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OCTOBER CALENDAR

By Ben Cohen

Below is the schedule of upcoming events for **OCTOBER**:

Tuesday Coffee

Every Tuesday – 0700 to 0900+

Starbucks – Corner of Swan Rd & Fort Lowell Road

1st DRIVE

Saturday, October 5th – 0730

La Encantada Car Show

Saturday, October 12th - 0730 to 1000

2nd DRIVE

Saturday, October 19th – 0730

For those not participating in Tucson Classic

St. Gregory's Car Show

Saturday, October 19th – 0815 to 1600

[Please see Page 2 of this Newsletter]

BLAT or BLAT BREAKFAST

October 10th or 24th

Decision on B or BB Weather Dependent

Other Drive's Being Considered/Planned:

- BLAT to Sonoita or Patagonia
- Gelato Social 27 Oct or thereabout
- Hot Dog Run on 30 Nov

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TUCSON CLASSIC CAR SHOW

First, please see ***The Prez Sez*** page 4 of this newsletter for information regarding our preparation effort on 18 Oct, Friday afternoon/evening at the show grounds. It is purely a voluntary effort to set up the TBCR tent.

Secondly and most importantly, we will meet on 19 Oct, Saturday morning in the shopping center parking lot on the northeast corner of River Road and Craycroft Road. We will then **depart promptly at 8:15** to drive to the show together.

BWG CAR SHOW

British Wheels on the Green 2024

All owners of classic British cars or motorcycles are invited to Arizona's largest British marque show, **British Wheels on the Green!** This year's show is scheduled for:

November 3, 2024

Registration is STILL open!

Visit www.britishwheels-az.info for more information.

TRAVEL TO THE SHOW

Organization for the trip to Peoria, accommodations and the return as well as any stops or other entertainment are in progress. A separate notice will be distributed in the very near future.

The Prez Sez

By Tim O'Keefe

Pete Williams Update

You may remember from the last newsletter that Pete Williams had to undergo back surgery at the beginning of September to relieve progressively worsening pain. I'm happy to report that Pete's recovery is going extremely well – excerpt from a note from Pete:

“Importantly, the pain I experienced is GONE!!! I've been driving around and feel pretty good. I'll test the water on how I feel after this week. The early report is... I think I can do the 3+ day drive to Tucson next week. I feel pretty [darn] good.”

The Prez Sez (Continued)

Currently Pete plans on being back in Tucson around October 4th and is doing so well that he still intends to take part in the Gregory Car show on October 19th. Pete does have “lifting” restrictions so be careful greeting him with a *soft* slap on the back, or a gentle peck on the cheek (ladies only please). 😊

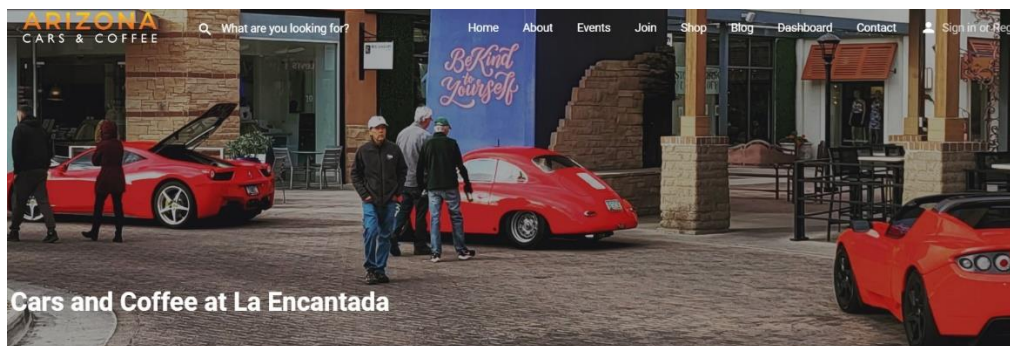
Fall is perfect weather for British Cars!

As the summer heat cools down and fall begins, we can finally work on our cars in relative comfort. We have a lot of events coming up in the next few months.

