



HIT 'N' MISS

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President's Report By Bob Smith

The topic for this article is WAPA shows vs. family events.

No doubt many of you have experienced and will in the future have to choose between a commitment to attend a family event or a WAPA show. There is a fine line as to what event to attend. You weigh the pros and cons of each event and in the end you choose the family event over the WAPA show mainly because family comes first.

Now WAPA is family, but it is our second family. If you had to choose work over a WAPA event, I am sure you would choose the WAPA event unless you have been told you will work, or else. We don't want the "or else". Now the show I am referring to is the Steve McQueen Car Show. This is probably one of our better shows and just keeps getting better year after year.

The event that made me miss this show was a family get together in Phoenix and Flagstaff, AZ. We always get up early on Friday morning, around 2:00 am, and head out on Interstate 10 and get there around 7am for breakfast. Since we were ending the get-together in Flagstaff, I told the family that we would do a little sightseeing on the way home. Sunday morning we headed west on Interstate 40 to Kingman and then took old Route 66 up the mountain. We stopped in Oatman, which is an old mining town on top of the mountain and has been turned into a tourist town with many gift shops and places to eat and snack. Oatman is better known for the burrows that roam wild in the hills and meander down to the town to look for a handout. Since they are controlled by the BLM (Bureau of Land Management) it is not recommended that you feed them. But if you must, there is a spot in town selling special feed for them. There is also a gunfight on Main Street at high noon for your entertainment.

After spending some time in Oatman, we came down off the mountain and continued to Needles where I lived as a child from 1964 to 1967. I hadn't been back since I left so wanted to find the house we lived in. The town is not too big so it was no problem finding the place. We also drove by the high school I attended up into my Junior year until we moved to Chicago. I tell you, I want to go back and look around some more when we have more time. I did find the spot where the Stuckeys was located on the west end of town. All that remains are the pads for the 4 gas pumps that I manned as a teenager. It was my first job other than paper routes and mowing lawns. I still have my first dollar framed. It should be worth something maybe in about 200 years. Well, enjoy some of the pictures of Oatman and I hope we can plan our WAPA shows around our family events in the future.



**WAPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING WILL BE JULY 11
AGRISCAPE BUILDING AT CAL POLY
(NEXT TO THE FARM STORE)**

Upcoming Events By Roger Hahn

The only show we have this month is the Marina del Rey show, which occurs on July 26th. Ken Evans is the show chairman for this event. You can read all the details regarding this show in an article written by Ken Evans appearing in this issue of the Hit 'N' Miss.



Steve McQueen Car Show At The Boy's Republic June 6, 2015 By Tom Millett

For those who missed it, too bad, because you could have witnessed a huge crowd and lots of nostalgia. For those of us who made it a day, we had a good variety of machines.

I recently said that if asked to write a report, I was no longer going to list all the machines and attendees. However, I can't bring myself to not list everyone. So, here goes: Rob Skinner, Kelley Garcia, Dick Bouma, Merle Morse, Tom Denison, Ron Haskell, Joe Siddons, Danny & JoAnn Ponce, Lance & Stephanie Wilson, Carey, Sue & daughter Becky Stockton, Roger Hahn, Tim Neely and Tom Millett. Who did I leave out?

All the machines were great and with no mishaps. In addition to engines, Roger Hahn displayed his fabulously restored Farmall Cub and Lance Wilson displayed a David Bradley tractor. I hadn't seen one of those in years.

Our display area was where we have been each year. Lots of foot traffic strolling by, and most importantly, the food truck was close by and very popular. The major auto display area was in the stubble grass field behind us. I keyed in on the red 1925 Ford Depot Hack, as I have one restored in black.



If you missed Steve McQueen Day this time, watch for it next year about this same time of year.



Merle Morse receives the Antique Engine Award for the favorite antique engine at the Steve McQueen car show.



