



# Coaster Chatter

## October 2019 Rally Coos Bay Oregon



Bay Point Landing just west of the town of Coos Bay, was the beautiful setting for our September rally. Twenty-seven rigs actually made the long drive to Oregon.



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The committee, and some of the early arrivals, went to dinner Sunday night at Miller's at the Cove in nearby Charleston. The twelve of us enjoyed each other's company as well as the excellent seafood.



Monday, the rest of the group arrived. No kitchen? No problem for our fearless leader, DJ Davis. Just bring out the crock pots, roasters, and barbeques. Monday night we enjoyed tri tip sandwiches, potato salad, and chili beans.

Three couples were introduced to the club as new members, this being their first rally with the group: Steve and Christine Reid, Don and Denise Sturdevant, and Dave and Sue Miller. We also welcomed as guests, Gerry and Sue Dowling from Pennsylvania, (FMCA members who learned about us at the convention in Minot, North Dakota).

Steve & Christine Ried



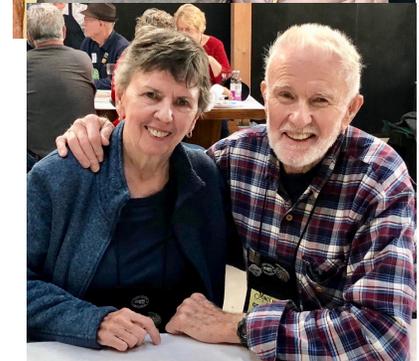
Dave & Sue Miller



Don & Denise Sturdevant



Gerry & Sue Dowling



Tuesday, the rains came – in buckets! We had scheduled lunch at Fisherman’s Grotto in Charleston. The parking lot was a big swimming pool but we waded through, only to find the room they had set up for us was under water. They still managed to seat all 33 of us in a different area. By the time we finished our seafood lunch, the lake had receded. Afterwards, some of the group headed to Shore Acres State Park. Others headed elsewhere or, like us (Dave and Sylvia), got lost. Denny knew exactly where he was going which was to purchase oysters for our hors d’oeuvres later. The club was split on those who loved the oysters and those who wouldn’t touch them. Dinner consisted of spaghetti, salad, and French bread.



Wednesday, found the group visiting one of the most interesting places I've ever been. "Washed Ashore" is an art gallery in Bandon, which uses bottles, pieces of plastic, and just about anything else that has ended up in our oceans, to build life-size or larger statues of fish, birds, turtles, seahorses, sharks, sea stars, and much more. Swim fins, bottle caps, plastic silverware, and anything else you can name (except styrofoam), ends up as "art". Some of us also spent some time sorting plastic rings by color to assist in their projects.



Lunch followed at Tony's Fish Shack on the pier. Afterwards, we were free to roam or shop (the fudge was very good!). Wednesday night, we enjoyed baked potatoes with all the fixings, including more of that great chili from Monday night, plus salad and dessert.

Thursday, found some of the group touring the old Coquille lighthouse (also known as the Bandon lighthouse) due to its location. Two Coasters work there as docents during the summer, Tom and Sharon Page, who told us all about the lighthouse.



Some of the group skipped the tour and headed directly for the golf course. They wouldn't tell me who had the lowest score (won) but Bob Wyrick, Dennis Mueller, Max Peterson, Steve Reid, Lance Brown, and Kerry Ray, all seemed to have a really good time.

Thursday night's dinner was outstanding which consisted of ham, boiled potatoes, corn, pineapple casserole, rolls and, of course, dessert. DJ really outdid herself with no kitchen. It was a truly great meal.

On Friday, since the RV Park had two really nice Bocce Ball courts, Lance Brown organized a tournament with Judi Brown as the scorekeeper. There were 32 participants so the games went on for quite a while. The eventual winners included Carol Morgan, Shirley Crawford, Glenn DeSchryver, and Dave Burns. Second place went to Denny Wheeler, Sharon Rendall, Julie Wyrick, and DC Contreras. Since this was a last-minute tournament, there were no real prizes awarded.



Friday night's dinner consisted of hot dogs, more of that great chili, coleslaw, with ice cream for dessert.

While we experienced rain, off and on, all week, I think it was a great trip and everyone had a good time. Special thanks to our hosts, Leroy and DJ Davis, and their outstanding committee: Dale and Betty Johnson, Mike and Rhonda Catron, Denny and Sybil Wheeler, and Dennis and Judy Mueller.

Aren't you sorry you missed it?

