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Here's a list of your Officers, Board Members and Committee Chairpersons, if you have any questions, suggestions, comments or just want to chat, give them a call.

From the V.P. corner

We started the annual Del Mar pilgrimage March 28, early on a Wednesday morning this year, were working our way to a Monday morning start. We began as we usually do, with breakfast! (The first of many food stops!)

We headed out from Wickenburg, and pointed into the significant headwind. Looked like gas mileage was not going to be real good! That's OK; heck... gas was only \$3.00 a gallon and probably a lot more where we were going.

This is what it's all about folks... A parade of street rods headed for adventure. Like I have been telling for years, if you haven't been with us on one of these excursions, you're missing out big-time! There's just a truck load of memory makers in every trip. Those of us who are still working have to pick and choose a run here and there and fit them in with work and other commitments. Still, it's not difficult to get 3-4 good runs in a year.

After a great trial run to Globe and back for the newly acquired 33 hi-boy, I was looking forward to the longer drive to Del Mar. Most of us like these back road trips. It's just a lot more enjoyable than the 80MPH freeway, dodging kamikaze grocery getters, 18

wheelers, and the "fearless gotta get there before you do" idiots. We'll see about finding a route home from California with fewer freeways.

But no matter what the route, the real joy of this hobby is using the cars and going somewhere with friends and club members.

We have had some great runs over the years to places like; Havasu, Route 66 at Seligman-Kingman-Oatman-Golden shores, Flagstaff, and Williams. Several runs to Laughlin, our yearly Winslow event, New Mexico, Pinetop, Show Low, Globe, Cave Creek, Casa Grande, Wickenburg, Tucson, Yuma, Del Mar, Mission Bay, Pleasanton, Temecula, Kernville, Colorado, Des Moines, Columbus, and even Washington and Canada. I know I didn't mention them all. The point is...come on along on one of these adventures, cause once you try it... you'll be hooked like the rest of us! And you'll be telling everyone... "Ya Shoulda Been There"

Del Mar 2007 by Nick Bacon

The early bird gang met at the Country Kitchen in Wickenburg at about 7 AM. The usual suspects included Ken and Dee, Larry and Brenda, Jerry and Carol, Conrad and Michelle, Paul and Judy, Phil and Gwen, Jim Councilman, and Deb and I. The first leg of the trip was uneventful except Brenda got a little excited when we drove through the little town of Brenda. Then it was onto I-10 and Chiriaco Summit for gas and lunch. We turned off I-10 and headed for Mecca. On the way we stopped for a photo op at the bottom of this little canyon. The desert can be beautiful ya know. Throw in a few cool cars and you have a real eye catching memory. After passing the west side of the Salton Sea, the desert slowly turned to hills and then to mountains. The closer we got to Julian, the more spectacular the views were. Most gang members ate pie and ice cream at the Julian Pie Co. They have the best pies in the world, so they tell me. We toured the town, did some window shopping, some even spent money there.

We left Julian for Ramona, a little town just down the road a piece from Julian. We pulled in to the Ramona Valley Inn, which would be our resting spot for the first night. Parking at the motel wasn't difficult except for Larry. Believe it or not, that little plastic car of his can take up three parking spaces at once. I guess he was afraid of someone hitting it with their door or something and breaking it. Across the street was a Sizzler so guess where we ate dinner? Then it was off to bed and a good night's sleep.

Next morning we met in the parking lot, at nine and walked down the street a couple of blocks to a real neat little café. It had all kinds of different airplanes hanging from the ceiling and pictures of others hung on every wall. They represented everything from by-planes to the F-18. After breakfast, some of the gang wanted to shop, so Larry and Brenda, Phil and Gwen, and Deb and I left for Del Mar.

The cruise to Del Mar was beautiful. Registration was at the Del Mar Hilton and didn't take very long at all. The gang stayed at the Leucadian Beach Inn and Deb and I stayed a couple of blocks away at the Ocean Inn. After a short nap, some of the gang went to this little hole in the wall café called Jimmy Mac's just down the street from the motels. The owner, Jimmy, waited on us himself. He used to be some famous promoter of different acts back in the 60's and 70's. His diner wasn't much to look at except for the old pictures on the wall of the stars he knew and worked with but the food was to die for. Gotta put this place on the list for food the next time we are in Del Mar. The rest of the gang ate at Tony Romas. Everyone met back at the motel for some small talk and visiting then it was bed time. Two things the gang does best is eat and sleep. Friday morning the gang met at about 7 AM. We went to the fair grounds and found our parking places.

