



NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF CAR CLUBS

“Where Car Enthusiasts Meet”

FOUNDED IN 1977 TO REPRESENT THE AUTOMOBILE HOBBY IN NEW MEXICO

MEETS 4TH WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH, JANUARY-OCTOBER AT 6:30 pm (New Time!)

NEWSLETTER FOR AUGUST 2025

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2025 at 6:30pm. (New Time!)

PLEASE NOTE: OUR PERMANENT MEETING SITE IS NOW MANZANO MESA MULTIGENERATIONAL CENTER, 501 ELIZABETH ST. SE.

Don't Forget— The next Council event will be at the State Fair in cooperation with the Fair on Friday, Sept. 5 and Friday, Sept. 12. Check our website, nmcouncil.com, for more info.

Robert Gold of the Wheels of Gold CC is webmaster and newsletter editor. Check the web site to for the updated event listing and to make sure your club's info is correct. If not, contact **Robert** at President@nmcouncil.com

A WELCOME TO NEW CAR COUNCIL MEMBERS!

The New Mexico Council of Car Clubs is growing. At our July meeting we added the following clubs:

1. **Name of club--** The Old Town Car Club. **Council Rep/Club President—**Phil Chavez. **Contact email —**Pchavez52@comcast.net
2. **Name of club—**Bike Mike's Car Club. **Council Rep/Club President—**“Big Mike” Lovato. **Contact email—**Vatolocosalsa@gmail.com.

Info about these new members can be found on our website, nmcouncil.com. We are looking forward to seeing these new members at our meetings and participating in the Council's events. Thank you so much for your interest in your NM Car Council!





The Passing of Bill Lemen

We are sad to report the death of Bill Lemen, former secretary of the Car Council. What follows are observations from Joyce Clements:

For all who knew Bill Lemen, he passed away last Thursday in Arizona from complications with his leg and diabetes. There will be a celebration of life for him at a later time. Bill was an avid collector of vintage cars and was seen frequently at car shows and events. He was a Museum Show and Council Swap Meet volunteer for many years. He owned cars of several American brands and models; he was particularly fond of Lincolns and station wagons. Bill was a member of the Old Car Club of Albuquerque, the Lincoln Club, and active with the Car Council, acting as secretary to NMCCC and OCCA; he was also newsletter editor for the OCCA. Bill was known to many, many car hobbyists, an active financial advisor, and a collector of toy cars. He was always ready for a joke, had a great sense of humor, and a million stories. May he rest in peace. With many fond memories, Joyce



Threes the Charm— Report of the 2025 Collector Car Event



It's hard to believe, but this year marks the 3rd year Your New Mexico Car Council hosted Collector Car Appreciation Day at the Wheels Museum. The event turned out to be the best one by far. Here is a report on that exciting event.

As a bit of background, Collector Car Appreciation Day has been a national event since Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA).began promoting the day in 2010. Since then the show has been located in a number of venues around our town. Sadly, in recent years sponsorship of the Day seemed to disappear, so Your Car Council stepped up in the last few years to head up the effort. Leba Freed of the Wheels Museum kindly agreed to co-host the show. Thanks to the support of the museum and the car community, the Collector Car Show has returned to our town and I'm sure all the attendees would agree it was a hoot.



This year's event attracted 31 cars to the parking lot of the Wheels Museum. But it wasn't just your normal group of cars of a particular make or model. This year we had a bunch of different kinds of cars along with their owners to mark the event. Outstanding among the entries was a most significant car not seen much at classic events. The one the only, a 1993 Geo Metro convertible! Really, when was the last time you saw such a stunning ride?

