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*Our tour group with Cressey's 1940 LC at the Flying J Travel Stop.*

## Mt. Pinos Tour May 5 and 6, Solitude and Scenery Highlight LCOC's Mt. Pinos Tour Weekend

• by Elayne Bendel

If you think it's impossible to find nearby respite from the traffic and crowds in Southern California think again. Blessed solitude awaits just a short drive north of the San Fernando Valley up Interstate 5 and over the Grapevine to the Mt Pinos area west of the freeway.

Nine LCOC members journeyed to the Pine Mountain Inn at the invitation of hosts Ron and Beverly Cressey during the first weekend in May to experience a literal breath of fresh air and a leisurely motor tour of the area's wilderness preserves and agricultural zones. Once the home of the Chumash Indians and of Hollywood personalities such as former blacklisted screenwriter Dalton Trumbo, the Mt. Pinos area is now a haven for savvy Angelenos who are fleeing the bustle.

What a way to celebrate Cinco de Mayo! All 11 tourists and three dogs began their adventure at the Flying J Travel Stop at the Frazier Park exit of the freeway. Led by Ron and Bev's beautiful white 1940

Lincoln Continental Cabriolet, the 5-car LCOC caravan spent about two hours touring gorgeous high desert and farm areas before stopping for a most welcome lunch at the rustic and historic Buckhorn Grill in Cuyama. Burned trees and bushes from the recent Day Fire marred some of the scenery but fortunately Mother Nature is already beginning to regenerate growth.

Joining Ron and Bev were Jan McNiel and Marv Wendt in their 1947 Continental, Arv and Nicole Larson in a Mustang, Ron Cressy and Ray Gonzales in their 2016 Lincoln MKZ and Jim Ayres, Jim Powers and Elayne Bendel in Ayres' 2015 MKZ. Ideal mid-70s weather allowed the cabriolet to travel top down with the 1947 Continental close behind followed by the rest of the cars.

The tour ended at the Pine Mountain Inn in the tiny village of Pine Mountain, where the tourists enjoyed a relaxing wine and cheese party on the veranda before heading to dinner at Café Silva Bella, where the five star dining reviews proved very accurate. After dinner most of the group opted for an early bedtime and explored the area on their own Sunday morning before heading home with thanks to the Cresseys for a wonderful getaway weekend.



*Marv Wendt and Jan McNiel at the Buckhorn Grille in Cuyama. Below, their modified 1947 LC Coupe on Mt. Pinos.*



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## Director's Message

I hope everyone is having a fantastic year so far, I know I am! April was a busy month for me, with an event every weekend. First, of course, was Easter Sunday, spent with family and friends, followed by the La Jolla Concours and Motor Classic, Fabulous Fords Forever, a party in Palm Springs, the Model A Pancake Breakfast and a Hagerty luncheon. I also managed to squeeze in an appearance at KTLA for their Summer Drive-in Movie Preview and a trip to San Francisco to check out a Mark VII. May 5-6 we were on the overnighter and driving tour to Mt. Pinos.



And there are no signs of things slowing down for the rest of the year! After the Mt. Pinos trip our next big event will be our Spring Meet, June 2- 3, at the Huntington Beach Concours. If you haven't attended this event in the past, I highly recommend that you attend this year. There's always a great display of Lincolns, along with a huge variety of other classics. The concours is held at the beautiful Huntington Beach Central Park, once featured on Huell Howser's "California's Gold". Please go to [www.hbconcours.org](http://www.hbconcours.org) to register now.

As Director of the Western Region, one of the most difficult things I have to do, besides writing this message for every issue of the Confab, is motivating you, the club members, to get involved and participate in the club. This is something that all past Directors have had to deal with. With little over 140 members spread across two states, it's impossible for me to stay in touch with everyone. I would appreciate hearing from you once in a while, either through e-mail, our Facebook site, by telephone or our brand new website. Let me know how the club can serve you better, and better yet, how you can serve the club!

I have one more request. I've been asked to survey our members regarding the re-introduction of a printed National Membership Directory. It was last printed in 2015 and was discontinued after that due to the cost. The information it contained is in the members section of the LCOC website. Some members may not have internet access or choose not to use it, and some may just like to have a printed copy in their hands for whatever reason. The downside to a printed directory is the almost immediate obsolescence and the cost. So I have two questions for you: 1) Would you like to see the re-introduction of a printed membership directory? 2) If so, how much would you be willing to pay for a printed membership directory? Please let me know by July 1st so that your response can be tabulated and forwarded to National for their consideration.

