

The BIG GoF West 50th Event

June 27-July 1, 2022



Folks, you may not realize it but the GoF West event for 2022 will be the 50th yearly event for GoF West. WOW!! 50 YEARS!! That is something that we should all be proud of. So to celebrate this special event, we tried to find a venue in Santa Barbara, CA, where the very first GoF West event was held, but prices at this time precluded us from doing that. However, we are doing the next best thing: We will be holding the 2022 event only 30 miles from there, at the same venue where we held the 2005 and 2012 events: the Santa Ynez Valley Marriott Hotel, just off Highway 101 in Buellton, in the beautiful Santa Ynez Valley only 3 hours from the Los Angeles area and 5 hours from San Francisco. This area is an ideal choice for GoF West 2022. In addition to its natural beauty, the Central Coast and the Santa Ynez Valley offer many major tourist attractions and have come into their own as one of the finest wine producing regions in the country.

We have reserved 78 rooms at a significantly reduced rate of \$169.00 per night. Additional rooms may be available, depending on the registrations. This price includes a full American breakfast—ordered from the menu—for two! That is an outstanding value!



We will have our routine GoF West functions starting with orientation and the first timers' car display on Monday evening, and the car display on Tuesday. The park we will use for the car display is only 0.7 miles from the hotel, and offers shade, picnic tables, and a nice grassy area for the display. At this time, we may have a picnic BBQ lunch, but that is still in the planning stages.

On Wednesday we will hold the rally / tour. The back roads of the Santa Ynez Valley are unsurpassed for driving pleasure in an open-top vintage MG, and we plan to take full advantage of that again for our rally / tour, perhaps taking you through some areas that you may not have seen in the past. There may be stops at some of the wineries, and the printed tour guide will mention some of the historic facts for your entertainment as you travel on the tour. The rally/tour will take place on Wednesday morning, and the remainder of the day, from around noon until 4:00 PM, will be free of GoF activities, so you can plan on seeing more of the valley attractions on your own. Tech sessions will be held at 4:00 PM. In the evening we will hold our annual auction dinner and auction of MG related parts and memorabilia. This event will be held at the hotel.

We do hope that you will consider coming to this 50th GoF West event. This promises to be a good one, filled with a lot of fun throughout the week, and you will have to look hard to find a better venue that offers first-class accommodations, great driving roads, and a beautiful setting for the car display. We hope to see you here. Reminder: this event is open to all models of vintage MGs.



Questions about the GoF can be addressed to **Mike Campbell at mlc226m@yahoo.com or 619-993-0952** or **Larry Long at emgeeguy@aol.com, or 805-868-8169**. The reservation form for the event will be found on line at gof-west.org, or attached to this article. Order forms for the dinners and regalia will be available shortly.