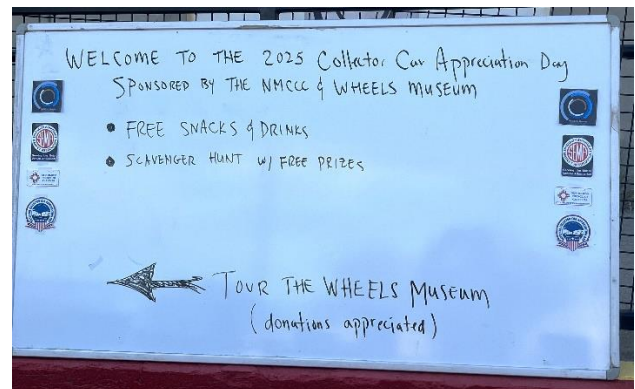


As I said before, this is a national event and as part of its rollout is a yearly proclamation supported by various governmental groups throughout the country. This year our proclamation was presented to the public by nonother that Albuquerque City Councilor Klarissa Pena of District 3. Klarissa was kind enough to step up on a Sunday morning and support the car hobby. She delighted the crowd with stories about her 1959 Pink Cadillac. Unfortunately, we were not treated to her car, but having Klarissa at the show was greatly appreciated. It's nice to know we have an elected individual who supports what we do!

Of course I can't forget to mention the Wheels Museum. Year after year I realize more how important this museum is to our car community. We conducted a fun scavenger hunt to encourage attendees to tour the Wheels. A common comment was that many of the attendees didn't know about the museum and how impressed they were with the variety of its displays. If you haven't visited the Wheels take some time and come on down to 2nd street and see what they have to offer!!!



So as I said it was the variety of cars that set off this year's effort. The entries, pictured below included mix of foreign and domestic cars and trucks. But there was more! Every entrant left with a Collector Car dash plaque as well as free stuff to snack on, a myriad of free gifts and prizes for anyone lucky enough to stop by. Here's some pictures from the event that will give you an idea of the variety of rides on display. Check 'em out!





IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

I need to end this report on sorta a sad note. This getting old is starting to wear me down. I’m one of those guys who took a drink when they ended Prohibition. Just kidding, but I am old enough to remember Eisenhower being elected President. I’m just not up for all the things it takes to oversee a successful car show. Therefore, this year’s event will be my last time heading up the fun. I’m sure whoever takes over will make this day even better. I know one thing for sure, the classic car hobby looks to be hitting its “Golden Age” here in New Mexico. I can’t wait to attend the many wonderful car shows we will have in our area in the future. **SEE YOU THERE!!**—Robert Gold, Editor



NMCCC SPONSORED EVENTS AND OTHER CAR EVENTS IN OR AROUND NEW MEXICO THROUGH 2025.

Please note: The most current calendar of New Mexico events can be found on the Council website, nmcarcouncil.com

Updated 8-12-25

CAR EVENTS, IN OR AROUND NEW MEXICO 2025

Date of Event	Name of event	Description
August 9, 2025	Farmington, NM-- 6th Annual Celebrate Recovery Car Show	Brookside Park, Farmington Wes Lisenbee-- 432.307.0484

