



Elk-Ender News

The Prez Sez

April, 2012



I feel so honored to have been elected to the office of the President of the Garden Grove Elk-Enders for 2012-2013. I truly appreciate the confidence you have placed in me for this new Elk year. April 4th will be my first meeting as your new President. It is my hope that I can capitalize upon all I have learned from several wonderful Presidents that I have observed before me and use that knowledge to help make this another great year of camping fun, social activities, and new friendships.

I want to personally thank our outgoing President Joe Zapata and his First Lady Joanne and all of their officers and committee chairpersons for a fantastic Elk-Ender year for 2011-2012. I know that I speak for all of our members when I say "Job Well Done" and "Thank you so much".

I know that you already know the names of all of our newly elected officers so I wanted to let you know the names of my newly appointed Committee Chairpersons. They are: Randy Eldridge General Wagon Master, Larry Hoffman & Jo Darrow Newsletter Editor, Trina Smorick Historian, Dave Lewis Photographer, Martin Hoxworth By-laws Chairman, Jo Darrow Membership Roster, and Nancy Caughlin as Telephone and E-Mail Coordinator. I would also like to thank Steve Pavich for stepping up and taking over as the Garden Grove Elk-Ender's "Elk-Call" Newsletter Chairman. I am looking for his articles telling the Lodge Members all about all our campouts and events.

Our next official campout will be at the Sportsman Lodge in Joshua Tree on April 27, 28, and 29th.

Please send any pictures you take at any campout or Elk-Ender event to our Historian, Trina Smorick, at her home e-mail so she can add them to this year's presidential memory book. I would appreciate it if you would also include a copy to me of each photo so Trina and I can work together and have some "girl time". Now, let's go camping.....

Sherrie Larson

Coming Lodge Events.

- 4/5 Installation of Officers
- 4/8 Easter Brunch 9:30 AM
- 4/14 Inaugural Ball
- 4/28-29 District Ritual Contest
- 4/29 **Pizza Sunday**
- 4/30 PER Dinner 6:00 PM (no Tacos)



Garden Grove Elks

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Minutes of the March 7, 2012 Meeting

Call to order: 7:30 P.M. by President Joe Zapata

Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Gary Fleer

Guests Present: Bill & Katy Slavin, Ed & Gloria Sauer



Recognize – Please stand:

Past EE Presidents: Martin Hoxworth, Larry Hoffman, Steve Pavich, Dave Skelton, Randy Eldridge, Mark Mahoney, and Jack Hansen.

Current EE's of the Year: Mark Mahoney & Sherrie Larson.

Past EE's of the Year: Martin Hoxworth, Larry Hoffman, Bill Catlin, Dave Lewis, Randy Eldridge, Pete Doeringer, Jack Hansen, Jo Darrow, Alex Gonzalez, and Eileen Rasmussen.

Secretary's report by Jim Young:

February minutes were announced as printed in the March newsletter Larry Hoffman sent out. No additions or corrections to the minutes were brought up. The minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's report by Eileen Rasmussen:

Monthly report was read and approved as read.

Vice President's report by Sherrie Larson:

Sherrie announced she had the new member package for Marvin Holms, but he would not be at the next couple of meetings so the package will be handed out later.

General Reports:

General Wagon Master report by Mark Mahoney:

Martin Hoxworth announced that everyone had a great time at the February campout at Lake Elsinore. The wagon masters for Lake Elsinore were the Hoxworth's, the Moody's, and Nancy Saunders. Thanks to Ray Rea there was a campfire Friday and Saturday night. Randy Eldridge brought his Karaoke machine out for Saturday night also. Mark announced that the Do It In The Dirt for March we will be neighbors with Sean and Trina Smorick's other camper group, the Adventurer Camp Club. Trina went on to invite Elk-Enders to participate in the Adventurer's Sunday morning breakfast. Mark announced that McMillan's and Hammond's are the wagon masters for the Newport Dunes on the weekend beginning March 30th. A sign up sheet was passed around. The theme is to be Hawaiian. Mark announced that due to a lack of interest and the high price of gas, he is looking for a replacement campground for Joshua Tree in April.

Elk-Ender Newsletter report by Larry Hoffman:

Larry reminded everyone to get their announcements for the newsletter ASAP.