- **Tuesday Morning Coffee** – many of us meet at Starbucks (3001 N Swan Rd) every Tuesday from about 6:30 – 9:00. Starbucks has been very kind to let us use their parking lot and patio so take advantage of their coffee too! It’s a great time to show off your car, talk over issues and trade stories.
- **Twice a month Saturday drives** (with an occasional weekday drive) – Ben Cohen organizes these drives of roughly 50 miles that conveniently end at a breakfast or lunch place. It’s a nice way to give your car some exercise and to have good conversations with friends! Ben sends out an email about a week before the drives – if you haven’t received an email, contact Ben to make sure you are on his distribution list.
- **Hot Dog Run** – This event usually occurs around the last Saturday in November and is a route that winds its way to a local Sonoran Hot Dog cart where we partake in a **TBCR funded lunch!** Annual elections also occur during this event. Stay tuned for details.
- **Holiday Party** - In early December we will be having our annual Holiday Party. It is currently planned to be at Culinary DropOut (where it was held last year). Again, stay tuned for details.

Other non-TBCR regular events include:

- La Encantada Cars and Coffee – 2nd Saturday of the month
(<https://arizonacarsandcoffee.com/listing/cars-and-coffee-at-la-encantada-tucson/>)



This is a fairly large gathering of cars and a coffee event with all types of cars and people. The fanciest cars get to reserve space in the ‘circle’ where people envision selling their homes as a down payment for one of these exotic beauties.

[The Prez Sez \(Continued\)](#)

Special Events

Tucson Gregory Classic Car Show – October 19 – 7:30 – 4:00
[\(https://tucsonclassicscarshow.com/\)](https://tucsonclassicscarshow.com/)



The 18th annual Tucson Gregory Car Show is Saturday October 19th. The car show is limited to 450 cars and has been sold out for quite some time. The show is located at the St. Gregory School - 3231 N Craycroft Rd.

If you have registered, you should soon receive or have received a blue postcard confirming your entry. If for some reason you are unable to attend, please let me know and I may be able to use your slot for another member who wishes to go. If you cancel before Oct 9 (I think) you can get a refund.

TBCR members have reserved about 18-20 spots including a shade tent. Several of us (Marc, myself, Steve, John Mead and perhaps a few others) plan on meeting Friday afternoon Oct 18th to set up the official TBCR tent and get a few other things ready. If you are interested in helping, please see me or one of the other people I mentioned above.

British Wheels on the Green (BWG) – Sunday, 03 November - 9:00 to 1:00

<https://www.azmgclub.org/british-wheels-on-the-green/>



The Arizona MG club hosts a yearly event in Peoria, AZ called British Wheels on the Green. It is an all-British classic car and vintage cycle show organized by the Arizona MG Club and free to the general public (sorry no Porsche's). I have never been, but it sounds like a high-class event.

The Prez Sez (Continued)

For those interested in going to the BWG Show, Pete Williams has offered to organize a drive there and is looking for suggestions for hotels. Stay tuned for details from Pete.

Barrett – Jackson Scottsdale Auction – October 10 – 13

<https://www.Barrett-Jackson.com>

If you have an open parking spot and are looking for that very special car, you may find something in your style at the Scottsdale Barrett-Jackson auction. BTW the minimum bid is \$30K so you might want to notify your accountant (and maybe your better half).

Get ready for a busy fall, Happy Motoring and remember, *“If God had meant for us to walk, why did he give us feet that fit car pedals?”* — Sir Stirling Moss.

Until next time...

*May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
And may the hand of a friend be ever near.*

