

HAVASU CLASSICS

CAR OF THE MONTH November, 2010



John & Barbara Hanks' 1968 Karmann Ghia

OWNERS	
John & Barbara Hanks	
YEAR:	1968
MAKE:	Volkswagen
MODEL:	Karmann Ghia
STYLE:	Coupe
ENGINE:	Stock, 1500 cc Single Port, Air Cooled
TRANS:	4 sp Manual Transaxel
FRONT END:	Torsion Bar-Ball Joint
REAR END:	4 sp. Manual Transaxel
COLOR:	Coral
PAINT MFG.:	Unknown
TRIM:	CHROME ENG. ACCENTS
FRONT TIRES:	165 / 60R 15
REAR TIRES:	165 / 60R 15
WHEEL MFG.:	Volkswagen
WHEEL STYLE:	Chrome
EXHAUST:	Stock Volkswagen
SAFETY EQUIP.:	SEAT BELTS

Barbara and I bought the Ghia in March 2002. We were invited to Mary and Gordon Bishop's 50th wedding anniversary celebration and Gordon was showing us his garage and cars. I happened to notice the Ghia and Gordon commented that it was for sale as he had not worked on the car for several years. I immediately found Barbara in the house and asked her if she wanted another Ghia since it was what I was driving when I met her. Barbara could not say yes fast enough, so the little car was ours that afternoon. Mind you, the car was not able to be driven when we bought it. The body work was all done and it was painted and had an engine installed but that was it! The interior was removed and was in boxes as were the doors and most of the glass. I had to replace a portion of the floor pan under the drivers seat, as a start to getting the car back together. I then rewired the car, did a little engine work, mounted the trim and had a new interior installed. With that the car was ready for the road. Shortly after the car was finished, Gordon became very ill and I was able to give him a ride in his and Mary's special little car before he passed away. They will always be a part of the Ghia.

On October 6, 2002 we attended the Las Vegas "Bug In" and took a second place in the "Stock Ghia Class." We have attended several Volkswagen shows since then and have taken awards at most of them with our special little beauty.

I wrote to Volkswagen in Germany and requested a birth certificate for our Ghia. We discovered that the car was built on September 26, 1967 and was shipped to the U.S. on September 29, 1967, making this a very early 1968 car. The document also stated that the car was originally painted Regatta Blue and that it was delivered to Seattle, Washington. I do not know where it went from there, but I think that it ended up in Tucson and has spent most of it's life here in Arizona. We enjoy driving the Ghia very much and it always gets lots of looks where ever we go.



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ANDERSON CHRYSLER / HAVASU CLASSICS VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION



You get a special feeling when you roll onto the tarmac at 0' dark thirty and there are already a couple other committee members there, the place is quite and the venue is empty in the cool, dry morning air. You know that there is going to be a car show there that day and you get to be part of it. Everyone takes their assignments for the day and you wait. Then the coffee vendor, Gotta Hava Java, arrives and you know now that you don't have to face the next nine or ten hours without the chemical

assistance of a great cup of coffee, things are looking up. Somewhere out there you hear the sweet rumble of cubic inches and cool twin pipes and you know that they are coming. For

the next three hours some of the nicest and best prepared classic cars, hot rods, muscle cars and original iron rolls in and all of a sudden, there is a great car show being held and you got to be a part of it. Thanks to Geri Houghton and her crew for the wonderful gift baskets and raffle. Day of show supervision and execution by Club members Dan Smith and Joe Mauro and their teams. All of this was put in place and planned by Car Show Chairpersons Bill and Marilyn Bess. Anderson Chrysler / Havasu Classics Veterans Day Celebration car show is one of the best events of the year and everyone who had a part of showing their car or staging the show wish to thank Anderson Chrysler's management, sales team and service department for everything they do to sponsor this event. Look for Norm Stephens, Best of Show 72 Cuda to be featured soon on these pages. Trophy winners listed below.



