

## HISTORIC PEBBLE BEACH ROAD RACES

- Story by Maxine Carlson, Pebble Beach Award Winning Author

Warm greetings from Huckleberry Hill. I'm feeling blessed. I fondly recall my dad (Archie Stewart) sharing 'golden day' memories of the Pebble Beach Road Races. This event was sponsored by the 'Sports Car Club of America' featuring the world's fastest cars. Imagine my dad, a student at Pacific Grove High School, embracing the excitement of exotic cars. It was a major community event; locals came out along the Del Monte Forest route cheering for contestants.

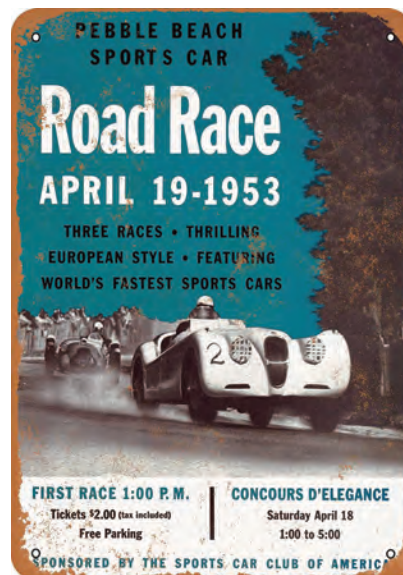
Consider the excitement. The fastest cars in the world (1950-56) accessed motorways of the Del Monte Forest. As a matter of fact, the first Pebble Beach Road Race (1950) partnered with the inaugural Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. It was an opportunity to show off the innovations of new racing cars.

My father embraced all of the adrenaline sparked thrills associated with the culture of high performance cars. As a result of the Pebble Beach Road Races, he became a life-long racing enthusiast. When Dad graduated from Pacific Grove High School, as a star baseball pitcher (he was signed to the Pittsburgh Pirates) he used his signing bonus to purchase a new car. Inspired by the Pebble Beach races he bought an Austin Healy. My dad continued to signify important moments of his life with unique vehicles. When he married the love of his life, Catherine Cardinalli, he bought her a 1965 baby blue mustang. When his oldest daughter turned sixteen, the special gift was a 1969 Camaro Z28. As a matter of fact, I still have that car securely stored in my Huckleberry Hill garage.



He was an early supporter of Carroll Shelby. (Even before Shelby's famous 1959 win at Le Mans.) As a result, I spent a lot of time at the Shelby factory. Carroll Shelby has a historical connection to the

original Pebble Beach Road Races. In 1956 Shelby won the final and last Pebble Beach Road Race. In 1957, after a tragic race fatality within the forest, the Laguna Seca track opened to provide a safer raceway.



Even though the final Pebble Beach races have long ended, the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance

is thriving. Currently, Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance supports The Pebble Beach Company Foundation. This direct financial connection of scholarship programs as well as our region's youth focused educational programs is crucially needed.

## A HISTORY OF INDIAN VILLAGE

Indian Village Picnic Grounds is a 20-acre parcel consisting of mature Monterey pine trees which surround a park-like clearing and picnic facilities. Located at the end of Dunes Drive, the property was acquired in 1980 when more than 300 Del Monte Forest property owners donated \$120,000 to purchase the property plus an additional 10 acres of forest near the Country Club entrance ("Navajo Tract"). The donations covered the purchase of 15 acres, while Pebble Beach Company generously donated the other 15 acres.

Indian Village has been a popular site for recreation dating back to the 19th century. In days past, visitors to the old Del Monte Hotel were ferried to Indian Village for a day of "roughing it" accompanied by a gourmet chef to prepare an appropriate meal. It was described by local author and research scholar Lucy Neely McLande as "a secluded open tract bordered with trees—since 1877 a favored picnic ground—Indians camped there long before the (Pacific Grove) retreat opened, as evidenced with arrowheads found by the Retreaters."

S.F.B. Morse, in his memories circa 1960, wrote: "There have been innumerable interesting gatherings at Indian Village under a warm sun, filtered through the trees, with no disturbing breezes of any kind with the distant roar of the ocean in one's ear and the glint of the blue Pacific through the forest."

