CRAB 3 Day Event (Sac Valley)
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## Words From Walt By Walt Lietz

We all know the phrase "April showers bring May flowers" but this is California and we do things early. So we had March showers (storms) and we will have April skiing and driving and sunshine. Our Wash n Shine board and our DE committee are very busy getting ready for warmer weather. We have plans in place for a number of tours and lots of new members are joining the Diablo Region.

Here's what's happening in your club.

**Louis** and **Kathy Soler** led the Canepa Tour with lots of door prizes and a look at one of our area's leading car collections. It's truly a wonder to see the shop at Canepa Design in Scotts Valley. The work areas are so clean you can eat off the floor. Really!

Our Driver Education team lead by **Mike Ciopyk** and **Carlos Bocanegra** did another great job at Thunderhill. Drivers showed up from as far away as Idaho, Canada, and San Diego. Remember your Porsche was designed to run on a track, make turns, and accelerate! Where can you do all that safely for \$200? At one of our DE days. Our next DE day is a joint event with the Golden Gate Region on April 29 & 30. So sign up!

The EMC Tech session was very interesting thanks to **Doug Wiebe**. Have you ever seen a Porsche Carrera GT torn apart and hung on a lift with 200 lbs. sand bags to hold it down? Well if you were on the tour you did and much more. EMC also reprograms Porsche engine chips to run faster, save gas, and give more torque. EMC provided breakfast, lunch and lots of door prizes. Thank you EMC for a very educational session.

The Tour de San Juan has been sold out for months, and there is a waiting list! The weather was wet but the drive, food, and company were great. Thanks to **Jacquie Lietz** for putting the tour together and a special thanks to

**Diane Meza** for correcting an error in my directions the night before the tour.

The planning for the 27th Annual Diablo Region Wash 'N Shine is moving forward under the leadership of **Brian Adkins** and the Board of Directors. **Ingrid French** has taken on the charity raffle for the Wash 'N Shine. We raised over \$850 dollars last year. I am excited about the five new non-judged classes. Yes we still have the twelve classes of cars that have to be cleaned, or a least washed, to win, but we have added the new ones for those that can't convince their partners to wash and shine their Porsches. The new class winners will be picked by the crowd attending the event. So you have no excuse - for \$20 you can drive in your Porsche at 8AM on Sunday, May 29th and drive away at 1PM a winner! See you at the show in Danville.

Meantime don't forget our April lineup - The Castle Air Museum Tour - Frank & Bill's Sunday Tour - and the Sacramento Valley Region CRAB weekend. CRAB is back with rallies, tours, auto-x, dinners, and a mini-concours. Check it out.

As always - Have fun and drive safely!

*Walt*

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- Saturday, April 30 only—Inter/Adv: \$220 Novice: \$270
- Both Days—Inter/Adv: \$380 Novice: \$430
- Instructors: Friday—\$105 Saturday—\$145

DEADLINE: Sunday, April 24

#### Changes

- Meals and water will not be provided. You can purchase meals from the grill at the track or bring your own.
- At-Track Orientation (formerly known as Ground School) will be held on Thursday evening (for Friday track day) and on Friday evening (for Saturday track day). All NOVICES must attend! Time and location to be announced.
- Registration and payment will be done through MotorsportReg.com web site: <http://tinyurl.com/Motorsportreg-com-Diablo-Thill>. Watch for more information in a blast.

