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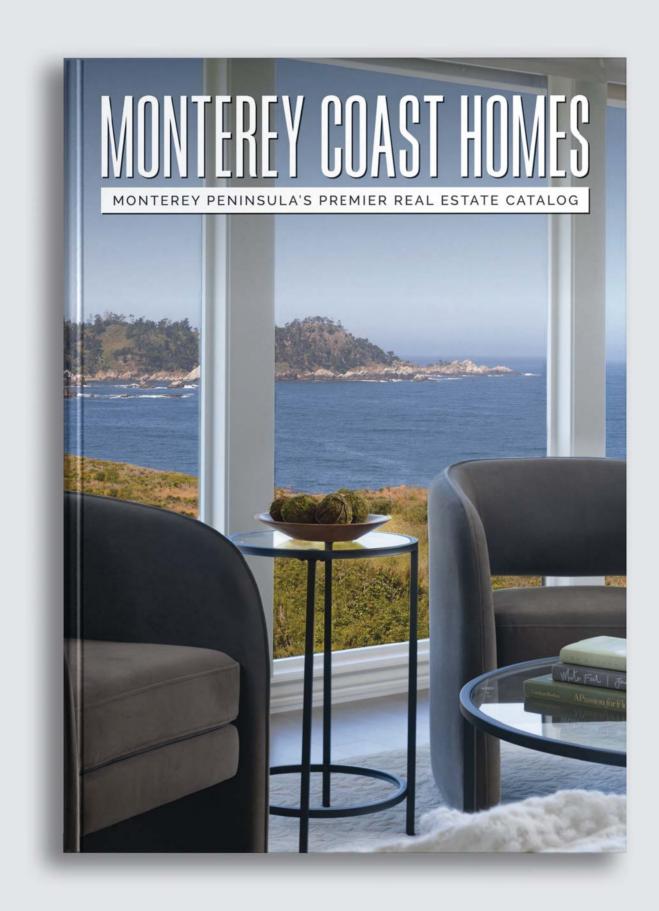




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With more than three dozen events, Car Week is way more than a week

By MARY SCHLEY

Peninsula becomes the automotive world's favorite place to be each August, and everyone who cares knows it. This year, Holy Week brings even more options for car fans, and a handful of events that debuted last year are bigger and better in 2024.

Since 1950, automobile racing and showing have been part of the Peninsula's impressive cultural landscape, starting with a single-day road race through Del Monte Forest accompanied by a just-among-friends show of the latest and greatest cars at the nearby Lodge. Not long after its inception, the Pebble Beach Con-

cours d'Elegance switched from a display of contemporary autos to a judged contest of collector cars and has since spawned similar events all over the world — though none match it.

In the late 1950s, Laguna Seca was built to accommodate the racing that had begun in Pebble Beach, and the first vintage races — now known as the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion — debuted there a half-century ago.

Since those early years, so many associated events have blossomed that Car Week now spans more than 10 days and stretches from Seaside to Carmel Valley to Big Sur.

Keeping pace with that ongoing evolution is The

Pine Cone's coverage, with its must-read special sections Aug. 9 and 16 that anyone who cares about anything Car Week-related should rush to pick up or download. A highlight of those editions is our comprehensive calendar of the area's numerous amazing events.

Take your time to examine this detailed look at everything the Monterey Peninsula has to offer as it transforms into an autopia. The fun begins with a downtown Monterey show of race cars that make the drive from Laguna Seca and back Aug. 9 and ends with the world-famous Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. Spanning those are celebrations of all aspects of vehic-

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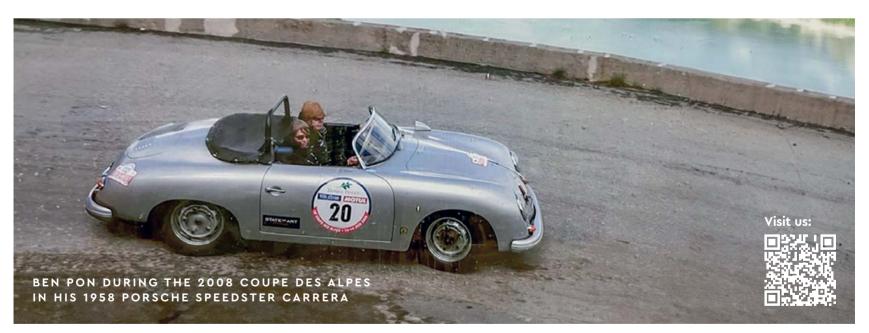




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Great food figures prominently at Motorlux, and chef Tim Wood (left), owner of Woody's at the Airport, is set to bring his culinary magic this year. Car Week kicks off with vintage racers from the Pre-Reunion making their way to downtown Monterey (right).

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Majestic and practical, just like the monarch who loved them

By LISA CRAWFORD WATSON

■ INCE THEIR debut in the late 1800s, automobiles have offered independence, expanded people's worlds and conferred a sense of power, potential and prestige. Sometimes, they become part of history and can even evoke specific eras in our collective memories here and abroad.

The 1910 Rolls-Royce used in "Downton Abbey" hearkens to Britain's

post-Edwardian age. Then there's the 1987 Jaguar XJ-S Cabriolet featured in "The Crown," not to mention Land Rovers — favorites of Queen Elizabeth II.

A special display of Land Rovers and Range Rovers used by the late British monarch and her family will be presented on the 17th Fairway during the 73rd Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance.

"The Land Rover, introduced in 1948, inspired the idea of the state review vehicle (an official car used by monarchs). Introduced during the reign of King George VI, it was painted royal claret and fitted with a rail in the back to hold onto," said Land Rover historian Mike Bishop.

The vehicle used in an episode of "The Crown" that depicted Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip's six-month coronation tour is headed to the Concours show field, as is the first Land Rover created for the real-life event.

He noted that the tour that introduced Elizabeth to her subjects was far-ranging and unparalleled in British history to that point. "Although Australia and New Zealand were part of the greater Commonwealth, a reigning king or queen had never had the opportunity to visit, so that was a really big deal. That the Land Rover company could supply a vehicle of that quality for that exposure was incredible."

Reportedly, the Crown Equerry responsible for vehicular transport of the monarch, among other things — later ordered a fleet of Land Rovers, because their design helped ensure the citizens of the United Kingdom could see her clearly. "I have to be seen to be believed," she famously stated during her reign.

Being with people

"The queen was very community minded and wanted to be with the people wherever she was," said Bishop. "Her vehicles were incredibly useful for her, enabling her to stop and talk to groups." He continued, "The Land Rovers were designed very carefully with a pad in the back instead of a seat, so she could stand there, rest against it, and look very composed as she greeted the public."

The vehicles evolved through time and changed with the royal family. Although the Series I Land Rover was charming and useful, said Bishop, the

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(Left) Queen Elizabeth II, accompanied by Lt. Gen. Sir Mark Mans and Lt. Col. Sean Cunniff in a Range Rover during the 300th anniversary of the Corps of Royal Engineers in Chatham, England, in 2016. (Above) This 1954 Land Rover was originally ordered by HM King George VI and subsequently used by Queen Elizabeth II at Balmoral.

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ular genius: compelling and lively sales of old cars, new cars, rare cars, motorcycles, memorabilia — and everything else — rallies and tours, seminars and discussions, a decadent day of wining and dining among notable racing and collector cars, an homage to all things Italian, an impressive show of the automotive prowess of the supercar community, several days of racing, and a beloved concours of automotive unmentionables. And prices run from nothing — more than a half-dozen events are free — to if-you-have-to-ask-you-can't-af-

ford-it, so there is truly an event (or several) for every-

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one who wants a view of the action.

Thirty to 40 race cars cruise from WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca to Alvarado Street in the heart of Monterey to mark the start of the Monterey Peninsula's automotive mania during the annual Monterey Classic Car Week Kick-Off Car Show. "We started this event in 2010 to take cars to the locals to showcase how much fun race cars are," Barry Toepke, director of heritage events and PR for the racetrack, explained. "It's

been a huge success, and hopefully enjoyable for each

Participating cars, which are competing in the Monterey Pre-Reunion Aug. 10-11 and the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion Aug. 15-18, stage at the track at 4 p.m. and leave — with a CHP escort leading the way — at 4:30 to make it to downtown Monterey by 5.

Visitors will be allowed to walk among the cars, take pictures beside them and ask questions of their owners before everyone departs, again with a CHP escort, at 7. Catching the high-speed parade of vintage racers along the route is very cool, too.



■ Pre-Reunion vintage races Laguna Seca Raceway, Monterey Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 10-11, gates open at 7 a.m. each day

A low-key way to get in on the vintage-car action on the Monterey Peninsula, the Pre-Reunion weekend at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca features more than 300 cars competing prior to the big Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion the following week.

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The early morning start of the Tour d'Elegance in Pebble Beach (left) is always a highlight of Car Week. And so is the Motorlux party at the Monterey Jet Center (right).



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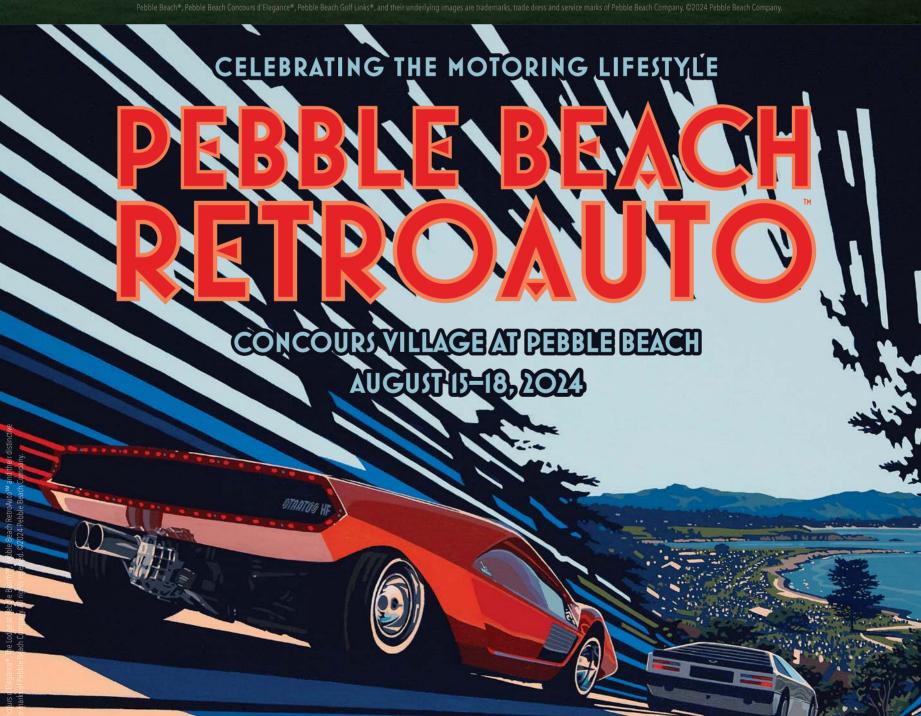
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Proper dressing — with pistons and parasols, hubcaps and homburgs

By LISA LAPIN

OME LIKEN it to the Cannes Film Festival but with the Western casualness of Sundance. Others say it's akin to a California coastal version of England's Royal Ascot or the Kentucky Derby. No matter the comparisons, it's clear that Car Week events draw out fashion creativity among the crowd, with enthusiasts aiming for a degree of class and polish in their clothing equivalent to the stature of the automobiles on display and at auction.

Resplendent, respectful

At the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, it is common to see attendees resplendent in bright colors,

dresses, hats and sport coats, and haberdashery from bygone eras that match the makes and marques of the rare cars on exhibition.

"Car Week is a lot of fun, and it's one of the special events that people still really dress up for," said Victoria Carr, owner of the Victorius women's clothing boutique in Pacific Grove. "People used to dress up for so many more events — the theater, the opera, a plane flight. Much of that went by the wayside. But for Car Week, people still want to honor the special occasion, to go along with what they are seeing, and it compels you to want to have respect and reflect that in what you wear."

Nelson Thorpe, who has attended 57 consecutive Pebble Beach Concours, has seen the trend continue upward with the increasing prestige of the event. When

it was a strictly local car show, people were more casual. As the event has gained a more global stature, so has the culture of dressing up to complement the setting and the eras of the cars, Thorpe said. Then, he looked even further back in time, beyond the Concours' 1950

Hats for men, too

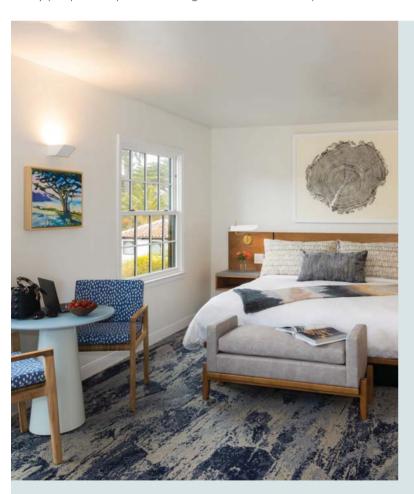
"If you look at photos and movies shot in the 1920s and 1930s, and you look at the street scene, everyone is dressed up to be out and about in town. For example, men are all wearing hats, because people were outdoors more," said Thorpe, who is also a member of the Art

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Nancy Strong (left) of Urbana, Ill., has an impressive collection of vintage and historic clothing so that she and her husband, Allen Strong, can dress to match their show vehicles. Many people don period clothing to accentuate their special rides, like a couple shown in downtown Carmel with a postwar convertible.





