

Cruise News

January 2011



January 2011 President's Message

Welcome to 2011. First I'd like to say Happy New Year! Second, I'd like to thank all of you for your ideas and comments about our activities in 2010. You have all told me what direction you wanted this Club going and I hear you loud and clear. This was a busy year for us.

I've got to tell you that this has been one hell of a year for your Board member and the Club. We have gone through many obstacles and barricades. We've learned a lot and I truly believe we are a closer and better Club for it. I have received many calls from other Clubs about our direction and they are closely watching what we do. Again, we are setting the stage for other Clubs throughout the county as we usually do.

2011 looks to be a better year than last. Our tax status will be solid and so will our finances. Look for more runs/putts. Tech Nites? Joe Pifer has done such an excellent job last year that I don't know how many more tech nites we can have in 2011 but we will be involved more often than not. Believe me; we will continue to be involved as a close knit and finely tuned Club. We have had more new members than ever before and they are becoming more involved.

This year, I will slowly bring back our Perpetual Trophy award starting this meeting. This award will be given out January, April, July and October. The winner to be announced at the monthly meeting.

If STREAK38 camping hasn't closed yet, it will be very soon. And don't forget to get your Big Bear info in and Midnight at the Oasis hotel reservations at the Holiday Inn Express. Del Mar info will coming soon and let's not forget Bakersfield. They are all coming up.

In 2010, we have lost members and old friends that have passed away. Funerals were sad but it was proper to bid them farewell one last time. Each of the funerals, we gave a great showing and Club representation was at its best. We've had many members go through surgeries and it appears there will be many more surgeries to go in 2011. Please take care of yourselves. If not for you, then for your family and grandchildren.

Our Club Putt/Run on December was a blast and even though the weather was crappy. It wasn't about the weather but about us. Look for my write up for the details.

Before I end this message, someone approached me about the Club Putt and asked what if my car is not running? I told them to bring their door slammer and we'll place you in the back of the caravan. I went on to say all of our runs/putts/tech nites and anything else we do is not about the cars but about us. The cars are but an instrument to enjoy the camaraderie. Although the cars are what originally brought us together, sometimes we place too much emphasis on such. Remember, it is you that makes the Club. The cars don't make us a great Club. People don't join our Club because we have nice cars. You are what makes a great Club and people want to join us because of us not the cars.

Welcome to 2011 and I am very proud to be your President for the second year in a row. I will always continue to move this Club forward!

Ralph

OTHG Club Meets 7pm
1st Wednesday of each Month
Bingo Hall
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O. T. H. G. MEETING
Minutes for December 01, 2010
Called to order: 7:00 PM by Ralph Garcia, President
Adjourned: 7:45 PM

Guests/Visitors: None

Minutes: The reading of last months minutes waived, approved with the below correction noted, M/S/P.

Correction to last meeting minutes: Steve Waldon is the person who is in charge of Escondido's "Crusin Grand" and not Charger Steve.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Sue Chambers read the treasurer's report.

New Members: None

Correspondence/Car Club Council: Joe Pifer went over some of the up coming events. Ralph read to the gang a letter from San Diego Police Officers Association, thanking us for our contribution to their Widow & Orphans Fund. This was proceeds from our 2010 Streak.

Streak Report: Next meeting is Thursday 12/8. We will be voting on what charity or charities we want to support.

Medical Report: We lost a beloved member last month, Al Cozart, he passed away on Friday 11/19. The funeral will be 10:00 Saturday 12/11 at the El Cajon Mortuary followed by celebration of life at his daughters house in Lakeside.

Curtis Morrow announced he just found out he has prostate cancer and is reviewing his options for medical treatment.

Old Business: Pocket rosters are being printed and will be available at the January meeting.

New Business: Street Masters Christmas run has always been supported by OTHG. But with our current financial situation it was suggested that we pass the hat for donations. The result was \$200.00 was collected and will be presented to them at the run.

Club Store: No new items.

Club Putt/Tech Night: Our last putt for 2010 will be Saturday 12/18. Meet at Steel Canyon High School at 9:30 and leave at 10:00 sharp. Be sure to have a full tank of gas. The run will end up at the Kings Inn in Mission Valley for brunch/lunch. More to follow from Ralph via email.

Runs/Reviews: Nothing to report.

Cars & Parts: Were announced.