Tim

ON THE ROAD

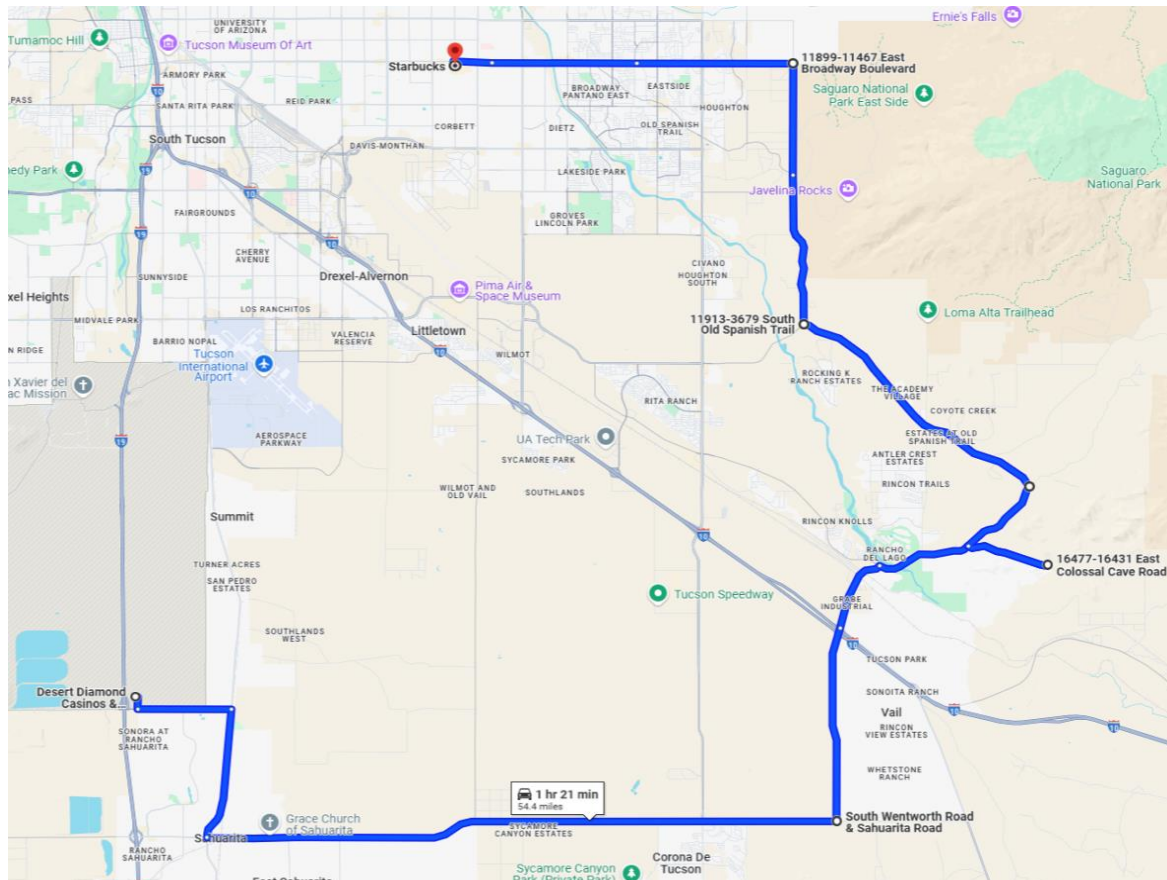
[Editor’s Note: *Before reviewing the drives for the month of September, I would like to express very much appreciation to Greg Welch, Libbie Gabriel and Marc Koenig for taking the time and effort to photograph the events and provide great photographs for this newsletter. THANK YOU!]*

BONUS DRIVE Last Month - 31 AUGUST

This Drive was so close to the end of the month that it could not be included in the September Newsletter, and it appears that photography was prohibited for some reason.

ON THE ROAD (Continued)

BONUS 5TH SATURDAY DRIVE – August 31 - Departure from Park Place Mall. We're going to try our luck at the Desert Diamond Casino Café on Pima Mine Rd



- Exit east [R] on Broadway Blvd
- Go south [R] on Freeman Rd
- Go east [L] on Old Spanish Trail – watch for cyclists and walkers
- Go east [L] at the light at Valencia Rd to stay on Old Spanish Trail
- Go south [R] on Pistol Hill Rd
- Go east [L] on Colossal Cave Rd – watch for the sign, so you won't miss it
- Go east on Colossal Cave Rd to the roundabout and return to Pistol Hill Rd
- Go south [L] on Pistol Hill Rd which will be now Colossal Cave Rd toward Vail
- Go south [L] at the light at Walgreen's to stay on Colossal Cave Rd through Vail
- Continue south through Vail and over I-10, as it becomes Wentworth Rd
- Go west [R] on Sahuarita Rd and continue for approx. 18 miles
- Go north [R] on Nogales Hwy
- Go west [L] on Pima Mine Rd – there is a light and turn lane
- Go approximately 3.2 miles and make a RIGHT turn into Desert Diamond Casino
- Park, enter, order and EAT!!!
- ENJOY!!!!