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By-laws Committee report by Martin Hoxworth:

Martin reported progress.

Special Activities Reports:

None reported.

Communications Received / General Announcements:

Joe Zapata announced that he donated \$700.00 from his President Fund to the lodge for fixing the ceiling tiles in the East Room. Bob Crews reported that John Zahn at Premier Coach, does most excellent RV work.

Sickness and Distress by the Membership:

It was reported from the floor that Linda Mossbrook was ill. Erik Rasmussen had a stroke in his right eye with what appears to be permanent damage.

Sunshine: Report from general membership:

Randy Eldridge announced that their daughter, Tricia's adoption of another daughter is final. Larry Dissmore reported that he is now 5 years cancer free.

Unfinished Business:

Due to Linda Mossbrooks illness, she has dropped out of the election for Corresponding Secretary. A motion was made and seconded to accept Elissa Hammonds as the Corresponding Secretary. The motion passed unanimously. The following officers were installed for the 2012/2013 year by PER Dave Skelton A motion was made and seconded that all unopposed officers be unanimously elected to office. The vote was unanimous electing the following officers:

- President Sherrie Larson
- Vice President Curt McMillan
- Treasurer Eileen Rasmussen
- Recording Secretary Jim Young (356)
- Corresponding Secretary Elissa Hammonds

A vote for Corresponding Secretary will be held at the March meeting.

New Business:

Joe Zapata thanked his corp of officers for the last year and handed Sherrie her badge for President for the coming year. Joe announced Steve Pavich and Jim Young as his selection of Elk-Ender of the Year for 2012/2013.

It was voted and passed to add \$165 from our General Fund to the \$835 in the Purple Pig Fund to transfer to the Lodge Major Projects a total of \$1,000 for the year.

Jokes:

No jokes were told due to the lateness of the hour.

Good of the order by Vice President Sherrie Larson:

Sherrie had the attendance pot of \$140.00. Pauline Hoffman was present to claim the 1st prize. A new pot will be started at the April 4th meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by President Joe Zapata at 8:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: *Jim Young, Secretary*

2012-2013 Campout Schedule

Updated 2/7/2012

| MONTH | DATES | CAMPGROUND | # SITES | WM & ASST. WM | \$ SITE | CONFIRM | FACILITIES | DEPOSIT | DISTANCE |
|-------------|-------|-----------------------------|---------|----------------------------|---------|--------------|-------------|---------|----------|
| 2012 | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 27-29 | Woods Valley | 30 | Pavich & Eldridge | \$29.00 | 30 Days | W & 30A | \$150 | 90 |
| February | 24-26 | Lake Elsinore | 40 | Hoxworth-Moody-Saunders | \$35.00 | 14 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$100 | 51 |
| March | 8-11 | Do It In The Dirt - CA City | 5,000 | Mahoney & Spychaj | Free | None | Dry C/O | None | 150 |
| March | 23-25 | Newport Dunes | 50 | McMillan & Hammons | \$36.30 | 10 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$100 | 15 |
| April | 27-29 | Sportsman Club-Joshua Tree | 75 | | \$20.00 | 15 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$100 | 105 |
| May | 18-20 | Oceanside RV Resort | 25 | Eldridge & Larson | \$41.00 | 15 Days | FH & 30A | \$100 | 55 |
| June | 22-24 | Tucalota Springs | 20 | Barrows & Lawler | \$35.00 | 30 Days | FH & 30A | \$100 | 81 |
| July | 27-29 | Vista Elks Lodge | 24 | Spychaj | \$20.00 | 30 Days | W & 30A | \$100 | 60 |
| August | 9-12 | Oceano | 30 | Skelton & Barrows | \$25.00 | 30 Days | W & 30A | | 220 |
| August | 24-26 | Chula Vista Elks Lodge | 15 | | \$23.00 | 3 Days | W & 30A | \$100 | 90 |
| September | 21-23 | Canyon RV Park @ Featherly | 25 | Young Jim Young & Caughlin | \$35.00 | 30 Days | FH & 30/50A | 50% | 15 |
| October | 11-14 | CA Rally - Hemet | Open | Eldridge-Mahoney-Spychaj | TBD | Individually | FH & 30/50A | None | 75 |
| October | 26-28 | Newport Dunes - Halloween | 50 | President & Others | \$36.30 | 30 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$100 | 15 |
| November | 8-11 | Do It In The Dirt - CA City | 5,000 | Mahoney & Spychaj | Free | None | Dry C/O | None | 150 |
| December | 7-9 | Emerald Desert | 30 | Crews-Morrissey-Hartman | \$43.60 | 30 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$300 | 105 |