Submitted by: Sylvia Burns

Photos by: Sharon Rendall



## President's Corner

As you are reading this, D.J. & I may still be in Oregon. We are enjoying our time in the Northwest and are in no hurry to get home. So far this month of September, we have had 4 days of sun and Oregon has had 5-8 inches of rain. The Coos Bay Rally was great! Look for Sylvia's article in this edition of the Chatter so you can read all about it.

Since my last article in June, I had emergency surgery to remove my gall bladder. Everything went well. Now on Oct 11, I will have my shoulder done. I will be in Paso for the Christmas rally, but had to cancel the Morro Bay rally. I know all will have a great time.

As of now we do have a Trail Boss for Indio. DC & Mary Contreras stepped up for the duty. Thank you both. We are still in need of Trail Bosses for February and December 2020.

A Board of Directors Meeting was held on September 13, 2019 in Coos Bay, Oregon. At this meeting, it was a unanimous decision of the Board to extend Randy Gibbs' Chapter Director position one year in order to have this position be in sync with the rest of the Board's two year terms in office.

See everyone in Paso. Be sure to get your registration forms included in this edition of the Chatter.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN. LEROY

P.S. Also, your 2020 dues are now due, see page #11

### Volunteers Needed FMCA's Western Area Rally in Indio January 5 – 12, 2020

Last year at the end of the Indio rally Lon Cross, National Vice President in-charge of the Western Area, asked Randy Gibbs and me (George Brodt) if the California Coasters would be willing to do the Express Trams again in January of 2020. After consulting with our President, Leroy Davis, we decided to do it again in 2020. As most of you know, the job entails driving six-passenger Express Trams (golf carts) to assist FMCA members get around the Riverside County Fair Grounds during the Rally. Since the California Coasters have enjoyed doing this volunteer function for the past several years, we are looking forward

to doing it again in January 2020. This rally is always a great way to start off the New Year with our California Coaster friends.

Having 5 six-passenger trams in service during the rally requires about 65 volunteers to drive two 3-hour shifts. To meet this requirement, we have partnered with the Monaco Romers (Romers) Chapter to help us meet the demand for volunteers to drive the golf carts during the rally. The benefit that we and the Romers receive is that we both get to park close to the display coaches on asphalt with 30 Amp electrical hookups during the Rally. FMCA members that are not volunteers get to park in the general admission area, which is on the grass fields which become a muddy mess if it rains.

So let's plan on having a large group of California Coasters attend the Indio Rally and join in on the "Let's go to the Hop" theme festivities that include California Coaster camaraderie, RV related seminars, new and used motor home and towable RV displays, sale of RV equipment & supplies, three nights of entertainment, free coffee and donuts, "Let's go to the Hop" parade, ice cream socials and food booths. Sign up to attend the Rally and volunteer to help out by taking your turn as a volunteer golf cart driver to help fellow FMCA members get from one place to another on the vast Riverside County Fair Grounds.

All you need to do is sign up with FMCA **and** the Coasters reservation forms (Page 17 of this edition of the Chatter) to attend the Rally and email George Brodt at [gbrodt@earthlink.net](mailto:gbrodt@earthlink.net), or call George at (661) 904-7083, to say that you and your wife (significant other) would like to help out as volunteer golf cart drivers. Volunteers also get to participate in the free volunteer dinner on Tuesday evening and they get two-nights free parking at the fairgrounds on Sunday and Monday nights (worth \$ 50.00). We are planning to meet in the holding area at 10:00 am on Sunday, January 5, 2020, so that we can all be escorted in as a group. The Rally actually starts on Wednesday, January 8, 2020.

Looking forward to seeing you in Indio in January,

George Brodt and Randy Gibbs  
Express Trams Co-Captains

P.S. If you volunteer to drive a golf cart, you must watch an FMCA Training Video that you will find here: <https://join.fmca.com/golfcartsafetytraining/> Please do this at your leisure prior to arriving in Indio.



## Sunshine Report



It's been an unhealthy past several months for some of our members.

In July, our leader, Leroy Davis, had his gallbladder removed. Thankfully he was well enough to drive to Oregon. Now he's scheduled for shoulder surgery in October which will prevent him from attending our Morro Bay rally. We wish him a speedy recovery. George Brodt also is scheduled for the same shoulder surgery but in November. septSunshine

In July, I (Sylvia Burns) had another foot surgery, this time to correct a hammer toe. I'm finally able to walk normally again.

Also, to undergo the knife again is Woody Woodruff. The stimulator they inserted in his back some months ago needs to be repositioned. He says it's not a big deal We hope he's right.

