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PREZ SEZ

Hello everyone.

Here we are going into another month of, I hope, not so hot weather. Anyway, whether we like it or not, summer is coming to an end. My family and friends that live up in the Northwest always ask me, how can you live in that heat? My answer is, AC house, AC car and AC stores. Pretty simple. Also tell them, we have 9 months of beautiful weather and 3 months of HELL. Enough about me and the weather.

I would like to welcome you all back from your summer journeys and hope you have a few stories to tell. Also we have a new applicant. His name is Ray and he drives a '34 Ford. He has already been to one meeting and a putt, plus he's looking forward to a few car shows in the future.

That's about all I have this month. Looking forward to seeing you all at the meeting on September 2 and hoping Gary doesn't win the 50/50 again.

PREZ Russ

August 2026 Putt

Valerie Altgilbers hosted the August Breakfast Putt on August 15th at the Joy Bus Diner in Phoenix. The Joy Bus Diner™ is a 100% nonprofit restaurant that's helping make our Valley a tastier, happier place, one meal at a time. Every cent earned is used to support The Joy Bus, a local charity that's been bringing chef-inspired meals and caring conversations to cancer patients Valley-wide.



Pictures thanks to Val Altgilbers & Carol Aden



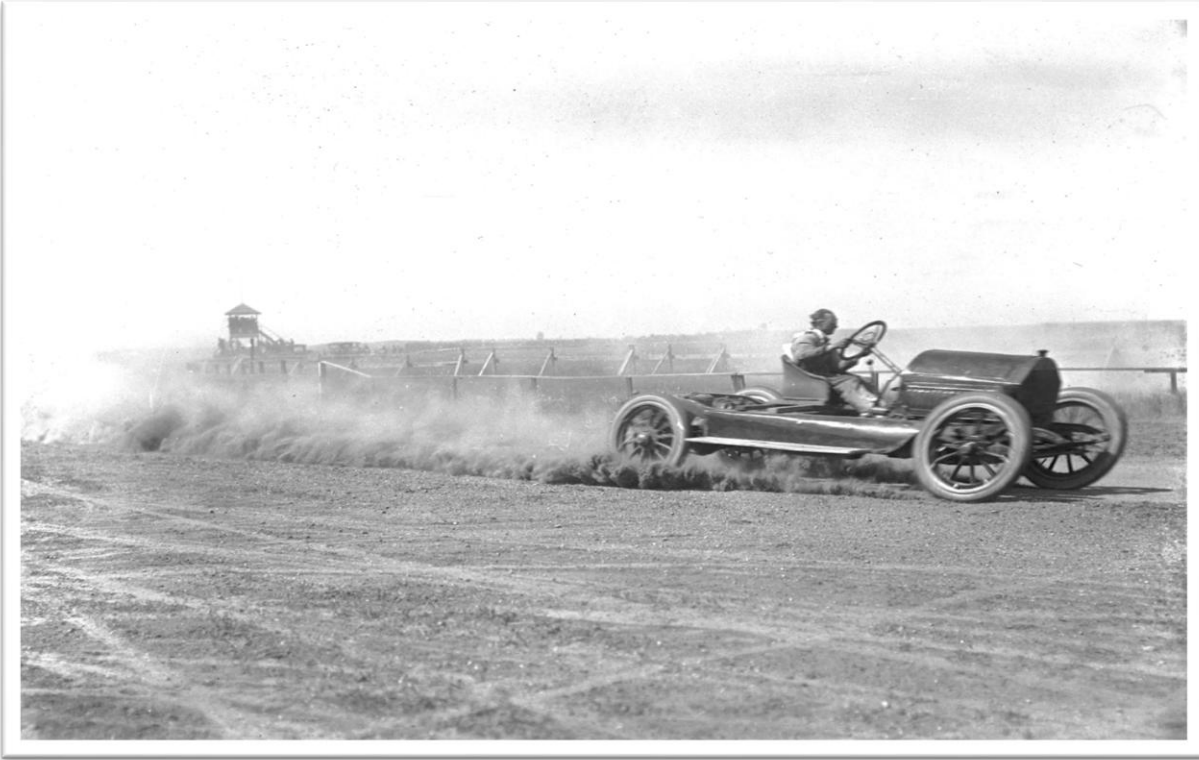
Birthdays



Carol Dalton
James Turley
Jim Flagg (social)
Larry Way
Sandy Muyres
Ken Schaaf

Sept 9
Sept 17
Sept 20
Sept 21
Sept 22
Sept 29

The First Super Speedway

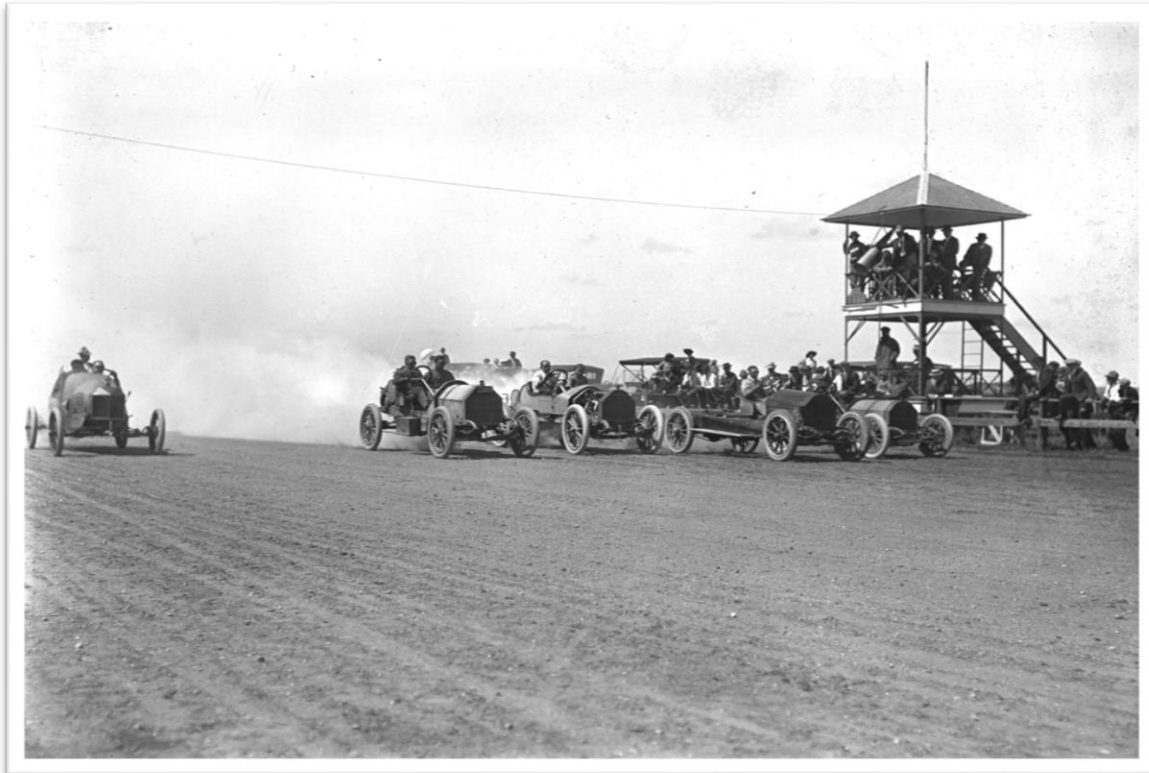


(Photo courtesy of WY Archives)

This image was submitted by historian **James Fuller**. The venue was the four-mile dirt track at [Cheyenne, Wyoming](#). The track operated from 1909 to 1919. Check out [additional images](#) on **First Super Speedway**.

[According to another historian](#), **Robert Rampton**, we learn this is **Harold Brinker**, at speed in his Cadillac "8", heading into the south curve at the end of the home straightaway at the "Frontiers Day" racing celebration in 1915. By this time the track had been shortened to one mile. Sources from the time indicate the car was painted a sinister "coal-black." Model 51 Cadillacs, with a 314-cubic inch, L-head V8 was introduced model wide in September of 1914 and marketed as 1915 cars. They were rated at 70 hp and had a wheelbase of 122 inches.

(Courtesy of <https://www.firstsuperspeedway.com/>)