*Jim Ayres*

*Ron and  
Bev Cressy  
at  
Mt. Pinos  
with  
their white  
1940 Lincoln  
Continental  
Cabriolet,*



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## Western Region Future Events Identified to Date

May 20, Muckenthaler Motor Festival, Fullerton.

<http://muckcarshow.org/>

June 2-3rd, Huntington Beach Concours, Huntington Beach.

<http://www.hbconcoours.org./>

July 11-15, LCOC Mid America National Meet, St. Louis Park, Minnesota.

<https://lcoc.org/event/mid-america-national-meet/>

July ? California State Fair Auto Show.

July 29, Calumet Collection, Aug. 7-12, LZOC's Golden Jubilee 50th Anniversary Meet, Elkhart, Indiana to Hickory Corners, Michigan.

<https://lcoc.org/event/fifth-annual-lincoln-homecoming/>

Sept. ?, Annual Wine Country Picnic

Sept. 7-9, Third Annual Ferndale

Concours on Main.

Sept. 30 Palos Verdes

Concours, Torrance.

Sept. or Oct. Western Region Fall Meet and Board Meeting.

Date to be announced.

October 17-21, LCOC Western National Meet, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

<https://lcoc.org/event/western-national-meet/>

This Calendar of Events will be updated regularly. To locate more events near you, go to <https://motionu.com/>

Also, be sure to check out the Lincoln Experience Center at <http://lincolnexperiencecenter.com> / for more fun and events.

Event information is also on our website.

<https://lcocwestern.org>.

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## Huntington Beach Concours, June 2-3

This summer the LCOC Western Region again participates in the Huntington Beach Concours which has grown to be one of the outstanding automotive events in Southern California.

First staged in 1986, the Concours has its home on the picturesque lawns of Huntington Beach Central Park in Huntington Beach. Our field of entrants includes the best domestic, British, European and Asian vintage to current automobiles and motorcycles.



### Ride High with LCOC Flags on Your Lincoln

Now available, durable, satin car flag with LCOC logo screen printed on both sides. Easily attaches to Lincoln's with frameless side glass (1970 and newer). \$30.00 for a set of two. All prices include shipping. Make checks payable to Western Region LCOC and mail to: Baron Night, P.O. Box 5141, Anaheim, CA 92814 For questions about merchandise, e-mail Baron Night at [nitrovb@netzero.net](mailto:nitrovb@netzero.net).

## Lincolns Dazzle at 14th Annual La Jolla Concours D'Elegance April 8

What a La Jolla Concours weekend! Where can I begin? Let's just say it was the best concours south of Pebble Beach.

Festivities kicked off with a special Rolls-Royce Dapper & Delight Soiree at the Covo restaurant on Friday evening followed by a Saturday Porsche Concours d'Elegance tour of the San Diego area by classic and vintage vehicles.

Then there was the Aston Martin Saturday Art Deco evening party at the Ellen Browning Scripps Park Cove, La Jolla, presented by Fraser. This year's Concours event was a salute to Lincoln's 100 years of history and a large contingent of lovely Lincolns participated in the meet itself and the La Jolla Motor Classic on the street outside the main event.

Both Lincoln Motor Company and nearby Black Label dealer Witt Lincoln were event sponsors. And both had new cars and representatives at the event in addition to the Witt's 1964 Continental convertible. The brand new Lincoln Navigator drew admiring crowds at the Lincoln Motor Company display along with some of the other new Lincoln models.

Five Lincolns from John Ellison's Calumet Collection joined Jim Ayres' and Elayne Bendel's '64 convertibles in the concours along with LCOC members Mike and Jodi Williams' '58 Lincoln and Joseph Ventura's '56 Premiere. Thanks in part to Ayres' efforts more than 15 Lincolns were offered and accepted into the meet and were onsite at Scripps Park early Sunday morning to get in place.

There were two Lincoln classes; 1917 to 1969 closed and 1917-67 open. John Ellison won 3rd with Calumet's 1937 Model K and 2nd with its 1941 custom limo in the closed class. 1st place went to Ron and Sandy Hanson with their 1926 Lincoln LeBaron four-door.

In the open class 1st place went to a 1940 Lincoln Continental owned by the Academy of Arts University and shown by LCOC member Paul Borgwardt. 2nd place went to a 1942 Cabriolet owned by Passport Transport and 3rd went to soon-to-be new LCOC member Rich Greenfield and his 1966 convertible.