Then it was off to the venders for all their free stuff and to look at the cars that were on display inside the buildings. We left the fair grounds about 3:30 PM and headed for the motel. We had to get ready for the gang BBQ this evening. Everyone chipped in five bucks and the girls bought chicken, hamburgers, and hot dogs to BBQ. They also bought brownies, plates and silverware, and fruit and I can't remember what else. When I arrived, it looked as if Paul and Judy were having a real bad time trying to cook all that food. They had just started. I asked if I could help, and before I had finished asking, I had the utensils, utinsels, the things to turn the meat in my hands, and Paul and Judy were gone. I can't say I didn't have help. To make sure I performed my duties correctly, Cindy Bryant was there giving me expert advice on how to do it. I guess she figures I hadn't BBQed many hamburgers or chickens in my 60 years of life. Just kidding, I really have.

After that fabulous meal, it was room hopping time. Yes, we inspected everyone's room. They were all different. For example: Bob and Betty had the hobbit room. The hobbit room was a room set aside for handicapped people. Everything in it was very small and set low to the floor. Good thing since both of them are vertically challenged anyway. Paul and Judy's room was for lovers. They had red velvet chairs to set it off. Conrad and Michelle's room had a bed that moved. Betty got on it and was surfing, hanging five if you will. You could say the boooooooze was flowing pretty heavily that night. For the first time in a while, everyone let their hair down and relaxed and had a good time. I can't tell you how many remembered the night before the next morning, but who cares.

Lunch was provided by the OTHG San Diego. It was a huge hoggie, potato chips, and a soft drink or water. We thanked the OTHG from San Diego by all getting together and reciting a little poem that Dee and I made up. It went as follows:

We thank you for the lunch,
We thank you a bunch,
For the food and the g o o d t i m e,
San Diego you're fine.

There is plenty of room for cars, venders, and spectators. Our special parking spots had shade and a kinda peaceful ambience feeling about it.

Most of us departed the show around 3:30 PM. We had reservations at Jaco's Mexican restaurant at 5 PM. We had between 45 and 50 people on the patio for dinner. The drinks came first and then the food. Robby, a representative from Street Beat, paid for the entire dinner for everyone. Thank you sir for that kind gesture. After dinner it was back to the motel for some more conversation and BS and then off to bed.

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May Anniversaries

Terry & Barb Scott	5/2
Art & Mary Bans	5/5
Paul & Judy Nolte	5/7
Steve & Cindy Bryant	5/18
Larry & Brenda Besore	5/24
Tom & Peggy Noble	5/29

May Birthdays

Bill Clark	5/22
Donna Bailey-Wilkins	5/22
Fred Elston	5/27
Ann Stubert	5/28
Paul Nolte	5/29

FOR SALE:

1936 Ford Humpback sedan. 350/700R,
electric seats, power windows, trunk,
doors and steering.

Leather six way seats and leather
door panels with flames.

AM/FM/CD player, AC and heat.

Nick & Deb Bacon
(623) 547-1884

WANTED:

1936-1941 Lincoln Zephyr or
1939-1940 Mercury.

Must have late model drive train.

Call Pete
(480) 839-0835

April Fools Day started at 8AM for the gang. We headed out with our first stop at a gas station. From there it on to Pine Valley for brunch. We weren't on the road very long when Barney ran over something in the road and thought he might have broken something. Good news was he didn't and proceeded on. He did have a minor over heating problem I think.

The cruise from there to Yuma was uneventful. We stopped a Penny's Diner for lunch, but it was way too crowded so we trucked on to the other end of Yuma and Jim lead us to what used to be a Texas Roadhouse Café. We learned that I-10 had been shut down for a bad accident on the east bound side and they were resurfacing it also. That meant we had to find a way around that problem. Some decided to go to Casa Grande and up from there, while others decided to take the Southwest Parkway around and hit the 303 or Bell Road. Still others decided to try Buckeye Road as their alternate route. Not far outside of Yuma, Jim Councilman blew a right front tire. It damaged his fender and absolutely destroyed his head light. It knocked it right out of the socket. I don't know if it was luck or skill that kept him out of the desert. Things could have been a whole lot worse. Page and Linda booked after helping us with Jim. They were never seen again. I'm surprised they stayed with us that long knowing how fast Page likes to drive.

