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Rim Country Classic Auto Club

Payson Arizona

RIM COUNTRY CLASSIC AUTO CLUB NEWSLETTER

MAY 2017



THE RIM COUNTRY CLASSIC AUTO CLUB IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF:

- ◆ Providing social, educational and recreational activities for its membership.
- ◆ Participating in and supporting civic activities for the betterment of the community.
- ◆ Encouraging and promoting the preservation and restoration of classic motor vehicles.
- ◆ Providing organized activities involving the driving and showing of member's cars.

Join Us!

RCCAC meets at 6:30p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at Tiny's Restaurant, 600 E. Hwy. 260 in Payson



RCCAC President

Mary Cailey

Here we are, just 12 days before the 24th Annual RCCAC Beeline Car Show! Byron is doing a great job heading up the Show again, this year. This is his third Car Show in a row. Having chaired 2 Shows in the past, I know how much hard work, patience, and organization goes into managing a Show. I'm sure Byron and Sandi can't wait for May 14th to come.

I know we've been harping about it, but we still need volunteers for the Show. As members of the Club, we need your help to make the Show successful. Can everyone who is physically capable donate 2 or 3 hours in Hospitality, Parking, or Registration? Since the Show is 2 days long this year, a lot more members are needed.

For those who weren't at the April meeting, the Club has purchased RCCAC pens and RCCAC car decals for each member. They can be picked up on the back table before May's monthly meeting.

Let's all pray for a typical, beautiful, sunny weekend in Payson for the Car Show! If you haven't registered yet, get a move on!

Ladies of the club

Happy Mothers Day



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Car Trivia Test!

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Questions 21—40 will be
in the July newsletter

ANSWERS: on page #8



FROM THE GLOVEBOX



UP COMING ACTIVITIES

MAY

AT A GLANCE

- 3- Membership meeting 6:30PM
 - 5- Friday Night on Main St.
 - 6- Cinco De Mayo in Pine 11:am
 - 9- H/S Auto Shop Mini Car Show
 - 11- WOW at 11:30am.
 - 12-13 Beeline Cruise In Car Show**
GET INVOLVED!
 - 20- Movie of the Month
- Lunch every Wednesday at Dairy Queen



The movie is voted on at the monthly club membership meeting.

This month it will be on May 20th at 10:am and is announced via e-mail. Our Car Show is on the second weekend.

Make sure your e-mail is up to date!

\$7.00 gets you the movie, a small drink and a small popcorn.

See you at the Movies!

After the movie! Lunch at Fargo's

Call Martha White 928-300-3870 to **RSVP** and for more info.



- 6 Steve Chlupsa
- 9 Nancy Miller
- 28 MJ Hall



The Randall House in Pine.
May 11th 11:30 AM
for the Payson gals meet at
the MVD parking lot at 11.

Friday Night on Main St. (starting) May 5th

Each first Friday of the spring and summer months the stores and shops will be open and the car club has been invited to show our cars to promote this downtown event. The parking lot at the Animal Hospital will be held for our use for this event. Parking starts at 5:P.M. *The Mogollon Moose will have specials for dinner if you would like to partake.* If this event continues for the upcoming months we will keep you posted.

May 6th, Saturday Cinco De Mayo

Familia Restaurant in Pine.



We will be parking at the Museum parking lot across the street. They are one of our Silver sponsors for the car show. They will have food tents in the parking lot and music. It should be a fun time and be able to show our cars. We will meet at the Subway/MVD parking lot at 10:00 am and leave at 10:30am. Please RSVP to Sandi so she can get a head count. (928) 476-2168 a57chevyman@q.com



Payson High School Mini Car Show and Shine at the Auto Shop

Tuesday May 9th
9:30 to 11:30 A.M.

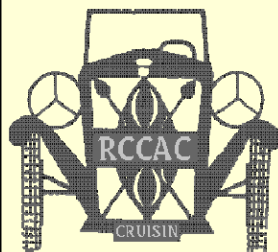
Details will be shared at the
May 3rd membership meeting
with an e-mail to follow.