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| 2013 | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 25-27 | Woods Valley | 30 | | \$29.00 | 30 Days | W & 30A | \$150 | 90 |
| February | 22-24 | Lake Elsinore | 30 | | \$35.00 | 14 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$100 | 51 |
| March | 7-10 | Do It In The Dirt - CA City | 5,000 | Mahoney & Spychaj | Free | None | Dry C/O | None | 150 |
| March | 22-24 | Newport Dunes | 50 | | \$36.30 | 10 Days | FH & 30/50A | \$100 | 15 |

Please VOLUNTARILY sign up to be a Wagonmaster

By-Laws Article V, Section 3: "Each member is expected to VOLUNTARILY serve as Wagonmaster before anyone is required to serve a second time."

Quotable Quotes

The Democrats are the party that says government will make you smarter, taller, richer, and remove the crabgrass on your lawn. The Republicans are the party that says government doesn't work and then they both get elected and prove it.

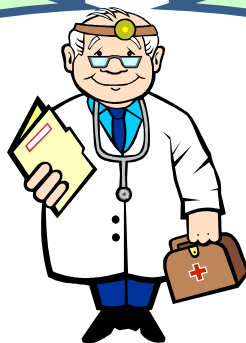
P.J. O'Rourke



Doctor: "You'll Live to be 65!"

Patient: "I am 65!"

Doctor: "See" What did I tell you?"



Patient: "I have a ringing in my ears!"

Doctor: "Don't answer!"

Birthdays

- 4 Apr. Paul Hartman
 4 Apr. Beverly Howe
 4 Apr. Jacque Rice
 5 Apr. Rachel Hines
 7 Apr. Terry Woodard
 11 Apr. Bob Crews
 12 Apr. Jo Darrow
 13 Apr. Carl Kellogg
 13 Apr. Cecile Young
 14 Apr. Paul Rich
 14 Apr. Marsha Stamper
 16 Apr. Steve Pavich
 24 Apr. Ben Diaz
 27 Apr. Ken Duke
 28 Apr. Allen Quinn
 29 Apr. Tony Gualtieri



Anniversaries

- 2 Apr. Allen & Rose Marie Quinn
 4 Apr. Jay & Evelyn Morrissey
 4 Apr. Sean & Trina Smorick
 4 Apr. Dave & Sharon Fridley
 19 Apr. Carl & Charlene Kellogg
 20 Apr. Bob & Tina Crews
 28 Apr. Carl & Nita Brewner



Pearls of Wisdom



“If you make any money, the government shoves you in the creek once a year and all that don’t get wet, you can keep!”

Will Rogers

Old is When...

Your friends compliment you on your new alligator shoes and you’re barefoot.

New Members

Ed & Gloria Sauer #426
 10531 Geraldine Rd., Garden Grove, 92840
 714-591-5457 Cell 714-496-3430
 ecsauer5656@gmail.com

John & Jean Seibert #427
 637 S. Neptune Anaheim, CA 92804
 714-956-7787 Cell 714-404-4799
 johnrssl@aol.com

Points to Ponder ??????

If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Coming Deadlines

| <u>Deadline</u> | <u>Issue</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|
| April 12 | May Issue |
| May 13 | June Issue |



ELK ENDERS AT Oceanside RV RESORT

1510 South Coast Highway
Oceanside, CA 92054
760-722-4404

Wagon Masters

Lance & Sherrie Larson
714-730-2546 C: 714-315-4598
Randy & Janice Eldridge
951-354-7733 C: 714-501-0247

May 18th – 20th , 2011

Park has Wi-Fi service, Cable TV, Pool and Spa, Game Room, 4 showers, and a TV Lounge. Visit the nearby Farmer's Market on Thursday 9am to 1pm and 5pm till dark or the Surf Museum.

DIRECTIONS:

Take I-5 south to Oceanside
Exit Oceanside Blvd., continue South to
Coast Highway then left to address on
left. Look carefully for the entrance.

