



THE VAPOR TRAIL JUNE 2022



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President's Message By Clay Beck

Well, I hope everyone had a good Father's Day this last weekend. Kathy and I had a short relaxing day and went out for a later lunch. What a great day and good weather here on the central coast. I've been a little busy working on our upcoming June 25th autocross. We purchased a new updated computer and updated software for these events. So, were finding out that we need a new cable interface adapter so it will run properly. It's always something but we are making progress. We have established some new rules for our autocross events and I'm eager to see how well they will work for the first time on our upcoming auto cross event.

Our autocross event is coming very soon, June 25th and only 3 weeks away from that is our next event for July 9th. The July 9th will be our third autocross event of the year already. Can't believe how fast these months are flying by.

Our July meetings (really a party) has been and will be at Hector and Gale's place for Saturday July 2nd at 2:00pm a BBQ party. Gale and Hector have a beautiful place in Pismo beach a block from the ocean with a great setting for a party. We always have a great time on their upstairs deck.

Check this out, I just ordered 2 portable johns for our autocross event, and they informed me that there will be an additional delivery cost of \$45 dollar due to gaso-line prices increasing. Wow, things are not pretty out there in our wonderful world. Will it ever get better? I guess time will tell.

My 2001 Dodge truck has set a code of P0172 which is a too rich problem. I have a computer-controlled software that is like a factory scan tool. Which means that I can look at how the sensors are performing. This is fun for me to use and look for what may be the problem or problems. My problem is that I need my truck for this upcoming auto cross event to pull the VTV trailer to the airport and set up the course this Friday. I think the old Dodge will be alright because it has been that way for some time now. So, after our event I will have some more time to play with trying to figure out what exactly is my fuel problem is. Fun, fun. Anyone what to help?

Have a nice day, Clay Beck

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Happy Birthday

June

07 Chuck Robertson
22 Stella Ahn

July

06 Janet Farabaugh
11 Brittany Fitts
22 Al Ferguson
24 Gil Truiillo
25 Jeff Bartel
29 Mike Dirkes

August

03 Nathan Griffin
04 Bruce Potter
16 Al Ferguson
19 Bee Jay Jones
21 Chris Fitts

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All numbers are in the 805 area code.

June 2, 2022 VTV Meetings Minutes

By Hector Paz

The VTV meeting for the month of June was held on Thursday, June 2, 2022, at IHOP in Santa Maria. There were 7 attendees present. The attendees were:

Clay Beck, Hector Paz, Gale Haugen, Gerry White, Larry Wright, and Bruce Potter. Our President Clay Beck ran the meeting and he called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm. Clay started by announcing Chuck Robertson's birthday on June 7th, and Stella Han's on June 22nd. Happy Birthday to both of you!!!!

Meeting Minutes Approval

Clay asked for approval of the minutes for the May meeting. The motion was made and approved to accept the minutes. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

New Business/Old Business – Clay Beck

The first agenda item was the Working Assignments for the June 25th autocross. There was some discussion about this.

The next agenda item was the new protocol for Autocross Safety. There was a lot of discussion and explanation about this subject. Clay proceeded to explain the new protocol and the circumstances which lead up to this.

The next and last agenda item, was the new software timing has been installed on the new laptop. Chuck indicated that he and Clay need to have a dry run but would wait and resort to using the old computer for the June 25th autocross.

Treasurer's Report– Chuck Robertson

The next agenda item was the Treasurer's report. Chuck went over the May Treasurer's Report line item by line item:

Chuck indicated that we started the month of May with \$8,474.70 in the bank. Under income, there was \$792.20 for registration fees received from motorsport.reg for the April 30th autocross; and \$27.00 (\$20.00 for the 50/50; and \$4.00 for miscellaneous). Under expenses, the \$504.86 included autocross expenses and the cost of the portable johns; and the \$95.96 was for the flowers sent to driver Ruben Rivas during his hospital stay. At the end of May, we had \$8,694.05 in the bank.

A motion was made and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report. All were in favor.

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VP Report– Holly Palmer

Holly was not present. There was nothing significant to report at this time.

Governor's Report– Gale Haugen

Gale attended the West Coast Regional Governors Meeting in Laughlin, NV on May 14th. Joe Orrico started the meeting at 8 am.

The National Convention in Atlantic City, NJ has 300 people signed up so far. There will be no drag races this year. The 2023 Convention will be in Bowling Green, Kentucky and 2024 in Joplin, MO which is 109 miles from Branson, MO. A question came up about hosting a Regional Convention in Las Vegas.

