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Minutes of Meeting 27 June, 2002

The meeting was called to order by president Steve Liebenow. All officers were present except Dave Crego, Charlie Puckett, John Hansen and Mike Drew. Roxanne Fertitta took minutes for the missing secretary. Somehow the attendance numbers were misplaced, but there were apparently at least 11 De Tomaso cars in the parking lot.

New Members/Guests: The club welcomed several new faces. **Carl and Mary Schumaker** are the new owners of a red '72 Pantera, and have already hosted not one but *two* tech sessions at their house. The car came with a bad gearbox, so a handful of PCNC folks made the trip to their house, pulled the gearbox, and a few days later came back to install a replacement gearbox pur-

chased from Larry Stock.

A fellow named **Alex** (gave no last name?) is a car enthusiast with a nice collection of cars, but no Pantera yet, so his search is on. Although he was at the meeting, he didn't formally join the club yet.

Dave Kanahale is a TPOC member who was in the Bay Area on business, and came to visit his Nor-Cal brethren.

Corrections To Last Month's Minutes: Besides the various Panteras at the last tech session, Steve noted that his Mangusta made it there also!

Treasurer's Report: Large checks for the Monterey event have been pouring in, so our treasury is artificially extremely flush with cash. The bulk of our payment to the hotel will go out in July, deflating the treasury substantially but still leaving us in a healthy state.

Club Store Report: The store manager was absent, so there was no report.

Club Website Report: Mark McWhinney is continually expanding our website, and has been receiving submissions from club members which helps immensely. Check it out at www.panteraclubnorcal.com

Past Events:

Reno-Tahoe Fun Rally: The Reno-Tahoe event was enjoyed by all who participated; about a dozen PCNC members took part in the three-day event. Roger Sharp reported that the event featured a high-speed tour up into the Sierras, a car show on Virginia Street, a tour and luncheon at Larry Stock's shop, and a cruise all the way around Lake Tahoe. Unfortunately the number of participants was down slightly, in the neighborhood of 60 people or so. Reno itself looked like it was hurting for business, so there was an extra effort by the casino management to be especially hospitable to us. See the report elsewhere in this newsletter.

Upcoming Events:

AutoZotica Summer Rally — 20 July: The AutoZotica people are staging another rally especially for Bay Area owners of exotic cars (daily drivers and beaters and trucks need not apply). Their events have been enjoyed by several PCNC members, and every one who has attended one, has gone on to attend every subsequent one, so that's a fairly strong endorsement! See their flyer elsewhere in this newsletter.

San Diego Pantera Swap Meet — 27 July: The San Diego all-Pantera swap meet has become legendary, with deals aplenty to be had! Several PCNC members will be making the trek down, either in the hopes of selling unwanted stuff, or finding much-needed parts, or both! Chuck Melton will be driving down in his minivan and may have extra space to haul parts; contact him if you're interested.

Pony Express Open Road Race — 27-28 July: If your car is fully sorted, you may want to forgo the drive to San Diego in favor of participating in the open road race in Nevada. Organizers are a bit unrealistic on tire tech issues so Panteras with H-rated tires will not be allowed to compete. Several PCNC members, including Dennis Antenucci and John Bentley are already

signed up.

Hot August Nights — August 3-7: The age limit for participating cars has been raised to 1972 and earlier, so Panteras will be allowed to formally enter (not that the age limit stopped anybody from participating in the past).

Monterey Historic Races/Concorso Italiano — 15-18 August: Tony reported that our rooms have been selling well, and all we have left are some twin bed rooms and some suites. The Friday evening dinner has a limit of 130 people, and we already have 80 people signed up, so if you think you might want to go, get your reservation in pronto! Todd Glycer has volunteered to round up the food and beverages and serve as our formal host in the hospitality suite.

Club Business:

Insurance Issues: At the officer's meeting, it was decided that all event participants will need to sign a disclaimer/waiver at each event to protect the event organizers and PCNC from any liability issues. Steve will be contacting POCA with an ultimatum of some sort to get a copy of the actual POCA insurance policy (which *does* also cover all POCA chapters) so that we can see for ourselves exactly what the coverage is.