THINGS TO BRING:

All utensils for each meal
Beverages and **wear you
Favorite Pajamas**
For Saturday
Morning's Breakfast !
There will be prizes !!!!



ACTIVITIES:

Bean-Bag Baseball
Skru-Ur-Neighbor
Card game,
Washer Boards,
Swimming



FRIDAY MENU:

Lunch: 1:00p.m. - Hearty Hors d'oeuvres

Dinner: 6:00p.m. – Come in your "favorite beach attire".

Serving Teriyaki Chicken, Baked Patatote, Pineapple,
Cole Slaw Salad, Fresh Rolls.

A-M – Please bring desert



SATURDAY MENU:

Breakfast: 10:00 a.m. – Please bring potluck to share,
coffee and juice will be provided. This is a Pajama Party, so
wear your favorite PJ's. There will be prizes for the best PJ's.

Lunch: On your own.

Dinner: 6:00p.m. - Please bring your favorite potluck dish
to share and your cocktail.

N-Z – Please bring dessert



Sunday Morning: Fresh Juice and Sweet Rolls

Wagon Masters will collect for anyone wanting to come in on Thursday in addition to Friday and Saturday (charges will be at Club rate: \$44 per night.)

NOTE: Pets are no charge but must be leashed.





Driving Directions.

Highway 15 to Rancho California Rd. East 7 miles to Glen Oaks Rd. Right on Glen Oaks Rd. 2 miles to Mesa Rd. Left on Mesa Rd. 5 miles to Sage Rd. (Mesa Rd. changes its name to E. Benton Rd. at De Portola) Cross Sage Rd to TUCALOTA SPRINGS.

OR

Drive 14 miles south of Hemet on State Street (Highway R-3) to Sage

June 22-24th 2012

Tucalota Springs Campout

41601 Benton Rd

Sage, CA 92544

Lawlers/Barrows Wagonmasters

Join us for a fun campout featuring Hamburgers and Hot Dogs Friday Night, Saturday Morning Potluck, and Blue Plate Specials prepared by your Wagon masters on Saturday Night, your choice of Large Yard Bird or Roast Beast.

Who will be the mystery Sheriff?

Washers anyone? Skru yer neighbor?

Friday A-K Please bring a Dessert

Saturday L-Z Please bring a Dessert

Coffee every morning and Sunday pastries to get you on your way home.

Dinner will be at 6pm each evening, Please remember to bring your own place settings and beverage of choice.

Saturday Morning Potluck at 8am so we can go wine tasting.(maybe we can carpool in groups to your favorite wineries or Casino) lunch is on your own.

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Campfires and tall tales.....

A Message From the Jr. Past President

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you Elk-Enders for helping to make me as good a President as I could be. There are so many of you that have helped me throughout the year.

Thanks to all of Elk-Enders who volunteered during the entire year. You were there at the Elk functions, the Elk-Ender functions and Halloween Rally and most important – as Wagon masters!!

Thanks - Jack Hansen - for cooking at 4th of July, Labor Day and our own Halloween Rally.

Thanks – Chuck O'Day – for cooking at the 4th of July, Labor Day and our own Halloween Rally.

Thanks – Dave Skelton – for not only his cooking skills but also his advice and knowledge whenever I called on him.

Thanks – Linda Hansen – for organizing and hosting the Elk-Ender Christmas Party.

Thanks – John Zahn – for always being available for any crisis.

Thanks – Larry Hoffman – for his award winning monthly newspaper.

Thanks – Jo Darrow – for compiling and editing the Elk-Ender Roster Books.

Thanks – Dave Lewis – for always being there with his camera and sharing his photos via website and CDs.

Thanks – Steve Pavich – for being available for anything and everything. His calls were very helpful throughout the year.

Thanks – Randy Eldridge – for always being so informative regarding Elk-Ender business, funny and otherwise!!

Thanks – Martin Hoxworth – for questions and answers. His help on the By-Laws is outstanding.

Thanks – Mark Mahoney – for being General Wagon master not just once but twice! He's the MAN!!

Thanks – Jim Young, Sherrie Larson, Eileen Rasmussen – for being my back-up and Corps of Officers. They are outstanding – always there.

