

MBCA OC STARS

Monthly newsletter



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A WORD FROM YOUR SECTION PRESIDENT

Summer is in full swing. Hopefully, you are getting out on the road with some top down driving (or windows up with ice cold AC). We've added some great events in August and September, and hope to see you there. Two of our largest current priorities are expanding our Board of Directors and planning Fall events. If you meet one of these criteria, please email us at

mbcaorangecounty@gmail.com.

- Do you have a Mercedes collection that you are willing to show to your fellow members?
- Would you be interested in hosting a meal in a progressive dinner?
- Would you like to hear more about roles available on our Board of Directors?

MOTORSPORT

There were no Mercedes in the 24 Hours of Le Mans. However, they did have success at the 24 Hours of Spa. The #88 AMG GT3 Akkodis ASP team took 2nd place in Pro Cup. The #75 AMG GT3 Sun Energy1 team took 1st place in Pro AM-Cup. Congratulations!

Many people know the story of the "Red Pig" that effectively put AMG on the map. Did you know that a company named Arthur Bechtel Classic Motors has been making replicas since 2019? They start with a base 300 SEL W109 and add all the technical and visual enhancements. Pricing is rumored to be about \$400K.



EVENTS

PAST

- June 25. In partnership with the L.A. section, we had a beautiful driving tour through Santiago, Trabuco, and Laguna Canyons. This ended with lunch at Lucille's BBQ in Tustin. Over 30 cars and members turned out. Check out the fun and the variety of cars later in the Newsletter.

FUTURE

- August 13. Day at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum in Yorba Linda.
- September 17. Morning Shift at the Porsche Experience Center in Carson.

. To register, click here:
<https://us9.list-manage.com/survey?u=67191195d058485978086c8c1&id=c4a80f900d&attribution=false>

- See Summer Event 2023 email for additional details

MERCEDES MUSINGS



The CLE is one of the newest models to debut from Mercedes. Available in both coupe and cabriolet, this will serve the need for a 2 door option for potential C class and E class buyers.

Does this sound familiar? This is basically what Mercedes did with the introduction of the CLK, which was produced 1997 to 2010. This got us thinking about what a great car the CLK was. The first generation was produced 1997 - 2002. The second generation spanned 2003 - 2010. Today, you could get a quality CLK for less than \$20K with a thumping V8.

And, like the CLE, there are coupe and convertible options available.

Which CLK generation did you prefer? 1st or 2nd?



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