



The Windshield View

March – April 2026

View from the Top

Our annual car show was a tremendous success, and that's thanks to the **115 members** who volunteered their time, energy, and good spirits. Every tent raised, every car parked, every detail handled—none of it happens without you.

A special shout-out goes to **Alan Lund**, who once again beat the bushes for sponsors and vendors and coordinated the planning that keeps this event running like a well-oiled machine. And of course, **Connie Sherman**, who—true to form—led the charge selling raffle tickets and keeping that operation humming from start to finish.

This year's show brought in **299 vehicles**, and the feedback was overwhelming. Many visitors commented on the number of truly *vintage* vehicles—cars they simply don't see at other shows anymore. That's a testament to our members, our history, and the unique character of this club.

Mother Nature also reminded us that March really does come in like a lion. Watching those two long rows of tents flex in the wind was a sight none of us will forget anytime soon. But even the weather couldn't dampen the enthusiasm of the crowd or the pride of our volunteers.

As we take a moment to enjoy what we accomplished together, we also recognize there's room to improve—particularly in our coordination with **RCSC** and the **Ballpark**. We'll take what we learned this year and use it to make next year's show even smoother.

Relive the Day Online

Be sure to visit our **Website** and **Facebook page** to see all the great media captured at the show:

- **Drone video** by our own **Dan Jacobson**, who secured permission from both the **FAA** and **Sun City** to fly (yes—FAA approval *is* required because of our proximity to **Luke Air Force Base**).
- **Photo stills** from **Les Litzenberger**, who once again delivered beautiful images of the event.
- A **YouTube video link** courtesy of **[NAME HERE]** — we'll add the name once you confirm who posted it.

Albert Stiewing,
2026 VVSC President

2026 VVSC Spring Fling Top Ten Award



*Thank you
for your
participation*

*Phillip Vineyard
1964 Mercury Cyclone*



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*Phil Hunter
1969 Chevrolet Nova SS*



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*Steven Snay
1973 Porsche 911 RSR*



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*William Lawrance
1969 American Motors
AMX*



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*Sanford Meyers
1970 Pontiac LeMans*



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*Thank you
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*Dan Thomas
1967 Dodge Coronet 440*



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*Thank you
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*Joseph Paiz
1955 Chevrolet 3100 Pickup*



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*Thank you
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*Mike Krueger
1971 Plymouth Duster*



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*Thank you
for your
participation*

*Howard Evans
1960 Chevrolet Corvette*



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*Thank you
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*Keith Adelsberg
1967 Chevrolet Bel Air*



2026 VVSC Spring Fling Participant's Choice



*Selected by the
other owners*

*Chad Dalebout
1956 Chevrolet Bel Air*



2026 VVSC Spring Fling **Gold** Sponsor Award



*Kim Boyd
1955 Ford F100*



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*Roger Matheson
2023 BMW XM*





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Policies and Procedures

Thank you to Troy Janicki, Glen Mester and Joe Sanders for volunteering to serve on the Nominations Committee. New ideas and energy are always welcome to help keep the club fresh and moving forward so please look at the club Rules and Regulations to find the right fit for your skills.

When you have something in mind contact one of the above three to be nominated.

While you are in the R&Rs please note the procedure for changes you feel are needed and submit them to me in writing. I will not entertain verbal change suggestions.

Thank You,

Les Litzenberger

Procedures Director

\$\$ Notes from your Treasurer

A huge THANK YOU to all 115 plus members that worked hard to make our recent Spring Fling such a great event.

We were much more organized, and the new signs & tents looked great!

We really did well the day of the show despite some troublesome wind.

Another reminder for those “seasoned” members and all our new members - we are using Western State bank at Boswell and Bell behind McDonalds.

This is a very friendly customer, appreciative & service oriented smaller bank that has all services of larger “colder” centers.

If you need a loan, want to open an account, need a CD or any other service they will pay our club \$100 for signing up. Just mention you are from Vintage Vehicle Club. Their CD rates for 7 months are higher than other CD rates at local banks too.