August 10, 2025	Rio Rancho, NM-- Hot Bourque Car & Bike Show Nights	\$10 entry, 3 pm, 4500 Arrowhead Ridge DR, Rio Rancho, NM	The Hopper Pub & Pizzeria
August 10, 2025	Albuquerque, NM-- New Mexico Car Council All Clubs Picnic	10 am- 3 pm, Pine Flats Picnic Area, Cibola National Forest, Tijeras, NM	Info: President@nmcarcouncil.com , nmcarcouncil.com
August 15-17, 2025	Gunnison, CO-- 37th Annual Gunnison Car Show		info@gunnisoncarclub.com , website-gunnisoncarclub.com
August 16, 2025	Rio Rancho, NM-- Mopar Challenge Series Races	6 pm, ABQ Raceway, Albuquerque, NM Set up 7 am- 9 am, Show 9 am- 1 pm, St. Therese Church, 3474 4th St. NW, Albuquerque, \$30 registration benefitting Organ Donor's	nmmopars@gmail.com
August 16, 2025	Albuquerque, NM-- 3rd Annual Bill Raul Talauer's Car Show		
August 17, 2025	Blanco, NM-- Wine and Shine, Wines of the San Juan	233 NM 511, Blanco, NM	Registration- https://www.winesofthesanjuan.com/autoshow , Contact- Brittney 970.903.4177
August 23-24, 2025	Albuquerque, NM-- Pistons for Patriots Veteran Benefit Car Show	Expo New Mexico, All Proceeds to Paws & Stripes, featuring celebrity guest, Bill Carlton from Texas Metal	www.pistonsforpatriots.com
August 23, 2025	Albuquerque, NM-- High Destert Mustangs	10 am- 2 pm, Albertsons Market, 11825 Lomas Blvd NE	hdmustangclub@gmail.com
August 23, 2025	Grants-Milan, NM-- 3rd Annual Wings 'N Wheels	8 am- 2 p, Grants-Milan Municipal Airport	505.287.4700
August 23, 2025	Las Cruces, NM-- Car Show Fiesta	Sisbarro Buick GMC, 425 W. Boutz RD	Jim Jansen- 920.248.1122
August 24, 2025	Albuquerque, NM-- Camero Club Make a Wish Car Show	Target on Paseo Del Norte and I-25, 6100 Paseo Del Norte NE	505.715.3708
August 27, 2025	NMCCC-- General Meeting	6:30 pm-- Manzano Mesa Multigerational Center-- 501 Elizabeth St SE, Albuquerque, NM-- Member clubs and vistors welcome	Robert Gold President@nmcarcouncil.com
September 1, 2025	Albuquerque, NM-- Power Ford Labor Day Car Show	9 am- 1 pm, Lots open at 7 am, \$30 entry fee, 1101 Montano Rd NE, Albuquerque	https://powerford.formstack.com/forms/labor_day_preregistration_2025?fbclid=IwY2xjawL9p6tleHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHk4BjC7dLX_
September 1, 2025	Farmington, NM-- 2025 W.E. Rock Grand Nationals	Location varies by event	505.716.0269
Sept. 5,6,7,12,13,14, 2025	Albuquerque, NM-- State Fair Car Shows 2025	See displays below:	craig.vencill@state.nm.gov
September 5, 2025	1st Annual NM State Fair Main Street Night Car Show	4 pm group entry to fairgrounds, show 6 pm- 10 pm	craig.vencill@state.nm.gov , nmcarcouncil.com

September 6, 2025	State Fair- "Mopars on the Midway, Classic VW's, Classic Jaguars + others		craig.vencill@state.nm.gov
September 6, 2025	State Fair. Parade Day on Cntral Ave. Lowriders at Tingly		craig.vencill@state.nm.gov
September 7, 2025	State Fair- Model T's, Model A's, Early Ford V-8s, Antique Car Show- Old Town Car Club, NMSF, Classic Tractors		craig.vencill@state.nm.gov
September 12, 2025	1st Annual NM State Fair Main Street Night Car Show	4 pm group entry to fairgrounds, show 6 pm- 10 pm	craig.vencill@state.nm.gov , nmcarcouncil.com
Septemr 13, 2025	State Fair-Hot Rods & Customs Cars- (Jerry Velasquez)- Main Street, Rio Grande Mustangs-Heritage Ave.		craig.vencill@state.nm.gov
September 14, 2025	State Fair- Corvairs, NMSF Classic Cars & Trucks		craig.vencill@state.nm.gov
September 6, 2025	Bosque Farms, NM-- Automania Fiesta Car Show	10 am- 5 pm, 1350 Bosque Farms Blvd	www.automaniafiestacarshow.com , 505-306-2255
September 14, 2025	Cloudcroft, NM-- Heritage Day Car Show	Chamber of Commerce- Dwntn	Toney Aiello- 575.649.1932
September 19-20, 2025	Ruidoso, NM-- Run to Ruidoso	Ruidoso Downs Race Track	Rusty- 575.937.5215
September 20, 2025	Vado, NM-- Show/Swap Meet	Vado Speedway Park	Jim Erickson- 505.642.8818
September 24, 2025	NMCCC-- General Meeting	6:30 pm-- Manzano Mesa Multgerational Center-- 501 Elizabeth St SE, Albuquerque, NM-- Member clubs and vistors welcome	RobertGoldPresident@nmcarcouncil.com
September 27, 2025	Albuquerque, NM-- 505 Model Fiesta	UNM Continuing Ed Center	Chuck- ABQMCC1@yahoo.com
September 28, 2025	Albuquerque/Worldwide- - Gentlemans Drive	Three hour tour with lunch. 10 am- 2 pm.	https://www.gentlemansdrive.com/
October 4, 2025	Mescalero, NM- 38th Run to the Inn of Mtn Gods	Inn of the Mountain Gods	Ron Duscha- 915.528.3601, earlytimesstreetrodders.com
October 8, 2025	T or C, NM-- 4th Annual Veteran's Day Car Show	9 am- 3 pm, Albert Lyons Event Center	Bev Kasiah- 575.740.1004
October 11, 2025	Mesilla, NM-- 21 Los Leones Car Show	Mesilla Town Hall	Richard- 575.642.4740
October 11-12, 2025	Albuquerque, NM-- Swap Meet	ABQ Dragway	Mike- 505.315.6949
October 18, 2025	Rio Rancho, NM-- Mopar Challenge Series Races	6 pm, ABQ Raceway, Albuquerque, NM	nmmopars@gmail.com

