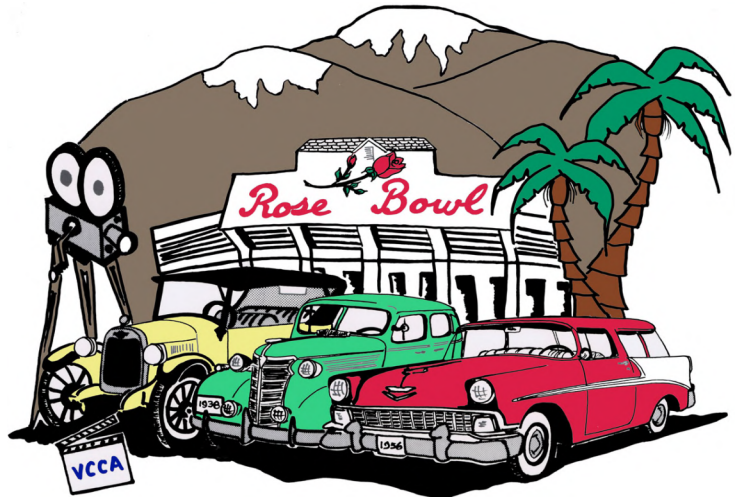


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A monthly newsletter for the FOOTHILL REGION of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America





DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

GEORGE T. EDWARDS, Foothill Region Director 2024

IT'S FEBRUARY - HAPPY VALENTINES DAY! We had a short meeting in January to start off the year. We are now looking forward to joining The So Cal Region at the Kent Browning Collection on February 24th. This Collection should be very interesting to see. The Grand National Roadster Show is the first weekend in February. We are planning to go to the NHRA Motorsports Museum on March 9th. We will have breakfast at the Airport Café before the tour. We will finalize the tour at the February meeting. I look forward to seeing you all at Marie Callender's on February 3rd.

Take care and be safe,
George Edwards, Director



Local Car Shows and Cruise-Ins in the San Gabriel Valley

February 2-4, 2024 *Grand National Roadster Show - Hours Vary Per Day*
Pomona Fairplex, 1101 W. McKinley Ave, Pomona, CA

February 17, 2024 *Cal-Rods Saturday Morning Car Corral - 7:30 am - 9:30 am*
O'Reilly Auto Parts, 501 N. Azusa Ave, Covina, CA

March 3, 2024 *Pomona Swap Meet & Classic Car Show - 5:00 am - 2:00 pm*
Pomona Fairplex, 1101 W. McKinley Ave, Pomona, CA

March 20, 2024 *8th Annual Vintage Rides Cruise-In At The Boat - 5:00 pm - Dark*
Clearman's Galley, 7215 Rosemead Blvd, San Gabriel, CA



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Same Name, New Face: 1968 Chevy II Nova

The Chevy II saw major changes for 1968: a new chassis, revised styling, and a big jump in sales.



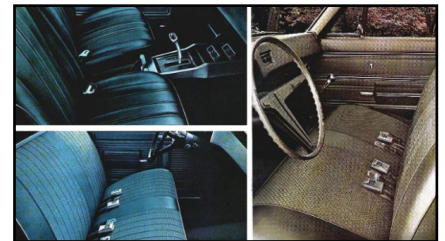
When Chevrolet introduced its '68 compact line, the name was familiar but with a minor tweak. While the '62-'67 Chevy IIs were offered in two basic series, Chevy II and Nova, for '68 there was a single product: Chevy II Nova. (For 1969 the Chevy II name was dropped altogether.) While the automakers fret over these subtle changes in model names, do consumers pay them as much attention? Probably not.

There was no missing the Chevy II Nova's brand new exterior, though. Designed by Chevrolet Studio 2 under the direction of Henry C. Haga and Chevrolet chief stylist Irv Rybicki, the new look was far less squared-off (enthusiasts call the earlier years "box Novas"). With six more inches of overall length, lines were considerably straighter and smoother.



The chassis was new as well, employing a hybrid unit/front subframe configuration that was shared with the Camaro. While the Camaro was the first to launch in '67, the common arrangement was settled upon back in '65 when both cars were still in development. Here, the front stub-frame was isolated from the floorpan with a set of large, soft synthetic rubber bushings for a smoother, quieter ride.

