

# CRUZIN NEWS-N-VIEWS

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# Larry Besore Sez

So you know how easy little things turn into big difficult problems, right? Happens to me more often than others it seems. Several things recently that I'll share just make your problems seem not so big. Had a terrible trip home from Payson car show. The fuel pump was failing and wouldn't keep the float bowls full. Must have lost power 40 times before we got home. Often the stalls were on hills or curves with little or no pull off room. Trip from hell. Replaced the fuel pump and all was well when I turned on ignition to reset radio.

New pump was so quiet I forgot the key was on and I went inside for about 8 hours. Either the float needles failed or something as not only did I have gas all over the manifold but on the garage rug as well. Drained the oil and I had about 1 1/2 quarts of gas in the oil. Pulled the carb and left the drain plug open and let set a few days to dry out. Buttoned it all up put in new oil and luckily I didn't have a cyl full of gas it fired right up. Two weeks to get all that done.

That issue is past us. But awhile ago I thought the 1950 Pontiac LED tail lights would look good in the 38 Dodge tail light buckets. Initial measurement/guesstimate made it seem like a fit. After I got them I found they were a tiny bit too small for the buckets. Several plans rattled around in my head, but in the end I took the easy way out and passed the problem on to my buddy Ron at Mouse Motors. After several engineering plans failed Mouse finally got it done and they are now in and working. Maybe I should turn all my problems over to Mouse Motors for a solution.

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August 11-13	Big Bear Fun Run	Big Bear, California, Thanks Bob for heading up this show.		
August 19	Veterans Memorial Park food	Ken & Dee's breakfast run, Wickenburg, Mexican after visiting the park		
Sept 1-2	Cars & Bikes on AZ Street	Bisbee, AZ, This show is a benefit for The Boys & Girls club of Bisbee. Ken and Dee have attended it before and had a really good time.		
Sept 15-16	Bozo & The Crew Fun Run	Santa Rosa, NM, Get ready for a weekend full of awesome classic vehicles, music, fun and good company. Thanks Page for finding this show.		
Sept 22-24	Run to the Pines Car Show	Show Low, AZ Registration is full but come by and be a spectator or participate in the parade.		
Sept 28-30	Route 66 Freedom Weekend	Gallup, NM		
Oct 6-7	Standin on the Corner show at the Frida	Winslow, AZ, Show will be held on Old Route 66 e park. Poker run and Burn out Contest On ay.		

August Birthdays						
Debbie Aronson	8/1					
Terry Scott	8/12					
Pam Graves	8/17					
Sharon Burdett	8/18					
Linda Barnes	8/29					
Connie Roseman	8/31					

Please let me know if I have

missed your birthday

I'll try to get it in next time.

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(I can also list items for sale)

Call Rick Aronson if you need an appraisal on your hot rod (623) 889-1786

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday 2		Friday 4	Saturday 5
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Big Bear Fun Run						Veterans Memorial Park
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# Mr. and Mrs. Mouse in 2017, So Far That Is

This has been a year of more episodes of health problems for us. We've missed all the fun of the putts and trips. I especially missed the breakfast putt which we had planned. (A thank you goes to Alan and Cheryl Mitchell who helped us pull it off even if we couldn't attend.) Several club members wrote to say how much they enjoyed the ride down Sonoran Desert Parkway. The cactus were glistening and the breakfast was great. First Watch is one of our favorite places to eat. We hangout at the one on Mountain View and the I-17 access road. We have known some of the waitresses for years.

Before the breakfast putt, I took a ride down a rather bumpy road. I ended up at Thompson Peak Hospital; spent 10 days. For the most part, I was out of it. For eight of the 10 days, I was in intensive care; 6 were spent on a respirator. Then I went to Life Care Center of Scottsdale for 5 days. I have the Good Lord to thank for sending me an angel to help get the strength I needed to get out of what I called prison. I wanted to go home. Judy Nolte was faithful to come to rehab every day and help me with exercise and walking. Judy did the work but Ruth Ann, her mom; and Cris, our friend, came with her. Danise Cover would pop in from time to time and brought Charlie once. I remember Bob and Betty Bailey came to the hospital. Alan and Cheryl were a blur to me the first time they came but later they saw me in better condition. I hope I didn't forget anyone but I don't remember this happening too well.