COMING IN JUNE:

Fathers Day BBQ at the Elks Lodge:

June 18th

**More information coming
in next months
NEWSLETTER!**



*Mark
your
Calendar*

News from the Backseat



Café & Museum Cruise April 6th



A fairly good sized group took the tour down to the Roosevelt Lake Museum, with a stop for lunch at the Reno Creek Café in Punkin Center. Good eats, good company, and an interesting museum where we could learn all about the building of the dam that creates such a big lake and a water supply for most of Phoenix. Fun and interesting.

50/50 Winner
Deb Wallace



Outstanding Members
Virgil Conrad & Doug Magnuson
Car Show Sponsor Committee
"The Money Getters"
Good Job Guys



RCCAC **SPRING** BARBEQUE

April 29th



Windy weather kept all our jackets on, but we had a good time anyway. Good food, and as always, lots of yummy desserts and good conversation.

Pictures by Judy Curtis

IN THE HEADLIGHTS



The year was 1945, I asked my father if I could have the old Model T that was just a frame and chassis and everything from the fire wall forward , no tires just rims. My father had used it to run the corn elevator, only in the fall. He finally said yes if I could make it run. Four days later I was driving it around the barn yard, tickled pink. I built a wooden cab and sat on the gas tank then later built a bench seat from old wood found around the farm. I was in hog heaven. A couple of weeks later a couple of city boys had too much money. They begged me to sell it to them. I said no for a few more weeks but they really wanted it. So I said come up with thirty five dollars, they finally said they had fifteen each. So I said let me see it. There went my first car for \$30 bucks.



A year later this one city boy had a beauty of a 1926 Fordor Sedan, he had been driving it for a few months, the next thing I knew they had it in the high school farm shop. Some of my buddy's were telling me all about it, but they could not get it to run. From the stories they told I figured out what was wrong, but I wouldn't tell any one. So a couple of weeks later I made the fellow a fifty dollar offer. No he said. Two weeks later he got in touch with me and asked if the offer was still good. He was being pushed to get it out of the farm shop so I gave him \$50 dollars and towed it home. Put it in the Hog barn and started working on it, three days later it was running. Every thing worked and boy, did I have a car? I drove it one hundred miles south to my sisters place, her husband was a Plumber and Metal Man. We built a manifold heater for it. I was toasty then. Kay and I drove thirty miles to a movie one night, parked the car and drained the radiator and went to the two hour movie. Zero weather, drove to first gas station filled up with water, warmed it up and drove home. The heater system worked great.

As for the one I have now, it came from a Moon Valley car lot about 1986, and I eventually convinced them to sell it to me. It was a bit rough around the edges (well, maybe more than a bit), but it had a heart of gold. It ran well, and after a cursory inspection, it was determined that the engine was in good shape, and that has been left alone. The



body and interior, however, showed the ravages of 60+ years.

I tore it all apart, replaced all the underlying wooden structure (yep, the bodies were framed in wood back then) and straightened the metal as needed. I painted it myself, and even did my own upholstery work. I can proudly say I did it all, finishing it up in 2004. While it's sure not the fastest thing on the road, it still garners plenty of attention and smiles.



Al Isham

Tech Tips

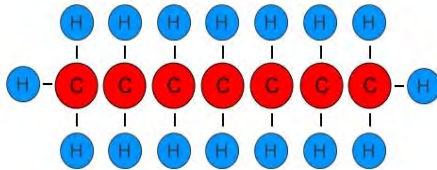
BY STEVE FOWLER



Got Gas

Margie asked me what I was going to write on this month, and suggested gas. Or maybe it was her 4-bean salad. Anyway, I got ruminating about the topic, and thought I'd put down a few thoughts. Turns out that gas (as in flatulence) and gasoline (as in fuel) are closely related, and as the price of gasoline (as opposed to the free gas we all get) goes up, so does our interest in its sources and qualities.