News, Clues and Rumors:

Quilt Unveiling: The club's quilting crew performed a marathon quilting session (from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the next morning) and completed the quilt which was to be presented to Nancy Haney and Mike DeRyke as a surprise on the Hole-In-The-Ground tour. The quilt was quietly unveiled at the meeting, but the surprise was kept intact.

Fundraising Success: Debra Woumm reported that she raised approximately \$2300 for the American Cancer Society in memory of former PCNC president Ellis Woumm, and in a letter she thanked all the PCNC members that donated in response to her privately sent letters.

Doris Enjoys A Life Of Leisure: Doris Britschgi announced that she had retired after 37 years of teaching, and is now looking forward to going on more tours without concern for her work schedule!

Buy, Swap & Sell:

Bellhousing Needed: Apparently a 1972 Pantera followed Brian Bernard home, but it's in need of a new bellhousing. If you should happen to have an extra lying around, please contact him.

Campys/Tires and 351C Block For Sale: John Bentley is conducting a garage clean-up campaign, and that means some things have to go, including a set of L-model Campys with tires, and a fresh, original bore, sonic-checked two-bolt main 351C block.

Pantera Raffle?: Carl Schumaker announced that his newly purchased Pantera is to be raffled off for a local charity. Later this year tickets will go on sale, with the winner receiving the car (or a cash substitution). Watch for a formal announcement sometime in the fall.

Driving For Dinner Raffle: Pam Sharp was the winner, and as she had consumed a full meal, this was the most expensive prize ever!

Raffle Results: Larry once again passed the hat, with the following results:

Orbital polisher — Brian Bernard

POCA Profiles posters — Brian Bernard, Darryl Johnson

ZEP 40 cleaner — Terry Morofsky

Pantera Parts Connection caps — Dennis Turrin, Terry Morofsky, Pam Sharp

De Tomaso flag — Mary Schumaker

Insulated Mug — Carl Schumaker

40th Anniversary Tote Bag — Mark McWhinney

Bonneville poster — Darryl Johnson

POCA drink coasters — Larry Stock

Old Catalogs — Russ Britschgi

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

NEXT CLUB MEETING

**THURSDAY, July 25, 2002
8:00 P.M.**

**COCO'S RESTAURANT
1209 OAKMEAD PARKWAY
SUNNYVALE, CA
(Take Lawrence Expressway South Exit off Highway 101)**

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

- July 20 ————— AutoZotica Summer Rally (Greg Jacobs)
July 27 ————— San Diego Panteras Swap Meet (Alan Foster)
August 15-18 ————— Concorso Italiano/Monterey Historic Races (Tony Harvey)

REMINDER — NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY 15th OF EACH MONTH
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AutoZotica

In Search of the Golden Road

Saturday, July 20, 2002

We Cruise The Historical Areas Of California's Gold Rush Country

What is a "Golden Road"?

Just like there is no perfect track or course, there is no perfect road. For some the super twisties and switchbacks are fun, for others it's the slow sweeping turns and elevation changes that rolling hills can provide, even some would just like a long stretch of straight open road, where they can punch it just a bit.

What would be your Golden Road?

We will begin the day in the 580/680 area heading EAST, off the beaten track, using as little of the major freeways/highways as we can, in order to find everyone's moment of Zen between driver, car and road. In our travels on this cruise, we will skirt the historical areas of California's Gold Country (Where else would you find a Golden Road?), on (once again) some very well hidden back roads. This will be our longest outing yet (it is summertime, right?), with the most actual time behind the wheel since our trip up to Mt. Hamilton. Our destination will have to be kept top secret, but suffice to say, a full lunch and car show is on the menu (all included in the price of admission), along with a host of other surprises.

Please be prepared to do the entire day's journey of approx. 250 miles roundtrip to complete the tour, it will be difficult to make this adventure a partial day trip.

Let us come together, make new friends, burn some fuel, and share in the never ending hunt for the Golden Road, together with your AutoZotica Familia. We look forward to having you join us on this journey

P.S. You will be required to drive a qualifying exotic car to participate. (All De Tomaso cars are welcome). More details to follow soon. If you have any further questions, please contact us, thanks.

Admission fee: \$50/per person

<http://www.autozotica.com/default.htm> for info