

Tire Tracks

Breaking News - Next club meeting at the Cousins house – Wine Tasting



successful racer in the early 50's. It is a six-cylinder supercharged 140-hp roadster that requires 110 octane fuel because of the high compression ratio. On Friday morning we drove to the track with a five-gallon can to get gasoline so Al could drive the race car to the track later that day. The race track was deserted. Al

the car, no luck. Soon we had the battery down and had to jump from another of Martine's MGs. We finally gave up. We had no tools. Martine came along with a can of ether. When that didn't work he pulled the plugs and cleaned them. The car finally started and I followed Al to the track. Throughout the weekend the

break. The famous corkscrew of Laguna Seca is scary the first time through. The course drops down a steep hill making quick left, right, left turns. I can't imagine what that would be like at speed. Someone took a picture of us on the track. Notice how I am hanging on for dear life. I had no seat belt. I had overheard

I'm sorry to have missed the St. Pat's Day Parade. I understand that we had a half dozen or so cars participate on a reasonably nice day.

I kept Al Moss company on a trip to Monterey for a vintage car race weekend. Al drove an old MG owned by Don Martine. We stayed at the Martine Inn in Pacific Grove. This is a top-drawer B and B on the bay with a great view and excellent accommodations. Seals and sea otters were cavorting in the rocky surf. Martine has twenty something collector cars, mostly MGs. A half dozen are stored at the Inn for guests to view.

The racing event was sponsored by HMSA, one of the west coast organizations promoting vintage racing. MGs were the featured marque and given extra track time for a reunion race. A number of historic MG race cars came out of hibernation for the event. The car that Al drove was a 1936 MG NB. It was a very



was having trouble with the card reader when a good-looking blonde drove up to the pumps in a track-owned minivan. She was dressed for work in office clothes and high heels. She soon had Al straight on using the pump. I asked Al later why he got a gorgeous blonde to help him when if it had been me, I would have got a Hell's Angel biker babe with "Biker Grandma" tattooed on her chest. That afternoon we tried to start

car was difficult to start when cold, and it was cold. On Saturday I had every layer of clothing available on my bod. After Al took the car out for practice, he said it was a handful. The steering was sloppy loose and the right front brake kept locking up. The car darted all over the place. He was not happy. Finally, on the second day he said enough is enough and hung up his helmet. On Saturday, Al took me around the track during lunch

someone who knew the car tell Al to tie the passenger door shut because it had a tendency to open during a race. Every right turn had me hanging on to the dashboard underside in case the door opened. Oh, by the way, ask Al what he paid for that 110 octane racing fuel.

Happy motoring.

Ed Pittman

President

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Club Calendar

April

19th—Event to be announced

May

3rd—Taliesin West & Briskman tours.

11th—Mother's Day Brunch, Junipine

June

10th—Annual Picnic

September

20— Annual Sedona Car Show

Sedona Western Americana Days

December

9— Christmas Dinner

Cruise In - the first Saturday of each month 8 am to 11 am at Jerona in Cottonwood. Free coffee.

Congratulations ! On Your Anniversary!

Clyde & Gail Bangiola 1

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APRIL PROGRAM

7 PM, Tuesday, April 8th

Wine tasting at Ernie and Lorraine Cousins.

35 Grounds Drive, Sedona

Directions: Take 89A to Coffee Pot Rd. (runs along side the Basha's Center) North on Coffee Pot to Grounds Drive (the next street just past Iris Lane)

Refreshments by the Monaci's and Carson's
Anyone under 40 will be carded.

March Meeting Minutes

President Ed Pittman called the meeting to order at 7:03PM
February Minutes were approved.

We had one guest - Rex Mazonowicz, (he's planning to join the club).

"Thank you" to the Lombardi's and Bill Harrison for bring refreshments.

Program Chairman Tom Wachs introduced Jerry Gatto, former FBI undercover agent. Jerry talked about some of his adventures with the FBI.

The April meeting program will be a Wine Tasting. It will be held at Lorraine and Ernie Cousins' home as the Community Center no longer allows alcohol on the premises.

Membership report by Larry Currie - We have 56 families and 104 individual members. Last year at this time we had 59 families and 108 individual members. Your AACA dues have been paid in case you get an overdue notice.

Tours Chairman Al Moss announced a few of the upcoming tours.

1. March 15, St. Patrick's Day Parade in Uptown Sedona. Meet at the staging area by 9AM. David Lombardi will handle getting us lined up as Al will be out of town.
2. Saturday, May 3 there will be a tour of Taliesin West in Scottsdale (Frank Lloyd Wright's Place). Club will then go to Sharon and Barry Briskman's home to see their collection of cars. Club will also stop for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Car Show Chairman David Lombardi announced his first Car Show Committee Meeting on Thursday, March 13th at 7PM. Meeting will be held at David's home. David requested that everyone enter a car in show. There will be a category for everyone's car.

David also plugged Al Moss' new book, "The Other Moss." Al has copies for sale or you can go to his website to order a copy.

Second VP Jim Bradley announced there would be a trash pickup along 89A on Saturday, April 5. He passed around a signup sheet for eight volunteers. They will meet at Red Rock High School at 8AM. The volunteers will be treated to breakfast on the club after they finish the trash pickup.

Jim sold 50-50 tickets and the winner was Ed Pittman. Ed will sell the 50-50 tickets at the April meeting.



I WANT YOU

That's right, Uncle Sam was a Da Bocce Boy at one time, that's why he wants you. Join up with the rest of the Da Bocce Boys at Joe Tully's house for some sand bowling for dollars. There are current openings, but with Sam on the case they may close down before you know it, so let Joe know...you need him!!

