

Elk-Ender News

April, 2014





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It is a distinct pleasure to serve as your President. THANKS. I am sure Larry Lamkins, Jim Young, Eileen Rasmussen, Linda Mosbrook, and Carol Lamkins (our General Wagon Master) will continue to build on the fine reputation of the Elk-Enders.

Thanks to our Wagon Masters, Joe Spyachaj and Mark Mahoney the Do-It-In-The-Dirt outing was a large success. The event was recently re-named "The Nicole Hoffman Memorial Poker Run" after Nicole Hoffman, Larry Hoffman's granddaughter. Nicole had never missed this event in the past. On Saturday the Poker run began with forty four participant riders in and on Jeeps, 4-wheel drive cars, dune buggies, golf carts, motorcycles and quads. All in all, there were 26 RVs attending, some coming from as far away as Las Vegas and quite a few truck loads of toys and boys (yes girls too!) that came for the Saturday event only. Mark and Joe, your fellow Elk-Enders and I look forward to your future efforts in November.

The second March outing found twenty seven Elk-Ender and three guests RVs at the Newport Dunes RV Park. The Morrissey and Tucker combination as Wagon Masters did an excellent job. We gathered in the recreation room for "Attitude Adjustment" on Friday afternoon prior to an excellent catered Mexican Taco dinner. Friday night found our normal Scru-ur-Neighbor card game superbly run by Marcia Hoxworth with Sean Smorick beating Conner (his son) for first place with Annette Zahn taking the third place winnings. Later Friday night we all enjoyed the earthquake. I am sure a first for most of us. Saturday morning's Pot Luck Breakfast provided the usual great food and the promises that I will not over indulge ever again by many of our campers. In the March Madness era the women defeated the men in baseball 10 to 4. They in fact had back-to-back-to-back home runs in one inning. Congratulations Ladies. Saturday night consisted of a cook your own BBQ and of course a visit from the Sheriff'. Sheriff Gloria Sauer correctly pointed out many violations of our member's actions or lack of actions. Thanks to the Sheriff's fines, and donations from Buzz's Bar and Scru-ur-Neighbor the Purple Pig was well

The official April outing at East Shore RV Park at Puddingstone Lake will be the first under my presidency. I am sure Larry Hoffman, Rod Watkins, and Don Quijada will do a great job as Wagon Masters.

During the spring and summer seasons we will once again be called upon to volunteer to support our Lodge special activities. The Memorial Day weekend will require support at the Strawberry Festival possibly selling raffle tickets or assisting the Emblem Club as cooks at their booth. As in our past the Elk-Enders will both clean and sell corn-on-the-cob on July 4th and Labor Day celebrations at the Lodge. I will be asking for one of our members to lead and coordinate this effort. If interested please contact me or one of the other officers.

Coming Lodge Events.

April 3 – Installation of Officers

April 5 – Inaugural Ball

April 20 - Easter Brunch

April 26-27 – Ritual Contest

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Minutes of the March 5, 2014 Meeting

Date: 3/5/14

Call to order: 7:30 P.M. by President Jay Morrissey

Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Rob Watkins

Guests Present: None announced

Recognize – Please stand:

<u>Past EE Presidents:</u> Martin Hoxworth, David Skelton, Duane Duncan, Randy Eldridge,

Larry Hoffman, Joe Zapata, Mark Mahoney, and Sherrie Larson.

Current EE's of the Year: Joe Spychaj - absent

Past EE's of the Year: Martin Hoxworth, Jo Darrow, Larry Hoffman, Pete Doeringer, Randy

Eldridge, Alex Gonzalez, Mark Mahoney, Sherrie Larson, Eileen Rasmussen, and Jim Young.

Secretary's report by Jim Young:

February's minutes were announced as printed in the March Newsletter sent out and on the web site. No additions or corrections to the minutes were brought up. The minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's report by Eileen Rasmussen:

Monthly Treasurer's Report as of March 1, 2014 was read and approved as read.

Vice President's report by Gary Westmyer:

Gary announced he had New Member badge, flags, and decals for new member Alan Reed, who was absent.

General Reports:

General Wagon Master report by Ken Moody:

Martin Hoxworth announced that everyone had a great time at Lake Elsinore February 22nd through the 24th. Ken Moody chimed in that was the BEST weather – Ever!!

Mark Mahoney reminded everyone about Do-It-In-The Dirt coming up in March on the 13th through the 16th. Only 4,996 spaces still available and those are going fast. The semi-annual Nicole Hoffman Memorial Poker Run the main event for Saturday.