Regional elections are coming up. With the passing of Cliff Harris, Janet Cherry will be temporarily filling that position. If you are interested in one of the following positions please contact Joe Orrico:

1. Regional Executive Director
2. Regional Membership Director
3. Regional Competition Director

Secretary and Treasurer positions are appointed.

Joe shared that a non-NCCC club had a serious accident at their autocross which was a topic of conversation at the National NCCC Governors meeting held on May 6-7th in St. Louis, MO. The subject of insurance, safety and allowing non-members to our sanctioned events was discussed. No decisions will be made until next year.

Sad news was shared that Ron Peake, age 79, passed away May 7th, 2022, at Desert Regional Medical Center in Palm Springs after suffering a major heart attack. Ron and Diane were members of Inland Empire Corvette Club of Moreno Valley. They attended many of our Annual Blast events over the years. He will be missed by many who knew him.

The next regional meeting is going to be sponsored by Millennium Corvettes on September 17, 2022 and is going to be held in Corona.

At this point, Clay turned the meeting over to Chuck Robertson to discuss security of our website. Our website has some basic security software to try to prevent hacking but in the month of May alone we had nineteen (19) attacks against the site, that we know of.

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The site sends him a report every so often. Two years ago, it was maybe one (1) every three (3) months. Chuck stated that he thinks that we may have to get an upgraded security package. He is going to do some research and try to keep it at about \$100 a year. Chuck will check out different options and determine what is best for our level. He will bring a true number back to the club. He just wanted to make our club aware of the problem. Bruce Potter wanted to know if this hacking had taken place after the autocross accident. Chuck tried to explain that this was unrelated. Bruce wanted to know which came first; the hacking or the accident. Chuck explained that the hacking had been taking place before the accident but wasn't quite sure at what level. Bruce proceeded to explain that the day before he had gotten calls from this same phone number one after another for about 50 minutes. He put his phone on mute but the calls kept coming in. He was concerned that it could be some "ambulance chaser" who had maybe penetrated our website and probably had gotten access to all of the names of the members and he could be going after all of the members to get information. Chuck stated that he doesn't know if it has been penetrated but that it is working properly. These were recognized attacks that were repulsed. Also, added that our website carries the names of individuals if you go to the member's page. The club officers' names, phone numbers and emails are there but not the members. Passwords are not required. According to Chuck, part of our problem is that we don't get enough hits and when you get a hit it actually activates the program and strengthens the program. He encourages everyone to go visit our website.

Chuck ended the discussion by saying that there will be an added expense because of this and hopefully by the August meeting he will have all of the information and recommendations for the club to consider.

Around the Room

Larry, started out by sharing an explanation of his physical condition. On March 23rd he had open heart surgery which required five (5) bypasses and according to his surgeon he couldn't be happier with the outcome. He is currently going thru physical therapy, a couple of times a week. He has resumed most of the normal work around his house.

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He is happy to report that the Lord has blessed him with complete healing as far he can see and plans to continue on the same path that he was on; **Bruce**, shared that he didn't really have anything other than to let him know if anyone has a spare starter for a C4; He also, shared that the Tepusquet run is really fun but would love to consider a very long run like the one we took to Mount Able and if you stay on that you can go many different ways. There was a lot of discussion about long runs by other members. We appear to struggle as a club to do these types of long runs; **Gerry**, started out by asking if anyone had been to Grass Valley. It seemed to him that it would be a neat ride; also, brought up that he had taken a plane ride to Columbia. A lot of cool things to do there; and last but not least he shared that the Lompoc Police Car Show is on the same date as our autocross, August 6th; **Hector**, he started out by saying that just finding out that Bruce Potter was also a fellow Mustang (Cal Poly grad) was pretty cool. He also, shared that when they went to Laughlin, NV for the 2022 Gamblers Classic sponsored by the Bakersfield Corvette Club, one of the things that I took away from that was that there were so many non-NCCC corvette car clubs. He thought he heard that there were about 70% of the total clubs are non-NCCC. Clay shared that a lot of clubs belong to NCRS. It is all about car restoration. Also, there was some discussion about the other corvette car clubs in our central coast area. None, other than us belong to NCCC; **Gale**, started out by asking to get the newsletter inputs by the second Thursday of the month so that she is able to get the newsletter out by the middle of the month; then she proceeds to say that she didn't have anything else to share. That is when everyone started saying "What???" and then everyone is going, "we know that you have something more, so let's hear it!!!!". She had no choice but to share the following: She followed that by sharing that they had purchased a new (at least new to them) C7. Also, she shared that this is our first car that we own together but that she owns the driver's side. Hector busted up laughing. She shared that in reality it all started with a call from AG Chevrolet saying that we could come in an order a new C8. We were like OMG, what do we do now??? We quickly went home and spent practically all evening doing a Build and Price to try and order a C8 at AG Chevrolet. Hector couldn't sleep.