Joe Tully - 282-4786 or irish40@esedona.net

TRASH TALK

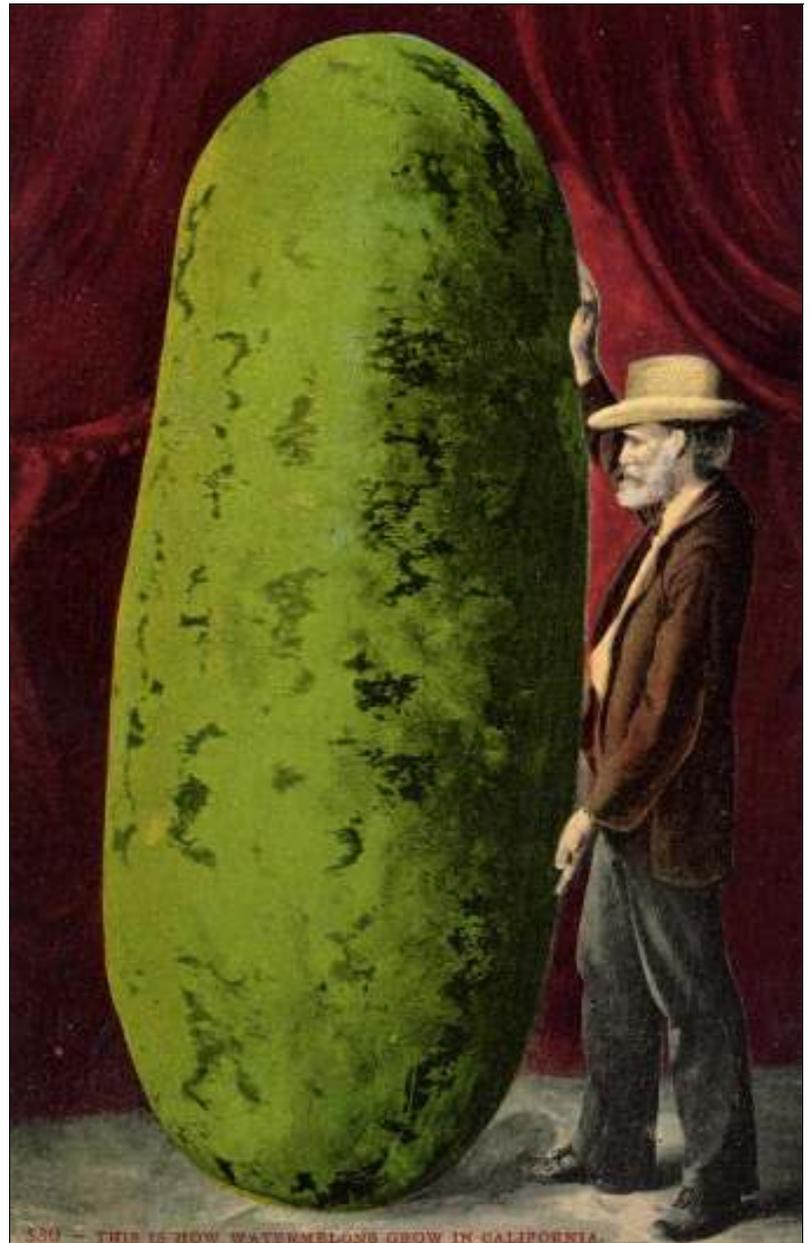
Once again, free food trumps any and all other means to get "volunteers" to sign up for trash duty. The club decided to one up the government and offer its own stimulus package for trash picker uppers. Sort of a modern era WPA program. (if you're too young to know what the WPA is, ask your neighbor at the next meeting.) After doing trash on Saturday, April 5th, members will be treated to breakfast at Café Jose.

We can't tell you who is free-loadi....ah, that is volunteering, but their initials are: Al Moss, Bob Boydston, Scott Mangarpan, Greg Zucco, Stephanie Giesbrecht, Vince Monaci, Karl Scheinuck, Jim Bradley. You might check with Jim Bradley to see if he needs anyone else.
282-2180

POST CARDS FROM THE PAST — PART CINQ

Who hasn't heard the Big Fish Story or the Tall Tale or the It's Bigger or It's Better brag? Those who fudge a little are annoying, but those who can really spin a yarn and tell amazing whoppers amuse us. To pass the point of deception and enter the realm of the impossible is what early postcard makers hoped to achieve with their lines of Exaggeration postcards. In the United States, many states were once known by their agriculture, and postcards featuring the biggest apples, oranges, potatoes or any other crop were excellent sellers. In arid areas without crops, why not show a cowboy riding a giant jackrabbit. These postcards always make me smile .

—Victoria Clark





The First One I Caught.





2008 St. Patrick's Day Parade



Movin' On With Moss

APRIL EVENT:

An event to be planned for April 19th is in the works. Details will be emailed and announced at the April meeting.

MAY EVENTS:

Saturday, May 3rd. An interesting day is planned. We will leave from the Bell Rock Plaza parking lot at 8 AM in the morning and proceed to the Rock Springs Cafe for breakfast. After breakfast we will proceed to Taliesin West for a tour of the Frank Lloyd Wright facility. After lunch, we will proceed to the residence of Barry and Sharon Briskman, where Barry will proudly show us his interesting cars. Please sign up at the April meeting for this event.

Sunday, May 11th. MOTHER'S DAY. Brunch at Junipine. As space is limited, the first 30 to sign up will be "in". Please be prepared to sign up at the April meeting.

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