

HAVASU CLASSICS

CAR OF THE MONTH ~ April, 2011



OWNERS

Les & Kathy McBain

YEAR: 1952
 MAKE: Chevrolet
 MODEL: Sedan Delivery
 ENGINE: 350 Chevy, 0.030 over
 TRANS: Turbo 350, w/shift kit
 FRONT END: Mustang II, pwr Rack
 REAR END: 78 Nova, 3.43 gears
 COLOR: Metallic Blue
 PAINT MFG. PPG
 SPECIAL TRIM: Ghost Flames
 TIRES, FRONT: TA/RAD, 205/60/R15
 TIRES, REAR: TA/RAD, 225/70/R15
 WHEEL MFG.: General Motors
 WHEEL STYLE: Corvette Rally Style
 EXHAUST: White Rock Mufflers,
 B.C. Canada
 SAFETY EQUIP: Seat Belts
 POWER EQUIP.: Power Windows, door
 locks, steering and brakes
 DATE ACQUIRED: Barn find in
 November, 2002, Saskatchewan, Canada

Les and Kathy McBain acquired this vehicle from a barn-find in Saskatchewan, Canada. It required major repairs and modifications from what it was when they found it to what it looks like today. The first requirement was to remove the entire power train and front suspension and replace them with the new Mustang II rack-&-pinion power unit and a fresh 350cid Chevy engine, Turbo 350 transmission, upgraded with a shift kit and a '78 Chevy Nova differential, with 3.43 ratio gears. The Sedan Delivery Chevy then became a body-off project with all new plumbing for the brakes and fuel lines, mounted on the sandblasted and epoxy-coated frame. The body was then restored to its rightful place on the frame. The body work got underway by Les' nephew, Rod who worked evenings and weekends to get it ready for Les to transport 1200 miles to White Rock, B.C., Canada where Les took over the task of finishing the body and preparing it for wiring with an all new Painless Wiring harness. In a timely fashion, they installed power windows and Dakota Digital dash. At this time, Les had it primed in baby blue so that he could start driving it in order to work out any bugs prior to painting. The next stop was the body shop in Langley, B.C. for the metallic blue paint job and ghost flames. It was still winter in B.C., however Les packed up the little Chevy and embarked for warmer environs of Lake Havasu City, AZ. Rain, snow, sleet and a little fog never dampened the resolve to bring it south. After arriving in LHC and getting settled a little, Les and Kathy went about finding an upholsterer. The final choice was to have the upholstery done in Lake Havasu by Tim's Upholstery. The McBain's have been driving it ever since. More recently they installed power door locks. Originally, Les installed a heater because he was building it for Canadian weather. At the time he did not know he would be retiring in Arizona. If they had known that at that time, he might have installed air conditioning instead! Still being the adventurous sort, they still drive it occasionally in the summer heat. But, you have to cut him a little slack, it is a really dark color and as we know the sun is really, really hot part of the year. On behalf of the Club, we want to thank them for choosing LHC, Havasu Classic car club and all of us to share this with. Look forward to seeing you on cruise night, weather permitting.

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One Summer Night Cruiser Easter Show & Shine

By: Lloyd Ames



The fourth Saturday in April proved to be a beautiful day in Lake Havasu City, broken clouds, warm dry air and another excellent car show by ONE SUMMER NIGHT CRUISERS. What a fun time we all had. This has always been a great venue for a car show because of the wide open space and visibility from Highway 95. Lots of great basket prizes and raffle treasures for everyone. Everyone experienced different things dining at the newly opened Cabana Palms. The Houghtons were there with their twin entries of well turned out Chevrolets. There was a great turnout by Havasu Classic members, about a dozen and a half showed up to represent the Club. Two members, pictured below were honored as two of the Top Five cars selected by One Summer Night Cruiser members. Accepting the trophy on the left is Karron Ames for their 1936 Ford Pickup and Luggage trailer entry and Don Wood on the right for his always beautiful little Ford roadster. Having received the trophy, Karron ask Marcia Shupp to please ask her driver to bring the car around for photographs. Dorothy Zacavish's rare '34 Dodge pickup was sitting out there in the sun

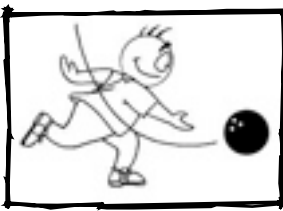


looking really fine, next to Lana Spenser's great looking Pontiac, making a rare and welcome appearance and was appreciated by all. Jay and Charlotte Roe's beautifully prepared '52 Chevy posed next to Jim and Gert Cosmano's '55 Chevy, looking stylish as ever. This photo of Larry Gile's pretty little '32 Ford sedan may be the last of version you see. Larry has plans to revamp this classic pleaser with all steel fenders, running boards, interior and paint. Who knows, we may even see a hood. Notice Charles Newton chilling out behind his great looking 5 window, '36 Ford. The point is that everyone had a good time and appreciated the show.