Those that went to Gila Bend made it with no more hick ups. Those that went on to Casa Grande had no problems either I am told. We gassed up and decided which route at I-10 everyone was going to take. We got to the 4 way stop sign at Highway 85 and Buckeye Road, when the gang started having more car problems. Jim's spare tire felt like it had a bubble in it and Larry turned onto Buckeye Road and his car wouldn't get out of its own way. We met at the Shell station right there on the corner. Jim took his car a couple of blocks down Buckeye Road to a tire shop and bought a new, used tire to get home. His spare indeed had a huge bubble on it. We waited for Larry's car to cool off thinking it vapor locked. Jerry and Carol came back to assist in any way they could and Jerry ended up dumpster diving and found a rack he was told he could have. We tore the rack apart and put it in his long roof. By that time Larry was ready to go. We started down Buckeye Road and got about three miles when we had to turn back. There had been a serious accident and the road was closed. Jim, Jerry and Ken and Dee took the long way around by way of the Southwest Parkway and Bell Road. Larry and I decided to try our luck on I-10. It was clear sailing until we reached Litchfield Road where it started to back up, so we exited. Deb and I just live 4 miles north of where we got off and Larry went to Glendale Ave. and got on the 101 for his remaining journey. Everyone made it home eventually and safely.

Everyone should attend this car show at least once. It is a great show. Everyone had a lot of fun and the weather was fantastic.

Coming Events

O.T.H.G. Business Meeting

Tucson Street Rod Assoc. 33rd Rodders Days
So-Cal Second Saturday
Mountain Top Street Rodders Rod & Custom

O.T.H.G. Board Meeting

Progressive Dinner
Pomona Swap Meet

O.T.H.G. Business Meeting

Show Low Days 4th Annual Still Cruizin Car Show
So-Cal Second Saturday
AZ Car Show & Swap Meet (Prescott)
Ride in Custom Bike and Hot Rod Show

O.T.H.G. Board Meeting

Ken & Dee's Mystery Cruise
Pomona Swap Meet
Twisters 50's Soda Fountain Show
Pomona Swap Meet
3rd Annual Flagstaff Route 66 Days Charity Car Show
Winslow "Standin on the Corner"
Pomona Swap Meet

Wed. May 2

May 3-6
May 12
May 12

Tues. May 15

May 20
June 3

Wed. June 6

June 8-10
June 9
June 16
June 17

Tues. June 19

June 24
July 15
August 17-18
August 26
Sept. 7-8-9
Sept. 28-29
October 14

Coco's 4514 E. Cactus Rd.

Tucson, AZ
So-Cal Speed Shop
Prescott, AZ Jim (928) 636-5609

Calico Cow 8525 N. Central

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Pomona, CA

Coco's 4514 E. Cactus Rd.

Show Low, AZ John 928-537-2326
So-Cal Speed Shop
Mile High Middle School Gary 928-632-7355
Cave Creek Roadhouse (602) 405-1660

Calico Cow 8525 N. Central

It's a mystery to be discussed later
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Pomona, CA
Flagstaff, AZ John 928-856-2816
La Posado Hotel, Winslow, AZ
Pomona, CA

An excellent source for upcoming show information and printable information sheets, maps & registration forms is:
www.cruisinarizona.com or www.desertcruisers.com or www.lonewolfcruisers.com

WE HAD SOME FUN !

By Charley The Chair

Hi there again. Charley The Chair here. Our Sunday, APRIL 22nd Putt brought out 26 cars; some from Remember When Cruise Association and some from OTHG-Phx. We left McDonalds at 10:30 a.m. and went to Casa Grande to Don and Mary Anne Morris' to see their great stuff, fun fifties things, antiques and...well you just had to be there to see for yourself! I'm sorry some of you couldn't make it. But Mommy Dee and Daddy Ken want to thank all of you who were able to join us. We brought our lunches and drinks, our chairs and items for the Humane Society in Casa Grande and Don and Mary Anne thanked us for that. We started through the cute little diner and they had some tall skinny bags of popcorn all set up; they had paddle pops, milk nickels, 50/50, dream sickle (ice cream bars) and flavored ice cream sandwiches, drumsticks...oh my goodness. They also had nachos (hmmm one of my favorites...chips with melted cheese), red vines (hmmm another favorite) and a variety of chip snacks on the tables, and bottled water....oh my. I was feeling

sick, so I went back to the car and stayed. But Mommy Dee bought a "Miss Piggy" puppet (for her collection) from one of Don's antique items and so I had company in the car. You should have seen the diner and soda fountain and milk trucks and gas station and lots of cars and bicycles (such cool colors) and on and on and on, like the energizer bunny! Some of the guys pulled their vehicles up to the pumps and pretended to be working there! There were great photo opportunities everywhere you looked. And when it was time to eat lunch (ohhh, I'm already stuffed) there were several cool shaded patio areas outside with tables and chairs and we ate and chatted and really had a great time. Well that's what Mommy Dee and Daddy Ken said as we were driving home. Yah, I was a little under the weather!

