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Star Bulletin

November 19 is the Richard Mann Memorial Drive On the Sunrise Highway, with a lunch stop. Guaranteed to be a scenic drive and a beautiful lunch stop on the lake. If you enjoy driving and great scenery this is the tour for you. Let Steve know at inewsx@sbcglobal.net

Christmas party brunch on Sunday, December 17, 2023 at the Southwestern Yacht Club. Party gets underway officially at 1100am. Sign up now and ensure a seat. The gift exchange is worth the price of admission

The MBCA Raffle to win a new Mercedes-Benz is underway. Go to www.mbca.org <https://mbca.ourraffle.org> to enter.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**We have no new members to report.
Calling all recruiters**

Lydia Buchanan

Jim Stewart

Marek Dobke



Presidents Message

Hey Everyone, I know it's a busy time of year for all. With family and guests in town, turkeys to cook, and Christmas season planning we are all busy. With all the great seasonal planning coming up, we have saved the best for last. This month we will have the first ever Richard Mann Memorial Drive. This time of year was chosen for this beautiful scenic drive and color changing of the leaves. This is a full day event so plan accordingly. December will be our annual Christmas Party. If you haven't signed up yet, we would urge you to do so as it is always a nice time. Info for both of these events may be found in this newsletter. Hopefully this has been a fun year and you have been able to reap the rewards of being an MBCA Club member. Discounts at your favorite Mercedes Benz Dealership. The award-winning Star Magazine. Let's not forget the member raffle to win a car as well as the fun local events and newsletter.

Let's finish the year off big and celebrate together!

Cheers, Michael Cooper

Suggestions for activities, text your ideas to me at 760-650-6206. I look forward to your input.

**MBCA Board Meeting January 16, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
at Mimi's on 5180 Mission Center Rd, San Diego**

Note: Our regular Board meetings are scheduled for the third Tuesday of the month. Occasionally meetings are cancelled when there is no pressing business that can't be resolved by electronic means. If you are considering joining the board meeting, please call a board member to make sure there is going to be a meeting.

Take a look at the MBCA website at mbca.org and refresh your memory on the benefits of being a member of the MBCA. The German trips are back and having gone on one I can highly recommend it.

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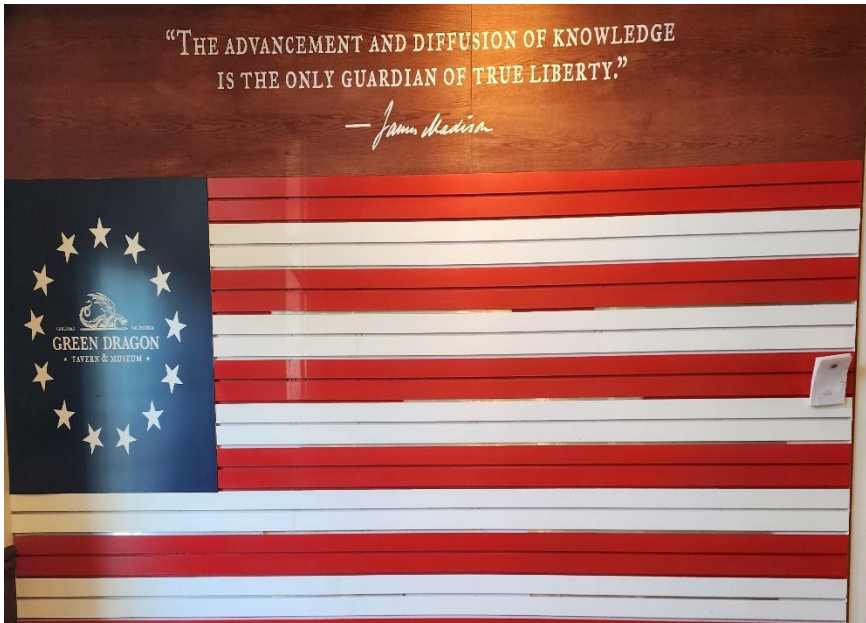
STUFF YOU HAVE ALWAYS WONDERED ABOUT

1927: The London Dailey Sketch newspaper sponsors the revival of the first antique car rallye ran from London to Brighton in 1896. The first of the cars set off from London at 10:30 am and the first arrival in Brighton, by a Duryea Motor Wagon, beating the next closest Brighton arrivals by more than an hour. Two Duryea cars participated in the run, marking the first appearance of American motor vehicles in Europe.