The site was popular with local Native American tribes. The noted archaeologist and local historian Donald Howard, discussing Indian shell midden sites, wrote: "Some of the larger sites that represent long



occupations are Cypress Point, Pescadero Point and Stillwater Cove." "...found in these deposits are arrowheads, scrapers and mortar and pestle fragments. All of these are very close to Indian Village." The memoirs of

S.F.B Morse included these excerpts about the site:

"The Indians used it as a sort of cure. When they were sick they went there to camp and after a few days of taking the waters of the spring, they frequently felt better or entirely well."

Morse had the water of the spring at Indian Village analyzed and discovered it contained a great deal of magnesium oxide.

Indian Village Picnic Grounds is available for rent by reservation to Del Monte Forest residents, friends and selected groups. It's a perfect venue for weddings and other family celebrations. Please call 831-373-1274 for more information or to make a reservation.



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# THE CHEMISTRY THAT MAKES PEBBLE BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT ONE OF THE BEST

- by Hy Rothstein, DMFPO Board Member

My first assignment as the newest member of the Del Monte Forest Property Owners (DMFPO) Newsletter Committee was to write an article about the Pebble Beach Fire Department (PBFD). I walked directly to the fire department upon leaving the meeting at the DMFPO office eager to coordinate for interviews. To prepare for the interviews I read past Pebble Beach Community Services District Newsletters about the PBFD. It was comforting to find out that PBFD has a Class One rating for fire protection. To put this accomplishment in perspective, 1% of fire departments in the nation are rated Class One.

A key ingredient for an organization like a fire department achieving a top performance rating is its people. After talking with several firefighters, it became clear “top performance” involves much more than individual competencies. It is as much about the spiritual glue for cohesion arising from a shared set of values sharpened by working/ living together and sharing secrets between fire fighters who may have to risk their lives to protect others at any moment. This, more than anything else, produces uncommon excellence.

How this “spiritual glue” is produced is not clear but my look inside PBFD may provide some clues. Fire fighters are hired from a statewide list and assigned to battalions in the Unit. They receive basic training at the CAL FIRE Training Center. Once they graduate and report to their battalion, they are trained on local policies, procedures, and operations. Through their training fire fighters become part of the “fire-family.” Many told me their best friends were their fellow fire fighters. Those I interviewed were in their mid-20’s to early 40’s. Even the younger ones have been on the job for many years. Most started out as seasonal fire fighters. They worked to increase their chances of getting full-time positions through education and




training programs such as EMT and paramedic qualifications. However, the interviews revealed that their primary motivation, above all else, was to help people. Every fire fighter I spoke with felt personally responsible for the safety of our community.

The vast majority live 3-4 hours away from Monterey. They are married and have children. Unlike other state agencies, Cal Fire does not pay a cost-of-living differential, making it prohibitive to live nearby. Fortunately, travel is mitigated by the work schedule. The fire fighters generally work three days “on” and four days “off.” This schedule is often impacted by personnel shortages and by one fire fighter filling in for another when important family events take place, resulting in increased days at work. I was curious about why they are willing to travel so far when similar opportunities are available near their residences. While many seek work closer to home, most eventually return to Pebble Beach. The universal reason provided is simple, “The people in the PBFD made me want to return, and I’m not leaving again.” The fire fighters work and play together. They take care of one another and their families. The result is a culture of mutual respect that produces a high performance organization. Another non-trivial element of this “spiritual glue” is the respect the fighters have for their Chief. “He leads by example. He is a fireman’s chief.”

The residents of the forest should have a sense of security knowing who is on watch protecting them from fire and responding to other emergencies. These fire fighters are ready, serious, respectful, and live to help others. They are the type of people we want as neighbors. The recipe that produces this “spiritual glue” is unclear but the fact that it exists is crystal clear. We can be very proud of our PBFD.

Here's a favorite Huckleberry Hill tip. Concours Village is known as the 'hub of automotive week'. This village is open for several days during car week and has world class vehicles on full display. Best of all, it's a community building event, FREE of charge and open to all.

