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## Minutes of Meeting 27 June, 2008

The meeting was called to order by the vice-president at 8:04 p.m. A surprisingly high percentage of club officers were absent this evening; Peter Kovacs, Larry Finch, Garth Rodericks, Howard and Sharon Renshaw, and Mike Drew were all missing (with Steve Liebenow standing in for the missing secretary). Member turnout was decent however, with 29 club members and seven De Tomaso cars present.

**New Members/Guests:** Although there were no new members present, there was one face in the crowd not seen in quite some time. **Guy Dellavecchia** not only made it to the meeting, he used it as the inspiration to drive his very stock Pantera L for the first time in about three years!

**Changes To Last Month's Minutes:** There were no changes noted.

**Club Treasury Report:** Steve indicated that the club's treasury was healthy. We will soon be writing some fat checks to pay for the various aspects of the Monterey event however.

**Club Store Report:** Rich had several shirts on display and for sale.

**Club Motorsports Report:** Larry is still trying to get a final accounting from the track management. It appears that they owe us some money, but the exact amount is unknown despite repeated attempts to rectify the situation. The unanswered e-mail messages and phone messages are getting a bit more heated as a result....

**Club Membership Report:** Although Russ didn't have anything specific to report with respect to the club membership roster, he did note that the last month's PCNC newsletter was decidedly longer than normal, and similarly overweight, yet they were delivered for the standard mailing rate, indicating that somebody forgot to check the weight!

**Club Website Report:** Mark has updated the website with the latest, greatest information on our upcoming events, and implemented electronic RSVP for these events. Check it out!

### **Past Events:**

**TPOC Swap Meet:** Both Mark McWhinney and Chuck Melton made the trek down to Anaheim for the swap meet at Bud Williams' garage. The event was well-attended and was judged to be a success; both Mark and Chuck picked up a few items while they were down there too!

**Vintage Mustang Owners Ass'n Show:** Tom Hasenberg reported that this show (which is organized by Tom) had a pretty strong turnout in the De Tomaso class, with six Panteras and a Mangusta on display (and another tardy Mangusta and Pantera in the parking lot). There were just under 200 cars entered in the show, including multiple genuine Shelby and Boss Mustangs. There were plenty of new Shelby Mustangs there too. Darryl Johnson took home the first place trophy in the Pantera class, although he wasn't eligible for the 'best engine' award since he got it last year!

### **Upcoming Events:**

**Monterey Historic Races/Concorso Italiano Weekend — 13-16 August:** Dianne announced that room reservations are now open to all POCA members at the Los Laureles Lodge. A \$100 deposit will hold a room; final room prices are still being determined. Several POCA members have already scooped up rooms, so if you are planning on attending and don't have your room yet, don't wait any further!

*Pantera International* has decided to abandon their traditional parking corral/trackside BBQ at Laguna Seca. PCNC will now host the parking corral, but will not make the extensive financial commitment to host a BBQ or hospitality tent. Corral parking will be free for those people purchasing tickets from PCNC.

Volunteers will be needed to 'police' the parking area and keep non-De Tomaso interlopers out (at least in the first few hours of the day), and a cat-herder will be required to actually pick

up the tickets from the Laguna Seca will-call desk and distribute them to the participants. If you're interested in helping out, contact Larry Finch.

See the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter.

**Pre-Dyno Tech Session — Date TBA:** In light of the club's proposed dyno day (see below), Chuck Melton volunteered to host a tech session at his home in the weeks prior, with the focus being on using his engine analyzer to ensure engines are in tip-top mechanical condition before they are tested on the dyno.

**Dyno Day Tech Session — 27 September:** Roger Sharp has once again arranged to have a portable dynamometer brought to his house. We did this once before, in 1995, and this was without a doubt the club's most popular (and well-attended) tech session. The club will be paying \$1000 to have the dyno operating for an eight-hour period in Roger's driveway; we will charge \$50 each, and each driver will get two pulls.

The priority for dyno use will be club member cars, and Panteras will receive further priority. We will need maximum participation to make the event financially viable.

Watch for a flyer with more information in next month's newsletter.