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P.G. Rotary Club Auto Rally is 'all about whatever brings you joy'

By DENNIS TAYLOR

GLITTERING spectacle of spit-shined nostalgia will promenade for the 30th time Aug. 16, gussying up the avenues of "America's Last Hometown," cruising the coastline, and serpentining through Del Monte Forest, along 17 Mile Drive, as a highlight of the closing weekend of Car Week on the Monterey Peninsula.

The Pacific Grove Rotary Club Auto Rally is five hours of eye candy for anyone with eyeballs, a sentimental showcase of 200 dreamy vehicles from years, decades, and centuries gone by.

"These aren't the Concours d'Elegance cars – these are oldies," said Arleen Hardenstein, a Pacific Grove real estate agent and co-chair of Rotary Club's annual

charity fundraiser, which is free to the public. "We're talking about vintage sports cars, hot rods, luxury vehicles old trucks ...

"Some are classics that have been totally restored. Others have been sitting in a driveway for 20 years and get driven by their owners every day," Hardenstein said. "It's all about whatever brings you joy, you know? There's something for everybody."

This year's marque for the event is the Ford Mustang, which is celebrating its 60th anniversary.

A scenic drive

The five-hour rally begins at 12 p.m. with a display of the vehicles along multiple blocks of Lighthouse Avenue – a festival that will include entertainment by The Wharf Rats, a Peninsula-based rock band, as well as

music provided by DJs from Kelly Productions.

The cars will be judged by a panel of auto lovers from the Rotary Club, who will present awards at 4 p.m. in categories that include Best of Show, Best of Marque, Best Engine Bay, Best Interior, Best Paint, Best Preserved Car, Best Restoration, Best Vintage Car, Best Finish, Hottest Hod Rod, Hottest Wheels, Longest Distance Traveler, Fastest Muscle Car, Most Elegant Ride, and Racy Racer.

Following the awards ceremony, the vehicles will participate in a scenic procession along the magnificent Pacific Grove and Pebble Beach shorelines, before returning to downtown P.G. at 6 p.m.

"Great viewing venues for the rally would be any-

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To see a veritable parade of history, get yourself a spot along the route of the Pacific Grove Rotary Club's Auto Rally on Friday, Aug. 16. For five hours, a steady stream of hot rods, elegant sedans and stuff that's just plain fun will cruise along the coastline. This year's event honors the 60th anniversary of Ford Mustangs.

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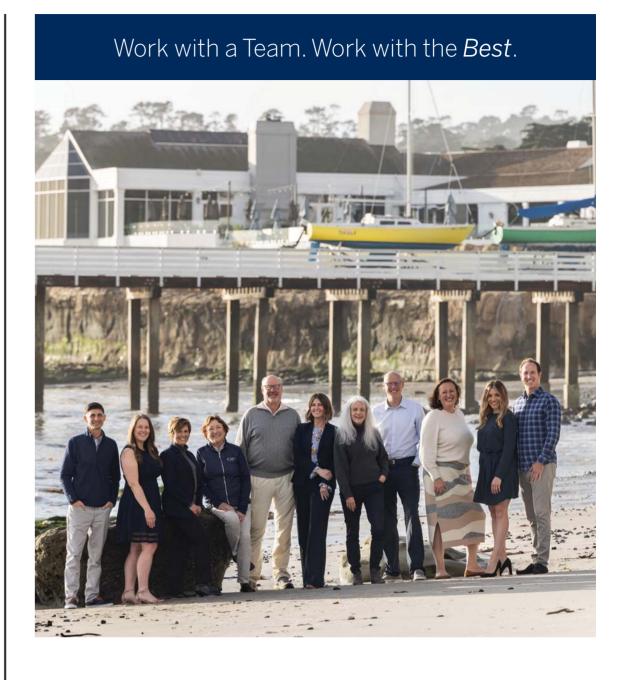
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Hot rocks and fast cars inspired this painter to change lanes

By CHRIS COUNTS

FREAK accident 12 years ago took Lyn Hiner off one career path and promptly landed her on another that brings together two of her greatest passions — painting and automo-

As a youngster growing up in Southern California, Hiner dreamed about being an artist.

"My mom made sure there were always art supplies around, such as crayons and watercolors," she told The Pine Cone. "When I was in high school, I started working toward going to art school — I applied to five top schools and got into four them."

Hiner began studying at the Pratt Institute in New York, but a family health crisis derailed her plans and forced her to drop out of school. So she returned to



Lyn Hiner's abstracted automotive paintings will be displayed next week at Car Week events in Seaside and Pebble Beach.

California, where she took a job working for Performance Racing Industry, which organizes auto racing trade shows. The job appealed to her in part because she and her father once rebuilt and raced Porsches.

Accident makes news

"My dad was a lover of fast cars, and we shared that passion," she recalled. "The distinctive sights, sounds and smells of those beautiful machines were embedded from those early memories."

Hiner thrived at her position for a decade.

"It was an exciting time," recalled the artist, who lives in San Clemente and has a studio there that's open by appointment.

But just as it had done when she went

away to art school, fate again interceded. In 2012, Hiner was visiting San Onofre State

Beach when she scooped up what appeared to be some benign beach rocks and put them in her pants pockets. But when the stones dried out, they burst into flames due to their phosphorus content, and she suffered third-degree burns. The unlikely story made world news.

Hiner's recovery was arduous, and she had several surgeries during the year that followed. By mid-2014, she was ready to work again, but her children were young, and she wasn't sure she was up to all the travel her job required. Plus, she was feeling the pull to paint again. She started off using pastels to paint hyper-realistic subjects but found herself frustrated. So



Lyn Hiner — an artist featured at this year's Concours d'Elegance brings her latest creation to life inside her studio.

she began experimenting with palette knives and thick layers of paint. She even toyed with the idea of making her art less realistic and more abstract, which marked a big change for her.

"I thought abstract art was messy and incoherent," she conceded. "I couldn't believe there were entire museums dedicated to it."

Like a window wet with rain

Hiner's first abstracts were inspired by water, and the next ones explored flowers. She was hooked. "All of a sudden, the process became super exciting and joyful," she declared.

In 2017, Hiner received a commission to paint her

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where along Ocean Avenue, or Sunset, or 17 Mile Drive along the water," Hardenstein said. "It's really quite a party."

Legendary American automotive designer and race driver Carroll Shelby came to Pacific Grove in 1994 to help launch the Rotary's first Auto Rally, when a car he helped design, the Cobra, was the marque for the event.

Long list of beneficiaries

Over the past three decades, the P.G. Rotary has used the rally to raise funds for multiple local causes.

"We try to focus on youth, especially without the Pacific Grove community

and the greater Monterey Peninsula," Hardenstein said.

"A lot of our funds have been donated to the recreation department for the Youth Center of Pacific Grove. We give to the library — particularly the children's portion of the library," she said. "We've donated extensively to the Pacific Grove School District for different projects, including athletics and drama. Last year we gave money to Monterey High School's ROTC. We've even given to a Uganda project to help their youth with education."

Additional information about the 2024 auto rally can be found online at pgrotary.org.

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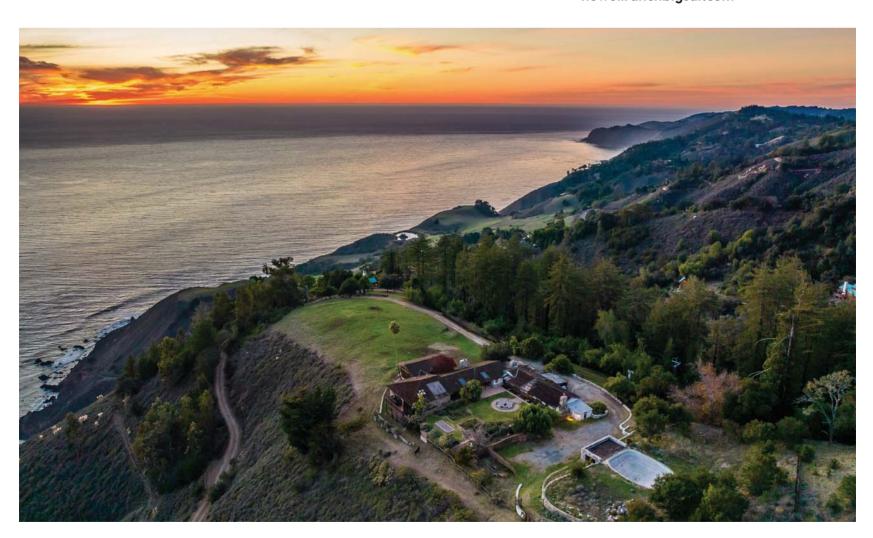


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late 1950s ushered in an era of change. In 1958, the company launched the Series II state review automobile, which was used into early 1970s.

Next, in 1974, the company debuted the first generation of the Range Rover state review vehicle. Bishop said that royal claret "became the standard color of the car, with an insignia. This car was in production for 25 years."

"These are not the kind of people who rush to change something for the sake of it," said Bishop. "If it's a perfectly good vehicle still in service, they are quite happy keeping it for 10 to 15 years. While a lot of people are quick to get the latest and greatest, Her Majesty the Queen was not like that. She was very much a person who was satisfied with what was working for her."

Another vehicle headed to Pebble Beach was prominently used in 1994, in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the D-Day landings in Normandy.

Elizabeth was "there to see the people, which she did very well," said Bishop. "She was old school. She didn't want to be seen behind glass but to be seen properly."

Perfect working order

The next models changed quickly — the second generation from 1995 to 2001, and the third from 2001 to 2012.

Bishop commented, "The Jaguar Land Rover Co. has always worked to make sure vehicles were evolving as technology moved on, especially in the late 1990s, when they ramped up design a bit."

These were the state review vehicles, which were used for various events, said Bishop, but nothing particularly prominent. Extremely well looked after, they were kept in perfect working order, always ready to go.

"If you look at an original 1954 state review vehicle

and one from 60 years later, you can witness a generation of change in the automotive industry," he explained. "The car is still very much the traditional Land or Range Rover product — still comfortable and prestigious — but very much a working vehicle as well."

'Quite charming'

Also coming to Pebble Beach are vehicles personally used by members of the royal family from 1954 until the 1960s, including estate vehicles used at Balmoral Castle, touring or taking guests around the estate.

"These were the practical vehicles, just as interesting as the state review vehicles, in their own way," Bishop said. "By looking at these cars, we can get a feel for the character of those using them."

In the late '60s, the Land Rover Series-IIA 109 Station Wagon came along. It was a workhorse with good bones, better suited to the growing royal family.

was in use for 18 to 20 years," Bishop said. "It is really quite charming, a very nicely appointed vehicle." The next car, the 1983 110 Land

"The car, in original condition,

The next car, the 1983 110 Land Rover called The Defender, was driven until 1999, when it was replaced by another that's still in use.

The Windsor children had grown up and Elizabeth used the next vehicle as a runabout, said Bishop. "There was quite a bit of evolution in her need for and use of it, and she was seen driving around the estate. Since she had trained as a motor mechanic during the Second World War, she liked to use her vehicles and didn't need a chauffeur as she went out and about."

The last car was very much an everyday Range Rover. As the queen

grew older, said Bishop, she needed a vehicle which was easy to use, one which had side steps to facilitate getting in and out.

"She used it up to the end," he said. "I saw her a couple of years before, driving it in Windsor, when she drove down herself to see the pony display in the morning before official ceremonies. Then she drove back to change into her finery."

Among the vehicles coming to Pebble Beach, the United States-based ceremonial car is coming from the Midwest, another is part of the JLR Classic Collection, one is still in use at Windsor Castle and the rest are normally housed in the British Motor Museum.

"The British Motor Museum is brilliant to work with; we're taking an incredible number of vehicles out of their display," Bishop said. "It's wonderful to see these cars celebrated — it's Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's legacy."



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Among the royal cars to be displayed at the Concours d'Elegance is this state review vehicle in service from 1974 until 2002. Its modifications included foldaway seats and a lectern containing concealed umbrellas.

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Deco Society, dedicated to the preservation and celebration of 1920s history. "And if you go to see the cars of that period, seeing people dressed that way, it adds to the experience. And it gives people who aren't car owners a way to participate, not just to be a witness."

Many Car Week visitors find their way to Carmel's Khaki's men's clothier, often seeking to dress up and "layer up" what they brought from home. "They look around and feel like maybe they should dress up a bit more," said Jim Ockert, president of Khaki's and part of men's fashion in Carmel for almost 30 years. "These people are really serious about automobiles. It's their joy and passion, and the accompanying clothing comes after that. They are also people who really enjoy fine food and wine, jewelry and watches."

Indy pace car

Some attendees plan their wardrobes months in advance, particularly those who bring rare and vintage cars, in order to enhance the historic experience and provide additional context for their showpieces.

Allen and Nancy Strong of Urbana, Ill., are one such couple. They will be dressing in period costumes from 1915, the year that their one-of-a-kind Packard 2-38 Special Runabout was built by Indy 500 founder Carl Fisher to serve as the

race's official pace car. It is the earliest surviving pace car.

Vast collection

When they accepted the invitation to show their classic car at the Concours this year, Nancy immediately began planning the couple's attire. There will be driving-tour outfits, car show outfits, and the chairman's dinner outfits, all drawing from her extensive collection of authentic vintage clothing. In addition to being historically accurate, from hats to parasols to jeweled purses, the fabric colors will complement the aged-bronze, green-hued patina of the vehicle.

"We will convey Old World elegance," Nancy said. "It really is sort of like the Kentucky Derby."

"We love to collect and restore these cars to their period authenticity, and a full extension of what is authentic is what people would have been wearing when the car was made," Allen said. "We are really big history buffs, and every aspect of the history of the cars fascinates us."

