



Coaster Chatter



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President's Corner

We had a wonderful rally in Buellton, Thanks Joy & Tim. Everything was fun and the food was great. Looking forward to going to Kingsburg in April. Denny has some wonderful things to see.



On another note, we have an election coming up. We do have a nominating committee:

- Sharon Rendall 661-400-0871,
- Max Peterson 805-931-0434,
- Kerry Ray 818-775-1707
- Ed Frank 805-901-9508.

Please give them a call and see what positions need to be filled and consider volunteering. I know it is fun and rewarding. Hopefully by our next meeting, October, every position will be filled.

Be sure to get your registration form in for Kingsburg. Hope to see you there!

Drive Safely. Leroy

Notes from the Editor

IMPORTANT!

Please see the new California Coasters Short Membership Roster a separate attachment to the email with the Chatter—this is updated as of February 29.



Sharon Rendall has asked that if anyone has photos from the Buellton rally (or future rallies) please email them to Sharon or send her a memory flash drive and she will add them to Flickr.

Denny reports there may be some updates to the April Rally, we'll email any changes that are made.

Buellton Rally

Flying Flags RV Resort, February 2020

By Joy & Tim Gilles

With less than 60 days lead time, it was amazing that the Buellton Rally was such a success. Our 17 rigs were blessed with beautiful February weather all three days.

A few of us arrived on Sunday. Everyone else arrived on Monday afternoon. The evening started with social time and then a potluck of hearty appetizers. Following the food and beverages was a rousing game of Familiar Feud hosted by Joy Gilles and saved by Pam Meyer. The buzzers for the 2 opposing teams were very creative. Winners by a landslide were the team consisting of DC Contreras, Mary Contreras, Glen DeSchryver and Sheila Ton. The opposing team will remain anonymous to protect their dignity.



Tuesday morning started with a continental breakfast hosted by the committee. By 11:45 am twenty-four thirsty members headed to LaFond Winery for a wine tasting and picnic lunch. Participants enjoyed the wine, sunshine, food, and camaraderie, as well as a souvenir wine glass to bring home. We headed back to Flying Flags afterwards, some to enjoy a nap, others to continue enjoying wine, and others to continue enjoying the company. That evening we all enjoyed a catered enchilada dinner provided by Rudy's Restaurant. After dinner we were entertained by The Rincon's, a

great band from Carpinteria. Their music included country, rock and roll, and oldies. Dancing went on until the wee hours of the night (9:45 pm). One of our members was invited to help the band with one song. He will forever be known as "Tequila!" (Thanks, Joe, for the entertainment, not only on the stage but on the dance floor!) We are hoping to book the band again for the Holiday Rally.



Wednesday morning started again with a continental breakfast hosted by



the committee. Later in the morning we had a Bocce Ball tournament, refereed by Lance Brown, complete with Bloody Marys. Twenty-four members participated in the highly competitive game. The winners were the team of Dennis Muller, Sharon Rendall, Max Peterson, and Leroy Davis. Following the tournament, we were treated to a BBQ hot dog lunch, with macaroni salad, chips, and cookies. Thanks go to Glenn DeShryver for doing the BBQing. After the Bocce Ball tournament, the afternoon schedule was free. Some

people enjoyed a private tour of *Mendenhall's Museum of Gasoline Pumps and Petroliana*:

<http://www.mendenhallmuseum.com/> while some of us enjoyed naps.

Wednesday night social hour was followed by a dinner of roasted chicken, macaroni salad, baked beans, and vegetable salad provided by the Committee. The Sheriff, Steve McAfee, had lots of fun fining all of us who erred in our ways. If that wasn't enough, we then played beanbag baseball. Traditionally the teams are divided by gender and this was no exception. Quite unexpectedly, the "boys" clobbered the ladies.

Thursday morning, we packed up and left for home. Special thanks to the committee for such a great rally, Joy & Tim Gilles, Judi & Lance Brown, DJ & Leroy Davis.