#### Tech Session

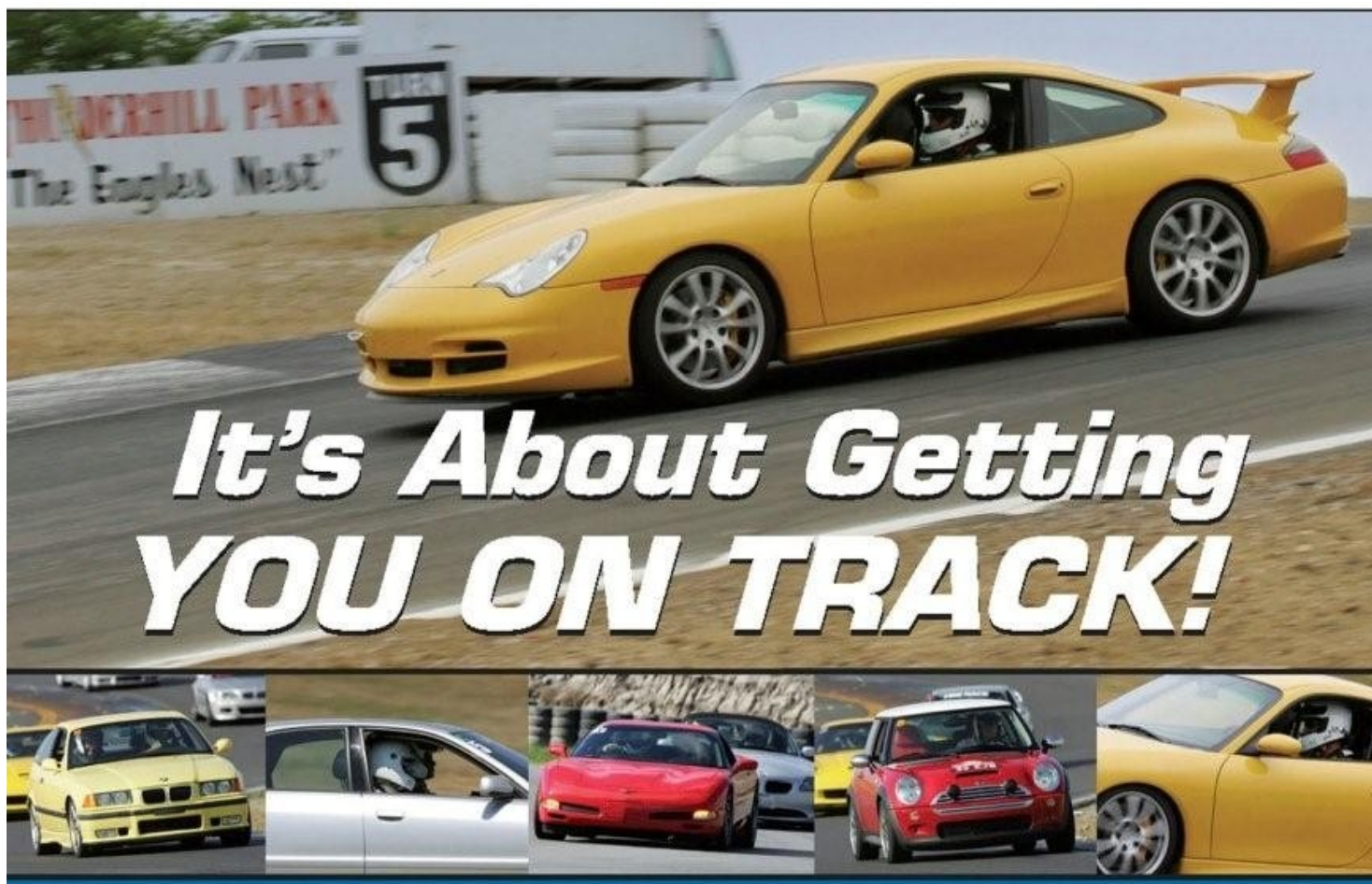
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Check Diablo Region web site for tech inspection forms at  
<http://diablo-pca.org/downloads/viewcategory/22.html>.



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# Canepa Design Tour

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After fueling our tummies with fuel at Vic's restaurant in Pleasanton on March 19th, a caravan of two groups, totaling about twenty cars headed south to Canepa Design in Scotts Valley. It was an enjoyable drive with no incidents as we smoothly cruised through the curves.

The first part of the tour was to view the cars that had been restored and were for sale. So many beautiful cars! It was hard not to drool as you looked at them. We all had our favorites that kept calling our names and urging us to "take one home". Thankfully, we were all driving one of our favorite cars already and were able to refrain from temptation.

The next part of the tour was down to the restoration area, where the general public is not allowed to go.



There were cars in all stages of repair: 1947 woodies (that looked brand new), Stingray Corvettes, Aston Martin, and more. We marveled at the means of storing so many cars as they worked on the cars in stages.



