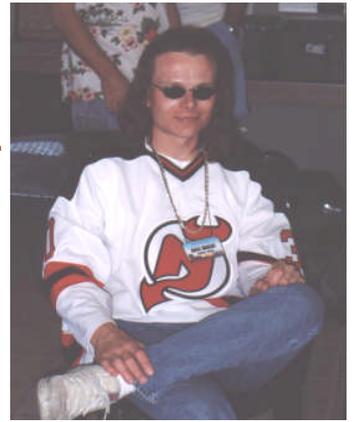


# Arizona License Plate Society

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



**Name:** Russell A. Nugent  
**Birth Year:** 1973  
**ALPCA #:** 10024  
**Residence:** Catalina, Arizona

### How did you start collecting plates? Was there someone who was your mentor?

I found an old blue and gold California plate in the trash as a kid. No, I didn't have anyone who was a mentor.

### How did you hear about the Arizona Regional?

After joining NILPS while still living in Buffalo, New York.

### What plates do you collect and which are your favorites? Where do you get most of your plates?

I collect all kinds, but Canadian and Kansas plates are my favorites. I get most of my plates from meets, friends, and eBay.

### Do you have tips for newer members on the best places to acquire plates?

If you have friends and family who live out of the state / country, ask them if you can have their old license plates.

### How often do you make it to Arizona License Plate Society events?

Now that I live here, I make it to as many meets as I can.

### Which plate in your collection has the best story?

They all do, but the 1986 blue and gold California plate is the best, because that's what got the whole thing going for me!

### How many plates are in your collection? What types? What do you wish you had more of?

I have between 200-300 plates. All sorts, but mainly passenger plates from Canada and the USA. I wish I had some from Nunavut, Northwest Territories, and Porcelains.

### Do you display your plates?

Yes, I display my plates throughout my house.

### What other non-license plate hobbies do you have?

I am an avid hockey fan and have over 30 different National Hockey League jerseys, pucks, and other memorabilia, along with other sport jerseys and collectibles. I also have an old American Flyer "S" gauge train set that I hope to one day restore and set up. I also have a USA/UN mint stamp album and a worldwide stamp album.