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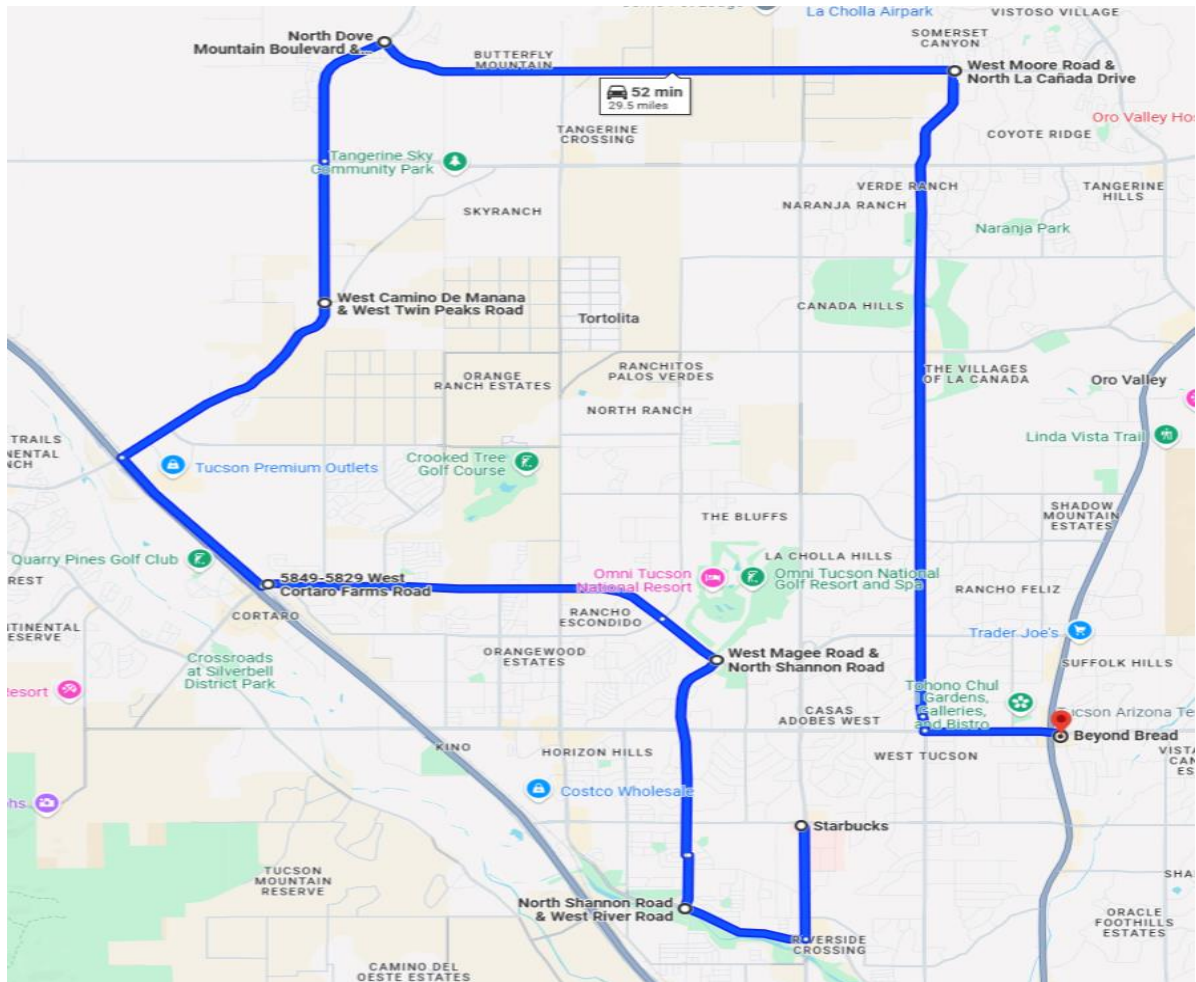
1st DRIVE – 07 SEPTEMBER – Starbucks Grove and La Cholla Circle K on S Palo Verde Rd Westward Ho through the Tucson Mountains.

Beautiful weather - not too hot. A feeling that summer is over. And there was a decent turnout of drivers.