Jay Morrissey spoke of the March 27 – 30 campout at Newport Dunes. The event is hosted by himself, the Tucker's, and the Poat's. There are 50 sites reserved at \$38 per night. The wagon masters will collect for Thursday, Friday & Saturday nights camping. Wednesday arrivals must stop at the office to pay. Jay will give the office your space assignments. For Thursday night the plan is to attend the Newport Harbor Elks Steak Fry. Friday day there will be a planned excursion to Roger's Gardens. Friday night dinner will be "The Taco Guy". Saturday breakfast will be pot luck and Saturday night will be cook ur own meat. There will be the usual games to entertain us all.

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Larry Hoffman plugged the April 25 – 27 campout at East Shore RV Park at Puddingstone Reservoir. The event is hosted by himself, the Watkin's, and the Quijada's. There are only 26 highly desirable large sites reserved. The sites are near the swimming pool with some lake views. The wagon masters will collect for Thursday, Friday & Saturday nights camping. Wednesday arrivals must stop at the office to pay. Friday night dinner will be "The Taco Guy". Saturday breakfast will be pot luck and Saturday night will be cook ur own meat. There will be the usual games to entertain us all.

Ken alerted everyone to the May campout in Yucaipa. All of the sites are triple rig sites.

Larry Lamkins enthusiastically told us of the upcoming Experiential Campout featuring "Travel The World Of Cuisine" at Tucalota Springs on June 20 - 22.

Elk-Ender Newsletter report by Gail Westmyer:

Gail reported Progress.

By-laws Committee report by Martin Hoxworth:

Martin reported "Progress".

Special Activities Reports:

Lodge 1952 Installation of Officers – April 3, 2014 – Open Meeting
Officers of note to be installed:
Randy Eldridge, Exalted Ruler
Mark Mahoney, Lecturing Knight
Sherrie Larson, Esquire

Communications Received / General Announcements:

None announced

Sickness and Distress by Linda Mosbrook:

Kathi Tretter has had knee surgery. Evelym Morrissey has had her first of two cataract surgeries.

Sunshine: Report from general membership:

Conner Smorick asked all the members for their support for his school Walk-A-Thon benefitting many of his school's programs – a very worthy cause.

Unfinished Business:

David Skelton PER DDGER installed the new Elk-Enders Officers for the 2014-15 year:

Ken Moody as President, Larry Lamkins as Vice President, Eileen Rasmussen as Treasurer, Linda Mosbrook as Corresponding Secretary, Jim Young #356 as Recording Secretary.

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Birthdays



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April 4	Paul Hartman
April 4	Beverly Howe
April 4	Jackie Rice
April 5	Rachel Hines
April 7	Norma Sperl
April 7	Terry Woodard
April 8	John Poat
April 8	Phil Hughes
April 11	Bob Crews
April 12	Jo Darrow
April 14	Paul Rich
April 15	Marsha Stamper
April 16	Steven Pavich
April 19	Ed Sauer
April 21	Robert Butts
April 24	Ben Diaz
April 27	Ken Duke
April 28	Sally Elliott
April 29	Tony Gaultieri

Anniversaries

April 4	Dave & Sharon Fridley
April 4	Sean and Trini Smorick
April 4	Jay & Evelyn Morrissey
April 21	Bob & Tina Crews



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New Business:

- David Skelton made a motion for the Elk-Enders to give \$2,000.00 to the Lodge for the Purple Pig Major Projects. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed by the members present.
- 2. Retiring President Jay Morrissey thanked his core of officers for the last year and the membership, especially Jo Darrow and Pete Doeringer, for their support, cooperation and enthusiasm during the last year. Jay presented in-coming President Ken Moody with a personalized Gavel to wield with authority for the coming year. Jay also was pleased to announce his Elk-Ender of the Year Larry Lamkins.
- 3. Historian Larry Lamkins presented retiring President Jay Morrissey with his Historical Photo Album of all the events and activities of the 2013-14 year.

Jokes:

Jokes were told by Larry Hoffman, Linda Mosbrook, and Janice Eldridge.

Good of the order by Vice President Gary Westmyer:

Dave Stamper was absent, missing the \$133.50 grand prize. Mark Mahoney graciously claimed the consolation prize of \$33.50. The \$100.00 will roll over to the April meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by President Jay Morrissey (for his last time) at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Jim Young, Secretary.

