

# TIRE TRACKS

Sun City RV Club Newsletter

February 2026

## Things to do in February

So many fun things! Check out the dates below and get them on your calendar so you don't miss anything.

- Make sure your dues are paid for 2026 and your email is correct so you can be sure to get all communications about our events.
- Feb 14 is *Valentine's Day*. Don't forget or you'll be in trouble!
- Feb 13 is *Blame Someone Else Day*—the first Friday the 13th of the year. Useful.
- And of course there's Super Bowl, President's Day, and more. For a short month, it's pretty busy!

### February Club Calendar

Feb 4 & 17	Game Nights	5 PM	Bell
Feb 12-15	Laughlin Caravan Trip		
Feb 24	Board Meeting	9AM	Riverview
Feb 24	Potluck & Meeting	5:30 PM	Sundial
Feb 27	Caravan Meeting	9AM	Sundial

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### Board of Directors 2026

Joan Faretta, President  
Sarah Crashell, President-Elect  
Diane Brown, Treasurer  
Brandee Brown, Secretary  
Sandy Pasik, Alba Pearl, & Mark Crashell, Caravan Directors  
Jean Hellwege, Communications Director  
Jim Brown, Membership Director



### Sun City RV Club Website

<https://scazrvclub.com>

### Facebook Account

Sun City, AZ RV Club

## February Potluck Entertainment

Once again we will have special music following our February 24th Potluck dinner. Master of MOTOWN music **Tim Hope** will be entertaining us. He is a passionate singer and his deep voice is smooth as velvet. Besides his amazing voice, Tim is a seasoned entertainer booking shows throughout the valley. Wonderful audience interaction skills that will have everyone singing and dancing to all the great music we grew up with. Bring your dancing shoes....should be a blast....



Alyse & Janie, Your Team For Music Entertainment



## News from President Joan Faretta

As I conclude my first month as President of the RV Club, I am profoundly encouraged by the group effort among our members, encompassing both long-standing and new participants as we pursue new activities and destinations.

Our recent caravan excursion to Quartzite was particularly rewarding, cultivating a strong sense of camaraderie through shared conversations and recreational pursuits. While I personally derive pleasure from engaging in games such as “nickels,” I acknowledge I tend to contribute rather than accrue monetary gains.

I am exceptionally proud of the unwavering dedication exhibited by all our volunteers, whose diligent efforts are pivotal to the sustained success of the RV Club. I eagerly anticipate the expansion of our club in the coming months and aspire to recruit additional volunteers for upcoming events.

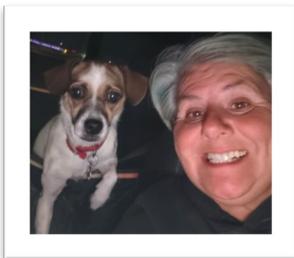
Happy Trails!



***The RV Board would appreciate any suggestions for fundraising initiatives for the RV Club. Please submit your ideas via email to [scrclubpres@gmail.com](mailto:scrclubpres@gmail.com)***



## News from President Elect Sarah Crashell



Every time we gather, I'm reminded of what makes this group special. Not just the places we go, but the people we go with. As your Vice President I've had the chance to speak with many of our members both long term as well as all the brand new faces.

One thing is clear - people join because they're looking for connections, adventures, and a community that feels like home. That's exactly what we as a club offer. At Discover Sun City we spoke passionately about who we are and what we offer to over 40 people. Great trips, fun events, and a community that people genuinely want to be a part of.

I'm committed to working with all of you to make this club easy, warm and exciting. Sun City AZ RV Club is strong and together we can make it stronger. Thank you all for everything you do.

*February—shortest month, biggest adventures* 

## Caravan News from Directors Mark Crashell, Sandie Pasik, & Alba Pearl

The Caravan Committee is Alba Pearl, Sandie Pasik, & Mark Crashell; we have divided up our duties by having Alba and Mark find sites, choose the dates and negotiate the pricing. Sandie’s strengths come into play to find exciting things to see and do at or near our destinations. Sandie’s efforts will greatly reduce the stress and workload shouldered by the Wagon Masters, and enhance our camping adventures!

The Caravan Committee finally had the opportunity to meet the 1<sup>st</sup> week of the new year, and even traveled to a few prospective sites for our Fall 2026 / Winter 2027 trips. The Committee feels that the 6 sites chosen thus far offers the Club something different than in previous years; in that 5 of the 6 are full hook up sites, some offer “resort style” amenities, and best of all, the average price per night is only \$40.26 per night, and we are still looking to bring that cost down.

Our proposed final trip of the year; Late April / early May 2027; “is a sendoff to our member snow birds “is still in the planning stages, but we envision it to be a north bound 1200-mile round trip 12-day adventure where our snow birds can depart mid-trip or where it makes sense for them to do so.

Important items and changes: Not booking the State and County Parks triggered a few issues that will require the members interested in the traveling with the Club to make some long-term planning and

commitments, earlier than in the past. This will apply to 4 of the locations.

Changing the focus to private RV Parks for many of the sites chosen puts the onus of booking and absorbing potential cancellation fees on each of you. We are also looking to offer “last minute” camping opportunities to the Sun City West RV Club, should we fail to meet participation expectations of 20 rigs.

In the near future the Caravan Committee will provide the contact names and phone numbers for each site, their cancellation policies, deposit required and booking date requirements for each site chosen. We are still searching for the best possible way to monitor who is booking so we can maintain the desired head counts.

As always. any suggestions, comments, concerns, etc., please contact any of us on the caravan committee.



