



The Windshield Post

Mid-Peninsula Old Time Auto Club

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ISSUE FOUR

FRIENDSHIP DAY IS SUNDAY MAY 18TH. HAVE YOU VOLUNTEERED TO HELP?

If not, contact Jim Remington at mtshastachalet@yahoo.com or call 650-342-0852. We need lots of helpers to make our annual car show a success. Bonus... if you work a shift, you don't pay the entrance fee!

We need some Friendship Day door prizes donated. Bring your donation to the April meeting or make arrangement with our Friendship Day organizer, Charley Drechsler Jr. at 650-270-4925

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ON PAGE 4

MPOTAC members are great at guessing car names.

But what about guessing foreign car names???

See if you can match the car with its name. **Bonus** if you can match the person who drove all of these cars. Answers on page 4.



A



B



C



D

1) 1969 Aston Martin DBS

2) Citroën 2CV

3) 2002 Aston Martin V12 Vanquish

4) 1961 Sunbeam Alpine

5) Lotus Esprit

6) Aston Martin DB5

7) Toyota 2000GT



E



F



G

The person that drove all of these motor cars is:



Tour in April to Portola Valley Alpine Railroad.

April 26th. Meet at the Highland Community center at 9 :00 and leave for the railroad at 9:30. Bring a lunch for a running board lunch. There are tables. Any questions please call 1-650-504-3280. Hope to see you there.
Bill Bratt

ABOUT THE RAILROAD

Located above Portola Valley, California this 7.5" gauge layout is a [scenic](#) live steam railroad with [almost 14,000 feet all steel track of which about 10,500 feet is mainline, more or less](#). The right-of-way circles a lake, crosses multiple bridges and trestles of varying designs, extends through two tunnels and negotiates significant differences in elevation. This affords interesting views of hills, valleys, redwoods, and parts of the San Francisco Bay. While riding, you will pass over / under other tracks and see trains operating on optional routes, providing opportunities to wave to fellow travelers moving in different directions. Adding to the intrigue, it is not always obvious how you might access these other alternative routes from your track. Sidings are located in attractive areas for enjoying lunch, conversation, or photo ops.

The Portola Valley and Alpine Railroad is maintained and operated by volunteers under a charter from the owners. There are about 70 members, and the club is [actively seeking new membership](#). We are always repairing, extending, or upgrading the right-of-way. It's our thing; build we must.

ANSWERS TO CAR QUIZ

The person who drove all these cars is.....
James Bond, 007

A-1 1969 Aston Martin DBS

B-4 1961 Sunbeam Alpine

C-3 2002 Aston Martin V12 Vanquish

D-2 Citroen 2CV

E-7 Toyota 2000GT

F-6 Aston Martin DB5

G-5 Lotus Esprit

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Friendship Day is fast upon us, it is the 47th MPOTAC Friendship Day, let's make it the best ever. If you have an item to be given out for a door prize, please bring it to the April general meeting, or get it to Charlie or Jim soon.

Also, we still need members to help out with the gate, traffic direction, setup, and other jobs, please let Jim know what you would like to do to help out.

Coming up April 26th Bill Bratt has arranged for the club to again visit the great model train layout at the Portola Valley and Alpine Railroad, a 7.5" gauge layout with more than two miles of track and a variety of scale replica engines, some steam powered. The trains will be running and riding on an open car around this layout is great experience. Participants will meet at the Highlands Club at 9:00 for a short drive (no freeway) to the top of the hill in Los Trancos Woods. Bring a lunch to have at one of the picnic tables (or your running board). There is no charge for this event, but Bill would appreciate letting him know you are coming.

Thank you for your support.
Ted Panofsky, President

MPOTAC holds its Board and General meetings at The Highland's Community Club in Redwood City, at 7:30pm, located at 1665 Fernside Street, Redwood City, CA. All members are invited to attend the General membership meeting as well as the Board meeting. Specific meeting dates are located elsewhere in this newsletter.

To make contributions to this newsletter, contact the editor, Jim Remington, mtshastachalet@yahoo.com



Upcoming MPOTAC Events

April 21 - Board Meeting, 7:00, call editor for location

April 25 - General Meeting, 7:30

April 26 - Model Train tour (rain date the 27th)

May 18 - Friendship Day

June 8 - Lowland Tour car show, VA Hospital, Palo Alto. More info to come

July 12, 19, or 26 - BBQ and potluck. Possible mini tour. Jim's house, date TBD. Drive your old car - local event.

September 6 - Annual picnic, Beresford Park shelter

Other Events

April 27 - Dream Machines, Half Moon Bay

May 4 - Maltese Heritage Association Classic Car Show, 10 to 3, College of San Mateo. Free to spectators. Pre-registration \$45. For more information call Debbie Ghiglieri, 650-303-1256.