Carol Peppers had her vacation abruptly shortened when she fell and broke her right arm. She's now in the recovery stage with physical therapy.

Doris Gibbs also suffered a vacation alerting event when she pulled the muscle behind her knee. She's been on crutches for several weeks but says she's on the road to recovery.

Just learned that Paul and Virginia Springer are in the process of selling their rig. This is indeed sad news and we hope this will not prevent them from coming to some of our Rallies.

Our hearts go out to Donna Peterson on the death of her sister's husband which she learned about while with us in Oregon..

If anyone else needs a "hug" from the Coasters, I'm not aware of it at this time. Keep safe and well.

Sylvia Burns

Sunshine



# October Birthdays

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|----------------|--------------------|
| Keith Bonner   | John Stocksdale    |
| Mike Carle     | Linda Strickland   |
| Sue Levine     | Denise Sturdevant  |
| John Hyduchak  | David Tostenson    |
| Ellen Johnson  | Dennis Wheeler     |
| John Murray    | Elizabeth Williams |
| Myndel Pozner  | Joyce Witt         |
| Sharon Rendall |                    |



## California Coasters Summary Financial Statement September 2019



Beginning Balance	\$19,428.78
Receipts	-520.00
Expenses	5,976.28
Ending Balance	\$12,932.50



**Click On Link below to go**

<b>to</b>	<b>Site</b>	
Coaster Chapter Links (newsletters)		<a href="http://wafmca.com/?p=340">wafmca.com/?p=340</a>
Coaster Rally Photos:		<a href="https://www.flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/">flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/</a>
Coaster Member Photographs:		<a href="https://www.flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/72157610995972874/">flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/72157610995972874/</a>
FMCA Website		<a href="http://fmca.com">fmca.com</a>
FMCA Digital Magazine		<a href="http://fmc magazine.com">fmc magazine.com</a>
Western Motor Home Association		<a href="http://wafmca.com">wafmca.com</a>



**FMCA California Coasters Membership Renewal for 2020 dues**

**Payable no later than January 1, 2020**

**Notice is hereby given:**

1. As provided by the Chapters bylaws that membership dues are now bring accepted for 2020.
2. The membership renewal fee is **\$ 18.00.**
3. In accordance with the Chapter bylaws, they are due **January 1, 2020**
4. **Make your check payable to California Coasters.**
5. Include your FMCA # on your check.

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**Mail this form and check to:**

Joy Gilles  
Membership Chairperson  
960 Rose Ln  
Santa Barbara, CA. 93110

**Please complete the following:**

Name(s): -----

F.M.C.A. #-----

Address: -----

City: -----State-----Zip: -----  
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Home phone #------Cell#-----

E-Mail: -----

**Thank you and please make a copy for your records**

 <span style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">Morro Bay, CA</span> <span style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">RALLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE</span> 		
DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Sunday, Oct. 27	1:00 PM	Committee and early arrivals
	5:00 PM	Dinner on your own
Monday, Oct. 28	1:00 PM	Check in -- Welcome to Morro Dunes
	5:00 PM	Social Hour -- BYOB Snacks provided by committee
	6:00 PM	Bring heavy Hors d'oeuvres -- BYOTS and BYOB Also bring Unopened wine for blind wine tasting on Tues.
	7:30 PM	Left, Right and Center Game (Bring 3 quarters each per game) 9 quarters per person for 3 games.
Tuesday, Oct. 29 *	10:00 AM	Lecture on the history/future of Morro Bay's bay at The Natural History Museum. \$3 per person
	5:00 PM	Social Hour -- BYOB Snacks provided by committee and blind wine tasting
	6:00 PM	Italian Dinner provided by committee -- BYOTS
	7:30 PM	Bingo. 3 Cards for \$5
Wed., Oct. 30*	Morning	Free Time
	4:00-7:00 PM	3-Hour Sunset Harbor Dinner Cruise
Thurs., Oct. 31*	10:00 AM	SLOSA Gun Range (See Page 2) or day on your own
	5:00 PM	Social Hour -- BYOB Snacks provided by committee
	6:00 PM	SLO Farmers' Market in downtown SLO or dinner on your own.
Friday, Nov. 1	11:30 AM	Check out and safe travels to all.
* Mornings	8:00 AM	Coffee and Danish at the Clubhouse



## Morro Bay, CA RALLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE



The San Luis Obispo Sportsmen Association (SLOSA) hosts a public shooting range which is located on Hwy. 1 half way between Morro Bay and San Luis Obispo. On the day that the Coasters visit the range the Rifle/Pistol range and the Shotgun range will be open. The Rifle/Pistol range has two sides, a rifle side and a pistol side. On the rifle side, paper targets can be posted from 15 yards to 300 yards. Steel target plates of different sizes are located from 110 yards to 425 yards. On the pistol side, paper targets can be posted from 7 yards to 100 yards. Steel target plates, gongs, and other shapes are located from 25 yards to 100 yards. Paper targets in various styles may be purchased. However, ammunition or loan/rental guns are not available. The range fee is \$20 for the day. Payment is by credit card only.

