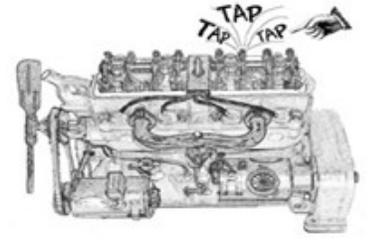


The *Noisy* Tappet



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Directors Message

Hello everyone,

Welcome to the new year. I hope last year was a great one, and let's look forward to a great 2026.

One thing that will make 2026 great for our club is a few great tours. We have none set up for the next three months and beyond, so come on, folks, get your tour thinking caps on.

A special shout out to Neil for sending out the nice reminder for our next meeting February 4th at the Cup & Saucer. Please try to join us. This just in from the big tour coming up :



Feeling Lucky?

65th Anniversary Meet Raffle Drawing

Tickets may be ordered on your Anniversary Meet Regi- (cont. p. 3)

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GSBR 2026 Membership Dues of \$20 are NOW DUE

Reminder that our annual club membership dues of \$20 are due. Also note, if you have any updates, there is an update form on page 3 of this newsletter that you can use to share your changes. If there are no changes, please bring your payment to the next monthly Club Meeting (cash or check). For check payment make the check payable to: "Greater South Bay Region VCCA" .

You can also pay by mail using the form on page 3, but you must pay **by check** as the payment option. Please mail the form and check to:
Don Kingman, 10641 4th St, Gilroy, CA 95020



Looking forward to having you join us and your continued support of this local region of the VCCA.



Meeting called to order by Hal Chase, Director, at 6:38pm. We started off the meeting by doing the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 17 members and 1 guest. The guest was John Galli, retired Public Service Officer, who owns an original 1937 Chevy Business Coupe. He is a member of the VCCA Nationals and requested a registration form to join our Region. Welcome, John! He also mentioned the Cars & Coffee in Capitola called "Caffein Cruise" held every Saturday from 7-9am. There were no corrections to the last minutes. Motion was made to approve them and it was seconded.

TOURS: A suggestion was made by Don K. to possibly do a "redo" tour and go down to San Juan Bautista? TBD

It was suggested that our Club participate or attend a 20th anniversary Kingsman Car Show at Twin Lakes Church in Aptos on July 11, 2026. All donations go to scholarships for local students.

Roy Lord will be putting together another car show at The Terraces of Los Gatos either April 18th or 25th. The members decided that he should see if the April 18th date works. Wonderful show last year & well attended.

CLUB BREAKFASTS: Doug reminded everyone that the next Chevy Club breakfast will be on January 21st, 10:00am. Also, on the Club Information on the last page of our newsletter, the location & time needs to be changed from Black Bear Diner TO Holder's Country Inn, 10088 N. Wolfe Rd., Suite 130, Cupertino 95014. Felipe will make the change.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Don K. reported that the Club Treasury has \$X,XXX.XX.

REMINDER: DUES ARE DUE!!

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING: Congratulations, Paul A! Paul received \$60.00 and Club received \$55.00. Paul also won a Gift Certificate to the Cup & Saucer! (Thank you Bob S.)

MISCELLANEOUS: David C knows of fenders for sale from a '34 Hot Rod.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margie Amoroso, Secretary

-stration form or from your Region Director, Dean Echols and at vcca.org

First Prize - \$2,026 * Second Prize - \$1,000 * Third Prize - \$500

Prizes are based on a minimum of 1,000 ticket donations. Additional draws may be conducted for additional Prizes should the total ticket sales exceed 1,100 ticket donations.

Proceeds of this Raffle Drawing will be applied to offset 60th Anniversary Meet expenses.

WINNERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN! - Donation \$10.00 per ticket

The Drawing will take place on: July 3,2026 -1:00pm MST

Location of Drawing: 2049 North Mohave Street , Chino Valley, AZ 86323

For additional Ticket purchase or questions contact: Dean Echols, #07286,Raffle Liaison VCCA
65th Anniversary Meet raffle

Phone:(928)710-4325 - email: deanechols38@gmail.com

For more information about the VCCA 65th Anniversary Meet Raffle Drawing please visit :

<http://www.vcca.org/raffle/>

2026 Membership update form

In addition to your name, please provide any other information **that has changed and/or is different** from that shown on the latest club roster. Our roster is available in the “members only section” on the club web-site: www.gsbvcca.com

Name: _____ Birth Date: _____

Spouse: _____ Birth Date: _____

Anniversary: _____ e-mail: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

VCCA #: _____

Please bring this form (if you have changes/updates) and your check for \$20.00 made payable to: “Greater South Bay Region VCCA” to the February 2026 club meeting. Can’t make the next meeting? Please mail this form and check to: Don Kingman, 10641 4th St, Gilroy, CA 95020

Celebrations !!!