ON THE ROAD (Continued)

1st Drive – SATURDAY – 07 Sept – 7:00 AM departure - Starbucks at La Cholla and Orange Grove North side loop up toward Dove Mountain and back to Beyond Bread at Ina Rd & Oracle Rd



- Exit south [R] on La Cholla Blvd
- Go west [R] on River Rd
- Go north [R] on Shannon Rd and job left and right to stay north on Shannon Rd
- Go west [L] on Magee Rd and straight as it becomes westbound Cortaro Farms Rd
- Go north [R] toward entrance ramp to I-10 but STAY RIGHT to be on the Frontage Rd
- Go northeast [R] on Twin Peaks Rd
- Twin Peaks Rd becomes Dove Mountain Rd as it crosses Tangerine Rd
- Go east [R] on Moore Rd (the first sign for Moore Rd is to the west – ignore)
- Continue over the lovely desert terrain, hopefully with few cars
- Go south [R] on La Cañada Dr
- Go east [L] on Ina Rd and stay to the right as you approach Oracle Rd
- Beyond Bread in on the SE corner at the first entrance to the parking lot.
- ENJOY!!!

ON THE ROAD (Continued)

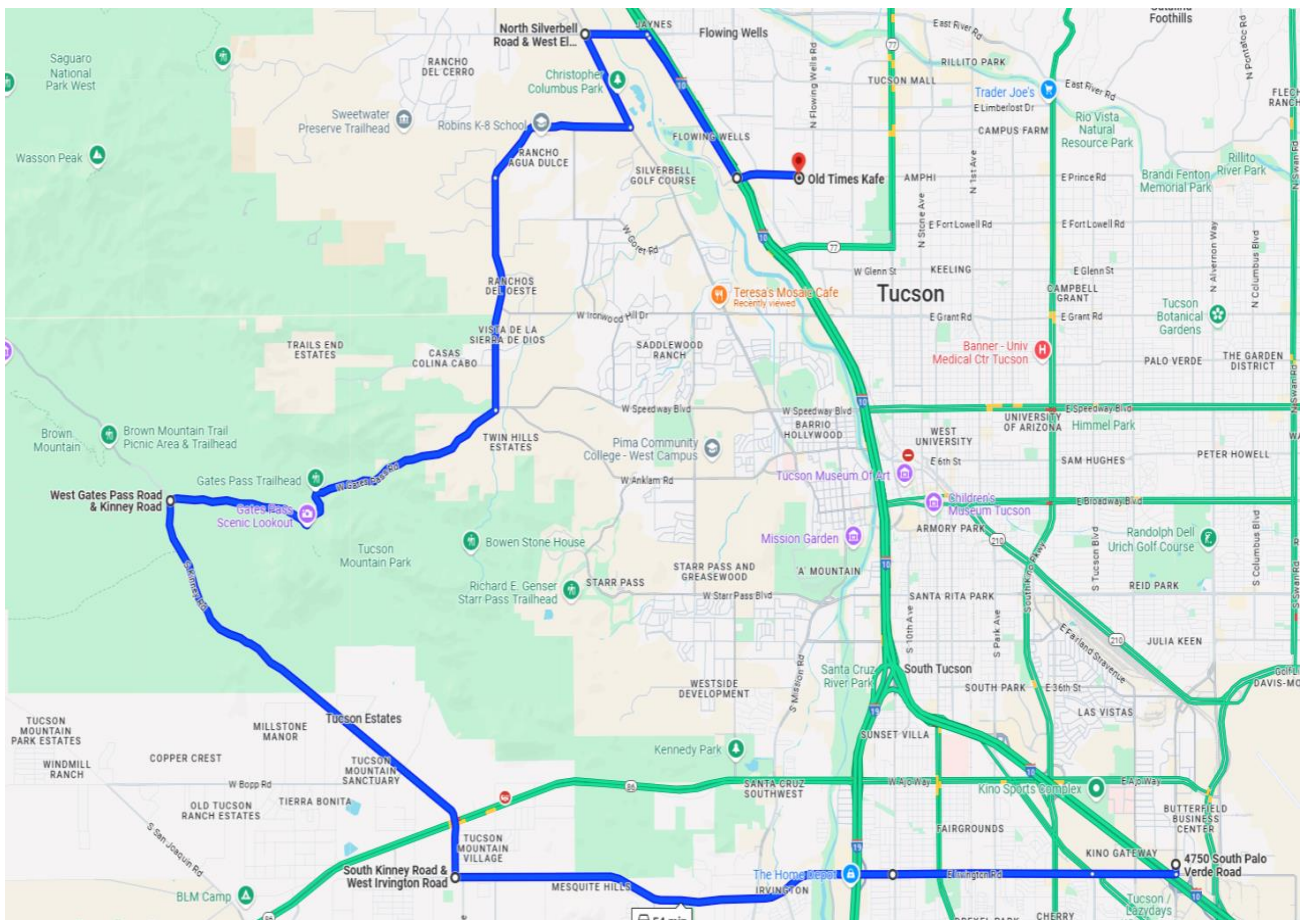
2nd DRIVE – 21 SEPTEMBER – Circle K on Palo Verde to the Northwest with Breakfast at Old Time Kafe.