Do you have Pebble Beach race history, stories or memories? If so, please share with me. I love celebrating the wonderful moments made in our breathtaking Del Monte Forest. I can be reached at [huckleberryhilladventure@gmail.com](mailto:huckleberryhilladventure@gmail.com).

Whether you've had previous family experiences, or are new to our community, appreciation for the history and astonishing beauty of Pebble Beach connects us all. 



## PEEKING INTO FOREST GARDENS -By Jacqueline Fobes, DMFPO Board Member

Many forest residents are avid gardeners, each favoring certain plants and special areas in their gardens. Many leave their gardens in a natural state with canopied oaks for shade and privacy. This garden in the Laurel Lane area is a peaceful place to read on a warm afternoon and has a firepit as a focal point for friends to gather in the evening for good conversation.

A homeowner on Hermitage has great success with Clivia (clivia miniata) a stunning South African native. It likes low light, some shade, and rich well drained soil.

Another local garden features a walkway of Agapanthus, often called Lily of the Nile. This plant is popular because it is resistant to pests, takes little water once established, and is slow to burn in wildfires. For those gardeners with sensitive skin the sap can be irritating and it is best to wear long sleeves and gardening gloves.



-Happy Gardening!

Every day you can witness nature's handiwork and ever-changing display in our wonderful tidepools up and down the shoreline.

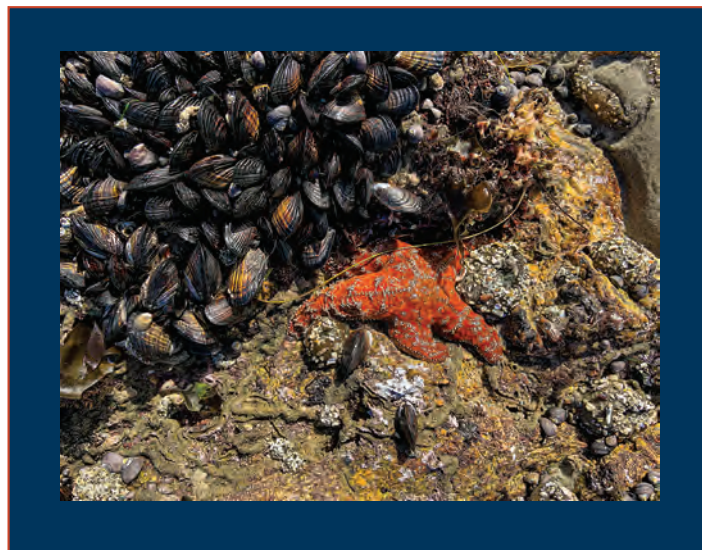
Monterey experiences two low tides and two high tides each day. They are caused by gravitational forces of the moon, and to some extent, the sun. Timing and height of tides vary. One of the tides, so called low-low, leaves large areas of beach exposed with pools of water left behind. Hint, that's where you should look! The following is a useful reference for tides: [www.tide-forecast.com](http://www.tide-forecast.com).

Many fascinating critters inhabit the intertidal zone, the area between high and low tides. You will find a wide variety of animals and plants at various depths.

California has created a number of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) to preserve and foster the local environment. We are fortunate to have an MPA in Pebble Beach, extending from Point Joe into Point Pinos. Please remember that it is unlawful to injure, damage, take, or possess any living, geological, or cultural marine resource in MPAs. That means nothing including rocks, shells, and sand can be removed. A useful site that defines the specific regions and rules is <https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Marine/MPAs>.

With these thoughts in mind, go out and explore the tidepools but be mindful of some simple rules of etiquette.

- It's very tempting to remove shells but please leave them on the beach as they serve as homes for different kinds of marine animals.
- Rocks are also homes! Turn over only small rocks; return them as you found them, and do so carefully.
- Touch animals gently, with one wet finger. Many of these animals get oxygen from the water. Do not lift anything out of the water--imagine if you could not breathe, how you would react?
- Carefully step on bare rocks not on living organisms. It can be difficult because animals like anemones appear to be rocks, watch out, they are carnivorous!



Use this time to explore our beautiful tidepools, making photographs is a nice way to remember what you saw. If you are a pet owner best not to include Fido in this exploration. Doggie would regret a spiky sea urchin. Remember too, the waves can be tricky, never turn your back to the ocean!

