



# The Fuel Line

GOING PLACES



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## From the Desk of "El Presidente"

July is here already? It is hard to believe that this year is on the down hill side of the mountain. Time does fly, whether one is having fun or not.

My wife and I had a great time in Nebraska at Shell Valley's 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary, along with Darren Friedman and Brian Ready (they caravanned with us). It was a long way to go but we met a great group of people. It was nice to hit the road and discover America (in spite of the high fuel prices). I had not been on I-70 since I was a toddler. What beautiful areas in Utah and Colorado. One tends to become a little jaded living in the rat race we call Southern California. The further we traveled into the heartland of this country it seemed the more relaxed and cordial people seemed. Kind of helps one to understand the meaning of the expression "Stop and smell the roses". The hustle and bustle of living and working in an over populated region tends to make a person lose sight of this philosophy. See more on our road trip in this month's newsletter.

Our next sit down board meeting will be in August 12<sup>th</sup> (location/activity yet to be determined). At that time we will be talking about nominating for board positions for next year. The results will be finalized at Club Sandwich, in October. Come to the meeting! Let your voice be heard. We are open to any suggestions and offers of serving on the board.

Membership is more than just receiving a newsletter every month, but an opportunity to meet in person and commune with fellow enthusiasts of replica cars and of the automobile culture. Over the last few years of my membership in the club I have gleaned a wealth of knowledge on replicas from fellow members. Those of you out there who have been unable to attend club activities have been missing out on this. Plus I am sure there is a lot of knowledge and experiences on replica cars that you could bring to all of us. I can understand the problems we face, as a club, in the ability for members to attend events. I myself will be unable to

attend the Braille Rally this year, business commitments. I know that it is unrealistic to expect every one to attend every club event. If you any ideas on activities that would make it easier for you to attend some events let Ron Biggerstaff (Activities) and any other board member know. Again we are always open for any and all suggestions.

Just received the latest issue of National Kit Car Club magazine and Jim Youngs has a nice article on the Shell Valley 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary event.

Hasta!  
"El Presidente"  
Dean Hornbacher

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## Rumblings from the Editor's Desk

by David Hartman

First, a quick note about the Braille Rally. They moved the date and our notification got "lost in the mail". Ron may have more to say about that, but, because of the holiday and my moving into an apartment, this newsletter is getting out a bit later than usual.

Speaking of the newsletter being late, you may have noticed that it was rather late last month. I did have it done and to the printer in time, but then, I spent a week in the Long Beach V.A. Hospital with a rather severe kidney infection. That put me behind the newsletter curve by a bit over a week. Sorry about that. I guess from what the doctor was telling me, it was very fortunate that I went into the ER when I did. If I had waited another day, you'd be looking for another newsletter editor.

I notice from the Calendar of Events that we have several shows coming up. San Leandro and Laughlin I am planning on attending for sure. Heck, this will be my first Club Sandwich since 2000 and at that time we were still at the "old place". Laughlin has always been a fun event and I'm looking forward to it. I'm also registered for San Leandro and have registration number two! I think I surprised Vern by getting my registration in so early. The recent NCKCC newsletter I just received talks about the show and they've invited at least one other local car club to attend and are planning a special trophy for that club. I'm going to be interested in how this turns out.

I notice that we have an event later in September, The Cruisin' For A Cure on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Hopefully I'll have a registration form to put into the newsletter for August. If anyone has such a thing, make a copy and get it to me, please. Now, how many of you are planning on attending this event? Shall we plan on a A.H.A Club gathering and try to all park together?

Look for info on this event and Laughlin in the August Newsletter, and of course our annual ballot in September. Remember, your vote counts!

## Activities - Ron Biggerstaff

### July

The next formal event for the AHA is the annual Braille Institute Sports Car Rallye to be held on Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Please note this date change. Our previous advertising was based on the Braille Institute web site, which states the 15<sup>th</sup>. The Braille Institute is one of the charities we support and for the rally we need workers and cars. As of June 30<sup>th</sup> they needed at least 15 more drivers/cars and they can always use more checkpoint workers.

The starting location and parking are as follows:

Braille Institute  
741 North Vermont Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90029

Here are some highlights of the event schedule:

7:00 AM Gates open at Youth Center – Coffee and donuts available at registration  
7:30 AM Registration opens  
9:00 AM Drivers' and navigators' meeting  
9:00 AM Pairing of navigators with drivers  
10:00 AM First car out

**ARRIVE EARLY—FIRST REGISTERED, FIRST OUT**

Rally participants should reach the final checkpoint between 1 and 2 PM. There is a luncheon and awards presentation at the end. All the attention is directed towards the navigators. They are the competitors. They will receive the trophies and the cheers. The AHA will provide a charitable donation at the conclusion of the awards presentation.

Hope you can make this fun event.

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*SUGGESTIONS FOR MONTHLY MEETING ACTIVITIES ARE ALWAYS WELCOME. GIVE ANY ONE OF YOUR BOARD MEMBERS A CALL WITH YOUR SUGGESTION.*  
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## 2006 Calendar of Events

### July

#### Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup>

Braille Sports Car Rally  
741 North Vermont Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90029

### August

Event TBD

Planning date: 12 August

### September

#### 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Handcrafted Automobile Concourse Saturday & Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>

Northern California Kit Car Club Show at San Leandro Marina  
[www.nckcc.com](http://www.nckcc.com)

### 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Cruisin' For A Cure

#### Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

Orange County Fair & Expo Center, Costa Mesa

### October

#### Starts Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>

Club Sandwich at Laughlin, Nevada

### November

TBD

### December

Annual Christmas Party  
(date to be provided)

## 2007 Calendar

January  
Chili Cook Off

April - Knott's Show  
tentative dates  
28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>