October 18, 2025	Las Cruces, NM-- Octoberfest	Sisbarrow VW Autoworld	Jeff Jansen- 920.248.1122
October 18, 2025	Las Cruces, NM-- 18th Donate for Life Car Show	8 am- 3 pm, Young Park	Lupe Jimenez- 575.649.7814
October 22, 2025	NMCCC-- General Meeting	6:30 pm-- Manzano Mesa Multgerational Center-- 501 Elizabeth St SE, Albuquerque, NM-- Member clubs and vistors welcome	Robert Gold President@nmcarcouncil.com
November 8, 2025	T or C, NM-- 4th Annual Veteran's Day Car Show	9 am- 3 pm, Albert Lyons Event Center	Bev Kasiah- 575.740.1004
November 8, 2025	El Paso, TX-- Rockabilly Riot	Lincoln par-- 11 am- 7 pm	rockabillyriotelpasotx.com
December 6, 2025	Las Cruces, NM-- Cruising Council Xmas Toy Run	Old Kmart (Hwy 70)- Rudy's	Hector Castro- 575.650.4018



Recurring Events

Updated 4/8/2025

RECURRING CAR CLUB MEETINGS AND EVENTS 2025

New Mexico Car Clubs Meeting Information

Where/When	Description	Contact info
Albuquerque, NM- Fourth Wednesday of the Month	<u>New Mexico Council of Car Clubs</u> , 6:30 pm-- Manzano Mesa Multgerational Center- - 501 Elizabeth St SE, Albuquerque, NM-- Member clubs and vistors welcome	Robert Gold President@nmcarcouncil.com
Albuquerque, NM- First Sunday of the Month	<u>Albuquerque Model Car Club</u> , Afternoon, Wheels Museum, Albuquerque Model Car Club 2024 Meetings: Every 1st Sunday @ 2:00 p.m. Folks can arrive as early as 12 Noon to build and talk models. Meeting starts at 2:00 and ends around 4:00 Meeting Location: Wheels Museum 1100 2nd St SW Albuquerque, New Mexico	ABQMCC1@yahoo.com, Rich Hansell 505- 837-1346

Albuquerque, NM-- First Tuesday of the Month	<u>The AAAPVWCLUB/Rt66 ACVW</u> meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7 pm at Fuddruckers on Pan American South near Jefferson	aaavwclub@aol.com
Las Cruces, NM- First Sunday of the Month	<u>Borderland A's Model A Ford Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America</u> , meets 1st Sunday at 2:30 pm at the Branigan Library, North Main at Spruce, Las Cruces	Rick Black- 541.499.1356
Albuquerque, NM-- 3rd Friday of the month (except December)	<u>New Mexico Corvette Association</u> at Car Crafters, 600 Montano Blvd, NE, Albuquerque, NM, at 6:30 pm	Mary Mleczko Membership Chairman, Info@nmc Corvette.org
Albuquerque, NM-- 3rd Saturday of each month	<u>High Desert, Mustang Club</u> , Meetings at 10:00 am North Domingo Baca Park, 7521 Carmel Ave NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113	hdmustangclub@gmail.com
Rio Rancho, NM- Second Sunday of the Month	<u>The Rio Grande Corvette Club</u> meets the second Sunday of the month at 3201 Renaissance Drive, Rio Rancho, NM 87124. (Southern and Country Club Rd). <u>This is a gated community.</u>	Jerry-- 505.688.7381
Carlsbad, NM-- First Thursday of the Month	<u>Cars Club of Carlsbad (Carlsbad Automobile Restoration Society)</u> , Pizza Inn, 1210 West Pierce	Amy Pence- pence@plateautel.net, www.carsclubofcarlsbad.com
Albuquerque, NM- Second Friday of the Month	<u>CRC (Christian Rods & Customs)</u> , meets at 6 pm on the second Friday of every month at Grace Church on Ellison NE	Gary Burns- gjburns625@gmail.com, 505.903.2840
Albuquerque, NM-- First Tuesday of the Month	<u>Tumbleweed Ford V8 Club of Albuquerque</u> , meetings at the North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center, 7600 Carmel NE at 7 pm.	Contact Joyce at oldcarnut1932@gmail.com
Alamogordo, NM- First Thursday of the Month	<u>The Golden Gears Car Club</u> , NORMALLY meets on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7 pm at the VW Office Hwy 70 Alamogordo	Valerie LaRue- brebiz@yahoo.com