## RECYCLE RIGHT, WITH THESE EASY GUIDELINES

As of 2021, contamination (which includes soiled material and items that do not belong in the recycling cart) was found to be 28 percent for home and business recycling. No more than a half a percent contamination rate is the standard set by the markets that exist for this area's recyclables. Your help in keeping the recycling clean is critical—each pound of contamination has far-reaching impacts on the economy, environment, worker health, and safety.

**Remember these and leave the rest out, please!**

Glass Bottles & Jars

Plastic Bottles #1 and #2

Plastic Containers #1, #2, and #5

Clean Paper

Aluminum & Metal Cans

Cardboard (Remove all plastic packaging or boxes become unrecyclable)

Place recyclables loose in your container. The exception: Use a clear sealed bag or stapled brown paper bag for shredded paper.

Do Your Part: Keep These **OUT** of the Cart

- Plastic film, bags, video tape, shipping plastics, etc.\*
- Batteries, especially rechargeable batteries, cause fires in recycling trucks, facilities and landfills\*
- Textiles†
- Electronics contain many harmful materials†
- Recycle the jar, but not the food—clean containers with a spatula
- Paper towels and tissue—place in trash or home compost
- Garden or other hoses cause safety and maintenance issues
- PLEASE! No diapers! Dispose of properly in the trash
- Small appliances†
- Syringes are dangerous to the workers who handle recyclables. Take to a pharmacy or collection site in sturdy, sealed, labeled containers
- Packaging made from multiple materials (including paper, plastic, and metal) is not recyclable unless you can separate materials first
- Black plastic food packaging (usually bottoms) used for takeout, roasted chicken, baked goods, etc. The color does not mix with other plastics correctly when melted for re-purposing.

\*Check [WhatGoesWhere.info](http://WhatGoesWhere.info) for proper disposal and recycling.

†Donate to Last Chance Mercantile or a charity.



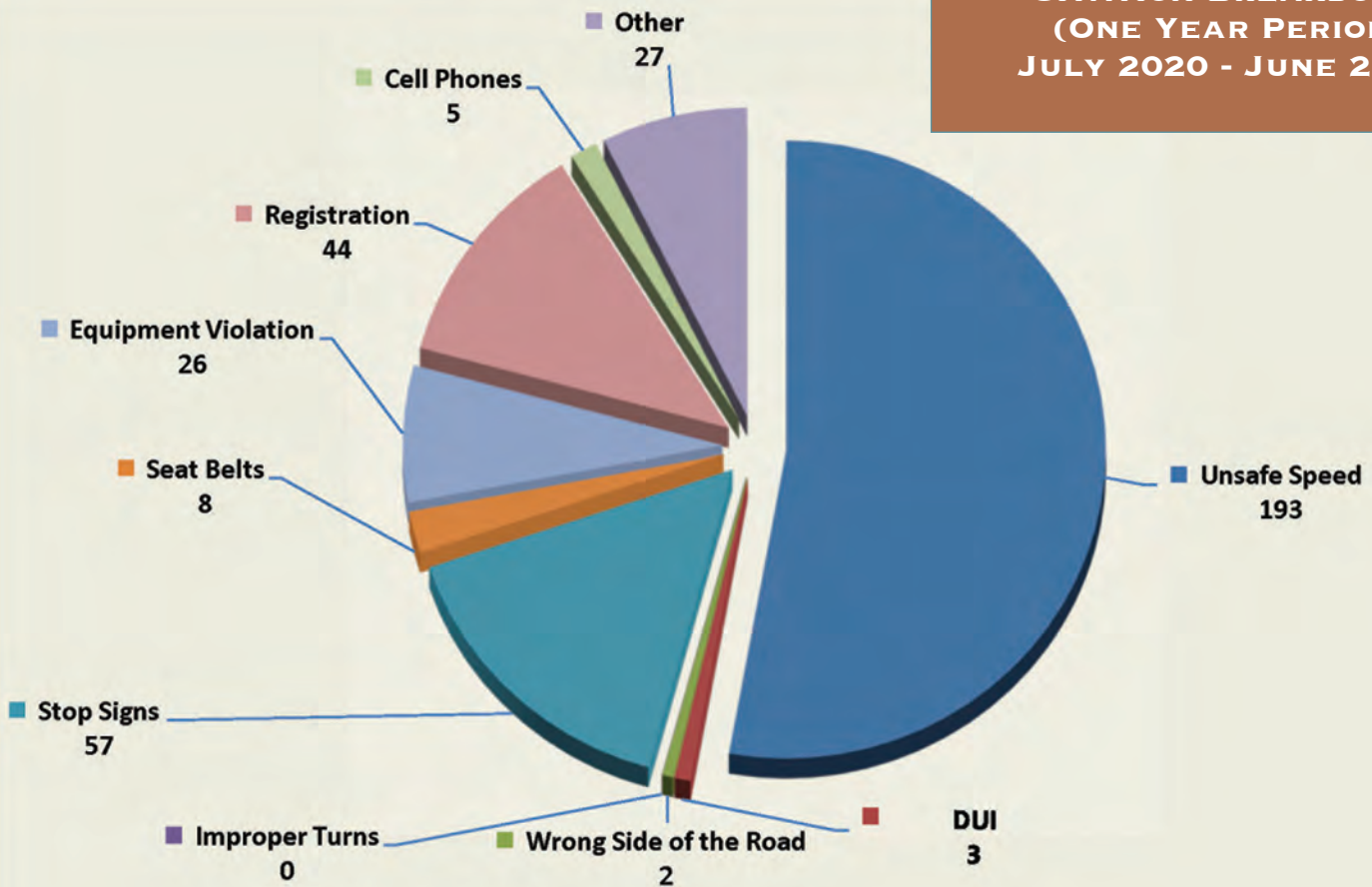
### DID YOU KNOW?