Louise Bazalgette, in her Benz, one of the earliest women motorists in Britain, was photographed at the start of the event on an Arnold motor car (Arnold built Benz cars under license from Benz), with her friend Henry Hewetson. This rallye is still being held each year, in November.

SCENIC DRIVE WITH LUNCH AT THE GREEN DRAGON TAVERN



After a nice drive by Lake Hodges and over the hill to the Pacific Coast Highway, we arrived at the Green Dragon Tavern for lunch. The Green Dragon is a trip back in time to the days when the colonials decided they were no longer happy with the British rules and pledged their lives and fortunes to build a new nation. After seven years of fighting, their efforts come to fruition and the United States came into being. The tavern has some authentic colonial dishes, and copies of the documents pertaining to the founding of the USA are on display.

We rendezvoused at the Kit Carson Park to begin our tour



The gang from left to right; Catherine Woolsey, Rudy Wokoek and Rose Bolton, Pete and Jen Lobner, Diana Kruse, Jack and Lynne Heacock, Billy John and Eliane Hctor, Steve Ross and Michael Cooper. In front, holding the map is the Tour Director Ann Kinner, Bob Gunthorp and Janette Hay.

THE RICHARD MANN MEMORIAL DRIVE

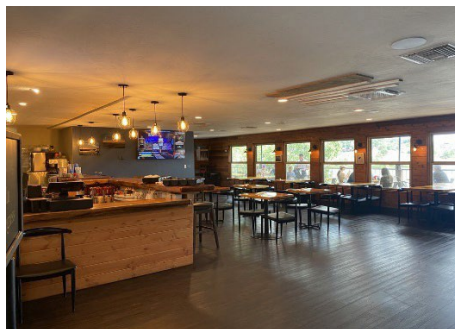


On Sunday November 19, 2023 the club is doing a memorial drive honoring Richard Mann and all the members who loved to drive their Mercedes-Benz and have fun with our fantastic members.

The drive will begin in Poway and proceed through Ramona, Julian for lunch at Lake Cuyamaca and then a drive over the Sunrise Highway and Mt Laguna, to Highway 8 and down to the coast with fall colors, fun roads, and apple pie along the way. We will meet at the Brigantine on 13445 Poway Road in Poway, CA at 9:30 to provided maps, drivers brief and answer questions.

This is arguably the most beautiful, scenic drive in San Diego County. The drive provides a varying view, of desert, mountains and most of all a foliage change of color, reminiscent of the East Coast.

Lunch stop is Cuyamaca the Pub Restaurant and General Store on Lake Cuyamaca. The food here is very good with a view of the lake.



Plan to attend? Contact Steve Ross at inewsx@sbcglobal.net, or 619-508-3925, phone call or text.



Mercedes Benz Club-San Diego Section 2023 Holiday Party

Southwestern Yacht Club
2702 Qualtrough St., San Diego 92106
Sunday, December 17, 2023

The event begins at 11:00am with a brunch buffet beginning at
11:30am

Brunch includes Muffins, Fresh Fruit, Breakfast Potatoes, Scrambled Eggs, Applewood Bacon and Sausage, French Toast and an Omelet Station. Beverages include Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Water and a Mimosa Station with Assorted Juices.

