This is a 1928 Mercedes-Benz 680S Torpedo-Sport-Avant Garde by Saoutchik.

Photos do not describe the beauty and workmanship in of this automobile.

This Mercedes-Benz is a beast under the hood! Dr. Porsche designed the 6,700 cc single-overhead cam six cylinder engine with a dual carburetor Roots type supercharger capable of 180 hp, four speed manual transmission, mounted on a 134 in wheelbase with live axles, semi-elliptic springs and four wheel mechanical drum brakes. The cost of this vehicle when new must have been staggering even by todays standards.

Winner of Best in show at the 2013 Pebble Beach Concours this rolling work of art sold for $8,500,000 at the RM auction in Monterey last August.
HIGHWAY 101 TOUR

Carol Ross driving her “69” 280SE aka Ms. “M” along her friend Debbie Segal led the caravan up 101 to the Jolly Roger Restaurant in Oceanside.

Carol chats with Dennis Penn about the planned route. Phil Cohen and Jennifer are listening in.

Debbie Segal catches up on the latest with Brian Kruse.

Pete Lobner departing. Don’t know who the finger belongs to.

SL’s ready to join Ms. M to drive up the coast.

View pf the starting point.

Phil Cohen Ready to tour.

On the right destination, the Jolly Roger.

Pete Lobner, Mary and Del Baumgartner Phil Cohen and Jennifer.

The group choosing to drive up the coast was small with more Star Cars and drivers joining us at the Jolly Roger. The food was good, the drive was super and the people were fantastic. Don’t forget the wine tour this month.
Wine Tasting Tour...and more
Saturday October 20, 2018

Join us for a tour of the Temecula Wine Country, enjoy your “Star Car” and a delicious lunch. Don’t drink wine? Who cares have a big orange drink and enjoy the company, scenery, and food.

Here are the particulars: Nune Richards and “Doug” are the Tour Directors

Meet at Westfield Shopping Center  10:00 am
Escondido: I-15 & Via Rancho Parkway.
West side parking lot
Look for the Yellow Camero Convertible.

We will depart promptly at 10:15 am

3 vineyards scheduled : Peltzer, Callaway & Avensole

Lunch @ Callaway Winery (12:15- 12:30 ) Restaurant will not split checks; please plan accordingly.

We will also recommend a couple others after Avensole that can be done after , for those who wish.
We will need an RSVP for lunch just to give them a heads up.

Your editor apologizes for this short notice, BUT Nune needs a head count by October 4 so the kitchen staff can be prepared for us.

RSVP to  Nune by October 4.

Email:   nrichsandiego@me.com or 858-945-3399.
Let me know what else you may need.
Should be fun!
Nune & Doug
BELLS OF FREEDOM 2018

This year’s Bells of Freedom delivery will be on December 2, 2018

As in the past several local car clubs including the AACA and MBCA have supported this event. For those of you who are new to the MBCA this is the club’s way of helping out our local military families during the holiday season. The Bells of Freedom project “adopts” Marine Corps families at Christmas time. The families are selected by the Chaplains Office at Camp Pendleton Marine corps base. The families give the Bells of Freedom a Christmas a “wish list” and the volunteers from Bells then use the donated funds to shop for each family. On December 2nd there is a big party on Camp Pendleton for the Marines and their families.

How the AACA and the other car clubs support the Bells of Freedom is in three ways. We sponsor families, we attend the luncheon for the families, and we put together a mini car show for the families. We are asking each member that attends the luncheon to drive one of their Mercedes Benz vehicles. Last year’s vehicles that were the biggest attractions were a 1961 Aston Martin and a 1930 Pierce Arrow.

The cost to sponsoring a family is $350.00 for a family of three. Those desiring to make a donation in their name may donate directly to the Bell of Freedom, making the check payable to Bells of Freedom. All donations are fully tax deductible. All of the funds received by Bells go directly to the family there are no “administrative” cost involved.

You may send your donation to the Bells of Freedom organization at:

Bells of Freedom
12750 Carmel Country Road
San Diego, CA 92130
Mercedes Benz Club Palm Springs weekend is back!

An action packed (yet relaxing) Palm Springs weekend is in the planning. Your friends in the Mercedes Benz Club will be going to Palm Springs on **Friday November 16th – 18th**. Here is a list of some of the things we are planning.

