**VSCCA CASTLE HILL WEEKEND**

We invite YOU to attend the Castle Hill weekend on October 14 and 15..

**This event is open to all VSCCA members and other clubs with eligible cars.**

The event will take place at the Castle Hill 2000 acre estate (Crane plumbing) on the shore of Ipswich, MA about 30 miles NE of Boston (290 Argilla Road). The house has a 360 degree view of the Atlantic ocean and its associated salt marsh with spectacular landscaping.

Road Tour

The event will kick off from the Crane Beach parking lot, at the end of Argilla Road, on Saturday at around 9:00AM The road tour will be of the Massachusetts North Shore broken up by an off the menu lunch. It will include a number of fun questions and an interesting stop on the way. Entry is limited to 1959 and earlier cars.

Saturday Night Dinner

This year the dinner will be catered in the Crane mansion on the estate. Due to the formality of the building we suggest that men wear coats. Cocktails at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00. Self guided tours of the mansion will be available during cocktails. The address is 290 Argilla Road. Reservations are on **a first come first served basis.**

Hill Climb

On Sunday at 9:30 AM we will have a hill climb on the estates’ ½ mile picturesque driveway ending up in the courtyard of the mansion.

The event will be open to **PREWAR** cars of VMC club members (VSCCA, VRG etc.). We require fire extinguishers, seat belts and drivers must wear crash helmets. No passengers are permitted. All cars must be numbered on both sides. If you are not a VMC member please contact Tom Ellsworth at 978 7687000 for entry approval. **Entries are limited so acceptance is on a first come first served basis.**

**To clairify, the hill climb is for pre war cars only. No rat rods, customs etc. HRG, MGs with 19 inch wheels and CCCA post war car eligible cars are acceptable.**

Coffee will be available before the climb and sandwiches will be available in the courtyard for lunch (included in the hill climb entry fee.

Exhibition of Prewar cars

During the hill climb on Sunday, we invite you to exhibit your prewar car (non hill climb cars) adjacent to the courtyard in front of the mansion. Your car must be in place by 9:00 am on Sunday as you will be using the same access road as the hill climb. You will not be allowed to exit until lunch or when the event is over (4:00 PM) in the afternoon. You will have **free** access to the event.

Parking

Parking of tow vehicles, trailers etc. will be in the beach parking lot, just a half mile beyond the estate on Argilla Road. You can drive your prewar car back to the estate.

The lot will be open from sunrise to 8:00 pm on Friday, sunrise to 10pm on Saturday and from sunrise to sunset on Sunday. The lot is gated and we will have limited security on Friday and Saturday nights**. No street vehicles are permitted on the estate**  (except for dinner on Saturday night)

Access Pass

Passes will be mailed to you after you have registered.

**ROOM ACCOMADATIONS**

During the fall room reservations are very hard to find. We tried to block some, but all appropriately rooms in larger hotels were already blocked. We assume that rooms will become available as the blocks expire. The other hotels probably have rooms available now.

NAME OF INN PHONE NUMBER LOCATION ROOM RATES DISTANCE FROM CASTLE Hill

Castle Manor Inn 978 5157386 Gloucester 189-239 12.0 miles or 25 min

Inn At Castle Hill 978 4122555 Ipswich 280-350 (2 night min) On Premises

Arbor Inn 978 3560220 Ipswich 139-169 6.1 miles or 14 min

\* Ipswich Inn B&B 978 3562431 Ipswich 160-200 5.2 miles or 12 min

\* Briar Inn 978 6535323 Rowley 255-360 8.4 miles or 19 min

Shea Riverside 978 7686800 Essex 125-280 5.0 miles or 15 min

\*\* Doubletree Inn 978 7772500 Danvers 175-300 16.0 miles or 30 min

# Cape Ann Marina 978 2832116 Gloucester 200 plus 12.0 miles or 25 min

## The Beverly Motel 978 2968613 North Beverly 25 11.2 miles or 25 min

+ Try an Air B&B Internet

\*Rooms not currently available.

\*\* Large commercial hotel and far away, but has rooms available

# Located on a river, in the middle of boat yard and under rehabilitation, but interesting if you like boats.

## Located in busy business area. Older ,but with large rooms and kitchen.

**+** Am told there are a lot of nice ones in the area.

Rockport, MA is further away (15 miles) but is on the ocean, quaint, has lots of shops and a number of small Inns.

For questions please contract Steve Silverstein at 774 2322990 or Tom Ellsworth at 978 7687000. For the Tour contact Ben Bragg at 617 6944176.