Birthdays



Ed	Frank	3-5
Debbie	Holt	3-7
Dale	Johnson	3-24
Lauren	Krup	3-4
John	Neiswanger	3-5
Kerry	Ray	3-3
Rosalie	Mahr	3-10
Judi	Brown	3-14
Sara	Kirschenbaum	3-17
Pam	Strachan	3-11
Karen	Chase	3/20
Geri	Frank	3-16
Rose Marie	Perry	3-5
Julie	Wyrick	3-26
Emily	Burr	3-??
Donna	Peterson	3-17



Anniversaries

Apologies to John & Anna Murray, we missed their anniversary (61 years) in February, and Steve & Susan McAbee's anniversary was reported for January but they celebrated 8 years on February 14!



Keith & Gloria Bonner 57 years



DC & Mary Contreras 49 years



Pat & Shirley Crawford 63 years



John & Jan Neiswanger 41 years

SUNSHINE REPORT

By: Sylvia Burns



Only good news this month. When we left Buellton, everyone thought Sue Levine's daughter, Brenda, would not live much longer. After speaking with Sue, I have learned that Brenda is currently at UCLA and has made incredible strides. Her kidney functions are returning to normal and she may be able to go home very soon. This difficult time for Sue may soon be over.

Officers

Presiden Leroy Davis

Secretary Pam Meyer

Chapter Directors Randy Gibbs

VP Kerry Ray

National Dir George Brodt

Membership Joy Gilles

Treasurer Dale Johnson

Alt. National Dir Dave Burns

Wagon Master Denny Wheeler

Appointees:

Sunshine Sylvia Burns

Photographer Sharon Rendall

Historian Donna Brodt

Newsletter Editors DC & Mary Contreras

California Coasters Summary Financial Statement February 2020

Beginning Balance	\$13,613.07
Receipts	6,404.20
Expenses	1,865.56
Ending Balance	\$18,190.48



Coaster 2019 Treasury Audit Report was recently approved by the Board.



As required by the Chapter's Standing Rules, a review of the Coasters financial bookkeeping was conducted by myself and Dale Johnson on 18 January 2020. All expenditures are paid by check and all income is by check, with the exception of cash from the Sheriff fines and the Christmas auction. There are purchase receipts or written billings for all expenditures. Physical receipts are kept for a period of three years and then they are destroyed by shredding.

We reviewed the 2019 California Coasters Profit and Loss Detail document and discussed the need for obtaining deposited check copies from the bank. The bank will provide copies only by request. In the time that Dale has been Treasurer, there has never been a case where a check copy was needed. It is recommended that it be left to the Treasurer to determine the need for the check copies.

All of the reviewed financial records are in order. Respectfully submitted, David Burns

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Coaster Chapter Links (newsletters)	wafmca.com/?p=340
Coaster Rally Photos:	flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/
Coaster Member Photographs:	flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/72157610995972874/
FMCA Website	fmca.com
FMCA Digital Magazine	fmcmagazine.com
Western Motor Home Association	wafmca.com

Everything you wanted to know about St. Patrick's Day but were afraid to ask!



St. Patrick's Day observes the death of St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. The holiday has evolved into a celebration of Irish culture with parades, special foods, music, dancing, drinking and a whole lot of green.

- Corned beef and cabbage is a traditional St. Patrick's Day dish. In 2009, roughly 26.1 billion pounds of beef and 2.3 billion pounds of cabbage were produced in the United States.
- Irish soda bread gets its name and distinctive character from the use of baking soda rather than yeast as a leavening agent.
- The first St. Patrick's Day parade took place in the United States on March 17, 1762, when Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York City. More than 100 St. Patrick's Day parades are held across the United States.
- The shamrock, which was also called the "seamroy" by the Celts, was a sacred plant in ancient Ireland because it symbolized the rebirth of spring. By the seventeenth century, the shamrock had become a symbol of emerging Irish nationalism.
- The Leprechaun—the original Irish name for these figures of folklore is "lobaircin," meaning "small-bodied fellow." Belief in leprechauns probably stems from Celtic belief in fairies, tiny men and women who could use their magical powers to serve good or evil. In Celtic folktales, leprechauns were cranky souls, responsible for mending the shoes of the other fairies. Though only minor figures in Celtic folklore, leprechauns were known for their trickery, which they often used to protect their much-fabled treasure.



