# Coaster Chatter



# Golden Village Palms Rally

Committee members arrived at Golden Village Palms RV Resort in Hemet, along with our President, Paul, and Virginia Springer, a day early on Monday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Some wind and a little rain didn't stop us from getting together and having a fun "Happy Hour", then we were off to the Sizzler Restaurant in town for a nice dinner.

As planned, other members of the group started to arrive at this beautiful RV Resort on Tuesday, which gave us a total of 15 rigs for the rally. We all appreciated the well kept facilities, the three pools and Jacuzzis, and the pickle ball and shuffleboard courts. During the day, when we had free time, members drove to Temecula

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Sylvia Hale
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Susan McAbee
Gary Mullinix
John Neisess
Roger Randall
Ted Severns
Joan Stenson

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Dave & Sylvia Burns
David & Louise Claassen
David & Kathy Esposto
Don & Karen Jones
Jim & Susan Lewis
Max & Donna Peterson
Ed & Deana Shaver
Tim & Joan Stenson
Dennis & Sybil Wheeler







# **New Members**

Steve & Susan McBee John & Sherri Rost

Paso Robles, CA Castaic, CA



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If you are going to the Indio rally be sure to sign up to drive a golf cart. Their will be a sign up sheet at Hemet rally and Christmas rally. Let Roger Rendall know you are willing to help out.

Rendallsharon@gmail.com

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to visit a few wineries or visited the Air Museum at March Field. Some couples drove up



to Idyllwild to enjoy the mountains, while others enjoyed the local sights. First time trail bosses, Charles and Ruth Weil, put together a schedule which included plenty of free time to just relax and visit with friends, old and new. Nice sunny days stayed with us for the duration of our rally.

At 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday evening it was time

to gather in our "autumn" decorated club room for the social hour. Once again, Coaster members came through by bringing many delicious dishes for our pot luck dinner that night.

On Wednesday morning we got instructions on how to play pickleball from a new Coaster member, Pete Mattson. Pete and Ellen are full timers currently living at the Golden Village Palms



Resort. Those who played and enjoyed the game were Roger Rendall, Charles Weil, and Howard and Maureen Jones. Following a wonderful catered dinner from Dickey's Bar-b-que on Wednesday evening, Paul and Virginia Springer were recruited to call Bingo. The winners were "D. J." Davis, Charles Weil, Howard Jones, Donna Brodt, and George Brodt.

Thursday morning we met in the worldclass shuffleboard pavilion for instructions from a volunteer from the Resort, "Boss Helen". It was amazing how little effort was required to push the disk down the court where finesse and a light touch were required to be successful. There were some interesting techniques used, which added fun and amusement to the game. The winning teams were Donna Brodt and Dick



Perry, Jill and Mike Carle, and Helen and Monroe Lair. The booby prize went to Sharon and Roger Rendall. Prizes were passed out by Howard Jones. Dinner this evening was "cook-your-own hamburgers" which were provided by the committee, along with all the fixings and salads. For dessert, a special birthday cake was presented to Dick Perry. He looked very surprised, which was our goal. Everyone sang 'Happy Birthday' (a little off-key) and the cake was cut and enjoyed by all.



A General Meeting was held on Friday morning at 9:00 am and was called to order by our President, Paul Springer. The minutes from that meeting are included in this issue of the Coaster Chatter. Near the end of the meeting, Charles Weil acknowledged and thanked assistants George and Donna Brodt, David and Sylvia Burns and Howard and Maureen Jones for



their help in organizing and hosting the rally. For our social hour on Friday, we got the party started by serving margaritas made by the committee and, of course, these were accompanied by chips, guacamole and salsa. For dinner we enjoyed a bountiful and delicious Mexican dinner catered by Los Vaqueros Cantina & Grille. After dinner we played the rousing dice game, Left, Center, Right "L C R". There was lots of yelling, cheering and occasional boos, and loud remarks as the dice moved around the table

and the quarters moved to the left and right and into the center pot. What fun we had trying to keep the dice on the table and everyone under control. The winner for the first game was Virginia Springer and we went on to play a second game. Would you believe that Paul Springer won that game? We had lots of laughs, that's for sure!