But, ta ta, . . . TA, TA !!! Remember...we have another fun trip coming up in June, yah, June 24th. It's our MYSTERY CRUISE! Oh, I'm so excited, I hope you can join us, we're going to.....oops, bye! But Mommy Dee, I wasn't going to tell them anymore about it.....

May 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 OTHG Business Meeting	3	4	5 Tucson Street Rod Assoc. 33rd Rodders Days
6 33rd Rodders Days	7	8	9	10	11	12 Mountain Top Street Rodders Prescott <hr/> So Cal
13	14	15 OTHG Board Meeting	16	17	18	19
20 Progressive Dinner information below	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Progressive Dinner May 20, 2007 Starts at 2:00 pm

Hor's Doeuvres at Bob & Betty Bailey's House 9404 North 104th Place, Scottsdale
 Salads at Manfred & Connie Wagner's House 10228 North 34th Place, Phoenix
 Main Course at Paul & Judy Nolte's House 11828 North 67th Street, Scottsdale
 Desserts at Steve & Cindy Bryant's House 5839 East Caron Circle, Paradise Valley

June 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6 OTHG Business Meeting	7	8 Show Low Days	9 So-Cal Second Saturday
10 Show Low Days	11	12	13	14	15	16 AZ Car Show & Swap Meet (Prescott)
17 Ride in Custom Bike and Hot Rod Show	18	19 OTHG Board Meeting	20	21	22	23
24 Ken & Dee's Mystery Cruise	25	26	27	28	29	30

Show Low Days June 8-10

If you haven't been to this show, you are really missing alot of fun.
Conrad & Michelle always have a party, it's on Saturday night, after the poker run
(remember it's Michelle's birthday).

Mystery Cruise June 24

Over the Hill Gang Club Store
 Call Steve or Terri Besore for orders of shirts and hats.
 Home 602-978-2647
 Club Golf Shirts - \$25.00 * Sweat Shirts - \$25.00
 T-Shirts - \$15.00
 Flamed Hats - \$15.00 * Hats - \$10.00
 Car Plates - \$25.00 * Name Tags - \$7.50
 Window Stickers - \$5.00

Cruising Locations in Town

Fraturdays

35th Ave. & Northern - Northwest corner.

North of the 101 on east side of 59th Ave. Checker Auto Parts - 6 pm till 9 pm

Warner and Lindsey Road - Northeast corner - 6 pm to 10 pm - open to all

16130 N. Arrowhead Fountain Ctr Dr. in Peoria Arrowhead Harley-Davidson - - 6 pm till ???????

4929 West Bell Rd. - 51st Ave. & Bell - 5 - 8 pm

Saturdays

Safeway Parking Lot - 40th Street & Chandler Blvd. sponsored by Rodders For Christ.

Rock n Roll McDonalds at the Pavillions - Pima and Indian Bend 4 pm to 10 pm.

19th Ave. & Montebello, just south of Bethany Home Rd. Sunrise Cruisin' Every Saturday morning 6-10 a.m.

83rd Avenue & Union Hills, Safeway Parking Lot

So-Cal Speed Shop-Arizona

Join them for coffee, donuts, car talk, & shoe box swapmeet
 every Second Saturday of the Month, Beginning May 12 at 7:00 a.m.

Ride in Custom Bike and Hot Rod Show

Starts at 11:30 am on the third Sunday of every month at
 Cave Creek Roadhouse, 6900 East Cave Creek Road, Info: (602) 405-1660

The Over The Hill Gang-Phoenix is a club made up of owners and operators of Pre 1949 vehicles. It's primary objective is to promote the sport of Street Rodding.

The Over The Hill Gang-Phoenix has a Business Meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at Coco's Restaurant located at 4541 East Cactus Rd. at 7:00 PM. There is also a Board Meeting held at Calico Cow Restaurant 8525 North Central Ave. (south of Dunlap), on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM and all members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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