There will be lots of fun things happening, so you don't want to miss out!
Member of the Year Award, 50/50 Drawing (bring cash!), and our annual gift exchange (bring a wrapped gift with a \$25 limit)

Please RSVP (with payment) by Monday, December 11th

First and Last Name(s): _____

Email and Cell #: _____ Adults \$60 each: _____

Children \$30 each: _____ Amount Enclosed _____

Please make your check payable to **MBCA-San Diego Section**

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Gary Allen Jarvis

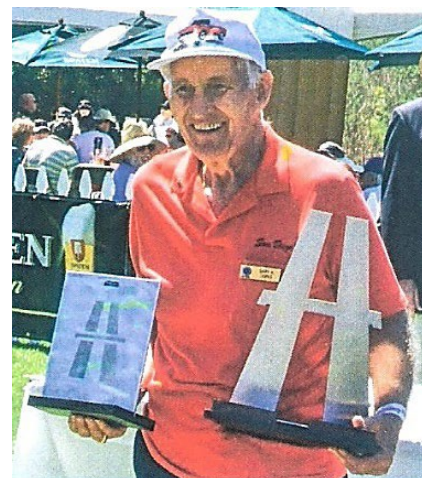
January 14, 1933 - September 7, 2023

LA MESA — Gary Allen Jarvis, 90, passed away peacefully at his home in La Mesa, Ca. on 9/7/23. He was born on 1/14/33 to Raymond Jarvis and Dorothy Carraco. He worked for General Dynamics Corp. Convair & Space Systems as an engineer for 37 years & retired as their head draftsman. He was an extremely intelligent, loving & generous individual who possessed an amazing child like zeal for life. His positive attitude & enthusiasm was infectious to the many lives he touched. He enjoyed traveling the world with his wife Hazel, had many hobbies & was



an avid collector. Gary lived his life to the fullest & will be deeply missed. A private celebration is being planned by his family.

*Please sign the Guest Book online
obituaries.sandiegouniontribune.com*



Gary with his First in Class and Best in Show Awards at Legends of the Autobahn in Monterey

Gary was born in Sacramento. His family moved to San Diego when Gary was 12 years old. In May 1951 shortly before he graduated from High School, he was offered a job at Convair as a draftsman. They wanted him to start right away, but Gary said that he wanted to finish High School first so they compromised. He went to school during the day and worked at Convair at night. Gary spent his entire career at Convair and retired in 1988.

Gary always wanted a Mercedes and in December 1967 when he spotted a 250SL in the Mercedes-Benz of San Diego showroom he went in and purchased it. That was the beginning of his lifelong love affair with Mercedes-Benz vehicles. Gary told me that he owned 16 Mercedes during his lifetime. One day in 1969 Gary having his 250SL serviced at the dealership, when Heinz Gietz, the service manager, told Gary about the Mercedes-Benz Club and suggested that he join the Club. Gary joined the Club in 1970. Gary was a very active member of the Club. The club became one of his passions after he retired. Gary served several times on the Club's board of directors and he chaired many Club events including National events. He was very competitive in both driving and judged Concours events. Gary was always willing to help people with their Mercedes questions.

I met Gary in 1973 and he was one of the people who convinced my wife, Terry and I to join the Mercedes-Benz Club. In addition to his Mercedes, he also collected "American Flyer" model trains and "erector sets". Gary had three cars restored to top Concourse condition. The first one was a 300SL Roadster. The second one was a 300SL Gullwing. Note: When Gary sold the Gullwing it was the highest amount a Gullwing sold for up to that time. His final restoration was his beloved 250SL that he purchased new in 1967. In 2013 Gary took the 250SL to Legends of the Audubon. The photo on the right is Gary receiving the "First in Class" and the "Best of Show" awards.

Gary was always a perfect gentleman. In all of the years I knew Gary, I never saw him lose his temper. Gary will be missed by his many friends.

Bob Gunthorp

THE RAFFLE IS ON!! HERE IS A CHANCE TO WIN THAT NEW MERCEDES-BENZ WE HAVE ALWAYS WANTED. ONE OF OUR SECTION MEMBERS WON A NEW E CLASSA FEW YEARS AGO.

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(or choose equivalent cash)

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One of our section members won an e-Class Cabriolet a few years ago.