Gasoline is a hydrocarbon (as is fat) and is thus made up of hydrogen and carbon, commonly in long strings with carbon in the center and hydrogen down each side. Carbon has 4 bonding points



(where the power is stored) and hydrogen one, so the simplest chain, one link, has a carbon and 4 hydrogens- methane. We call it natural gas -think of your home heater as running on fossilized farts. I know a few old farts that are nearly fossilized, but I won't name you here. As the chains get longer, carbon links to carbon, and the percentage of carbon goes up, thus more bonds and more power per gallon. We call these chains: ethane (2 carbons), propane (3), butane (4), pentane (5), hexane (6), heptane (7), octane (8), nonane (9), decane (10), etc. The fuels we use are derived from these. The longer the chain, the more energy and the less volatile, meaning it will boil at a higher temperature, and so stays liquid better, good for storage but bad for burning, since it turns out liquid fuel doesn't burn. I know, I know, that seems wrong, but it's true, we have to vaporize the fuel before it will burn. But the heat of the engine makes that easy, especially in warm weather.

The next important thing to know is that gasoline itself is not what makes the power, it's the oxygen in the air. The more air an engine can process, the more power we can make. Air is about 20% oxygen, the rest is mostly nitrogen that does nothing for power. The reason some hot-rodders use nitrous oxide is that it is 36% oxygen by weight, and so it's like force feeding oxygen to the engine (chemical supercharging). When we add fuel to that air in vaporized form and then ignite it, it releases massive amounts of heat energy, which then drives our engines.

As the fuel burns, the hydrogen burns first. Two hydrogens plus an oxygen gives us H₂O- water- and for every gallon of fuel we use we make about a gallon of water. On a cold morning, you can see this in the air as white steam escaping the exhaust. As it warms up we don't see it anymore, but it's still there. It's also what makes jet contrails in the sky. After the hydrogen burns away, the carbon

burns next, two oxygens for each carbon gives us CO₂ - plant food. If the mixture of fuel and air is short on oxygen (a "rich" mixture), we end up with some of the carbon getting underfed, which results in CO or carbon monoxide being produced, which we all know is very toxic. With extremely rich mixtures (lots of fuel/ little air) such as we see with cold starts on our old carbureted engines, there is so little oxygen that all the carbon is starved, and some even goes out the tailpipe totally unburned as soot or black smoke.

Under these conditions, the exhaust can be as much as 15% carbon monoxide, nearly 200 times the level (800ppm) that will kill in just minutes. Think about that when you see a car blowing black smoke (not a diesel, that's different but still bad). Even a well-tuned car at full throttle deliberately goes rich for maximum power, and will put out about 2-5% Carbon Monoxide. Today's cars cruise at less than 100 ppm (.01%).

The government, in their infinite wisdom, had the oil companies "oxygenate" the gasoline starting about 20 years ago, especially in CA. The idea was to add oxygen with the fuel, so the mixture would be leaner on those old carbureted cars so less CO would result, and it worked -sort of. Today's cars use an oxygen sensor in the exhaust that monitors the mixture to keep it as close to perfect as possible for both emissions and economy, and it's the biggest reason today's cars and trucks get such amazing economy. Unfortunately, that oxygenated fuel means the gas we buy is already about 10% burned, so it takes 10% more to get anywhere, and at sometimes \$4 plus per gallon, that makes me cranky.

Speaking of cranky, those of you still running carbureted engines may notice that they are getting harder to start in the cold weather, as gasoline is blended according to the weather. They used to put a lot of the shorter, more volatile chains- such as pentane, butane, even propane in the mix in the winter so the fuel would vaporize easier for starting, but with today's fuel-injected engines (carbs were last used in the late 80's), they can use a blend that doesn't want to boil in the tank and spew into the environment. So what can we do? If you're not a purist, switch the engine over to fuel injection with a feedback sensor. It will tune itself, use much less fuel, pollute less, start and run better, and pay for itself quickly at today's and tomorrow's fuel prices.

