

President's Letter



Hello Everyone. I want to first say I am sorry I was not there to preside at my first meeting as President. As many of you already know, one of my sisters died last summer and her memorial service was the day after our meeting, in California. I want to thank Jane Tusso for presiding at the meeting. I was told she did a good job.

Our Tour and Event schedule is off to a great start. On January 23rd, Steve Blank took us to a museum in Phoenix with a great car collection and we wound the day up with a delicious dinner at a restaurant he found for us. You missed out if you weren't there. Make sure you join our next event.

It's time to start thinking about our annual car show. This will be our 33rd consecutive show. Although not super big in total number of entries, our show is known throughout all of our neighboring states, and has drawn entries from each of them. It is an important event in our community and the major draw for Sedona Airport Days. Car enthusiasts from throughout the southwest come to it. It's a big deal!

It used to be that the job of show chairman rotated among members almost yearly. I have had the privilege of being chairman for the past 6 years. It's not fair to all of you other members that I should get to be president of the club *and* chairman of the show. Fairness aside, I will not be here most of August and probably not even here when the show is held. A family reunion is being planned for that date. Now is the opportunity for others to be involved in our show. The show needs a committee of 8-10 members and a chairman to oversee that everything gets taken care of.

We have a great club with wonderful members. I am sure the reason most people join a club is to do things with it. The car show does, frankly, require a lot of work; but with a group of people participating in each of the tasks, it can come together real easily.

Please let me know that you will be willing to work on our car show. The more the merrier. Heck, if we have a committee of 25, it will be a piece of cake for everyone. On the other hand, if no one comes forward, I don't know what would happen. We can't let our (famous) show fall by the wayside after thirty two years!

Thanks. Give me a call at 928-203-9007.

**David Lombardi
President**



Reminders:

NEXT MEETING

February 11

7:00 PM

Guest Speakers:

**A rep from "Chamber Music Sedona"
and**

**Gary Rich, electrical engineer consultant,
will discuss pros and cons of "Smart Meters"**



**The car club is in need
of a chairperson and
committee panel for the
September car show.**

CLUB DUES

**Club dues for 2014 are due and should be paid
before February 28, 2014, to ensure that your
name is included in the club roster. On the
website you will find a copy of the Renewal
Application. Questions? Call Sam Pietrofitta,
Treasurer, at 928-282-3801. Thank you for
your support.**

**Be sure to
check the
SCC website
for future
events and
photos from
past events.**

**St. Patrick's Day Parade
Saturday, March 15, followed by lunch
at Up The Creek, Page Springs. Be sure
to sign up at the February meeting as
space is limited.**

**February
Refreshments:
Marv and Pat Wiegand
Ed Pittman**

**Coffee:
Jim and Linda Warren**

**Sedona Car Club is now on
Facebook!**

Regional Car Events

2/16 3rd Annual Corvettes at the Rock, Black Canyon City

**2/21-23 CARQUEST Auto Parts NHRA Nationals @ Wild Horse Pass
MotorSports Park**

(For a complete list of 2014 events, click [here](#).)

CLUB CLIPS



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

TO:



Joe Tully	2
Gary Lamb	6
Luke Lukich	6
Ed Pittman	17
Carlyn Romey	17
Mary Tully	23
Loraine Cousins	26
Margi Walters	28



Club Calendar

- 2/11 Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Sedona Library
- 2/20 Copper Art Museum
(Clarkdale), Noon &
Lunch at Nate's Cowboy
Café (Clarkdale) at 1:45



If your car is being serviced at Red Rock Precision Motors, be sure to ask for the car club 10% discount.

Members are needed to sign up for refreshments for May and coffee for March through May.

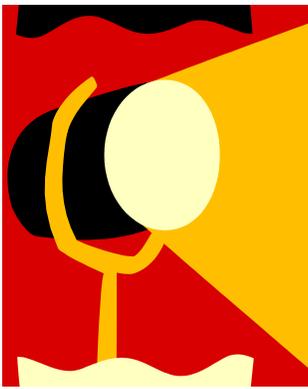
Thanks to Bob and Amy Duncan for January refreshments and Ralph and Sharon Blankenship for coffee.

**Congratulations
On Your Anniversary!**

**Welcome new members:
Bud and Karen Sargent**

1928 Ford Roadster 1947 Cushman Scooter
1967 King Midget 1969 Chevelle SS396

- 2/11 Lon and Margi Walters
2/20 Karl and Terri Scheinuck
2/23 Lee and Sue Riddell
2/28 Steve and Sharon Blank
2/28 Gary and Diane Carson



Spotlight on the ladies of the SCC... Carol Roland



You may not remember seeing Carol at any of the car club meetings, but you may recognize her because she was the owner of Sky Fire in Jerome.

Carol was born and raised in Michigan and says that she left there about ten minutes after her high school graduation. She moved to Arizona, Tucson to be exact, to join her older sister.

Carol met Life Magazine photographer, Dale Wittner. The couple were married in Hong Kong, which was their home base, and lived all over Southeast Asia including Saigon, now Ho Chi Minh City. Because of her husband's work, Carol reports that she probably has visited every country.