Saturday morning we packed up, said our goodbyes and wished everyone safe travels.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Brodt



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## CA Coasters' Membership Meeting November 6, 2015 - Hemet, CA

Board Members present: Paul Springer, President; Leroy Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP; Dick Perry, Chapter Director; and Sharon Rendall, Membership.

- A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Springer.
- B. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>: The flag salute was led by President Springer.
- C. <u>Membership</u>: Sharon Rendall reported that our membership is at 109. She also stated that members should pay their annual dues of \$ 18.00 on or before January 1, 2016.
- D. <u>Carts at Indio:</u> Roger Rendall reported that we need 65 volunteers to drive the carts at the Western Area Rally in Indio. This number of drivers will allow him to schedule no more than three shifts per driver during the rally. He has to provide drivers for 6 trams, all carts will have radios and he will have a base radio station at his rig to improve efficiency. He has signed up about 40 drivers from the Coasters and the Monaco Roamers chapters (thru Jim Lewis), so he needs about 15 more to have 65 volunteers. If Roger needs more drivers he may be able to get another FMCA chapter to help us out.
- E. Trail bosses needed for: Bakersfield (April 7-10, 2016)

49er Village RV Resort (June 21-24, 2016) Wine Country RV Resort—Xmas (Dec. 4-8, 2016)

Paul requested volunteers, but no one at the meeting stepped up. There was also some discussion as to whether members wanted to try another venue for our Xmas rally in the future because some thought Paso Robles was too cold in December. This subject will be open to more discussion at the meeting scheduled for the December rally.

Jill Carle, Trail boss for the proposed October 25 – 29, 2016 Death Valley rally, stated that she and Mike only received 4 responses to an interest survey they published in the 'Chatter' a few months ago. She wanted to know if there would be any interest in moving the location to Borrego Springs. Since several people showed interest, Jill and Mike will work with our Wagon Master, Denny Wheeler, to make this change.

- F. <u>New Officers</u>: Our Chapter Director Dick Perry's term of office is expiring and needs to be extended for a second term or replaced. Dick expressed an interest in a second term and was nominated by Sharon Rendall and the motion was seconded by Mike Carle. The motion was carried.
  - Our Assistant Wagon Master is also handling stocking and ordering Coaster Logo merchandise and has asked to be relieved of his duties as Assistant Wagon Master. Since Howard Jones has expressed an interest in this position, Sharon Rendall made a motion to nominate Howard Jones to be the Assistant Wagon Master. The motion was seconded by Jill Carle, and the motion was carried. Howard Jones will finish Kerry Ray's term of office.
- G. <u>Number of Rallies:</u> Paul Springer met with the presidents of other Western Area chapters in Hanford and they discussed the number of rallies that each chapter sponsors each year. We have been having 10 rallies each year, with July and August dark. Most of the other chapters have 4, 6, or 8 rallies each year.

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#### Membership Meeting (con't)

Many chapters are dark in February, June, July and August. This subject and other ideas to increase member participation in our rallies will be discussed at our meeting in December in Paso Robles.

- H. Anything from the group: The floor was open for discussion as to how to get more members to rallies and how to get the newer members to sign up to be assistant trail bosses. There was also a recommendation that we have a "suggestion box" at our rallies for members to put their ideas into for the location of future rallies. Suggestions would include what would be of interest in that area for our members to enjoy. Also discussed was the idea that some information about what there is to do and see in the local area should be provided in the Coaster Chatter when the sign-up sheet is published to encourage members to sign-up for the upcoming rally. This will also be discussed further at the meeting in Paso Robles.
- I. <u>Motion to close the meeting:</u> Woody Woodruff made a motion to close the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dick Perry, and the motion was carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:56 am.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Brodt



# PRESIDENTS CORNER

Another great year is coming to an end. We have had large turn outs for some rallies and some small (7 rigs Kingsburg) turn outs. The small

turnout at Kingsburg had a great rally. It was a BLAST. We had a great turn out for Paso's Xmas rally.

