



# **CRUZIN NEWS-N-VIEWS**

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## **PREZ SEZ:**

Well here we are in May. Time has been spinning quickly and it feel like two months since we met even though it's only been 5 weeks.

I would like to be able to say I hope everyone is feeling healthy but we know that Sharon Murray is having a tuff time. She has taken a fall and is currently in the hospital trying to get her health back. Let's all keep her in our thoughts.

Ruth and I had a mini vacation in April. First with her singing in Torrence California and hanging out with about 700 Sweet Adeline singers competing for a shot at singing at the International Competitions in 2026. Ruth won last year's regional competition and will be competing in this year's International Competition in Columbus, Ohio in October. On Sunday morning we left Torrence for Solvang. If you haven't been there, it's a Danish community with a lot of Pastries about 30 miles northeast of Santa Barbara. Ruth's brother live there on 6 acres. With all the Pastries a person could eat and with the peacefulness of sitting on his patio looking out on the rolling hills. It doesn't get much better than that. After four days, it was time to head home and get back to reality.

The April Putt, put on by Carol and Jim Dalton on the Dolly on Canyon Lake, was a lot of fun. If you haven't been on that cruise I encourage you to do so. You missed a great relaxing time. There was 19 members and our daughter and son in law. We were lucky enough to see two Bald Eagles and a heard of long horn Sheep. Plus a lot of cool shapes and colors of the cliffs of the canyon that boarders the lake. After the hour and half boat ride, we made our way to Tortilla Flats where we were treated with good service and good food. After that everyone made their way back to the valley on their own time. Again it was an enjoyable day. Thank you Jim and Carol.

That's enough from me. Looking forward to seeing you all on the 7th.

Prez Russ

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**For more Info about other Upcoming Events, Check out.....**

[Car Show, Cruise-In & Race Calendar - Roddin' & Racin' \(roddinaz.com\)](http://Car Show, Cruise-In & Race Calendar - Roddin' & Racin' (roddinaz.com))  
[Cruisin' AZ \(google.com\)](http://Cruisin' AZ (google.com))

***If you need more places to go and things to see:***

MIXTECA Cruise-in 67th Ave & Bell Rd Glendale Saturday nights

PAVILLIONS Rock & Roll car show at McDonalds on Indian Bend and the 101. Saturday nights—**THEY ARE TAKING A BREAK FOR SUMMER—LAST ONE IS MAY 10**

WESTGATE (a Nancy Perry event) Wednesday nights starting at 5 pm **STARTS SEPTEMBER 18**

PHILS FILLING STATION Fountain Hills Sunday mornings **STARTS UP OCTOBER 13 thru MAY**

K-MART CRUISE NIGHT: Every Saturday night, 1445 S. Power Road, Mesa. Starting August 6th from 4-8 p.m. Hosted by Arizona Veteran Rodders..

SPEEDWAY MOTORS : 1st Saturday every month (NOT JANUARY) Open House 8701 McDowell Rd Tolleson 9 am –12 noon

**Birthdays****MAY**

**Phil Murray 5/7**

**George Thiewes 5/26**

**Paul Nolte 5/29**

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The **Over the Hill Gang-Phoenix** is a “street-rod” or “custom” based organization, limited to 1972 or older hobby cars. 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 , Denny’s 2717 W Bell Rd. Phoenix Az 85054

**There is no Business Meeting in the month of July.**

## Upcoming Events

- May 2-4, 2025 – Route 66 Fun Run – Seligman to Kingman – Join the celebration for a nostalgic weekend – Get your hotel early, and register early – Phil and Sharon Murray, Ron and Carol Boen, Andy and Dawn Yex, Don and Bonnie McDonald, and Valerie Altgilbers are all going
- May 9-10 - OTHG San Diego 52nd annual STREAK car show.
- Pavilions will be closed for the summer

## 2025 Monthly Breakfasts

- Saturday, May 17 – Roadmasters – Need Volunteers – TBD
- Saturday, June 21 – Roadmasters – Need Volunteers - TBD

## *Good Thoughts & Good Vibes*

Hi everyone .....this is a new little “spot” in our newsletter. This is to share or request Good Thoughts and Good Vibes for anyone in this club who may need it or want to let us know they are doing ok.