In typical Chevrolet fashion, a wide range of engines was offered. The 90-hp inline four continued, along with two inline sixes and a flock of V8s. A 350 CID small-block with 295 hp was standard in the Nova Super Sport, but big-blocks were now on the menu, too, including the L78 396 V8 with 375 hp. Transmission choices included three-and-four speed manuals and the Powerglide automatic. A handful of L78 cars were equipped with the Turbo-Hydramatic 400, while at mid-year the quirky Torque Drive economy transmission was introduced for the inline four and sixes. Essentially, it was a shift-it-yourself Powerglide.



In the streamlined '68 product line, there were now just two body styles: a two-door post coupe and a four-door sedan. The hardtops and station wagons were gone. (There was an Exterior Decor option with bright-metal window reveals to make the coupe look more like a hardtop.) But even with fewer choices for car buyers, sales still shot up 75 percent over 1967— a success by any measure. With periodic styling and hardware updates, the '68 Nova's basic package

remained in production all the way through 1979, and Pontiac, Olds, and Buick versions were spun off as well. There was a final Chevy Nova in 1985-88, but it was a rebadged Toyota.

FEBRUARY 24TH, 2024

TOUR OF THE KENT BROWNING COLLECTION HOSTED BY THE SO CAL REGION VCCA



The Kent Browning Collection, showcases beautifully restored cars that have seldom been seen by the public. The collection, owned by Kent Browning of the Browning Automotive Group, has over 150 cars, over 30 cars of which were previously owned by Art Astor, as well as an example of every Corvette from 1957 to 1977 and many rare Oldsmobiles. Also on display are vintage radios, art deco furniture, and movie memorabilia previously owned by Art Astor.



- We will meet at the collection at 9:30 a.m.
- At 10:00, the collection curator will welcome everyone and provide a brief history of the Browning dealerships and the collection you'll see.
- The collection's doors will close promptly at noon after a two-hour self-guided tour.
- Since the collection is private, driving instructions and address will be provided with your RSVP confirmation.
- A caravan for those travelling from Orange County will meet at 8:30 am in Tustin at Enderle Center.



TOUR ELIGIBLE FOR PASSPORT MILES!

Lunch to follow at 12:30 pm at Wood Ranch in Cerritos Towne Center

RSVP to Sabrina Karras (714) 287-4757 or sabrinakarras@aol.com

Area 1 Tour Hosted by the Foothill Region VCCA

NHRA MotorSports Museum

MARCH 9, 2024



BREAKFAST BEFORE THE TOUR!

We'll meet at 9:00 am Norm's Hangar Coffee Shop for breakfast to start our day. Norm's is located at Brackett Field Airport at the end of Pomona Fairplex at 1615 McKinley Ave, La Verne, CA 91750.



NHRA MOTORSPORTS MUSEUM TOUR BEGINS AT 10:30 AM

We'll tour the Museum's collection of dragsters, land speed vehicles, race cars, customs, hot rods and a changing array of one-of-a-kind vehicles that tell the story of American hot rodding.

Tickets are \$6.00 and can be purchased at the museum on that day.

Museum is located at 1101 McKinley Ave., Pomona, CA 91768

A caravan for those traveling from Orange County will meet at 8:00 am in Tustin at Enderle Center.



**TOUR ELIGIBLE FOR
PASSPORT MILES!**



RSVP to Sabrina Karras at: ☎ (714) 287-4757 ✉ sabrinakarras@aol.com

Foothill Meeting Minutes – January 6, 2024

The January meeting was brought to order at 8:53 am by Director George Edwards. Members present included Steve Knickelbein, Jim Karras, Sabrina Karras, Christina Jones, and Dale Wallace.

No correspondence to share.

Treasurer's Report: Given by Sabrina Karras, treasurer. The treasury continues to remain with a positive balance. Holiday party income received and expenses paid out during the months of November and December. One dues renewal income to date in January. Motion to accept report was made and approved.

Membership Report: Given by Sabrina Karras. 16 paid families for 2023. 2 paid families for 2024. Dues renewal notices sent out for 2024 to existing and lapsed members.

Past Tours: Foothill Region members participated in the OCVCCA hosted tour to the Richard Nixon Library on November 4th in Yorba Linda. Lunch followed at Mister D's Diner in Placentia.

Upcoming Tours: Tour scheduled for Saturday, February 24th to the Kent Browning Collection in Cerritos hosted by the So Cal Region. Our Region will be hosting a tour to the NHRA Motorsports Museum in Pomona on Saturday, March 9th. We will have a short Region meeting at breakfast prior to the tour at Norm's Hangar Coffee Shop at 9:00 am. The So Cal Region will be hosting a tour to the Flight Path Museum in Los Angeles on Saturday, April 20th.