Great weather; a great route combining S. Kinney Rd and Gates Pass; and a great breakfast at a great restaurant. They were ready for us at Old Time Kafe providing a huge room to accommodate our large group (it was actually reserved for another group to arrive shortly after our departure.)



ON THE ROAD (Continued)

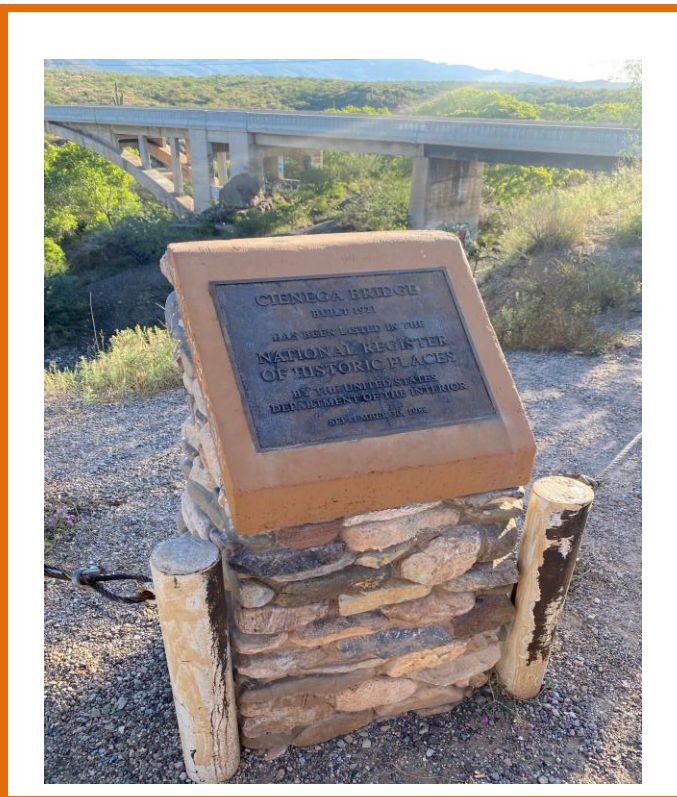
2nd DRIVE – Sept. 21, 2024 - From Circle K 4650 on S. Palo Verde. Westside drive through saguaro cacti, Gates Pass and breakfast at Old Time Kafe (yes, again).



- Exit south [R] on Palo Verde Rd
- Go west [R] on Irvington Rd – this is the first right turn
- Continue westbound on Irvington Rd crossing I-19 and Mission Rd
- Go north [R] on S. Kinney Rd and continue north
- Pass Ajo Way (SR86) and Old Tucson Studios
- Go east [R] on Gates Pass Rd and go up, up, up
- Go north [L] on Camion de Oeste and enjoy the roller coaster ride
- Follow Camino de Oeste to the east as it becomes Sweetwater Dr
- Go north [L] on Silverbell Rd
- Go east [R] on Camino del Cerro
- Go south [R] toward the on ramp to I-10 east Tucson
- STAY RIGHT to be on Frontage Rd
- Go east [L] on W. Prince Rd
- Cross Romero Rd and go right at 1485 W. Prince Rd for the Old Time Kafe...
- Enjoy!!!