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He stayed up super late just waiting for our 11:00 am appointment. Fortunately, or unfortunately in the end, we found out that our Build and Price did not meet GM's C8 allocation. The allocation required that the Z51 option be included in the Build and Price. Which would have been another \$8,000 on top of the \$73,000 that we had priced out. We were convinced going in that we didn't want the Z51 option. However, when Hector found out that this decision was going to cost us not being able to order a C8, and he was practically beside himself. How could this be? In the end, we stuck to our guns and decided (including Hector, after some time of very deep thought and advise) to wait for another allocation opportunity. It was gut wrenching for him to decide to wait. What? Am I going to walk out of here without our C8????? I have been waiting for this moment for over two (2) years. At this point, there is nothing else to do but shake hands with the Sales Manager and go home and cry. However, this is when the sales pitch actually started, when he said "I have something else to show you"..... typical sales guy. We walked over to the lot so that he could show us the C7 that was sitting in the lot for sale. We had seen it before from the street as we approached the dealership and Hector said, "No, don't even look at it, is a C7, we want a C8!!!!" Well, guess what? We fell in love with this 2016 Corvette Stingray Z51 (and we didn't want one???, how crazy is that?) 3LT with 7,000 miles, one owner, bought at AG Chevrolet and serviced there and also that the owner had enhanced the sound system with a \$8,000 major improvement. In the end, buying the C7 saves us about \$30,000 for the time being, until the next C8 opportunity comes up. Clay told Gale that she had just stole the meeting with her story; **Chuck**, shared that when he was in San Diego a couple of weeks ago, he took the time to go over to the Lucid Motor Studio in La Jolla and looked at the new car they are making; all electric car and he was very impressed, extremely good fit and finish. It only had 819 HP but the ETA rating was 500 miles range. This is not the high HP version of the car. They go up to 1,111 HP. Lucid is a brand-new car company. Rollins is the CTO and he was the lead engineer at Tesla and he was also at Lotus. Price at around \$139,000. The only option you have was exterior and interior colors, and 19" and 20" rims. It has two (2) motors, front and rear and it is a four (4) door sedan.

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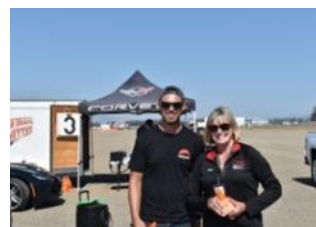
Drawings

Bruce was the winner of the 50/50; Nathan Griffin was the winner of the name badge game. But he was not present; Gerry was the winner of the door prize.

Clay adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.

June 25, 2022 Autocross **By Chuck Robertson & Gale Haugen**

Our second autocross of the season was held on June 25th at the Santa Maria Airport. In the past we have allowed a little over 60 drivers to race but we limited this one to 51 in order to incorporate new safety measures. Club members were very satisfied with the station leads and workers for following those procedures. The day was warm, sunny and everyone seemed to enjoy the track layout. We hosted many new drivers that had not participated in our events in the past. We hope they had a great time and plan to join us again in the future. Our next autocross will be on July 9th.



Members at work. Gerry White and Brenda Parks, thanks for the security you provide. Sorry we missed getting a photo of you on the job.

Additional pictures are located at the Vapor Trail Vettes website. A big thank you to Chuck Robertson for being the club photographer and working the cold sift in timing.

June 25, 2022 Autocross

Photos By Chuck Robertson



Corvette Trivia— C3 1968 to 1982

Due to policy changes in Chevrolet, Corvette was treated like all other car lines for the first time, and quality dropped drastically. With bad publicity in most magazines, policy was re-thought and Chevrolet quickly restored independence and quality to Corvette within a few months, but all 1968s carry the stigma of being "the worse quality" of all Corvettes.

1968 was the first year AM/FM stereo was offered as an option.