As we come to the end of another year, we start right back at it with our FMCA Western Area Rally at Indio, (Jan 3-10). Court and Cris Warren are the Trail Bosses and they have a great agenda planned for you. We are looking for a good turn out as we are not in the parade so you will be able to visit the venders. Along that line we are still in the need of 'Trail Bosses for Bakersfield, (Apr. 7-10, 49 RV Park, Plymouth, CA., (June 23-26) and the Xmas rally at Paso, (Dec. 4-8) for next year. I would like to see some of the members in club that have helped with rallies step up

and be the Trail-bosses. Most of our rallies are done by the same few members. We have over 100 rigs in the club which equal to over 200 members. About the same 25% of the membership do most of the rallies. We need some help from the other 75%. We have a great rally schedule for 2016 but we need your help. On another note, I would like to take this opportunity to thank David and Kathy for all their hard work as our Newsletter Editors. They have done a fantastic job for us and will be missed. Thanks again for all you did for the California Coasters. I would also like to thank all the Past Trail-bosses and their committee's for 2015. You all did a great job and your hard work was very much appreciated.

Let's all have a great year in 2016. Merry Xmas to all and have a Happy and Safe New Year.

Sincerely,

Paul Springer, President-California Coasters

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# **TENATIVE RALLY SCHEDULE FOR 2016**

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2016	RALLY & LOCATION	TRAILBOSS	ASSISTANTS		
Jan 3 - 10	WFMCA Rally	Court & Chris Warren	Ed & Geri Frank		
	Riverside County Fairgrounds		DJ & LeRoy Davis Ida-Jean & Woody Woodruff		
	Indio, CA		Don & Nancy Baumgart		
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Feb 4 - 7	Laguna Seca Monterey, CA	George & Donna Brodt	Mike & Rhonda Catron		
	Monterey, CA				
March 1 - 5	Tombstone Territory RV	Paul & Virginia Springer	DJ & LeRoy Davis		
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Apr 7 - 10	Bakersfield,CA				
May 5 - 8	Bass Lake RV Resort	Kerry & Robin Ray	Jamie & Pam Strachan		
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May 27 - 30	Mule Days Fairground Bishop, CA	Dave & Sylvia Burns			
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June 21 - 24	49er Village RV Resort				
	Plymouth, CA				
July/August	DARK MONTHS				
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Aug 23 - Sep 20	Trip to Banff, Jasper, Canada	Denny & Sybil Wheeler	Howard & Maureen Jones Ed & Geri Frank		
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Oct 25 -29	Death Valley, CA	Mike & Jill Carle	Dale & Betty Johnson		
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Dec 4 - 8	Wine Country RV	1			
	Paso Robles, CA				

# Plan to attend the Monterey/Laguna Seca Rally February 4 – 7, 2016

Let's meet in Monterey/Salinas for the Coaster's four day rally at the Laguna Seca Recreation Area County campground, which is located on a hill adjacent to the Mazda Laguna Seca Racetrack. Since Monterey is a little further north than most of the places we visit, plan on taking more than one day to drive there at a leisurely pace. After the rally you will have a week to plan what you are going to do for your wife, husband, or girlfriend for Valentine's Day. There will be plenty of free time during the rally to visit the Monterey Bay Aquarium, see the sights and enjoy some clam chowder on Fisherman's Wharf or at one of the fine restaurants on Cannery Row (canneryrow.com) at your own pace. You might want to drive the world famous 17-Mile Drive, which winds through Pacific Grove and Pebble Beach past some of the best-known ocean views and golf courses in the world. You can do it in your own car or make arrangements with Monterey Movie Tours to take a three hour scenic tour on a small bus that visits sites where old movies were filmed. As you drive down the road past movie locations you will see the actual scenes from the movies on overhead monitors in the bus. This tour includes a few photo stops along 17-Mile Drive in Pebble Beach (montereymovietour.com).

On Friday morning we will have time if you wish to go to the on-site Laguna Seca Recreational Area Rifle & Pistol Range to hone your marksmanship skills using paper targets and reactive steel targets. Range safety officers and members of our group will be available to help novices. The pistol area and reactive steel target areas each have 10 shooting stalls with target frames at 15, 25 and 50 yards. The rifle section has 15 shooting stalls with target frames at 50, 100 and 200 yards (<a href="https://www.co.monterey.ca.us/parks/lagunaseca\_rifle.html">www.co.monterey.ca.us/parks/lagunaseca\_rifle.html</a>). Please remember to bring your paper targets, guns, hearing and eye protection, and ammo for your weapon.

