



FCA - MISSOURI CHAPTER

...there is Ferrari and then there is everything else. ~ Enzo Ferrari

Fellow Missouri Ferrari Club of America Members:

A lot has been happening since I last wrote!

The March 17 Formula 1 kick off party was a lot of fun at Pujols 5 in Westport. A good turnout with over 35 in attendance watched a very exciting race and great start to the 2007 F1 season.

Stacey and I attended the Amelia Island Concours later in March. We were fortunate to have been invited to show our 1960 AC Ace. The restoration was 98% complete the week of the show (I'll never tell what was missing!?!?) and we proudly displayed our little blue beauty.....yes, it is British, but the 16 month restoration turned out well enough to garner an Amelia Award in our class. Very special! We had never been to Amelia before....great venue, wonderful people and an amazingly well organized event.

Ian and Claudia Poertner organized a wonderful spring drive on Sunday, April 29th. Over 25 cars took place in a spirited drive through parts west, starting and ending at Bentley St. Louis.....Tom and Graham were great hosts and not only opened up the dealership but also offered all who wanted the opportunity to test drive a Lamborghini Murcielago 640 or a brand new Gallardo.



Not a bad idea, since I understand they sold two Gallardos, one spider and one coupe, to club members in the following couple weeks. I won't spill the beans on who those new Lambo owners are.....show up at the next club event and they may just be driving one of the new additions!

The European Auto Show is on June 3rd at Plaza Frontenac. This is a terrific event with proceeds going to support the Shriners Childrens hospital. Even if you have not signed up to display your Ferrari, come by the show to see the amazing display of everything foreign...Italian, German, British, French, you name it and it's there.....and to share a little time with your fellow Ferrari fanatics.

I spent last Sunday cleaning and “shining” the 288 GTO for the show. That car just does not hold a shine, with the Kevlar and fiberglass bodywork and factory original but rather mediocre paint a constant challenge. I’ll also be showing the aforementioned AC Ace.... So don’t go throwing rocks at the British cars....at least not mine!

Spring is here...great driving weather. The Ferrari F1 team and hot shoes Kimi and Felipe are doing well.....it just does not get much better!

We have a number of events on the calendar....come join us!

September 8 Drive to an Ice Cream Social

October 7 Columbus Day Parade and an open house at my warehouse...

November 11 Fall drive to Villa Antonio Winery – an annual favorite!

You can call me(314-963-1216) or Claudia Poertner (314-845-6546) to get details or to let us know you are coming. See you on the road!

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