

ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS AND YOUR MERCEDES-BENZ

by Richard Simonds, Technical Director

What: Technical Session

When: Saturday, January 21, 2012, 9:30 a.m. – noon

Where: Bay Area Motorworks, Inc., San Jose

Cost: \$7 per person

There are several ways in which electronic systems can help you learn about what is going on in your vehicle and how to improve its performance. Bay Area Motorworks, Inc. will cover the benefits of using the **Mercedes-Benz Star Tester** and demonstrate how it operates. They will also demonstrate the brand new **Hunter Smart Weight Tire Balancing System** and provide a tire balancing for one member's car. Bay Area Motorworks, Inc. is one of three shops in all of California with this machine.

CEO William Sverdlov will demonstrate how the Mercedes-Benz Star Tester can help identify what is going on in the multitude of electronic, computer-controlled systems in your Mercedes-Benz. By running the Star Tester a trained technician can assess everything from fault codes to actual real-time data about how each system is performing. Further, adjustments can be made to electronic control modules in real-time. Given that modern Mercedes-Benz vehicles have 50 or more electronic control modules, the value in being able to see how they operate and change performance parameters is really significant.

After seeing the Mercedes-Benz Star Tester in operation, we will receive a demonstration of the Hunter Smart Weight Tire Balancing System and the newly released **Hunter Auto 28 Tire Changer**. This new tire changing machine provides the safest tire de-mounting and mounting of any device on the market. Tires and rims are touched by nylon or plastic parts, some of which roll along the rim to avoid any sliding contact or risk of scratching the rim or abrading the tire. Even the tire balancing weights have changed significantly over the past several years, and we will see what is new and how it can improve the ride quality and tire life of your Mercedes-Benz.

Snacks and coffee will start at 9:30 a.m. The technical event and demonstrations will start at 10:00 a.m. and end around noon. Send in your reservation (form on page 9) by the January 14 deadline. Driving directions will be sent with your confirmation. Questions, contact Richard Simonds at rsimonds@pacbell.net or (650) 592-7613.

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RESERVATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

First Event: Y N

_____ persons at \$7 ea. = \$_____

Year and Model of the vehicle you plan to drive: _____

Use it to demonstrate the Star Tester? Y N

What you want to know about by testing it? _____

Use it to balance a set of wheels and tires? Y N

Problem you are having with tire balance or wear _____

Make checks payable to SFBA/MBCA and mail with to:

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Reservation deadline January 14 or when limit is reached. For confirmation, include your e-mail or phone number above. Provide a SASE with your address to receive a mailed confirmation.