

# Cruiser News

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## Capitol City Cruisers Mission Statement

### Celebrating Our 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

Our mission is to promote family enjoyment and interest in restoration and preservation of collector automobiles such as Antique Classic, Special Interest, Muscle Cars, Hot Rods, Street Rods, and Modified Vehicles. To host and conduct car shows and fundraisers to benefit charitable organizations in the Greater Sacramento Area and to have a lot of fun along the way!

## President's Message

Hello Cruisers,

Well we're just over 2 months away from our fall show OctoberFest Car Show & Toy Run. I wanted to be sure and remind you all that we will need your help in getting raffle prizes for our show.



Contact your local parts store; your local grocery store; and any other business that you do business with on a regular basis. Most will be willing to help out.

Just a reminder, there are several shows coming up in August...Of course there is Hot August Nights in Reno; Antique Trove Sunday August 13<sup>th</sup> in Roseville; Andy Brizio's Final Final Picnic August 20<sup>th</sup> in Jackson; Sierraview CC Car Show in Roseville August 26<sup>th</sup>; and the Hangtown Car Show Thursday evening August 31<sup>st</sup> in Placerville.

There are also some great shows coming up the first of September, including, the Clayton Car Show September 2<sup>nd</sup> in Clayton, CA; and the Firefighter's Car Show Sunday September 3<sup>rd</sup> in Diamond Springs, CA. Contact me for more information on any of the shows. Happy Cruisin' and I'll see you at the next car show...Rex

## ACCC Report

Update on the Gas Tax repeal...Assm. Travis Allen has filed a lawsuit challenging the language used on the Title and Summary of the Petition. The language originally read that the petition was an initiative to repeal the high and unfair gas tax and registration fee increases signed by the governor in June that will take effect this coming November and will cost Californians an average of \$400 to \$500 more each year.

The Title & Summary language submitted by Attorney General Becerra made no mention of repealing the gas tax & reg fees, it instead read as follows;

**"Eliminates recently enacted road repair and transportation funding by repealing revenues dedicated for those purposes."**

This language is somewhat deceitful and may cause voters to vote against the repeal. This ridiculous and unfair tax increase must be repealed. The costs involved to register your daily drivers will be excessive let alone registering your collector cars.

## Is Your Car Trailer Covered By Your Auto Insurance?

In general, most auto insurance policies will provide liability coverage for trailers if you own it. Many auto insurance policies do extend this type of coverage to trailers if they are being pulled by your insured vehicle at the time of an accident. We must point out we cannot say for certain if your policy would cover a trailer since state laws and insurance company guidelines and policy terms vary greatly.

Whether other parts of an auto insurance policy, besides your liability coverages, would cover a trailer while it is being towed would depend upon the terms of your policy and guidelines of your insurance carrier. In many cases the trailer would need its own comprehensive or collision coverage. Some insurers would require the trailer to be listed on the declarations page of your policy to be covered.

Trailer coverage will vary by insurance company. Some will extend liability coverage while its attached to your motor vehicle while others will say to be covered you must have a separate policy for the trailer or an endorsement to your personal auto insurance to cover the trailer.

It could also depend upon the type of trailer you are towing. If it is a utility trailer with a car on it or in it than it likely will be extended coverage though you would need to check about coverage for the contents of the trailer. If it is a travel trailer it may need its own policy on it to be covered.

If your trailer is covered by your personal auto insurance policy you should also ask your agent if the contents or items being towed on the trailer are covered. It may be that the contents would not be covered under your car insurance without an endorsement even if your trailer is covered.

Auto insurance policies will not typically cover a rented trailer though. If you get a trailer from U-haul for instance than you normally would need to also get their coverage on the trailer since rented equipment such as this usually is not covered by your personal auto insurance or any of the insurance benefits that credit cards sometimes extend you for say driving a rental car.

If you want to know if your current car insurance policy or a policy that you are going to purchase for your vehicle will extend to a trailer that you pull with your insured vehicle read through the terms of your policy and ask the insurance provider for any clarification you need. Ask if there are any size and/or valuation limitations if the trailer is not listed and separately insured.

Also check to see if your trailer is covered for theft or damage by your homeowner's policy when parked at your home or property, it may not be covered depending on your policy.

When push comes to shove, the best way to find out if you're covered is to contact your agent.

## The Fabulous Fifties

What a great time it was for all of us who were lucky enough to live in that special time. And if you were in high school then it was pure fun! Bobbi socks, sweater sets, pony tails, penny loafers, rock and roll, ducks tails, sideburns, hoola hoops, American Bandstand, Howdy Doody, and a bunch other things come to mind but the thing that stands out is the beginning of Rock and Roll music! We listened to the radio all the time and then danced to the songs at the Sock Hops after

basketball games.

You didn't find a drive-in restaurant on every corner but there were a few back then. A&W was always a favorite - how about a root beer float! And those root beer sizes - papa beer, mama beer, and don't forget baby beer! Carhops to serve you, maybe on roller skates. The diners, the blue plate specials, a nickel coke! We could get cheeseburgers for a quarter, luscious milkshakes and real french fries! McDonald's was just starting to make an impact on our eating habits. Remember then you could eat all you wanted and never gain an ounce!