**Club Business:** There was no club business to discuss.

**Buy/Sell/Swap:** Nobody had any announcements of parts for sale or needed.

### **News, Clues and Rumors:**

**What A Drag:** Trevor Fougere reported on his first-ever visit to a dragstrip in his Pantera. After installing a 392-inch stroker Windsor Ford crate motor, Trevor wanted to see what it was capable of, so he went to the Wednesday Night Drags at Sears Point. Although helmets aren't required of everyone, one glance at the car revealed its speed potential and the track management insisted he get one right away. Trevor got a good launch on his first pass, netting him a 12.78 at 102 mph. He broke out of his 13-second bracket on his last run with a 12.7 at 110.95 mph. Very respectable for his first time ever running on a dragstrip!

**Bob's Rationale...:** Bob Benson maintained that his rather dramatically dusty off-track excursion in Las Vegas was probably caused by Roger and Jimmy and company wetting down the track. Sure, that's the ticket.... Unlike last year, he couldn't blame it on the fact that there was a young woman changing into her fire suit in the paddock area....



**Driving For Dinner Raffle:** And the winners were Darryl and Connie Johnson

**Raffle Results:** In Garth's absence, Roger Sharp and Brett passed the hat, with the following results:

Wheel Clock — Darryl Johnson  
Pantera model — Guy Dellavecchia  
Old CB Radios — Mark McWhinney, Steve Liebenow  
Edelbrock Hat — Tom Galli  
Pry Bar (Wonder Bar style) — Tom Galli  
Oil Filter Wrench — Garry Choate

The meeting adjourned to the parking lot at 8:58 p.m.

## Membership News

### New Members for July:

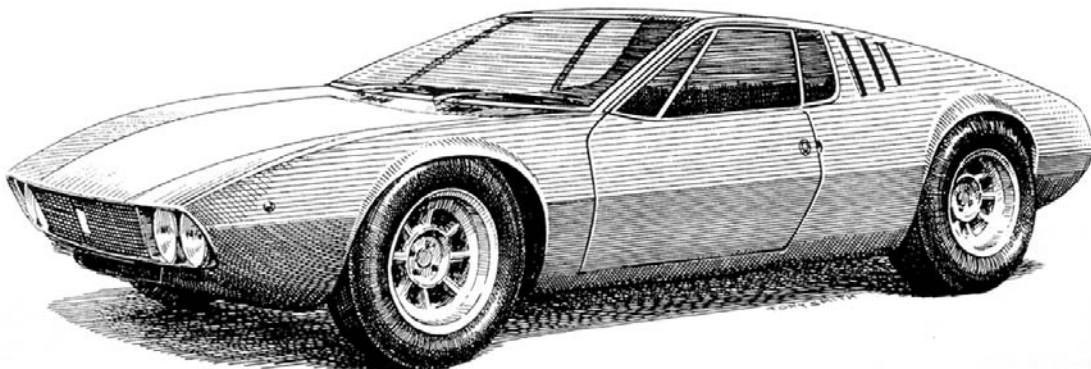
July seems to be a slow month this year as we have no new members.

### July Membership Anniversaries:

We congratulate the following persons for the indicated years of continuous membership in the Pantera Club of Northern California:

**Roger and Pam Sharp:** twenty years  
**Clayton Engstrom:** fifteen years  
**Art Mowry:** eight years  
**Mark and Cindy Tumbarello:** eight years  
**Barry Hosier:** five years  
**Bob and Lori Paizs:** four years  
**Ronald and Roberta DeMaderios:** two years

**Jack Bartole:** seventeen years  
**Gary Glenn:** eleven years  
**Ron and JoAnn Singley:** eight years  
**Tom and Liz Hasenberg:** seven years  
**Jim and Angela Cain:** four years  
**Mark and Bill Savage:** three years  
**Hesston Proctor:** one year





## ***PCNC Monterey Dinner***

The PCNC dinner is an annual part of the Monterey weekend tradition. It is fine-dining under the stars surrounded by a display of the finest Italian rolling art. It is open to everyone in the De Tomaso community.

After a day at Concorso or a day at the track, come to the PCNC hospitality suite for drinks and fellowship then adjourn to the garden for a dinner surrounded by Panteras.

The cost is \$45 per person. Hotel guests booked via the PCNC get two free tickets for the dinner.

Reservations are required. Contact Diane Dean at [deandm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:deandm@sbcglobal.net) to make your reservation.

Los Laureles Lodge  
313 West Carmel Valley Rd.  
Carmel Valley  
CA 93924

Tip: To get to the Lodge from Laguna Seca, take the Laureles Grade Road over the hill to Carmel Valley Road (G16), then turn left; the Lodge is about a mile up on the left.