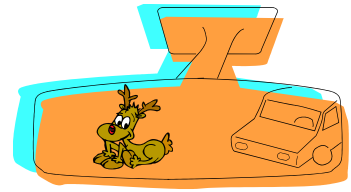
Thanks – Bill and Sue Catlin – for always being there with an outstanding artistic backdrop for the Halloween Rally.

A special thanks to Yvonne Lewis, Pauline Hoffman, Ruth Gonzalez, Marie Wood and JoAnn Zapata for giving their time and efforts selling raffle tickets for the quilt donated by Sherrie Larson. Thanks to all their help both in mailing tickets and selling them on Friday and Saturday nights at the Lodge and during Pizza Sunday we made over \$1200.00 on the quilt.

Again let me thank ALL of the Elk-Enders. I have enjoyed being your President and felt it was an honor.

VIVA ZAPATA!!!!

The Rear-View Mirror



By Junior Past President Randy Eldridge

On February 24th - 26th, the Garden Grove Elk-Enders had their annual Lake Elsinore West Marina Campout in Lake Elsinore, California. This campground is filled with the beautiful trees throughout the entire R.V. Park and a terrific view of the lake. It has a wonderful club house with a full kitchen. This is a very popular R.V. Park for the Elk-Enders Campers. Maybe it is so much fun because we have so many fun group games that we play and because of the terrific fellowship we have with all our camping friends. This campout was made successful because of the terrific job that our Wagon Masters, Martin and Marcia Hoxworth, Ken & Karen Moody, and Nancy Saunders.

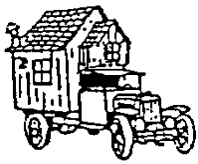
We had so much fun playing our usual games, Skru-Ur-Neighbor Card Game, and Bean Bag Baseball. Most of our campers arrived on Thursday. Many of them made sure that they had either lunch or dinner at the beautiful and friendly Lake Elsinore Lodge # 2591.

Congratulations go to the Sku-Ur-Neighbor winners, Ruth Gonzalez 1st place, Bill Catlin 2nd place, and Donna Rauls 3rd place. Once again we played our "Bean Bag" Baseball Game with the women against the men. It was the Dirty Old Men against the Golden Girls. I think the ladies could have used the help of the original Golden Girl, Betty White, because the Dirty Old Men won by a score of 5 to 2. The game was so much fun and even included a fun-filled 7th inning stretch.

On Saturday evening we were provided an excellent spaghetti dinner followed by our camping meeting. The meeting was opened with the "Flag Salute" and lead by our President Joe Zapata. He introduced some special people and thanked everyone who helped to make the campout so much fun. He then turned the remainder of the meeting over to our campout Wagon Masters. During that portion of the meeting they introduced our Sheriff who had been on a "stake out" of all of our campers. He was looking for any "fine worthy" bad behavior. Our surprise Sheriff was Bill Catlin. He was so funny and he did a great job of collecting money for our Lodge's Purple Pig. He gathered a total of \$48.00 for the Purple Pig.

During this new Elk Year 2012-2013 I have been asked to be the General Wagon Master for our Elk-Ender Camping Group and find all of our campout locations, make all reservations, maintaining all R.V. Park contracts in addition to finding Wagon Masters for each monthly campout. I will also be the Wagon Master for the California Elks Rally in Hemet in the fall. As a result of my new assignment, Past President Steve Pavich has graciously volunteered to take over as the Elk-Ender's "Elk Call" Chairmen for this new Elk Year. Steve is an excellent speaker and a highly educated writer. I know that you will thoroughly enjoy his monthly articles about our camping group and our camping adventures.

For all those that read my articles, I hope you enjoyed reading them as much as I enjoyed writing them.



"ELK-ENDERS" ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES



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**ARE NOW PAST DUE AS OF MARCH 1, 2012.
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 2012 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.*

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: _____

English is a Crazy Language!

Sometimes I think that all the English speakers should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane. In what other language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and feet that smell?

Anagrams

THE EARTHQUAKES

when you re-arrange the letters

THAT QUEER SHAKE

Points to Ponder

"Crime Does Not Pay
Unless You Get
Elected!" *A.J. Galambos*

Our Newly Elected 2012-2013 Officers

President:

Sherrie Larson

Vice Pres:

Curt McMillan

Recording Secretary:

Jim Young #356

Treasurer:

Eileen Rasmussen

Corresponding Sec.

