

Tire Tracks

Sedona Car Club

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President's Letter

Hello Everyone,

Well, I'm always talking about the seasons. Maybe that's because I'm from Los Angeles and we barely had seasons. Winter was a little cooler and summer was a little hotter. But it's fall here now and the days are really nice. Recently Rachel and I took a drive in our Raider across the back side of the mountains in Flagstaff to see fall colors, mainly the golden Aspens. It was a great afternoon and we saw a lot of beautiful Aspens.

I've been making the arrangements for our annual club Christmas party recently and it reminded me of last year's party. It was at night and it snowed during the time we were eating. When the party was over I offered to walk with member, Rosie Rodriguez, to her car which was in the rear parking lot. I asked Rachel to go ahead to our car, which was in the front. When I got to our car, Rachel was standing outside of it, in the cold snow. She couldn't get in,

the door was frozen shut! Now that's something we Californians aren't used to.

Speaking of our Christmas party, this year's party is just a month away. I'm sure that everyone who attends will have a good time, and it's going to be at Noon, not in the night time so we won't have to worry about driving in a dark (and possibly snowy) night. There is more information about our party inside this issue. There will be a sign-up sheet at our meeting in a few days, and if you miss the meeting you can mail your reservation to our treasurer, Don Hallford. A friendly reminder, we must pay the restaurant by November 28th, so we need your reservation and payment before then.

If I don't see you before then, I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving Day.

David





November Birthdays

Avrum Cohen	11
Lynn Orr	12
Randal Harris	19
Vic Lukas	20
David Lombardi	24
Sharrie Wadsack	29
John Rome	30

November Anniversaries

Sharrie & Phil Wadsack	3
Pat & Marvin Wiegand	7

Editor's Note

Keep your story suggestions coming.

Send stories or ideas to:

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Thanks to Jim Thomas for technical help and banner photo.

October Events

**Next Regular Meeting:
Tuesday, November 14**

Refreshments: Susan Price, Angela Thomas. Coffee David Lombardi

Kart Racing - Octane Raceway

**Thursday November 16
9119 Talking Stick Way
Scottsdale**

First race begins at 1 PM.

Early dinner after at White Chocolate, Scottsdale.

To reserve a spot as Driver or Observer email Craig at craigster62@sbcglobal.net by November 11

\$65 per Driver for the 3 races. Cash or check to CRAIG HABERLER.

Board Recomends Leadership Team

Leadership Election

The volunteer leadership of the Sedona Car Club consists of five elected positions (President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer), and additional volunteers overseeing areas of responsibility.

In keeping with the Club's bylaws, the Board, serving as a nomination committee, recommends the following members to serve in [the elected](#) positions.

President -	Don Hallford
1 st Vice President -	Noel Naumann
2 nd Vice President -	Susie Naumann
Secretary -	Patty Reski
Treasurer -	Jim Thomas

The board further recommends the following volunteers be appointed as members of the Board to oversee specific areas of club activities:

Tours and Events -	Craig Haberler
Programs -	Angela Thomas
Membership -	Jim Thomas
Webmaster -	Steve Blank
Newsletter -	Ray Michalowski
Historian -	Steve Blank
Member outreach	Susan Price
Litter Lifting	Phil Wadsack

In accordance with the Sedona Car Club bylaws, at the next regular meeting (November 14), the outgoing President, David Lombardi, will present the above list for approval by the members present.

Upcoming Activities

Next Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 14
7:00 PM, Sedona Library

Speaker
David Price
A Tribute to Veterans

Save the Dates

Christmas Party!!!
See flyer below

January 18-19 – 2 day event

Thursday, January 18
Pima Air and Space Museum

Visit to the Pima Air and Space Museum in Tucson to view a collection of 400 iconic aircraft. Overnight in Benson.

Friday, January 19
Group tour of Kartchner Caverns.

Sedona Car Club

Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

Social hour begins at noon, lunch is served at 1pm

Juniper Bar & Grille at Sedona Golf Resort

35 Ridge Trail Dr, Sedona, AZ 86351

Cost is \$25.00 per person (due before Nov 28)

Send your menu choice and check to:

Don Hallford: 143 Kaibab Way, Sedona, AZ 86351

Menu Choices: Fish & Chips, Taco Plate, Club Sandwich,

Caesar Salad, California Chicken Sandwich

We will have a sign-up sheet at the Nov meeting

Please remember to bring a check

Gift Exchange: We will play the "Left Right Christmas Game"

Bring an inexpensive wrapped gift or unwrapped gag gift to participate in the fun

Toy Drive: You are invited to bring a child's toy which will be

donated to the Sedona Community Food Bank

Sedona Car Club in Action



Drive to Eat, Eat to Drive?



Sedona Car Club in Action



September
Car Display at Haven Health



September Lunch at Cove Mesa
Winery

More Club in Action

October – Car Show

October Lunch at
Crosswinds Restaurant



Reader Short-Take

Nick Pleznick

I had no idea that a great man that I got to know a little with the Old York Road Sports Car Club and Porsche Club had passed a little more than a year ago.

Bill Wonder was larger than life. A military fighter pilot and test pilot. His aviation stories are burned in my mind forever! He was a great storyteller who held your attention.

His stories of flying a U2, the incredible stories of his flying a Blackbird which was the fastest jet ever, along with the antics of flying a 747 with a map over the windshield to Hawaii, or him taking off from NYC and scaring the hell out of fishing boats at 3am are burned into my brain forever.

He even test flew the Concorde. I remember him saying it was the biggest POS he ever flew - lol! His race car stories matched his aviation stories, especially the one when he stored a bunch of original Ford GT40s in his barn on Long Island for something like 25 or 30 years

for Ford motor company. Only to have the head of Ford

Motorsports call him up to ask, "do you still have those cars?" As a thank-you they gave him one.

The race cars he owned were mind boggling. From formula Ford to formula-1 . I loved it when he showed up with his orange McClaren CanAm car to do one of our track events at Pocono Speedway. I could listen to him talk forever and it was a pure honor and privilege to know him a little. He made it to 98. What a full life he lived. Very well done!

Go here to see some of his race cars that were auctioned.

<https://www.goodingco.com/press/article/the-estate-collection-of-respected-privateer-racer-william-mwonder?fbclid=IwAR3p9ioaT8DDH2kTYZ ZomWUUnKVMt4c6D4E8ybYPW e3KomUOlcvq85LshMmc>

Reader Short-take

Barry Leviton

Incontinent GT

Took my 2017 Ford GT to a GT rally at Salt Lake City. Was on the track at Miller (Ford Raceway) Racetrack for track sessions. Had my 25 minutes and exited the track and parked. On my next call, I got in the car and started it up. Set it into track mode and got an issue on the dash. Someone outside yelled, Barry, you have a puddle of fluid here. Turned off the car. Bunch of hydraulic fluid by the front left wheel, where the hydraulic pump is located. Did not get on the track. Henry Ford III was there and came over to the car. Leaning over and looking at this puddle, I told him the car had so much fun, it pee'd itself. I told everyone else, I wish Ford could build a race car that could keep up with my driving capabilities



General Information

Club Meetings

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 9:00 a.m. at the Christ Lutheran Church. All members are invited to attend.

Tire Tracks

Tire Tracks is published eleven times a year for information on events and activities of interest to members. The editor is RAY MICHALOWSKI. Look for it on the club website before the monthly meeting.

We encourage member stories. Send your submissions to:
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