February Birthday's

Lynda Orlando - 2/4

Douglas Bowyer - 2/19

Troed Johnson - 2/6

Betty Rountree - 2/20



February Anniversary's

Marc & Liz Riehl - 2/10

Mike & Darlene Ahlmann - 2/15

Gerry & Colleen Scimeca - 2/19



Upcoming Events:

Feb 3rd - Club Meeting @ The Cup & Saucer - Meeting will start 6:30pm sharp & end by 8:00pm

Feb 18th - Chevy Club Breakfast @ 10:00am, Holder's Country Inn Restaurant in Cupertino
10088 N Wolfe Rd STE 130, Cupertino, CA 95014

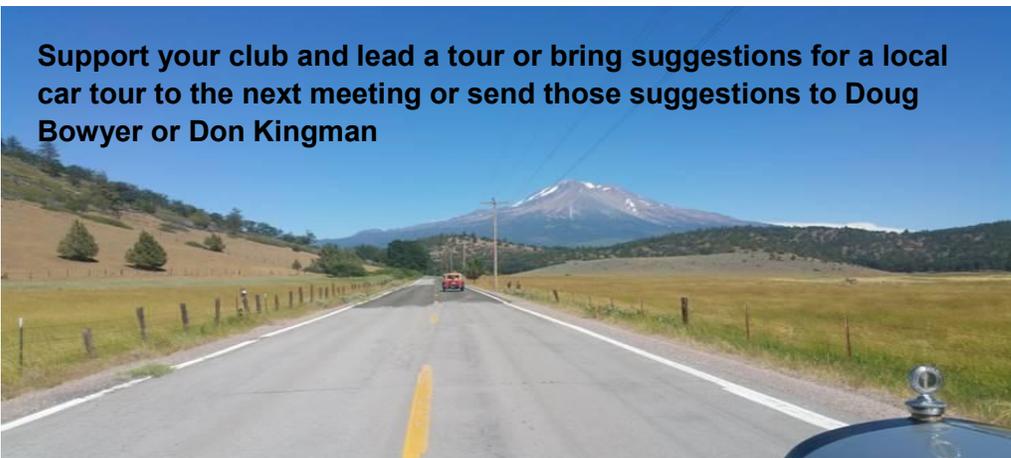
March 4th - Club Meeting @ The Cup & Saucer - Meeting will start 6:30pm sharp & end by 8:00pm

June 6-7th - Endurance Run & Lowland Tour

See Details on Pages 5 & 6 of this Newsletter

Sept 12th - Cars in the Park @ San Jose History Park

Support your club and lead a tour or bring suggestions for a local car tour to the next meeting or send those suggestions to Doug Bowyer or Don Kingman



Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club
**55th Annual Speedster Endurance
Run and Lowland Tour**
June 6-7, 2026



Welcome to the SCVMTFC 55th Annual Speedster Endurance Run and Lowland Tour. We are very excited to have you join us for this fun and memorable event! There's never been a better time to dust off your time machine and show off your driving skills. This year's endurance run is open to ALL speedsters of the era from 1900 through 1927. And, if you're wondering if you and your speedster have the "Right Stuff," you do! While we encourage all participants to present their speedsters as they would have appeared during the era represented, components like hydraulic brakes, all types of carburation, alternators and the like are accepted. The drivetrain and chassis must be of the era from 1900 through 1927 to participate. All speedsters, of course, will be required to meet all safety requirements as listed on the Self Check Inspection Form.

Like our 54th Annual Endurance Run & Lowland Tour, this year's event is on track to be truly spectacular! The route through the Santa Cruz Mountain Range will take you on some of the most beautiful roads in the world. Imagine motoring up winding roads amongst the giant redwoods and heading down to the coast for breathtaking ocean views. You'll even pass through historic towns and villages on roads older than your speedsters.

The day before the main event is our Tech Inspection and BBQ at Bertolotti's Garage, where you can catch up with old friends, make new friends, enjoy a delicious barbecue and tour Bertolotti's amazing collection of vintage automobiles. The focus of the tech inspection is on safety, so please remember to bring your completed Self Check Inspection Form and Certification.