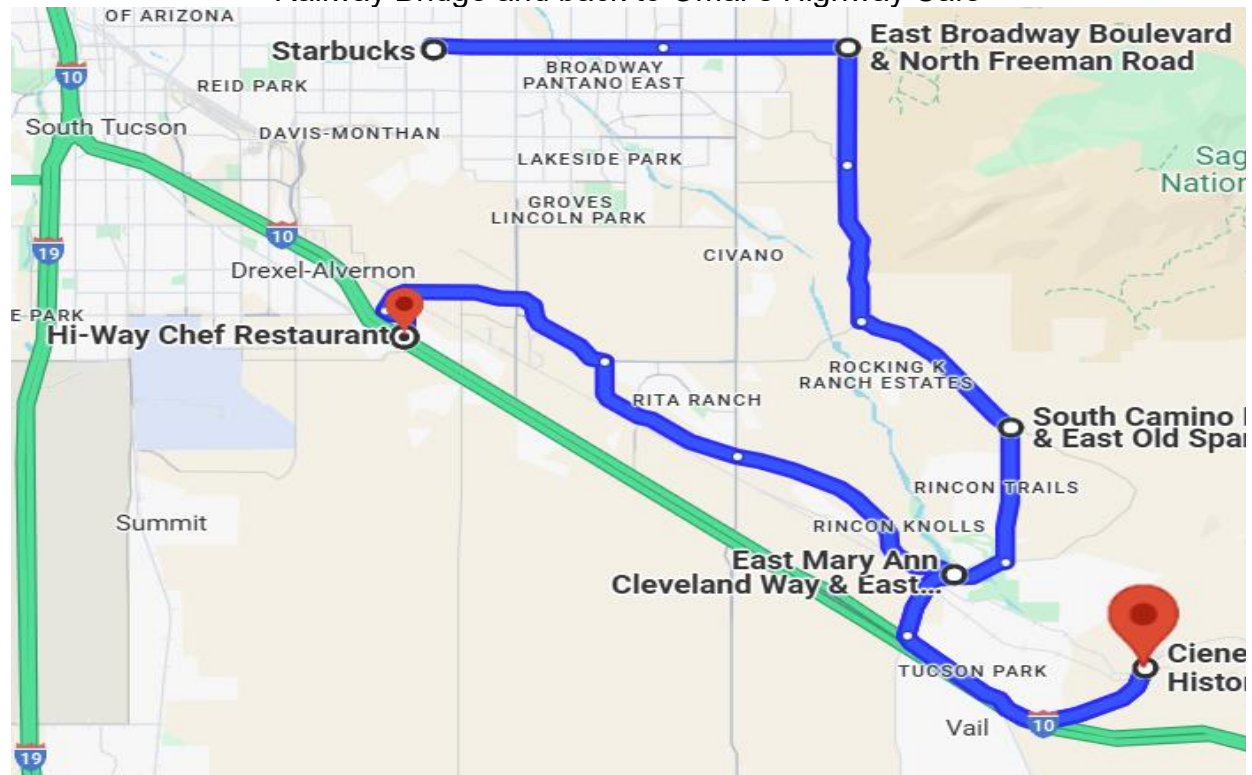
ON THE ROAD (Continued)

BLAT – Saturday - 26 September - Park Place Mall to Cienega Bridge Historical Marker and Breakfast at Omar’s.



ON THE ROAD (Continued)

BLAT DRIVE Thursday, September 26, 2024 – Park Place Mall to Historic Cienega Railway Bridge and back to Omar's Highway Café



Go east [R] on Broadway Blvd and go out past Houghton Rd
Go south [R] on Freeman Rd
Go east [L] on Old Spanish Trail watching for cyclists and pedestrians
Go LEFT at the light at Valencia Rd to continue east on Old Spanish Trail
Go south [R] on Camino Loma Alta (4-way stop now...I think)
Go west [R] on Colossal Cave Rd
Go south [L] at the light at Walgreen's to stay on Colossal Cave Rd
Go through Vail and just BEFORE I-10 go east [L] on Benson Hwy (Frontage Rd)
Parallel I-10 and at the SR83 junction stay LEFT to remain on Frontage Rd/Marsh Station Rd
Pull to the left side parking area at the railway trestle bridge...stop, view, photograph
Go west [R] as in the way we came in all the way to Colossal Cave Rd
Go north [R] and back through Vail on Colossal Cave Rd
Go west [L] at the light at Mary Ann Cleveland Way watch for school traffic, if present
Cross Houghton Rd and continue straight on Old Vail Rd – this will turn north
Go west [L] on Valencia Rd and follow crossing Kolb Rd, Wilmot Rd and Pima Air Museum
Go south [L] on Littletown Rd and toward the east
Go south [R] on Craycroft Rd and the Triple T Truck Stop is on your right...
Enjoy!!!

