

Arizona Outlaws Meet

The first day of 1995 was celebrated at Ft. Lowell one of Tucson's oldest parks. Eleven beautiful 356 Porsches in a perfect setting among the winter shed cottonwood trees. The camaraderie that comes forth naturally just by the ownership of a 356 was once again faithfully perpetuated. Alan Gruening was first to arrive in his very nice white '65 sunroof from Apache Junction. Model representation was complete, ranging from the popular "SO OLD" '53 coupe of Dennis & Barb Crowley (front in photo).

Standing and talking among the cars as we always do at these events, we welcomed the Faithful into the Outlaw circle including the Gadways, Aliens, Coss, David Sage, Mark Jacobson and Mark Crum. The group was also treated to the arrival of two of Southern Arizona PCA region's 1967 charter members, Skip Andree (an original owner of his '65 coupe) and Sheldon Gingerich's ivory '58 speedster.



It was great to see our friends from metropolitan Phoenix who came in force led by "driving Bob" Poister's neat red '54 Cab (which had almost become a dune buggy). With the best-laid plans the no show of the Bratwurst lunch wagon was a little disappointing for those growling stomachs and also not many "parts is parts" were displayed. Maybe there was some confusion with the english term "Auto Jumble".

Sometimes the good tales are left till the end: While packing up an, locking the Cottonwood Lane gate a couple of us hangers-on were talking with a late-arriving ice cream vendor. His story claimed he HAD once owned an Abarth Carrera. Little did any of us know in 1968 the value of his car would go up to \$1 million. Wouldn't the ice cream man's story be much different today had he saved that old race car. I couldn't help but reflect back to the early PCA days, before Porsche's second generation of 356 names Carrera, RS, SC, Carrera 2; our then-new local region had a member, Larry Randall who showed his Abarth at our first concour in 1969.

Wouldn't it be nice to reinvent the 356 tech sessions, tours and shows with the informal format of the Arizona Outlaws? Let's hear your opinions.

Gute Fahrt,
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