CALENDAR OF UP COMING EVENTS

Contact Dorothy Zacavich @ (928) 855-0474

- DEC 4** * **HAVASU CLASSICS annual CHRISTMAS PARTY** at the **EAGLES**, No Host Cocktails at **5:00 p.m.**, Dinner at **6:00 p.m.**, Live dance music by **Kevin James**. Contact **Sandy Hughey @ (928) 680-3819** immediately for reservations.
- DEC 7** * **HAVASU CLASSICS car club GENERAL MEETING - K.O.C. HALL @ 6:00 p.m.**
Dec 11 **PARADE OF CLASSICS** over the new **HOOVER DAM BY-PASS BRIDGE** at High Noon Need Road Capt. For the event. Call **Betsy @ 928-565-1298** or <http://azcarnutz.tripod.com> THIS IS A REALLY BIG DEAL coordinated with clubs in Nevada to meet "head on" in the middle of the bridge, big photo opportunity. Local contact is "Betsy" at sennasylum@npgcable.com.
- Jan 7-9** **LAUGHLIN CHILLIN** on the **RIVER CLASSIC CAR SHOW AND AUTO PARTS SWAP MEET @ Riverside Casino**. Pre-entry \$40/Day of show \$45 Call **Barb** for Information @ 928-234-0695 or snoopy1cody@yahoo.com.
- JAN 10** * **DINE OUT January - MUDSHARKS 4:30 P.M. CALL BILL BESS 680-8042 and sign up early!**
Jan 14-16 **2011 MESQUITE MOTOR MANIA**, Mesquite, NV "VERY" Special Rm Rates, SEE www.mesquitecarsows.com for flyer and entry form. I have reports that this is a very fun show and cruise.
- JAN 22** * **"WINTER CRUZ 'N' SHO" @ Dina's Diner in the old Walmart parking lot, for the benefit of Lake Havasu City's "Meals on Wheels". 11:00 a.m. To 2:00 p.m. Music provided, 50/50 Cash Raffle, No Fee, No Registration, Open to all Clubs, All Cars/Trucks, Held rain or shine. Dina's will donate 20% of the days sales to Havasu Classics which will be donated to "Meals on Wheels" by the Club. For more information or extra flyers to hand out at other car clubs call: Dorothy 855-0474**
- Jan 28-30** **CUSTOMS THEN & NOW GRAND NATIONAL ROADSTER SHOW** Pomona, CA
- Feb 5** * **3rd Annual RAIN or SHINE SHOW by KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS All proceeds go to charity. Show will be held "Rain or Shine". \$20 til January 1, 2011 \$25 thereafter. To Park together Arrive together. Plenty of room, bring all your friends, it's not like there is much else to do.** 186 London Bridge Road, LHC - Flyers available to distribute at your Club meetings, Call **Chuck Watkins @ (928) 680-6871** or cell @ (714) 719-3063



Langstaff/Diez Memorial Fund Donation

Member Norm Stevens brought a motion before the Club to make a donation to the Memorial Fund of the families recently bereaved in the tragic multiple shooting deaths of five leading community members. This fund was established to assist the children and families of these victims. The motion passed without objection. Havasu Classics car club representative Mr. Norm Stevens recently presented Manager, Ms. Lori Stahl of Wells Fargo Bank a check in the amount of \$250, to be deposited in the account of the Langstaff/Diez Memorial Fund. Other car clubs and organizations are encouraged to support these families in coping with their recent tragic losses.



Marine Corps League Commandant Jack Howe,

pictured here on the right accepted a check from Club President Dan Smith in the amount of \$394.75. Havasu Classics President Dan Smith addressed a large assembly of Marine Corps League members and praised them for the community work that they do. Including, furnishing the color guard at our Veterans Celebration Show as well as many other events. The Club was thanked by all hands on board.





Congratulations to all the Officers and Show Committee members for staging the 33rd Annual Run to the Sun, October 20-24th. It was, as always a pleasure to see all the cars and vendors in such an excellent venue. It didn't matter if you were a local resident car enthusiast or (as one of my guest did) travel a couple thousand miles to attend, it was a great pleasure. Congratulations again, we are all looking forward to #34 next year.

HAVASU CLASSICS SEMI-ANNUAL PICNIC



On the far left you can see Hostess Eden Rudin calling everyone to let the games and feeding begin. Members all brought their favorite dishes to share and there were Hot Dogs and Hamburgers fresh off the grill. Everyone enjoyed the games of water balloon toss, dart toss poker or hula-hoop endurance, everyone had a great time. The members want to thank Dennis and Eden Rudin for hosting the event and all the ladies for bringing a wonderful array of great food. Thanks also to all the members that helped transport and setup the BBQ's. Another example of those that play together stay together.