Elissa Hammonds

Elk-Enders

Garden Grove Elks Lodge

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Photos: by Steve & Debbie Pavich



Marcia...
Throw it
on the
wall and
see if it
sticks!

Scenes from Lake Elsinore February 2012

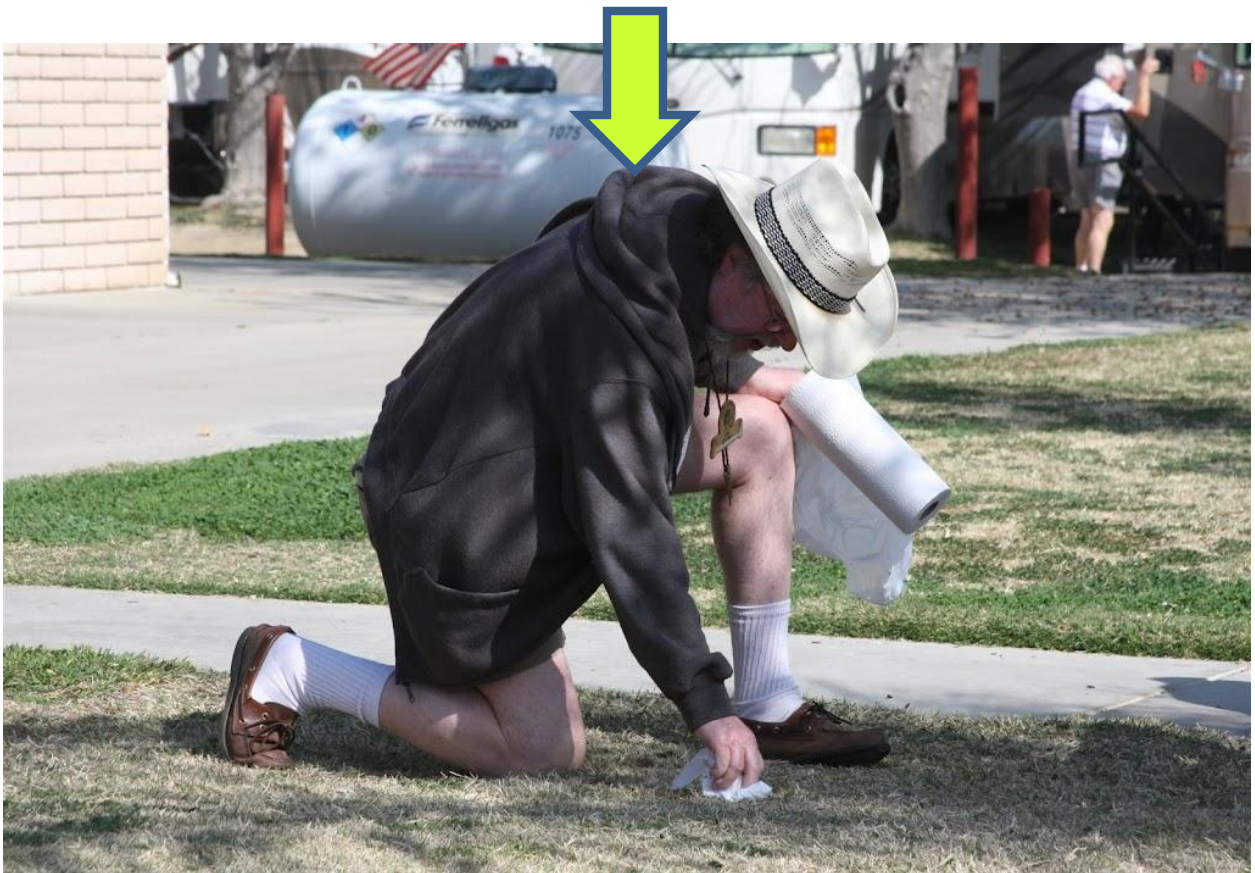
Looks like someone is happy with the food!





**Championship form or
a Pirouette?**

Jim Young on duck poop patrol. You're well qualified Jim!





Where
there's
smoke
there's
~~FIRE~~
BBQ

Waiting for the Home-Run Bean Bag is not advised!





Some of the gang stayed around for this photo.