Stan Lucas' silver and green 1929 Lincoln Aero-Phaeton roadster that won best of show at last year's Greystone Mansion Concours in Beverly Hills won the LPL Summit Best of Marque award this year at LaJolla.

People's Choice Award winners were Karen and Stuart Tanz for their 1956 Mark II coupe, and the Mayor's Award was presented to the Calumet Collection's 1966 Lincoln Continental 4-door convertible.

Best in Show was a 1939 Bugatti Type 57SC Aravis Cabriolet from the Mullin Museum.

The concours committee led by board member Bob Kerner, judges and an army of volunteers did an outstanding job of planning and executing the events. The Saturday party and organization of the concours itself were practically flawless. There were over 135 cars in the meet on the grass, along with vendors, food and

beverage stations, and even some private event lounges. Outside the gates were an additional 100 special vehicles and vendor stations on view for the non-paying public.

Antique aircraft and pelican formation flybys provided by Mother Nature also crisscrossed the venue during the meet. Just enjoying the view was a pleasure, but seeing the spectacular cars was more than enjoyable. Many of the cars displayed were award winners from other shows and this made for a very high quality event for both exhibitors and visitors.

Popular collector makes such as Chevy, Buick, Cadillac, Mercedes, Thunderbird, Packard, Porsche, Ferrari and Rolls Royce were well represented along with such other classics as a 1929 Ruxton, 1936 Lagonda open race car, 1938 Bentley, 1949 Alpha Romeo cabriolet, 1923 Stanley Steam Car, 1961 Aston Martin, a 1967 Mazda Cosmo Sport plus many others and some rare collector motorcycles.

Nearly perfect California spring weather added to the turnout of both cars and spectators and most participants returned home tired, but happy and looking forward to next year's concours.



*Above, Row of Lincolns at the LaJolla Concours.*



*Right, Stan Lucas' 1929 Lincoln Aero Phaeton Roadster won the LPL Summit Best of Marque Award this year at LaJolla.*



*Mike and Jodi Williams 1958 Lincoln Continental was one of 15 Lincolns at the concours.*



*Bruce Barker's 1958 Lincoln Continental Mark III.*



*David Sterling's 1974 Mark IV*



*Matt and Cheryl Harris' 1965 Lincoln Continental Convertible.*

## Classics, Customs and Contemporary Cars Shine at Fabulous Fords Forever Event

If you are an admirer of Ford products there was something for everyone at the 32nd annual Fabulous Fords Forever show at Knott's Berry Farm April 15th.

Presented by the Ford Car Club Council and the Ford Motor Company, the show celebrated all Ford, Lincoln, and Mercury vehicles from 1903 to the current models. This event is the largest gathering of Ford products on the West Coast, featuring about 1,600 vehicles. There were the popular Mustangs, Fords of all eras, Lincolns, Thunderbirds, vans, exotic competition race cars, sleek Panteras, venerable Edsels and more.

LCOC members Jim Ayres and Baron Night staffed our booth, greeting visitors and promoting the club to all. Jim and Baron also served on the show planning committee and made the ultimate sacrifice on a Sunday, waking at 4 a.m. to assist in parking and organizing the very large show field. Jim even found time to get his own beautiful Regal Turquoise '64 convertible ready for display at Knott's.

Frequent FFF participant David Sterling attended with his yellow and white 1974 Mark IV coupe nicknamed Mustard and Mayo. Driving down from North Hollywood was Bruce Barker and his striking blue 1958 Continental convertible. Both cars were crowd pleasers and the owners cheerfully answered questions about their vehicles. Both expressed interest in LCOC so it is possible they will bring these cars to one of our club events soon.

Matt and Cheryl Harris motored in with their 1965 Continental convertible and rejoined LCOC. Lincoln Row also featured some Mark VII's, Mark VIII's and a rarely seen Lincoln MKZ hybrid.

Tony Leal's customized 1964 Lincoln convertible was a show highlight. This car adds a 21st century vibe to a classic slab side Lincoln design.

Comfortable temperatures and free general admission for spectators ensured a very large turnout of visitors who doubtless gained a new appreciation for the varied products of one of America's top car makers.

### New LCOC Western Region Website Goes Live

One of the biggest projects your board of managers has tackled recently is the revision and updating of our LCOC Western Region website. That work is about to pay off as we are now live! Visit <https://lcocwestern.org> to view the exciting new look.

