



SacEV News Flash

SacEV Meeting



SacEV Returns from COVID with Hybrid Meeting

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

We are planning a great kickoff meeting on Thursday, July 15. Some of the most recent EVs and their owners will be on hand, including the Tesla Model S Plaid (out for less than a week) and the Volvo XC-40 Recharge BEV. Test drives may be possible. Because the event is at the [California Auto Museum](#), you'll be able to tour an exhibit on the history of cars, including the GM EV1. We're working on the agenda now and will send an update shortly.

We moved the meeting to a Thursday this time so that everyone can attend the Sacramento Raceway EV event on Wednesday evening (see below).

Date: Thursday, July 15, 2021

Time: 6:00 pm

Where: California Auto Museum, 2200 Front Street, Sacramento, CA 95818

Ceremonial Plug-In Event for Power Inn Charging Hub

Please join us for a ceremonial plug-in event and news conference to celebrate a new high-speed charging hub installed at the Power Inn light rail station. Please RSVP by Monday, June 21 to [jgonzalez \(at\) sacrt \(dot\) com](mailto:jgonzalez@sacrt.com)

Date: Tuesday, June 22

Time: 9:00 am

Where: Power Inn light rail station, 3009 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826



EVs at Sacramento Raceway

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 Porsche Taycans, Ford Mach-Es, standard Model Y/3 versions, software-upgraded AWD Model Y/3 versions, and, of course, performance Models 3/Y. Those of you with the Model S (all versions, and hopefully 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 period. You also have the option to stay after 7:00 pm to view "Bracket Racing."

REQUIRED: Approved Helmet (generally a good motorcycle helmet will pass the safety inspection), Long Pants. For the faster vehicles, Fireproof Jackets. George Parrott has several, provided by SMUD, to loan. Bring along sunscreen and chilled water.

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If you have a Plaid Model S car, expect to be allowed only one run, because NHRA regulations, written ~1950, require that vehicles faster than 9.99 for quarter-mile, or quicker 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 is outperforming their combustion-engine challengers.

Date: Wednesday, July 14

Time: 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Where: Sacramento RACEWAY Drag Strip, 5305 Excelsior Rd, Sacramento, CA 95827

Further questions: George Parrott via email: gparrott (at) csus (dot) edu



New SMUD Program: Charging as a Service

SMUD's new program, "Charging as a Service" (CaaS), provides commercial electric vehicle advisory services that 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've invited SMUD to talk about this program at the next SacEV meeting. For more information, contact jillian (dot) rich (at) smud (dot) org



Stewards of the Planet: Walking the Path

CSUS and the Renaissance Society are proud to announce an exciting presentation by Dr. Katharine Hayhoe, one of the most renowned climate scientists of our time and a riveting speaker. She is an atmospheric scientist and the Political Science Endowed Professor in Public Policy at Texas Tech University, where she is director of their Climate Science Center. She will

deliver a frank discussion about what we can do about climate change on local and global levels.

When: September 10, 3:00 pm

Where: Zoom (save the date, details to follow)

[More Information](#)



SMUD Returns with the Electricity Fair

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, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Where: Folsom Powerhouse State Historic Park, 9980 Greenback Lane, Folsom, CA 95630

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

Join the National Electric Auto Association



Join other SacEV members as national Electric Auto Association members, you are joining 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.

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Your membership provides value to you, our local SacEV chapter, and you become a member of this critical national movement. **Please join [NOW](#).**

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](#).

