

December

Sedona Region of the Antique  
Automobile Club of America



Tire

Tracks

NEWS AND VIEWS FOR MEMBERS OF THE SEDONA CAR CLUB

## President's Vehicle

The Great Poker Rally II took place on a beautiful Wednesday last month and was attended by 21 club members. Each team was given a sheet with 7 tiny map sections and pictures of 7 'objects'. The object of the rally was to identify the locations on the map, drive to each location and search for one of the photographed 'objects', near which would be found a packet of sealed playing cards, one of which was collected and opened at the finish. The winner would be the team with the best poker hand who also answered the most bonus questions correctly.

While Carol and Dave Smith had the best poker hand, (2 aces), they were relegated to second place by LeAnn and Ross Morgan, who had a pair of jacks but answered more questions correctly. A good time was had by all. Pics on page  
We were privileged to

have as our guest speaker at the November meeting

guitarist Pat Hicks, who presented his beautifully restored 1935 British Ariel motorcycle. He detailed the history of the Ariel company, which started in

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the 19th century, and described his beautiful machine to the club members. The highlight of the evening was when he fired the bike up. Of course, it started on the first kick! Thanks, Pat.

By the time you read this, the Cottonwood Christmas Parade will be history. There was, as usual, a fair size contin-

gent from our club participating.

We will end the year with the annual Christmas party on the 13th. Don't forget to bring a child's gift. Thanks to Larry Currie for making all of the arrangements for this gala event.

In closing, I wish to welcome the 2006 Board of Directors and to express my sincere appreciation for the vote of confidence you and the SCC members, have shown in me. Thank you for allowing me to serve as your president these past two years. It gives me pleasure to hand the reins over to my good friend David Lombardi, who I know will do a great job. Also, a great big

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*Al Moss*

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Editor's Note—

*When Al says the board was a "cohesive and warm group" - is he trying to find a nice way of saying the board was ... "hot and sticky"???*

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# CLUB CLIPS



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## Tire Tracks

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## Club Calendar

### December

- 3 Cottonwood Christmas Parade
- 14 Annual SCC Christmas Party

## Classifieds

Portable 6000# Benwil scissors lift with accessories, \$1,000, immaculate. Call John James, 284-9566.

**Under The Category of: Having a Rough Day???**  
 (You just have to hope the cup is Bull—et proof!)



## Congratulations ! On Your Anniversary!

Joe & Susan Howe on the 24th (Merry Christmas)  
 &  
 SPECIAL CONGRATS TO THE "HAT TRICK"  
 COUPLE OF THE YEAR

Bennett & Mary Weiss on the 27th  
 Born & married in December

## NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

AI called us, with horn, to order. Ed Horvat led the Pledge of Allegiance and introduced our speaker, Pat Hicks. Pat presented his gorgeous Ariel motorcycle, a 1935 he found in a BOX at a swap meet. And ORIGINAL except for new fenders. All restored! The name Ariel goes back to the 1800's in England. Ariel bicycles, then 1897 tricycle by Dunlap and in 1905 the motorcycles. Pat started racing in the 60's and retired recently. For those who missed the meeting you should have heard that bike purr...

Larry Currie reported 70 families; 127 members. He's accepting your checks for your membership '06. Tulley, Niederkorn and Currie comprised the Nominating Committee. A motion was made by Lee and seconded by Sally Peck to accept the slate. Motion carried.

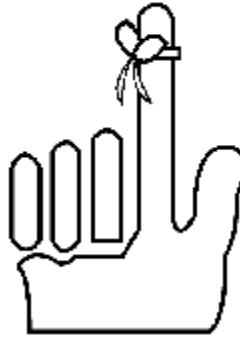
The Poker Rally is scheduled for November 16. And AI suggested people attend the RM Auction on January 20th. Call AI about tickets. Cottonwood Christmas Parade is Dec. 3 and a sign up sheet circulated. Our Christmas Party (Dec. 13 at Radisson Poco Diablo) information in Tire Tracks. And remember your TOYS! Larry needs checks by November 25. Your check serves as your reservation.