CAMPOUTS 2014 Revised December 2013

Mon.	Days	Campground	Sites	Wagonmasters	\$ Per	Miles from lodge	Notes
Jan	24-26	Woods Valley	30	Haak & Sauer	29.00	90	E30W & Dump Station
Feb	21-23	Lake Elsinore	30	Hoxworth/Claussen/Mamchur	35.00	51	E50WS
Mar	13-16	Do It In The Dirt	5000	Mahoney & Spychaj	0.00	150	Dry Camping
Mar	28-30	Newport Dunes	50	Morrissey/Tucker/Poat	38.00	15	E50WS
Apr	25-27	East Shore RV Park	25	Hoffman/Quijada/Watkins	51-56	25	E50WS
May	16-18	Yucaipa Park		Vastine/Moody	tbd	85	
Jun	20-22	Tucalota Springs		Lamkins/Young	38.00	81	E30WS
Jul	25-27	Vista		tbd	20.00	60	E30W
Aug	08-10	Oceano	30	Skelton	25.00	220	E50WS
Sep	26-28	Chula Vista	30	Moody/Whittaker	tbd		E50WS
Oct	10-12	CHEA Elks Rally	Open	General Wagon Master	tbd	75	Register on line
Oct	24-26	Halloween Rally Garden Grove Elks Lodge	50	President & Others	tbd	15	E50WS
Nov	13-16	Do It In The Dirt	5000	Mahoney & Spychaj	0.00	150	Dry Camping
Dec	05-07	Emerald Desert	30	Skelton/O'Dey	tbd	105	E50WS



New Member

Tom & Irene Funkhouser (#450) 1870 Sunningdale Road, #29G Seal Beach, CA 90740

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Do you have a gripe, suggestion, or kudos for the Elks, the Lodge or the Elk-Enders? We would love to hear from you!

We would love to hear from you! Please keep it non-personal and non-political, and send it to me via Email or Snail mail.

> Gail Westmyer (aka happyours88@aol.com)

Coming Deadlines

May Newsletter April 15

June Newsletter May 15

What <u>not</u> to do on your next RV trip . . .





Elkender President, Jay Morrissey presents the Exalted Ruler Bill O'Hearn with a check for \$2000, for the California-Hawaii Elks Major Project (Purple Pig) on behalf of the Elkenders. The Campers should be proud of this donation to such a worthy cause.

APRIL CAMPOUT

April at East Shore

April 24 – April 27, 2014

We have *only* 26 FABULOUS sites reserved, so don't wait.

Wagon Masters are...

Hoffmans, Quijadas and Watkins 714-636=4345 714-522-7356 714-319-8010

Dinner Schedule:

Friday.

Lunch on your own

<u>Dinner</u> Mini Tostada Bar (bring your own plates & Beverage).

Saturday.

Breakfast is Potluck

A-J bring main dishes

K-S bring side Dishes

T-Z bring Fruit or Dessert

(bring your own plates & Beverage).

<u>Lunch</u> "Booze & Shmooze" Bring

hors d'oeuvres & your beverage

Dinner catered 5:30 PM

Sunday 7:30 - 9:30

Sweet Rolls and Coffee

Activity Schedule:

Fishing anytime(lic. Req'd.)

Friday

Evening "Skru UR Neighbor

Saturday

10 AM Washer Boards

2 PM some other game????

Meeting 7:00 PM



Please Bring:

Tables, your chairs, Pop-ups & washer board games if you can.

Reserve Your Space at the Elk-Enders Meeting on March 5th

After March 5th by telephone, April Mtg. or when you arrive.

Call Larry (714) 636-4345

Costs:

All Inside spaces \$51.00/nite Most lakeside spaces \$56.00 /nite \$3.00 /day per dog (???)

Food Apprx. \$20 per person

Getting There:

North on Hwy 57 to I-10 East. Exit Fairplex Dr. and go North (left) to Via Verde turn right on Camper View Rd. Follow signs to Unit B. Wagon Masters will be in spaces B165 & B167

JUNE CAMPOUT

An Elk-Ender's Exceptional Campout June 20 through 22, 2014

Tucalota Springs, Sage, California



41601 E. Benton Road, Sage, CA 92544 * Park phone: 951-767-0604 (no cell phone reception)

* 81 miles from lodge * all sites 30 amp, water and sewer * cost \$38 per night

Fun Elkender events plus WIFI, pool, grass area, playground, mini-zoo and a 1:00 PM Saturday hayride

Your Wagon Masters:

Larry & Carol Lamkins Jim & Nancy Young Steve & Debbie Pavich Home: 714-738-7171 Cell: 714-926-5386 Cell: 714-322-7561

"Travel the World of Cuisine"