Las Cruces, NM-- 1st Tuesday of Month	<u>Las Cruces Car Council</u> meets at 6:30pm @ Rudy's Bar-B-Q	Info- Sandy-- seric1998@yahoo.com
Las Cruces, NM-- 1st Wednesday of Monnth	<u>Las Cruces Cruising Council</u> , meets at 7:00 pm, Rudy's BBQ party room, Las Cruces	Hector- exclusives-mazda@hotmail.com
Albuquerque, NM-- Every third Thursday	<u>Mopar Muscle Club of NM</u> , meets at 7:00 pm at Luigi's on 4th Street, Albuquerque,	Leona, Secretary, lctarta@sandia.gov , nmmopars@gmail.com
Albuquerque, NM00 first Thursday of the month	<u>Old Car Club of Albuquerque</u> , meets at Sandia Presbyterian Church, 10704 Paseo del Norte NE at 7 pm.	Contact Joyce at oldcarnut1932@gmail.com
Albuquerque, NM-- 4th Thursday of the Month except in November (one week early)	<u>The Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque</u> meet at their new location North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center (Paseo del Norte & Wyoming) 7521 Carmel Ave Ne always at 6:30 pm.	tinlizziesofabq@gmail.com
Albuquerque, NM- Second Tuesday of the Month	<u>The Vintage Chevrolet Club of America Rio Grande Region</u> meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm at Dion's Pizza, 11000 Cnetral Ave SEE at Elizabeth Ave.	Bruce Miller- bmiller2tx@yahoo.com
Albuquerque, NM-- First Tuesday of the Month	<u>The Rt 66 VW Club</u> meets the first Tuesday of the month at Fudruckers off of I25 at 7 pm, if you choose to have dinner there come at 6:30 pm.	Vikki Snow- bikkiridgley@msn.com

<p>Albuquerque, NM-- 4th Saturday of the Month</p>	<p><u>The Zia Studebaker Packard Club</u> USUALLY meets the 4th Saturday of the month at 1 pm. The location is at a DIFFERENT area restaurant or event during the year.</p>	<p>Charlie Brown-- cfbrown1949@yahoo.com</p>
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*****Recurring Car Events Information*****

Where/When	Description	Contact info
Albuquerque, NM- Every 3rd Saturday	Sandia BMW Coffee Meet & Greet- 8:30am- 10:30am, Sandia BMW, 600 Pan American Fwy, Albuquerque	
Albuquerque, NM-- Every 2nd Saturday (April-October 2025)	3 pm, <i>Cruisin South 66</i> , Meet at Heritage Park Los Lunas-- Rickshaws Motor Club	
Albuquerque, NM Every Tuesday 7am- 9am	Hot Rod/Old Car Breakfast & Chile Fix-- at Chile Fix 3351 Candelaria NE	Eugene Burditt & Joe Cromey
Albuquerque, NM-- First Friday of Month- April-October	6 pm- 9 pm, Camille's Café, Friday Night Rides, Eat, Relax Drive	
Albuquerque, NM-- Every Tuesday	7 am- 9 pm, Hot Rod/Old Car Breakfast & Fix-- at Chile Fix 3351 Candelaria NE	Eugene Burditt & Joe Cromey
Albuquerque, NM Saturday mornings	Breakfast at Rich Ford- Saturday mornings, 7:30- 9:30am, Rich Ford-- Wyoming and Lomas, Albuquerque	Paul McLaughlin-- pmacautoart@msn.com