Old Business: The Foothill Region Holiday party was hosted by Ray & Rosie Garcia on Saturday, December 9th and both our Region and So Cal Region attended. The expenses were shared by both regions and was catered by Olive Garden with a cost per person to the members of \$20. We had nine members in attendance, and it was a lovely event. Thank you to Ray & Rosie for hosting.

New Business: None at this time.

Car parts wanted: none

Meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sabrina Karras on behalf of Rosie Garcia, 2024 Secretary



Meeting This Month!

Saturday, February 3rd at 8:30 am

Marie Callender's Restaurant

1175 E. Alostia Avenue, Azusa, CA 91702

Off the 210 Fwy - Grand Ave. exit on the corner of Historic
Route 66/Alostia & Barranca Ave. on the north side of the street

FOOTHILL REGION HISTORY

*First meeting was in 1977 and it was held at Jack Wall Chevrolet
Jack Wall Chevrolet became Team Chevrolet and now is a lumber yard.
In 1977 the region had 18 families.*

DIRECTOR	ASST, DIRECTOR	SECRETARY	TREASURER	TOUR DIRECTOR	NEWSLETTER
1977 Ray Waldbum	Norm Lefmann	Betty Kirkwood	Mike Norton	_____	_____
1978 Marvin Imm	Norm Lefmann	Betty Kirkwood	Ester Imm	_____	How-Bett Kirkwood
1979 Bob Hassinger	Howard Kirkwood	Betty Kirkwood	Rita Jones	_____	How-Bett Kirkwood
1980 Bob Hassinger	Howard Kirkwood	Betty Kirkwood	Ester Imm	How-Bett Kirkwood	How-Bett Kirkwood
1981 Dennis Fink	Tom Stimson	Jean Fink	Steve Michaelson	How-Bett Kirkwood	Jean Fink
1982 Dennis Fink	Jim Holt	Jean Fink	Sue Robertson	Helen Holt	Helen Holt/Jean Fink
1983 Jim Holt	Jim Ferrier	Ina Brookshire	Sue Robertson	Dennis Fink	Helen Holt/Jean Fink
1984 George Reeley	George Aust	Jean Fink	Sue Robertson	Dave Johnson	George Aust/Jean Fink
1985 Jean Fink	Roy Brookshire	Dennis Murray	Sue Robertson	Lita Murray	Brookshire/Fink
1986 Dick Dennis	Glenn Ritter	Dennis Murray	Ernie Moffatt	George Aust	Glenn Ritter/Fink
1987 Dennis Murray	Al Bafford	Jean Fink	Ernie Moffatt	Lita Murray	Jean Fink
1988 Roger Felix	Curt Potter	Dennis Murray	Lita Murray	George Aust	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1989 Ernie Moffatt	Bob Hughes	Ken Kaufmann	Curt Potter	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1990 George Aust	Dick Dennis	Ken Kaufmann	Curt Potter	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1991 Dennis Murray	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann	Art Label	Lita Murray	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1992 Jean Fink	Ernie Moffatt	Ken Kaufmann	Art Label	Denise Zappen	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1993 Jean Fink	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Art Label	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1994 Don Gardner	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Joe Zappen	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1995 Jean Fink	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	George Aust	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1996 Don Gardner	Ray Sorenson	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Joe Zappen	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1997 Jean Fink	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	_____	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1998 Joe Zappen	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Robert Jackson	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
1999 Bill Zappen	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Don Gardner	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2000 Don Gardner	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Victor Bracamontes	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2001 George Edwards	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Michael McCormack	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2002 Tracy Gage	_____	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Bill Zappen	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2003 Roger Bolton	Tracy Gage	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	George Edwards	Ken Kaufmann/Fink
2004 Paul Porner	Roger Bolton	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	_____	Dennis & Jean Fink
2005 Bill Reese	Paul Porner	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Mike McNeill	Dennis & Jean Fink
2006 Bill Reese	Porner/Felix	Ken Kaufmann	Roger Felix	Mike McNeill	Dennis & Jean Fink
2007 Bill Reese	Roger Felix	Ken Kaufmann	Sue Robertson	Mike McNeill	Dennis & Jean Fink
2008 Bill Reese	Roger Felix	Ken Kaufmann	Sue Robertson	Steve Knickelbein	Dennis & Jean Fink
2009 Bill Reese	Roger Felix	Ken Kaufmann	Sue Robertson	Alonso Guerrero	Dennis & Jean Fink
2010 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Mandy Emerson	Sue Robertson	_____	Dennis & Jean Fink
2011 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Jean Fink	Sue Robertson	_____	Dennis & Jean Fink
2012 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Jean Fink	Sue Robertson	_____	Dennis & Jean Fink
2013 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Sue Robertson	_____	Jean Fink
2014 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Sue Robertson	_____	Jean Fink
2015 Jean Fink	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Sue Robertson	Ray Garcia	Jean Fink
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2019 Alonso Guerrero	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Judy Mulé	Ray Garcia	Jean Fink
2020 George Edwards	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Judy Mulé	Ray Garcia	Jean Fink
2021 George Edwards	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Judy Mulé	Ray Garcia	Jean Fink
2022 George Edwards	Roger Felix	Rosie Garcia	Judy Mulé	Ray Garcia	Sabrina Karras
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If your name is in **BOLD** than your dues are paid for 2024

