

Thirty-first

Annual Imperial Owners Statewide Meet May 15 – 18, 2014

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

March 10, 2014

All people with the love of the Imperial automobiles are cordially invited to the 31st Annual Statewide Meet being held this year in Santa Maria CA. The meet is being hosted by the Southern California Imperial Owners (SCIOI). Santa Maria is known for its long history in Aviation so you don't want to miss our visit to the wonderful **Museum of Flight** that is located near our host hotel. We will have the \$50 name badge drawing, at the Banquet, again this year! This year, each registration will include ONE voting ballot for Saturday's Show (with or without an Imperial in the Show).

Host Hotel: Radisson Hotel Santa Maria (a non-smoking hotel) **Check in time:** 4:00 pm
3455 Skyway drive, Santa Maria, CA 93455
Phone Number: (805) 928-8000

Reservations: Identify yourself being with the group: "Southern California Imperial" and you will be given the rate of \$99 per night for both king and queen beds.

THE CUTOFF DATE FOR THE \$99 RATE IS APRIL 14, 2014 – MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS ASAP

Breakfast: A Continental breakfast will be served daily in the SCIOI Hospitality Room or you may purchase one in the hotel dining room.

Thursday, May 15, 2014, 2:00 pm, we drive to the **Santa Maria Museum of Flight** for a photo op on the airport tarmac, in front of the hanger, a docent led tour, followed by their special hamburger supper.

The current Santa Maria Public Airport – originally named Army Air Field (on which the museum is located) was originally built to train bomber pilots during World War II. In 1945 the Army Air Field based the first jet fighter squadron in the Army Air Force, flying the Bell T-59 aircraft (pictured above). As the war wound down, this unit transferred to March Air Base in Riverside CA. In 1964, the Army Air Field was renamed Santa Maria Public Airport. (www.smmof.org)

In 1983 the importance of establishing an aeronautical and exhibits museum became apparent and within one year the museum was built in the airport's gift shop. They outgrew that and moved into an used metal hanger. Walt Disney built a hangar at the airport as a prop for the movie "Rocketeer". After the movie was filmed, the museum acquired the new hangar. The museum is now housed in these two hangers. (When the near-by Lompoc aerospace museum closed, all their assets were transferred to the Museum.)

Friday, May 16, 2014, 10:00 am, we head out to the **Guadalupe Dunes** (the largest remaining dune system south of San Francisco) and then meander over to Casmalia for the "Worlds Best Barbeque" at the **The HITCHING POST**. This is Santa Barbara County's landmark number 37. The building was originally the Casmalia Hotel and thrived in the town of Casmalia during the turn of the century; which saw the railroad and oil booms of the era. The hotel and saloon was sold in 1920 to a couple that provided their guests with home-cooked Italian meals. Their son Mario and his partners converted the former hotel to a steakhouse and reopened it October 1946 as "The Hitching Post". In 1952, the business was purchased by the Ostini brothers, Frank and

Victor. Frank and his wife, Natalie, operated the restaurant until 1977. After operating it for two years, sons Bill and Frank, Jr., purchased it in 1979. The Ostini's are now into their third generation and continue to delight in serving their customers in the spirit and ambience of the 19th century hotel. (www.hitchingpost1.com)

1:00 pm Our menu at **The HITCHING POST** will include Appetizers, Salad, your choice of 7 oz. Top Sirloin, Fresh Grilled Halibut or Breast of Chicken, Baked Potato and toasted garlic bread, followed by Dreyer's Vanilla Ice Cream w/Hershey's Chocolate Syrup.

6:30 pm **Welcoming Reception** in the **SCIOI Hospitality Room**.

Saturday, May 17, 2014

10:00 – 2:00 pm **Car Show** and **Member Judging**, at the hotel.

6:00 pm **No-host** reception followed by the **Awards Banquet** and **Raffle** at the hotel.

Enclosed, please find the **Registration Form** along with a **Release of Liability Form**; both must be signed, dated and **RETURNED BY SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2014 (postmarked)**.

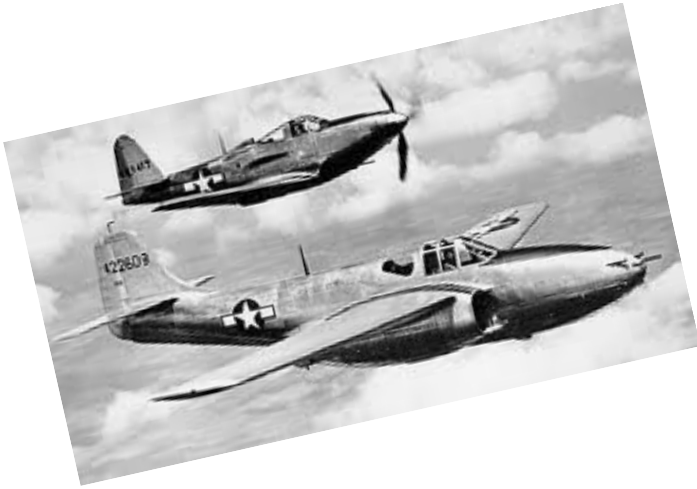
And also remember THE CUTOFF DATE FOR THE \$99 HOTEL RATE IS APRIL 14, 2014

With warm Imperial regards,
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RELEASE OF LIABILITY & AGREEMENT FORMS

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Release of Liability:

In consideration of participation by the undersigned in the 31st Annual Imperial Owners Statewide Meet and Show in Santa Maria, California, on May 15, 16, 17 and 18, 2014, I agree to forever protect, save and keep the sponsor: Southern California Imperial Owners, Inc., and participating club: Imperial Owners Association of Northern California, Radisson Hotel Santa Maria, City of Santa Maria, Santa Maria Museum of Flight, The HITCHING POST, their members, officers, agents, employees, volunteers and assigns, holding them harmless and indemnifying them against and from all claims, demands, losses, costs, damages, suits, judgments, penalties, expenses and liability of any kind or nature whatsoever arising directly or indirectly out of, or in connection with, my participation in this event. I further release and discharge the producers and each of the participants, persons and entities referred to herein from any and all claims, demands, losses and/or liability of any kind or nature, resulting from any of the acts of the aforesaid in connection with this event. I have read the above and accept the terms and conditions:

Signature of Participant _____ Date _____

Agreement:

I acknowledge that the perpetual trophies awarded at this event (Best of Show, Ken Woods Memorial Trophy, and SCIOI President's Cup) are property of the SCIOI and/or the IOANC. As such, should I receive any of these trophies during the course of this event, I agree to return them or cooperate in the return of such trophy to the host club of the next Statewide Meet when requested. I also agree that during the time I am in possession of any of the perpetual trophies, I assume full responsibility for its safekeeping and goodwill, and shall be liable for any damage or loss incurred during my possession.

I have read the above and accept the terms and conditions.

Signature of Participant _____ Date _____