*Recycling just one plastic water bottle saves enough energy to power a 60W light bulb for six hours.*

*If all our newspapers were recycled, we could save about 250 million trees each year!*

*Recycling aluminum cans saves 95% of energy needed to make new cans from raw materials.*

**CITATION BREAKDOWN  
(ONE YEAR PERIOD)  
JULY 2020 - JUNE 2021**



**CALLS FOR SERVICE CRIME REPORT STATISTICS JULY 2020 - JUNE 2021  
BEAT AREA: 6Z-DMF / PEBBLE BEACH**

MONTH:	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTALS	
<b>Burglary</b>													YTD Total	Total 2020
Residential	0	1	0	2	3	0	0						6	12
Vehicle	2	2	1	0	2	1	2						10	9
Commercial	0	1	0	0	0	0	0						1	3
Constr. Site	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0	4
<b>Thefts</b>														
Residential	0	1	0	2	3	0	0						6	4
Vehicle	2	2	1	0	3	1	2						11	5
Property	3	2	3	1	5	2	2						18	4
<b>Vandalism/Malicious Mischief</b>														
	0	0	0	0	0	1	1						2	4
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>						<b>54</b>	<b>41</b>

Source for top report: California Highway Patrol for Pebble Beach Community Services District (PBCSD); Bottom report: Monterey County Sheriff's Office for PBCSD



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## DEL MONTE FOREST PROPERTY OWNERS Semiannual Meeting

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### Formal Notice of Bylaws Amendments

**Sunday, October 24, 2021**

**2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

**The Inn at Spanish Bay Main Ballroom**



#### **David Stivers, CEO/President Pebble Beach Company**

Update and Look Ahead for  
Pebble Beach Resorts.



#### **Michael Meddles, Division Chief Pebble Beach Fire Department**

Status of Fire Fuel Reduction  
and Fire Preparedness in Del  
Monte Forest.

This message constitutes the formal notice required when there are proposed changes to the DMFPO bylaws.

Revised bylaws will be presented for vote at the October 24, 2021, DMFPO semiannual meeting.

The complete bylaws text including changes will be mailed to members preceding the semiannual meeting.

A "red-lined" version of the proposed changes to the bylaws can be viewed now on the DMFPO website at <http://www.dmfpo.org>.

*This event is for 2021 DMFPO MEMBERS ONLY*