



The Windshield View

October 2022

The Behind the Wheel

Here we are getting ready to start another great winter car club season in good old Sun City. Connie and I had a very nice summer exploring (UTV riding) in Montana and Idaho with fascinating mining ghost towns, extensive history and breathtaking scenery.



I first want to thank those brave and tough members who kept things rolling both literally and figuratively for our Vintage Vehicles Club while many of us fled the heat and monsoon humidity. I admire both your dedication and tenacity for hanging in there this last summer. There will be more and more of us snow/heat-birds, depending on the season, returning in the weeks and months to come. I understand that the summer was pretty brutal in terms of humidity and temperatures in our shop this summer limiting utilization.

John Fast, our most excellent newsletter editor has resigned to focus his efforts on the pursuit of a position on the RCSC Board of Directors. This means that until one or more of you step up you will be stuck with reading more of my drivel, so please put your hand in the air and volunteer. The one thing I can guarantee is that, while I am doing this, it will not be as entertaining as John made it hence the need for a capable volunteer.

I know we have added many new members over the summer months. I understand that since 2014 when our founding members started the process of club formation through RCSC we now have had over 1,014 people who have been or are currently active members. Not bad for a group that RCSC didn't think could even get the 25 needed to become a chartered club. We have gone from a small group of people who held monthly meetings and that was about it to a temporary facility to a one-year-old state of the art shop facility. I won't attempt to name those who were involved but since what we are now is due to the efforts of so many of you, I will say; Well Done All!

VVSC runs on a set of rules and regulations and operates under the Recreation Centers of Sun City's Board Policy-12. There are also rules and procedures which have been developed partially with the help of our neighbor club ARC or The Automotive Restoration Club of Sun City West. They have been very eager to share their good and not so good experiences with us.

Our shop procedures have been developed primarily for the safety of you and all members who wish to use the shop. As you may know the right to use the shop hinges on participation in and active monitor service at minimum of every 30 days. If all we had was people who want to use the shop but not monitor, we cannot have the shop open.

Shop Improvement Needs

Back in early May we requested some improvements to the shop facility which we feel should have been included and were a part of our original request.

1. *HVAC in main and welding shops*
2. *Full Cover for Main Shop Compressor.*
3. *Vehicle Wash Pad.*
4. *Extension of Mezzanine as originally requested for upholstery shop.*
5. *Monitor Station Cabinets.*
6. *Paint booth.*

The above things are being considered for inclusion in the 2023 RCSC budget and will be topics of discussion at upcoming RCSC Board of Director meetings.

Election season is coming for all VVSC officer and director positions. Please contact one of those in the Nominating Committee with Jon Braemer, Bill Senter or Glen Mester to submit your name to fill one of the seats. For more information, you may look at the organization chart and the duties of each Club Board position on our website. These are all open annually and have a maximum service of three terms. For example, I am in my third term so we need a new president. Here is your chance to be a part of making any changes you feel needed by stepping up to a leadership role in your club.

Time Capsule

Your board has decided to put together a toolbox to serve as a Time Capsule to be opened at a future date a few years down the road. The date has not been determined but we are seeking suggestions (donations) of items to be considered for inclusion and sealed for the future. This summer Connie and I found a cool old tool box for this purpose.



“Penny Drive”

One of the fun things we have had at our annual Spring Fling car show is a “Guess the Pennies” box or container and Don Ahrens has put this together in the past and is planning to do so this year. That said, he can use your help in collecting pennies for this cause. Please bring bags of pennies either to the shop any general meeting, potluck or Arby’s on Wednesday evenings.

Speaking of Arbys, Wednesday is the day which VVSC are their guests. Please do not in go any other day and insist that just because you have a name badge they give you something free. Wednesdays only. Please also treat their employees with respect, without going up and insisting on some item which isn’t on the menu. We are all grownups and this is not something that should need said but apparently it does.

Thank you all for your service and dedication to our club

Les Litzenberger

Future Events:

Food Drive

At all events and meetings thru December

This is the time of year when we pause to reflect on the many things in our lives for which we are grateful. It's also an ideal time to remember those who are less fortunate.

At VVSC our purpose is to impact our community members lives in a positive way. We would like to personally invite you to partner with us to collect non-perishable food items for the local Valley View Food Bank to make a positive impact in our community.