In the early 1970s, Carol moved to New York City and began making pottery. Because of her interest in the arts, she moved back to Arizona and settled in Jerome. She rented a 100 sq. ft. store in the old grade school building, which had been renovated into a small mall, to sell her pottery. She later purchased the building where Sky Fire was to be located and restored it from one to three floors with a total of 4,000 sq. ft. She sold works from artists and craftsmen, from jewelry to furniture. She owned Sky Fire for 35 years.

Carol renovated the old Jerome mortuary into her home which she still owns.

Carol and her husband, Duey, were married in 2008, and she moved to Sedona. They joined the car club in 2012.

Carol's son, Alex, lives in New York City, owns UGallery.com, and operates a studio in San Francisco. He represents about 450 artists and sells their paintings, photography, prints, and custom artwork. Carol acts as a curator for her son as they receive about 30 applications a day from artists. She is very knowledgeable in this field and has a good eye for art.

When she's not traveling around the U.S. with Duey, Carol volunteers her time at the Sedona Community Food Bank and serves on the Board of Directors. She is my friend and neighbor, and I thank her for the interview.

Pictured below is Carol and her first new car, a yellow Karmann Ghia.



My First Car... by Vicki Currie

I bought my first car before I could drive. Nobody would teach me. That's another **book!**

On a family vacation in Tennessee, we stopped by a used car lot. My younger brother was always looking at cars and, of course, **could** drive. That's when I saw it —a very pale yellow with red leather upholstery. It was a '49 Studebaker Champion convertible. To shorten this story, I bought it and my brother drove it home.

My dad did **not** teach me to drive. He was not wild about "women drivers." My brother tried but he had about as much patience as I do, which is **none!** A boy friend tried. He was very good looking, but **not** a teacher. In my defense, the manual transmission didn't help! So, I met another boy friend, who was also good looking **and** an excellent teacher. I let him use the car in exchange for lessons.

More about the car. The former owner had installed an "oogah horn," which was a lot of fun. That car took me across the country, from Biloxi, MS to Tempe, AZ (ASU), and got me through three or four years of college.

I knew nothing about car maintenance, so I basically wore it out. I knew it was near the end when, one day driving down Central Avenue in Phoenix, the steering wheel came off in my hands. I found someone in the area to wire it back on. My memory of it after that is vague, but I know it didn't go with me when I moved to California. I will always remember that car **fondly!!**



Car club road trip to the Martin Auto Museum and Keg Steakhouse on January 23.



History on Display

The car club recently visited the Martin Auto Museum in Phoenix. But did you know that there are four more museums that preserve automotive culture and history—each in their own unique way—through their collections?

The world of collector vehicles is a broad and eclectic one, with automotive fervor in every classification imaginable. From classics and muscle cars to champion race cars and vehicles driven by political and entertainment icons, all of these (and more) can be found on display in Arizona.

Golden Era Museum, Coolidge

297 W. Central Avenue

This museum houses 10 classic cars, cast-iron toys from the 1920s, wind up toys from the 1930s and 1940s, and a collection of antique trains.

Art Car World, Douglas

450 E. Eighth Street

This museum celebrates art cars—a mobile art form—through the preservation of the more than 20 cars in its collection as well as rotating exhibitions. Here you'll see many forms of art, from unique paint jobs and eccentric themes, to cars covered in materials such as plastic figurines, brass, or jewels.

Penske Racing Museum, Phoenix

7125 E. Chauncey Lane

Relive 40 years of Penske Racing through the collection of vintage (and winning) Indy and NASCAR race cars, racing memorabilia, and trophies on display.



Franklin Auto Museum, Tucson

1405 E. Kleindale Road

This collection of classics showcases the timeline of Franklin automobiles. In addition to producing these luxury vehicles, the H.H. Franklin Manufacturing Company is credited with the first 4-cylinder air-cooled car and the first 6-cylinder engine.

Club Meetings

The General Meetings of the Sedona Car Club are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Sedona Library except in June when our meeting is the Annual Picnic and in December when it is the Annual Christmas Party. We do not meet in July. Please attend and bring a car-loving friend.

Board Meetings

The Board meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. at the Cousins' clubroom. All members are invited to attend.

Tire Tracks

Tire Tracks is published eleven times a year by the Sedona Car Club and contains information on events and activities of interest to members. It is compiled and edited by Jane Tusso and posted on the website by Steve Blank before the monthly meeting. All submissions are due by the 1st of each month. Email them to: chathamjet@yahoo.com.



Wanted: Chairperson for annual car show in September.



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Editor's Note: Remember to send me your first-car stories!

If all the cars in the United States were placed end to end, it would probably be Memorial Day weekend.

I drive way too fast to worry about cholesterol.

Editor's Note: I was one of the 2,627 runners in the Sedona Marathon on February 1. Here I am receiving my gold medal from the owner of the Sedona Running Company for finishing 1st out of 26 runners in my age group for the 5K run.



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