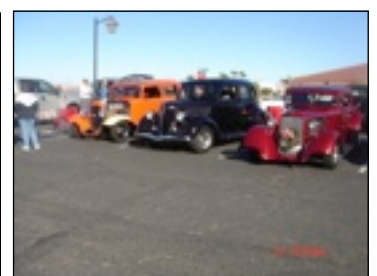


INTERAGENCY FOOD BANK & TOY DRIVE



The overwhelming generosity shown by our local car enthusiast was made evident last Saturday when about 110 of you (them) showed up and donated 562 new unwrapped toys for Lake Havasu City kids for Christmas. What a mind boggling day and so very gratifying to be associated with this gang of hot rodders and car cruisers. On behalf of Interagency Council Executive Director Rich Mires, his staff and all the members of Havasu Classics car club, We would like to give a sincere and heart felt thank you to everyone. This will allow Interagency to contribute about 30% more toys for kids in their Adopt a Family Program than last year. Additionally, we collected just a little over 950 pounds of canned food products for the FOOD BANK. Those of us who have been active in promoting and staging this car show and food drive feel very humbled by our most recent experience. Winners of the Gift Baskets and 50/50 cash drawing are pictured below.

Unfortunately we don't have the name of the winner shown on the left, however Sandy Hughey is shown center stage accepting \$132 cash winnings from Rich Mier and Mr. Zacavich on the right accepting the gift basket on behalf of Bill Hyssop. Thanks to Dotty Zacavich and Theresa McIntosh for taking charge of the Baskets and Raffle. A special thanks to Ms. Traceye Jones, General Manager of KJJJ FM and KNTR AM/FM Radio for loaning us their PA System, which facilitated guest Disc Jockey and newest Club member **Joel Cosmano** to perform so brilliantly spinning out tunes for our enjoyment. THANK YOU ALL, Bruce Hughey & Lloyd Ames



CRUIZ'N FOR JESUS Kingman Show and Shine.....BY; LLOYD AMES

September 18th was what you might expect in northwest Arizona, warm (boy was it warm) and breezy. As "Road Captain" I performed flawlessly in leading the caravan to the exact opposite end of Kingman of where the show has always been held and was held again this year. Soon however, we were on our way and everyone enjoying their extended "cruise" rather than the normal low cost, mundane cruise to the show. I don't always get you there in the most expedient way, however we nearly always get there. Mike Rose (pictured in lower left) and Lloyd Ames were selected to receive very nice plaques for their entries in the show. As an honorable mention, Joe Mauro gets the "Bravest Darn Biker in the Kingdom Award" for his beautiful "baby" blue Vespa hog. I did notice, however that a couple Harleys shuttered slightly as Joe wheeled his recently frame off restored vintage Vespa in amongst them. Thanks to everyone who ventured out with us that day, we had a great time and plan on doing it again next year, just as soon as we find a new Road Captain that knows how to enter the right address in Google Map! "IF YOU BUILD THEM, YOU GOTTA DRIVE THEM"



London Days Parade



Attention Club members; if you haven't participated in this event in the past, make sure you all do in the future. The crowds love cars and the crowds are big.



THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY, HAVE A BUNCH OF FUN AND IF YOU PLAN IT RIGHT CONTINUE ON TO LUNCH. HOW IS THAT FOR A MORNING WELL SPENT. COME ON OUT AND ENJOY

GENERAL CLUB MEETING

6:00 p.m., December 7, 2010 - Knights of Columbus Hall, 186 London Bridge Road, L.H.C., AZ
MEETINGS BEGIN ON TIME - COME EARLY TO VISIT WITH FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS

**REFRESHMENTS ARE SERVED AT
ALL CLUB MEETINGS.**

**Call Raquel Rothweiler @ (928) 855-0436
and volunteer to bring your favorite dessert.**

Coffee and Water Furnished

*REMEMBER TO THANK THOSE WHO
BRING AND ARRANGE DESERTS*

**DECEMBER
MEETING DATE**

Tuesday - Dec. 7, 2010

6:00 p.m.

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Positions available, inquire above!

New Members - Joe Mauro (928) 505-2897

MEMBERS MAY PURCHASE THEIR NAME TAGS AT:

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34 SCOTT Dr., Off of McCullough Bl.

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