FRIDAY

Appetizers: 3:00 PM - Bring your favorite appetizer to share & your own beverage

Dinner: 6:00 PM – A Taste of Eastern Europe

Provided - Hungarian Goulash over noodles

Potluck - Last names A-M - bring a salad

Dessert: Dessert at "The Roxy Theatre"

Potluck - Last names N-Z - bring a dessert

Provided - Coffee

SATURDAY

Brunch: 10:30 AM

Pot Luck - Bring your favorite fruit, brunch or breakfast dish

Lunch: On your own

Appetizers: 3:00 PM - Bring your favorite appetizer to share & your own beverage

Dinner: 6:00 PM - An Oriental Culinary Adventure

Provided - Skewered Teriyaki chicken and/or shrimp, pineapple, tomatoes, bell

pepper, onion, Japanese sticky rice with green tea and fortune cookies

Potluck - Last names N-Z - bring an Asian salad or your favorite salad

Dessert: Ice Cream Bonanza

Potluck - Last names A-M - bring a quart or half gallon of ice cream

plus a favorite topping and your ice cream scoop

Provided - Coffee

SUNDAY Happy Father's Day

8:00 AM

Provided - Coffee

₩ Bring plates, utensils, and beverages for all meals plus FIREWOOD ₩

<u>Driving directions:</u> I-15 South; exit Rancho California Rd. and turn left (east) for 7 miles; turn right on Glen Oaks Rd. for 2 miles; turn left on Mesa Rd. (which becomes East Benton Rd.) for 5 miles; cross Sage Rd. to Tucalota Springs (watch for park entrance sign)

THE REAR VIEW MIRROR

By Larry Lamkins

LAKE ELSINORE – February 21-23, 2014

Wagon Masters:

Martin & Marsha Hoxworth Larry Mamchur and Joyce Claussen



Winter time in Southern California is the weather envy of the country. Some 30 rigs and almost 60 Elk-Ender members gathered in the park, roaming with their dogs (and cat) in tow, enjoying a beautiful view of the lake from their perch under lovely shade trees. With temperatures during the day at a sunny 80 degrees and at night with an approachable 50 degrees, one could not ask for a more pleasant weekend.

The Lake Elsinore RV Park meeting room with a wall of picture windows framing the serene lake, served as an outstanding place to socialize. Under the RV awnings we saw birthday celebrations, napping and even some RV repairs. The familiar pairing of food and drink was once again seen at Friday night's hamburger and hot dog feast. Wow! "Heap it high" was the call throughout the evening. The grand finale was the popular "SKU your Neighbor" card game. Bob Crew, Jack Hansen and new member Tom Sperl all split the pot for the top three best card players.

On Thursday and Friday afternoons, the Elks met the Moose for a seasonal "rut" in the local Moose lodge. As always, the Moose were very happy to lock horns with the Elks and host the Elks (aka Happy Corks) with a variety of spirits. We never did hear who finished as "alpha leader" after the competitive rut ceremonies...

Saturday was the big day for the group as the highly anticipated baseball rivalry ramped-up. This game was unusual as the men awarded 5 free runs to the women before the game even began. Did this help even up the competition? Woops! The women won with a twelve to seven finish. Individual players were tossing strong, accurate and point-making pitches. Yeah ladies! Men, you need to work on your pre-game strategies for next meeting. This writer recommends you NOT spot them any runs. Apparently they do not need any help!

Lake Elsinore recently installed a splendid new outdoor grill upon which the Elks placed multiple Saturday night main course items including steaks, pork and lamb chops, chicken, and yep, LOBSTER! All of these tender morsels were paired with delicious accompaniments as well as an array of fine desserts. After a satisfying meal, a quick meeting was called to discuss business. Then along came that nasty intruder, the Sheriff. He was dragging along a very hungry Purple Pig. The final Sheriff collection was some \$81 which was added to purple pig with a \$45 contribution from Buzz & Margo Dobbs of Buzz's Bar and a \$40 contribution from Jerry & Kathi Treeter of the Buffalo Milk Barn. A special thanks to the generosity of these two couples and to one and all who contributed dollars for these delicious drinks. The purple pig fund grew by \$160. Great job!

Once again, everyone enjoyed the social atmosphere of another well-presented Elk-Ender outing. Thank you wagon masters Martin & Marsha Hoxworth and Larry Mamchur & Joyce Claussen for your exemplary organization and delivery this weekend. It was another perfect weekend.

All of the Elk-Enders welcome new members for just \$15 dues a year. All you need is a recreational vehicle and a desire to have fun. If you do not own one, consider renting one and join us for our next outing. Check the calendar on www.elk-enders.org for events throughout 2014 and 2015.























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