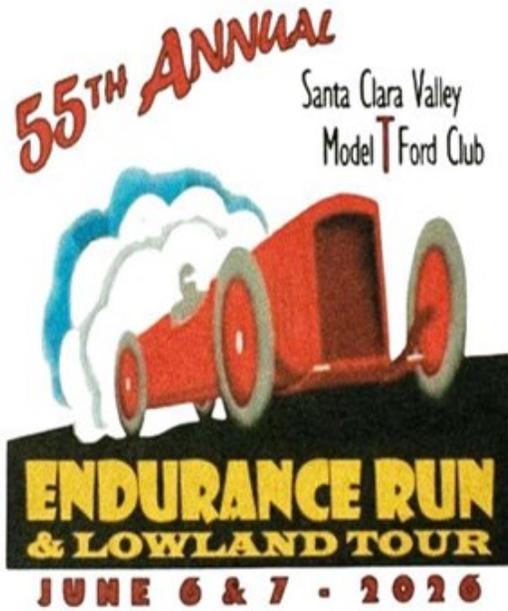
Sunday morning, we gather at the VA Medical Center in Palo Alto, for the main event. U.S. veterans, families, friends, and Lowland Tour participants will all be there to cheer on the speedster drivers and riding mechanics. Our opening ceremony will include the presentation of the American flag by a fully uniformed color guard in period dress and a guest singer to lead us in our National Anthem. Then we will hear the words we've all been waiting for: "Drivers, start your engines!" Can you hear it? That's the roar of all those mighty speedsters as they eagerly await the drop of the green flag!

In addition to our main event, we will also hold our Veterans Appreciation Car Show at the VA Medical Center, featuring automobiles from the early 1900s through 1942, for our veterans, families and friends to enjoy while the speedsters and lowland vehicles are on tour. So, if you can't be on the road with a speedster or vintage automobile, please consider bringing your cherished pre-1943 automobile and spend the afternoon with our friends and veterans at the VA Medical Center, Palo Alto.

Thank you for joining us as we celebrate our 55th year of this truly amazing event! Don't keep it a secret. Tell your family and friends where you'll be in June and bring them along to be a part of history in motion.

See you there!

Chris Birdo



REGISTER TODAY!

Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club 55th Annual Endurance Run & Lowland Tour
June 6-7, 2026

If you only do one major event this year, this is it! Join us at the VA Palo Alto Medical Center and celebrate the 55th running of this historic event! This year's event includes the **Veterans Appreciation Car Show** held on site while speedsters and lowland cars are on the road. Join our Veterans, their families, friends, neighbors and staff for this special day and show your appreciation!

The Endurance Run is open to all 1927 and earlier speedsters. The Lowland Tour and Veterans Appreciation Car Show is open to all pre-1943 automobiles.

Register at www.SCVMTFC.org.

Registration Contact: Mary Beaman, (408) 838-9224, modeltclub2016@gmail.com

Lead Sponsor: 

Scan for link to our website.



The Greater South Bay Region

Vintage Chevrolet Club of America

We are a group of individuals who, along with other regions, share an interest in preserving and restoring vintage Chevrolets. Our vision is one of continued friendship and respect for all people. Club members enjoy sharing a wealth of automobile knowledge with those who have similar interests. We welcome people of all ages and backgrounds to inquire about this family oriented, fun organization dedicated to the enjoyment/restoration of, and touring in, vintage Chevrolets.

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Meetings and Activities

Club meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at The Cup & Saucer in San Jose. Meetings start at 6:30PM sharp. If you wish to dine before hand, join us at the restaurant around 5:45PM.

Also, we hold a Chevy Club Breakfast on the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00am at Holders Country Inn in Cupertino. All members and their guests are encouraged to drive their vintage Chevrolets.

We are a Touring Club

We schedule monthly tours in and around the greater south Bay Area. Again, all members and their guests are encouraged to drive their vintage Chevrolets.

Monthly Newsletter

We publish a monthly newsletter called the Noisy Tappet. If you have a story, article, report, tip, photograph or other pertinent information for the newsletter, please send it to the editor by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month's publication. Please send newsletter inquires/information to:

Felipe Rosendo, Jr. [Felipe_Rosendo@yahoo.com]

E-Mail and Website

We also have a club website where you'll find information about, and photo galleries of, past GSBR tours, as well as photo galleries of members' Chevrolets. GSBR members pages contain club specific information and records. Please direct inquiries/information to:

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Our website is located at: <http://www.gsbvcca.com>

Check out all the pictures... You'll like it!