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FIRST ISSUE

TESLA OWNERS CLUB of RIVERSIDE COUNTY



THIS ISSUE

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WELCOME MEMBERS!

Welcome to Tesla Owners Club of Riverside County!

You'll be rewarded with benefits such as the chance to network locally and with members of other Tesla clubs. Fun events and driving adventures will be planned throughout the year.

Other benefits to your membership, such as additional discounts for Tesla merchandise, will be announced in future newsletters.

Your membership is absolutely free, and we want to assure everyone that your email address and other information will never be shared or sold.

Leaders Neil Mazer and Jason Villa started this club in May 2021 with the goal of bringing together current and future owners of all Tesla models in the county.

We can display our cars, share insights and resources, and enjoy the company of smart people who see Tesla as part of the world's transition to sustainable energy.



\$10,000 Damage

YOUR CAR ON VIDEO

One of the many advantages Teslas offers is surveillance. As revealed by *Wham Baam Teslacam* on YouTube and Facebook, many recorded events involve audaciously stupid acts or even malicious vandalism. If you need to file a report with the police, offer the video to them before posting on social media. If posting could compromise law enforcement efforts, wait until given the all-clear. (If you do submit to *Wham Baam Teslacam*, we encourage you to identify yourself as a member of our club. Tell us, too, so we can alert our membership to your video.)

As Neil Mazer discovered driving north on I-15 just before the Temecula Parkway exit, Tesla's honk-to-record feature was instrumental in proving a gravel truck was sprinkling rocks in its wake. Unfortunately, as the photo shows, that damage was substantial.

Not only was his new Tesla in the shop for six weeks, it cost \$10,000 because Tesla repairs and multi-sensor parts are more elaborate than for the average car. The windshield, for instance, had to be ordered from Fremont, California and took almost three weeks to arrive. Then it arrived cracked and had to be reordered with another two-week delay.



Neil honked to capture the whole event and, by transferring the video to the free program VLC media player, he froze the moment as one pebble hit the windshield. His insurance company happily received the videos and photo to link the incident to the gravel company, so they paid for the damage. By the way, that gravel company is located in Lake Elsinore, so it sends trucks up and down the freeways in our county.

TOP PERFORMANCE

Tesla clubs are qualified at one of three levels: Chill, Performance, and Plaid.

Tesla Owners Club of Riverside County sped past Chill and into Performance stage. (There are no Plaid clubs yet.)

When Neil Mazer filed for non-profit status and the articles of incorporation for our club, Tesla responded that our club reached the coveted Performance level faster than any other Tesla clubs in the nation to date. Almost immediately, the founders' club filled with 25 members.

These documents are available for viewing under "Files" at our club's website, <https://www.teslaownersriverside.com>.

Only members providing a valid VIN will be able to view those files.

Tesla probationary approval is in force while the club proves itself in June and July. Approval includes a review of official club activities, this newsletter, and our website.

Clubs are independent of Tesla, but because everything they do is a reflection on the brand, Tesla understandably keeps an eye on their quality.

For instance, Tesla quickly rejected one Tesla group's plan to hold an official meeting at a strip club.

Therefore, inebriation at our events, impaired driving, speeding, or other poor choices will mean the member will be rejected permanently.

Also, as a general guide, the oft-touchy subjects of politics, religion, etc. are best avoided in the group.

Suggestions?

We invite you to tell us what events appeal to you.

In fact, if you can offer or suggest a site for an in-person meeting, we'd love to hear about it (951-297-9434).

The site should offer ample parking and some type of casual space for mingling.

The venue should not have a cover charge, but members could make their own purchases (drinks, merchandise, meals).

As our club grows, our meeting venues will need to grow in capacity.

For 20-40 members and guests currently, our demands are still modest.

EVENTS

June 3, 2021

Visit the new Boring Company Tunnel under Las Vegas!

The tunnel loop under the Las Vegas Convention Center spans 1.7 miles and has three stops. Please let Neil Mazer know if you'll be in Las Vegas that week and could meet up for this tour.

July 4, 2021

The official Corona Parade celebrates Fourth of July. Neil's car will be part of the parade. (Please tell us if you would like to be called for future parades.)

July 17, 2021

Join us at the Tesla Owners California Takeover at the Madonna Inn in San Luis Obispo. As the first meeting of the largest Tesla owner clubs in the state, this will attract more than 500 cars. Buy your \$30 ticket in advance, receive a t-shirt, and visit between 10 am and 4 pm. Children are free. The event will include exhibitors of Tesla accessories and services, raffle prizes and cool Tesla giveaways, music, food trucks, a bounce house, and an obstacle course.

Link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tesla-owners-california-takeover-tickets-150123610761?utm-campaign=social%2Cemail&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-source=strongmail&utm-term=checkoutwidget>

July 25, 2021 ??

Visit the Tesla Service Center in Temecula at 43191 Rancho Way, Temecula, CA 92590. Details to be announced!



**Madonna Inn,
San Luis Obispo**