The cards, love and prayers from OTHG members were so appreciated. The greetings when I came back to the monthly meeting touched

my heart. It's been taxing but my P.E.T. scan showed no active cancer. My doctor said to forget about cancer and go on with my life. He did say it can come back but none of us know what tomorrow will bring. I put my trust in the Lord and take one day at a time.

Ron has been wearing what he calls his "bro." He now understands what it means when I say my bra is riding up and gets

uncomfortable. Nothing like coming home and shedding the bra. We were on a trip to Logan,

UT, one year when we got stuck in heavy traffic. It was hot and our car had overheated before. Mike Rust had a bra on his car which make it run a little warmer. He got on the radio and gave us a laugh, "I can't wait to get my bra off," said he. It's fun to have Mike on a trip.

Anyway, after a two-day stay in the hospital, Ron found his heart was pumping at 35 per cent rather than the 50 that the doctor says is expected after a heart attack and quadruple bypass surgery. His bro acts as a defibrillator if his heart should pump below a certain level. This gives him time to call 9-1-1. That is the reason for the Life Vest. He has to wear it until his doctor appointment July 25th. Nothing like a bro in the summertime!

We Olmsteads are tough and we will be back on the road again one of these days. Our 40 does not have power steering and Ron has very bad arthritis in his shoulders. He has the car up for sale but has not really tried hard to sell it. Sort of 'do I want to part with this or not?' Or, 'should I put power steering in it?' Decisions!

He has been working on a 1929 Ford pickup. It's very rough and he is doing a lot of body work and sanding. Luckily, he has a friend, Greg Bowles, who comes over almost every day and helps him. He chopped the top and has been trying to get the back of the cab as straight as possible. When Ron brought it home, I couldn't imagine why he wanted to do so much work again. The 1930 Ford roadster was made from his scrap pile and whatever he could scrounge up from friends and swap meets. All of his hard work paid off though. His roadster was featured in Ol' Skool Rodz magazine's July issue. He has had so much fun with that roadster, showing and racing it in CA, here and driving it to Wednesday morning breakfasts with the Model A Club at Phoenix' most prestigious restaurant, McDonald's.

He and Greg are also puttering with our 1961 Ford 2-door Ranch Wagon. It's painted a very bright yellow. Not the same yellow-orange as the roadster. Ron surely must have had yellow on his mind when he painted the mini-bike, roadster and wagon shades of sunshine.

## WHO ARE WE, Just a BUNCH of YELLOW SHIRTS? by Alan Mitchell

Thought I would give the Prez a little time off from pounding on the old keyboard and write something up for all of you. Hope you enjoy.

We are not just a bunch of Yellow Shirts, we are a LEGACY. This piece hopefully serves as a time-machine back into some little known occurrences about our members. Let me start out with "do you know who":

Was a member of the Playboy Car Club in Phoenix and helped build his high school dragster.

Rode motorcycles competitively in the BAHA and other desert races.

Founding member who has a passion for going fast whether in his Gremlin, or the Metro.

Drives a roadster built by the legend Al Eshenbaugh.

Has fixed more "shorts" than Edison or Tesla.

Had his wife changing tires at the drag strip on his Corvette, and had a fleet of commercial trucks under his domain to keep on the road.

Has written more traffic tickets and directed more traffic than Barney Fife.

Ex Drag Racer from the 60's, that raced at the same tracks as Bill "Grumpy" Jenkins.

Has drawn artwork for many car club posters and cannot pass a blank whiteboard without drawing something.

Still retains automotive part numbers in his head, and drove drag boats.

Drove buggies competitively, and if memory serves, shared a hospital room with his bride.

Picture this; Worked on/with a professional drag race team and navigated for the buggy guy above.

Created and built sculptures that are on display around the country.

Has known Don Schumacher (DSR Racing) for a long time.

Is very good friends with Roger Penske.

Knows someone in the crowd no matter where you are at.

Had a front motor dragster in the 70's.

Had a salvage yard just for truck parts.

Still testing cars at one of the local automobile manufacturers testing grounds.

Hasn't missed a local NASCAR race in how many years?