Nancy's collection is vast enough that she can pair outfits with an array of car makes and models, ranging from the early 1900s Brass Era to the post-1915 Classic Era. Last year at Pebble Beach, she complemented their green 1932 Packard Twin-6 Sport Coupe with an ivory linen driving outfit and car coat — complete with antique golf clubs — and a dressy purple ensemble with a dramatic cut-vel-

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vet coat and matching hat.

While not everyone may have a vast repository of vintage costumes, there are simpler ways to dress up for the wide variety of local events, as well as for unpredict-



able "summer" weather.

An array of Car Week fashion advice is available online. For example, some fashionistas strongly recommend bringing classic silk neckwear to car shows — cravats for men and full scarves for women — as versatile accessories that can dress up almost any outfit and offer some protection from the elements.

"A lot of people look for something classic and classy,



It may be difficult to compete with the stunning good looks of those fabulous cars, but that doesn't stop Concours d'Elegance attendees from giving it their all — and many do quite well, thank you.

and easy to convert from day to night," said Carr.

"A simple black dress can be worn with a cardigan and scarf by day, and in the evening, it can be dressed up with some sparkle or a cashmere wrap and a pretty pair of earrings so it becomes a fancy cocktail dress," she

Hats, not carburetors

For men, Ockert recommends starting with a base of dressy jeans or quality casual slacks, which can be paired with daytime or evening jackets and accessorized. White jeans are often on display at Car Week events, topped with colorful shirts and blazers, and of

"Staying comfortable" is in keeping with the Carmel vibe, Ockert said.

Shoe choices are critical as well. Casual shoes, sneakers and flats are highly recommended for all of the walking — some of it on grass — involved in Car Week. It's fine to combine a dressier outfit with casual shoes, the experts say.

Nancy Strong said that the whole concept of dressing up and the period costumes prove entertaining for people who are less interested in car mechanics and en-

"People who tend to get bored about carburetors, they might get excited about vintage hats. I have a huge collection of vintage hats," that has been amassed over decades and includes donations of family heirlooms from people excited to see the clothing brought to life, she said.

"It gives people something else to look at. People are always charmed by fashion. It's a lot of fun," she added.

Allen Strong deeply appreciates the contributions of fashion, which he said enhances the experience for attendees to their car museum at home in Illinois and to their many car shows.

"Nancy comes up with some amazing stuff. She dresses me and I'm just along for the ride," Strong said.



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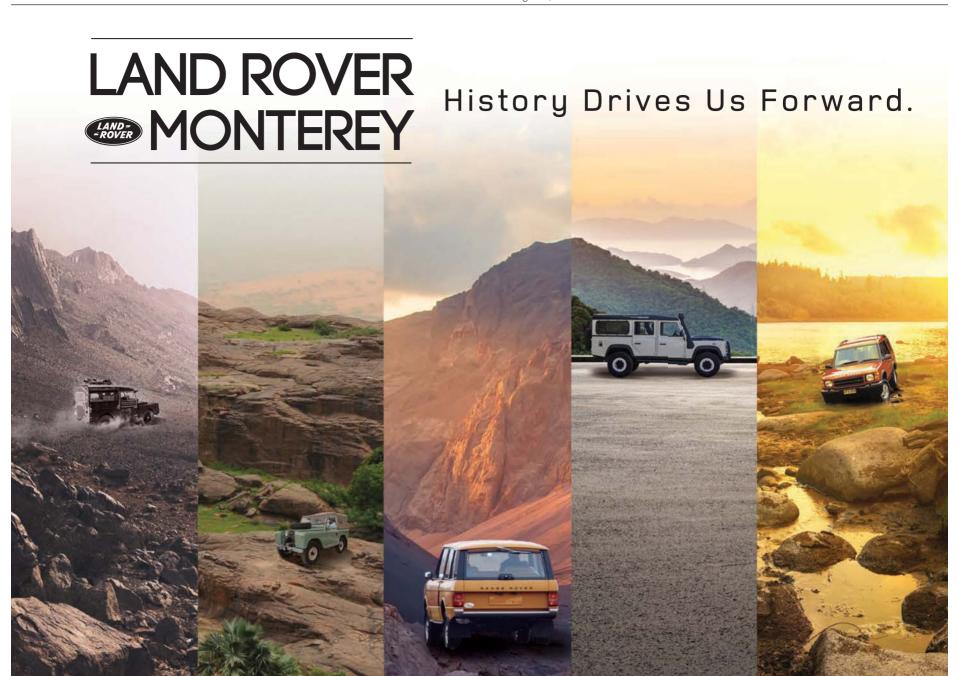


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The paddock, which is open to all to explore, is busy with the preparation of historic cars, many of which are fully restored, while others gracefully bear their age. Racers prepping for the main event the following weekend use this opportunity to test their automobiles and their skills, and while crowds pack the track during the Reunion, Pre-Reunion days offer up-close and personal looks at the cars, as well as chats with the owners and drivers — who are often one and the same.

Race groups featured this year are 1955-1969 Saloon Cars, 1955-1967 SCCA Small Displacement Production Cars, 1961-1975 FIA Manufacturers Championship, 1963-1968 Sports Racing Cars, 1981-1991 IMSA GTP/ GTO/FIA Group C/Trans Am, 1967-1981 Formula Ford, 1966-1972 Trans Am, 1966-1985 Formula 1, 1991-2011 IMSA/ALMS/Grand Am/FIA, 1973-1981 IMSA GT/GTX/AAGT/GTU/ FIA, and 1955-1967 SCCA Large-Displacement Production Cars.

On Saturday, each group practices in the morning and qualifies in the afternoon, starting at 8 a.m. and ending at 5:35 p.m., and each races twice on Sunday, starting at 8:15 a.m. and ending at 5:45 p.m. (Race groups run out of order on Sunday.)

New this year, organizers have scheduled the Corkscrew Hillclimb to wrap up each day's competition during the Pre-Reunion. (For its debut two years ago and return last year, the Hillclimb

and Community Day was held on Concours Sunday.) The hillclimbs will run from 5:50 to 7 p.m. Saturday and from 6 to $7~\mathrm{p.m.}$ Sunday. "Fans can watch as historic race cars and fun exhibition vehicles race reverse-course up the infamous Corkscrew," organizers said. "Promising entertainment at every corner, this event

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first vehicle, a Porsche, which she did in her newfound abstracted style.

"They are slightly distorted," Hiner said about what makes her paintings unique. "It feels like you're looking through a window wet with rain — what I'm trying to do is elicit an emotion."

Next, she was asked to paint a red Shelby Cobra 427. "Before I was done, I saw a whole series of paintings ahead of me," she said.

In painting cars, Hiner found the perfect outlet for her creativity.

"These cars are artistic sculptures," she explained. "They are my homage to car designs and the people who love them."

Studio in Japan

Hiner's paintings of automobiles have sold so well in Japan that she's opened a studio there. But she's interested in other subjects, too. "Painting cars is taking more and more of my time, but I haven't

retired my floral collection yet," she said. Needless to say, Hiner loves her work,

which takes her to many places around the globe for art shows and car events.

"I've been blessed with an opportunity to do some incredible things," she said. "This supersedes anything I could ever have imagined — I can't help but marvel at how each experience, each relationship, and the love and passion for what I do has allowed me this oddly wonderful journey to circle back to where I am now."

Hinds' passion for painting cars will bring her to the 73rd Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. Her paintings will be displayed Monday through Wednesday at the Automobilia Collectors Expo Aug. 12-14 at Embassy Suites in Seaside and at RetroAuto Aug. 15-18 in the Concours Village, which is across from the Pebble Beach Auctions at Forest Lake Road and Stevenson Drive.

Admission to the village is free. Visit pebblebeachconcours.net for additional details, and for more about the artist, visit lynhiner.com.



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Captain + Classics Adams St., Monterey Sunday, Aug. 11, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Captain + Stoker, the popular coffee shop and roastery in Monterey that in May was named the official coffee vendor for WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca, will host its inaugural Captain + Classics event at its shop across the street from the Monterey Sports Center on Franklin Street.

"Join us in front of the Monterey café for a street fest showcasing classic cars and music alongside vendors offering food, clothing, art and more," owners Tyler Ellis and Kelsea Richmond said.

While the coffee shop's address is 398 E. Franklin St., the event will be held on the adjacent block of Adams Street that runs along the edge of Jacks Park.

■ VintageAutoPosters.com pop-up Crossroads Shopping Village, Carmel Sunday-Wednesday, Aug. 11-14, 1:30 to 6 p.m.

VintageAutoPosters.com, owned by Carmel Valley resident and Automobilia Monterey founder Tony Singer, will have a pop-up shop in the Crossroads shopping center during Car Week. Singer is celebrating the 44th anniversary of his business.

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The shop will be located at 235 Crossroads Blvd. next to the Vin Wine Bar. Entry is a \$5 donation.



■ Central Coast Poker Rally The Barnyard Shopping Village Monday, Aug. 12, 9:30 a.m.

The Central Coast Poker Rally has drivers of exotics, Porsches, Corvettes, Autobahn sportscars, Shelby Cobras and new American muscle cars — like Dodge Vipers and Challenger SRT Hellcats — making a loop that includes stops along the way for views, fun, and laps around WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca. The

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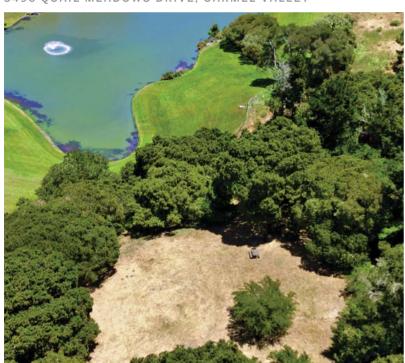


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Unlike nowadays, with its crowds of well-dressed guests, when The Quail debuted in 2003, it was a somewhat sleepy event that didn't inspire fancy fashions and had plenty of space for gawking at beautiful cars.

What makes The Quail such a coveted Car Week ticket

By MARY SCHLEY

HEN IT debuted in 2003, The Quail

— A Motorsports Gathering barely occupied the driving range at Quail Lodge, was fairly casual, offered a picnic lunch in a bag and hillclimbs in VW SUVs, and cost \$90 to attend.

Today, it has grown astronomically in footprint and importance, covering more than twice as much real estate and drawing the wealthiest and trendiest of guests, along with the numerous high-end automakers who use the occasion to unveil their latest concepts and creations. While men could be spotted in T-shirts and cargo shorts and women could be seen in similarly casual attire at the inaugural affair, it's now rare to see anyone dressed in a way that could be described as overly casual.

Origin story

When Concorso Italiano, which had been held at Quail Lodge for more than 15 years, pulled up stakes after its 2002 show and moved to Bayonet & Black Horse in Seaside, consummate car guy Gordon McCall and the lodge's then-vice president, the late Lawson Little, came up with the concept of a new show they dubbed The Quail.

"It will be an intimate, relaxed gathering of philanthropic car enthusiasts," Little said in a 2002 Pine Cone story about the concept and its planned debut the following year. Already nicknamed "The Q," the show would avoid the crowds Concorso brought, with a cap of 3,500 guests.

Little and McCall drew their inspiration from the Earl of March's Goodwood Festival of Speed in England and anticipated inviting 100 sports and racing cars from the 1930s, '40s and '50s that would be selected by key aficionados, including Monterey Historic Automobile Races founder Steve Earle — who brought vintage racing to Laguna Seca in 1974 — the late Bernardus Lodge and winery owner Ben Pon, and Sir Michael Kadoorie,

whose company owns Quail Lodge and other high-end hotels and resorts throughout the world.

McCall, who judged cars at the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance for nearly three decades, said judging at The Quail would be more subjective.

"It will be more along the lines of, 'What car would you like to have raced at Le Mans?" he said in the 2002 article, referring to the famous French 24-hour endurance race that celebrated its centennial last year.

"We'll be honoring the past while embracing the day with an eye on the future," Little said, perhaps not realizing how prophetic that statement was. "As serious as the cars and the people who own them are, the point is to have fun and raise money for charity."

Memories

Reflecting these 21 years later, McCall acknowledged the first few years were "sleepy."

"But at the same time, sleepy is a good way to test the model: Is this a good idea?" he said. "You don't want to come out with both barrels — you've got to keep some powder dry."

McCall said he was always confident the concept would stick, and he appreciated the immediate support of senior management at Kadoorie's company, Hong Kong Shanghai Hotels Ltd., which owns the lodge and The Peninsula Hotels line.

"The whole idea was something different for Car Week," he said. "That has a lot to do with the 28 years I was at Pebble."

Interest in The Quail has never flagged, a fact well illustrated at the ticket office. While the price of attending was \$90 in 2002, by 2008, it had risen to \$250, and the following year, the event sold out in seven minutes. It has sold out every year since, with organizers amassing a lengthy wait list, and nailing down an official ticket price now is difficult. (McCall said he doesn't know

what it is, either.) Aftermarket sellers were asking more than \$2,200 per ticket on sites like StubHub earlier this month.

A-Team

Many of the duo's ideas from those early days have stuck. The Quail doesn't host hillclimbs anymore, but a parade of cars from the vintage races at Laguna Seca — which now runs the event itself and calls it the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion — still make their way to Carmel Valley with a California Highway Patrol escort for a drive to The Quail. The inaugural show celebrated a century of flight, and The Quail still sees flyovers. A helicopter was parked in the center of the show field that first year, and winged vehicles still make appearances.

"What makes that show what it is today is a year-round office that manages that event," McCall said.



The team is led by Courtney Ferrante, director of The Peninsula Hotels Signature Events. Ferrante joined the company as event coordinator in 2006.

"And the support of the parent company — it was really noticeable when The Peninsula Hotels came on board for their own event," McCall said.

