

PICKUPS LIMITED  
So. Cal.



Orange County Chapter  
A club for 1948-56 F-Series Ford Trucks

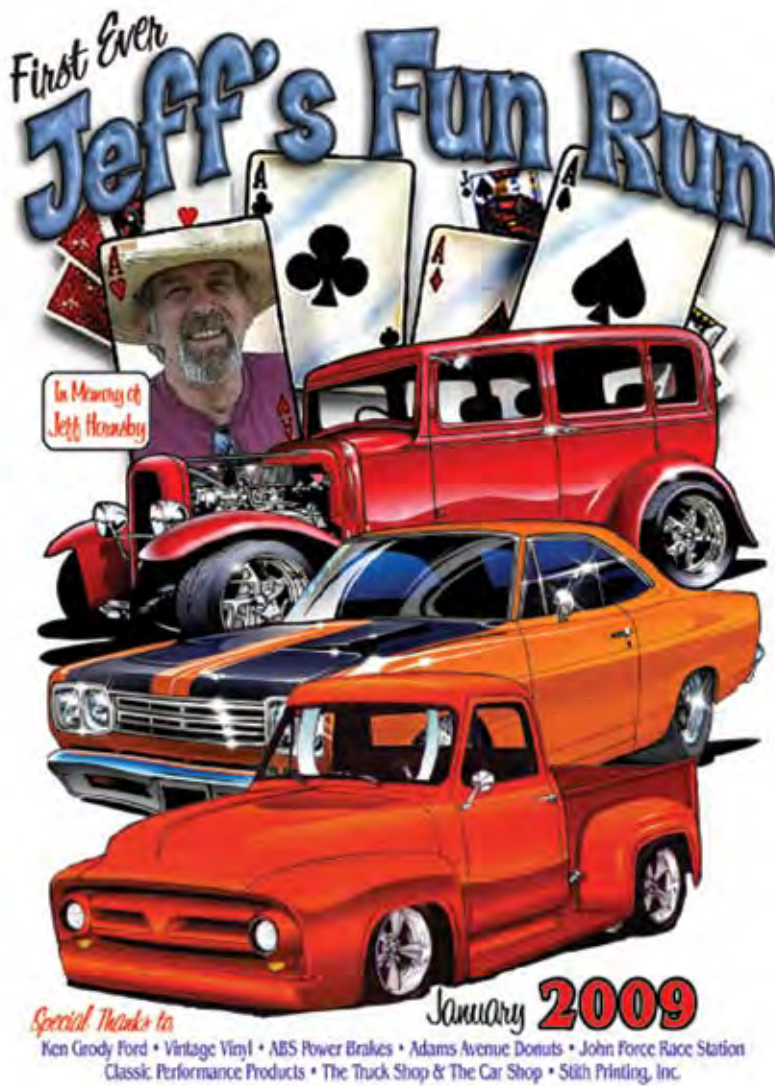
# Haulin'

# Freight

[www.pickupslimited.com](http://www.pickupslimited.com)

The Official Publication of Orange County Pickups Limited

March - April 2009



January 31, 2009...  
by Chris Travers

“Screw it: Let’s just have some fun”  
is what Jeff Hornsby would always say.  
“If we can’t have fun, it’s not worth doing”.

I always believed that life is short, so we should order desert first! I guess Jeff and I must have been brought up in a similar fashion because we both love to have fun and for those of us that knew Jeff, we knew exactly what he meant and learned to live by that rule. In Jeff’s case, unfortunately life was too short and he left us recently for that bigger cruise event in the sky.

Whenever a friend is lost, we always wonder what should be done. For me the answer to that question was simple; try my best to have some fun with Jeff in mind. Jeff liked Street Rods and Classic Trucks, so what better way than to bring everything together. In 16 fast moving days, the First Ever Jeff’s Fun Run became a reality. With the help of Steve Stillwell, Ed Oe, and Larry Lopez, the support of Pickups Limited of Orange County (and a few hand picked friends) and the generosity of Ken Grody Ford, Surf City Garage, Adams

Avenue Donuts, ABS Power Brakes, The Truck Shop/Car Shop, Classic Performance Products, Stith Printing, TORCO, Mid 50’s, the Buena Park Police Department, and the John Force Race Station, we had ourselves a first class Poker Run in the making.

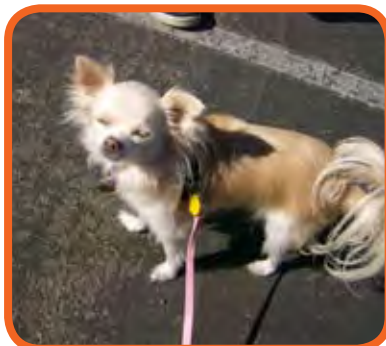
continued on page 8

# First Ever Jeff's Fun Run 2009

## continued from page 1

With this being an inaugural event with no possibility of a dry run, you can imagine what was going through my mind. The first big worry was if anybody would even show up! Well Jeff was looking down upon us and brought perfect weather and 120 frantic Street Rodders driving everything from a vintage Mini Cooper to custom '32 Roadsters; a Jeepster Commander and a 427 Roush TrakPak Mustang; this group really showed me what Street Rodders were all about. Like Bill Lee once said, "It's not the car it's the guy driving it that counts". This was about a bunch of people getting together to have fun driving their cars for the day.