June 7&8 - Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club Endurance Run and Lowland Tour. New this year - car show for pre-1940's

August 16 - Women of the Moose car show, Pacifica Moose Lodge, 776 Bradford Way, Pacifica. For more info contact

chapter1595@mooseunits.org \$30 per vehicle, includes lunch.

September 13 - Cars in the Park in San José

FOR SALE

For more information contact Ed Archer, karened4@att.net

1923 Ford Model T light Van delivery. Truck #52, original United Parcel Service from the Oakland, CA. service area. Older high quality very authentic restoration. Call for price.

1926 Chevrolet Superior K 5 Pass. Touring Show quality older restoration. Don't settle for second best and spend a lot of time, money and headaches to try and make it great. This one is already there. \$12,500.00 Call or email for more pictures.

1952 Bentley Radford Countryman Pebble Beach show quality restoration. Buy an immediate winner. Price is much less the cost and headaches of restoring one. \$129,000.00. Call or email for more pictures

FOR SALE CONTINUED



Very authentic 1915 Ford Model T Runabout/Roadster and car trailer to be sold as a package. Single axle trailer, professionally well-built and hardly used. The car is a 1915 throughout with exception of the kerosene side and tail lamps may be 1916 or so. It runs well, tires are like new, paint is pretty good, body shows some amateur quality body work here and there. It's an older restoration with paint chips throughout, but overall looks good as a car meant to be driven. The top has been down for years improperly stored

and I do have pictures of it up but full of wrinkles and needs to be set in the sun in the up position for an extended period to stretch it out. All in all a great package ready to tour and have some horseless carriage fun. \$12,500.00 or best offer. **More pictures on request. Ed Archer 501 581 4911 or email karened4@att.net**



MPOTAC Board Meeting

March 24, 2025

Since President Ted Panofsky had a bad cold, the meeting was called to order by Publisher Jim Remington at 7:00 PM.

Membership: Bill Mitchell was not available.

Secretary: Minutes of the February 24, 2025, Board meeting and February 28, 2025 General meeting was approved except for the following correction: Friendship Day volunteer sign-up sheet will not be printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer: Report from Mark Barkus: No major expenses. A \$200.00 donation was sent to the California Auto Museum in Sacramento. Other expenses were for our liability insurance and newsletter printing costs.

Health/Welfare: Ted Panofsky/bad cold and Karen Archer/under-the-weather.

Tours/Events: 1) April 26, 2025-Model Train Railway/Portola Valley (Bill Bratt). 2) May 18, 2025-Friendship Day (Charlie Drechsler, Jr.). 3) September 6, 2025-Annual Picnic.

Friendship Day: Charlie Drechsler, Jr. was not available. Board members discussed and voted to charge admission of \$5.00/vehicle to members of the Model A club. Bruce Cumming and Nicholas Veronico, authors of the book, "Lost Gas Stations of San Mateo" can sell their books in front of their car but not at our hospitality booth.

Publications: Nothing major to report from Jim Remington.

Webmaster: From Kevin Enderby: continue posting and updating materials.

Meeting adjourned: 8:40 PM

Submitted by Secretary: Ed Wong

Attendance: Jim Remington, Bill Bratt, Mark & Kay Barkus, Kevin Enderby, Ed Wong, Ed & Karen Archer-called in to check.

MPOTAC General Meeting

March 28, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Ted Panofsky at 7:30 PM.

Membership: Bill Mitchell was not available. Currently paid members should have received their 2025 rosters by now. Contact Bill Mitchell if you have not received your copy.

Secretary: February 24, 2025 Board Meeting minutes and February 28, 2025, General Meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer: Mark Barchus reported: \$200.00 donation to the California Auto Museum in Sacramento, paid our liability insurance and newsletter printing expenses. Further details upon request.

Health/Welfare: nothing to report, which is good.

Tours: The following events are scheduled: 1) April 26, 2025/Model Train Railway-Portola Valley (Bill Bratt). 2) May 18, 2025/Friendship Day (Charlie Drechsler, Jr.). 3) September 6, 2025/Annual Picnic/Beresford Park.

Friendship Day: Charlie Drechsler was not available. Jim Remington requested more volunteers. So far, only about 6 have signed up. Also need about 7-8 more door prizes.

Publication: Nothing major to report from Jim Remington.

Webmaster: Kevin Enderby was not available.

Social media: Ferris Lewald was not available.

Refreshments: Thank you, Marilyn Panofsky, for the delicious homemade cookies.

Since we could not find the remote for the TV to show a DVD, Ted Panofsky gave a verbal presentation instead. DVD title: Horatio's Drive/Documentary. Subject: Spring 1903-On a \$50.00 bet, Doctor Horatio Nelson Jackson started from San Francisco in a 20hp Winton Touring Car (Horseless Carriage), hoping to be the first to cross the United States.

www.pbs.org/kenburns/horatio-drive/

Meeting adjourned: 8:05 PM

Submitted by Secretary: Ed Wong