



Elk-Ender News

January, 2015



The Prez Sez

Another fine year for the Elk Enders. The Elk Enders have been honored for their service and financial contributions throughout the year. The Wagon Masters, assistant Wagon Masters, cooks, chefs, game organizers, party organizers, hostesses, and the Elk Ender's board have done an outstanding job! CHEA and Exalted Ruler kindly bestowed two honors this year which I was happy to accept on behalf of the amazing team of Elk Enders I worked side by side with in 2014. What a nice way to close out year! My Thanks to all in the Elk Enders team!

The December Desert outing was a huge success with over 30 Rigs. O'Dey and Skelton, our Wagon Masters, cooked over 60 lbs of turkey and ham for our Elk Enders. Friday night meatball sandwiches were a huge hit. Saturday night wine tasting was won by us, The Moody's (we sent a bottle and can't even tell you what it was...sorry gang!) but glad you enjoyed the evening, the friendship and the wine!

December 20th was the Christmas Party. Our hostesses Carol Lawler & Joyce Claussen presented our Christmas food & festivities of the season. Santa left a few presents under the tree for the Elk Enders too!

Woods Valley Outing, under Wagon Master Rod Watkins, will start the New Year off for the Elk Enders! January Meeting is Wednesday, January 7th... dinner at 6:00 p.m. and meeting promptly at 7:30 pm.

We extend well wishes and the return of good health to all those who have experienced difficulties in 2014. We hope the New Year brings you renewed strength, energy, health & happiness. Best to all the Elk Enders in 2015!

*Christmas is forever, not just for one day
for loving, sharing, giving, are not put away
like bells and lights and tinsel in some box upon a shelf.
The good you do for others is good you do yourself!
Happy New Year!*

Ken

Coming Lodge Events:

- January 11 Volunteer Breakfast
- January 25 Pizza Sunday
- February 1 Superbowl Party
- February 6-8 ER Getaway



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Minutes of the December 3, 2014 Meeting

Date: 12/3/14

Call to order: 7:30 P.M. by President Ken Moody

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Duane Duncan

Guests Present: None

Recognize – Please stand:

Past EE Presidents: Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman, Martin Hoxworth, Mark Mahoney, Duane Duncan, Steve Pavich, Joe Zapata, and Sherrie Larson

Current EE's of the Year: Larry Lamkins

Past EE's of the Year: Randy Eldridge, Eileen Rasmussen, Martin Hoxworth, Mark Mahoney, Larry Hoffman, Sherrie Larson, Steve Pavich, and Jim Young

Secretary's report by Jim Young:

November's minutes were announced as printed in the December newsletter sent out and on the web site. Mark Mahoney brought up that he WAS in attendance at the November meeting as a Past President. (I had him down present as Past EE of the year, but not present as Past EE President.) The minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's report by Eileen Rasmussen:

Eileen presented the Treasurer's report as of December 1st, 2014. No corrections or additions were noted.

Vice President's report by Larry Lamkins:

Larry had badges and flags that he handed out to new members Rob & Karen Neil

No status updates on "The Shed."

General Reports:

General Wagon Master report by Carol Lamkins:

Carol called on the following Wagon Masters to review campouts completed and present upcoming campouts.

Mark Mahoney spoke about the November Do-It-In-The-Dirt on the weekend of November 13-16th, 2014. There were 37 rigs in attendance along with some fairly good weather with the exception of some fairly high winds at about 4:00 in the morning. The Nicole Hoffman Memorial Poker Run went on as planned and contributed \$200.00 to the Purple Pig which totaled \$440.00 for the weekend. Mark thanked all of the Check Point people and promised to do it again next March!

Sherrie Larson spoke for David Skelton, who was already at Emerald Desert, setting up for the December 5th – 7th campout. She reminded us that in lieu of an actual toy for needy kids to please bring either a gift card or a check (made out to the Elk-Enders) for the ease of transportation back to the lodge.

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Carol Lawler spoke of the Elk-Enders Christmas Party at the Lodge, Dec. 20th, Cocktails at 5, Dinner at 6. Contributions are requested for a Veterans group as our Charity this year (Checks made payable to Elk-Enders will be directed properly). Please contact Carol Lawler at 714-288-8838 or Joyce Claussen at 714-633-4934. Tickets are \$20 per person for a choice of Turkey or Ham.