Bob Boydston introduced the Sedona Car Club brass belt buckle. Call him if you wish to order. Fifteen orders brings the price down to \$15 apiece!

Bill Harrison stated the magnetic signs are in production, available 2 for \$25 at the January meeting.

We thank the Pittman's, Curries and Bill Harrison for great refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Blankenship, Secretary



## DON'T FORGET!!

*As of 11/20 the club is a little more than a quarter of the way toward our goal of 100 free dollars from Basha's*

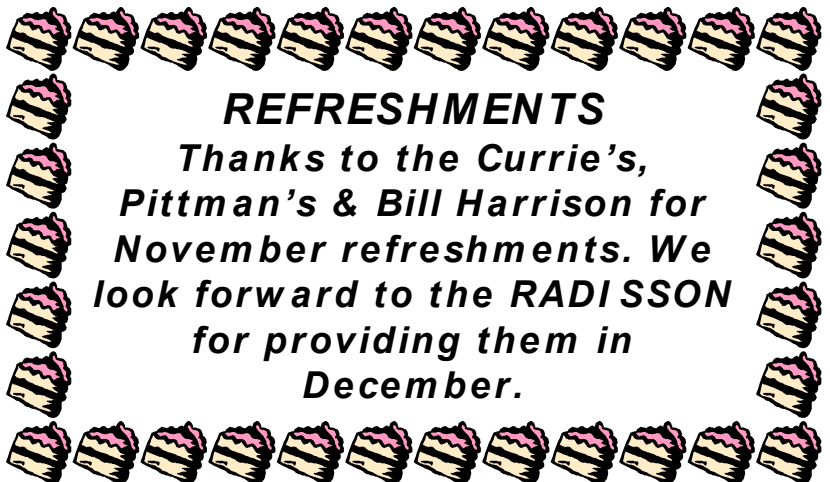
This year Basha's will once again donate to the club 1% of the amount car club members spend in their stores. Last year the club received \$100 dollars shopping!!! When you shop, tell the cashier to link your card to the Sedona Car Club. In case you need our number to do this, it is 23484 just for your information.



## DECEMBER PROGRAM

PAR...DEE! PAR...DEE! PAR...DEE!

SEE YOU AT THE DINNER!



## REFRESHMENTS

*Thanks to the Currie's,  
Pittman's & Bill Harrison for  
November refreshments. We  
look forward to the RADISSON  
for providing them in  
December.*

# Meet the Members



## Tire Tracks — Scooped by Kudos

——Most Believed It Could Never Happen

But there it was in the November 9th **Kudos**, an article on Sedona Car Club's own Les Peck. So rather than stew over it, the Editor, has on these pages, cheerfully and without permission, reprinted the article not quite in its entirety. Hats off (kudos) to Les & Sally Peck.

## Young at Heart

### Sedona's Les Peck stays active with papier-mâché sculpting

BY MICHELLE BORGWARDT  
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Les Peck keeps active during his twilight years doing papier-mâché sculpting. Refusing to succumb to old age and its aches and pains, he creates small wall hangings of carousel horses and animals to keep his mind sharp and his artistic skills fresh.

"It's different, and I enjoy doing it," the 82-year-old Sedona resident says from his workshop. "It's a fun way to work."

Since childhood, Peck has been fascinated with carousel horses. His stepfather worked on merry-go-rounds where he let the young lad touch up the horses.

"I always wanted to buy one but they were so expensive so I decided to build one instead," Peck recalls, eyes sparkling.

He knew wood would be too expensive so he began experimenting and discovered papier-mâché and Styrofoam.

"No one could tell me how to do it so I just experimented."

He made his first life-size carousel horse in 1980 and years later reluctantly sold it for \$3,500. Several of his works can be seen throughout his house including his second horse, which hangs above his bed.