The Sting Ray name was not used on the 1968 Corvette, but returned in 1969... Spelled Stingray.

No Corvettes were painted Black at the factory from 1970 to 1976.

The LS7 engine option, which was never installed in the 1970 Corvette was \$3000.

"Pewter Silver" was only offered as an exterior color in 1972.

In 1973, aluminum wheels were again available as an option, but the same problem that plagued the 1963 aluminum wheels, the inability to hold air, kept these out of the hands of customers until 1976.

1974 was the last year the Corvette would be produced to run on "leaded" gasoline.

1976 Corvette used the same steering wheel as a Chevrolet Vega for the "Sport Wheel" Option.

The '78 Pace Car was "Black and Silver" was because it photographed well. Back then, most magazine articles and ads were still done in Black & White!

By Federal mandate, the 1980 Corvette was the first Corvette to have an 85 MPH speedometer.

In 1981, Corvettes were produced with two different types of paint. Lacquer was applied at the St. Louis plant, and enamel was applied at the new Bowling Green plant.

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The 1981 Corvette had two cooling fans to increase engine power.

In 1982 fuel injection reappeared in the Corvette after a 17-year hiatus.

Capital City Corvette Club (April 19, 2022) Corvette trivia.
Available <https://capitolcitycorvetteclub.org/articles/corvette-trivia/>

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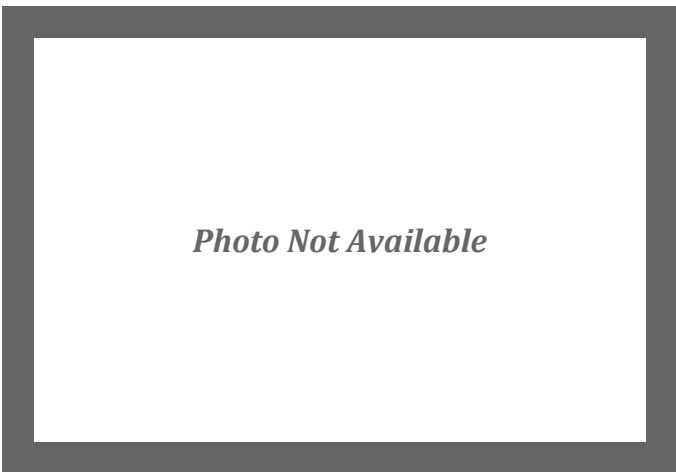
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2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NCCC, VAPOR TRAIL VETTES & LOCAL EVENTS

Date	Day	Event	Location	Sponsor	Comments
2022 Weekly Events					
	Saturdays	Pismo Derelicts	829 N. Oak Park Blvd, Pismo Beach		8-10 am
March 2022					
3	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD - Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
5	Saturday	WC Region Governors Meeting	TBD	Pomona	
12	Saturday	9th Annual St Patrick's Day Car Show	1190 E Clark Ave, Santa Maria	Knights of Columbus Council	10 am—3 pm
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
April 2022					
7	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	IHOP, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
30	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
May 2022					
5	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
6-7	Friday-Saturday	National NCCC Governors Meeting	Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO	NCCC	
7-8	Saturday-Sunday	Porsche Club Autocross Academy Weekend	SM Airport	Porsche Club	
12-14	Thursday-Saturday	22nd Gamblers Classic	Laughlin, NV	Corvettes of Bakersfield	

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May 2022					
14	Saturday	WC Region Governors Meeting	Laughlin, NV	Corvettes of Bakersfield	
26-29	Friday-Sunday	2022 Cruisin' Nationals	Santa Maria Fairpark	West Coast Kustoms	
27-28	Friday-Saturday	Golden State Classics Cruise & Car Show	Paso Robles	Golden State Classics	805-712-1907
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
June 2022					
2	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	IHOP, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
3-5	Fri-Sunday	The Classic Car Show at Pismo Beach	Pismo Beach		
4	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport	Porsche Club	
12-17	Sunday-Monday	National Convention	Harrah's Resort—Atlantic City, NJ	East Region	
25	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
July 2022					
2	Saturday	4th of July Annual BBQ	Shell Beach	Hector & Gale	
4	Monday	4th of July Parade	Buellton	VTV	Members must sign waiver.
7	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
9	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
16	Saturday	40th Annual Bent Axles Car Show	199 Broadway St, Orcutt	Porsche Club	805-714-6111
23	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport	Porsche Club	