As the crowd began to descend on our starting spot at Ken Grody Ford in Buena Park, it became clear that we were going to have a traffic problem. As Ken Grody himself appeared so check things out, Dale & Gloria Beverly and Mas & Dianne Homono were registering cars as fast as they could. Bench racing was beginning to captivate the growing crowd. The San Diego chapter of Pickups Limited had just turned off the 5 Freeway and was backing up the left turn lane for two blocks and construction contractors were dumping loads of wood onto Beach Blvd as rubbernecking prevailed. Wow, this was really a cool problem to have...too many trucks & cars with lots of attention! The decision was quickly made to get everybody going early. A decision that nobody disagreed with as everybody was anxious to get on the road... problem solved.





Carrie Miller of Surf City Garage provided stop #1 at their Huntington Beach facility. Not only did Surf City show off their line of fantastic car care products, but drivers were treated to a goody bag with product samples and a tour of their collection of fine restored muscle cars by Carrie and Steve Mason. Pete Haak & Rodger Jensen from the Fountain Valley Car Show and my long time buddy John Ford held down the fort and dealt the first card to the drivers. This setting makes most museums look like a Plain Jane garage. Fantastic is an understatement. Check it out for yourself and take their virtual tour at [www.surfcitygarage.com](http://www.surfcitygarage.com)



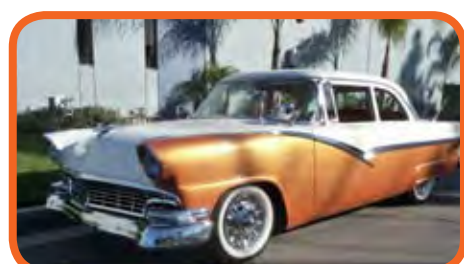
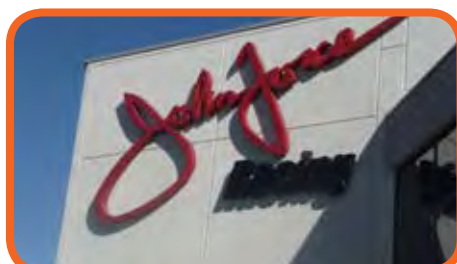
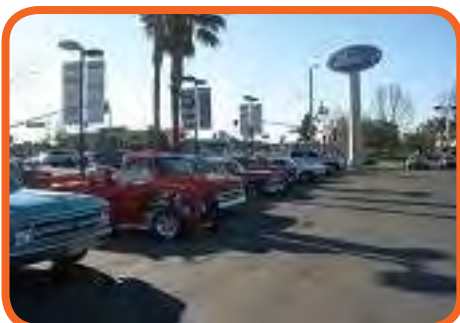
A regular Saturday event for most of us is a visit to Adams Avenue Donuts for the world famous Donut Derelicts morning cruise. Here at stop #2 we were provided with some table space for Ron & Marion Gray and Bob Zadina to work from. There were no reports as to the number of donuts consumed. If you are not from the Orange County area or have never been to "The Donut Shop" as we all call it, check it out at <http://www.donutderelicts.com>



Mike Peterman of ABS Power Brakes in Orange provided stop #3 for Bill & Sandra Balthasar and Ted Thompson to set up their EZ-Up. I know this spot kept everybody hopping. These guys provide anything that you need to stop your vehicle properly <http://www.abspowerbrake.com>



**continued on page 10**





First Ever  
**Jeff's  
 Fun  
 Run**  
 2009

continued from page 9

A don't miss spot for anybody that is building a Ford Truck or a Chevy "anything" is the Truck Shop and Car Shop also in Orange

[www.truckandcarshop.com](http://www.truckandcarshop.com). Our good buddy Luke set us up with Abe Roybal and Norm & Sally Marshall using the 50's setting to greet drivers. A special thanks to Norm on this one. He showed up with Sally thinking that they were driving the event, but when I told him that I really needed his help to man stop #4, he did not hesitate a bit. Thanks again Norm & Sally.

Fun stop #5 was at Classic Performance Products. This long time supplier and manufacturer of upgrade products gave not only our group something fun to see, but the CPP gang enjoyed the run too. Jack Reis (the Godfather of F-100 Aftermarket) set everything up for us and Kristen Hill of CPP has posted some shots on the company BLOG at <http://classicperformanceproducts.blogspot.com> Mike & Joanna Stone joined Dusty Peetoom to deal the cards. If you have your brake booster mounted under the cab, chances are that CPP had something to do with it.

This brings us to the ending spot at the WORLD FAMOUS John Force Race Station. When I phoned Craig Hozel just days before the event to ask the big favor of using this as an ending spot, he did not even hesitate but to give a thumbs up. I'm sure that he ran it past John, but based on their past kindness towards the club, there was little doubt what the final answer would be.

10 [www.pickupslimited.com](http://www.pickupslimited.com)





If you know anything about drag racing, you know how big the Force name is and for these people to constantly open their doors for our group is something special indeed. Check out the latest at <http://www.johnforceracestation.com> Add to this fantastic venue music by Dan Cangro, a strong raffle effort by Ron & Donna Jacobs, and Larry Lopez and Rhonda Flores, Bill & Glina Beverly and the solid support of the rest of the chapter in parking and guiding, and it was the perfect result. If I didn't mention your name, believe me it is just an oversight..

Jeff's wife Debbie ran the event with Ed and Ellie Oe and Jeff's son Shawn brought his wife and rode in style using Jeff's truck. This is what it is all about. Having fun even in what may seem like the worst of times. As Barry Meguiar says on his TV shows, we are Car Crazy People. I hope to see all of you on Saturday January 30 2010 for Jeff's Fun Run 2. It's going to be great!



**PICKUPS LIMITED**  
So.  Cal.

Orange County Chapter  
[www.pickupslimited.com](http://www.pickupslimited.com)