"It's not just the chairman seeing something he enjoyed," he continued, referring to Kadoorie, a well-known and devoted collector himself. "The company saw it was something that it needed to get behind.

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day will begin with brunch at Allegro in the Barnyard and conclude with dinner, live music by The Money Band, raffles, auctions, prizes and other activities at Bayonet/Black Horse in Seaside. Drivers and their



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Classic cars can have surprisingly sleek lines, as illustrated by this 1947 Delahaye 135 MS Figoni et Falaschi Narval Cabriolet in last year's Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance.

guests compete for prizes, and the whole endeavor benefits the Mid-Coast Fire Brigade.

"We will have a raffle and silent auction to raise money for these brave men and women at the Central Coast Poker Rally event," hosts and organizers Mitch and Marsha Taylor said of the Mid-Coast Fire Brigade. "Let's rally together for our men and women firefighters who put their lives on the line to keep our communities safe!"

The entry fee doubled this year, to \$400 per driver with one adult passenger, but registration closed July 28. For more information, go to centralcoastpokerrally.

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For the seventh year, Porsche of Monterey celebrates the arrival of Car Week and its status as a Certified Porsche Classic Partner, with a free block party that shuts down part of Del Monte Boulevard and offers an invitation to clients and other aficionados to bring their favorite Porsches.

"With a thrilling lineup of classic Porsche sports cars, this event is an automobile enthusiast's dream come true. Immerse yourself in the world of luxury sports cars as you explore the stunning collection on display in our lot and the street," organizers say. "From vintage beauties to modern masterpieces, you'll witness the evolution of Porsche's iconic designs."

The Porsche Monterey team has used the event to unveil a project car entry in the official Porsche Classic Restoration Challenge and will do so again this year — though it's the same car they were working on last year. Extra-special cars get all-star treatment on display in the dealership's shop, and everyone's favorite vintage darling, the 356 Speedster, will be featured.

On top of all those stunning cars, the Porsche Monterey Classic offers live music, food trucks, local artisans, beverages, wine tasting by Bernardus, cigar rolling, entertainment, Fog's End whiskey tasting, a 3D photo booth and charity auctions benefiting the Seaside Police Activities League.

Attendance is free, but registration through eventbrite.com is required.

■ Automobilia Collectors Expo **Embassy Suites, Seaside**

Monday-Tuesday, Aug. 12-13, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 14, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Just short of its 20th anniversary, Carmel Valley resident Tony Singer ended his Automobilia Monterey expo, and in its place, Ben Horton of Hortons Books

and WhatsUpMonterey founder Will Elkadi have launched the Automobilia Collectors Expo.

"Rev your engines and get ready to find automotive rarities during Monterey Car Week," at the expo, which "brings together collectors, enthusiasts and history buffs for a celebration of all things automotive related," they say. "Explore a treasure trove of unique finds, connect with fellow collectors, and fuel your passion for automotive history."

The event promises more than just shopping, with enthusiasts sharing stories and discovering hidden gems. "You might just unearth the missing piece for your collection or stumble upon a one-ofa-kind treasure that leaves you breathless," they said. "Don't miss this opportunity to connect with a

passionate community and fuel your love for all things automotive."

Admission is \$10 per day or \$20 for all three days. Embassy Suites is located at 1441 Canyon del Rey Blvd. in Seaside. Visit automobiliacollectorsexpo.com or call (844) CAR-WEEK.

■ Classic Motorsports Monterey Kickoff Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove Tuesday, Aug. 13, 1 to 5 p.m.

A former free-for-all gathering of cars and enthusiasts in downtown Pacific Grove marking the start of Car Week has grown over the past few years to become more organized and staged. In past years, those who wanted to show their cars could try their luck at the gate, but advance registration is now required, and a selection committee reviews entries to ensure every car entered in the show is special. Registration costs \$75 per car, but spectators get in for free.

The event will be set up on Lighthouse between Con-

gress and 13th Street, with entry on Forest Avenue, and cars will be parked in blocks based on their countries of origin. It's not a traditional concours, but entries will be eligible for prizes in 31 categories ranging from more traditional classes, like Best Alfa Romeo and Best Porsche, to Best Local Car, Editor's Choice, and, of course, Best in Show.

Judging will begin at 1:30 p.m., with winners announced at 4.

To walk through and look is free, thanks to support from various sponsors, including The Monarch Pub, Mecum Auctions, Moss Motors and the City of Pacific Grove. For more information, visit montereykickoff.com.

■ The Quail Rally Monday-Wednesday, Aug. 12-14

For more than a quarter-century, a select group of fortunate auto aficionados has been treated to a multiday cruise along the best and most beautiful roads the Central Coast has to offer — with unique, fun and delicious stops along the way — during the annual Quail Rally.

"Navigate through the most breathtaking landscapes of the California Central Coast, from the rolling hills of Carmel Valley to the iconic redwoods of Santa Cruz," organizers say. "Savor the flavors of gourmet cuisine prepared by local chefs at our welcome reception, two breakfasts, two luncheons and two dinner experiences along our journey."

This year's rally includes stops at Joby Aviation in Marina and Canepa Motorsports Museum in Scotts Valley, a special dinner featuring Far Niente Winery, and "curated experiences from The Peninsula's partners, Bentley Motors, Lamborghini, McLaren, Tsar Nicoulai Caviar, Laurent Perrier, The Macallan and Carolina

"This thoughtfully curated program is designed to cater to your taste for the finer things while fostering a sense of camaraderie among motor enthusiasts, creating an unforgettable journey you will cherish," they say.

The fee is \$14,000 for two people. Contact Oliver Fernandez at oliverfernandez@quaillodge.com.

■ Concours for a Cause **Downtown Carmel**

Tuesday, Aug. 13, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

After making its debut last year, the Concours for a Cause is expanding its footprint to include Ocean Avenue and side streets from Mission to Dolores and is featuring "machines from across the world," including German, Italian, British and American marques, and other special vehicles.

Concours For A Cause: A Vintage Voyage Around The World, will be "an immersive and unforgettable celebration of cars, culture and the arts," according to organizer Nile Estep.

"Step into the British Empire, where you can marvel at unique British cars, enjoy live music from a Beatles cover band, savor authentic fish and chips, and snap photos with a classic London taxi and phone booth. In Little Italy, you will enjoy the performances by Mike Marotta & the Italian Allstars and indulge in pizza, gelato and Italian espresso," he continued. "Deutschland Delights will transport you to a festive beer garden with pretzels, sausages and the charm of lederhosen-clad revelers. And finally, American Made will feature mouth-watering BBQ from the local Kiwanis Club, folk music, East Coast-inspired bagels and even a popup country line-dancing session."

Dubbed "the people's concours," the show will be

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Making a splash at the 2023 Concours d'Elegance was this 1915 Stutz Model F Bearcat and its stylish crew.

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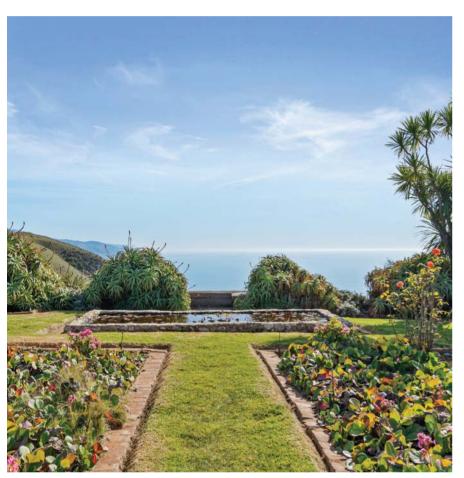
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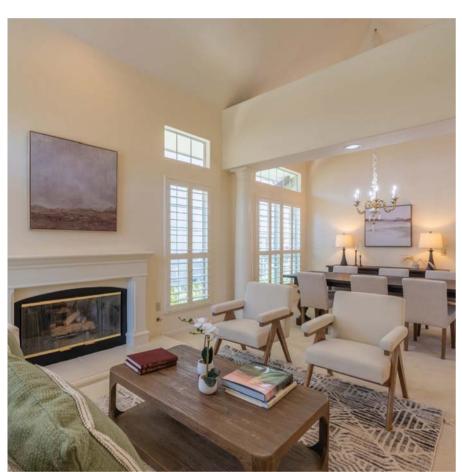
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They're icons in the hospitality industry."

Ferrante's skills, McCall's expertise and the myriad other resources at their disposal ensure each year's field is filled with uncommon treasures. Every Quail has traditional classes — Pre-War Sports & Racing, Post-War Sports, Post-War Racing, The Evolution of the Supercar, The Great Ferraris, Custom Coachwork, and Sports and Racing Motorcycles — while this year's special classes are 100 Years of MG, the 50th Anniversary of the Porsche 911 Turbo Type 930, the 30th Anniversary of Koenigsegg Automotive, and a Tribute to World Rally Cars.

"It's critical that the cars are eclectic and unusual," McCall said. "Often you hear people say they see things they didn't know existed."

McCall quipped that "21 years ago, people thought I was drunk when I had a supercar class — the Evolution of Supercars." (For the record, McCall doesn't drink.)

"It's not a concours," he said, recalling his mindset at the time. "I'm a car guy — I can see the writing on the wall and can see where this is going."

Bespoke exotics

Koenigsegg, a Swedish builder of bespoke exotics, was founded by Christian von Koenigsegg in 1994 when he was 22 and had no track record of car manufacturing and little funding but was long on passion. Since then, Koenigseggs have set all sorts of records and won critical acclaim, including being named Hypercar of the Year in 2022. A special class for 2024 looks back on the company's history.

"And you think about the 100th anniversary of MG," McCall said, noting that "every serviceman who could afford a TC or a TB had one."

That special class this year will include the late Car-

roll Shelby's MG race car, a TC. "His grandson owns the car now," he said. "The minute I secured that car, we built the class around it. Also, Phil Hill's first win was in 1949 in a TC, and that car's coming, too."

And with the 50th anniversary of the Porsche 911Turbo Type 930 — another class that's particularly dear to McCall as a Porsche guy — the German marque is unveiling a new iteration of that car this year.

"When you look at the manufacturers who go to this event, it's the CEOs and lead designers, and they're bringing their latest offering to show it to the world," he said. "It's not just the media outlets — they also know they're talking to the people who know what they're looking at and can afford to buy it."

The deep bench in top-tier hospitality and a year-round planning effort led by Ferrante and her team come together to create an event that's truly unparalleled, according to McCall.

"It's really about the guest experience, and nobody does that better than The Peninsula Hotels," he said.

Case in point: the food. Mc-Call's and Little's concept of including food and drink in the ticket price remains and has become a major aspect of The Quail, with various themed dining pavilions located throughout the grounds, specialty cocktails and wines, Champagne for guests as they walk in, and Tsar Nicoulai caviar and oysters available throughout the day. Nothing seems to ever run out.

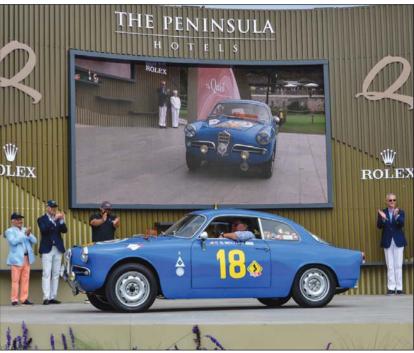
"It's critical that everybody is served on china, that the Champagne is cold, that the caviar is chilled, that the hot meals are hot," he said. "The culinary aspect — you can't entertain on that level unless you know what you're doing. The staffing is huge for a one-day event."

Transformations

The Quail can also change people. Or, at least, working with Ferrante and her team can.

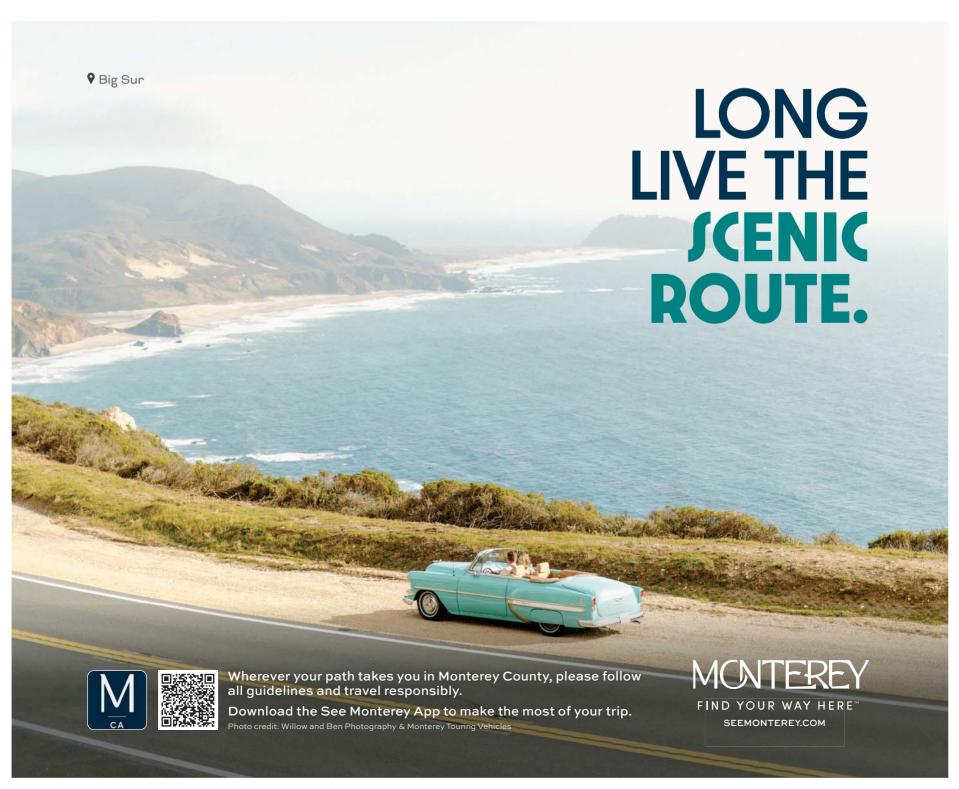
"There are people who come to that department who aren't car people, and they become car people," he said.