Rod Watkins passed around a signup sheet for the Woods Valley campout January 23 – 25th. Rod said he promised a really excellent menu for the weekend.

Bob Clatterbuck passed around a signup sheet for the Lake Elsinor campout February 20 – 22nd. Bob's assistant's will be the Quijada's and the Taylor's. Friday's dinner will be Chili, Corn Bread, & Salad. Saturday's dinner will be a catered Rotisserie Chicken (this is a change reported on 12-12).

Elk-Ender Newsletter report by Gail Westmyer:

Gail was absent playing nurse to hubby.

By-laws Committee report by Martin Hoxworth:

Martin reported "progress."

Special Activities Reports:

Elk-Enders Christmas Party at the Lodge, December 20th, Cocktails at 5, Dinner at 6

Communications Received / General Announcements:

Mark Mahoney reminded everyone about the Lodge Christmas Party for the needy kids on Sunday, 12/14/14 at 1:00 PM. The Lodge needs assistance and donations for the Sunday event and asked for set up and preparation help on Saturday morning (12/13/14) at 9:00 AM. Mark also said that "Gift Card" are acceptable as donations.

Steve Pavich offered up the "crying towel" to Lance & Sherrie Larson for USC's fall to UCLA this year!

Sickness and Distress by Linda Mosbrook:

The membership reported that Ed Mosbrook had a stroke on Friday, Nov. 28th. He is reported to now be at home. Gary Westmyer is still recovering from his foot operation. Terri Watkins granddaughter her shoulder the Do-It-In-The-Dirt campout. Ruth Gonzalez is reported to be laid up with multiple leg muscle and bone problems. A big GET WELL SOON to all!!!

Sunshine: Report from general membership:

Carol Lawler announced the birth of her first granddaughter! Steve Pavich reported that Debbie's eye surgery went so well that she now can see how really ugly Steve is!! (Steve, I'm teasing)

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Birthdays

January 1 Chris Baake
January 7 Irene Funkhauser
January 8 Sean Smorick
January 11 Carol Lawler
January 13 Toni Krino
January 13 Channing Tucker
January 15 Gretchen Taylor
January 16 William Davis
January 17 David Coombs
January 18 Nelson Burke
January 19 Judy Strecker
January 20 Sharon Fridley
January 21 Sharon Krause
January 21 Dori Hughes
January 22 Margo Dobbs
January 24 Lynn Brandt
January 26 Gail Westmyer
January 30 Pauline Hoffman



Anniversaries

January 7 Gordon & Joan Cody
January 11 Robert & Jackie Butts
January 18 Lance & Sherrie Larson
January 20 Ken & Glenda Duke3
January 27 Bill & Linda Canavier
January 30 Robert & Gretchen Taylor



For the New Year: Points to Ponder

Good resolutions are simply checks that men draw on a bank where they have no account.
--- Oscar Wilde

Youth is when you're allowed to stay up late on New Year's Eve. Middle age is when you're forced to.

--- Bill Vaughn

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Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Randy Eldridge, ER, announced and presented his selection of the Lodge Elk Of The Month for December – our won Ken Moody. "Congratulations"

Jokes:

Jokes were told by Larry Hoffman and Randy Eldridge

Good of the order by Vice President Larry Lamkins:

John Siebert was absent and could not collect the \$20.00 prize of the attendance drawing. The pot rolls over to the January meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by President Ken Moody at 8:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted:
Jim Young, Secretary.



January 23 – January 25, 2015

Woods Valley Campground

15236 Woods Valley Rd. Valley Center, CA 92082 (760) 749-2905

Wagon Masters: Rod and Terry Watkins (714)-319-8010

Assistants: Bonnie Vasquez & Chris Rigney, Larry & Pauline Hoffman (714)-636-4345

Meals:

Friday: Lunch on you own.

Dinner: 5:30 PM Tostados by "los chefes."

Saturday: 9:00 AM Pot Luck **Breakfast-Brunch.**

Last Name:

A thru I bring egg or potato dishes.

J thru R bring meat dishes Bacon, Ham Etc.