"I like it and just never took it down," he explains proudly.

At his prime, Peck created three horses a year at a cost of about \$300 each. Using

acrylics, Cell-U-Clay, papier-mâché and Styrofoam, he developed vibrant carousel horses that measured approximately 60 inches long, 52 inches high and 10 inches wide. Based on an original design that he hand sculptured and painted, Peck reinforced the tail and legs of each piece with wooden doweling. Each finished horse also included his trademark — a gold tooth adorned with an artificial diamond.

These full-sized, delicate creatures look sturdy enough to hold a child, but they weigh a mere 30 pounds. They seem best suited as decorative pieces that can be mounted on a stand or wall. They can survive being dropped, but weather is its worst enemy and therefore they must be kept indoors.

Based on his knowledge and experience, Peck developed detailed instructions for others on how to create papier-mâché carousel horses and animals. Several interested artists from across the United States have followed these guidelines to create their own

works of art. Peck's carousel horses also have been featured in *The Carousel News & Trader*.

In December 2000, Peck donated one of his prized works — a carousel horse with Native American rider — to be raffled with proceeds benefiting the Humane Society of Sedona. The lucky winner was Bill Nigh of Rimrock. Although a leaky patio roof destroyed the piece,



Peck recently created this smaller version of his papier-mâché sculpting.

Despite several shoulder surgeries, he refuses to retreat into retirement. Since his first operation in 2001, Peck has created about a dozen small wall hangings that weigh about 10 pounds each. His doctor also encourages him to pursue this fine art on a regular basis.

In fact, art is something he shares with his wife of 42 years, Sally. A retired junior high school teacher, Sally creates beaded gourd art and jewelry. These California natives also share a passion for Corvettes; at one time they owned five, but now just one. Age hasn't stopped this couple from drag racing their hot rod every June in Sacramento.

Peck is also a member of Sedona Railroaders, Sedona Car Club and the Northern California Corvette Association. In fact, he uses his papier-mâché sculpting skills to create decorative landscaping for his model trains.

Although Peck also paints, does stained glass and photography, he prefers this medium because it's easy to use and it's an inexpensive art form, he says.

"There's no limit on what you can do with it."



Les Peck of Sedona has completed these decorative wall hangings that weigh about 10 pounds each since his first surgery in 2001. He displays these creations in his workshop in his garage.

**Boydston To Raise Fashion  
Consciousness of Club Members**



In a move to tighten up the dress standards of Car Club members, Bob Boydston daringly suggested at the last club meeting that members proudly sign up to buy an official Car Club belt buckle. It is a handsome piece by anyone's standards and will be available on a one time basis through a special order spearheaded by Boydston. He tried to dump it off on someone else but failed due to massive club consensus that he head the effort. It's the same buckle presented to outgoing Club presidents *sans* the silver. It is cast of brass and sports the Car Club logo design by Bill Harrison. Price will be \$15-\$20 depending on the quantity ordered. A number of members reserved a buckle at the last meeting, but we would like a few more to get the price down. Talk to Bob at the Christmas Dinner or call him at 282-6468. Sorry no email, never had it and never will. Bob will eventually accept all forms of payment. Photo replica above courtesy of Dave Lombardi Photography Studios.

**Les Peck— con't.**



Peck's colorful full-size carousel horses measured approximately 60 inches long, 52 inches high and 10 inches wide. These delicate creatures look sturdy enough to hold a child, but they weigh a mere 30 pounds. They are best suited as decorative pieces that can be mounted on a pole or wall.

**Ariel Display at November  
Club Meeting Was A Gas!!** (leak, that is)

Pat Hicks, rightly so, took great pride in showing off his mint condition fully restored 1935 Ariel motorcycle. It is a beauty and as Pat said represents a piece of his past life. Don't we all know it. To the delight of the those present, Pat fired it up and demonstrated that the guttural exhaust doesn't just belong to Harley.