The final floor we explored was the actual museum with Formula One cars, motorcycles, Muscle cars and NASCAR vehicles. After all the walking around, we headed to Santa Cruz for lunch at Rosie McCann's. We enjoyed lunch and a raffle for donated prizes. A few of us even discovered downtown Santa Cruz for the first time. Thanks Lou and Kathy Soler for a fun day!



More pictures on the next page. Photos provided by Lillie Echevarria.





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## New Members

### New Members

Beck, Armin G.	2004 Carrera 4S, Blue
Fenchel, Rickey D.	2007 Cayman S, Blue
Neff, Michael S.	1981 911 SC, Red
Srinivasan, Gopal Gayatri Srinivasan—Family Member	2011 Cayenne S, Black

**Total New Members: 4**

### New Transfer-In Members

Moazed, Mohamad Kay Mohamad—Family Member <i>Transfer from California Central Coast (CCC)</i>	2009 Cayenne Gray
Nelson, Robert Sandy Nelson—Member (Wife) <i>Transfer from Santa Barbara (SBA)</i>	1975 911, Silver
Ways, Robert Cheryl Ways—Member (Wife) <i>Transfer from Loma Prieta (LPA)</i>	1974 914

**Total Transfers In: 3**

**Primary Members: 576**  
**Affiliate Members: 413**  
**Total Members: 989**

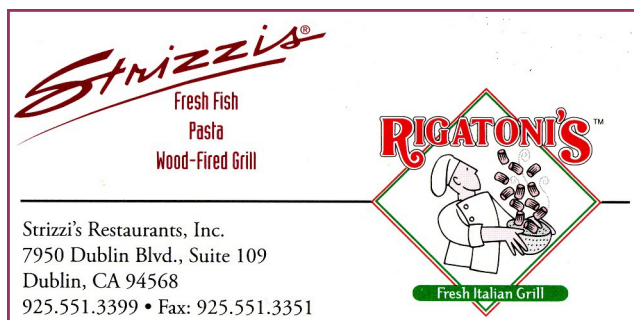
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## Castle Air Museum Tour

April 9, 2011



Where: Castle Air Museum, Castle Airport, Atwater, California  
(Atwater is several miles south of Modesto on Highway 99.)

Cost: \$5/person.

ENTRANCE FEES: Adults: \$10.00, Seniors (60 & up): \$8.00

Meet in the parking lot at Vic's in Pleasanton at 10:00 AM sharp on Saturday, April 9th. Depart at 10:30 AM.

There are over 40 restored aircraft on the museum grounds that encompass flying history from WWII to the present. The outdoor exhibits sit on 11 acres of land and are complimented by the Indoor Museum which houses a fascinating collection of memorabilia including Army Air Corps and Air Force uniforms and military mementos. A gift shop features a unique collection of aircraft books, videos, and souvenirs. The aircraft include:

- B-25 "Mitchell" bomber (30 seconds over Tokyo)
- B-29 "Superfortress" bomber (and 2 variants: B-50 and KC-97)
- B-2 "Vulcan" bomber (not the stealth! This one is British from the Falklands and James Bond's "Thunderball")
- F-101 "Voodoo" fighter (a 1950s design that went Mach 2 plus)
- F-105 "Thunderchief" fighter/bomber (the legendary "Thud")
- F-80C "Shooting Star" (first operational U.S. jet fighter)
- RB-36 "Peacemaker" bomber (simply the biggest)  
and . . .
- SR-71 "Blackbird" reconnaissance aircraft (faster than a speeding bullet: 3,500 feet per second or greater, all titanium)

plus many, many others.

For additional information visit <http://www.elite.net/castle-air/index.htm>.

Some details:

- Route maps will be distributed on the 9th.
- Late lunch or dinner is not hosted.

RSVP to Dan Spisak at [dspisak9@comcast.net](mailto:dspisak9@comcast.net) by March 25th.

## Food & Friends

Can't get to a scheduled Diablo Region event, but still want to mingle with and get to know the other members? Try to attend one of the weekly Saturday Breakfasts at Marie Callenders in Walnut Creek. The group meets at about 8AM at 1101 at S. California Blvd. Sometimes there is an impromptu drive afterwards.