Roxie Whitney is a gem in volunteering to handle the Treasurers tasks while we are away in the summer. We need to thank her once again for “stepping in”.

There are several places any of you can help support the club. Please ask or see the posting on the board at our great shop.

Enjoy the Spring picnic at Mountainview on April 3rd, 10 am to 4.

Win a few games, prizes, potluck meal at noon. See you all soon.

Thanks,

Connie Sherman

2026 VVSC Treasurer

Membership

As of March 21 we have 462 paid members, Please let me know of any address or other changes to your status.

Thank you

Deborah Benson

Membership Director

Ongoing Events

Events Committee meetings are second Tuesday 9:00am in the Sonoran Room Grand Center.

Board Meetings are the second Tuesday of the month following the Events Committee or approximately 10:30 at the Grand Center, Sonoran Room, all are welcome.

General meetings are the third Tuesday 1:00-3:00 social halls 1&2 Lakeview Center.

All potluck dinners will be the last Tuesday of each month @5:00 pm at Sundial except November which will be at MV.

Thank You

Joe Warfel

2026 VVSC Events Director

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The March Ladies Luncheon was at BJ's Brewpub.





Let Susan know if you need added to the birthday list.

Remember to RSVP; Susan @ mitchellsm1@yahoo.com or 303-406-3079.

Thanks,
Susan Mitchell

April Lunch was at Jai Thai



VVSC Vintage and Short Riders

These Motorcycling friends leave every Thursday from the Shop around 9:00 or 10:00 in the morning for various destinations around the Valley with occasional rides to Prescott and further. If you have a ride in mind, bring it and that may become the destination that week.

If you go send me some pictures.

Ganen sent me some from their ride to Tortilla Flats but I ran out of time.



VVSC Desert Derelicts

If you are into off-roading and have an ATV, Side by Side, Jeep-ish vehicle or Motorcycle please contact Les Litzenberger 509-430-1625. He has the text list which is how we organize rides.

On February 23rd, we rode the back way to Crown King where we found lots of mud and some snow. Seven side by sides and fourteen people. The “road” was rough on the way up with quite a bit of technical driving crawling over boulders nearly the size of my RZR. We came back via The Old Senator Hwy and Walker Gulch with a drive by Castle Hot Springs Resort on the way back to the staging area.

<https://www.castlehotsprings.com/discover/about-us/>

The above will give some history of this property which is about 120 years old.





Trivia Time



Take a wild guess what degree this angle is...

No it isn't 19 degrees so it must be _____



*Turns out it was a Marble in the Ash
Tray.....*

The following is contributed by Richard Marone;

The link below will lead you to a history lesson;

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NSNZUzoh0ZY>

Premiered Dec 8, 2025

The Story of Perfect Circle Piston Rings follows the production of piston rings through several Perfect Circle facilities in Indiana and Canada, showing each step from raw metal to finished parts. Produced by Regan Film Productions of Detroit for the Perfect Circle Company, the film documents how casting, machining, fitting, and inspection were carried out across different plants that supplied the growing U.S. automotive industry. Our story presents a clear look at how specialized teams in each location contributed to one manufacturing process. Foundry workers, machine operators, and inspectors show how material is formed, shaped, measured, and tested before it becomes a functioning piston ring. Together, the manufacturing plants illustrate the scale and coordination required to meet national demand during the 1950s, when American auto production depended on reliable Perfect Circle Piston Rings made in large volume. Shot in Kodachrome color, the film provides a detailed record of American industrial ingenuity and the working communities that supported it.

NON-Board positions: Open Now!

Annual Car show Supervisor

This Position is open – Alan Lund has been filling this position until someone steps up to assume the position. *Please consider giving him a break!*

Newsletter Editor

This Position is also open - Les Litzenberger is currently working this project but will be *ecstatic* to hand over the reins to someone.

Upholstery Sewing Area

Upholstery Sewing Class – We now have two instructors generously volunteering to conduct training classes - Bob Cummings, and Ron Atkinson! Thank you, gentlemen!