McCall summed up the evolution of The Q from a brainstorm and a casual afternoon picnicking alongside beautiful cars to the extravaganza it has become: "It is magic, I have to admit."



PHOTO/THE QUAIL MOTORSPORTS GATHERING

Winning at The Quail is a very special affair. In 2022, Dick Mcclure drove his 1958 Alfa Romeo Giulietta Bertone Sprint Coupe onstage to receive the Spirit of The Quail award.







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judged by participants and attendees, with no formal scrutiny applied. Members of the public will be able to vote using five tokens worth a point each, while entrants and other VIPs will get five tokens along with a gold token worth 10 points. Awards will be given for the top point-getter in each class and Best of Show. Visit concoursforacause.com for more information.

■ The Little Car Show

Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove Wednesday, Aug. 14, noon to 5 p.m., followed by a tour/parade along Ocean View Boulevard

Now in its 14th year, The Little Car Show will show-case 125 vehicles 25 years and older, focusing on multi-marque mini, micro, steam, electric, and arcane vehicles of 1,800 cc displacement or smaller from around the globe. A "special interest" category offers select limited production, custom and modified vehicles.

A panel of judges will pick 10 honorees who will line up with their cars at 4 p.m., and emcee Jim Vanderzwaan, former longtime KSBW meteorologist and frequent event announcer, will present the winners. Trophies will be given for Mayor's Choice, Best Vehicle 1,000 cc or Less, Best Vehicle 1,000 cc to 1,800 cc, Best Electric Vehicle — Original or Conversion, Special Interest, Most Smiles Per Mile, Preservation, Most Promising Project, and Most Interesting Display. Finally, Vanderzwaan will present The Coveted Big Award to "the car, van or truck that is stopping spectators in their tracks, everyone's favorite to use as a selfie background, and the one that stands out amongst the others in a sea of Little Cars."

The event is hosted by Marina Motorsports, which formed in 1995 and was registered as a nonprofit in

1996 by five auto enthusiasts "to provide family-oriented automotive-related activities while benefiting local service clubs, other non-profit organizations and the City of Marina."

Admission is free for spectators, while participants' \$100-per-car entry donations (\$125 the day of the show, if any space is available) benefit the P.G. Youth Center and the Veterans Transition Center. Visit thelittlecarshow.com for more information and registration.

■ Motorlux Monterey Jet Center Wednesday, Aug. 14, 6 to 10 p.m.

Hosted by Hagerty, Motorlux
— formerly McCall's Motorworks
Revival — is among the half-dozen
car events throughout the country

now owned by the insurance company and lifestyle brand.

"Don't miss the ultimate Car Week kickoff, packed with 100-plus rare airplanes and automobiles, California's best chefs, unbeatable wines and cocktails, dancing and more," organizers say.

Among the cars on display this year will be modern supercars like the Bugatti Chiron and racing greats such as the Lancia Stratos. Kindred Motorworks will celebrate the global debut of its EV Bronco, Lotus will display the highly anticipated 400-horsepower Emira Turbo, and McLaren will present the North American debut of the Artura Spider.

Featured groups include "Adventure Machines: Overland vehicles, ice racers and dune buggies that explore the farthest corners of the Earth. American Graf-



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You never know what you're going to see at the Concours d'Lemons, which takes place this year on Aug. 17 at Seaside City Hall.

fiti: A tribute to the '50s and '60s hot rods and Kustoms with period custom work from household names and the top builders of the era. California Dreaming: Classic woody wagons, convertibles and motorcycles that embody the spirit of wind-in-your-hair driving. British Invasion: Iconic cars from the UK, celebrating the 100-year anniversary of Morris Garages Limited. Honoring Marcello Gandini: Celebrating the life of one of Italy's greatest car designers, known for the Lamborghini Miura and Countach."

Scheid Vineyards and the Monterey County Vintners & Growers Association will provide a selection of local wines, and Suntory will pour Delola Cocktails by Jennifer Lopez.

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Twenty-five highly respected chefs will offer small bites, with repeat appearances by local chefs Todd Fisher, Jerome Viel and Tim Wood, and newcomers Juan Contreras from Atelier Crenn and Tony Baker from Baker's Bacon.

Tickets are \$650 for the regular Motorlux Pass and \$750 for those who want to arrive an hour earlier to beat the crowds. Hagerty Drivers Club members are exclusively invited to save \$50 off the full price. Tickets also include free entry to the Broad Arrow Auctions+ Aug. 14-15

"This year, in celebration of Hagerty's 40th anniversary, all Motorlux attendees are VIPs. That means with the Motorlux Pass, you'll enjoy access to every inch of the tarmac, packed with California's best food and drinks, some of Car Week's most exciting vehicle displays, tons of automotive fun and so much more. Plus, all tickets include complimentary entry to the Broad Arrow Auction at The Monterey Jet Center, featuring 150 exceptional motor cars."

Attendees must be 21 or older. Proceeds benefit the California Highway Patrol's 11-99 Foundation. The jet center is located at 100 Sky Park Way, and parking shuttles will be running to and from general parking nearby. Visit motorlux.com.

■ Broad Arrow Auctions

Monterey Jet Center

Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 5:30 p.m. and Thursday, Aug. 15, at 3 p.m. (Previews open at 10 a.m. each day)

The Broad Arrow Auction debuted at the Monterey Jet Center in 2022 when Hagerty took over Gordon and Molly McCall's airport party and rebranded it as Motorlux. It subsequently expanded to two days and will now begin with an evening sale during the Motorlux event.

The auctions will offer 150 lots, many without reserve, and include a wide range of American, British and European classics, modern collectibles and supercars.

Admission to public previews is free. Auction attendance is reserved for consignors, registered bidders and their guests. Bidder registration is \$300 — a \$100 increase over last year — and includes admission for two and an auction catalog. For more information and to register, visit broadarrowauctions.com/events/342.

■ Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca Wednesday-Saturday, Aug. 14-17

Vintage racing at the storied Laguna Seca track is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, and this year's Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion highlights that major milestone in numerous ways. What began in 1974 as a day of racing in the run-up to the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance has become an event of

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The Motorlux car, aircraft and lifestyle show Aug. 14 at the Monterey Jet Center is the place to go if you want to enjoy fine food and wine while gazing at vintage Corvettes parked in the shadows of the latest private jets.

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huge significance in its own right, and every year, the races attract big names and very special cars.

This year, a Golden Anniversary exhibit will be the centerpiece in the paddock to recognize past featured marques and individuals who have been richly honored since the inaugural historic race. "According to former Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum Director and curator of this special exhibit, Ellen Bireley, this will be a once-in-a-lifetime collection of the rarest of the rare," organizers said.

On the track, the four-day Reunion includes a whole lot of racing, with both A and B groups practicing Wednesday, qualifying Thursday, and then racing Friday and Saturday, leaving Sunday open for the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance.

Historian, author, photographer and Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance founder Bill Warner will be the Reunion's Master of Ceremonies, and 2009 Formula 1 champion and F1 commentator Jenson Button will be there racing his gorgeous 1952 Jaguar C-Type, which was originally owned by six-time World Champion Juan Manuel Fangio.

Bring a Trailer, the track's digital auction house partner, will host an Alumni Gathering with special cars displayed at the iconic Corkscrew and in the off-road area in the lake bed.

Classes are 1955-1967 SCCA Small Displacement Production Cars, 1961-1975 FIA Manufacturers Championship, 1963-1968 Sports Racing Cars, 1981-1991 IMSA GTP/GTO/FIA Group C/Trans Am, 1967-1981 Formula Ford, 1966-1972 Trans Am, Ragtime Racers, 1966-1985 Formula 1, 1955-1967 SCCA Large Displacement Production Cars, 1973-1981 IMSA GT/GTX/AAGT/GTU/FIA, 1991-2011 IMSA/ALMS/Grand Am/FIA/World Challenge,

1947-1960 Front-Engine GT/ Sports Racers/American Special, and 1955-1969 Saloon Cars.

Each of the 400-plus cars was cleared for entry by a governing committee that considered its authenticity, race provenance and the historical accuracy of its mechanical preparation and livery.

Single-day tickets start at \$67.10 on Wednesday, while a four-day ticket runs \$243.05, and some higher-end options are available, too. Discounts are available for military and first responders (30 percent) and college students and faculty who use a .edu email address (20 percent). Kids 15 and under are free with a paying adult. For full ticket information and schedule, visit weathertechraceway.com or call (831) 242-8200.



The vintage races at Laguna Seca — formally known as the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca — are among the most highly anticipated classic car events in the world.

Prancing Ponies

Ocean Avenue and Devendorf Park, Carmel Thursday, Aug. 15, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Held on Ocean Avenue in downtown Carmel-bythe-Sea, the Prancing Ponies show will feature an expanded footprint and more activities this year, according to organizer Chanterria McGilbra.

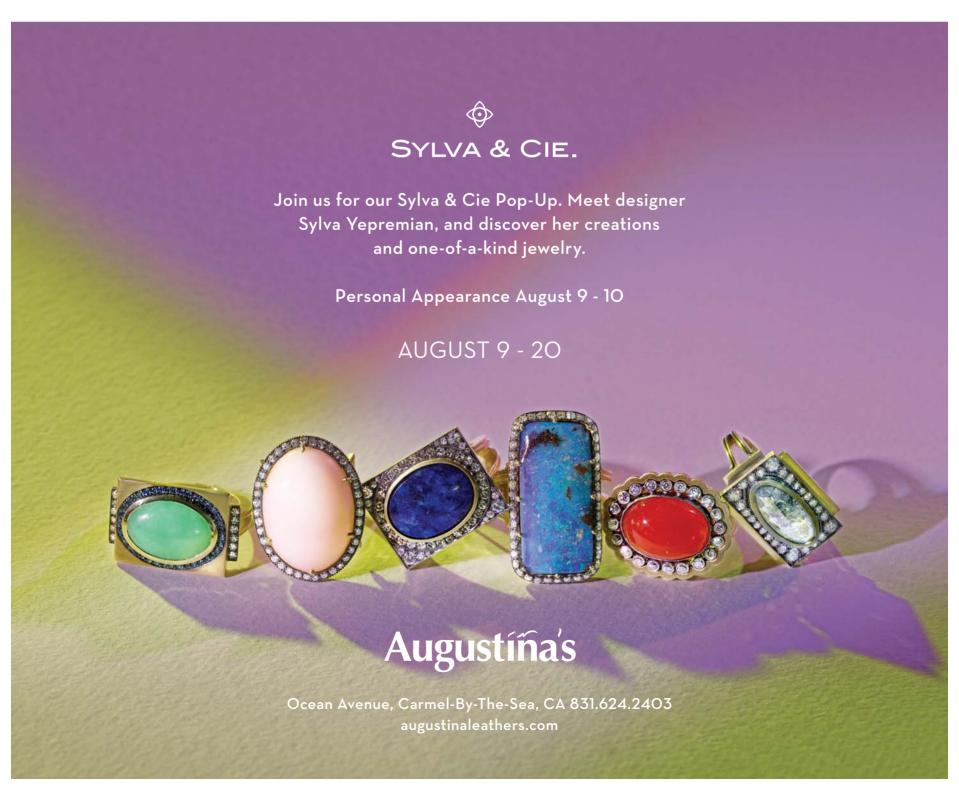
In its sixth year, the event will showcase more than 100 of the finest classic, muscle, super and hyper cars — and the women who own, co-own or even rent, and drive them. McGilbra encourages participants to dress to match their cars' colors or time periods and said judges will give awards for the best owner/car presentation in each category, as well as Best in Show. Prancing Ponies will also have an invite-only special exhibit of

cars owned by men.

The event will include a DJ, a fashion show, sales of boutique women's clothing in Devendorf Park, a Prancing Puppies show hosted by Diggidy Dog, and a mixer with a Rhinestone Cowgirl theme the night before. Monterey Mayor Tyller Williamson, Carmel Mayor Dave Potter and Monterey County Sheriff Tina Nieto are expected to make appearances.

The event raises money for McGilbra's nonprofit, the Prancing Ponies Foundation, which has a mission to "create women leaders one girl at a time." The proceeds "will enable low-income women to attend online workshops, seminars and conferences they could otherwise not afford," she said. "We also acknowledge that

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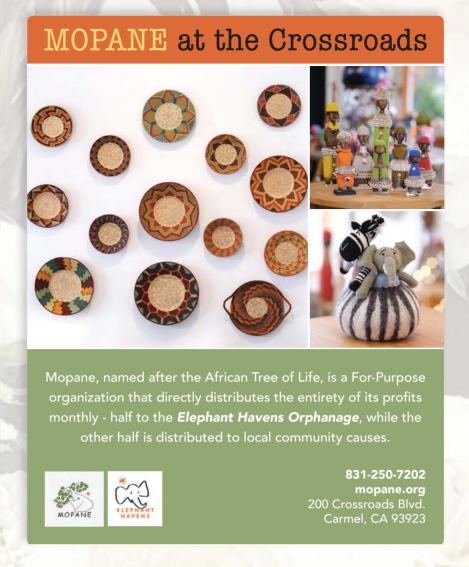
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we can't ask low-income women to sacrifice income for self-betterment, so we provide a stipend to ensure no loss of income during their advancement."

