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Members' Recommendations for Monterey Car Week

From August 11 to 16 car enthusiasts converge on the Monterey Peninsula to take part in the multitude of events to celebrate the history, technology, and art of the automobile. Originating from sports car races organized by local enthusiasts starting in 1950, the events now include not only the Historic Races at Laguna Seca and the prestigious Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, but dozens of complementary events which fill an entire week. This section will provide members' suggestions and recommendations for events they have participated

Quick Links



First Sunday Drive

Menlo Park to Half Moon Bay
August 2



Legends of the Autobahn

August 14



After LOA Party

August 14

in and want to recommend to other members.

Caution: please check details of events yourself as things can change year to year. Helpful sites are: [Monterey Car Week](#) for summary of events, [Laguna Seca Raceway](#) for the historic races, and [Sports Car Market](#) for a rundown on the auctions held during the week.

Tuesday, August 11

Ocean Ave. Concours (Concours on the Avenue)

For me one of the best events is the free concours on Ocean Ave. in Carmel. A mix, mostly of Porsches and some Ferraris. Starts at 10a.m., but parking is very tight which makes early arrival important and that can present a challenge with the one and a half or two hour limit. - Herb Cygan

Automobilia Monterey

An incredible bazaar of automotive art, publications, and accessories. Find an original workshop manual for your classic or a set of vintage European license plates. Embassy Suites Hotel, admission fee. - D.Sears



Wednesday, August 12

Automobilia Monterey

Second day.

Thursday, August 13

Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance

The Tour d'Elegance lines up by the equestrian field for 7:30 departure (if my memory is correct) on Thursday. The cars line up much earlier in their designated positions and the owners usually are very willing to talk about their cars as they wait to leave. Great opportunity for upclose photos, sometimes with occupants in period motoring costumes. Also nearby is the transporter parking lot where you can see these amazing, multi-deck vehicles, watch the unloading, and see the owners and mechanics deal with various operating problems. If they aren't too pressed for time, they may be willing to tell you about their cars. Then it's an easy walk



Point Lobos Geologic Exploration

September 19

Classified

FOR SALE:

1979 Mercedes-Benz 6.9



1958 300d "Adenauer"

(Cuban origin, now in Ottawa)



1964 220Sb Sedan



back to the lodge for breakfast with a discount that offsets the 17 Mile Drive fee. Must show the receipt though. On the way to the Lodge, you pass through many displays of the latest ultra-luxury cars and the auction tents being set up and being filled with vehicles and vehicles in many places on the greenery. MBZ and Ferrari usually have special exhibit "buildings" at various places around the golf course which is an easy, nearby walk.

Tour d'Elegance stops for lunch at the park in downtown Carmel (across from the shopping plaza). Good photo ops and another chance to talk with driver/owners. One time Sterling Moss was on this tour driving the SL in which he won the Miglia. -Herb Cygan

Pacific Grove recently has begun an event sometime during the week. I haven't been, so can't say anything about it, but there probably is stuff on line. -Herb Cygan

Friday, August 14

Legends of the Autobahn



Our event skillfully managed by Laura Simonds. Be there or be square.

After Legends Party Sponsored by SFBA MBCA



Time to chill with MBCA members and friends.

The Quail

High-end very well run event. Must get tickets early. -DS

Saturday, August 15

Mercedes Reclaims Its Sports Car Roots



Mercedes-Benz GT S AMG

Other events of interest:

Invitation to visit the Mozart Collection



Mozart Automobile Museum

1325 Pear Ave.
Mountain View
August 10th - 13th, and 17th

Cars & Coffee



Historic Races at Laguna Seca

Very fun events. Entry allows access to pit areas where one can view vintage race cars in various states of dis-assembly, and usually talk with owners. Other displays fill the midway section. [Check site for details.](#) -D.Sears

Concorso Italiano

Celebration of Italian cars, culture, and style. - DS

Concours d'LeMons Monterey

Fun event with a laid-back, inclusive, and decidedly anti-snob vibe. Chance to see Kaisers, Messerschmitts, and perhaps even a Trabant up close. Last year's winner was a 1973 Acoma Mini-Comtesse (look it up!). - DS

Sunday, August 16

Historic Car Races at Laguna Seca (see above)

Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance

One of the world's great car shows. Do it at least once in your life.

This is just a small sampling of the Monterey Car Week events. To explore more events a good start is the [Monterey Car Week](#) home page.

Canepa Motorsports

4900 Scotts Valley Drive
Scotts Valley

April 11 to October 10

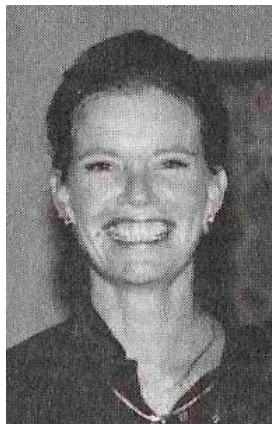
Second Saturday Each
Month

**Biscotti and Cars**

First Saturday Each Month
Sausalito

In Memory of Lois Mitchell Wokoek

Passed away May 2015



Lois Wokoek was active in MBCA for over 30 years serving as SFBA MBCA Secretary (1983-1985), Vice President (1985-1987), and President (1987-1988). Lois and her husband Rudy (section President 1996-1997) moved to Fallbrook in the early 2000's where they were active in the San Diego Section. Lois was known for her cheerful and outgoing personality as well as her energy in organizing numerous Mercedes Club events.

-Thanks to Howard Schneider for contributing this remembrance.

Your suggestions for club activities are always welcome!

Click here for your [Board of Directors](#) contact information to talk about any other club-related matter!

Visit our club website for up-to-date information on club events. sfba.mbca.org

Local Shops

Mid-Peninsula, San Mateo



MB Garage, 2165 Palm Ave., San Mateo

South Bay, Campbell



Mercedes Connexion, 155 Kennedy Ave., Campbell

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