

## **Bay Area 02 Gathering Guidelines**

Bay Area 02 gatherings take place on the second Saturday of every month. Besides that the gatherings have three things in common: we meet, we do something, then we eat.

Something else that is fairly common is that JP Collins acts as the main organizer but we rely on Bay Area 02 members to co-host events. This makes things a lot more interesting because members get to see areas that we may never have known existed. The local knowledge of a co-host is key to the success of a good gathering. Below are some guidelines that may help you put together a successful gathering.

- 1.** Decide on an area you are familiar with. Figure out the type of event best suited to that location. Will it be a drive? Or, will it be just an event to meet and greet? Is there any added interest such as an attraction like a museum or car related activity?
- 2.** Figure out a place to meet before the drive that will accommodate parking and maybe have access to rest rooms.
- 3.** Find a restaurant to meet for lunch at the end of the drive or event.
- 4.** If we do a drive, try to keep the drive time down to 1 - 2 hours. With the combination of traveling to and from the event, the meeting time, drive/event time and lunch, a gathering can take up a better part of the day.
- 5.** Put some thought into your event. Some of the best gatherings have been the ones that have a personal touch such as a favorite place, a well planned drive or a great place to meet at the beginning or end.

After you have figured out your meeting place, driving course/event and lunch place, you will need to put together directions. It's helpful to write directions for the meeting place as well as the drive. Maps are OK but only as illustrations. Text based directions are really the best for these events.

Try to get directions to me early so I can publish them on the Bay Area 02 site as a printable document. That way everyone has access to them.

Thanks for your participation and remember to have fun putting this together.