# VINTAGE VEHICLE of SUN CITY

## **NEWS LETTER**

AUGUST 2015



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THE NUTS & BOLTS

#### **CLUB BOARD MEMBERS**

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Let's grow our membership! Bring a friend to a Thursday breakfast or one of our great cruise-ins and sign them up as a member!!!! DATE EVENT

October 17, 2015 Fall Festival at the Sun Bowl

Nov. 7, 2015 Bell Center Cruise-in

Dec. 5, 2015 Marinette Cruise-in

Jan. 9, 2016 Sundial Cruise-in

Breakfast at Georges Café - Every Thursday Morning at 8:00am

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FIRST VVSC FALL CRUISE-IN 10/17/15

#### MEMBER AT LARGE REPORT

#### MID SUMMER UPDATE

Your VVSC events committee has been busy arranging events for late 2015 and early 2016. For starters, our club has been asked to participate in the Sun City Fall Festival at the Sun Bowl. Space for 50 to 60 cars will be available to us during this "Carnival Style" RCSC event which takes place on October 17<sup>th.</sup> Be on the lookout for a mid September email requesting that all members advise their intentions to participate in this great community event.

November 7, 2015 is the date for our annual Bell Center cruise-in. This fun event runs from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

Next up is the Marinette Cruise-in, scheduled for December 5, 2015. In addition to this cruise-in, the committee has reserved a meeting room and plans to invite a special speaker to address those in attendance on the fine art of vehicle restoration. The specific subject will be announced soon.

January 9, 2016 has been selected for the Sundial Cruise-in. This new event will also run from 9:00am to 1:00pm., and also include a guest speaker to talk about a yet to be determined automobile restoration subject.

From what I've heard, there's a good chance we'll see the debut of a few recently completed member projects (cars) at a fall/winter event, so keep your eyes open when walking through the car shows.

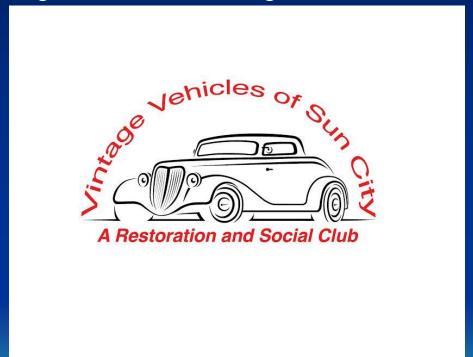
By-the-way, there will be food and beverage vendors at all the above events. Yet to come are announcements on the February and March 2016 cruise-ins. Stay tuned!

**Scott Donkers** 

# **INTRODUCING!**

### **The New Club Logo**

Thanks go to Les Litzenberger for a Great Design



# MEMBER PROJECTS

The Motor & Trans for Les Litzenberger's 57 Chevy NICE!!! Al Baxley's 55 Chevy Wagon The Master at Work!!!



# MEMBERS CORNER

Are you a seasonal Sun City resident who leaves that special project somewhere up north during the winter? If so, email a picture of it and your story to:

vvsuncity@gmail.com
We'll put it in a future issue of
the newsletter.

If you have an idea, suggestions, thoughts or comments that you want to share with the board of directors, please email them to: vvsuncity@gmail.com

Want to make an announcement to the membership. Send it to the email address below and it will be added to the next newsletter. vvsuncity @gmail.com

# FEATURE CAR - SUMMER of 2015

VVSC member Bud Seeley, has a great example of an American legend. Although slightly modified, Bud's 1947 Packard, still exemplifies what quality and luxury looked like in the post war late forties. Like so many car enthusiasts, Bud opted for a small block chevy motor to power the hefty Packard, but many original components still remain on this beauty. Without a doubt, it is difficult to miss the front hood ornament. The eye catching "Winged Swan" is not only an era classic but literally stands tall, in any crowd. During the mid to late forties, Packard made production decisions that did not bode well for the company.

In a pre-war market where overall production was about 3 million cars annually, Packard bet on no additional growth in the early post war years. The opposite occurred with a market demand of some 14 million cars. This error in judgment started the end to Packard's reign as a luxury car builder. So, look for Bud's rare 47 at the next cruise-in - there aren't too many around.