S thru Z bring fruit and/or sweets.

We'll supply coffee and OJ.

Dinner: 5:30 PM BBQ your own meat. Bring what you like, we'll provide the salad, potato salad, BBQ beans and the hot coals.

Sunday: 7:00—8:30 AM Coffee and sweet rolls

Note; Bring you own utensils for each meal.

Activities:

Thursday and Friday: Take a ride to the Bates Nut Farm about 1 mile east on Woods Valley Rd.

Go to Valley View, Rincon, Pala, Pauma or Harrah's Casinos .

Friday: 7:15 PM "Skrue Yer Neighbor" in the clubhouse.

Saturday: 1:00 PM Washer Board Game (weather permitting), Indoor Baseball (if inclement weather).

Great Indoor Fireplace with wood provided.

It's Always Schmooz and Booze Time at the Fireplace



Directions

Take I-5 South to Fwy 78 In Oceanside..

Go East on 78 to Broadway in Escondido.

Go North (left) to El Norte Pkwy.

Turn East (right) on Del Norte and proceed to Valley Parkway.

Go North on Valley Pkwy about 4 miles (up a grade and then down into the valley) to Woods Valley (Immediately at the bottom of the grade).

Turn East (right) and go 2.2 miles to the campground on the left. Sign on left is somewhat hard to see so go slow.

We have 27 sites reserved on a first come first served basis.

The cost is \$29.00 per site per night.

Each site has Elect. (30 amp) & water.

There is a dump station at the campground.

Note: We must have a minimum count by December 20th for the campground management

Anyone with severe walking problems or needing to be close to the clubroom, please make arrangements with the wagon master well in advance.

February 19-22, 2015

Lake Elsinore Campout

Lake Park RV Resort 32000 Riverside Dr. Lake Elsinore, CA 92530 951-674-7911

Wagon Masters: Bob & Judy Clatterbuck H 949-551-8532 C 949-266-7725

Don & Eleanor Quijada H 714-522-7356 C 714-420-3144
Bob & Gretchen Taylor H 714-882-2266 C 714-654-6622



Meals:

Friday: Lunch on you own.

Dinner: 6:00 PM Chili, Corn Bread, Salad

Last Name A-M bring desserts

Saturday: 9:30 AM Pot Luck **Breakfast-Brunch.**

Last Name:

A thru M bring egg or potato dishes.

N-Z bring Side Dishes

We'll supply coffee and OJ.

Dinner: 6:00 PM Catered Rotisserie Chicken

Dinner. CHANGED PLANS!!!!!!

N-Z bring Desserts

Sunday: 8:00 AM Coffee and sweet rolls

Note; Bring your own utensils for each meal.

We have 25 sites reserved on a first come first served basis.

The cost is \$35.00 per site per night including tax.

Each site has full hook-ups. 11AM Check-in & out.

Check-in with Wagon Master for space assignment **upon arrival**

Activities

Friday after Dinner "SKRU Yer Neighbor."

Saturday 2:00 PM Baseball and Cards

Meeting after dinner Saturday



No fire pit rings allowed unless propane. **Great Indoor Fireplace with gas log.**

RV Park Amenities

Games Area, Grass Horseshoe pits, Volleyball Court on the beach, & Shuffleboard in the meeting room.

Hotel rooms with WiFi, cable hook-ups (borrow digital box from office) & pool. ADA compliant toilet room

Hotel rooms \$60.00 per night. Call RV park for room reservation.

Pets must be kept on 6' maximum leash. No German Shepherds, Pit bulls, Rottweilers, Akitas, Bull Mastiff, Chows or other aggressive large dogs.

Directions 49 miles from GG Elks Lodge
East on CA-22, North on CA-55, East on CA-91,
South on I-15; Exit Nichols Rd. right onto Nich-
ols Rd. left onto Collier (about 50 yards) go to
Riverside Dr. right to the destination on left
near to the Jack In the Box restaurant.



"ELK-ENDERS" ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES



**2015-2016 DUES BY MARCH 1, 2015.
PLEASE SEND THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Please completely fill in the information requested below. This information will help us make corrections to the membership database before we print the 2015-2016 Elk Ender Membership Roster. Also, we need this form to help us know who has paid their dues.

