

ARCADIA CENTRAL

Newsletter of the Arcadia Camelback Neighborhood Association

May 2023

Winners! Fifth Annual

Arcadia Auto Rama

The Fifth Annual Arcadia Auto Rama took place on March 26.

Congratulations to our big winners:

Best In Show was awarded to Pippa & Brooke Blair with their 1975 VW Kombi 23 Window (pictured right)

Best In Arcadia was won by Mike Lovell with his 1932 Packard (pictured below with Councilman Elect Kevin Robinson)

Other winners (pictured back page)

Best Classic Car to Mary Lee & Dennis Frank, 1956 Ford Thunderbird

Best Muscle Car to Rick McConville, 1970 Chevy Chevelle

Best Sports Car to Mathew & Lynette Wagner, 1959 Austin-Healy Sprite

Best Truck to Collin & Scott Weisenburger, 1963 VW Double Cab

Thank you to the car enthusiasts who entered their vehicles, and our attendees. We also thank our sponsors—Hagerty Classic Car Insurance, Chapman Ford, Earnhardt Lexus, Courtesy Chevrolet, Waymo—for their support of this annual tradition.



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ACMNA Annual Meeting Recap

The ACMNA Annual Meeting held on March 18, 2023, was a productive gathering that discussed several crucial topics and provided updates on exciting developments in the neighborhood.

The Mountain View Precinct presented the latest crime statistics and emphasized the importance of community partnerships in crime reduction. The department encouraged residents to report any suspicious activities promptly and work together to make the neighborhood safer.

The meeting also included presentations from the Shemer Art Center, highlighting the essential role of arts in fostering creativity, community engagement, and cultural exchange. Additionally, Waymo representatives gave a brief presentation on the technology behind self-driving cars and the benefits they bring to the community, such as reduced traffic congestion, improved safety, and increased accessibility.

Finally, the meeting ended with a Q&A session with Kevin Robinson, the newly elected District 6 councilman, who addressed residents' questions and concerns on various topics, including infrastructure improvements, public safety, and community development.

Overall, the ACMNA Annual Meeting provided an excellent opportunity for residents to learn about the latest developments in their community, get involved in important issues, and connect with their neighbors and community leaders. The meeting was a testament to the community's strong sense of unity, engagement, and commitment to making Arcadia a safe, thriving, and welcoming place for everyone.

Love is in the Air



Spring is mating season, and that includes the roof rats in Arcadia. Roof rats actually have 4 – 6 litters per year (of up to 12 offspring). Now is a good time to review your roof rat control actions. First, you should be removing food sources – pick citrus trees, bring pet food dishes indoors at night, keep garbage and recycling bins closed, and limit

the use of bird feeders and sweep up seed debris in the evenings. Place out bait stations such as the [Protecta Sidekick Rat Bait Station](#), baited with [Tomcat With Bromethalin Bait Chunx Pail](#). Check them once a week. For complete information on roof rat control, see [Roof Rats in Arcadia](#) on the ACMA website. Roof rats are never going away, so continuous control of their population by homeowners is needed.

Palm Tree 101

When your palm trees send out seed pods, it's time to get them trimmed. Unfortunately, most palm trees in Arcadia are over-trimmed. Imagining the fronds at the top of a palm tree as a clock, they should be pruned to the 9 – 3 o'clock position (at most, 10 – 2 o'clock position). Over pruning may cause unusual tree growth, or worst case, kill the tree.

Recall that palms are not desert or arid plants. They require a lot of water and fertilizer. During their vigorous growth months of May to August, they should get a three-foot deep soaking in a six-foot wide basin every ten to twelve days. Fertilize monthly with an application of ammonium sulphate. See the [July 2022 issue of Arcadia Central](#) for more information on palm tree care.



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ACMNA BOARD MEETINGS

The Association Board of Directors meet at 6pm on the first Thursday of the month (Except July and August) Prince of Peace, Choir Room (NW corner).

These meetings are open to the public and Arcadia residents are encouraged to attend. Agendas are posted 5 days prior to meetings at: www.acmna.org/agendas