Raffle: 50/50 Raffle raised \$261.00 dollars. Linda Scarbrough was the lucky winner of \$130.50. The other half was given to the McAllister Institute for the use of their hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharolyn Kerns, Secretary

Calendar of Events

January 2011

- 08 24th Annual "Burger Run", Vista, 8am – Pepper Tree Frosty
13 Streak Meeting - Jimmy's Restaurant on Mission Gorge Rd 7pm
22 7th Annual Julian Jaunt, 10am - Info. a31pkup@yahoo.com
28-30 62nd Annual Grand Nat'l Roadster Show in Pomona

February

- 25-27 45th Big 3 Parts Exchange – Qualcomm Stadium, San Diego

March

- 4-6 Midnight at the Oasis, Yuma – 928-343-1715
11-12 2011 Temecula Spring Rod Run, Temecula 951-245-9355
11-13 2nd Spring Nationals Westworld, Scottsdale, AZ
19 Sunrunners -- 27th Annual Carne Asada Run 760-427-6116
26-27 29th All American Get-Together, Pleasanton – 925-838-9876

April

- 01 Santee Lakes in Santee starts back up at 3pm
1-3 11th Meguiars Del Mar Nationals, Del Mar Fairgrounds
17 Heartbeat Happening XIII, Valley Center
21-24 Las Vegas Rockabilly Weekend starring Jerry Lee Lewis
Orleans Hotel for Pre 63

May

- 6-8 Streak 38, Campland by the Bay – Info: 619-447-3554
21 Monday Nite Car Club's Run to the Hills #9, Pine Valley, 9am
30 SD High Performance Expo, Qualcomm Stadium (Monday)

June

- 4-5 18th Summer Get-Together, Pleasanton
16 15th Annual San Clemente Car Show, San Clemente, 10am
17-19 46th Annual LA Roadster Show, LA Fairplex, Pomona

August

- 3-6 Hot August Nights, Long Beach
21 Charger Steve's "Wild Rides", Pacific Beach, 7am - Pre 80
26-28 25th West Coast Nationals in Pleasanton

September

- 24 12th Annual "Cruisin for a Cure", Costa Mesa, 7am

November

- 25-27 1st Fall Del Mar Nationals, Del Mar – 825-838-9876

Cruise Nights

Every Friday

The Malt Shop, 5pm
3615 Midway, San Diego

Every Saturday

Bonita Donuts, 8am
4414 Bonita Rd., Bonita

Every Saturday – 7am
Fallbrook "Rods & Relics"
Hwy 76 & Mission Road

1st Saturday

Home Town Buffet * El Cajon
Host: King Pins Car Club 9am

1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays
5pm at Fred's Burgers – Alpine

2nd Saturday • 3-6pm

Siggy's Car show
26820 Jefferson, Murrieta

1st Sunday, Noon – 4pm

Dalton's Roadhouse
775 Center Dr., San Marcos

1st Sunday, 11am

Cruisin' Coco's
Rancho Bernardo

1st Sunday, 12 Noon-4pm

Dalton's Roadhouse
775 Center Dr. – San Marcos

2nd & 4th Tuesday 5:30pm

Hometown Buffet - Santee

2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 10am

Good 'Ole Boys Breakfast
Denny's in Rancho San Diego

3rd Thursday – 6pm

Motorhead Misfits –El Cajon
Beef 'n Bun Crew & Car Junkies

December Trophy Whores

Cajon Classic Cruise Christmas Show

Vey's Powersport's Winner Larry Hume

Maaco of Santee's Winner Carl Atkinson

25th Street Masters Christmas Cruise for Kids

Special Award for 25yrs. of Participation

Guy & Esther Allen

Jim & Bonnie Steiger

Peoples Choice

Guy & Esther Allen

Joe & Estelle Cellucci

NCC denotes Non Club Car

King Pin's Breakfast at Hometown Buffet 12/04/10

With Denise Hume back in town, we did not stand a chance. She won the \$34.00 this week.

Anniversaries for January

34 Years

Jim & Bonnie Stieger

20 Years

Mike Brattland

16 years

John O'Neill

12 Years

Dale Lee

06 Years

Ronald Hass

I want to thank the wonderful members of the Over the Hill Gang, the Good Ole Boys, and all friends devoted to their beautiful cars and trucks, that attended Allen's services and his Celebration of Life. The turnout was overwhelming and seeing all the cars warmed my heart.

Allen's brother and sister were impressed at the cars and people.

Allen would have been so happy to see all his friends there and the nice things they had to say about him. I am heartbroken and still find it hard to believe he is gone. I appreciate all your love and care.

Love, Diana Cozart & family

We lost two great members this year with the passing of Eddie Fitzgibbons and Al Cozart.

All of us send our best wishes, love and friendship to the families.

*Over the Hill Gang
of San Diego*

STREAK 38 CAMPING REGISTRATION CUT OFF DEC. 31, 2010

To all of you who are planning to attend Over The Hill Gang San Diego's 38th annual Streak in May, this is a reminder that if you haven't submitted it already, your registration and fee for camping for the event is due by December 31. If we have not received your money for camping by this date, your camping space will be revoked and given to someone else on our waiting list!!! **No exceptions!** Registration forms can be downloaded from the Gang website under the Streak tab:

www.overthehillgang.org

If you have any questions, please contact
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STREAK 38 Charities Selected

After a secret ballot vote among Streak Committee members on Decemer 9, two impressive and deserving charities were selected to benefit from our Streak earnings next May. They are:

1. **San Diego Adaptive Sports Foundation** which provides children and adults with physical disabilities sports equipment, wheelchairs, sports camps, competitive leagues, and mentors to help improve their physical condition and overall wellness.
2. **Freedom Station** is a new spin-off from the Warrior Foundation. Freedom Station will be providing temporary lodging facilities, educational guidance, counseling, physical therapy and career opportunites to wounded warriors so they can transition back into civilian life.