Attach your check of \$15.00, payable to the GARDEN GROVE ELK-ENDERS and mail to: Eileen Rasmussen, 5301 W. Lucky Way, Santa Ana, CA 92704, or bring it to the next meeting.

Those needing to have the newsletter mailed to them, please add \$12 to your dues for printing and postage.

NAME: _____ SPOUSE/Significant Other: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

TELEPHONE NOs: HOME () _____ ELK ENDER NO: _____

WORK: (Yours) () _____ (Spouse) () _____

CELL: (Yours) () _____ (Spouse) () _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

CB HANDLE (if any): HIS: _____ HERS: _____

BIRTHDAY: HIS: _____ HERS: _____

ANNIVERSARY DATE: _____



The Rear View Mirror

Garden Grove Elks Ride the Dirt to Feed the Purple Pig

A special thanks to Larry Hoffman for creating this input.

The Garden Grove Elks again embarked on their semi-annual “off-road” effort to raise money for their major project “The Purple Pig,” which represents the charity to financially aid families who have children with medical expenses beyond their parent’s financial capability.

Motorhomes and trailers full of off-road enthusiast Elks, their families and friends, began arriving at the California City campsite on Thursday and by Saturday morning they numbered 37, plus other riders and families that came just for the day.

They rode in the 10 mile long Poker-run, drawing a card at each of the four checkpoints along the way and the final fifth card at the finish line. The game was “High Low-Poker,” with a winner for the three highest hands and the two lowest hands. Riders were in all kinds of vehicles such as little mini-dirt bikes, big bikes, golf carts, dune buggies, quads, jeeps and others. It was not a speed contest. Riders were encouraged to slow down and enjoy the view and the ride. Safety came first!

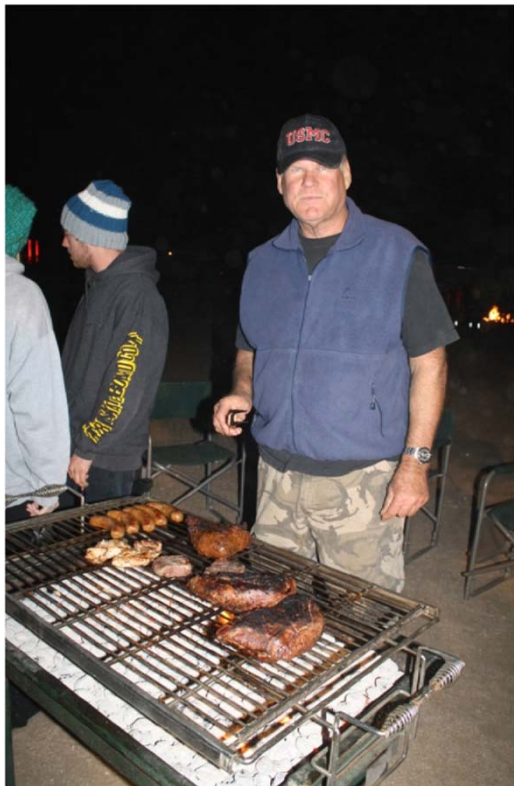
Seventy percent of the income went to the winners and thirty percent to the Purple Pig. All in all, the Pig was fed \$440.00 because most of the winners, our generous Elks, and friends, donated all or a substantial part of their winnings back to the project.

A great time was had by all during the four days which began on Thursday with riding the desert, playing with their myriad of off-road toys, the huge bonfires each night, as well as the hors d’oeuvres social on Saturday after the Poker Run and the huge Do-it-Yourself BBQ that was set-up for all to use. It was fun for all, kids through grandparents. This was open to all Elks and their friends. Camping was free.

Heading-up this event twice each year was Mark Mahoney and Joe Spychaj; they, with the help of other Garden Grove Elks, have been leading this semi-annual effort for many years. The next off-road poker run is set for March 12 – 15th, 2015. More information about coming GG Elk poker runs can be obtained by contacting the Garden Grove Elk-Enders or our coordinators Mark at TPREZ1923@aol.com or Larry Hoffman at Lhoffman@Lhoffman.US.

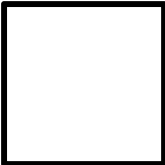






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