There is also a monthly dinner held the 3rd Thursday of each month at Strizzis restaurant at 3456 Camino Tassajara in Danville. The group meets at 6:30.

Great food and great people!! What more could you ask for! Make it a New Year Resolution to come to at least one foodie gathering soon.



## Pleasanton Saturday Breakfast

If you can't get up in time to get to the Saturday morning breakfast at Marie Callender's in Walnut Creek, drive over to Pleasanton and join a few hungry members at Vic's All Star Kitchen. We meet each month on the 2nd Saturday at 8:30AM.

A special **THANK YOU** to Gunter Feldmeier for treating the members in attendance at the February breakfast. We all appreciate his ongoing support and that of Porsche of Fremont.

The next breakfast is scheduled for **April 9th**. We hope to see you there. Vic's is located at 201 Main Street, Pleasanton. We have tables reserved in the backroom. Check directions at:

<http://www.vicsallstar.com/about.htm>.

Please RSVP to Ira Madnick at: [imadnick@sbcglobal.net](mailto:imadnick@sbcglobal.net) so we can get a good headcount. See you there!!



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# EMC Collision Tech Session

Photos provided by Doug Wiebe

Pouring rain couldn't keep faithful Porsche owners away from a chance to obtain new information that could provide a means of improving the performance of our already marvelous cars. Over 21 PCA members were treated to breakfast, three in-depth tours of the services EMC provides, and wrapping up the tour with a lunch and raffle for VERY generous prizes, all donated by EMC.

The tours covered:

- ECU Tuning (a means of providing efficiency through fuel, performance, and drivability)
- Auto Body Shop
- Paint Shop

A big "THANK YOU" to EMC Collision for providing a very informative and engaging day!



Carlos playing "Mad Mechanic"



After Carlos was finished

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**WHEN:** Memorial Day Weekend  
Sunday, May 29, 2011

**WHERE:** The Paddock at the  
Danville Livery Shopping Center  
400 Sycamore Valley Road West  
Danville, CA



**Registration starts at 8:00 AM  
Judging starts at 9:30 AM**

**DAY’S EVENTS**

- Judging of 12 Award Categories (by Model Type)
- People’s Choice Contest—All participants & guests may cast their votes for the following FUN categories:
  - Road Warrior—Meanest, Baddest, Wickedest
  - “Taste of the Rainbow” - Your favorite color
  - Boulevard Cruiser—Best Main St. Cruiser
  - Spiffy Wheels—Your pick for the best wheels
  - Hollywood Match-up—Driver & Car best coordinated



**Entry Fee: \$20 pre-registration—Deadline: May 22nd**

**All Judged cars MUST be pre-registered**

**Entry Fee: \$25 day of the event**

**No Fee to Park and Party and join in the fun**

**No Fee to view the cars and bother the owners!**

**No Fee to VOTE for the People’s Choice categories**

**Charity Raffle drawings for the Juvenile Diabetes Research  
Foundation (JDRF) held throughout the event.**

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## Diablo Region March DE Event

Were you one of the fortunate ones who drove up to Thunderhill to discover clear blue skies and a dry track? If you weren't, I am sorry because you missed a great track day. We had several new drivers who walked around all day with the biggest smiles on their faces. And then there were those who tried a Taste of the Track (3 laps with an instructor) and could only utter "Wow!"

If you missed the March event, check out the flyer on page 5 for the joint DE event with Golden Gate Region in April. Discover the "secret" other Porsche owners have experienced. You owe it to yourself!

Photos provided by Dale Miller





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Warren at work



## **Bocce Ball Challenge!**

**Saturday, May 21, 2011**

**Players and Cheerleaders are all welcome to sign up and attend**

Don't miss the event selected as the Best Social Event of 2010! Come join us for another fun evening of Bocce Ball at Campo di Bocce in Livermore!

4:00—5:00: We'll plan on meeting at Ruby Hill Winery in Livermore for some wine tasting. There is a \$5 fee that is waived with a purchase. This will also be an opportunity to purchase a bottle of wine to enjoy at dinner.

5:00—6:00 We will then venture over to Campo di Bocce for a game of Bocce Ball.

6:00—7:30: Enjoy a sit-down 3 course family-style Italian meal with friends.