Noting the bird cage liner under the bike, one immediately understands the machine is of British decent.



A husband was in big trouble when he forgot his wedding anniversary. His wife told him "Tomorrow there better be something in the driveway for me that goes zero to 200 in 2 seconds flat". The next morning the wife found a small package in the driveway. She opened it and found a brand new bathroom scale. Funeral arrangements for the husband have been set for this Saturday. Page 5

# GAMBLING ADDICTS SEEK HELP AFTER RALLY!

Sometimes ordinary people get involved in extraordinary events, as those pictured below. All sought treatment after attending one of Al Moss's poker rally's. Most were interested in counseling for their gambling

proclivities. That is, they gambled they could read directions and follow a map (and do it with a spouse!). Some were more successful than others. These pics tell the story.

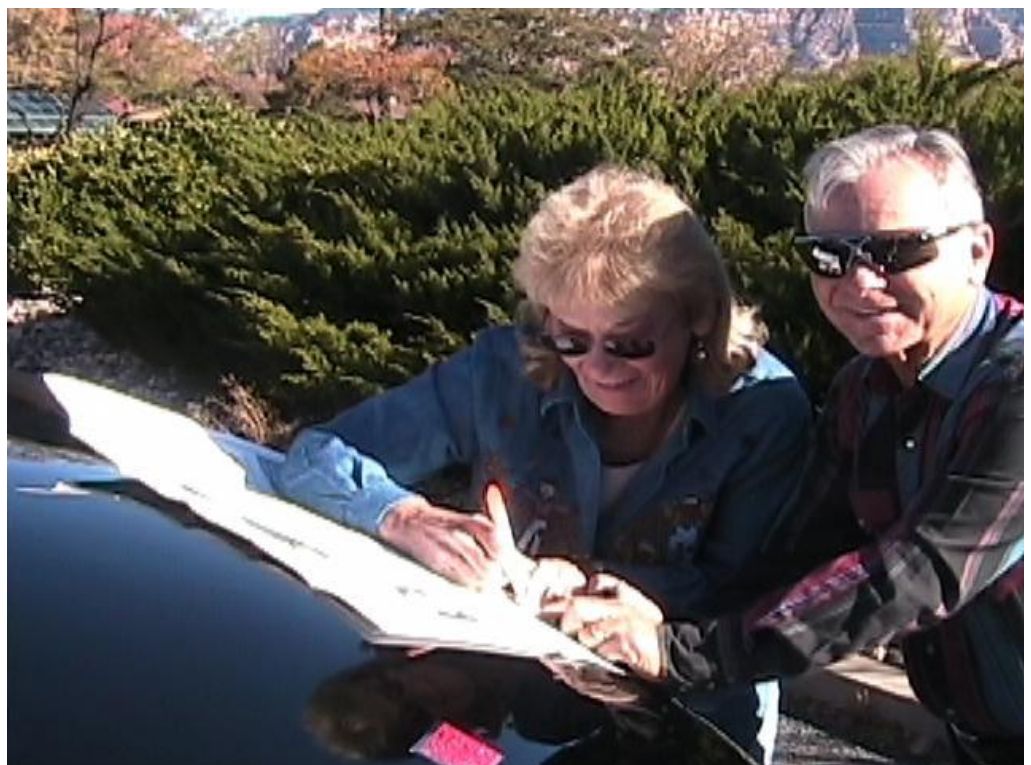


John prods his navigator Judy to get with the program and come up the right directions, which prompts Judy to, with her left hand, give John the direction he so badly needs.



Dave Lombardi, (in his John Gain look-a-like shirt), slumps over his Healy in disgust with himself for not bringing Rachel along. Yes folks this is our next President scratching the hood of his classic with paper maps, a pen and his belt buckle!

Then there was Gail and Clyde, plotting ways to open Al's carefully sealed packets to find the best cards and then resealing them for the rest of the players. Clyde smiles and poses for the camera hoping to create a distraction so Gail can do the dirty deed. Their classic also needed a buff job after the rally.