McGilbra said the idea for Prancing Ponies came to her after she noticed three girls staring at her and her Ferrari in San Francisco. "One of the girls said, 'Miss, I like your car,' and without knowing where this came from, I said, 'I expect you to get one too.' Our eyes locked, and I'll never forget her little face as she slowly nodded in agreement," she recounts. "I knew in that moment there was a real connection made with her and that I could use my Ferrari to inspire young girls." McGilbra hopes the show will help motivate young women to pursue careers in the automotive and motorsports industries. Attendance is free. Visit prancingponies.org for more information.

■ Concours Carmel presented by Ferrari Owners Club Dolores Street between Ocean and Seventh Thursday, Aug. 15, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

After its debut in downtown Carmel last year, the Carmel Concours, brought to you by the Ferrari Owners Club, will feature a larger display of curated Ferraris and Italian motorcycles.

The show will include a field of 20 Ferraris from 1947 to 2014 that will be judged according to International Advisory Council for the Preservation of the Ferrari Automobile standards, as well as non-judged display cars and a special class of Italian motorcycles, according to organizer and FOC President Tex Otto. At 10:30 a.m., local opera singer Aprille Lucero will sing the American and Italian national anthems on stage.

FOC Concours Carmel is free and open to the pub-

lic, and will include music, owner and guest interviews, and an awards presentation.

Entry fees will benefit Carmel's public libraries and The Carmel Foundation, which had been the beneficiary of the now defunct Concours on the Avenue and provides numerous services to members age 55 and older.

See focnorcal.org for more information.

■ Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance Down the coast and back Thursday, Aug. 15, 7 a.m. to

Perhaps the best way to appreciate the stunning vintage cars invited to enter the renowned Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance is to see them in motion on scenic Monterey Peninsula roads during

the annual Tour d'Elegance — and you can do it for free!

The starting line near the Pebble Beach Equestrian Center on Portola Road is an ideal place to watch the 150 rare and precious cars as they begin lining up at 7 a.m. for a 9:30 a.m. departure — 30 minutes later this year, based on a recommendation by the California Highway Patrol to better avoid morning commute traffic — but anywhere along the route will afford good views of the rolling procession and its CHP escorts.

The tour was "initiated to showcase the elegance of the automobile in motion and underscore the early history of picturesque Pebble Beach," but it's not just for fun: Participation in the Tour can break a tie when



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The Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance — this year on Aug. 15 — combines gorgeous automobiles with the Monterey Peninsula's incomparable scenery.

judges pick the best cars during the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance Aug. 18. See pebblebeachconcours. net for more.

■ Legends of the Autobahn West Bayonet & Black Horse, Seaside Thursday, Aug. 15, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Formerly held at the Club at Pasadera on Friday of Car Week and then staged in Pacific Grove, when it was also moved to Thursday, the Legends of the Autobahn

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West, hosted by the BMW, Audi and Mercedes clubs of America, has relocated to the spacious Bayonet & Black Horse golf courses and grounds in Seaside. The annual event offers corral and judged areas, awards for the three featured marques, and an open class for all other German-made cars. The show field also features displays from manufacturers, sponsors and vendors. New models, including the latest electric vehicles, will be showcased, too.

The Legends event draws hundreds of cars and thousands of spectators, who "are regularly greeted by rare and historically significant models, as well as factory-prepared specials," organizers said. "The Legends of The Autobahn concours has become a national sensation among German car enthusiasts with widespread coverage in the automotive media."

The gathering has grown considerably since its 2009 debut as a standalone BMW show. In 2010, Mercedes-Benz joined in, followed by Audi in 2012, to make it the top event for fans of German cars. In 2011, it hosted the North American debut of the BMW 328 Hommage concept car. The following year, it debuted the marque's Zagato Z4 Roadster concept, and in 2014, the highly anticipated M4 GTS concept car was unveiled there.

Registration is available for display cars in corrals for \$140 and the judged concours for \$190, and spectators can now pre-register for parking for \$10. The show is free. Visit legendsoftheautobahn.org.

Hot Chili Nights Baja Cantina, Carmel Valley Road Thursday, Aug. 15, 6 to 9 p.m.

Baja Cantina has been a go-to spot for car and mo-

torcycle fans for decades, as the place is a veritable museum of machines and memorabilia, and it draws an especially lively and dedicated crowd during the Peninsula's automotive week.

Owners Gina and Pat Phinny are longtime collectors and participants in Car Week events, and they're hosting Hot Chili Nights for "enthusiasts with their favorite cars, out for a good time." The evening will feature live music by The Money Band, Cal-Mex food and award-winning margaritas. The restaurant is located at 7166 Carmel Valley Road in Carmel Valley. Go to carmelcantina.com to learn more.

Hemmings UpShift The SandBox, Sand City Thursday, Aug. 15, 3 to 8 p.m.

Hemmings and Motoring Culture Club (MC2) are collaborating

on UpShift, "a groundbreaking event at Monterey Car Week that combines the passion for classic cars with the vibrant history of hip-hop."

MC2 is described as "a platform focused on curating the future of the car community," and the event "represents a significant milestone for Hemmings, promoting a more accessible classic car culture," that will draw a broader and more diverse audience.

"By integrating this dynamic music genre with automotive history, UpShift seeks to create a welcoming environment that transcends traditional boundaries, inviting enthusiasts of all backgrounds to connect over shared passions," organizers said.



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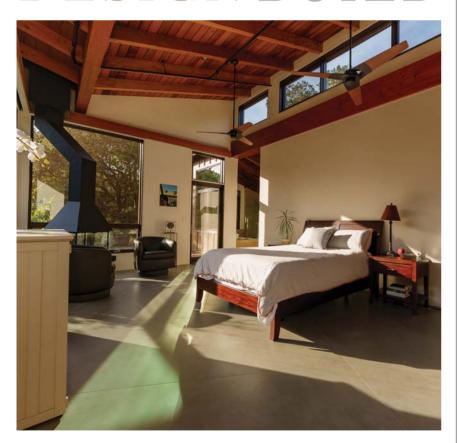
Hot Chili Nights at Carmel Valley's Baja Cantina restaurant — Aug. 15 at 6 p.m. — gives car fans a chance to peruse the restaurant's impressive collection of auto memorabilia.

A collection of classic cars will be curated by Edris Ekhlas of Refresh.ERA, and highlights include Grammy-award-winning rapper Killer Mike's Grand National, a tribute display honoring late rapper Nipsey Hussle, a Maybach 57 inspired by New Orleans artist Birdman, and a '64 Impala lowrider, an icon of West Coast hip hop. A photography exhibit will complement the cars, and of course the evening will include plenty of music.

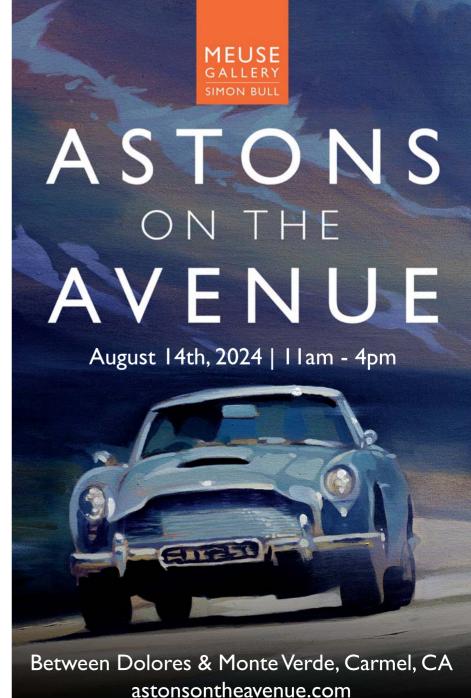
Tickets are \$75 for general admission and \$150 for VIP. The SandBox is located at 440 Ortiz Ave. Visit hemmings.com/events/detail?listing id=64459.

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■ RM Sotheby's Monterey Auction **Monterey Conference Center** Thursday-Saturday, Aug. 15-17, 5:30 p.m. (Public

previews 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Aug. 14 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 15-17)

"Fewer collaborations or duos as notable as, say, Laurel and Hardy, Schumacher and Ferrari, or even Mercedes-Benz and AMG grace our paths. But one dynamic duo continues its annual return to California's Monterey Peninsula for its 27th year: Monterey Car Week and RM Sotheby's Monterey Auction," the auction's representatives said.



Car Week's auctions are impressive not only for the variety and uniqueness of the cars they sell, but for their logistics and layouts.

Two years ago, RM Sotheby's Monterey auction saw more than \$239.2 million exchange hands, making it the highest-grossing collector car auction of all time, while last year's brought the fascinating Lost and Found Collection — the ultimate barn find of 20 Ferraris lost to time. Among them was the 1954 Ferrari Mondial Spider Series I by Pininfarina, the second Mondial ever made, and even in its "stripped-down and fire-stricken condition," it earned \$1.875 million at auction. RM Sotheby's last year sold five of the top 10 most expensive cars during the week, more than any other auction house on the Peninsula, they said.

Many of the 208 lots in this year's sale "have storied pasts and superior pedigrees," and during its history in Monterey, RM Sotheby's has facilitated the sale of hundreds of cars that exceeded the million-dollar mark. In 2018, "the world's most important, desirable and leg-

endary motor car," the 1962 Ferrari 250 GTO by Scaglietti, sold for \$44 million.

Previews are open to the general public for a fee that can be paid onsite, while the auctions are for registered bidders, consignors and media only. The Monterey Conference Center is located at the foot of Alvarado Street. Find details at rmsothebys.com.

■ Pebble Beach RetroAuto **Concours Village** Thursday-Saturday, Aug. 15-17, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Concours Sun-

Held in conjunction with the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, RetroAuto is "an automobi-

day, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

lia enthusiast's dream," according to the folks at Pebble Beach, as it features "a highly curated selection of rare collectibles and memorabilia from the automotive past," as well as "the latest luxury goods and technological tools of the present."

Located in Concours Village at Pebble Beach, RetroAuto features "an elegant and thoughtfully curated collection" of just under two dozen exhibitors offering rare collectables, historic automobilia, art and literature, jewelry, clothing, hats, tools and official Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance merchandise.

Attendance is free. Details are at pebblebeachcon-

■ Pebble Beach Classic Car Forum Concours Village

Thursday-Saturday, Aug. 15-17, times vary

The Pebble Beach Classic Car Forum brings together "key automotive figures to discuss some of the most interesting topics facing the collector car world today," and the talks promise to be informative and educational, with fans getting the rare opportunity to hear from luminaries as they discuss all things automotive.

Concours chairman Sandra Button has said the forum "brings to the fore some of the people who have created, or made history with, or spent a lifetime caring for these cars," and that she hopes it "is a place where we can come together as a community, tackle some tough questions facing the car world and draw knowledge from experts — all while encouraging new automotive enthusiasts."

This year's lineup includes "It's Not Politics, it's Innovation: The Future of Automotive Technology — Curated by the Petersen Museum and SEMA," "The Shelby Legacy: A Visionary on Wheels," "Not a Bad Angle — The Exciting Evolution of Wedge Styling,"

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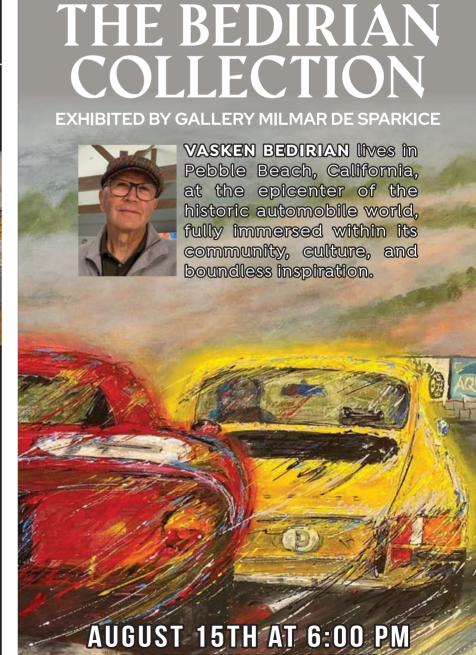
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Reservations are required, and ticket prices run from free to \$50, with most in the \$25 range. Details on speakers and times can be found at pebblebeachconcours.net.

Mecum Monterey Auction Hyatt Regency Hotel, Monterey Thursday-Saturday, Aug. 15-17 (Gates open at 8 a.m., and auctions begin at 9 a.m. with an hour of road art before bidding on cars starts at 10.)

Nobody sells more cars at auction than Mecum, according to organizers, and since 2011, Mecum has been ranked No. 1 in the world with number of collector cars offered at auction, No. 1 in the world with number of collector cars sold at auction, No. 1 in the United States with number of auction venues,

and No. 1 in the United States in total dollar volume of sales. This year marks Mecum's 15th Car Week sale.

"The Daytime Auction" is open to buyers, sellers and spectators, featuring its always eclectic collection of hundreds of vehicles. While most Mecum auctions have around 1,200 lots, the selection offered during Car Week is curated to half that number. "We limit it to 600 lots and make it more specialized — because it is Monterey Car Week," organizers said.

The lots for sale run the gamut, covering American and European makes and models of all vintages and styles, from century-old specimens to modern-day prototypes. The variety is impressive, ensuring the auctions will be entertaining for buyers and looky-loos alike.

The auctions will also be broadcast on CNBC this year. General admission is available for \$30 for one day or \$75 for all three, and children 12 and younger get in free. Bidders must register, and the package includes daily admission for the bidder and a guest. The Hyatt Regency Monterey is located at 1 Old Golf Course Road. For tickets, schedules, to consign a vehicle or to register, visit mecum.com or call (262) 275-5050.

