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# ECA Newsletter

## John's Soapbox



Remember-this is an op-ed piece and I do not speak for the ECA or any of its members in this "Soapbox". These are just my ramblings that hopefully you find thought provoking.



### Father's Day Car Show-Feel Good For a Day!

Sunday, we held our 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Show and Shine Father's Day Car Show at Julliard Park in Santa Rosa. Walt Turner and his family, have absolutely adopted this event and deserve a great deal of gratitude from all of the attendees and ECA members for putting on another very successful Car Show.

I walk around and talk to folks that come to this event, and for one day, they can put all the world turmoil away, all the political divisions to rest, and simply enjoy classic cars and hot rods on a gorgeous weather day. I saw Mayor Mark Stapp, who was totally blown away last year at his first Show and Shine. He was again here walking around and enjoying a day that is a very positive one for the City of Santa Rosa.

I saw Jim Huppert and wife Candy who had the same kind of ownership sentiment that Walt and family have today. Jim, for those that do not know, has had tremendous health issues for years now, yet he is still alive and kicking. And when he has some spare time, he comes out to Julliard Park to experience the Father's Day vibe.

I saw Dean Soiland, Rich Castle, Bryan Musco, Ken Cody, Glenn Smith, Bob Cerri, and dozens of ECA friends that never come to any other event, but they come to this one. I saw and visited with my high school basketball coach Russ Peterich, who has been to every one of these car shows with his classic car. He parks in the same place, sees the same guys and women for 30 years, and his "return on investment"? This car show is the only one he goes to, he likes the mellow vibe, loves the Julliard Park locale, and is damn proud of his 1959 Biscayne. All stock.



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Every once in a while, we just need to appreciate the unintended consequences of our little association, the ECA, and the events we put on. The Father's Day Car Show, is one of those that keeps delivering on the promise that you can come out, hang with others that have not junked their car, but rather they have restored it and still drive these vehicles. There is something to be said about these guys who had a 1959 Biscayne in their family, they were given it when their parents passed on, and they keep it pristine and bring it out with pride and a connection to the past, to share it with others and enjoy our car show. My coach could have sold it, and done something else with his Father's Day, but he still comes out and he does so with hundreds of others to recall a simpler time, to be proud of their car, and to simply be a car show attendee for one day.

I hope it never changes.

That's All Folks!  
John

## NEWS YOU CAN USE

- Ukiah Planning Commission Considers Annexation of Certain Areas:** [Ukiah Planning Commission to consider annexation plan - The North Bay Business Journal](#)
- Congratulations to the 18 Women who are Influential!** [Influential Women Awards of 2025, North Bay Business Journal, Bay Area Newspaper, CA news](#)
- Bid Proposals are "in", and SMART believes construction can begin in Spring of 2026 for extension to Healdsburg!** [SMART in line for \\$81 million in state funds to extend service to Healdsburg - The North Bay Business Journal](#)
- Hope one of you is on the "short list" for doing the site work for AMAZON in Ukiah-Amazon eyes Mendocino County as part of \$4 billion rural-delivery push - The North Bay Business Journal**
- Congratulations Brent! Brelje and Race new President-Santa Rosa engineering firm names new president - The North Bay Business Journal**
- Do you know her? Napa's newest Transportation Czar-we need to get her to meet with us at Spec Committee soon-Longtime deputy takes over as Napa Valley's top transportation official at pivotal moment - The North Bay Business Journal**

## COMMITTEE NEWS

- A. ECA Executive Committee** Recurring Meeting (Dan Giordani President, Kimber Lenning Carpenter Vice-President, Matt Storm Treasurer, Casey Wood Secretary, Mike Gulley Past President)-Every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month from 11:00am-12:00pm from January through October, Place NCBE small conference room 1030 Apollo Way, Santa Rosa, CA - next meeting Tuesday June 24, 2025 from 11:00am to 12:00pm
- B. ECA Board of Directors** Recurring Meeting – Every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month from 12:00pm -1:30pm from January through October, Place – NCBE Main Board Room 1030 Apollo Way, Santa Rosa, CA – next meeting Tuesday June 24, 2025, from 12:00pm to 1:30pm, with special guests Suzanne Smith, Joanne Webster, and Mike Pickens to talk about SMART sales tax extension.
- C. ECA Government Affairs Committee** Recurring Meeting-Every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month from 1:30pm – 3:00pm from January through October, Place -NCBE small conference room 1030 Apollo Way, Santa Rosa, CA – next Meeting Tuesday June 24, 2025 from **1:30pm to 3:00pm**- We are trying to line up Mayor Kevin McDonnell from Petaluma and Council member Brian Barnacle from Petaluma for our guests.
- D. ECA Specification Meeting** Recurring Meeting Every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month from February through October from 3:00pm to 4:30pm, Place-NCBE Main Board Room, 1030 Apollo Way, Santa Rosa, CA – next meeting Wednesday April 23, 2025 from 3:00pm to 4:30pm (Chairs Dale Smith/Casey Wood, Antonio Mencarini, John Reid, Geoff Coleman, Jason Nutt, (and invited guests linked to topics). -**This will be a special meeting with the Department Heads for Public Works from all nine SoCo cities plus Sonoma County Department of Infrastructure Department head. This is a rare opportunity to discuss what “is working” in public works projects vs what seems to need to be improved.**
- E. Golf Committee meeting** at Thursday, June 26 at noon, Charlies Restaurant

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## 30th Anniversary



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For more photos go to the Father's Day Car Show Facebook page  
(1) [Facebook](#) & page 15 of the newsletter

# ECA 32nd Annual Golf Tournament



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### **CPR / First Aid**

**July 16 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

Training includes bleeding control, strokes, seizures, broken bones and other life-threatening emergencies. Adult/child/infant CPR & airway obstruction management covered. This course is designed as both a course for first-timers and as a refresher.