I've been to several seminars over the last decade talking about the future of fuels, and all agree that gasoline will be around for many years to come. But the price to extract it from the not-so-easily-available sources, coupled with huge demand increases worldwide as India and China discover the convenience of cars, will keep pushing the price up, and \$10/gallon (it's already \$12+ in Korea, our daughter tells us) is certainly in our future.

So enjoy it while you can, make the best of your situation, and try to conserve fuel without parking your pride and joy. By the way, because of fuel density, you get more molecules per gallon filling on a cold day. Also, you get a bit more when pumping slower (vapor issue). And, if you pump while they are filling the tanks, all the stirred-up dirt in their tank tends to get pumped into yours. Food for thought.

Happy Motoring SF

Car Trivia Test!

Answers on page #8

How did you do?
*Questions 21 to 40
 in the July issue.*

1. First US carmaker to mass-produce cars with standardized parts:
2. This model of car had no options, not even the color. "You can have any color, as long as it is black!" said the company owner. *(This will be a future Trivia question we will address).*
3. "Come along with me, _____, In my merry Oldsmobile."
4. In 1903, two automobile executives raced their own cars; Ransom E. Olds in his "Pirate" and Alexander Winton in his "Bullet." That race was held on this beach:
5. In 1908, William C. Durant offered to sell stock in a new venture called General Motors; then used the cash and stock to buy 4 existing automakers. The brand names of those first four GM cars:
6. A car was named for this French adventurer who in 1701, founded the city of Detroit:
7. The fifth car company to be part of General Motors (1911) was named for this Swiss-born race car driver:
8. Charles Kettering's invention was one of the most important advancements the auto industry has ever known. It first appeared on Cadillacs in 1912. Cars equipped with his invention sold like crazy. His company: Dayton Engineering Laboratories Co. What was his invention?
9. Following a dispute with stockholders, Ransom E. Olds quit Oldsmobile even before it was bought by General Motors. He then built cars and trucks under this brand name:
10. What do the initials A.C. stand for in A.C. Spark Plug, ?
11. This man was a chief engineer for General Motors. He quit, bought the Maxwell automobile works, and changed the car name to his own:
12. The German automaker Daimler named a car for the daughter of one of his employees. The girl's name?
13. Adolph Hitler supervised the engineering of this "peoples' car" and personally approved the blueprints before it went into production:
14. The designer of the above car would later use much of the engine and chassis parts to build a sports car which would bear his name:
15. Which American company designed the Jeep, and who built the Jeep? The answer surprised me, and it may surprise you, too.
16. What is the origin of the name Jeep?
17. This small, inexpensive car was named for the chairman of Kaiser Motors:
18. These brothers sold their company to Chrysler in 1928:
19. Ford named a line of cars for the son of Henry Ford I. The son's name?
20. This South Bend, Indiana company began as a wagon builder in 1852, and built cars and trucks from 1901 until 1966.



REPORT

2017 BEELINE CRUISE IN UPDATE

It's down to the last week to tie up all the loose strings. Had a big meeting at the Casino Tuesday with all our workers. Everyone seemed to agree on how the show is going. If anyone has a few hours on Friday or Saturday we could use some help.

The Casino has purchased 6 trophies to be given away at the Sock Hop for Best dance couple, Best poodle skirt, Best dressed male, Best dressed female, Best greaser.

As of now we have 168 cars total registered and they're still coming in. If you haven't registered your car do so soon!

Friday is our show and shine and Bobbi has a lot of fun games in store for all.

Tom has a GREAT cruise planned, when we return the burgers and music will be cook'n.



Looking to sell parts OR Looking for parts!

1929 Model A Ford pickup for sale. On the title I am technically the second owner of this pickup. It was bought by a gentleman "New" who lived in California.