■ Porsche Zentrum The Barns of Cooper Molera, Monterey

Thursday-Saturday Aug. 15-17, starting at 9 a.m. daily

Held for several years at The Quail, See PRECIOUS next page



Classic Motorsports Kickoff Car Show & Cruise Tuesday, August 13

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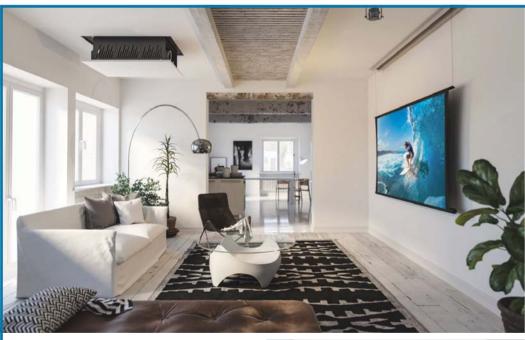
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the Porsche Zentrum moved to downtown Monterey two years ago and is again taking up residence in the barns at the historic Cooper Molera adobe for three days of fun. This year, it's themed "Full Service — an inviting playground filled with inspiring vehicle displays, test drives and thought-provoking conversations during Monterey Car Week."

Along with test drives and a Porsche eBike test ride, Zentrum will host panels on "Where your dream car becomes reality," featuring Milanese product designer Luca Trazzi, and "how deep the well of creativity runs with master designers, engineers, and, of course, dreamers at the helm" at Porsche, and the "Porsche x Mobil 1 Female Driver Panel," featuring four drivers who are "shattering the glass ceiling and the record books of one of the world's most popular sports."

Find more information and register at porsche-ezentrum.us/montereycarweek24.

■ Bonhams Quail Lodge Auction Quail Lodge, Carmel Valley

Friday, Aug. 16, at 11 a.m. (Public previews Aug. 14-15, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Aug. 16, 8:30 to 11 a.m.)

Bonhams takes pride in the fact it hosts a compelling car auction alongside one of the most sought-after events during Car Week, The Quail — A Motorsports Gathering. For decades, Bonhams has held an auction at Quail Lodge, and the sale takes place in an expansive open space, allowing buyers, sellers, spectators and others to enjoy the Carmel Valley sunshine as well as

Held in a large tent, the sale itself is traditional, with bids accepted from clients in the room, though spectators can watch online. This year, including artwork and

models, 206 lots will be offered, including some ultra-rare Porsches expected to fetch seven-digit sales prices.

Bidder registration is \$150, while previews are \$120 for a catalog and admission for two people for all days or \$40 for an auction guide and admission for one for all days. Admission is included for attendees of The Quail, but a Quail ticket is not required for those who only want to attend the auction. The sale is held on Quail Lodge's West Field at 27050 Rancho San Carlos Road. Contact motors.us@bonhams.com or visit cars.bonhams.com/auction/29263/the-quail-auction for more information.

■ The Quail, A Motorsports Gathering Quail Lodge, Carmel Valley Friday, Aug. 16, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

After surpassing two decades of superlative showcases, The Quail, affectionately known as "The Q," celebrates its 21st year and retains its spot as the most coveted of all Car Week tickets. The Quail seeks to offer "an unparalleled and exclusive experience for motorsports enthusiasts and collectors from around the world," and everyone involved works hard to achieve that mission. In November 2021, all that effort was recognized when the event was named Concours of the Year at the Historic Motoring Awards at the Rosewood Hotel in London.

Featured themes for 2024 include 100 Years of MG, the 50th Anniversary of the Porsche 911 Turbo Type 930, the 30th Anniversary of Koenigsegg Automotive,



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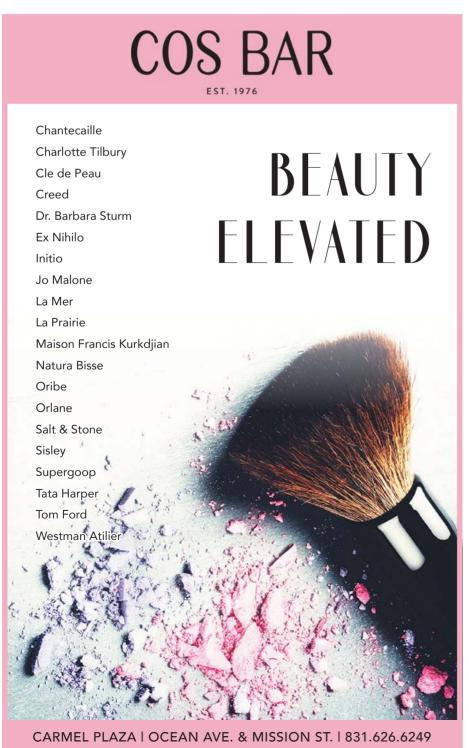
The first event in this year's more-than-a-week Car Week is the Aug. 9 Kick-Off Car Show on Alvarado Street in downtown Monterey.

and a Tribute to World Rally Cars. Those collections, which are sure to feature numerous notable and compelling entries, will accompany The Quail's traditional classes: Pre-War Sports & Racing, Post-War Sports, Post-War Racing, The Evolution of the Supercar, The Great Ferraris, Custom Coachwork, and Sports and Racing Motorcycles.

In addition, The Q has become "the" place for debuting new models, with the world's most prominent and bespoke automakers hosting unveilings there. Many others will display unique specimens from the past, present and future.

The day also includes automotive luminaries engaging in fireside chats, gourmet food in themed culinary pavilions spread throughout the grounds, award-win-

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ning wine, specialty cocktails, champagne and caviar, and other indulgences.

Proceeds benefit the Naval Postgraduate School Foundation, Rancho Cielo Youth Campus, the California Highway Patrol 11-99 Foundation and North Monterey County High School's marching band and Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps. Visit peninsula.com/en/signature-events/events/motor-sports for information. To join the wait-list, email thequail@quaillodge.com.

Werks Reunion Monterey Monterey Pines Golf Course Friday, Aug. 16, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fans of Porsche have a space all their own at the Werks Reunion, which was created by the Porsche Club of America and welcomes all clubs, owners and enthusiasts to participate, and spectators to check out the machinery for free. PCA membership is not required. "Expect to view a breathtaking array of Porsches ... from rare classics, to current models, and everything in between," organizers said. Owners can display their cars in model-specific Porsche corrals for \$114 or enter the judged field to compete in more than 20 categories for \$164, but both are sold out.

The event was created to celebrate Porsches and the camaraderie of their owners and is therefore "not a contest of who has removed dust from the deepest crevices in their Porsches, but rather a judged show that rewards a Porsche that has been lovingly maintained and presents itself well on the field." Judges don't use score sheets, instead ranking the cars according to certain criteria they discuss before setting out on their task. "This is a casual gathering of Porsche enthusiasts focused on having fun rather than solely competition." Judging will take place midday — and will include a group of youth judges sponsored by Hagerty — with awards presented between 2 and 3 p.m.

Gates open at 7 a.m., breakfast and lunch items are available until 10, and the bars are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food trucks will offer lunch items between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Most vendors are cashless.) While the show is free, parking costs \$40, cash only. Monterey Pines is located at 1250 Garden Road. Visit werksreunion.com/monterey.cfm.

■ Pacific Grove Rotary Concours Auto Rally Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove Friday, Aug. 16, noon staging, 5 p.m. tour

Launched in 1995 with the help of the late Carroll Shelby, the Pacific Grove Rotary Concours Auto Rally was started to raise money for community charities while presenting a more relaxed and less pricey alternative to the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. The rally is geared for people who own and drive their clas-

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sic, vintage, sports and luxury cars, and allows owners to show them off along Lighthouse Avenue before heading out for an afternoon drive. It draws more than 200 participants and thousands of spectators who browse the cars while they're parked or line up along the route to watch them pass. Departing from Lighthouse Avenue at 5 p.m., the drive follows a route along the scenic Pacific Grove shoreline and 17 Mile Drive through Pebble Beach before returning to P.G.

"The Pacific Grove Rotary Concours Auto Rally is now established as one of the most popular free-to-spectator events of Car Week on the Monterey Peninsula," according to organizers.

In celebration of its 30th birthday, the rally's featured marque is twice that age — the Ford Mustang turns 60 this year. Concours judges will present an award for the best Mustang, as well as other categories, during the mandatory drivers meeting at 4 p.m.

And after a hiatus, the after-drive dinner is back and will start at 6 p.m. at Chautauqua Hall at the corner of 16th Street and Central Avenue, with tri tip, chicken, scalloped potatoes, salad, bread, dessert and drinks.

Car registration is already sold out, as are dinner-only tickets. Proceeds support Rotary Club of Pacific Grove projects and local youth programs, and the Rotary is also holding an online auction

to raise funds. Bidding closes Aug. 14 at 5 p.m. For more information, call (831) 372-3861 or visit pgrotary.org/annual-pacific-grove-concours-auto-rally.

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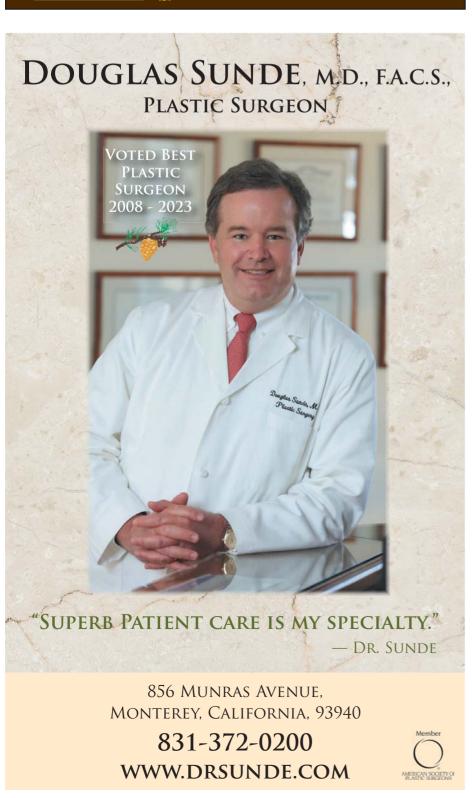
Pebble Beach Parc du Concours Friday, Aug. 16, at 4 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 17, at 11 a.m. (Previews various hours Wednesday through Saturday, Aug. 14-17)

As the longtime partner of the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance and the only auction held within the gates of Del Monte Forest, Gooding & Co is celebrating its 20th anniversary event as the official auction house of the Concours and has published its largest catalogue to date, unveiling additional star cars for its two-day sale.

On tap for the auctions this year are an exceptional Ferrari 250 GT SWB California Spider, a three-louver Ferrari 250 GT Tour de France Berlinetta, a Ferrari 250 GT Berlinetta Competizione formerly owned by Alfonso de Portago, a bespoke Vignale-bodied Ferrari 250 GT Europa Coupe Speciale custom built for Princess Liliane de Réthy of Belgium, and additional Ferrari and Alfa Romeo selections from some of the most important private car collections in the world.

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tions will be monumental among the collector market as the finest catalogue of offerings that we have ever assembled," said David Brynan, senior specialist for Gooding & Co.

Last year, Gooding & Co. facilitated \$109,559,870 in transactions, selling 28 cars for figures well over \$1 million and setting five new world records at auction.

Auctions take place in the Parc du Concours pavilion located near Stevenson Drive and Portola Road. Catalogs are \$120, which includes admission for two to the viewing and the auctions, while general admission is \$50 per person for the viewing and auctions. Bidder registration is \$200. See goodingco.com/auction/pebble-beach-auctions-2024 for details.

■ Exotics on Broadway Broadway Avenue, Seaside Saturday, Aug. 17, 1 to 6 p.m.

A decade after its 2015 launch as a small gathering of exotics and supercars, Exotics on Broadway is now billed as "the most anticipated show during Monterey Car Week," and organizers say it is the "largest single day attended event during Monterey Car Week."

EoB is free and caters to enthusiasts who are passionate about modern highend autos and enjoy modifying them.

While cars line the streets, including an ever-expanding section of Fremont, exhibitor booths will range from automotive manufacturers, wheel manufacturers and tuners to automotive dealerships and everything in between. Organizers expect 45 vendors, 400 cars and 45,000 spectators. Live entertainment, DJs, a VIP area and other activities will round out what's sure to be a lively party in downtown Seaside. Parking is available offsite at Coe Ave. and Gen. Jim Moore Blvd., with shuttles running to and from the show.

"Seaside provides us a platform primed for growth and excitement to even further enhance the fan experience," organizers said when they announced this year's event. "Exotics on Broadway genuinely appeals to Seaside because it is open to the public and will now become the showcase of the rarest super cars in the world."

Vehicle registration is \$195, while a VIP package for a vehicle and two attendees is \$950 and includes a lot of extras. VIP only, without a car, is \$400. And spectating is free. For more information, visit exoticsonbroadway.com.

■ 26th Annual Ferrari Event at the Barnyard Barnyard Shopping Village Saturday, Aug. 17, 4 to 7 p.m.

Big Sur Food & Wine curates the Ferrari Event at the Barnyard and is its

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beneficiary, as well. The gathering, now in its 26th year, is held in collaboration with the Ferrari Owners Club and features new and vintage models. The moving forces behind the annual Big Sur festival ensure there will be plenty of fine wine to complement small bites offered by Barnyard restaurants.

Guests are encouraged to make reservations to dine in one of the shopping center's many restaurants after the party.

The online ticket price is \$80, but kids 15 and under get in free, and car exhibitors get priority at the wine reception. Admission the day of the event is \$100. Order through thebarnyard.com/events.



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This vintage fire truck — manufactured by the Laverne Motor Truck Co. in Luverne, Minn., was exhibited on Ocean Avenue in downtown Carmel during last year's Car Week.

The Barnyard is located off of Carmel Rancho Boulevard near Highway 1.'