The shotgun range features both Skeet and Trap ranges. 12ga and 20ga shotguns are available for loan. However, ammunition is not available. The range fee is \$12/round. Payment is by credit card only.

Eye and ear protection is mandatory on all ranges and is available for loan at each range.



		<b>A Coasters Country Christmas Wine Country RV Resort December 2019 Rally Registration Paso Robles, CA</b>				
Wine Country RV Resort 2500 Airport Road Paso Robles, CA 93446 Date: December 2, 2019 - December 6, 2019 (4 nights)			Trail Bosses: Dave & Lisa Henry Steve & Susan McAbee Mick & LeAnn Brink Nev & Carol Linthacum Registration Deadline: October 7, 2019			
Name(s):				Arrival Date:		
Phone:			Email:			
Cell Phone:			FMCA #			
Emergency Contact:			Emergency Phone:			
Relationship:			Handicapped Parking :    Y    N			
Coach Length:		License #	Tow:   Y   N	Number of Slides:		
ITEM	# OF NTS/PEOPLE	AMOUNT CHARGED	AMOUNT TO PAY	COMMENTS		
PARKING FEE PER NIGHT		\$60				
FOOD COST PER PERSON		\$75				
# of dogs    need for park		\$0				
Extra nights: week nights \$60, weekends \$70						
TOTAL ENCLOSED =						
SEND FORM and CHECK PAYABLE TO: CALIFORNIA COASTERS MAIL TO:    Lisa Henry P.O. Box 3146 Paso Robles, CA 93447 NOTE: Registration checks will be deposited no more than five days prior to the start of the rally. Please bring an unwrapped Toys for Tots gift. Bring Auction Item or Gift Basket to auction off. A bingo card game will be played the first night. Bring dollar bills (\$1 per game).						
DIRECTIONS: Take Highway 46 East. Turn left onto Airport Road. Turn right into Wine Country RV.						

**Please see the note following the Activity Page regards RV Resort Contract.**

 <b>Wine Country RV Resort Rally Activity Schedule</b> 		
DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Sunday December 1st	Early Arrivals 2:00 PM	Committee & Early Arrivals
Monday December 2nd	Arrival 2:00 PM	Welcome to California Coasters Christmas Party
	5:30 PM	Social Time & Dinner - Bring Heavy Appetizers with a Holiday Flare. Dessert provided. BYOB/BYOTS
Tuesday December 3rd	8:00 - 9:00 AM	Breakfast served! BYOTS
	9:30 AM	Membership meeting & Installation of Officers
	1:00 PM	Firestone Brewery Tour and Tasting (flat shoes & closed toes required) Tour approx. 45 minutes. Fee \$11/pp at the door.
	5:00 PM	Social Time. Appetizer: Antipasta
	6:00 PM	Spaghetti & Meatballs, garlic bread, ceasar salad and dessert. BYOTS/BYOB
	7:00 PM	Fun and Games
Wednesday December 4th	8:00 - 9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast BYOTS
	2:00 PM	Line Dancing Lessons
	4:00 PM	Wine Tasting - Club House, bring own wine glass
	5:00 PM	Social Time & Appetizers
	6:00 PM	Chicken Enchiladas, Beans, Mexican Salad and dessert. BYOTS/BYOB
	7:00 PM	Music and Dancing
Thursday December 5th	8:00 - 9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast BYOTS
	1:30 PM	Warbirds museum docent tour (approx. 2 hours). Fee: \$10/pp paid at the door
	5:00 PM	Social Time & Appetizers. Wear CRAZY Christmas Sweaters
	6:00 PM	Catered Dinner. BYOTS/BYOB
	7:00 PM	Auction Night. Bring a gift basket or something nice to auction.
Friday December 6th	8:00 - 9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast. BYOTS SAFE TRAVELS HOME!