In addition to the above great news, the **East County Cruisers** have graciously accepted our invitation to be our **Guest Club** at the Streak. They will get recognition and preferred parking at the event.

Raffle prizes are being purchased fast and furiously.... Mike Newell's little elves are quite the shoppers!

Everything else is coming right along! We can always use extra helpers - especially scouting bands. So feel free to attend the **next meeting - to be held at Jimmy's Family Restaurant on Mission Gorge Road, Thursday, January 13, at 7pm.**

Thanks to all of the committee members who are doing a great job moving towards May!

Joanne Witek
Streak 38 Chair

As the Director of the SEMA Action Network (SAN) and a fellow automotive enthusiast, I write to request your assistance in the battle to protect our cherished automotive traditions. The current economic and legislative environment is emboldening governments to become more aggressive with their anti-auto hobby legislation. States are seeking new avenues for generating revenue and new ways of dictating what you can and cannot do with your vehicles. The message government is sending is clear - the hobby needs the SEMA Action Network now more than ever to fend off these attacks.

SAN cannot do it alone, however. We need enthusiasts like you to spread the word about SAN and to encourage others to join. Please be sure to direct those interested to www.semasan.com/san/join.aspx to enroll. As you are well aware, becoming a member of SAN will arm enthusiasts with the knowledge and means to stand up for the hobby on Capitol Hill and in state houses across the country. Great informational tools like the monthly newsletter, "The Driving Force," up-to-the-minute legislative updates, tips to voice your support for the auto hobby, special invitations and much more are provided at no cost, obligation, commitment, or hassle. If you would like, SAN can send you informational packets and sign-up forms for distribution at your next club meeting or event free of charge. They make great handouts and conversational pieces at club meetings and are an excellent addition to car show goodie bags.

I look forward to meeting you and working together towards the preservation of our hobby. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at miked@sema.org or by phone at (202) 783-6007, extension 38.

Respectfully,
Mike Dingell

Tech Night Report

President Ralph and I spent the morning delivering our "Thank You" OTHG SD license plates to the three business that put on a Tech. Night for our Club. As you know Bob Harrington received his license plate at the December meeting. I met Ralph at Roger Daniel's alignment & brake (619-562-7969) in Santee where we presented Roger and Roberta their "Thank You" for the excellent Tech night on straight axle and Mustang II type front ends and what to look for. From there we went a mile or so to Gear Vendors Under/overdrive and gave Mike Mc Carthy (619-562-1186) his plate. Last on the list was a trip to Spring Valley to Bengels and presented the plate to Bob Engle (619-461-3502) for his Tech night on metal work. Because Bob Harrington had received his plate at the meeting, we drove over to his house so he could pose for the picture. Each and everyone of the recipients were thrilled that OTHG SD had taken the time to recognize them. If you need transmission work, metal fabrication, brakes and alignment or even a under/overdrive for your hot rod, remember those who took the time and spent the money to put on our Tech nights. Joe p



Over the Hill Gang Christmas Run

I would like to thank all those members that attended the Christmas run. 20 hot rods and a door slammer were in attendance along with 42 members. You have all made this another memorable event for the Club. Your devotion and participation has made events like this enjoyable. I thought because of the rain, we would have about 5 hot rods but you all surpassed my expectations! It was nice to see hot rod after hot rod pull into Steele Canyon High School and all of your enthusiasm showed even though it was drizzling.

The run was a great run though it was kind of gloomy. When we cleared the hills, the fog and slight mist disappeared and it dried up. Some of you got to see certain areas you have ever seen before. We even had one of our female members drive the entire run. Of course Estelle wanted to remain anonymous so I won't mention her name. We didn't have any problems or breakdowns and everybody made it. Some members decided to meet us at the end for lunch. When we all arrived at the Kings Inn, David Parrent (Manager) was waiting for us. We had preferred parking and of course as usual we filled the entire restaurant. The patrons who were staying at the hotel very much enjoyed seeing the hot rods all lined up. The restaurant waited on us immediately and our food came pretty quick considering there wasn't an empty seat in the place. It appeared everybody enjoyed the food and the 20-25% discount we all received. The Kings Inn really took care of us. Joe P and I gave the Kings Inn a plaque for their support. Lets not forget last year they were one of our sponsors for STREAK37 and it appears they will be the sponsor for STREAK38 as well. I really want to thank Joe P. for assisting me in creating this run.

Thanks to all of you for making this a very memorable event for me! Look for more runs and tech nites in 2011.

Ralph