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### **Confined Space**

**July 17 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

This course covers proper procedures for making entry into Permit Required Confined Spaces. Participants are prepared to operate in the capacity of Entrant, Attendant or Entry Supervisor during confined space operations. Participants are familiarized with CFR 1910.146 and how to properly employ the permit program. This course is a combination of classroom instruction and practical application in actual permit spaces utilizing the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment, meters and ventilation. This course is required by OSHA before an employee can enter a Permit Required Confined Space. Certification of completion is provided.

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### **CPR / First Aid**

**August 7 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

Training includes bleeding control, strokes, seizures, broken bones and other life-threatening emergencies. Adult/child/infant CPR & airway obstruction management covered. This course is designed as both a course for first-timers and as a refresher.

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### **Competent Person / Trenching & Excavation**

**August 28 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

The course will cover soil analysis, sloping, shoring and shielding, hazardous situations, excavation standards and more...

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## From the Desk of Jim Persons

### Insect Sting Allergies

There are many allergens that can cause an allergic reaction. One of the most common allergens and hardest to avoid are insect stings. According to the American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, it has been estimated that potentially life-threatening allergic reactions to insect venom occur in 0.4 percent to 0.8 percent of children and 3 percent of adults. Even after experiencing a normal reaction to insect stings, it is possible to experience a more serious allergic reaction at any time during your lifetime.

To read more. [Click HERE](#)



### Workplace Violence Program

Implemented – July 1, 2024

Senate Bill 553 requires employers to create, implement and maintain a Workplace Violence Program by July 1, 2024. Employers must also train their entire workforce.

The Workplace Violence Program must include a reporting mechanism (how is the employee going to report incidents), detailing who will be responsible for receiving complaints, and who will be responsible for identifying and mitigating workplace hazards.

Jim Persons has developed a Workplace Violence Program and Active Shooter Guidelines that meet the requirements of this new regulation. He can also provide training resources for your employees.

Contact Jim if you are interested in getting his help on a Workplace Violence Program, COVID-19 related issues or other health and safety programs.

email: [jimpersons@safetypride.com](mailto:jimpersons@safetypride.com) or phone: 707-889-0881 or sign up for an upcoming class!



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Part of this **on-demand service** is a viable alternative to **in-house training** because it is designed for situations where only **one, two, three or four** people that need training. Importantly, this training can be very cost effective. We can combine the classes with other companies that need the training or you can have your own company class.

Whether you're in search of workplace safety training to meet OSHA compliance requirements, Competent Person, Trench Safety, Confined Space, CPR/First Aid initial or update training or implementing a Safety Program ECA can help!

*The best way to beat an OSHA citation is to never get one at all.*

Email [mary@nceca.org](mailto:mary@nceca.org) to set up a class today If you don't see a class you need listed please contact me.

CPR / First Aid: 3 hrs - \$95 per person

Confined Space: 3 hrs - \$150 per person

Competent Person / Trench Safety: 3 hrs - \$125 per person

Flagger Safety Training: 2 hrs - \$125 per person

Sexual Harassment—1 hr for Employees—\$45 per person ~ 2 hrs for Supervisors \$60 per person

Active Violence Emergency Response Training— \$100 per person



### We want to highlight a member each week in our **MEMBER SPOTLIGHT.**

What we need from you is a short paragraph on what is happening at your company. New employees, new logo, a new move, exciting news, an update on your company or new equipment! What ever you want to share about your company with our members.

Email [mary@nceca.org](mailto:mary@nceca.org) with your spotlight information and send in photos if you have them!

## USEFUL LINKS TO SUPPORT YOUR BUSINESS

- A. Resilient 37 Policy Committee Meetings (open to the public) – Next meeting March 6, 9:30-11:30 am-link [State Route 37 Policy Committee - Sonoma County Transportation Authority](#)
- B. Metropolitan Transportation Commission website-link [Meetings & Events | Metropolitan Transportation Commission](#)
- C. Sonoma County Transportation Authority-link [Sonoma County Transportation Authority | SCTA](#)
- D. Transportation Authority of Marin Website-link [Transportation Authority of Marin](#)
- E. Marin Builders Exchange website-link [Home - Marin Builders Association, CA](#)
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## EMERGENCY RESPONSE MANUAL ~ 2025—2026

In the event of an emergency, we have put together the Emergency Response Manual to help our community receive quick service from our members. The manual is sent to city and county agencies in case of an emergency so they will know who to call for services, equipment and materials.

Click [HERE](#) for the 2025-2026 manual.

**Get Prepared Now!** Here are some very useful tips from CalFire to get your own house/property "in shape" for fire season. [link](#)

**Pocket Guide for CALOSHA For Contractors:** Click [here](#) for the pocket guide you all need!

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Each meeting is led by a contractor or tradesperson who presents information about his/her particular trade and then leads students through a hands-on skill-building activity. There is a strong focus on safety awareness at each meeting.

2025 NBCC Schedule: Click [HERE](#)

**For additional information, contact:** NBCC Sonoma: Mackenzie Smith  
[\(707\) 542-9502](tel:7075429502) / [mackenzie@ncbeonline.com](mailto:mackenzie@ncbeonline.com)

## Save the Dates for 2025!

ECA Golf Tournament - Friday, July 11 at Windsor Golf Club  
ECA Luncheon at Glenn Smith's Home - Friday, August 29  
Wine & Dozers Auction - Saturday, November 1 at Graton Resort & Casino  
ECA Annual General Membership Meeting - Date/Time/Place TBD



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