- Fun dinners
- McCormick Classic Car Auction
- Sky Tram Adventure
- Palm Springs Air Museum
- Free time to do as you wish

We are communicating this early as this is a peak time in Palm Springs and rooms book up fast! We will be staying at the Staybridge Suites in Cathedral City. Trivago.com (a hotel booking website) has rooms listed online starting at $135.00 per night. If you’re interested, BOOK NOW!

This has always been a fun and low-key event. A great opportunity to spend time with your buddies in the club as well as to make new friends.

We will have a lot more information on this event in the coming months. **We’re asking you to RSVP for the event by November 1st**

So we may orchestrate meals and activities.

**Note: you will need to book your room soon.**

For further questions about this event, contact Michael Cooper at 760-599-0629
YES, IT IS THE HOLIDAYS ALREADY AND WE ARE READY!!

WE WILL BE RECOGNIZING OUR MEMBER OF THE YEAR FOR 2018. I WONDER WHO IT IS? MAYBE IT IS YOU! HERE ARE THE DETAILS.

WHEN: Saturday December 15, 2015
TIME: 12:30 TO 3:00 PM
WHERE: The Country Club of Rancho Bernardo. 12280 Greens East Road, San Diego
WHAT’S IT GONNA COST US: $39.00 per person.

We have added a new fun program to our celebration this year. It is the totally politically incorrect Chinese gift exchange. The rules of the gift exchange will be explained when you come to the party. If you want to participate, each person brings a gift with a value of no more than $25.00. It is guaranteed to be exciting, fun and perhaps amusing.

Please notify our Director of First Impressions Diana Kruse, if you are going to join us.

Here are the particulars:
Diana Kruse: dianakruse@ymail.com
Phone: 619-851-8067.
Make check payable to: MBCA, San Diego Section
Mail to: Diana Kruse
4654 Lucille Drive
San Diego, CA 92115

There will be other surprises so don’t miss out on this end of the year party. Wear mistletoe and get a kiss or free drink---your choice.
ALAS, NO CHICKEN DINNER WINNER!

This is a 1904 American Mercedes built on Long Island, New York from 1904 to 1907. Steinway piano had the contract to build Mercedes in the US for a short time and then sold out to GE. Very few of these were made in the US. The factory burned down destroying several cars and was never rebuilt thus ending the Mercedes USA venture.

WIN A CHICKEN DINNER

Correctly identify the brand of this motor car, and the model. First answer to S. Ross at inewsx@sbcglobal.net or 619-508-3925 will be the winner of a Chicken Dinner.
For Sale

1967 MBZ 250SL Pagoda

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  • Nut/Bolt Restoration by Top Professional MBZ Specialist in 2013
  • 100 Point Show Car
  • 13 First in Class
  • 3 Best of Show

$286,000

Original Owner, Gary Jarvis San Diego, CA
619-670-1375

New Continental Extreme Contact DWS Tires on Factory Mercedes Staggered Rims

Front – 225/40-18 on 18” x 8.5 rims
Rear – 285/35-18 on 18” x 9.5 rims

NO scuffs, scratches or Scrapes!

Get the rims & tires for about the cost of a new set of tires. $1,000

Call Michael Cooper 760-599-0629

Wheels came from a w218 (CLS 550)
We are always looking for volunteers to help out with ideas, planning, and coordinating events.

If you would like to feature your Mercedes-Benz vehicle(s) in this Newsletter with an interesting story or photo, please submit in digital format via e-mail:

inewsx@sbcglobal.net

We would love to get to know you & your Mercedes-Benz vehicle(s). Come to an event and ask us how to obtain a FREE name badge. Maybe even a free beverage.

Can't wait to have a really “Cool” MBCA name badge? Here’s how to order one: Go to the MBCA website www.mbca.org, log on, click on Store, click on MBCA Event Equipment Store and scroll down and click on the Name Badge. You are now in the order form.

Second method: Log onto MBCA website and enter Name Badge in the search box at upper right hand corner of screen, click on the Magnifying Glass icon and this will take you to the order form OR you may call 800-637-2360, ask for Anna McBride. She will take your order. All payments are made via credit card.

FOR SAL & WANT ADS:
Personal classified ads (sale or wanted) are FREE exclusively for MBCA members. NO commercial or business sales allowed in the classified ad section.

Business advertising is available at competitive rates. Please contact the Treasurer for latest ad rates.
If you want to place a personal ad in the “for sale” section please contact Anna Mcbride.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL

619-508-3925

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(Must present Club membership card while making service appointment)
WE WELCOME ABOARD

The MBCA and the San Diego Section welcomes you to our Mercedes-Benz world. Please join us as soon as possible and join in the fun. Have a question contact the membership guy, me, 619-508-3925 or inewsx@sbcglobal.net or any board member.