Albuquerque, NM Saturdays	Donut Derelicts meet at The Market Place at the Journal Center at 8am on Saturdays, 7620 Jefferson NE (on Jefferson between Paseo & San Antonio) Park on NW corner	pasalerno@prodigy.net, Pat Salerno
Albuquerque, NM 1st Saturday of the month	Cars-N-Coffee-- Owl Café July-Dec, 1st Saturday of the month-- Owl Café, Lomas & Eubank, Albuquerque	Ski Martin-- 505-291-4900
Albuquerque, NM 2nd Saturday of each month	Cars & Coffee-- April thru October-- 2nd Saturday of month-- Grace Church parking lot, 6901 San Antonio NE, Albuquerque	bcougar67@msn.com, 505-301-8857
Albuquerque, NM 3rd Saturday each month April-Oct	Christian Rods & Customs Cruise Night--3rd Saturday each month April-Oct , 6pm 'til ?, Eastdale Shopping Center at Eubank NE and Candelaria NE	www.christianroddsandcustoms.org or see facebook
Albuquerque, NM Saturday mornings	Cars & Coffee, 7:45 am to 11 am, Satellite Coffee, 7600 Jefferson NE	https://carsandcoffeeabq.weebly.com/location.html
Albuquerque, NM Scheduled times	Owl Café invites car clubs to eat at the Owl, 800 Eubank NE. Will reserve patio for your meeting.	505-291-4900 to reserve
Albuquerque, NM, 1st Thursday of the month, May to October 2023	4pm-8pm, Car Show/ Live Music, North Domingo Multigenerational Center, Wyoming North of Paseo del Norte	cbp37@q.com
Albuquerque, NM-- Monthly (beginning Oct 14, 2023)	Cars & Coffee, beginning Oct 14, 8am-10am, Poulin Design Center & Marketplace, 8600 Pan American Freeway NE, Ste B	Chamisa Roehrig-croehrig@poulinremodeling.com
Albuquerque, NM- Second Thursday's of the Month	Monica's El Portal Resturant, 321 Rio Grande Blvd NW at 8am.	Art Sena 505-220-0143
Albuquerque, NM- Every Saturday	Westside Car & Coffee, 9am-11am, Bask Bath Bar- 5750 McMahon Blvd. NW	Andy Thompson-westsideccabq@gmail.com

Albuquerque, NM-- Saturdays	Car & Coffee Albuquerque, 7:45am- 11am, Satellite Coffee, 7600 Jefferson St. NE	
Albuquerque, NM-- 1st Saturday of the month	Mopar Muscle Club of NM Cars-n-Coffee, 9:00 am at El Patron north of Paseo del Norte	Leona, Secretary- lctarta@sandia.gov, nmmopars@gmail.com
Alamogordo, NM- 1st Saturday of the month	Cars & Coffee Cruise-in, Casa Toyota, 333 N. White Sands Blvd.	Casa Toyota- 575.921.5580
Bernalillo, NM 3rd Wed. Evening each month	Daniel's Under the Hood Crew: Cruise Night, 5:00pm 'til ?-- Abuelito's on Hwy 313 Bernalillo	Priscilla 505-250-7990
Bosque Farms, NM-- Every Wednesday	Car guys breakfast- Sopas Restaurant, 1700 Bosque Farms Blvd.	Bud Hennessy-- 505.715.3951
Carlsbad, NM-- Second and Fourth Saturday of the Month	Cars and Coffee, 8 am- 10 am, Kaliedoscoops, 425 N. Canal, Carlsbad, NM	Amy Pence-- pence@plateautel.net, www.carsclubofcarlsbad.com
Cedar Crest, NM East Mountains Cars & Coffee	Last Saturday in months April- Oct from 8:30am-10:00 am. Parking lot between Cabra Coffee and Cedar Crest PO	cturner@sandia.gov or Deb Toner debtoner505@gmail.com
Farmington, NM 2nd Saturday each month	NNMSR Cars, Coffee & Donuts-- Farmington 2nd Saturday each month from 8:30am- ? at Dunkin Donuts, San Juan Plaza	Belinda Kennedy-- belindas87@msn.com 505-609-3547
El Paso, TX Every 3rd Friday	Cruise At Blake's Lotaburger, Hawkins & I-10	Clark Scott-- 951-965-1727
El Paso, TX 2nd Saturday of each month	Caffeine & Octane, 9-11am at Peter Piper Pizza, Coronado	Charles Roybal-- car408w@gmail.com
Farmington, NM 2nd Saturday of each month	NNMSR Cars & Coffee-- 8:30am -?, Farmington Dunkin Donuts, San Juan Plaza	Belinda Kennedy- belindas87@msn.com, 505.609.3547.

