



## The Rest of the Story . . . Mini race in Springfield, MO

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Don picked me up around 9 AM on Wednesday morning and we loaded the Speedster into the enclosed trailer and started our journey to Springfield, MO. Along the way we stopped for lunch at a Mexican Restaurant in a small town, St James, MO. We knew the food was probably going to be good because several police and highway patrolman were eating at this establishment. After a good lunch we start on our way. Less than a mile down Interstate I-44, we were pulled over by a local policeman. He wanted to know what was in the trailer? He said his reason for pulling us over was that Don "ran over a curb with the trailer." (Bogus) Anyway, he turned out to be a nice guy and sent us on our way with his best wishes for the race.

When we arrived at our hotel, the inspection of the car took less than 30 seconds. They gave us a course we could drive to calibrate our speedometer, so Don and I headed out to check it out. We learned how to calibrate the speedometer. In a ten mile stretch Don was only .2 of a second off driving at 50 miles an hour. Pretty good! That night we met several of our competitors and they shared their stories with us about the Great Race. Almost everyone in this rally was a veteran of the Great Race.

Thursday morning after eating breakfast, we attended the briefing school. After the school we all headed out onto the day's course. We traveled up the interstate about 20 miles to get to the starting point. As we were traveling, the skies turned black and began to rumble. We stopped at a gas station and quickly put on our foul weather gear. We went to the starting position and waited in pouring rain for our starting time. We were the 19<sup>th</sup> car to leave. In the miserable rain, we missed the very first turn. We drove around for 12-14 minutes trying desperately to find the right road again. In pouring rain we finished the approximately 80 mile course, and headed back to the hotel in heavy rain, strong winds and HAIL. HAIL hurts!

Friday turned out to be a nice day. It was chilly when we started out, but warmed up nicely. We were the 3<sup>rd</sup> car to start. Our 200 plus mile course took us around Lake Stockton and Truman Lake. We had lunch at the Champion Racing factory in Clinton, MO. Later in the afternoon we were at the Lucas Oil factory and were scheduled to do a lap around their famous dirt track. Because of the rain the day before, we did not get to take our lap. We were disappointed. At the end of the day we were tired, but in great spirits. Don had driven an excellent race and we knew we had done well. We were in the "Greenhorn" division and finished first in our division, even beating some of the more experienced competitors.

The weather for Saturday was forecast to be a high of 81, strong winds and sunny. No problem. We left in the 14<sup>th</sup> position in light rain and strong winds. The rain steadily increased and at times poured. The route went east from Springfield on narrow two lane blacktop roads. The road looked like "boxed springs" due to the number of curves and hills. To say the least, it was a tense race due to the slick wet roads. The day's trip was well over 200 miles. By mid afternoon the sun did come out and the temperature soared up to 85 degrees. Don and I both thought we had done well, but we did the course roughly 3 minutes fast. This is a penalty. Navigator error! (ME)

Our overall ranking slipped a little, but we were still doing well in the Greenhorn division. Sunday morning was decision time. We were to start the race at 7:45 AM. The forecast was TORNADOS, high wind and severe storms. Don and I made the decision to not race. We were to be the 30<sup>th</sup> car to start. Several others chose not to compete with the forecast being the reason. Some decided to chance it! Don and I packed up and tied down the speedster and headed back to St. Louis.

This was quite an experience. We both loved every minute of it (almost). We made a lot of new friends who we will see again in the Great Race in June. We are looking forward to the Great Race and representing ARC and the good people of Sun City West! I want to THANK Tom and Suzanne (Sparky) Jones for driving out just to cheer us on. They are spectacular. It was good to see their smiling faces and share our adventures with them. They were at every stop along the way!



LUCAS OIL RACE TRACK

Our next stop will be in Ogunquit, Maine on June 18th. Don and I will be with a "chase team" getting ready to race down the east coast for ten days. After leaving Maine on June 20th, our final destination will be at the Villages in Florida. We arrive on June 30th if all goes well. We are looking for some sponsors to help defray some of the costs and help pay for the valuable chase team's expenses. If you can help, please call me at 623-444-7778. Thank you for your support!

Herb Clark



PUSH STARTING

# Big DEUCE COUPE

By Tom Jones, President

Thank you all who attended the last ARC monthly meeting in the Shuffleboard Room! We had a large turnout, even though some of our members have left SCW for their homes in other parts of the country. On May 1st we will request meeting room scheduled space for 2015 and will plan on having our monthly meetings in the Social Hall. Lauren Matley and the car show/swap meet committee will have meetings prior to our Feb. 14, 2015 3rd Annual ARC of SCW car show and swap meet. Lauren will send out meeting times and dates and places in the months to come.

Thank you Judy and Clayton Blankenship for taking over the ARC apparel. They have introduced a new line of products ie: totes and wine bottle covers as well as a new 'rusty' cap. There are still a number of 2014 Car Show T-Shirts for sale. They were priced \$5 at the meeting and will be a great buy for this Summer.

