



# SacEV News Flash

## EV Regional News

### Thursday June 15th - SacEV Returns from COVID



SacEV is returning to in-person meetings, but we're not leaving the virtual meetings behind. We are trying to Build Back Better with a hybrid approach that blends virtual and in-person meetings. This is our future direction and we will need help from our community to make this happen. If you have experience in working with hybrid meetings, please contact Guy (dot) Hall (at) SacEV (dot) org.

This will be an incredible Event in so many ways.

- We'll be at the [California Automobile Museum](#), 2200 Front Street, Sacramento, CA 95818.
- You can tour the exhibits on the history of cars, including the GM EV1, and hear about plans for a special EV exhibit.
- Prize drawing, with unique prizes.
- Display of six of the latest EVs, shown by their owners (Partial list: Imperium electric SUV, Tesla Model S Plaid, Volkswagen ID.4, Volvo XC40 Recharge, Ford Mustang Mach-E).
- Food and drink will be provided.

**Date: Thursday, July 15**

**Draft agenda:**

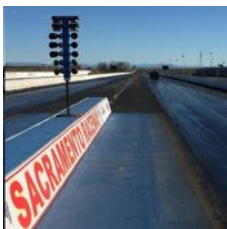
**5:00pm** Museum touring

**5:30pm** New EV showcase outside in parking lot

**5:45pm** Food and drink provided

**6:00pm** Meeting starts

- Owner presentations of new EV models.
- Presentation on INN>CHRG, a startup creating an online public marketplace for homes and businesses to sell level-2 charging services, and winner of a 2021 UC Davis Big Bang! \$10K Award.
- Update on regional charging infrastructure.
- Upcoming Events
  - September SMUD Electricity Fair (September 11, see below).
  - October Sacramento Auto Show (October 15-17).
  - National Drive Electric Week (September 25-October 3).
- Presentation on Charge Up Change!, SMUD's competition for middle school students to create EV videos.
- Presentation on SMUD's Youth Energy Summit for high school students.
- Recognition of SacEV volunteers.



### EVs at Sacramento Raceway

**Date change: Raceway Event rescheduled to Wednesday July 21**

All types of EVs (Ford Mach-E, Tesla, Porsche, Audi, etc.) can come out for speed testing with no worries about a getting a ticket. We are eager to see EVs race. Those of you with the Model S (all versions, including Plaids) and Model X variations should be eager to see what the real numbers are for your cars.

George Parrott will be on site for general coaching, and people may want to go out after the test runs for a group social dinner and debriefing.

The on-site cost is \$20 for car and driver. Passengers/spectators are \$10. You get as many test runs as you can line up for between the 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm testing slot. You also have the option to stay af-

ter 7:00 pm to view "Bracket Racing."

REQUIRED: APPROVED HELMET (generally a good motorcycle helmet will pass the safety inspection), LONG PANTS, and FIREPROOF JACKETS for the faster vehicles. George Parrott has several, provided by SMUD, to loan.

If you have a Plaid Model S car, expect to be allowed only one run, because NHRA regulations, written around 1950, require vehicles faster than 9.99 or faster than 135 mph must have a full roll cage. The Plaid Model S should exceed both values.

You are encouraged to avoid the EV ONLY lane at the safety check-in. (EVs do not have to use that lane.) Part of the fun in testing quick EVs (like the Teslas, Porsches, and Audis) is outperforming the combustion-engine vehicles.

**Date:** Wednesday, July 21, 2021

**Time:** 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm

**Where:** Sacramento Raceway Drag Strip, 5305 Excelsior Rd. (S of Mather Field), Sacramento, CA

Questions: George Parrott email: gparrott (at) csus (dot) edu. Sunscreen/chilled water good to bring.

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## Charge Up Change! Competition



SMUD's Charge Up Change! is a middle school video competition that encourages young people to research and learn about electric transportation. The challenge is to create a short video (less than 2 minutes) that demonstrates why electric vehicles are cool.

This is the third year of the competition, which is open to middle school students in SMUD's service area. Check out more information [here](#).

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## New SMUD Program: Charging as a Service



SMUD's new program "Charging as a Service" (CaaS) provides commercial EV advisory services **for fleets**. The services include technical evaluation and cost estimates, electrical engineering/design and construction services, network and hardware options, full maintenance of charging systems, and financing options.

We need your help. To volunteer to help with the event or to show your EV, send us a note.

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## California Plan: 80% EVs by 2035, 50-Mile PHEVs, Tighter Tail Pipe Emissions



Last September, an executive order from California governor Gavin Newsom said that the state will plot a course to "end sales of internal combustion passenger vehicles by 2035." Now, a new "clean cars" program maps out additional next-generation standards for the state.

Read more [here](#).

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## SMUD Buys PG&E's Chili Bar Powerhouse and Reservoir



PG&E has sold to SMUD a hydroelectric powerhouse, dam, and reservoir on the South Fork of the American River, adding 7MW of clean, renewable power to SMUD's supply.

"We're excited to be adding this to our power supply," said SMUD CEO and General Manager Paul Lau. "The purchase of Chili Bar provides us with clean, reliable power that also helps us make the transition to zero carbon by 2030."

Read more [here](#).

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## Auburn Electric Shuttle Bus

The Auburn City Council has approved an electric shuttle bus pilot program to provide transportation to the American River confluence.

Read more [here](#).

## SMUD's Electricity Fair Returns



Join us at the Historic Folsom Powerhouse to show your EV and enjoy a family fun day of electric cars, science activities, exhibits, tours, and more. Download the [flyer](#) to see event details.

**When:** Saturday, September 11, 2021 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

**Where:** Folsom Powerhouse State Historic Park, 9980 Greenback Lane, Folsom, CA

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## Join the National Electric Auto Association



When you join other SacEV members as national Electric Auto Association members, you are part of the national grass-roots community advocating for EVs in the USA. The national EAA is critically important to SacEV as it handles our administrative chores (tax filings, non-profit status, banking service, insurance, legal help, etc.) and provides value, such as webinars and the two nationwide events: National Drive Electric Week and Drive Electric Earth Day.

Your SacEV leadership team relies on these services, so we encourage you to join the national organization for the small sum of \$35 annually. You will also be able to keep current with the latest developments in the rapidly changing world of electric vehicles in our regular Current Events e-blog. This blog is full-color, available 24/7 on-line from your desktop, laptop, smartphone, or however you access the internet.

Your membership provides value to you, our local SacEV chapter, and you become a member of this critical national movement. **Please join NOW.** You may also send a check payable to the Electric Auto Association, c/o Guy Hall, 8325 Walden Woods Way, Granite Bay, CA 95746.

## More SacEV Events Are Coming Up

Check the [SacEV calendar](#) for the latest EV-related activities.

If you've missed a Newsletter and for more information about the Sacramento Electric Auto Association visit our [website](#).