October 11 Tuesday

Events meeting at 10 am in Sonoran Room at the Grand Center

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Board Meeting at 1 PM in Sonoran Room at the Grand Center

October 13th - Thursday

Car cruise in and show

9 am to noon - Sun Dial

October 18th - Tuesday

General Meeting at 1 PM

Lakeview Center upstairs

October 25th - Tuesday

Club Potluck 5 to 8 pm

VVSC Shop

November 8th - Tuesday

10 am Events/Car Show meeting

1 pm Board Meeting

Sonoran room at Grand

November 12th - Saturday

9 am to noon - Bell Center

Car cruise in and show

November 15th - Tuesday

General Meeting at Lakeview (upstairs) 1 pm

December 3rd - Saturday

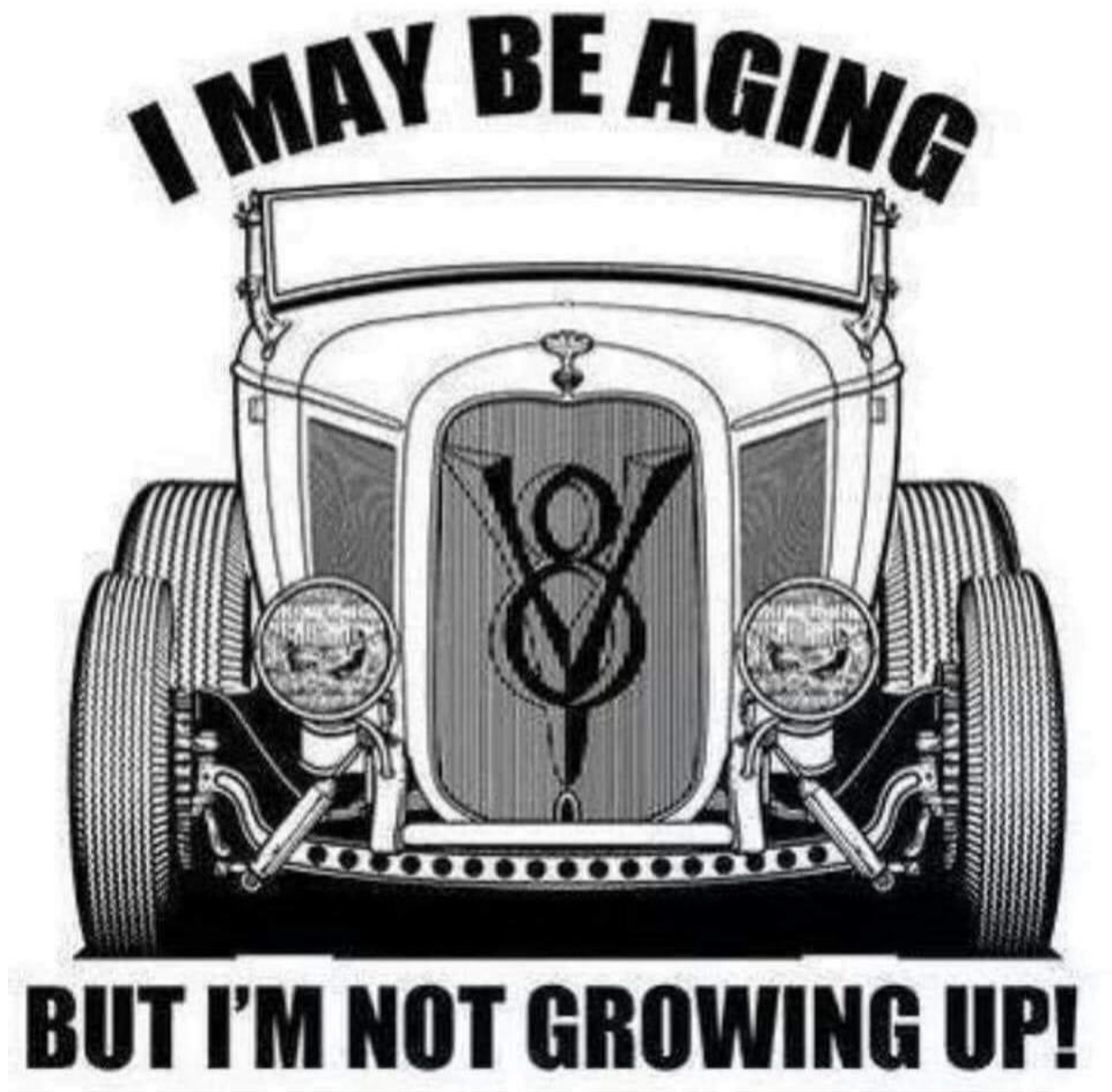
Sun Bowl - cruise in and show. Food Drive - 2 pm to 5 pm

Shop Talk



"I thought you were finished!"





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