Bob Janis has created a program called e-Carmony that will match helpers up with those who need help with their projects. I will certainly be using that service as I will attempt to put my 1932 Ford 5-Window Coupe back together after many years of being totally torn apart.

Suzanne and I will be traveling to Springfield, MO to cheer on the ARC Speedster Team of Herb Clark and Don Kloth in the Rally. We should be back by May 1st.

Some of the May events you may want to put on your calendar are:

May 2-3-4 27th Annual Historic Route 66 Fun Run in Seligman, Kingman and Oatman

May 3rd Dillons Cruise-In and Car Show from 9-3 at the Wildlife World Zoo to support Vietnam Vets (We can meet at the ARC building site at 8:30 to cruise together to the show)

May 4th Just Sell It Swap Meet 5-2 at Glendale Community College

May 17th Cruisin Under the Stars for Make A Wish from 6-10 Glendale

May 31st St. Peter 3rd Annual Car Show (on the grass) from 9-2 in Litchfield Park

These events are on DesertCruiser.Com as well as the ARC Event Calendar.

Remember, we need donations and pledges to make our building start come to pass in the next few months. Maricopa County will be releasing our permits and the project will be going to bid immediately after we receive the permits. Our funds will be in the 2014-2015 Rec Center Budget, so we will be able to start the project when we can secure all funds. We need your help.



Freddy's Cruise

## THE NEXT ARC MONTHLY MEETING

MAY 20, 2014  
2:00 P.M.

SOCIAL HALL  
WEST - RH  
JOHNSON REC  
CENTER



Remember?



Tom & Carol Lundbom's Classy Chevy



Vince Crelley

**eCarmony goes live!**

eCarmony, the on-line help-wanted site of ARC, began operations on April 21st. Bob Janis, the site monitor, reports that three ARC members requested assistance. Within two days, all of them had received responses from fellow ARC members.

Quotes from the ARC members included:

“It works”

“Joining the ARC has been great-nice to know there are so many people who appreciate old cars”  
 “eCarmony is a brilliant idea”

If you need help, advice, guidance, or just someone to run your ideas past, send Bob Janis an email by monday noon for inclusion in the next eCarmony weekly listing. Bob's email address is [fleetsidebob@hotmail.com](mailto:fleetsidebob@hotmail.com).

**ARC Budget Vote**

The SCW Rec Center Governing Board voted in favor of the purposed \$1.3M budget for the ARC building project in last week's meeting. Thank you, everyone who attended. We hear it was a great show of support. It will now be included in the June 2014 to July 2015 Rec Center Budget, which will be voted on in May.

We are one step closer to realizing our dreams. Permits are still being held up by Maricopa county. We hope to have them approved in the next few weeks.



**Storage Container**

Due to the lack of items needing to be brought to the storage container, we will now only have Walt Jefferson at the storage container on the first Monday of the month at 8 AM.

Note: The scheduled times when Walt will be at the storage container are:

Monday May 5

Monday June 2

Monday July 7

Monday August 4

Monday September 1

If you need to get in touch with Walt, you can phone him at 623-826-6384

## IN FOR REPAIRS

BY LINDA VICTOR

Welcome to "In For Repairs"! If you know anyone who needs a little cheering up or who is going through a difficult time, ARC wants to know. We are one big family, and we care about one another. Please contact me at [stevlinda2004@earthlink.net](mailto:stevlinda2004@earthlink.net) or call 623-214-1090 with the information. I will be in contact with the individual by e-mail and also follow up with a card and special note from ARC. Please keep the following individual in your thoughts and prayers. If you know her personally, I'm sure she would love to hear from you. Please continue to contact me with information over the summer.

Jacqy Jackson/Wife of David Jackson #15 - Recovering from heart surgery. Just started 12 weeks of therapy. Doctors are pleased with her progress. Keep up the good work, Jacqy.

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## EDITOR'S GARAGE

By Pat Clark

First of all, I would like to apologize for not including the "Downshifting" article in the last two issues of Rusty Nuts. Besides trying to keep up with Herb, we have been buying and selling homes in SCW and selling a home in MO so I have been busy and haven't contacted anyone for their story. If anyone would like to be featured in "Downshifting," please let me know. I don't know all of you but know there are some pretty interesting stories out there that would be of interest to other members of ARC.

I'm still looking for an Assistant Editor for Rusty Nuts. If interested, just call me.

Herb and I will be back in SCW around May 15 for a week to close on our new home (with a bigger garage) and to move. We hope to see some of you while we are there. I hope all of you ARC members who have returned to your summer homes are having a great Spring and will have a wonderful Summer.