It has been kept out of the weather it's entire life, It shows only normal wear with absolutely no rust!. This beautiful little pickup had been passed down to one generation after another until I purchased it from the grandchildren. It is a perfect example of a truly original Model A Ford pickup. I have replaced the head gasket, distributor, and water pump (with a modern seal) and It's ready to drive anywhere. I am asking \$12,500 which is less than what I have in it. I just want to see it go to a good home. If interested call Bill at (928) 978-0144

1930 Model A Ford Coupe. 348 Dodge engine , 5 speed overdrive 8" Ford rear axle, Heat and Air. Asking \$24,000 Call Randy for more pictures and info. 828-978-5532



1960 Ford F-350 pickup. Ground-up restoration, 292 V-8 engine completely overhauled, HD manual 4-speed transmission, new upholstery, 9-foot bed. Is on a 4 straight wheels, has a set of dually wheels. Original Academy Blue paint. Asking \$16,000.



Call John at 474-8305, or e-mail at oldbuck8247@yahoo.com.

NOTE: If you want to advertise or remove your ad please send an e-mail to margiefowler@suddenlink.net not the clubs e-mail.

Directory Updates:

As we have new members and updates on those who are missing from the 2017 directory they will be added to the monthly newsletter.

Please print out this page and cut and paste/glue it into your directory. It is sized to fit.



Nelson,
Randy & Debbie
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*Welcome to
the club*



Upcoming Car Shows

May

- 5 - 7 Seligman, AZ. - Kingman, Az. - Topock, Az.
Historic Route 66 - Fun Run (C-A)
- 12-13 **Payson, Az.** **Beeline Cruise-In Car Show**
- 19-20 Williams Historical Route 66 Car show
- 27 Alpine Blast From the Past Car Show

June

- 3 Show Low Cruz'n The Rim **Club Adventure**
- 10 Holbrook, Az. Rt. 66 Festival & Gunslinger CS
- 17 Prescott Yavapai Classic Car Show

July No Shows

www.cruisearizona.com
<http://arizonaautoscene.com/events/>
<http://www.arizonacarshows.com/carshows.htm>

If interested in going as a group, contact Sandi Gunderson to see if something can be arranged for a group caravan.

If you know of any upcoming car shows that need to be listed. Please let Margie know as soon as possible to add them to the list.

ANSWERS to Trivia Test

1. Oldsmobile
2. Model T Ford
3. Lucille
4. Ormond Beach. (Also give yourself a correct answer if you said Daytona Beach.)
5. Buick, Cadillac, Oakland (later called Pontiac) and Oldsmobile. Give yourself credit if you named Pontiac instead of Oakland.
6. Cadillac, or Antoine de la Mothe Cadillac.
7. Chevrolet, or Louis Chevrolet
8. The electric starter. (His company, Dayton Engineering Laboratories Co, better known as DELCO, would become part of General Motors.)
9. R.E.O. (The initials of Ransom E. Olds.)
10. Albert Champion (as in A.C.'s competitor, Champion Spark Plug!)
11. Chrysler, or Walter P. Chrysler
12. Mercedes
13. Volkswagen.
14. Porsche, or Dr. Ferdinand Porsche.
15. Short answer: The first prototype was built by Bantam Car Company, best known for their midget cars. Long answer: But the American military feared that Bantam could not produce enough of them, so Jeeps were built only by Willys and by Ford, in equal numbers and using standardized parts. After the war, production went to Willys; which eventually became Kaiser-Jeep, which was later acquired by American Motors and then all of that company taken over by Chrysler.
16. The name came from saying aloud the Army's name of "G.P.," or "general purpose" vehicle.
17. The Henry J. car, named for the company founder, Henry J. Kaiser.
18. The Dodge Brothers, or John F. Dodge and Horace E. Dodge.
19. Edsel, or Edsel Ford.
20. Studebaker.

Meeting Minutes can be reviewed on the clubs website:

<http://clubs.hemmings.com/rccac/>