# Trevor's Run—By The Numbers

Here are the facts and figures for Trevor Fougere's run at Sears Point. He ran a 12.783 @ 110.95 mph, with numbers as follows:

60 ft: 1.993 sec  
330 ft: 5.480 sec  
1/8 mi: 8.307  
MPH 88.04 (at 1/8 mile)  
1000 ft: 10.742  
1/4 mi: 12.783  
MPH 110.95 (at 1/4 mile)

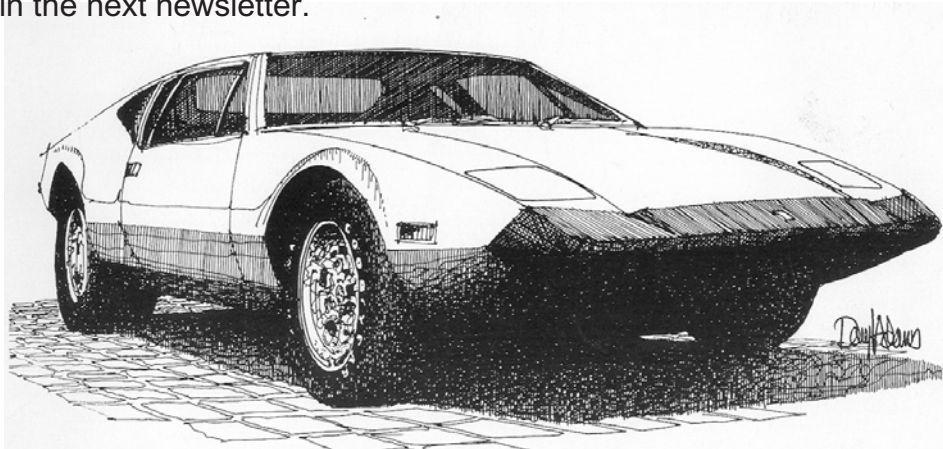


## Newsletter Advertising Policy

**Free Advertising:** PCNC members may advertise items they have for sale, or items they want, at no charge in the 'For Sale' section of the PCNC News. DeTomaso automobiles of non-club members may be advertised in the 'For Sale' section at no charge when space is available. The space allowed for these free ads is limited to six lines per member (or non-member) per month.

**Paid Advertising:** Fees are charged to anyone who wishes to advertise a business or profession, and to members who wish more space than is allowed in the Free Advertising provisions. Those fees are: Business cards: \$2.50 for one issue or \$9.00 for four issues within a one year period. Half page ads: \$8.00 for one issue or \$30.00 for four issues within a one year period. Full page ads: \$15.00 for one issue or \$55.00 for four issues within a one year period.

All ads should be submitted to the editor no later than the 15th of the month for inclusion in the next newsletter.



## **GOING TO MONTEREY THIS YEAR?**

**HEADING TO THE HISTORIC RACING  
AT LAGUNA SECA RACEWAY?**

**TAKING YOUR DE TOMASO?**

**THEN YOU NEED A LAGUNA SECA PANTERA CORRAL PARKING PASS**

OR ELSE YOU WILL PARK WITH THE MASSES ON THE DIRT LOTS UP ON THE HILLS =  
DUST, DOOR DINGS, ROLLING CARS AND A LONG WALK.

### **THE PANTERA CLUB OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE OUR NEW SPONSORSHIP OF THE

## **MONTEREY HISTORIC RACES LAGUNA SECA PANTERA CORRAL**

(PANTERA INTERNATIONAL IS PASSING THIS TRADITION ON TO PCNC)

### **HOW DOES IT WORK? –**

IF YOU BUY YOUR RACE TICKETS FROM PCNC FOR SATURDAY OR SAT/SUNDAY AT  
THE ADVANCE PRICING – SAVING MONEY OVER AT-THE-GATE PRICING – YOU WILL  
ALSO RECEIVE A CORRAL PARKING PASS.

YOU CAN OBTAIN YOUR TICKETS AND CORRAL PASS AT FRIDAY'S CONCORSO  
ITALIANO – OR HAVE THEM MAILED FOR A \$10 FEE.