OUTSTANDING MEMBER...Q2

Dennis and Norma Daly received recognition for their selfless devotion and energetic support of Havasu Classic car club. If you looked in the archives of the Club from the beginning and did a word search for "Daly", your cup would runnith over. Dennis and/or Norma have held many Club offices and chaired many Club events. Dennis and Norma Daly joined Havasu Classics in December 2002. They give of themselves unselfishly, without asking for recognition or thanks. They are the very ones we need to thank the most! Dennis has never won a 50/50 at a club meeting. He has been a regular Newsletter Contributor, Havasu Classics Secretary in 2004, Havasu Classics Vice President in 2006, Show and Shine Chairman in 2005, 2006 & 2007, Goodie Bag Chairman 2006, Ad Book Chairman 2011 and Chairman of several of our Spring and Fall Club Picnics. If any of you reading this are married, you know that this level of participation is only possible with the dedicated help of a willing partner. Norma Daly is all of this and more. How do you like this, Norma has

been faithful for furnishing many baked goods for our meetings. Also, Norma was Show & Shine Photographer in 2007. And, they both have been instrumental in providing storage of Club property for sometime now. Thank you to Dan Smith for assembling much of this information. Thank you to Dennis and Norma for all that you have done and continue to do...Lloyd Ames



BOWLING

BY: John Hanks



The morning of Saturday, March 12, dawned bright and clear, a perfect day for an intense athletic competition. Mary Bishop had picked the perfect day to plan and organize Havasu Classics' spring matchup of talent and luck. There was tension in the air as the 16 competitors began to arrive at Havasu Lanes to see who would be the best with the big ball on the hardwood, well maybe synthetic, lanes in the spring Havasu Classic bowling tournament. The competition was intense with one team even bringing in a ringer, right Charlotte.

There were 5 men and 11 women vying for the top bowler honors this bright and glorious day. The greatest rivalry was among the women to see who would have the lowest score. The battle developed between Sandi Hughey and Theresa McIntosh with each delivering a series of gutter balls to stay in the hunt. The women finished the day with Gert Cosmono taking high game with a 172, Kay "The Ringer" Delay taking high series with a 519, Theresa McIntosh taking low game with a 65 and Sandi Hughey taking low series with a 185.

All 5 of the men were in the hunt for awards with the final tally being Jim Cosmono winning high game with a 191, John Hanks winning high series with a 517, Bob Edwards taking low game honors with a 124 and Zac Zacavich securing the low series with a 408.

I would like to thank all the others who participated and made this a very fun event; Dick and Sue Spano, Maureen Edwards, Jeannie McCreight, Charlotte Roe, Dorothy Zacavich, Marlene Stegner and Lorraine Pack and a special thanks to Barbara Hanks for being the day's statistician.

There were no photographs available at press time. I recommend anyone organizing a club activity provide the newsletter with a picture or two, in addition to an excellent write-up like this one written by John Hanks.

PONDERING the process of electing officers to serve the Club. I wonder what goes through a member's mind when they join a service club or organization, knowing it takes some number of elected members to run the organization. Normally, we have 150 member couples, give or take. Out of that -300 folks, we need five elected officials, one car show chairperson, one merchandise retailer, an editor and a web master. That is about nine main dudes or dudettes. Just for the beck of it, throw in another dozen. That's about 7%. We have, without question, the most fun, active, interactive car club in Lake Havasu. We hold more events, car shows, cruises, lunches, dinners, partys, boat outings and other activities than any other car club. Amazing isn't it that the other 93% get all the benefits as those few, for only \$30 a year. Don't look at all the reasons you don't want to hold office, look at all the positive things you can contribute to the club. Sincerely, Lloyd Ames

GENERAL CLUB MEETING

6:00 p.m., May 3, 2011 - Knights of Columbus Hall, 186 London Bridge Road, L.H.C., AZ

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MEETING DATE

Tuesday ~ May 3, 2011

6:00 p.m.

Open letter to Havasu Classic Members: It is impossible to properly express my appreciation for all that the Havasu Classic Car Club has done to honor my wife, Katie Martin. Following her death on December 19th, family, friends and Havasu Classic Club members began to rally around and help me through this difficult transition. I am afraid if I mention names, I will leave someone out that pitched in and made the Celebration of Life at the Knights of Columbus Hall such a great evening. You know who you are and if I have not yet thanked you from the bottom of my heart, please accept my thanks now. Her sisters were very impressed at the care the club showed. The wonderful gesture of having "In Memory of Katie Martin" on the sleeve of this years Rally at Rotary event shirt was so special. I met members I have not seen in a long time, former members and friends that all commented on the shirts and of course expressed condolences. From the tears in many of their eyes brought home the fact that Katie had many friends and I am not the only one to feel the pain of her loss. Another thing that has become a priority for me is getting our 57 Chevy running again and drive it more. She bought it for me, but I think she loved it more than I. I am proud of the club we helped found. The Club is filled with wonderful people that have showed the huge hearts that we all envisioned many years ago when we sought to form a car club that cared about the hobby of cars and the people that love cars. Katie and I wish to thank you all. All our love, Katie and Bob Martin

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