Do-It-In-the-Dirt, California City, March 2012

Always a PILE-UP at Checkpoint 1





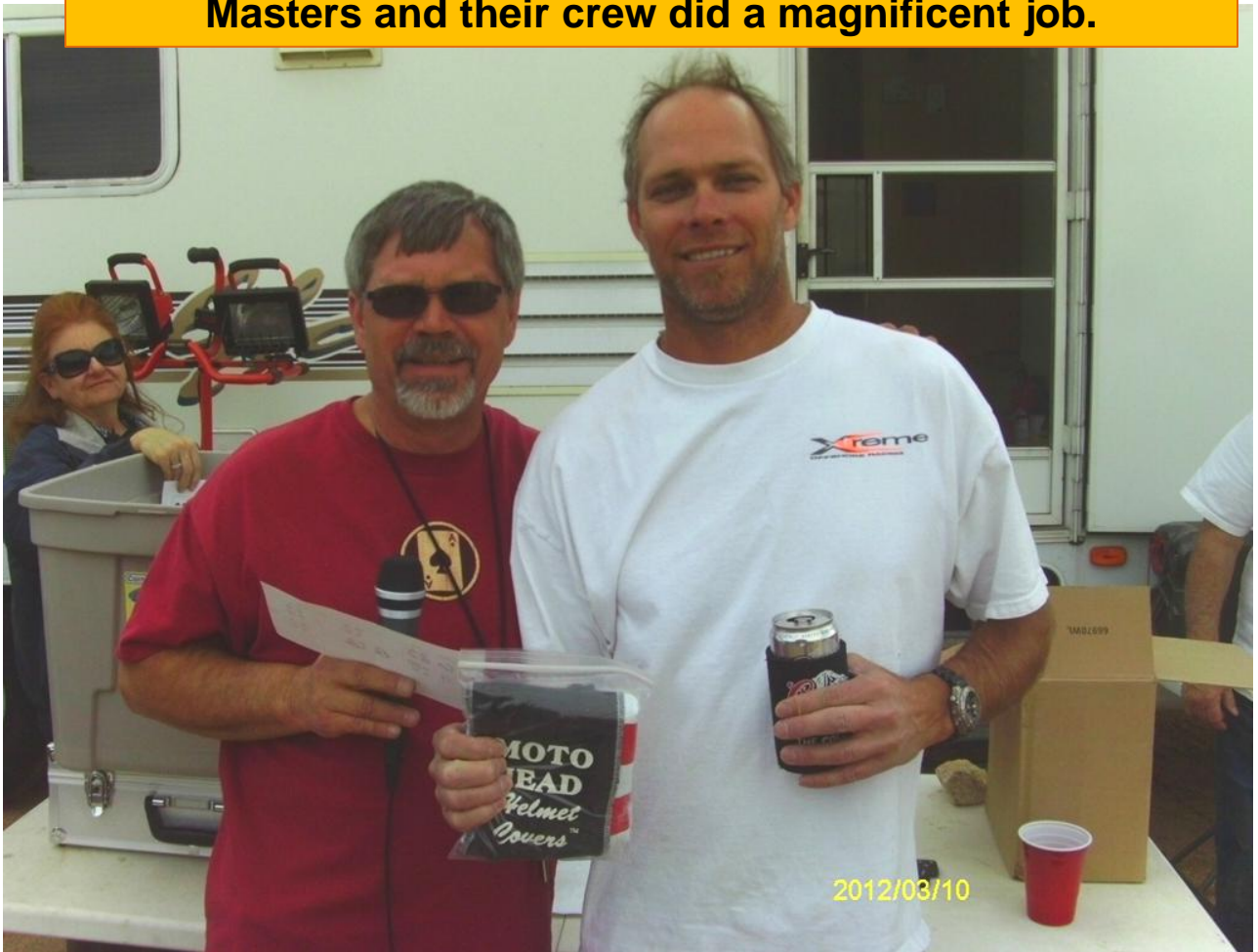
Up and Down the Hill for the Extra Card or Around, Your call





Lance Larson presents the Gold Medal for the First Place High Hand (4 Tens)

Mark Mahoney and Sean Smorick; two of the Wagon Masters and their crew did a magnificent job.



2012/03/10

“You three guys are the worst pit crew I’ve ever had!”



Debbie says “there’s nothing like omelets in a bag on Sunday morning.”