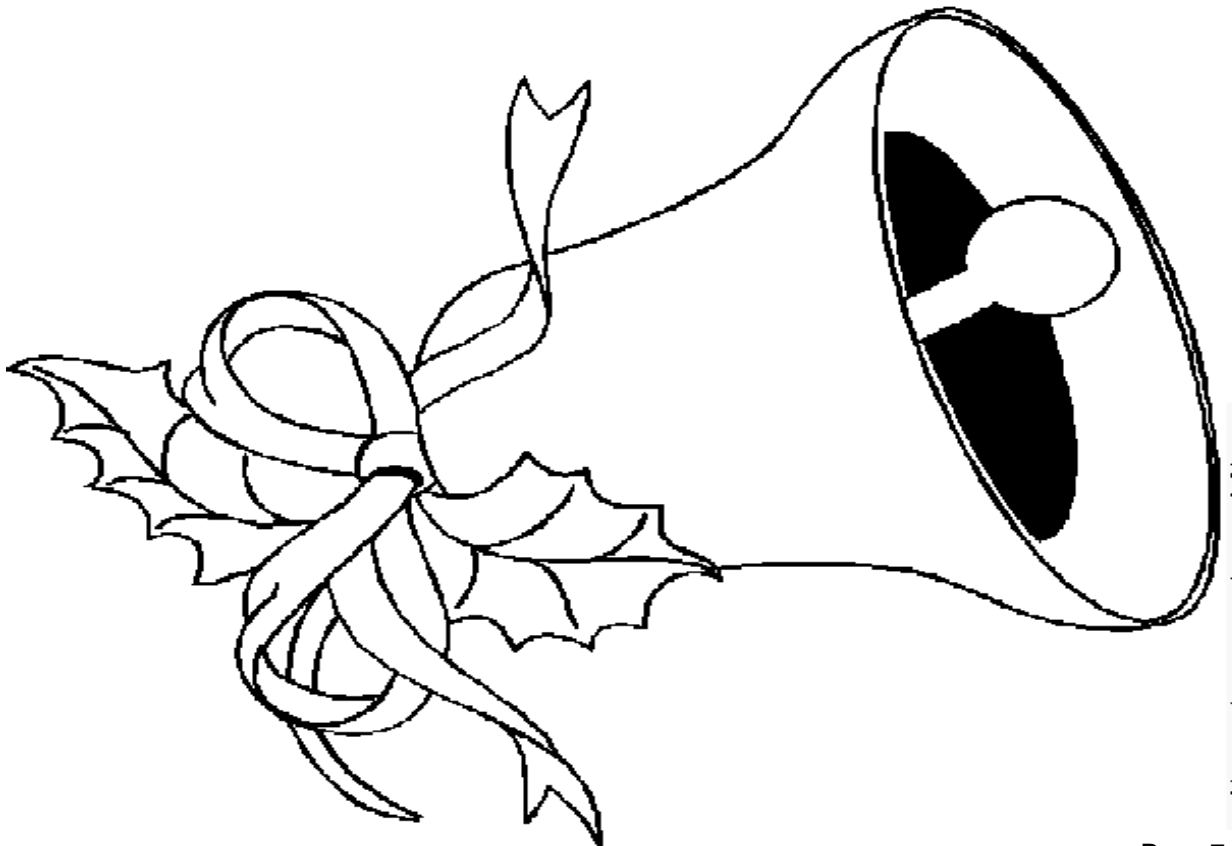
*Season's Greetings*



Remember  
Our  
Troops



Hey Kids!  
(And  
Members!)  
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Crayons  
And Have  
Some Fun!



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Hear Ye!  
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The next meeting of the Sedona Car Club will be our annual Christmas Dinner at 6 P.M. on December 13, at the Radisson Poco Diablo resort On Hwy. 179.



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