On Saturday, you could drive north to Moss Landing, an oceanfront fishing village with an eclectic mix of nature, art galleries and award-winning restaurants. Stopping for lunch, even if it's only for a cup of clam chowder at Phil's Fish Market & Eatery is a must. If you plan ahead, Captain Yohn Gideon of Elkhorn Slough Safari will guide you through this unique ecosystem that is home to hundreds of species of fish, marine mammals and shorebirds on his 27-foot pontoon boat (elkhornslough.com).

Pair up with another Coaster couple or two and drive south to Pacific Grove to visit Point Pinos Lighthouse, Museum of Natural History, and the Monarch Grove Butterfly Sanctuary. Instead, you may choose to drive down Highway 1 to Carmel-by-the-Sea to visit art galleries, do some window shopping and visit a couple of wine tasting rooms. Monterey is home to three of California's 21 missions. The Carmel Mission (San Carlos Borromeo de Carmelo) founded in 1770, is reportedly the most beautiful and best restored mission. Father Junipero Serra made this mission his headquarters and was buried here in 1793 when the chapel was completed, seven years after his death. Drive east on Carmel Valley Road (G16) to see the beautiful countryside, visit a couple of wine tasting rooms at wineries in Carmel Valley and stop in Carmel Valley Village. Check your map for the location of Laureles Grade (G20) for the quickest way back to your motor home at the Laguna Seca campground.

There is much more to do and see in the Monterey area, so check it out on the internet or the article in the December 2015 issue of 'Family MOTOR COACHING' and plan to attend the rally at Laguna Seca. Since February is one of the cooler and wetter months in Monterey, you will want to bring medium-weight clothing and a warm water resistant jacket. Oh yeah, don't forget it's an El Nino year, bring your umbrella.



# California Coasters February 4 - 7, 2016 Laguna Seca Recreation Area



Place: Laguna Seca Recreation Area
1025 Monterey - Salinas Hwy 68
Salinas, CA 93908
Trail Workers: George & Donna Brodt
Dave & Sylvia Burns
Mike & Rhonda Catron
Randy & Doris Gibbs
Registration Deadline: January 15, 2016

Name(s): Arrival Date:

Phone: Email:

Cell Phone: FMCA #

Emergency Contact: Emergency Phone:

Relationship: Handicapped Parking: Y N

License # Tow: Y N Number of Slides: Coach Length: # OF **AMOUNT ITEM AMOUNT COMMENTS** Nights/People **CHARGED** TO PAY PARKING FEE PER NIGHT \$35.00 FOOD COST PER PERSON \$40.00 TOTAL ENCLOSED =

SEND FORM and CHECK PAYABLE TO: CALIFORNIA COASTERS

MAIL TO: George Brodt

28378 Willow Canyon Court Santa Clarita, CA 91390

NOTE: Registration checks will be deposited in the Coaster's bank account about five days before the rally starts.

This is a great place to have a rally since there is so much to do in the area. The campground is owned and operated by Monterey County Parks and is on a hill overlooking the Mazda Laguna Seca Raceway.

<u>Directions</u>: Drive north on Hwy 101 toward Salinas. About 5 miles before Salinas take the Abbott Street exit on the **left** toward the town of Spreckles. Drive 2.19 miles on Abbott Street and turn **left** on Harris Road, about 2.75 miles. Harris road turns to the right and becomes Spreckles Boulevard. Drive about 1.65 miles on Spreckles Boulevard and merge onto Monterey Salinas Hwy/CA 68 via the ramp on the **left** toward Monterey. Drive 7.33 miles on Hwy 68 to the Laguna Seca Recreation Area entrance on the **right**.