We are all friends and some of us don’t always make the meetings.... And we don’t always see each other....so I thought it would be nice to have this spot to let people know if you need some Good Thoughts & Good Vibes...OR have some GOOD News / Vibes you want to share with everyone!

Please know that I will never put anything here unless you ask me to.... You can call / text or email me.

This month we have two people that reached out to me.....

1st - Sharon Murray took a bad fall on Monday and has been in the hospital since. The crisis is over but she has a lot of PT ahead, she’s weak and very tired.....please keep her AND Phil in your thoughts....

2nd - Curt Lewis let me know that his mother has been fighting cancer, she had radiation treatments and the good news is they don’t see any cancer now, but will be checking her lymph nodes in a couple months...please keep his mom, Curt & Belinda in your thoughts.

I want to thank Larry Besore for sending me this....as we have some newer members and our new applicant will be voted on at this months meeting May 7th I thought it was very informative.... Hope you all enjoy this :)

**Welcome** to our newer club members. We are glad you chose to join us. Here's a little history and Info for you.

Way back in 1997 some of us went over to San Diego (San Diego and San Bernardino were founding chapters, each claiming to be the original - LOL ) and inquired about starting a chapter, we promised to keep the club logo and colors, and we adopted the San Diego by-laws to get us started.

Over The Hill Gang has chapters all over the USA and a few overseas. In Arizona we have chapters in Havasu, Sierra Vista, and Tucson. So far plans to have a statewide chapter meet-up haven't worked out.

The club name has nothing to do with anyone's age. Story is it was adapted from the movie, and the fact that SD and San Bernardino had to go over the hill to hang out with each other.

OTHG is deep with Hot Rod traditions; as an example, San Diego chapter just had their 50<sup>th</sup> "Streak" their signature car show/party event at Mission Beach CA, the show is a big deal and OTHG takes over about 90% of the campgrounds (Camp land on the Bay)..

The chapters were originally a pre-1949 modified Hot Rod/Street rod Only. Over the last several years that has been modified by most all chapters to bring things more current.  
(Not everyone agrees with that however.)

So... yellow/brown are the club colors...Shirts, jackets, hats, plaques and window stickers are available from the storekeeper. Club shirts are yellow; tee's or polos, long sleeve or short sleeve, with original OTHG logo front and back. Not everyone is in love with the yellow shirts, But we have committed to the founding chapter to hold with the tradition. We are allowed to do Anniversary shirts/jackets in other colors, that usually ends up being black. The black shirts and other colors are ok for travel, and social wear, but for club meetings, car shows and events YELLOW club shirts are preferred.

(We have approved the ladies brown shirts as well)

It's OK, and encouraged that we wear club shirts at any and all shows/car events attended. The show/event does not have to be organized by OTHG.

It's important that when wearing club attire that we are on our best behavior, our actions reflect on the entire club and organization.

There are some chapters who have modified the logos and colors, but as stated, the Phoenix Chapter has promised to retain the original colors and logo . The logo depicts 2 cars owned by founding OTHG members. More interesting history details are available on the San Diego OTHG website.

**Travels** - Best way to get to know other members is to join one of our cruises to a show; in town, out of town, sometimes out of state. Our Putts, (shorter runs for Breakfast or lunch) are also a good way to meet others. Past OTHG road trips have included; San Diego, Del Mar, Pomona, Bakersfield, Pleasanton CA, Gunnison Co, Logan Utah, Silver city NM, Williams, Globe, Payson, Winslow, Show Low, Pinetop, Tucson , Yuma and other AZ cities. Even Louisville KY and Des Moines Iowa. We have established some special routes to some place such as San Diego/Del Mar via Mecca and Julian CA.. More drive time and scenic/photo ops. Most "putts" are to local restaurants for breakfast or lunch.

**Get involved** – Its getting difficult to get members involved and in becoming an officer or board member, but please consider the involvement, the success of the club depends on membership involvement.

The board of directors meets monthly to address issues, plan events, establish budget, and organize any special events like our Christmas Party or a fund raiser.

**Website and face page** – We have both...**WWW.othg-phoenix** for the web site (managed currently by AL Turley) and **othg-phx** for face book page , content is as good as the input received from members allow.

**Problems, issues, ideas** – Take them to an officer or board member or, come to the board meeting and discuss it there.

**Above all get involved! have fun! and make new friends!** Not all club members are outgoing, you may have to approach them to get acquainted, go for it!