2024 Dues Are Due
January 31st

Friendly Reminder!
2024 dues payments are due!

DUES STILL ONLY \$15

Checks made payable to:
FOOTHILL REGION VCCA

Mail check to: Foothill Region
829 E. Van Bibber Ave, Orange, CA 92866

FEBRUARY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2  Grand National Roadster Show Fri (2/2) 12 - 8 pm Sat (2/3) 10 am - 8 pm Sun (2/4).10 am - 6 pm	3  REMINDER FOOTHILL MEETING Marie Callenders Azusa 8:30 am
4  Gloria Palazzo Birthday	5	6	7  Judy Mulé Birthday	8	9	10  Lunar New Year
11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day  Lela Oaks Birthday	15	16	17  Cal-Rods Saturday Morning Car Corral 7:30 - 9:30 am
18  Luis Zarza Birthday	19	20  Letty Dominguez Birthday	21  Ray Garcia Birthday	22	23	24  Browning Collection Tour - 9:30 am
25	26	27	28	29		

MARCH 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2  REMINDER FOOTHILL MEETING Marie Callenders Azusa 8:30 am
3  Daylight Savings Time Begins	4	5	6	7	8	9  NHRA Motorsports Museum Tour 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
10	11	12	13  Pat McGowan Birthday	14	15	16  Cal-Rods Saturday Morning Car Corral 7:30 - 9:30 am
17  St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20  Chris Oaks Birthday	21	22  Dale Wallace Birthday	23
24  Palm Sunday	25	26	27	28	29  Sabrina Karras Birthday	30
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Foothill Region



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name _____ Birthdate _____
 Spouse _____ Anniversar _____
 Address _____ Unit No. _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Phone _____ Cell (Member) _____ Cell (Spouse) _____
 Email (Member) _____ Email (Spouse) _____

Are you a member of the National Vintage Chevrolet club? YES NO

If YES: Your membership number: _____ **If NO:** It is a prerequisite for becoming a member of a local region. Yearly dues for National Membership are listed below and are forwarded to the National Organization. Dues for Foothill Region membership is \$15.00 per year.

FOOTHILL REGION DUES\$ 15.00 per year

NATIONAL DUES RENEWAL NEW

Digital Membership (Member, Spouse & Children), two votes \$ 25.00 per year

Periodical Membership (Member, Spouse & Children), two votes \$ 40.00 per year

TOTAL ENCLOSED\$ _____

NOTE: FOR INSURANCE PURPOSES ALL REGION MEMBERS MUST JOIN NATIONAL IN ORDER TO JOIN THE REGION. If you send the Foothill Region your national dues, we will send them on to National.

REGION: All members receive a monthly Foothill Region newsletter and information on upcoming events and tours.

NATIONAL: All new members will receive a club badge, decal, membership card and the national magazine, Generator & Distributor. Members are entitled to free classified advertising in the club magazine and participation in Vintage Chevrolet Club activities. Members are entitled to free classified advertising, access to member-only website features, and participation in all VCCA activities. Chevrolet ownership is not a requirement for membership. Dues are non-refundable.

The purpose of the VCCA is to promote interest in the preservation and restoration of vintage Chevrolets.

If you presently own a Chevrolet, please fill in below.

Year	Model	Body Style	Cyl.	Condition
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Recruited by (VCCA member recruiting optional) _____ VCCA # _____

FOR CLUB USE ONLY

Paid \$ _____ Check/Cash
 Date Paid _____
 Region Membership Number _____

Return complete form and mail with dues to:
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 829 E Van Bibber Ave., Orange, CA 92866-2063

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Applicant's Signature