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October's Car of the Month: 1948 Tucker

#1021



This car (21 of only 51 ever built) was originally sold from the Tucker Corporation on February 16, 1949 to one of Tucker's Californian dealers, Charles DeCosta, who loved the Tucker automobile and kept this car until May 1967, when he sold it to another California-based Tucker enthusiast, Gene Clarke, an active member of the Tucker Automobile Club of America. He maintained the car and kept it roadworthy until 2021 when failing health intervened; in 2023, following Mr. Clarke's passing, No. 1021 was purchased by Mark Lieberman, senior director of the Tucker Automobile Club and noted Tucker historian. The Tucker is now owned by The Martin Auto Museum and on permanent display.



Collectors Corner

This Month's M.A.M. Team Member is Allen Gordon

I grew up in Northwest Missouri on a farm, by the end of high school I did not want to be a farmer. I worked in Nebraska at a lumber yard for one year. My dad sold the farm and the whole family moved to California, so I went with them.

The U.S. Army notified me to report to the induction center, there I joined the U.S. Air Force spending the next four years as an aircraft fuel mechanic, one year was in Vietnam.

Once out of the service I bought a 1961 Corvette, which I had for four years. I used to street race it until I got too many tickets.

My brother-in-law was a machinist and I started working for him. We moved to Phoenix in 1978 where I continued to work as a Senior Precision machinist for the next forty years.

In retirement I stay busy fishing, hiking volunteering at the Glendale Police Department in parking enforcement, not to mention volunteering here at Martin Auto Museum and Event Center.



Muffy's Side of the Garage



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Embracing the Term "Collector Cars:" The Evolution of Classic Car Terminology (part one) Opening Thoughts

Throughout history, automobiles have captivated our imagination, representing freedom, progress and artistic expression. Over time, these vehicles have come to hold immense historical, cultural, and monetary value. In recent years, there has been a growing sentiment among car enthusiasts and academics to replace the traditionally used term "classic cars" with "collector cars." This shift in terminology not only reflects the changing landscape of automotive heritage, but also acknowledges the evolving reasons behind preserving, appreciating, and understanding these exceptional machines.

Be sure to catch part two next month; Outgrowing the Limitations of "Classic"



EVENTS & TOURS

Plan your next event at Martin Auto Museum & Event Center

No doubt, walking around viewing over 175 very cool cars is an experience all by itself. Within our 100,000 plus square foot museum we have 3 event rooms: The Cadillac Room - seats up to 80, The Mustang Room - seats up to 150, & the Bristol Ballroom - seats up to 500. Karen Gallaher and Dan Heldenbrand represent the Event Department at the Martin Auto Museum & Event Center. They can create and organize truly great experiences of all types. Contact one of our Event Coordinators at (602) 684-8305.

We recently hosted The Arizona Corvette Club for a member meeting and luncheon.



RICK DEBRUHL - COLLECTOR CAR PROFILE

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