Sandie, Alba, & Mark

### Caravan Trip Schedule

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Wagon Masters</u>
Laughlin (Riverside RV Park)	2/12-15, 2026	Bob & Gale Hale
Safford (Roper Lake State Park)	3/9-13, 2026	Roger & Eileen Brown/ Mike & Becky Pfeiler
Tucson (Rincon RV Park)	4/13-17, 2026	Roger & Eileen Brown/ Mike & Carol Spencer

See future planned trips on next page

### Proposed Future Caravan Trips

	Month	camp site name	camp site location	street address	arrival date	departure date	nightly cost	4-night cost	hook ups	
2026	October	LaPaz County Park	Parker AZ	7350 Riverside Dr 85344	10/12	10/16	\$38.38	\$153.52 plus electric	water & elec.	
	November	Sun Dance RV Resort	Yuma, AZ	13502 N Frontage Road, Yuma 85367	11/9	11/12	with coupon for 3 nights free, \$16	\$64.03.	full	
	December	Whistle Stop	Dewey AZ / Prescott Valley	151 s highway 69, Dewey AZ 86327	12/6	12/9	\$53.56	\$214.24	full	
2027	January	Pilot Knob	Winterhaven CA, (Yuma)	3707 Highway 80, Winterhaven, CA	1/17	1/21	\$43.20	\$172.80	full	
	February	North Ranch, <u>we are booking this for the week</u>	Congress, AZ (Wickenburg)	21351 Escapees way, 85332	2/14	2/21	30 amp 27.71, 50 amp 32.71	4-night rate = \$229, <b>weekly rate = \$194</b>	full	
	March	Weavers Needle RV resort	Apache Junction	250 S Tomahawk Road Apache Junction AZ 85119	3/15	3/19	\$62.73	\$250.90	full	
	April may 2027	<u>PROPOSAL send off to snowbirds</u>	Day 1---Sun City to Vegas, STAY ONE NIGHT	275 miles	4/25	4/26	<b>Proposals open for suggestions</b> <b>Committee</b>			
		<u>1200-mile round trip proposed</u>	day 2 --drive and stay 4 nights in St George UT	118 miles	4/26	4/30				
			day6---drive and stay 4 nights in Moab UT	339 miles	4/30	5/5				
			day 11 Drive to Flagstaff, AZ	323 miles	5/5	5/6				
		day 12 drive home	139 miles	5/6						

## Communication Info from Director Jean Hellwege

The Sun City RV Club has multiple ways to stay informed about our club, our activities, and to have fun!

- **Our website**, [suncityazrvclub.com](http://suncityazrvclub.com), is open to the public. It includes a welcome brochure, our calendar of events, caravan dates and itineraries, club rules, club forms, announcements and much more. Have a question? This is a great place to look!
- Our club has a **Facebook page** that is open only to our members. Members are encouraged to share ideas for great campgrounds, RV maintenance or photos of beautiful sunsets. You can also offer camping equipment for sale.
- **Our newsletter**, *Tire Tracks*, is sent out to members via email each month, October through April. We also send out emails to announce events and information as needed. Our club email address is [suncityrvclub2023@gmail.com](mailto:suncityrvclub2023@gmail.com)
- Club officers, directors, committee chairs, and members should send an email to [suncityrvclub2023@gmail.com](mailto:suncityrvclub2023@gmail.com) to **request an "e-blast"** to be emailed out to all members to keep them informed. Please send attachments in PDF format.
- The RV club has an additional new email address: [suncityazrvclub@gmail.com](mailto:suncityazrvclub@gmail.com). Either club email can be used.



### Wanted:

NEW items to be donated for prizes for **The Price Is Right** to be played at one of our potlucks in 2027. These can be brought to any potluck or caravan meeting. This is a great opportunity to regift new items. Non perishable grocery items are wanted, too.

Tape a card on it with the RETAIL value and the donor's name and a brief description of the item.

For inspiration tune into The Price is Right.

Jean Hellwege

## Membership News & Information - Director Jim Brown

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL time is now! Download your renewal application at <http://scrclub.com> and bring it to a potluck or caravan meeting or fill one out at the membership table. Details for mail-in renewals are on the website.

Current member annual renewal is \$10 per person. New member annual dues are \$10 per person plus \$9 per person for a name badge.

Our club has 23 new members so far this year!



### Game Nights



Game Nights are Wednesday, Feb 4 and Tuesday, Feb 17 starting at 5PM at the Bell Center Multipurpose Room, a separate building near the lawn bowling area. Bring a snack to share if you wish and your own beverage. Tim Barber is in charge this month, and he says he's looking for the Biggest Liars & the Biggest Losers. Also bring nickels.

Hope to see you there!

### Welcome, New Members!



Shelly & Jack Wronka



Sandy & Dale Williamson



Roger & Denise Wessels



Ronnie & Scott Hughes



Marta & Dave Armstrong

### January Caravan in Quartzite



Thank you Wagon Masters  
Rob & Cinda Renaud,  
Carol & Lloyd Reimann



### BINGO at the January Potluck Meeting



Dan Faretta & Jean Hellwege,  
our Bingo hosts. (Jean is  
demonstrating the "X"  
configuration!)

### RV Compound News

Mark Crashell and Mike Spencer are the candidates to be elected to the RV Compound Board of Directors at the Compound's general meeting February 25. Other representatives from our club on that board are Bob McKay and Rob Renaud; Tim Barber and Gary Tayar complete their terms then.

It's great to have Sun City RV Club members on that board.

*Life was meant for good friends & great adventures!*

### Congratulation Newlyweds!



Rick & Sandra Gehlbach