



Best of Show, 1930 Duesenberg J  
Murphy Dual-Cowl Phaeton owned by Ross  
& Beth Myers. Photo: Stephen Russo



# THE 10TH SAN MARINO MOTOR CLASSIC

HOSTS THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION'S GRAND CLASSIC • BY AARON WEISS



Classics on the grass at Lacy Park. Photo: Howard-Koby



Steve Babinsky's 1928 Lincoln L Locke Sports Phaeton. Photo: Stephen Russo



National Board members Vicki Zeiger,  
Steve Babinsky and Fred Lax

The tenth San Marino Motor Classic was greeted by pleasant weather and blue skies as over 450 cars graced the emerald lawns of Lacy Park in San Marino. The weekend long tribute to the motorcar began on Saturday afternoon at Hing Wa Lee Jewelers where owner David Lee entertained over 150 car enthusiasts at his upscale jewelry store. Guests enjoyed cold beverages while admiring ten of David's Ferrari's displayed in the parking lot. At 4:00 p.m., a large crowd gathered at Lacy Park for the Automotive Fine Arts Society Art Exposition and Sale. Ten AFAS member artists displayed their creations while guests enjoyed wine and snacks. A fitting celebration that aligns with CCCA's tagline, "Art in Motion."

At 6:00 p.m. the gates opened to the "Symphony of Cars" gala benefiting Cancer Support Community Pasadena. During an hour-long, pre-dinner program, 14 collector cars spanning the first seven decades of automobile manufacture were presented. Gary Tole's Legends of Swing Orchestra played musical compositions paired with the year of each car's manufacture. Over 550 people dined alfresco enjoying a gourmet dinner with paired wines.

At 6:00 a.m. Sunday morning, the over 450 cars registered for the San Marino Motor Classic queued up at the gates to Lacy Park for the 10th San Marino Motor Classic, including 40+ Full Classics judged and exhibited as part of the Southern California Region's Far West Grand Classic. In addition to this CCCA presence, the San Marino Motor Classic hosted the Ferrari Club >



Dave & Dianne Reidy's 1928 Packard 443 Phaeton



David Spiegel's 1936 MG SA Saloon



Earl Rubenstein's 1935 Packard 1204 Dual-Cowl Phaeton

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Joel Shapiro's 1939 Packard 1708 Limousine



Gary Marchetti's 1931 Nash 887 Touring Sedan



Fred Lax's 1934 Auburn 1250 Salon Phaeton



Gary Carr's 1939 Packard 1708 Brunn Touring Cabriolet



Ken Tibbot's 1937 Cord 812 SC Phaeton



Mark Hyman's 1937 Delahaye 135 Figoni & Falaschi Cabriolet

of America-Southwest Regions' Concorso Ferrari. Classics in attendance came from as far away as New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri and Arizona. The 45 additional classes of cars guaranteed that every automotive taste was satisfied.

The CCCA tent positioned directly behind the Grand Classic entries on the tree-

covered west end of the show field. The tent was staffed by National Board members Vicki Zeiger and Fred Lax whose efforts netted new members both nationally and regionally.

Serving as Head Judge for the entire event was Regional Board member and past Director John Milliken. Another past Regional Director, John Nolan, handled the

Grand Classic Head Judge responsibilities with tabulation completed by Belva Baltzar and Linda Voigt.

The impressive gathering of Classics included five Model J Duesenbergs, Mark Hyman's 2000 Pebble Beach Best-of-Show-winning 1937 Delahaye 135 Figoni & Falaschi cabriolet, and CCCA President >



Leigh and Mary Lou Johnson's  
1941 Packard 1907 LeBaron Sport Brougham



Patrick Mauer's 1928 Rolls-Royce  
Phantom I Merrimac Tourer



Robert Mollno's 1939 Packard 1708 Brunn All-Weather Cabriolet



Paul Whitney's 1936 Packard 1404 Coupe Roadster



Mike Adams' 1925  
Rolls-Royce Silver  
Ghost Merrimac  
Town Car



The Petersen Automotive Museum's 1939 Packard 1708 Brewster Landulet



Rob & Jeannie Hilarides' 1933 Duesenberg SJ Murphy Convertible Berline



Steve Snyder's 1934 Duesenberg J Rollston Town Car



Peter Hartmann's  
1938 Packard 1607 Formal Sedan

Steve Babinsky's 1928 Lincoln L Locke Sports Phaeton, winner of the Most Original award. Best in Show Pre-War was awarded to a 1930 Duesenberg Model J Murphy-bodied Butterfly Dual-Cowl Phaeton (J-347) owned by Beth and Ross Myers of Boyertown, Pennsylvania. Post-War Best in Show honors

went to a 1951 Delahaye Model 235 owned by Peter Mullin of Oxnard, California. At the end of the day, the event generated net proceeds of over \$500,000 that will be donated to the Pasadena Humane Society, Cancer Support Community Pasadena and the San Marino Rotary Foundation that

serves as a conduit to distributing funds to over 20 nonprofits throughout the San Gabriel Valley • Next year's San Marino Motor Classic will be held on Sunday, August 28, 2022. For more information visit the web site: [www.sanmarinomotorclassic.com](http://www.sanmarinomotorclassic.com)