■ Concours d'Lemons Seaside City Hall

Saturday, Aug. 17, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

"Bigger and dumber every year," the Monterey Peninsula's celebration of "the oddball, the mundane and the truly awful of the automotive world" will be back on the lawn at Seaside City Hall.

"We are the worst car show in the world at one of the nicest car events in the world," founder and "head gasket" Alan Galbraith recently told local and international media.

The judges are "guaranteed to be unprofessional, inattentive, capricious and subject to bribery," especial-

ly when the latter involves liquor and food, according to Galbraith. "Satisfactory bribes will earn the 'Ribbon of Dishonor,' to be placed on the car's windshield. Don't like their decisions? Check your ticket — you're at the wrong car show.

"This year the Concours d'Lemons has suckered several automotive world luminaries into being guest judges," he continued. "They risk their reputation, you get to hobnob with bigwigs, everyone has a good time."

The highly sought-after trophies sourced from thrift stores are awarded to cars in classes such as Rust Belt American Junk, Needlessly Complex Italian and Soul-Sucking Japanese Appliance, as well as in special classes such as Best Back Seat, Slightly Better Than a Go-

Kart, Sight for Sour Eyes and Driving on a Prayer.

"Hoopties of all description compete for the coveted 'Worst of Show' trophy awarded by capricious and bribery-prone celebrity judges. New this year, Oris Swiss watches will present a timepiece to the winner. "The joke is it will be worth more and will run better," Galbraith said.

And "spectators are free, that way you get what you pay for and perhaps a little less," while registering your hooptie costs \$23.18 through Aug. 16.

Galbraith has been known to note that the gathering is "attended by billionaires and parolees alike," and "draws hundreds of the worst cars and thousands of the best people, all of whom appreciate a little levity and value during the otherwise hectic and overpriced" Car Week.

And because many Lemons entrants ditch their cars on the city hall lawn at the end of the show, organizers are partnering with Habitat for Humanity, Galbraith said. Abandoned vehicles will be donated to the non-profit's Cars for Houses program.

City hall is located at 440 Harcourt Ave. Go to 24hoursoflemons.com/concours-d-lemons.

Concorso Italiano Bayonet Golf Course, Seaside Saturday, Aug. 17, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The celebration of all things Italian, Concorso Italiano is entering its 39th year and has a new owner, longtime entrepreneur and car collector Richard De Andrade, as of April. Andrade has announced "an ambitious five-year vision to unite all cherished elements of Italian culture and lifestyle — from art to transportation, including cuisine, design, fashion and technology — all this amidst our unwavering love and passion for Italian automobiles and the Italian lifestyle."

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DR. GREGORY SHOLEFF, MD New to the Monterey Peninsula Community



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Top award winners at the 2023 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance

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1937 Mercedes-Benz 540K Special Roadster Jim Patterson/The Patterson Collection, Louisville, Ky.

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1930 Mercedes-Benz 710 SS Special Roadster Auriga Collection, Germany

1932 Alfa Romeo 8C 2300 Corto Figoni Cabriolet Care of Gregor Fisken, Private Collection, London

1939 Delahaye 165 Figoni et Falaschi Cabriolet Peter Mullin Automotive Museum Foundation, Oxnard

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Most Elegant Convertible
1950 Talbot-Lago T26 Grand Sport
Saoutchik Cabriolet

Steve & Marilee Hamilton, Washoe Valley, Nev.

J. B. & Dorothy Nethercutt Most Elegant Closed Car

1937 Bugatti Type 57S Atalante William E. Connor Family, Hong Kong

Jules Heumann Most Elegant Open Car

1937 Bugatti Type 57S Corsica Open Sports Lord Anthony Bamford, Rocester, U.K.

Strother MacMinn

Most Elegant Sports Car

1960 Ferrari 250 GT SWB Competition Scaglietti Berlinetta Rob Kauffman/RK Motors, Charlotte, N.C.

Alec Ulmann Trophy

1936 Hispano-Suiza J-12 Saoutchik Cabriolet

Keller Collection at the Pyramids, Petaluma

Ansel Adams Award

1923 Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost Pall Mall Laura & Jack Boyd Smith Jr., Elkhart, Ind.

ArtCenter College of Design Award

1963 Porsche 901 Prototype "Quickblau" Karmann/Reutter Coupe Alois Ruf, Pfaffenhausen, Germany

Briggs Cunningham Trophy

1954 Edwards America Convertible Gary & Cathy Edwards, Spring Branch, Tex.

Chairman's Trophy

1952 Alfa Romeo 6C 2500 SS Touring Spider Matthias Metz, Rosengarten, Germany

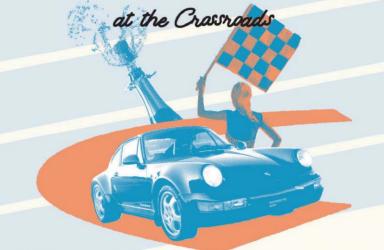




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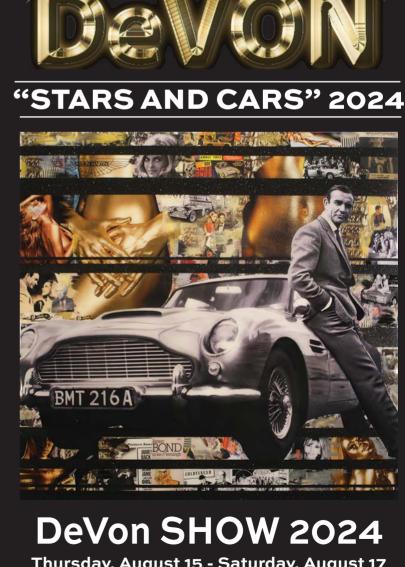
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The beautiful grounds of the Bayonet Golf Course host the event, which this year will include Pininfarina Classiche as it makes its U.S. debut. Pininfarina Classiche is a certification program dedicated to classic cars that were crafted in Pininfarina facilities for various brands throughout the years.

Organizers said guests should expect to immerse themselves in "a grand celebration of Italian ingenuity,



As the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance approaches, entrants usually get a bit nervous about their cars facing the judges - who sometimes can be quite numerous. This car is a 1963 Shelby Cobra Team Race Car.

design and style," showcasing everything from luxury cars to elegant motorcycles, cool mopeds and technically advanced bicycles, as well as "delectable cuisine," fine wines and music.

Those interested in a more exclusive experience can upgrade to the CI VIP Club or CI Chairman's Club packages, with early entry, access to VIP pavilions, premium seating at the stage, indulgent Italian cuisine, and a curated selection of award-winning wines, cocktails and other beverages. Tickets run from \$300 for the CI Experience to \$1,800 for the Chairman's Club.

Also new is a gala dinner at Bayonet & Black Horse

the night prior to the main event, with cocktails starting at 5:30 p.m. and an expansive menu prepared in partnership with Italian food purveyor Eataly. Tickets are \$150 per person or \$1,200 for a table of

Charitable partners include Little Italy San Jose, Rancho Cielo and All In Monterey County. Registration and other information can be found concorso.com.

■ Monterey Motorsports **Festival Monterey Fairgrounds** Saturday, Aug. 17, 2 to 10 p.m.

After its debut last year, the Monterey Motorsports Festival is again partnering with Mecum Auctions to promise "an unparalleled blend of automotive displays, interactive experiences, live entertainment and gourmet food, ensuring an unforgettable day for all attendees."

The festival will highlight ex-

otic cars, overlanding and off-road vehicles, aviation, electric vehicles, and the Globe of Death, with daring motorcycle stunts inside a spherical cage. The afternoon and evening will also offer plenty of live entertainment, dancing groups, music, racing simulators, food courts, outdoor bars, workshops, ride-and-drives, and more. Spread out over 22 acres, the festival will be divided into distinct areas, each offering a unique experience.

In addition, a Special Olympics torch run will take place at 2:30 p.m. following founder Paolo Manco's opening speech.

A VIP experience will offer special parking and lounge access, elevated food and drink, continuous entertainment, and appearances by local chefs.

General admission is \$90, with discounts given for seniors, youth, military, first responders and healthcare workers. VIP tickets are \$320. For more information, visit montereymotorsportsfestival.com.

■ MTV 2nd Annual Monterey Car Week Cruise In Monterey Touring Vehicles, Monterey

Sunday, Aug. 18, 1 to 4 p.m.

The owners of Monterey Touring Vehicles, which has a fleet of 37 vintage vehicles of all shapes and sizes, is hosting its 2nd Annual Monterey Car Week Cruise In for those who won't be in Pebble Beach on Sunday.

"Last year's event was such a huge success, and we can't wait to do it again. We will have participant goodies, merch for sale and, once again, there will be trophies for several different categories," organizers said. "Imagine winning a trophy during Monterey Car Week.s"

The afternoon will also feature food, drinks and plenty of opportunities to mix and mingle with other car lovers and show off your prized beauty. Attendance

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■ Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance Pebble Beach Golf Links Sunday, Aug. 18, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., with awards at 1:30 p.m.

This year marks the 73rd annual Concours d'Elegance, which organizers have dubbed "the world's most prestigious car event" and "the world's premier celebration of the automobile."

The show began in 1950 as a small collection of then-modern cars exhibited in conjunction with the Pebble Beach Road Races, and, during its expansive and impressive growth over the decades, has earned those descriptors.

The Concours has also raised \$37 million for charity, including \$2.68 million last year. Contestants are invited to participate and must pass stringent evaluations in order to land a spot on the grass, ensuring every vehicle at the Concours is rare and special, if not unique.

Fancy hats and all sorts of fashion complement the stunning coastline, Champagne, parties, fine food and superlative people-watching that come with this annual celebration of 200 amazing

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"The Concours is not a contest of speed, but of elegance," with entries judged for their historical accuracy, technical merit and style. Each class winner is a contender for the coveted Best of Show award, last year won by the 1937 Mercedes-Benz 540K Special Roadster shown by Jim Patterson of the Patterson Collection. (The car is just one of three of its kind in existence.)

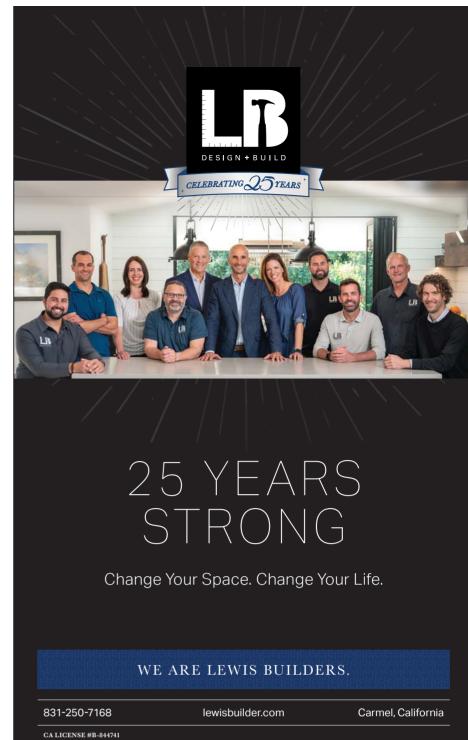
In addition to the traditional classes, featured classes this year will honor the 125th anniversary of Packard, Maserati, Frua Coachwork, Wedge-Shaped Concept Cars and Prototypes, and an unprecedented class of 1990s BPR & FIA GT Race Cars.

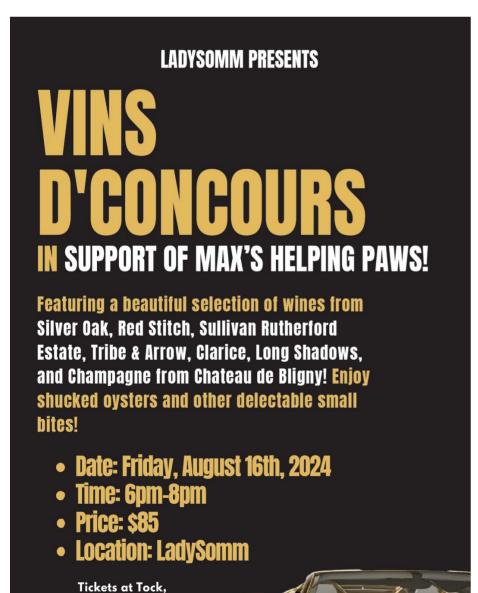
The Concours benefits the United Way of Monterey County, the Pebble Beach Company Foundation and Boys & Girls Clubs of Monterey County and nearly 90 other charities. General admission tickets, which include parking, shuttle service and commemorative program, are \$595. Kids under 12 are free.

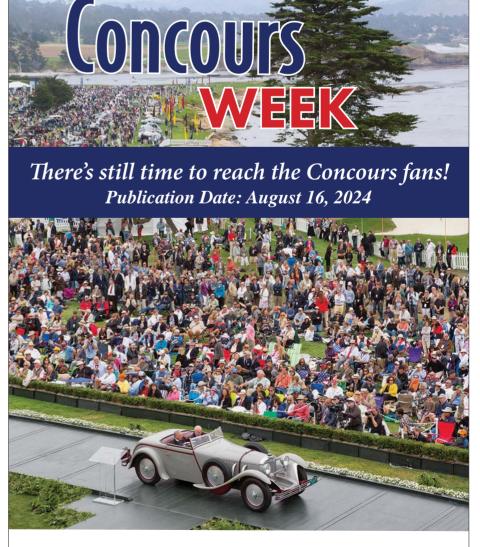
Tickets for premium experiences range from \$1,100 to \$4,500, including a new VIP Pavilion right on the show field, with sweeping views of the ocean, the cars and the awards ramp. For more information, call (877) 693-0009 or visit pebblebeachconcours.net.

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