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From right to left, another historian, **Robert Rampton**, has identified the cars and drivers as follows: In the first position is a low-riding [Amplex](#) driven by **Art Wagner**, from Denver. In the number 2 position is a well-known favorite, touted in all the local papers as the "[Barney Oldfield](#) of the West," [Harold Brinker](#), now of Denver. **Brinker** was behind the wheel of his famous stripped down V-8 **Cadillac** stock car. In the third spot is **Ed Pavelka**, of Cheyenne, in a stock [Velie](#). In the fourth position is **Pete McMartin**, also of Cheyenne, in an [Apperson Jackrabbit](#). On the far left is **James Nisbet** in a **Model T Speedster**.

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Upcoming Events:

Be sure to check out Arizona Car Culture – website

October 31 - Vintage Wings & Wheels Car Show, Falcon Field, 2017 N. Greenfield Road, Mesa, AZ, Saturday, from 8am to 3pm. pre-registration is required for vehicle entries, and can be completed online on SouthWest Street Rods website, Limited to 215 vehicles

November 6 – SEMA Fest – Las Vegas, \$110—\$140 (While the primary SEMA Show (Nov 3–6) is a trade-only event for automotive industry professionals, Friday, November 6, offers specific **public access**)

December 12 – OTHG club Christmas Party

February 26-28 – Havasu Hot Rodz Car Show, Rotary Park, 1400 Smoketree Avenue, Lake Havasu City, AZ, Presented by OTHG Havasu. \$65 entry, \$75 after February 5, 2027; Open to all 1972 and earlier.

Monthly Breakfasts

- Saturday, **September 19**, – Roadmasters – Volunteers needed, TBD
- Saturday, **October 17**, – Roadmasters – Volunteers needed, TBD
- Saturday, **November 14**, – Roadmasters – Volunteers needed, TBD





MORE PLACES TO GO AND THINGS TO SEE

- MIXTECA Cruise-in 67th Ave & Bell Rd Glendale Saturday nights
- WESTGATE (a Nancy Perry event) Wednesday nights starting at 5 pm STARTS SEPTEMBER 18
- 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

For more info on other events, cruises, etc...

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CRUSIN AZ <https://sites.google.com/view/cruisinaz>

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After Thoughts...

We are still looking for your “car” story. Please write four or five paragraphs about your car for the newsletter. (send to Margaret Maione, newsletter editor at margaretamaione@gmail.com)

If you take pictures at a club event, our Webmaster, Al Turley (agt@telus.net) would appreciate it if you would send him the pictures with info about the event so he can post them. Kindly take your photos **horizontally**, instead of vertically. Please no more than five pictures (in a group) at a time.

If you need/want club merchandise, please contact Dawn Yex (turbodemo1@att.net) for Merchandise Sales.

Don't forget to wear your name tag at meetings/putts, otherwise you may need to put a dollar in the club kitty.

The Over the Hill Gang-Phoenix has a Business Meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 6pm at Dave & Busters, 21001 N Tatum Blvd., Phoenix, AZ 85050

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