ACMNA website: www.acmna.org

Newsletter Archive: www.arcadiacentral.com

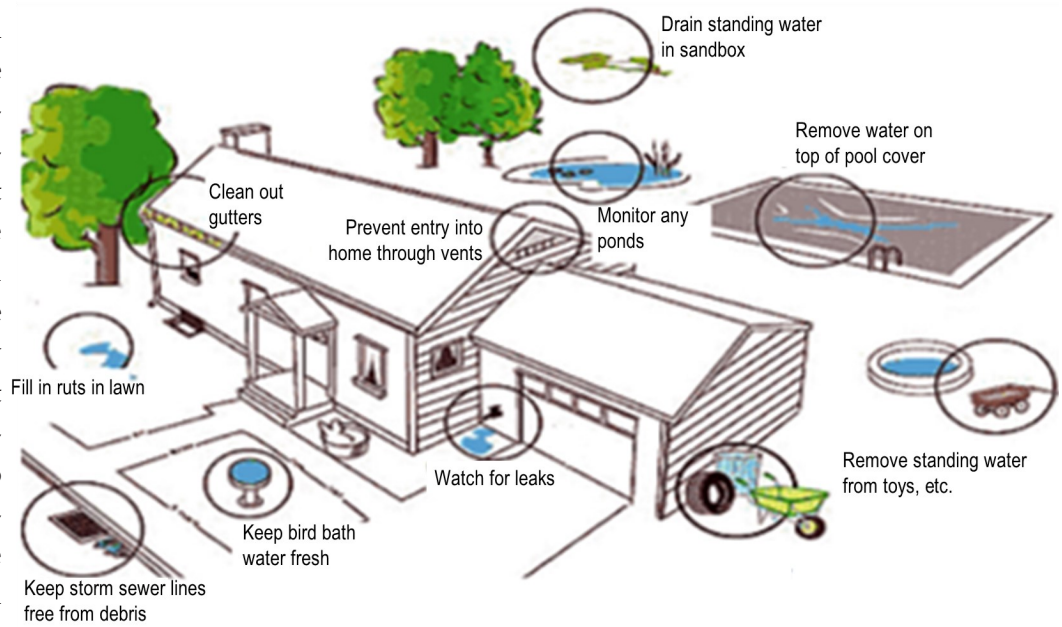
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Mosquitos: Bite back with these strategies!

Last summer, Arcadia experienced a mosquito infestation, and with the recent cool and wet winter, this summer doesn't look any better. Mosquitoes can not only be a nuisance, but they can also transmit diseases. There are two genera of mosquitoes found in Arizona: Culex and Aedes. Of the 40 species identified, only a few carry diseases of concern, such as West Nile and St. Louis encephalitis viruses. Mosquitoes must have water to complete their life cycle, and controlling water suitable for breeding is the most important mosquito control strategy.



Here's a three-part strategy for reducing mosquitoes in the Arcadia area: breeding control, adult mosquito trapping, and mosquito repellents. Mosquitoes will lay eggs on the surface of water, on the sides of containers, or on damp soil. This includes mud puddles, bird baths, outdoor trash cans, landscape ponds, pet water dishes, and more. Standing water from monsoon rains or irrigation water will cause increasing mosquito populations. Mosquito eggs laid years before may hatch and result in adult mosquito swarms in as little as 48 hours after flooding irrigation or monsoon storm.

To control mosquitoes on your property, fix outdoor leaks, fill ruts in lawns, keep fresh water in bird baths, remove standing water in wagons, play pools, and sandboxes, remove water from pool covers, reduce watering in areas that develop standing water, clean out gutters, and otherwise inspect for standing water. In addition, the use of larvicides can be successfully used by homeowners to control mosquitoes.

Products to attract egg-laying mosquitoes and kill the larvae are effective. Place these on the perimeter of your property, away from outdoor recreation areas. Known effective products are the In2Care Mosquito station, the Ovi-Catch™ AGO Mosquito Trap by Catchmaster, and the BG-GAT trap by Biogents.

Adult mosquitoes can be killed with pesticides such as permethrin, deltamethrin, and etofenprox. These are usually applied via fogging and need to reach mosquitoes where they shelter during the day. Mosquito traps to attract adult mosquitoes can also be effective, but they

should be placed on your property away from recreation areas. Note that cheap "Bug Zappers" are ineffective against mosquitoes and only kill beneficial insects.

Overall, controlling breeding areas and using traps and repellents can help reduce the mosquito population in the Arcadia area.

For information on county mosquito control or to report an infestation, contact Vector Control:

www.maricopa.gov/632/Vector-Control

Phone : 602-506-0700

Summer Construction Hours

May 1—Sep 30

6:00 AM—7:00 PM, weekdays ONLY

Per City of Phoenix code, contractors are required to have an extended hours construction permit for **any** weekend or holiday work. ACMNA recommends contacting the builder or permit holder first. If necessary, report violations to the After-Hours Construction Noise Complaint Program.

Call/Text: 602-320-1071

Email: [constructionnoisecomplaints@](mailto:constructionnoisecomplaints@phoenix.gov)

[phoenix.gov](mailto:constructionnoisecomplaints@phoenix.gov)

Attach a photo if possible.

For more information visit www.phoenix.gov.

Please note that inspectors will only investigate projects requiring a permit, not minor residential repairs.

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More Winners! Fifth Annual Arcadia Auto Rama

See front page for Best in Show and Best in Arcadia Winners
(Awards presented by Councilman Elect Kevin Robinson)



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Upcoming Events

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Board Meetings

June 2, 6 PM

Prince of Peace

Choir Room

www.acmna.org/agendas

No meetings during

July and August.



Independence Day

Parade

Tuesday, July 4th

Looks for details

in our next issue!