Gallup, NM--First Friday of each month	Friday Night Rides, 6 pm- 9 pm, Camille's Sidewalk Café.	Bethany- bethannsilva@gmail.com
Las Cruces, NM 3rd Sunday each month	Sunday Cruise, 3rd Sunday each month, Downtown Plaza	Hector Castro-- 575-650-4018
Las Cruces, NM 3rd Sunday	Pancake Breakfast@Airport-- EAA Hangar	Wes Baker-- 575.520-0451
Las Cruces, NM 1st Friday	LC Friday Cruise-- Downtown Plaza to ???	Hector Castro-- 575.650.4018
Las Cruces, NM From 6-8pm each Saturday night, April-October	Cruise from 6-8pm each Saturday night, April-October, Dion's on Lohman Oct-April.	Rex Porter 575-650-8547
Las Cruces, NM- Wednesdays	Old Geezer Hot Rod Lunch, 11 am to whenever, Dion's on El Paseo	Rex Porter 575-650-8547
Las Cruces, NM 1st Saturday every month	Swap Meet-- Big Daddy's Flea Market	Walter Brown 575-541-1198
Las Cruces, NM	Las Cruces Cars & Coffee Milagro's Coffee, Las Cruces, NM	cruces_carsncoffee@yahoo.com or facebook Cruces Cars and Coffee
Los Lunas, NM-- 2nd Saturday of the month	Rickshaws monthly cruise	Ed Marihugh-- marihughhome@gmail.com
Rio Rancho, NM Each Friday night	Tacos & Rides-- Each Friday night, 7pm-9pm, Café Bella Coffee, 2115 Golf Course Rd SE, Rio Rancho, NM	Mike Gonzales, gonzalesracing@gmail.com
Santa Fe, NM 1st Saturday of the month	Cars & Coffee--First Saturday every month, 9-11am, Four Season Rancho Encantado	Sponsors Palenian and Bob Hall
Tijeras, NM 2nd Saturday each month June-Oct	Ice Cream Social Cruise Night 2nd Saturday each month June-Oct Old Tyme Shop Ice Cream Parlor-- Rte. 14- 6:30-Closing.	(505) 281-3892, oldtymeshop@msn.com

<p>T or C, NM 1st Saturday of the month</p>	<p>T or C, NM-- R & C Sumthin's Ice Cream Shop Saturday Night Cruising- 902 N. Date St, 575.894-1040, sumthins@windstream.net T or C- 1st Sat of month, May- Oct, 5-9 pm</p>
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*****RACING*****

Name of Event	Description	Contact info
Racing-- Mopar Challenge Series	ABQ Dragway	www.nmmopars.com or nmmopars@gmail.com
Racing-- Southwest Motorsports	Sandia Speedway	www.swms.org
Albuquerque Dragway	Directions-- S Broadway, E on Bobby Foster Rd	www.abqdragway.com or 888-925-2227