POTPOURRI

By the Editor

WELCOME New Members

We have new members this month:

Philippe Sarrazin and **Barbara Lafuente** from the Catalina Foothills area driving a 1958 Cherry Red Sprite.

Their contact details have been added to the Directory. Name badges have been ordered. Please keep an eye out for them or their Cherry Red Sprite and take time to welcome them to the club.

FOR SALE

Nothing for sale this month but there were a couple of purchases:



A brand-new Jag!



A beautiful new project!

TECHNICAL MATTERS

Nothing to report at this time.

WHAT IS IT?

Below is the photo as well as the identification of the vehicle that was requested to identify.





OUT OF BOUNDS

SHOW OPPORTUNITIES

For those that are a little car show intensive, there are many opportunities in the area and beyond. I attended one at Stone Canyon Golf Club this year at the invitation of John Reynolds, a club member [Article in June 2024 Newsletter]. I also was invited to the 49ers Golf Club last year but was traveling. I have spoken with the respective individuals responsible for organizing these events. Both have indicated that they are going to repeat their events, Stone Canyon in June 2025 and the 49er will be in December this year. Both are relatively new and not up to par with the ones we normally attend, but it is a fun time and there is enthusiasm from those visiting.

Further, here are two opportunities that the information has been provided by club members Dick Keith and Dan Wolters. Dan is up at Pine Top attending one this past weekend. He has offered to write an article for next month's newsletter.

The first is from Dick Keith and is Obsessions Car Club who proclaim to be the "Home of Tucson's Premiere Automotive Events" and are the organizer of the Tucson Cars & Coffee at Lowes Home Improvement on Ina/Thornydale. Information is available for all their events as follows:

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<https://www.obsessionscarclub.com>

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Obsessions Car Club Newsletter - September 2024

The Temps are Cooling Down,
so Car Shows are HEATING UP!

Highlights:

[Freddy's Last Saturday of the Month Car Show RETURNS!!](#)

Saturday September 28th 2024

We have a "Special Treat" lined up for the September Welcome back return!
With the help of our New Board Advisors, Kegan Dorschner, Noah Valdez and Garrison
Abrams...

We are going to host our very first "DRIVE-IN" MOVIE EVENT!
Following the Sept 28th Car Show, We will be Showing "AMERICAN GRAFFITI"
We will try to wrap up judging for the Car Show as early as possible, and then get the
movie going right after.

Popcorn will be Served, and that amazing Freddy's Custard of course!

Car Show will Start as normal 3pm, and we will try to wrap up by dark to get the Movie
started! Bring your chairs!

[Rev'ved up with ALORICA!!](#)

Saturday October 5th 2024

ALORICA has partnered with Obsessions to bring you this FREE CAR SHOW!

The first 30 registrations will be free!

There will be games Food Trucks and MORE!

Register for FREE now on our Website!

[Tucson Cars & Coffee](#)

Saturday October 12th 2024

Tucson Cars & Coffee brought to you by Lowes Home Improvement!

"Tucson Cars & Coffee"

Held the 2nd Saturday of EVERY MONTH, 7am-10am

Lowes Home Improvement - Ina/Thornydale

This month's Featured car will be: TRUCKS!!

[Freddy's Last Saturday of the Month Car Show - Trunk-or-Treat!](#)

Saturday October 26th 2024

This is our biggest and most fun show every year. Trunk or Treating event for the kids and the Grown ups too!
Put on your best costume, decorate up your ride, and come out for a fun filled car show/Halloween Celebration!

Special Trophy's will be given for:
BEST COSTUME
BEST DECORATED CAR

The second is the Annual Run to the Pines Car Show / Pinetop – Lakeside. This year is the 40th and our Dan Wolters is competing. The show runs from Thursday to Saturday

Website:

<https://www.runtothepinescarshow.com>

[Editor's Note: *I have requested an application packet from the organizer for the 2025 show. They will send it out in May of next year. In the meantime, let's see what Dan has to say about this event and his weekend attending the event.*]