### **HOW DO YOU ORDER? –**

GO TO THE PCNC WEBSITE – [WWW.PANTERA CLUBNORCAL.COM](http://WWW.PANTERA CLUBNORCAL.COM) - AND FOLLOW THE  
LINKS TO ORDER ONLINE, OR SNAIL MAIL YOUR REQUEST AND PAYMENT TO -  
PCNC

C/O STEVE LIEBENOW  
765 ORKNEY AVENUE  
SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

**COSTS? –** SATURDAY TICKET - \$65.00 PER PERSON  
SAT/SUNDAY TICKET - \$95.00 PER PERSON  
ONLINE PAYMENT WITH PAYPAL - \$5.00 CHARGE  
TICKET DELIVERY BY CERTIFIED MAIL - \$10.00

TO-BE-MAILED ORDERS **MUST BE RECEIVED & PAID** BY JULY 25  
CONCORSO PICK-UP ORDERS **MUST BE RECEIVED & PAID** BY AUGUST 8

**QUESTIONS? –** CONTACT PCNC MOTORSPORTS DIRECTOR LARRY FINCH  
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# **2008 CONCORSO ITALIANO®**

## **August 15, 2008**

**ANNOUNCES NEW VENUE!!!**

**THIS YEAR CONCORSO ITALIANO CELEBRATES**

- **45 YEARS OF AUTOMOBILI LAMBORGHINI**
- **THE CREATIONS OF MARCELLO GANDINI**
- **THE 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE FERRARI 365 GTB/4 DAYTONA**

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**MARINA, CA - MONTEREY BAY** - Concorso Italiano®, the Celebration of Italian Style™ is pleased to introduce a new chapter in the long history of this wonderful event. Earlier this year after learning that the on-going hotel and golf course construction at Bayonet Black Horse Golf Courses would restrict our ability to hold the event in the space it requires, or at the caliber it deserves, and cause our guests to park off-site, we began searching for a new and long-term home.

After reviewing many different sites on the Monterey Peninsula, we are very excited to announce our decision. **This year will be the beginning of a wonderful new era as Concorso Italiano moves to the Marina California Airport - just 10 miles north of Monterey itself.**

This site will give us tremendous opportunity to expand and to introduce new and exciting features. We are keeping all of the aspects that you have come to love about Concorso Italiano including the Fashion Show, the On-stage Commentary with Car Owners and Celebrities, the Wonderful Music, the Beautiful Cars, Riva yachts and of course the festive atmosphere.

This year we will also enjoy vintage aircraft and for the first time at Concorso Italiano, professionally catered Food and Beverage. We will also be adding shaded seating areas where you can relax and view the beautiful cars and the mountain backdrop of the Coastal Range.

Marina City Manager, Anthony Altfeld says, "We want to make sure that we prepare the site well for this major concours. I have scheduled a meeting with the City's Executive Team to make sure everyone knows how important it is that we make this first Concorso a truly 'World Class' event. First impressions make all the difference and you have my commitment that the city will do all that it can to work with the Concorso Italiano team to ensure success."



Mike Graham, Director at Large for the Ferrari Club of America Pacific Region, (who has measured the new site for layout) says, “This will give us a much better opportunity to be creative and to display a more aesthetically pleasing design of cars that will be much more enjoyable for everyone.”

Jim Heady, President of the Lamborghini Club America says, “The new site gives us more open space and the ability to bring in our exotics more efficiently, which allows us more time to enjoy all of the aspects of what Concorso Italiano has become. We are also pleased that there will be an all new dining experience at the Gold Class Luncheon.”

Our New Venue Also Offers:

- Easy Access / Excellent Parking
- The ability to blend Vintage Aircraft with beautiful cars in a significant but non active and quiet area of the airport
- A coastal setting that will be cool and pleasant
- A place to see old friends in a new and exciting setting.

**Concorso Italiano is changing and we're excited to see you there!**

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# NEXT CLUB MEETING

**THURSDAY, July 31, 2008  
8:00 P.M.**

**COCO'S RESTAURANT  
1209 OAKMEAD PARKWAY  
SUNNYVALE, CA**

**(Take Lawrence Expressway South Exit off Highway 101)**

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## UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

August 13-16 — — — — — Concorso Italiano/Monterey Historic Races (Diane Dean)

September TBA — — — — — Pre-Dyno Day Tuning Tech Session (Chuck Melton)

September 27 — — — — — Dyno Day Tech Session (Roger Sharp)

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

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