Dairy Queens, Frozen Custards, and long johns were special treats. Coke came in those cute little bottles - a bottle of Pepsi was a dime! Royal Crown cola gave you twice as much as anybody else. Nesbitt orange was another special drink. Machines dispensed bubble gum balls for a penny. Double Bubble bubble gum had those little tiny paper cartoons folded up inside each package. Try reading one of those today without glasses!

Hoola hoops swept the nation in a craze! We all tried it and laughed at each others efforts. Toys were a little more simple then - nothing electronic. Transistors radios were just coming in. Tinker Toys and Lincoln Logs for the youngsters with Erector sets and Lionel trains for the older boys

Turn tables and 45 rpm records - the girls all had a collection - each one about a dollar! Songs included "Little Darling", "I'm Sorry", "Come Go With Me" and "I'm Walking". The boys spent their money on pin ball machines and pool. They earned money by delivering papers, setting pins and baling hay. Allowances were earned by filling the stoker with coal and carrying out the clinkers.

Really cool cars too! - Hollywood mufflers, lowering blocks, fender skirts and wild paint jobs were the rage. Drag racing occurred on lonely country roads. You couldn't use the radio very long unless you left the engine running or your battery would go dead. The guys had ducktails, sideburns and a pack of cigarettes wrapped up in the arm of their T-shirt. Leather jackets, blue jeans and engineering boots were needed to impress everyone.

Remember all the gas we used up just cruising. We would pool our money and then check out the prices before we bought gas - pretty easy to do since we

didn't have many gas stations in our home town. Gas may have been as low as 19 cents a gallon! "Give me a dollars worth," It was enough for a nights cruising! And for that buck, they pumped it for you, cleaned your windshield, checked your oil and tires!

The only place I can remember having "air conditioning" was the Tower Theater. The movie changed three times a week and had great popcorn. The Bowling Alley had big fans. At home we cooled off with fans and slept on the porch on hot nights.

Any TV program was great then - even with the "snow". I remember our first TV - a black and white Sylvania. It took a small tower on the roof and a rotor to turn the antenna to get different stations. We watched American Bandstand to learn all the latest songs and related dance steps. And who could forget... "Hey kids! What time is it?" "It's Howdy Doody time!" With Clarabelle, and Buffalo Bob Smith! Those days are gone but the memories linger on....

In the fifties most Hot Rodders belonged to a car club, they wore Levi's, T-shirt, engineer boots and a leather jacket. The Outriders were formed in 1932 in Southern California.

They led the way for hundreds of Car Clubs to be formed across the country, whose members were typically labeled as Loners, Mavericks and Outlaws. The Clubs sported such names as Hot Irons, Road Kings, Dukes, Shifters, Crank Busters, Road Lords, Capital City Cruisers, Thunderbolts, and Coachmen. Club membership included a club plaque, club jacket and the right to stand around a parking lot after a club meeting, kicking tires, listening to lies and telling a few yourself.

Car Clubs provided an opportunity for people with similar interests to learn from other members, discussing their Hot Rods and perhaps to even locate a hard-to-find part. Car Clubs were a place to gather and talk, bench race and give encouragement to each other. Car Clubs gave you a sense of belonging, an identity. This desire to build cars and help each other with their project cars, was the reason that car clubs formed in California.

## QUESTIONS THAT HAUNT ME!

1. Can you cry under water?
2. How important does a person have to be before

they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered?

3. Once you're in heaven, do you get stuck wearing the clothes you were buried in for eternity?
4. Why does a round pizza come in a square box?
5. What disease did cured ham actually have?
6. How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?
7. Why is it that people say they 'slept like a baby' when babies wake up like every two hours?
8. Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?
9. Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?
10. Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway...
11. Why is 'bra' singular and 'panties' plural?
12. Why do toasters always have a setting that burns the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat
13. If Jimmy cracks corn and no one cares, why is there a stupid song about him?
14. Why does Goofy stand erect while Pluto remains on all fours? They're both dogs!
15. If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?
16. Do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?
17. Why did you just try singing the two songs above?
18. Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?
19. Why, Why, Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are getting dead?
20. Why do banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they know there is not enough money?
21. Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?
22. Why do they use sterilized needles for death by lethal injection?
23. Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?
24. Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?
25. Why do Kamikaze pilots wear helmets?





# Upcoming Car Shows 2017

## Greater Sacramento/Northern California Area!

- **August 8-13 Hot August Nights Reno**
- **Sunday August 13 Antiques Trove Car Show Roseville**
- **Sunday August 20 Andy's Picnic - Jackson**
- **Saturday August 26 Sierra View Country Club Car Show**
- **Saturday September 2 Clayton Car Show**
- **Sunday September 3 Diamond Springs Fire Dept Car Show**
- **Friday-Sunday September 8-10, 2017 Roamin' Angels**
- **Friday -Saturday September 15-16, 2017 Big City Rod Run**
- **Sunday September 17, 2017 Motor Madness 8 Rocklin, CA**
- **Saturday September 23 Mel's Diner Car Show Auburn, CA**
- **Saturday September 23 Park Community Church Car Show Cameron Park, CA**
- **Saturday September 30, 2007 Cops & Rodders Cameron Park**
- **Saturday October 7, 2017 OctoberFest Car Show & Toy Run – Palladio Folsom**
- **Sunday October 29, 2007 Arbuckle Car Show**

**Dates and locations subject to change. Verify before you go!**