



Bill Harris' Completed Seat



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Bulkhead Tech Session was held to modify 3 Panteras using the process outlined earlier this year. Rick Flores' car is featured here but both Bill Harris and Judy McCartney got the same change.



Left above Rick uses his favorite tool, a 3 pounder, to form the correct shape after cutting a relief line. He follows with a test fit to make sure the alternator doesn't rub. The welded door is shown above during one of the many test fits. It is then cleaned, primed and painted for installation. Batting is used to provide a soft filler under the saved vinyl covering.

More room can be gained for those who want to reduce the cabin intrusion. Consider using a 2" shorter water pump that allows moving the alternator to the rearward side of its bracket as noted in Jack Deryke's article. The \$289 pump comes from ENOS in San Luis Obispo (805) 544-8503 for '66-96 Ford 289, 302, 351W & 351C. It comes with pump, adapter, gaskets, crank and pump pulleys. Call them for details.



Willow Springs Open Track 11/4-5 featuring Panteras and Ferraris---Jim Saxton 626 285-2024. West Coast Racing invites you to run all makes & models at speed on the Willow Springs road racetrack in Rosamond, just north of Lancaster. Jim and Cherie Saxton host both Pantera and Ferrari clubs for this two day event twice a year. TPOC helps registration on the 4th as a fund raiser (please volunteer). So, bring your car and experience the fastest track in the west (often the site of new car testing as seen on Speed TV). The cars are divided into 4 classes based on your skill level from pro to novice (instructors provided) and car preparation. Or, come and make the TPOC treasury grow by helping with the registration and enjoy watching some very fast, expensive cars race.

Wine Run Oct 21-22 Rick Flores leads this weekend of sensual delights pioneered by Paul Westberg. Meet at 8am in the Main Place lot - right turn on Broadway off ramp from hwy 5. Reports from last year promise a memorable event for both singles and couples. Tour Santa Ynes Valley then up to San Luis Obispo. A hearty jaunt thru that back roads will set your pulse alight. Do call him 714 953-5948 or Dave R now for details.

TPOC's Christmas Party will be very special with a new upscale site at Mesa Verde Country Club that promises to be even more fun than last year. The dress code demands no denim clothing and appropriate dress. Special parking will be reserved for 30 DeTomaso cars. Why not wander among these cats while holding that favorite drink in your hand? Chat with about 75 of your closest friends from throughout California. Contact Gayle Huff or Bob Singer for more info.

Gondola Cruise in Naples is a touch of Italy right here in Long Beach.

Reminders: from rkunishige@hotmail.com

- Oct 21-22 **Wine Run** meet Rick Flores for this w/e romp to wine country.
- Oct 28 **Fountain Valley car show** FREE 8-12 at FV Civic Center.
- Oct 28 **John Force's show** in Yorba Linda 4-7-PM
- Oct 29 **Rotors and Wings Car Show** Los Alamitos Air Base Katella & Lexington Dr.
- Nov 4-5 **Willow Springs Open Track** featuring Panteras and Ferraris---Jim Saxton 626 285-2024. This TPOC event is on the fastest track in the West. It is often seen on Speed TV for car testing. Why not test your ride where the pros test? This event is for pro and novice alike classed in 4 groups.
- Nov 8 **TPOC Mtg** 7PM Mimi's 18461 Brookhurst & Ellis FV. Bring your associate.
- Nov 12 **Long Beach Swap** at Memorial Stadium.
- Nov 18 **Pantera International** hosts their Mex feast 10-3PM open to all. RSVP 714 744-1398 sales@pim.net.
- Nov 26 **Long Beach Swap** at Memorial Stadium.
- Dec **TPOC Mtg** Cancelled.
- Dec 3 **TPOC Christmas Party** RSVP to Dave Rudderow or Bob Singer to join this SoCal chapters yearly \$35 event.
- Dec 10 **Long Beach Swap** at Memorial Stadium.
- Dec 30 **Gondola Cruise in Naples** Alamitos Bay at 5437 Ocean Long Beach 5:45PM. \$25.00 p/p or 20+ \$20.00 p/p plus tip. Bring beverage of choice - they provide snacks. Call Dave for reservations 714-969-1301. Dinner at Domenico's 5339 E 2nd St Belmont Shore afterwards.
- Jan 10 **TPOC Mtg** 7PM Mimi's 18461 Brookhurst & Ellis FV. Bring your associate.
- Jan 15? **Plam Springs** to enjoy the sun led by Judy McCartney. Possible tram ride to the top, see the plane museum, gambling, follies or sightseeing.
- Mar 4-5 **Willow Springs Open Track** sponsored by Jim Saxton 626 285-2024.
- Mar 14 **TPOC Mtg** 7PM Mimi's 18461 Brookhurst & Ellis FV. Bring your associate.
- Apr 10 **TPOC Mtg** 7PM Mimi's 18461 Brookhurst & Ellis FV. Bring your associate.
- Apr 25-29 **POCA Las Vegas Fun Rally**
- May 9 **TPOC Mtg** 7PM Mimi's 18461 Brookhurst & Ellis FV. Bring your associate.
- Jun 13 **TPOC Mtg** 7PM Mimi's 18461 Brookhurst & Ellis FV. Bring your associate.

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Please send any changes to Judy McCartney at jpoca2@hotmail.com 'cause we're considering sending a TPOC roster to you. Check your phone numbers, email address and most importantly your associate's name. Oops, it's not normally listed but we do want it for our database anyway. **Then tell us what info you'd like to include or exclude in the roster to all our chapter members. I'm considering placing all the info into a TPOC directory for you.**

Just ask Phyllis if you would like a free TPOC badge. We urge each of the 93 members to wear them proudly.

Write an article of your own and submit it to Mike Drew, or Jack Deryke.

'72 Pantera for sale \$26,500/offer. Black with stock polished & powder coated wheels, Corvette brakes, Fluidyne radiator, 4pt harness, new a/c still in box, MSD, loud stock mufflers, no rust, extended steering column, & new sway bar. Call Marcus at 714 337-1194.

Were you one of the 22 who attended the last meeting?

Nominations are due submit your candidate to join those running. Dave Rudderow President, Rod Kunishige VP, Bill Wright Secretary, Bob Singer Treasury, Gayle Huff, Bill Harris & Gary Hirschberg at large.