Newly restored tractor at Cal Poly with Lance Wilson

IBEW Picnic 2015 By Bob Smith

A gentleman from the IBEW (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers) approached Show Director Roger Hahn at the Chino Corn Feed Run and asked if we could participate in their car show at the Rose Bowl. I thought it might be interesting so I took off Saturday morning on the 20th to get to our destination at 7:00 am only to wait until someone would open the gate so we could enter the area where we were to setup next to the cars. After unloading we were instructed to park our trucks in the parking lot on the other side of the road.

After about an hour some of the cars started to leave after finding that they were at the wrong car show, since there was another show on the other side of the Rose Bowl. After they left there were only around 20 cars present. We started to look around and it appeared that the IBEW Local 11 had a huge area set-up with vendors, booths, jumpers for kids, carnival rides, live entertainment, and food tents. This turned out to be their annual picnic for the union members. There were quite a few people attending but we were out in one corner so did not have the large crowds coming by our area which included Tom Fee, Danny Ponce, Joe Siddons, Leroy Overstreet, Joe Giocomarra, Paul Montgomery, Mitchell Reichwein and myself. Ken Evans paid us a visit but had a commitment at Mt. Wilson.

We were all given a wrist band which basically gave us whatever food we desired. Hamburgers, hotdogs, salad, roasted corn, and ice cream. Eat as much as you wish. What really spoiled the day was when we got our trucks to come back in and load and the security guard would not let us enter. After some arguing with no avail, we entered the large grass parking area and drove over the curb and into our area. Aside from that it was not a bad day but I don't think we should attend someone's picnic to show our equipment. We were a little misled.

Glendora Heritage Day By Bob Smith

This show was not published since we were asked at the last minute if we could grind corn only at their event. I informed them that we could if they paid us for the event and we could keep all the proceeds from corn sales. They agreed so I contacted Kelley to add the event onto the insurance.

Let's go back to when member John DeLazzaro called me and asked if we could grind corn at the 2nd annual Glendora Heritage Day at the Centennial Park where we attend the Pumpkin Festival in October. I told him that if the city agreed to pay us \$100 then we would do it. I contacted our trusted corn grinder, Tom Millett, and he was willing to participate along with Joe Siddons and Leroy Overstreet. The 4 of us set things up and Joe started his pitch to sell corn meal. All in all it wasn't a bad day. We took in \$96 in corn and cookbook sales.

Our friend and member Klaus Duebbert was there with his California Experience to entertain the kids. Lunch was a treat. There was only 1 food vendor there and they were cooking chicken or catfish. We all had the catfish and Cajun fries plate. It was very good. It looked like the show was a success so we may be invited back next year.



**Old Fashioned Day in the Park, Marina del Rey
By Ken Evans**

It is time again for the Marina del Rey Show. On the fourth Sunday of July, WAPA supports the Classic Yacht Association's Old Fashioned Day in the Park at Marina del Rey by bringing our engines and equipment and joining various car clubs for a nice day at the seashore. The show is held at Burton Chace Park, right at the docks on the western end by the Helmsman statue. So here are the particulars:



What: Classic Yacht Association's 39th Annual Old Fashioned Day in the Park

Where: Burton Chace Park, Marina del Rey

When: Sunday, July 26, 2015

Time: Set-up begins at 7:30 am, our vehicles out of area by 8:30 am. The show starts at 10 am and closes at 3 pm.

Parking: There will be limited free parking inside the park as we have done the past four years. No trailers unless part of the display. Otherwise you will have to pay to park far away at the boat launching ramp.

Directions: Burton Chace Park is at the end of Mindanao Way just west of Lincoln Blvd. in Marina del Rey. One way there is to go west on the Marina Freeway, Cal 90, from the 405 Freeway and turn left on Mindanao Way. Go to the end and at the turn around there is a gate and there will be someone from the Yacht Club to let us in. Follow the grassy road through the park to the paved section and then left to the south west corner of the park. There is a grass knoll with a statue of a Helmsman. This is where we set-up. Bring your own supplies.

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