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1st Show of the Season



Guide Dogs for the Blind sit patiently at the show

The 21st annual Spring "Fun" Car Show was presented by the Coastal Valley Contemporary Historical Vehicle Association (CHVA for short) at Boys Town/Rancho San Antonio, Chatsworth. The Guide Dogs of America will receive profit from this event for raising the puppies and training them to aid the blind. This show always brings out many automobiles of the past, including some that are now orphan-autos.



We look forward to the CHVA Show each year, because it brings out the nostalgia in all of us. I don't know if there is a Ford in your future, but there probably was one in your past. At the west end of the field there were 20 Model Ts like the one shown above. They had come from breakfast at one of their club members homes. Model T club members have more fun than anybody. One of the most enthusiastic groups represented are the Edsel owners. A perennial favorite are the members of the Hudson Club and their



cars. A "Needle Nose" Studebaker from the '50s and a 1978 Dodge Magnum, sporting a T-top, made up the balance of the orphan-autos. CHVA has shown us cars we don't often see today.



The CHVA Show provided the customary goodie bags and raffle prizes. And the swappers were there to offer that rare bit of bright metal trim or the critical part that you have been looking for all winter long.

More than one hundred domestic automobiles produced during the '40s, '50s, and '60s were exhibited. This unique 1950 Oldsmobile, below, has two plastic windows cut in the hood. This device allowed



the customer to see the very potent Rocket 88 engine. Some dealers paid the \$85 for this sales tool, and would replace it with a conventional hood before the car left the showroom floor.



The '68 Pontiac GTO Convertible is typical of a very long line of high-performance automobiles made by General Motors.



GM was well represented by a '55 Cadillac below and an Olds of just a year later.



A marked contrast appears in the Olds of 1946, at the right.

At the east end of the field sitting serenely were five beautiful Buicks. The first four are



prize winners. The fifth Buick in the line will be in the winners circle, as soon as the front and rear bumpers come back from the chrome platers. It is being restored by Steve Rostam, and he says it will be ready for the All GM Show in June. The arrangements for the park and the services are in place. Be there Sunday, June 6, 2010. Read back issues of the Bombsight. Go to our webpage: www.buickclub.org/losangeles

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2008 Buick LaCrosse "Super" - 5.3 V8 / owner Don Naugle

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1962 Avanti - shown at CHVA Boys Town