

NORTH BAY CHAPTER



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THIS MONTH'S NBEAA MEETING—**PLEASE ATTEND**

August NBEAA Meeting

Saturday, **August 10th**, 10 AM – Noon; **THUNDERSTRUCK MOTORS, 2985 Dutton, unit 3 in Santa Rosa.**

Mike Newell will present information about National Plug-in Day and lead a discussion about how we should organize NPID.

FUTURE NBEAA MEETINGS

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September 14th: NBEAA member, Richard Sachen, will discuss the business that he is starting that will operate fast chargers on Highway 1.

October 12th: John Kalb of EV Charging Pros in Novato will discuss the issues involved with installing EVSEs in commercial buildings and multi-unit dwellings.

UPCOMING EV EVENTS:

Holstein 100 Charity Bike Ride: August 17th is the date for this charity event. The organizers are looking for volunteers to be SAG (Support and Gear) vehicles. This bike ride raises money for West Marin Senior Services and Ride for Vets which is being promoted by the Rotary Club of Marin Sunrise. You get a nice breakfast and lunch and it's fun to be able to help people out. Please let me know if you are interested.

UPCOMING EV EVENTS (CONT.):

August joint Bay Area EAA Meeting: The SF Bay LEAFs are planning a joint meeting along with the Golden Gate EVA, the East Bay EAA and the Silicon Valley EAA. It is intended that this be a “social gathering”, i.e. no specific agenda, although someone will probably want to make a speech. The date for the meeting is August 24th. The location is the Google campus in Mountain View. It will be a great opportunity to talk with other EV drivers.

Ride the Future Tour: A cross-country EV road rally that starts on July 4th in Charleston South Carolina and finishes on August 16th at Google’s headquarters in Mountain View. The purpose of the rally is to promote plug-in vehicles. You can get more information from their website: www.ridethefuturetour.com. The organizers are enthusiastically encouraging everyone to spread the word about this rally.

National Plug-in Day: September 29th is National Plug-in Day where all across the country EVs will be shown and test drives given. Several EAA chapters will be hosting these Show & Tell events. Our Chapter is hoping to have our event at the new East Washington Place shopping center in Petaluma. We hope that as many of you as possible will participate in the Show & Tell. It would impress the public if we can show, literally, dozens of all types of EVs. We will, also be contacting the EV dealers for them to participate giving test drives. Please keep this date open and please attend the Chapter meeting on the 10th to work out the details of the event.

Cool the Earth EV Road Rally: The Golden Gate Chapter of the EAA is working with Cool the Earth (www.cooltheearth.org) to organize an EV Road Rally in April, 2014. The rally will start at Crissy Field in San Francisco and finish at Bardessono in Yountville. There will be stops along the way to promote EVs. They are looking for volunteers to drive in the rally and to help organize charging during the rally. Please let me know if you are interested in helping out in any way.

EV NEWS

BMW Announces the Release of the i3 EV

BMW, recently, announced that U.S. sales of their all-electric i3 EV will begin in April 2014, at a starting price of \$42,350. That’s not counting destination charge, or a \$7,500 federal tax credit. They will also offer an onboard “range extender” to recharge the battery, a two-cylinder gasoline engine. That version starts at \$45,200.

UPDATE ON NEW CHARGING STATIONS IN THE NORTH BAY

New Fast Charger up and running: (thanks to John Palmerlee for passing along this information)

(1) DC Fast Charger (Bliss, CHAdeMO) at the United Markets store in San Anselmo, 100 Red Hill Ave. It is available during store hours: 7:30 AM-9:00 PM.

Planned Installations:

County installed chargers in Petaluma, Healdsburg and Cloverdale. After these are up and running, chargers are planned for Guerneville, Doran Park and maybe Sea Ranch.

Note: The City of Santa Rosa charging stations are now pay stations and require a Chargepoint card.