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August 2022					
4	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Mtg start at 6:30
5-6	Friday-Saturday	Lompoc Police Car Cruise/Car Show	Ryan Park, Lompoc	Lompoc Police	See flyer in this newsletter
6	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
13	Saturday	Gimmick Rallye	Anaheim	OC Vettes	
27	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport track	Porsche Club	
TBD	Sat or Sun	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
September 2022					
1	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Mtg start at 6:30
9-10	Friday-Saturday	National NCCC Governors Meeting	Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO	NCCC	
17	Saturday	WC Region Governors Mtg	Mimi's Café, 2230 Griffin Way, Corona	Millennium Corvettes	
24	Saturday	Old Days Los Alamos Car Show	Los Alamos		See flyer in this newsletter
25	Saturday	Automotive Classic	1645 Trilogy Parkway		10 am—4 pm
TBD	Sat or Sun.	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
October 2022					
1	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport track	Porsche Club	
6	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Mtg start at 6:30
8	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	Backup Date
14-15	Fri-Sat	Annual Corvette Blast	Santa Maria Inn, Santa Maria	VTV	Call Hotel by 9/14 ask for VTV
29	Saturday	Peoples Choice Concourse	Riverside	Corvettes West	
31	Monday	Halloween			

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Date	Day	Event	Location	Sponsor	Comments
November 2022					
3	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
5	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport	Porsche Club	
5	Saturday	Pismo Vintage Trailer Rally Open House	Pismo Coast Village RV Resort		8 am- 2 pm
6	Sunday	Nojoqui Falls Fun Run/BBQ	Solvang	Central Coast Streetrods	Contact number—805-736-0759
11-12	Friday-Saturday	National NCCC Governors Meeting	Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO	NCCC	
24	Thursday	Thanksgiving			
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
December 2022					
1	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
TBD	TBD	VTV Christmas Dinner/Gift Exchange	TBD	VTV	
2023					
12-17	June	NCCC National Convention	Bowling Green, Kentucky		
2024					
TBD	TBD	NCCC National Convention	Joplin, Missouri		

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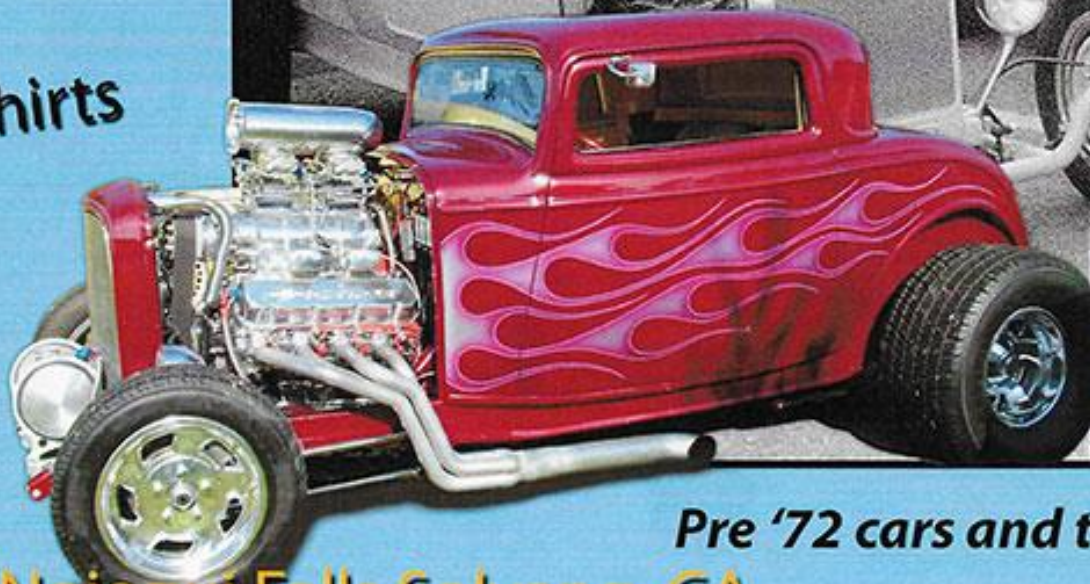
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Pre '72 cars and trucks

At: Nojoqui Falls Solvang, CA

Date: November 6, 2022

50/50 Raffle

Directions: Nojoqui Falls is 1 & 1/2 miles east of Highway 101 near Gaviota Pass. From Highway 101, take the Old Coast Road to Alisal Road; from Solvang, follow Alisal Road south to the park.

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