



CCC Newsletter # 12-14

OK, how many of you are still grabbing pieces of turkey out of a zip lock bag in the fridge? Fun, isn't it. Yea, who doesn't like Thanksgiving Dinner! I hope all of you had a great TG with your loved ones.

There are still a few car shows around; if you have time, try to make one. Many this time of year are benefit shows to help needy families and kid. Thanks to all of you who help put these on, and who go support them!

And now our Trivia! This is in honor of "Black Friday", which is just passed. (I hope you all survived, I stayed home!) Who said, "You can have any color you want, as long as it's black"? Well, we all know who that's attributed to, but there is no documentation that Henry Ford ever really said that. So my questions to you are;

1. Were Model T's every produced in other colors?
2. Why were all (or most?) painted black?
3. And what record did Ford set in 1916 that still stands today?

But before we move on the upcoming shows, please let me plead for submissions! Those who know me know I don't have, or spend, a lot of time surfing the net looking for car shows. I depend almost entirely on everyone sending them to me. If you or your group are hosting a show please send the info in so I can get it included. I prefer, and your submission will be posted sooner, if you submit them in the format you seen used on the website. I like to read them for family friendly content, and obvious errors; then just cut 'n paste them to the site. If I have to rewrite them I may put it off for awhile, and that opens the door for me misreading, or misinterpreting, and then passing on incorrect info. Not good for anyone. And, the sooner the better. The 2015 calendar is up, so help me start filling it. And, as you set your 2016 dates, sent that in too? I'll start the 2016 calendar when the first person sends in a 2016 show date.

With that, we move to the shows . . .

December 2014:

6th:

- **Monterey, CA:** [Cars and Coffee](#); Meet at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca between 8:30am and 11am. Bring an unwrapped toy to benefit the Monterey Peninsula Salvation Army. At 10:45am depart for a tour of the Canepa Facility in Scott's Valley. Info: More happening; [just read this flyer!](#)



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6th-7th:

- **Indio, CA;** 23rd Annual Indio International Tamale Festival; For the last 22 years, families and travelers unite from around the world to experience tastes and flavors of Mexico and surrounding regions right here in Indio California. The Tamale Festival is a unique multi-cultural event that is the ultimate foodie attraction complete with a diverse blend of activities for every demographic – families, seniors, kids and everything in-between! This festival is the perfect opportunity to engage the total market consumer over a two-day period. 125,000+ attendance, Five Stages of Live Entertainment, Carnival, Parade, Art and Wine Garden, IEHP Rad Rider Bike Show, Tamale Eating and Tasting Contest, over 250 vendors. It all happens in downtown Indio, 100 Civic Center Drive, (Closest Main access: Hwy. 111 at Smurr Street, then go south.) Hosted by KevaWorks, Inc. Entry Fee \$25.00 Vehicle categories: Pre-War Restored, Post-War Restored, Street Rod up to 1959, Muscle Car, Sport, Truck and Low Rider. Info: Lyn Hartley at 36101 Bob Hope Drive, Ste E5-420, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270 , 760-832-8620 or email info@tamalefestival.net. On the web at; www.tamalefestival.net.

14th:

- **Sacramento, CA;** Dreams and Drivers 1st Annual Karts, Kids and Cars Toy Drive; benefiting the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS) of Greater Sacramento. Event will be at K1 Speed, 3130 Bradshaw Rd. KKC will be a show and shine

event, with an entry fee of an unwrapped toy. The toys will be distributed to kids who are being treated for Leukemia and/or Lymphoma. LLS will distribute the toys to those families in need. Participants will have their picture taken with Santa Racer and other K1 racers and some “special guests”...all for FREE! There will be Kart racing, food, coffee and donuts and some special door prizes. K1 will be offering discounts on track time, and with purchase of track time, future discounts. Additionally, K1 will be donating 25% of the proceeds for the morning to LLS. This is a RAIN OR SHINE event...If raining, bring the daily driver, the kids, the family and come inside and have some speedy fun. Don’t miss the Annual KKC event! AND like all Dreams and Drivers events, all makes and models of cars, trucks and motorcycles and the enthusiasts who drive/ride them are welcome. Always open for spectators and family. Event runs 8am till Noon. Info: [Click here for the flyer.](#)

Sorry, no January listings! Wow, can you believe that NO ONE has sent in any January 2015 events yet! Come on!

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Trivia Answers:

1. The answer is yes! During the first year of production, the Model T was available in green, red, blue and gray. Notice any color missing? That's right, black was not available in the first year of production!
2. As Ford refined the assembly line process, production time for each car decreased. At some point, the time it took for paint to dry became a consideration. After some experimentation, it was found that the quickest drying color was black. (Early in the T's life, it took 12 hours 8 minutes to build one. By 1927, the end of the Model T run, that time had been reduced to one every 24 seconds!)
3. In 1916 55% of all cars on the road were Model Ts. That record has never been broken, and I'm guessing that it never will.

And just to fill a little space, I want to relate this short story. The other day my wife and I decided to take our 356 out for a drive to Oakhurst, about 50 miles away, and have lunch with her daughter and friend Victor. We went to El Cid, a Mexican restaurant on Hwy 41 at the East edge of town as you're

heading to Yosemite. Well look what was already in the parking lot. Didn't get to meet the driver, wish we could have. I think it's also a '64 like our Porsche. Not sure, can anyone tell by looking?





Cool V-dub for sure. And the food at El Cid is great, in case you're ever in the area and have a hankering for Mexican food.

If you haven't already seen this video of *Silent Night*, trust me when I say you will enjoy it.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sme8N2pzRx8>

Guess I've drug this out as long as I can. I sure hope some of you send in some January and February events! Please!!

But before I sign off, I want to wish you the very Merriest Christmas and / or the Happiest Hanukkah. May you and yours be blessed.

Brian