WIN A CHICKEN DINNER



Marjo Miller as the first to correctly identify this 1956 Continental MKII, and Mark Rothermich also identified the car. At a sticker price of \$10,000.00 it was the most expensive car built in America at that time. The MarkII was only

made for two years with a total production of 3005 cars. It was said that Ford lost \$1000.00 on every car sold.



MYSTERY CAR FOR OCTOBER IS THIS BEAUTY

If you are the first to identify the manufacturer, year and coach builder, you have won a Chicken dinner.

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***CHICKEN DINNER RULES: CONTESTANTS MAY ONLY WIN 2 CHICKEN DINNERS PER CALENDAR YEAR.**

Even if you have won your allotted limit, please guess anyway...and if you're correct, the editor will buy you a big orange drink at our next event.

FOR SALE



1975 450SL, 158,000 miles. Original owner, clean title. Well maintained with both hard and soft top, in great shape. Excellent mechanical condition. No scratches or dents. Exterior color French Blue, interior Beige Brown

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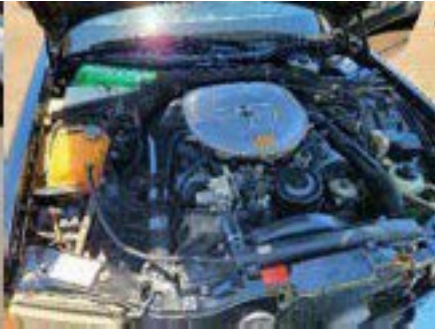
FOR SALE



1973 Mercedes Benz 280C Coupe. One Owner. Runs and drives great. In mint condition inside and out. It has always been kept in the garage since purchased. It has been driven and treated as a classic since the early 1990s.

Asking \$20,000.00. Contact Harold at 949-813-7766 for more information. Shown by appointment only

FOR SALE



THIS VERY CLEAN 1991 560SEC IS BEING OFFERED FOR SALE

This excellent example of a 560SEC has been driven only 112,000 miles since new. Current owner has owned the car for the past 20 plus years and has all the records. All original except for a professionally installed Alpine CD player. Recent work completed, new Michelin tires, hood pad, brakes, battery and oil change. Car Fax available, always garaged and car cover, same mechanic for twenty years. Selling because owner does not have time to drive the car as it should be. Prefers to sell to a club member who will appreciate the automobile.

ASKING \$28,000 Contact Rita at 858-472-7970

ASSUME THESE TWO GUYS ARE TRYING TO START THIS BEAST



SALE OR 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" Mail Steve Ross inewsx@sbcglobal.net Please contact Steve every month to continue your AD

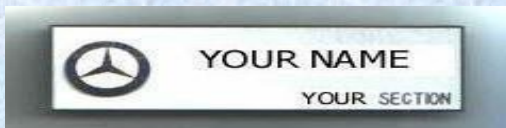
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We are always looking for volunteers to help out with ideas, planning, and coordinating events.

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We would love to get to know you & your Mercedes-Benz. 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. All payments are made via credit card.

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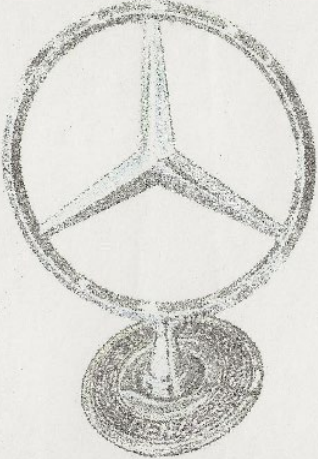
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2023 Schedule of Events MBCA – San Diego Section

Our motto “Have it your way, as long as it’s FUN!” Always remember...this is YOUR club. **Events highlighted in red are not official events, but you may want to attend.**

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

Month	Event Name	Date	Managing Rep
November	HWY 80 (Richard Mann Event)	Nov 19	Ann
December	Holiday Party	Dec 17	Diana

SEE YA ON THE ROAD



Photo by Diana Kruse

This photo won third place in the Nostalgic Driving Tour of Tuscany photo contest.

If you can correctly identify the driver of this R107 you will receive a Starbucks gift card.