California Coasters Rally Registration



Kings River RV Park (formerly Club Royal Oak) 39700 Road 28, Kingsburg, CA 93631 559-897-0351 Date: Tues. April 21, 2020-Sat. April 25, 2020	Trail Bosses: Denny & Sybil Wheeler Dave & Sylvia Burns DJ & LeRoy Davis Woody & Ida Jean Woodruff Registration Deadline: Tuesday March 31, 2020
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Name(s):	Arrival Date:
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Phone:	Email:
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Cell Phone:	FMCA #
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Emergency Contact:	Emergency Phone:
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Relationship:	Handicapped Parking : Y N
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Coach Length:	License #	Tow: Y N	Number of Slides:
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ITEM	# OF PEOPLE	AMOUNT CHARGED	AMOUNT TO PAY	COMMENTS
PARKING FEE PER NIGHT		\$49.00		
FOOD COST PER PERSON		\$40.00		
		TOTAL ENCLOSED =		

SEND FORM and CHECK PAYABLE TO: CALIFORNIA COASTERS
MAIL TO: Dennis Wheeler
 P. O. Box 2123
 Avila Beach, CA
 93424

NOTE: Registration checks will be deposited no more than five days prior to the start of the rally.

Directions to Kings River RV Park: Exit Hwy 99 at Hwy 201 (Avenue 400), East to Road 28, Turn right (south) on 28 to Road 396, left (East) to Kings River RV Park.



RALLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Tues, Apr 21	Noon	Arrive
	5:00 PM	Go to Los Pepe's for social hour (1520 Draper Street)
	6:00 PM	Dinner at Los Pepe's off the menu, separate checks
Wed, Apr 22	8:30 AM	Coffee, fruit, rolls or donuts, juice & yogurt by committee @ clubhouse
	9:30 AM	Carpool to Sequoia National Park, General Sherman Tree; Bag lunch by committee @ Pinewood Picnic area; return via Hwy 198 past Moro Rock. (Maps will be available)
	5:00pm	Social hour @ clubhouse
	6:00 PM	Secret catered dinner, BYOTS
	7:30pm	Game time ...special
Thurs Apr 23	8:30 AM	Coffee, fruit, rolls or donuts, juice & yogurt by committee @ clubhouse
	10:00 AM	Carpool to Cutler to visit Nutrinut, a fully automatic walnut processing plant @ 12245 Ave 392 Cutler, CA
	2:00 PM	Horseshoe tournament
	5:00 PM	Social hour
	6:00 PM	Dinner by committee, ham, sweet potatoes, salad, dessert, BYOTS
	7:00 PM	Game of Left-right center—bring quarters
Fri, Apr 24	8:30 AM	Coffee, fruit, rolls or donuts, juice & yogurt by committee @ clubhouse
	10:00 AM	TBD We are looking into a tour of some local fruit processing plant
	5:00 PM	Social hour
	6:00 PM	Barbecue by committee—top sirloin, beans, salad, bread, dessert, BYOTS
	7:00 PM	Sing along, if you have and can play a musical instrument, bring it. I have some printed old song sheet words.
Sat, Apr 25		Safe travels

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2020 Schedule

2020	RALLY & LOCATION	TRAIL BOSS	ASSISTANTS
January 8 - 12	WFMCA Rally Riverside County Fairground Indio, CA	DC & Mary Contreras	Steve & Sheila Ton Glenn & Sue DeSchryver Don & Denise Sturdevant Kerry & Robin Ray
February 10-12	Flying Flags RV Resort Buellton, CA	Tim & Joy Gilles	Lance & Judi Brown Pat & Shirley Crawford
March 16 - 20	Ventura Ranch KOA Event Cancelled	Ed & Geri Frank Event Cancelled	Mike & Karen Morrow
April 21 - 25	Kings River RV Park Kingsburg, CA	Denny & Sylvia Wheeler	Dave & Sylvia Burns
May 4 - 8	The Lakes RV Resort Chowchilla, CA Event Cancelled	Bob & Julie Wyrick Event Cancelled	Need Assistant Trail Bosses
June/July/Aug.	DARK MONTHS		
September	Minden, NV?	Glenn DeSchryver & Sue Levine	Kerry & Robin Ray
Oct. 19 - 23	Valencia Travel Village Castaic, CA	George & Donna Brodt	Randy & Doris Gibbs Dave & Sylvia Burns Woody & Ida-Jean Woodruff
November	DARK MONTH		
December	Wine Country RV Resort Paso Robles	Leroy & DJ Davis	David & Lisa Henry