A sub-committee consisting of Stacy Roscoe, Kerry Roscoe, Jim Finlay, Arv Larson, and Elayne Bendel, with help from Jan McNiel, Jeremy Sanford and Jim Ayers has spent a few months intensely working on the project.

Early on, the committee decided to build on the architecture of the new national LCOC site and get help from the same designer Jay Jackson. After analyzing the good and bad features of our current website the team developed some requirements and mockups of what the new site should be. These were passed along to Jay who developed a top level architecture to meet the requirements.

The initial design went through quite a few refinements and then the Web Team uploaded content to bring everything up to date. We are pleased to report that the site works on all commonly used platforms including computers, tablets, and smartphones. The site also will link to Facebook.

We hope you will enjoy having 24/7 access to news of upcoming events, past activities, recent features, photo archive, links to other related topics, and convenient membership renewal online. As the website matures your Web Team will continue to add features to meet the needs of the region. Look for a Members Only page to help you locate other members and services near you just for fun or to help you with your maintenance and restoration needs. We also included a Merchandise section to enable purchases of Lincoln-related items.

Tell us what other club-related topics interest you and we will try to make them happen on our website. Meanwhile, happy surfing.

# Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance Registration Form

Fill in the information for the appropriate day(s) and sign the **Liability Release**. Please print legibly.

## Saturday

Choose a class from the Saturday Class list:

If you do not want to be judged, check the box below:

Display Only

**Walk in Admission \$10**

**\*SATURDAY Pre Reg Show**

**Automobile Entry \$25**

**Motorcycle Entry \$15**

**\*SUNDAY Pre Reg Show**

**Automobile Entry \$35**

**Motorcycle Entry \$20**

**Bicycle \$15**

Make checks payable to:  
Huntington Beach Concours

Be sure to include your check!

### Mail to:

Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance  
Attn: Bart P. McGrath, Entries  
P.O. Box 5578  
Huntington Beach, Ca 92615-5578

## Sunday

Choose a class from the Sunday Class list:

How would you like it judged? Check one:

- Concours (90+ pts)  
 Street or Race  
 Display Only—do not judge

Confirmation cards will be sent beginning May 1st. If your entry is not confirmed within 10 days of your mailing please contact us.

**Liability Release:** Entrant intending to enter and participate in the annual Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance event, held on Saturday, June 2, 2018 and Sunday, June 3, 2018, at Huntington Beach Central Park; does hereby: (1) release the Huntington Beach Concours d'Elegance, Inc., the City of Huntington Beach, inclusive of directors, staff, volunteers and agents from any liability arising out of said event; (2) release all other contestants and officials from any and all liability arising out of said event; (3) warrant that the undersigned has personally read the rules and regulations; (4) give permission to use enclosed photographs and photos taken at the day of the event and information of entrant's automobile(s) and motorcycle(s) for publication and program inclusion; (5) understands that vehicles are to remain on the field until 2:00 pm on Saturday and 4:00 pm on Sunday. I have read the above, and accept the terms and conditions (both must sign)

**On-Line Entries Must be Received and Paid for by 12:00pm May 30, 2018**

## Saturday, June 2 Rod & Custom Show

### About You:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### About your Car, Truck, or Motorcycle:

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_

Model \_\_\_\_\_ Interior Color \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior Color \_\_\_\_\_ License Plate Number \_\_\_\_\_

Description and history \_\_\_\_\_

## Sunday, June 3 Concours d'Elegance

### About You:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### About your Car, Truck, or Motorcycle:

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_

Model \_\_\_\_\_ Interior Color \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior Color \_\_\_\_\_ License Plate Number \_\_\_\_\_

Description and history \_\_\_\_\_

### Liability Release All Entrants must sign the release

Owner (print name) \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Signature / Date \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor (print name) \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitors Signature / Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail in Entry must be received by Wednesday, May 31 to be judged**

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*d'Elegance*

## Entry Registration

### Rod & Custom Show

Saturday June 2, 2018 9AM - 2PM  
Huntington Beach Central Park  
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hbconcours.org - 714-375-8414



### Judged Classes

1st & 2nd place  
People's Choice  
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Best Interior

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## Premier Car Show!

June 3, 2018  
9:00am-4:00pm

Sunday Concours & Classics  
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& Triumph Motorcycles



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*Galpin Ford Performance Car at Fabulous Fords at Knotts Berry Farm.*



*Western Region Director Jim Ayres at the LCOC Membership Booth.*

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2018 LaJolla Concours and Fabulous Fords at Knotts

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