

25th Anniversary Car Show - In the Books!

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Congratulations to the club on another successful car show!

The Santa Cruz Valley Car Nuts began having small car shows in 1991 in various locations. For 25 years we have held the car show at Tubac Golf Resort and Spa.

Many, many thanks go out to our volunteers including "our" students. This year members Gary Ballew and Rich Marsula stepped up to co-chair, write details of requirements and

establish the number of volunteers required for each responsibility. It is our hope that this document can be maintained and updated for the future.

This year, member Bob Smith utilized an online registration process. Built into the software was the ability to e-mail registration forms and updates to entrants. This assisted us in being able to have data about entries, on-line payment of registration and on-line sales of merchandise and the BBQ dinner. Thanks to Bob for his countless hours in this process.

Our new registration process had an added bonus: We were able to hear comments from those who entered the show. It's great to hear, "Congratulations on a grand weekend of cars and car people" or "As usual the Nuts did an outstanding job" or "Our BIG thanks for all your hard work on the great venue you put on last Saturday". We received suggestions for following shows that will be reviewed and decisions made for possible changes in future shows.

But enough about that – let's get to the fun stuff.

This year we had over 450 entries and nearly 3,000 spectators. Our weather, although cool early on, became warm enough for everyone to enjoy the day. As always it was a beautiful site seeing the colorful cars lined up in their classes – 22 in all.

It is especially rewarding to see so many families teaching their children to love cars like we do. The adults had the opportunity to perhaps see some rare cars they never saw before. We even had a trolley car, a "funny car" and a motorcycle with a side car.

All I can say was all our hard work payed off. We are wrapping up and planning again for next year!