## 2019 December Rally

**Hi Everyone,**

**I just wanted to make sure that everyone is aware of the Wine Country RV "Contract" rules that apply to our group reservation.**

### **ADDITIONAL NIGHTS:**

**I have met with management and received confirmation that if you would like to make reservations for Sunday, December 1st at the group rate of \$60 (coming in a night early) then please let me know ASAP! because the site I place you in may be already reserved as time moves forward. Any questions, please call me. (805) 235-4168.**

### **CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT TIMES:**

**Check-in time is 2:00 PM and check out is 12:00 noon. Early arrivals before 2:00 PM will be charged an additional \$20.00.**

### **CANCELLATIONS:**

**Site cancellations: Notice of cancellation of "individual site" must be received 21 days in advance. With less than a 21 day notice, a \$10.00 cancellation fee will be charged per cancelled site. For no-shows or cancellations made less than 10 days in advance, the number of nights will be charged and no refunds.**

**Hope this helps,**

**Thank You!**

**Lisa Henry**

**REMINDER: You must complete the following registration for the California Coasters and Go online to FMCA.COM and register for the Rally with FMCA. NOTE: Sunday Entry date.**



**California Coasters  
WMHA Rally Registration  
INDIO, CA**



Place: Riverside County Fairgrounds 82-503 Hwy 111 Indio, CA 92201	Trail Bosses: DC & Mary Contreras Steve & Sheila Ton Don & Denise Sturdevant Glenn DeSchryver & Sue Levine Kerry & Robin Ray
Date: January 5-12, 2020	Registration Deadline: Friday, December 6, 2019

Name(s):	Arrival Date: Sunday 1/5/2020
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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
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FOOD COST PER PERSON		\$55		
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PARKING FEE FOR NON-VOLUNEER RIG Covers Sun., Mon., and Tues. nights		\$75		
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TOTAL ENCLOSED =				
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SEND FORM and CHECK PAYABLE TO: CALIFORNIA COASTERS  
 MAIL TO: DC & Mary Contreras  
 1255 Lassen Drive  
 Nipomo CA 93444

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

We will be escorted to our parking area on **Sunday, January 5 at 10:00 am**. Obviously we all need to be present at that time. Please bring Pop-up Tents, tables and empty gallon plastic bottles for the party area.

DIRECTIONS: I-10 to Monroe. Monroe south 3 miles to 48th. Left 1/2 mile to Arabia St. Left on Arabia to the arrival area on the right.

		<b>RALLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE</b>			
DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY			
Sunday, January 5, 2020	10:00 AM	Enter Rally Parking Area			
	1:00 PM	Set Up Party Area			
Monday, January 6, 2020	All Day	On Your Own			
	5:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres-BYOB, BYOTS			
		Dinner on your own			
Tuesday, January 7, 2020	5:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres-BYOB, BYOTS			
		Volunteer Dinner or Dinner on your own			
Wednesday, January 8, 2020	8:00 AM	Light Continental Breakfast			
	5:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres-BYOB, BYOTS			
	6:00 PM	Catered Dinner-BYOB, BYOTS			
Thursday, January 9, 2020	8:00 AM	Light Continental Breakfast			
	5:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres-BYOB, BYOTS			
	6:00 PM	Catered Dinner-BYOB, BYOTS			
Friday, January 10, 2020	8:00 AM	Light Continental Breakfast			
	5:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres-BYOB, BYOTS			
	6:00 PM	Catered Dinner-BYOB, BYOTS			
Saturday, January 11, 2020	8:00 AM	Light Continental Breakfast			
	3:30 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres-BYOB, BYOTS			
	5:00 PM	Group Dinner Mario's Italian Restaurant			
Sunday, January 12, 2020		Safe Travels and Thanks for Coming			

	<h1 style="margin: 0;">2020 RALLY SCHEDULE</h1>		
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	Need Location	Need Trail Boss	Need Assistant Trail Bosses
March 16 - 20	KOA Santa Paula	Ed & Geri Frank	???
April 20 - 24	Kings River RV Park Kingsburg, CA	Denny & Sylvia Wheeler	Dave & Sylvia Burns
May 4 - 8	Chowchilla, CA	Bob & Julie Wyrick	???
June/July/Aug.	<b>DARK MONTHS</b>		
September	TBD	Max & Donna Peterson	???
Oct. 19 - 23	Valencia Travel Village	George & Donna Brodt	Randy & Doris Gibbs Dave & Sylvia Burns Woody & Ida-Jean Woodruff
November	<b>DARK MONTH</b>		
December	Wine Country RV Resort Paso Robles	Need Trail Boss	Need Assistant Trail Bosses