## 1965 CLASSIC MOVIE "GREAT RACE"

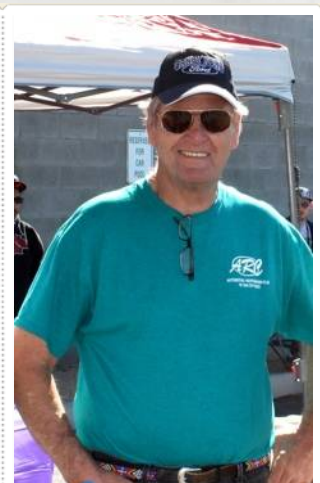


You might remember this classic movie when you first saw it 49 years ago, but do you remember the plot? The stars were Tony Curtis, Jack Lemmon, and the gorgeous Natalie Wood. Other stars included Peter Falk and Keenan Wynn. The era was set in the early 1900's where automobiles and women's rights were the topics of the day. Would you like to see it again?

Currently ARC is trying to put together an evening where members and others from the community can get together and watch this comedy filled with a lot of slap stick humor. Watch for the announcement soon for the date and time. Everyone is welcome.



Andy & Sue Schiestl with Jackie & Dave Meyer



Lauren Matley

**WANTED** 1975/76 CADILLAC FLEETWOOD series 75 Sedan or factory limousine.  
Contact EM at 623-826-1136.

**WANTED** 1975/76 OR 1990/91 CADILLAC ARMBRUSTER SILVERHAWK stretch limousine  
on commercial chassis. Contact EM at 623-826-1136.

**WANTED** Used trailer to haul smaller car ... must be dependable and road legal. (Want to haul car to  
Iowa in April and back to SCW in Nov.) Call Doug Beckman at 712-526-2045.

**FOR SALE** 1939 FORD Delux Coupe, Auto, 4 Column, Excellent Condition.  
Open to offers. Call Ken Littell at 623-214-2999.



**HELP WANTED** Diane Metzger and Gloria Jones will be making a quilt to be raffled - gotta pay for  
the building. They need a few ladies who do sewing and embroidery to assist. Please call Diane Metzger  
at 623-975-2201, [redogtom@gmail.com](mailto:redogtom@gmail.com)

**FOR SALE** 1994 FORD F150 XLT 4X4, 2 Door Extended Cab, Automatic,  
Short Bed, Dual Gas Tanks, Cloth Interior, 154,000 Miles, New A/C, Tow  
Package, Brake Control, Running Boards, Bed Liner, Power Windows, Power  
Steering, Cruise Control, AM/FM Stereo w/Cassette, Bucket Seats,  
Custom Console, Very Good Condition. Carl Wenger - [cwenger52@yahoo.com](mailto:cwenger52@yahoo.com).



**FOR SALE** "I would like to sell one of my following cars. First is a 2002 Ford  
Thunderbird that I have owned for about five years. AZ, Clean title in hand  
with only 40,000 miles and includes the matching hard top with port holes. A  
very nice ride for \$18,000.



The second is a 2004 SSR I purchased for my wife to replace the Thunderbird.  
It's like new with only 18,000 miles on it. Another very nice ride with clean AZ  
title for \$24,000. My wife likes them both but can't make up her mind which one  
she wants to keep. So, we decided to place them both up for sale and keep the  
one that does not sell. So take your pick, but we only want to sell one of  
them. Call Mike if interested at 815-263-8686."



**FOR SALE** 2008 Yamaha Stratoliner S. 1900cc V-Twin. 37,000 mostly touring miles. KBB shows base bike @ \$8600. This bike has \$4000 in extras, mostly chrome. I'll take \$8400. Excellent condition. Stratoliner was rated cruiser of the year for several years. Bill Baker - [wpbaker@cox.net](mailto:wpbaker@cox.net).



**WANTED** Media representative for ARC. This person would work with the Rec. Center and other media sources publishing articles about ARC. If interested or for more information, please contact Tom Jones at 503-887-3430 or e-mail him at [transportationdr@aol.com](mailto:transportationdr@aol.com).

**WANTED** Assistant Editor for Rusty Nuts. Your job would be to help get stories for Rusty Nuts. The pay is not very good (as in nothing), but it is fun. If interested, please call Pat Clark at 314-882-6464 or e-mail me at [prclarkgolf@aol.com](mailto:prclarkgolf@aol.com).

**FOR SALE** 1971 Chevy C20 pickup. \$9900 O.B.O. (146,800+ original miles). This is a 1 owner CA truck with the Custom Super Sport pkg. that includes: 400 C.U. original factory installed engine w/cruise control, A.C., camper mirror/cargo light, factory tinted windows, dual fuel tanks, tool storage box in rear pass. side fender and extra storage box in bed, newer oversized tires, ORIGINAL two-tone paint, new flomaster exhaust, new edelbrock 800 cfm carb and air cleaner. Has the original build sheet and owners manual. Call Dave Jackson at 810-656-5189.



**FOR SALE** 1968 Corvette roadster matching number small block, four speed manual trans, both tops, new clutch and u-joints, recent brakes including calipers and master cylinder. Nice condition, drive anywhere. Many new parts over last 7 years with receipts. 77000 original miles. \$24,000. Call Carl Wenger at 309-854-1687.



**FOR SALE** 1991 Mustang lx convertible--91K--Perfect- 5speed. \$6,500. Call Carl Wenger at 309-854-1687.