Michael Strickland from San Diego

The rooster does not list what Mercedes-Benz these folks have but, I am sure it is a beauty. We love Mercedes-Benz be it new, old, vintage, well used or concours. Yes we love diesels too!
WE THANK

The San Diego Section and the MBCA sincerely thank you for renewing your membership and for your continued support

Mark Allen
Del Baumgartner
Lawrence Becht
Michael Kent
Michael Lewis
Edward Masucci
Marcelo Mosaner
Jim Newmann
George Watson
Marleen Dubona

WE ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE PIERCE ARROW SOCIETY FOR A TOUR

Saturday November 3

9:30 am—15182 Highland Valley Road, Escondido, CA Restoration Supply
Billy’s Vintage & Customs Vintage Organ Werks Lunch at Oakes Residence

5:30 pm—Potluck at Oakes Residence Silent Movie Night at Dusk
See registration form for all the details!

Hosted by the SoCal Region of the Pierce-Arrow Society
2018 Autumn Backcountry Shop Tour and Silent Movie Night
Saturday, November 3, 2018
Meet at 9:30 am at Restoration Supply at 15182 Highland Valley Rd. in Escondido, CA to tour Allan and Beth Schmidt’s restoration shop and supply business.

Then we will make our way further down Highland Valley Road to Billy’s Vintage and Customs, owned by Billy and Heidi Sandvik, for another restoration shop tour.

Finally, we will head into Ramona to the Oakes residence, and the home of Vintage OrganWerks, for our final shop tour and box lunch.

After lunch, relax at Ben and Linnea’s for the afternoon, head into cute downtown Ramona, go wine-tasting, or even head home for a nap, but be sure to be back to the shop by 5:30 for an extra special treat. We will be having one of our popular Potluck/Silent Movie nights!

Bring a dish to share and we will enjoy the evening with a potluck dinner. If you would like to join us for the potluck, and are unable to bring a dish to share, we will supplement our usual tasty dishes with some additional food for $10 per person. Then after the sun sets, we will move into the shop where Russ Peck will play the Shoberg-Oakes Robert Morton theatre pipe organ, accompanying various comic shorts. It’s always a lot of fun and we hope you will stick around for the fun!

We have reserved rooms for $109 +taxes both Friday and Saturday night at the San Vicente Resort for those wanting to come from out of town. There is a limited amounts of rooms, so please reserve them soon! Call (760) 789-3788 and give them the phrase “Pierce-Arrow” for one of the reserved rooms. The rate will be held for us until Oct. 2. There will be trailer parking available at Ben and Linnea’s, which is 10 minutes from the hotel.

San Vicente Resort & Golf Course- 24157 San Vicente Rd, Ramona, CA 92065
Oakes Residence– 1345 Keyser Rd., Ramona, CA 92065

Box Lunches (includes beverage, sides and dessert) ($18 per person): Please RSVP by October 21, 2018

Roast Beef Club: \#x \$18= \$____________

Chicken Salad: \#x \$18= \$____________

Vegetarian: \#x \$18= \$____________

Optional potluck dinner:
\#____ x \$10= \$__________

Total: \$__________

Name: ________________________________
Phone: ________________________________
E-mail address: ________________________

Are you coming from out of town? YES / NO
Will you need trailer parking? YES / NO
Will you be staying at San Vicente Resort? YES / NO
Total number of movie guests \#____ for chair count
Please make checks payable to:
Ben Oakes
1345 Keyser Rd.
Ramona, CA 92065

If you have any questions, please call.
Ben (817) 689-5795
Linnea (619) 807-5488
# 2018 Schedule of Events

MBCA – San Diego Section

Our motto “Have it your way, as long as it’s FUN!”
Always remember...this is YOUR club.

New ideas or changes please contact a Board Member!!!
Note: All dates may be subject to change

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“Fall into the Fun” with MBCA – San Diego Section!
It’s been a while since we’ve travelled north to Temecula Wine Country...
October offers a really fun event chaired by Nune Richards & Doug

Temecula Wine & Driving Tour – Saturday, Oct. 20th

MORE FALL FESTIVITIES - FRIENDS & FAMILY!
There’s 2 more fun events coming up this Fall...
Our Palm Springs Weekend and Holiday Christmas Party/Gift Exchange
For more information, see the schedule of events in this Star Bulletin.

Cheers, Victoria – President, MBCA-San Diego Section