**Cost:** \$40 per person (A \$15 dollar corkage fee may apply)

Make checks payable to PCA—Diablo Region and mail to Diablo/PCA, at PO Box 1047, Livermore, CA 94551-1047

**RSVP:** Paula Ciopyk at [ociopyk@comcast.net](mailto:ociopyk@comcast.net)

**Deadline: May 12**

There may be a limitation of participants due to court availability so signup soon.

### **NOTE:**

Need to know more about the game of Bocce Ball? Check out this link:

<http://www.campodibocce.com/Livermore/bocce/index.html>



# Tour de San Juan March 26, 2011

By Walt Lietz

It was a dark and stormy morning as 48 people walked out of Marie Callenders, little yellow goodie bags in hand, to face the challenge of the Tour de San Juan. Too much rain had flooded the streets, there were mud slides everywhere and Highway 1 was closed in spots. They had three pages of directions, five pages of maps, and 24 cell phone numbers in case they lost the leader of the pack. As they drove down Interstate 680 it got darker, it was difficult to see around the trucks speeding south, but the little band of Porsches knew they had color coded lunch tickets, a free ride on the 17 Mile Drive, a wine and cheese reception, a cozy dinner, a loud band, and a warm bed ahead of them that day, if only they didn't get lost.



In spite of the weather everyone had a great time on the tour. Our first bio-brake (pit-stop) was at the Fortino Winery where the host, Gino Fortino, told us he had a '71 Targa and so the tasting was free.



We loved the almond champagne and the Maribella red. After crossing the mountains to Watsonville we cruised down Hwy. 1 to the 17 Mile Drive and on the The Inn at Spanish Bay. Lunch at Roy's was very elegant and the food was outstanding. After lunch the rain stopped and lots of folks walked down to the beach. Even the golfers were back on the links. We stopped by the Pacific for a photo shoot and drove up Ocean Ave. in Carmel, then back to the mountains, through Spreckels (home of the sugar company), and over the hill to San Juan Bautista.



We parked the Porsches for the night at our hotel and were surprised to find a fireplace in each of our rooms. After the wine and cheese reception, we walked to Joan and Peter's German Restaurant and feasted on a buffet of German favorites, and ended up with apple strudels. Jacquie found out that there was a live band playing down the block so at 9PM we left Joan and Peters and headed for Mom and Pops bar. The seven man band, The Top Hatters, was loud but the beer was great and we got Maureen Torres to sing for us. After playing a little pool, we headed back to the hotel and slept until the San Juan roosters woke everyone up at 7 am.



On Sunday morning most of us found a little breakfast place a block away and by 9 am it was packed with Porsche people waiting for pancakes. After a walk around town everyone headed to their favorite local stops, the Monterey Aquarium, Carmel, the Gilroy Outlets, etc. It was a sunny day down there and we enjoyed the break from the rain.



**Diablo Region/PCA presents:**  
**Spring Pfling at Philo**

A tour of Roederer Estate  
& Anderson Valley environs

**Date of the Event:**

**Saturday, May 7**

**Location:**

**Roederer Estate, Philo, CA**



**Times:**

8:45 AM—Departure from Walnut Creek Marie Callender's (Be fully gassed)

12:30 PM—Catered multi-course luncheon

3-5 PM—Photo rally and driving adventure (4:00 rest stop)

6:00 PM—Dinner and Photo Rally awards (location TBA)

**Duration:** About 2 3/4 hour at Roederer Estate

**Activities:**

11:30 AM—Tour of the estate guided by Roederer Estate personnel

12:30—Luncheon with pairings of selected wines narrated by  
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1:45 PM—Presentation of awards narrated by Porsche Club and  
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**Cost Per Person:**

Estimated \$35 per person,  
with more details to follow.



**Dress:**

Appropriate for a Porsche  
owner having his/her picture  
taken several times.

**Further Information:**

Contact Warren Gardner at [warrengardnerjr@comcast.net](mailto:warrengardnerjr@comcast.net).