- Classes Wednesday and Monday – 9:30 am to 12 Noon
- Two consecutive classes are required to pass
- Sign up at the Shop
- Students must be current on Monitor Status to attend
- Sign up in the Shop

Classes are available on selected dates through the end of the year

Bob Cummings and Ron Atkinson are the volunteers that are providing the training for Upholstery Sewing at the shop. Bob has a unique background as he worked with interiors and upholstery in automobile manufacturing. Ron always had an interest to do his own vehicle upholstery so consequently he has been taking upholstery classes at the local community college.

In addition to providing upholstery training classes, Bob and Ron are happy to answer questions and offer advice if you are working on an upholstery project. RCSC rules do not allow VVSC shop members to take on work for compensation, however.

Welding Classes

2 Students per class
Welding Instructor – Ed Gordon
See Fee Schedule for Welding
Supplies
Sign-Up at the Shop



Future Events

For detailed information on Car Shows - flyers, car show registrations, waivers, etc., check in the shop or go to the VVSC Facebook page or our website: www.vintagevehiclesofsuncity.com

On Going Meetings and Events

Board Meeting – 2nd Tuesday of each month

When: October 14th, Tuesday, 10 am – 12 pm

Where: Grand Rec Center, Sonoran Room

We need your help, ideas, and input for our club events! Everyone is welcome to attend!

General Membership Meeting – 3rd Tuesday of each month

When: October 21st, Tuesday, 1-3 pm

Where: Lakeview Rec Center, Social Halls 1 and 2, unless otherwise stated.

Once a year we are bumped to another location for a golf group luncheon/meet.

Potluck and Social

When: (Last Tuesday of the month.) See you next month!

Where: Sundial East Hall – or someplace else, at the whim of RCSC due to other clubs requesting space before us.... November will be at Mountain View 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Bring a dish to share, dish utensils, and maybe a chair.

BOWLING! BOWLING! BOWLING!

The group meets every Sat. at 5:30-8:00. Contact Jan Mock, janrich72@gmail.com, or 716-510-4864 by 1:00 Sat to participate.

Breakfast Social Time – every Tuesday at 7:00 am at Willow Creek Golf Course – snack shop. Located at 10600 W. Boswell Blvd. Any changes in time/location will be noted on website.

Arby's Cruise In – every Wednesday, 4:30 to 7:00 pm, 99th and Bell; they are happy to have us come in, one restriction – no parking/sitting in the handicapped parking spaces. Wear your badge to get a Free Treat!

Cruise to Culver's – every Sunday at 11:30 am at Culver's Restaurant, 8330 W. Deer Valley Rd., Peoria, AZ 85382

Food Drive

Canned food can be dropped off anytime during the year, in the Food Drive Box (near the front door) at the Shop.

Or Friday December 5th at the Sun Bowl car show.

Announcements/Reminders/Misc.

Tears, Cheers and Pitstops

This section is dedicated to providing information about our members that is of interest to other members. Cheers represents the good information that we need to share, such as birthdays, weddings, new grandchildren, etc. Pit Stops represents information about members having difficult times, such as illness, hospitalization, or other difficulties. Tears represents news about members and relatives who have passed away. If you want something posted in the Newsletter or Website, please contact one of the following Club Services Committee members:

Yvonne Ahrens at 217-899-7842 or email y.ahrens@gmail.com ; Marilyn

Miller 509-279-4952 or email bob-marilyn@q.com; Nancy Oyler [480-558-6717](tel:480-558-6717) or email nancynascar@outlook.com with information.

The "You Know You Want It" department,

Rumor has it that Jon Braemer is selling his Thunderbird.

For details contact Jon @ 623-815-0234

BTW, if you have something vehicle related you want to unload, contact me (or preferably, the new editor) to have it included. :0)



The “It sounded like a good idea at the time” department!

This new section is dedicated to Don Ahrens who learned that what goes up doesn't always come back down in the same shape it was before utilizing the jack while the truck was under the shop lift.

In Don's thinking,

“If we can't laugh at the dumb stuff we do, we may never get to laugh.”

So, if you have pics or a story of a goof up you are willing to share with the group, please contact me.

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