Has appraised more cars than Barret-Jackson sells in a weekend.

Can find and machine a piece of metal found in a haystack into a needle.

(gals, you were not left out other than to say I hope sometime we can put together an article from your perspective)

There are many fun facts still exemplified in our members. This is our legacy, this is who we are, this is what we have to offer and share with the world. These facts are what legends are built on and they need to be parlayed onto the next generation of hot-rodder's. We can take it with us or we can share and show where hot rodding came from and the people that made it into what it is today. The yellow shirts we have on our backs is a beacon to other people to stop and take note as they know the person in the yellow shirt is a true hot-rodder and can be looked up to for his opinions and knowledge. So I ask, whether we have the yellow shirt on our back or not, to look out there and see someone for whom we can pass our knowledge onto, and create involvement in the hobby we have helped build and maybe invite them into the club or at least to a meeting and experience a great group of "real" car people.

So until we meet/eat again, safe travels and keep on doing what you know how to do.

# **Over the Hill Gang, Phoenix Business Meeting held June 7, 2017**

President Charlie Cover called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. The meeting was held at Red Devil Restaurant. Applicants Greg S. & Sherry H., and Guest George C. were all welcomed.

Treasurer, Jean R., reported what we have in the bank.

#### **Event Reports:** Past Events:

2017 Tucson Dragway Reunion May 5-6 Alan & Cheryl M., Windy, hot, fun, Charlie C. ran his car too; Mike & Jean R., Larry & Teresa W., Danise C., Tom E. and Jim S. all showed for support

Route 66 Fun Run May 4-6 – Tom & Val A. went

May Breakfast Putt May 13 – Dave & Anne B. hosted at Joes Farm Grill, Leave McDonalds at 8:30 am to be at the restaurant at 9:00am. Fun day, 28 attendees; After the breakfast, Charlie & Danise went exploring and

discovered a housing development, Agritopia, fashioned much like the old Long Beach area of the 1950's.

Camelback Post Acute Care Car Show May 18, 7 cars went, only 2 residents came out to look, lunch was provided, including root beer floats, if you stayed. Not very organized at the facility.

Rim County Cruiser Car Show June 2-3, 5 club cars, no wind, no rain; Conrad & Michelle had an after party.

June Breakfast Putt June 3 - John & Leah C. - Horseshoe Restaurant, Wickenburg, 26 club members and one guest showed up, good food, fun time, antique shopping after breakfast.

## **Upcoming Events**:

LA Roadster Show & Swap June 17 & 18 - Larry W. Fairplex, Pomona, CA, four or five guys are going.

Haifley Brothers Garage Open House July 4 – Ron O. 10:00 am, 1015 Grand Ave, Phoenix AZ 85007-2513, phone 602-486-0252.

Big Bear Aug 11-12-13 Bob & Betty B. 28th Annual Antique Car Club's Fun Run. Most hotels are sold out. Most of the 6 or 7 club members that are going have their entry.

Bisbee, AZ Sept. 1-2 Ken S. & Dee G. Cars & Bikes on Arizona Street

Santa Rosa, NM Sept. 15-16 Page & Linda B. Bozo & The Crew Fun Run

## **Old Business**:

New Standing Rule #21 reads the same except deleted the words "and work one GoodGuys Show".

Cheryl M. brought lots of club screen-printed shirts for sale for the club

Teresa W. is still checking into getting more black hatbands.

Cindy B. pitched all the old poker run stuff that she has been storing.

Conrad M. updated our website to open faster; Our website is OTHG-Phoenix.net

## New Business:

Steve and Pam Graves have completed all their membership requirements and were accepted as new members this evening by the general membership vote.

Mark Bailey from PIR had contacted Charlie C. about a special package for the gang on November 12, Sunday (NASCAR race). For \$75, we would get two seats in the Foit grandstand seating, and parking. Seven couples raised their hands for interest; Charlie is contacting Mark for further information.

50/50 Drawing: Danise C. won the \$60 and the Club got \$60.

Drive Your Club Car Drawing: There were 5 Club Cars tonight and Pat & Marge P. won the "Drive our Car" tonight.

Adjourn the Meeting:

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m. Minutes respectfully submitted by Teresa W., Secretary.