Minutes: June 25, 2025 Meeting
By JD Doran, Secretary

Called to order by the President, *about 15 member organizations represented*

- The President welcomed Council members to the monthly meeting
- The President opened the floor for announcements from members
- Treasurer Joe Ballengee reported that the Council's finances were good
- The Minutes of the April Council meeting appeared in the Newsletter
- Guest Speaker(s) – none
- **Old Business:**
 - **MUSEUM CAR SHOW** (May 18) report & summary.
 - **La Vida Llena Car Show** – (June 13) report & summary.
 - **Patriot Palooza** – (June 14) Goodwill on San Mateo NE report & summary.
 - **Father's Day Car Show** – (June 15) Edgewood report & summary.
 - **Fall Sock Hop & Cruise** – *Alternative events / cruises / show-off being considered including the State Fair, and the Route 66 Celebration*
 - **Swap Meet** – (October 10 - 11) at the Drag Strip ??
- **New Business:**
 - **Collector Car Appreciation Day** (July 13) *Robert Gold, sponsor – ordered dash plaques – will have a City Councilor present Proclamation and awards*
 - **Freedom Celebration** – (June 28) at EXPO NM
 - **All Car Clubs Picnic** – (August 10) at Oak Flats, sponsored by Ron Rymarz
 - **Annual Make a Wish Show** – (August 24) Camaro Club, Target on Paseo

- **State Fair** – (September 5 - 14) at EXPO NM
- **Veteran's Day Celebration** – (November 8) T or C, Lyons Event Center
- **OTHER EVENTS?**
 - Check the Council WebSite for updated events, both Council events and Member Club sponsored events, and report on successful, NMCCC-promoted events
 - Individual clubs are encouraged to promote their events on the Council WebSite
- Adjourn



Minutes: July 23, 2025 Meeting
By JD Doran, Secretary

Called to order by the President, very good attendance of 20 members

- The President welcomed Council members to the monthly meeting
- Opened the floor for announcements from members
 - Welcome to new members from Old Town Car Club
 - Welcome to new member Big Mike Logan
- Treasurer Joe Ballengee reported that the Council's finances were excellent
- Appointed Joel Sanchez to fill Executive Board vacancy (approved by voice vote)
- The Minutes of the June Council meeting appeared on the NMCCC Website
- Guest Speaker(s) –
 - State Fair schedule (and invitations) presented in depth by Craig Vencill (Expo NM)
 First and Second Fridays promoted as pre-registered event in addition to the schedule
 Regular schedule for Saturday and Sunday Club Displays (attached) was discussed
- **Old Business:**
 - **MUSEUM CAR SHOW** (May 18) completed, no outstanding bills or activities
 - **Collector Car Appreciation Day** (July 13)
City Councilor presented the Proclamation during Awards Presentation
 - **all Sock Hop & Cruise** – *Alternative events / cruises / show-off being considered including the planned **Route 66 Celebration***
 - **Swap Meet** – (October 10 - 11) at the Drag Strip ?? no new information
- **New Business:**
 - **All Car Clubs Picnic** – (August 10) at Oak Flats (not Pine Flats) 10 – 2 event
 - **Annual Make a Wish Show** – (August 24) Camaro Club, Target on Paseo
 - **Veteran's Day Celebration** – (November 8) T or C, Lyons Event Center
 - **Sandia Casino** wants to fully sponsor a Car Show on site
- **OTHER EVENTS?**
 - Check the Council WebSite for updated events, both Council events and Member Club sponsored events, and report on successful, NMCCC-promoted events
 - Individual clubs are encouraged to promote their events on the Council WebSite
- Adjourn

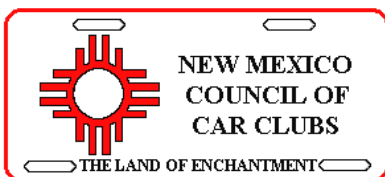


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OK. I know you've already seen a picture of this extremely rare Metro convertible earlier in this newsletter. But I believe this ride deserves another look especially since this shot includes the happy owner, nonother than the Council's Treasurer Joe Ballengee. Thank you, Joe, for bringing out this amazing car for the public to see. I heard he may be taking this "sleeper" out to the dragway to show off its unbelievably strong multi-cylinder internal combustion engine!

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 27, 2025 AT 6:30 pm.

DON'T FORGET!! *The next Council event will be at the State Fair in cooperation with the Fair on Sept. 5 and Friday, Sept 12. Check our website nmcarcouncil.com for mor info.*