# LAGUNA SECA RALLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE



COASTERS		COASTERS	
DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	
Wed. Feb. 3	Noon - 4:00 PM	Committee and early arrivals	
	5:00- 6:00 PM	Social Hour BYOB	
	6:00 - 8:00 PM	Dinner on your own	
Thurs. Feb. 4	Noon - 4:00 PM	Members Arrive - Disconnect tow vehicle inside front gate (Off Hwy 68) before driving MH up the hill	
	5:00- 6:00 PM	Social Hour - snacks provided by hosts BYOB	
	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Pot Luck Dinner - Everyone bring something (A-G Dessert, H-O Salad, P-Z Main Course) <b>BYOTS</b>	
	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Bingo (Cards \$ 2.00 each or 3 for \$ 5.00)	
Fri. Feb. 5	7:00 - 9:00 AM	Breakfast on your own	
	9:00 - 11:00 AM	Target shooting at the Rifle & Pistol Range	
	Noon - 5:00 PM	Free time to tour with friends	
	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Social Hour - snacks provided by hosts BYOB	
	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Dinner - Salad and Clam Chowder from Phil's <b>BYOTS</b>	
	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Game - Left Center Right (Bring 4 quarters per player)	
Sat. Feb. 6	7:00 - 9:00 AM	Breakfast on your own	
	9:00 - 5:00 PM	Free time to tour with friends	
	5:00- 6:00 PM	Social Hour - snacks provided by hosts BYOB	
	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Dinner catered by Tarpy's Roadhouse	
	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Bean bag baseball (Women vs. Men)	
Sun. Feb. 7	8:00 - 11:00 AM	Departure Day - Safe Travels - Happy Trails	



# California Coasters Tombstone Territories RV



Place: Tombstone Territories RV

2111 E. HWY 82

Huachuca City, AZ 85616

Date: March 1- 6, 2016

Trail Bosses: Paul & Virginia Springer

**Howard & Maureen Jones** 

DJ & Leroy Davis

Roger & Sharon Rendall

Registration Deadline: Feb. 5, 2016

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Name(s):			Arrival Date:			
Phone:			Email:			
Cell Phone:			FMCA#			
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SEND FORM and CHECK PAYABLE TO: CALIFORNIA COASTERS

MAIL TO: Paul Springer

23182 W. Shadow Dr. Buckeye, AZ 85326

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

<sup>\*</sup> Metered Electricity paid at the end of your stay. \* Extra night befrore or after to be paid with sign up !!



# TOMBSTONE RALLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE



COASTERS		COASTERS		
DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY		
Mon. Feb 29	12:00 PM	Committee and early arrivals.		
WOTE. 1 CD 23	5:00 PM	Dinner on your own		
	12:00 noon	Members arrive. Check in at office		
Tues Mar. 1	5:00 PM	Happy Hour BYO Beverage, snacks provided		
	6:00 PM	Bring Heavy hors d'oeuvres (BYOTS)		
	10:00 AM	Karchner Caverns \$23.00 RSVP 2 wks in advance		
Wed. Mar. 2	5:00 PM	Happy Hour BYO Beverage, snacks provided		
	6:00 PM	Homemade Chile! Corn Bread & desert (Bring your own bowls) (BYOTS)		
	9:15 AM	Dr. Jays Walking Tour (Tombstone) \$20.00 (re-enactment show & discounted lunch)		
Thur. Mar. 3		Afternoon Free Time or Trolley Tour of Old Town & Boot Hill - \$12.00		
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	6:00 PM	Cook you own meat. Scallop potatoes furnished by host, A-M Bring Salad, N-Z Bring Desert (BOYTS)		
	10:30 AM, 12 noon, 2:30 PM, 3:30 PM	Queen Mine Tour, Pick your time. \$ 11.00 DRESS WARM !!		
Fri. Mar. 4	5:00 PM	Happy Hour BYO Beverage, snacks provided		
	6:00 PM	Lasagna, Green Salad and rolls & Desert ( BYOTS)		
	10:00 AM	Buffalo Soldiers & Military Inteligence Museum or Cochise Circle Museum		
Sat. Mar. 5	5:00 PM	Happy Hour BYO Beverage, snacks provided		
	6:00 PM	Baked Potato Bar and desert ( BYOTS)		
Sun. Mar. 6		Safe Travels		

## FMCA California Coasters Membership Renewal for 2016 dues

## Payable no later than January 1, 2016

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- 1. As provided by the Chapters bylaws that membership dues are now bring accepted for 2016.
- 2. The membership renewal fee is \$ 18.00.
- 3. In accordance with the Chapter bylaws, they are due January 1, 2016
- 4. Make your check payable to California Coasters.

5. Include your FMCA # on your check.		
Mail this form and check to:		
Sharon Rendall		
Membership Chairperson		
27835 Sand Canyon Road		
Canyon Country, CA. 91387		
Please complete the following:		
Name(s):		
F.M.C.A. #	<u></u>	
Address:		
City:	State	Zip:
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E-Mail:		

Thank you and please make a copy for your records