**Note:** All vehicles on the tour will be exclusively Porsche; no non-Porsches will be permitted. No exceptions. 40 cars maximum permitted. **Register early and reserve your space.**



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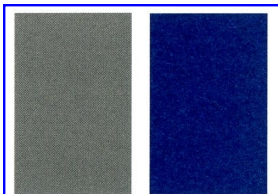
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# ***PCA Diablo to Livermore Valley Tour***

**When: Sunday, April 17, 2011**

**Time: 10AM**

**Where: The Paddock in The Livery in Danville**

***Tour Logistics:*** There will be a driving tour from The Livery to Duarte Garage in Livermore. The Duarte Garage was established in 1915 and is a local, hidden historical gem.



Then there will be a drive to a local Livermore restaurant (Café Garre), located at Garre Vineyard & Winery for lunch. Look forward to tasting some Mediterranean inspired cuisine. And an opportunity for a self-guided wine tasting of a plethora of fine wines. <http://www.garrewinery.com/>



There will be door prizes and of course, the usual Diablo Camaraderie.

**Cost: \$10 per car.**

**RSVP by April 11 to: Frank Duran at 925-933-8817 [fjnduran@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fjnduran@sbcglobal.net)**

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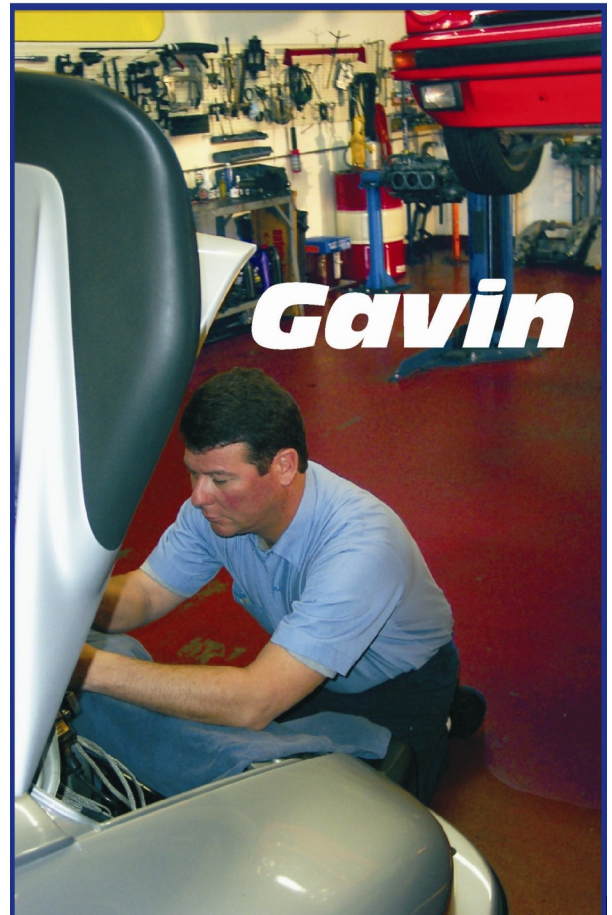
**Bill Packwood at 925-262-8129 [914GT1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:914GT1@sbcglobal.net)**

## **DIRECTIONS:**

- Meet at The Paddock, 400 Sycamore Valley West at The Livery.
- 10AM: Depart The Livery and proceed East on Sycamore Valley Road (becomes Tassajara) approx. 9 miles.
- 9 mi – Turn LEFT onto Highland Road (Stay LEFT at the fork towards Livermore).
- 14 mi – Turn LEFT onto Manning Road (becomes N. Livermore Ave.) and proceed under 580.
- 19 mi – Turn RIGHT on Portola Ave; drive approximately one (1) block to Duarte Garage (corner Portola Ave at North L St.); parking in back.
- After garage tour proceed on Livermore Ave South (becomes Tesla Road) to lunch destination.
- 25 mi – Café Garre 7986 Tesla Road.

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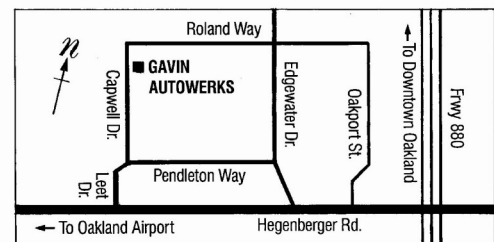


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