



Elk-Ender News

May, 2014



The Prez Sez

The April outing at East Shore RV Park at Puddingstone Lake was an enjoyable success. Larry and Pauline Hoffman and Rod and Terrie Watkins did a tremendous job hosting the 24 rigs and day visitors for games and dinner. Larry and Rod provided an excellent time at a RV park with some interesting weather on Friday night after the campfire. Dinner was Tostadas prepared by Rod Watkins, Don Quijada and Larry Hoffman, with cookies and coffee for dessert. Because it was all outside, the wind precluded us from our SKRU Yer neighbor card game but allowed a great big campfire both Friday and Saturday nights. Rain began about 9:30 and in mid night became heavy with strong winds and gusts, WHILE WE SLEPT! (Hoffman awning reportedly reached 120 knts IAS). Rain ended and sky cleared by morning. Many enjoyed a quick visit to the Lemon Festival practicing for the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival. Saturday morning was the potluck breakfast. A little different this time as the Wagon Masters delineated who was to bring what: A-J main dishes, K-S side dishes and T-Z fruit or dessert. Everyone liked that and we didn't have 20 fruit trays, 20 potato trays and 4 main dishes. It really worked out well! Saturday afternoon we played the washer board game and those who had never played it before seemed to really enjoy it and the old standbys were happy to see it rejuvenated. Attendees were from as far away as Las Vegas. Dinner was a fabulous brisket BBQ by Richard Jones Co and our meeting. The winners of the washer board game donated their winnings to the Purple Pig and all totaled we made \$125 for the Purple Pig. The view of the Lake was excellent and we are looking forward to next year. Rumor has it several of our members were using the internet to contact the Wally Thor Truck Driving School for backing-up and avoiding fixtures.

Our May campout has been cancelled for a variety of scheduling conflicts which include Mother's Day, Convention, and Strawberry Festival preparations and activities. Next year we will be at Chula Vista RV Resort in San Diego and avoid scheduling conflicts.

Again this year 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. Please volunteer to help. As past Presidents have I will be asking for our members to lead and coordinate these efforts.

I am proud to announce we have received a citation from the Grand Lodge for our \$2000 donation to the Major Project. This will be displayed in the Elk-Ender display at the Lodge. Karen and I look forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings and campouts.

Ken

Coming Lodge Events.

May 11 – Mother's Day Brunch
 May 14-17 – CHEA State Convention, Palm Springs
 May 23-26 – Garden Grove Strawberry Festival

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Minutes of the April 2, 2014 Meeting

Date: 4/2/14

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

Pledge of Allegiance was led by: David Skelton

Guests Present: None announced

Recognize – Please stand:

Past EE Presidents: Martin Hoxworth, David Skelton, Duane Duncan, Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman, Joe Zapata, Mark Mahoney, Sherrie Larson, and Jay Morrissey

Current EE's of the Year: Larry Lamkins

Past EE's of the Year: Martin Hoxworth, Jo Darrow, Larry Hoffman, Randy Eldridge, Alex Gonzalez, Mark Mahoney, Sherrie Larson, Eileen Rasmussen, and Jim Young.

Secretary's report by Jim Young:

March's minutes were announced as printed in the March Newsletter sent out and on the web site. The following correction is noted:

To Special Activities Reports; Lodge 1952 Installation of Officers – April 3, 2014 – Open Meeting. Officers of note to be installed add – Jack Hansen, Officer At Large.

The minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer's report by Eileen Rasmussen:

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

Vice President's report by Larry Lamkins:

Larry handed out new member badges and flags to Alan Reed. Larry also announced he had New Member badge, flags, and decals for new member Tom Funkhouser, who was absent.

General Reports:

General Wagon Master report by Carol Lamkins:

Carol opened with a summary of what she has already done and is planning for the future of Elk-Enders camping. A committee camera, new bins for storage shed, new wagon master duties description, templates for campout flyers, menu planning guide, support worksheets. She has also booked Mission Bay Resort for 2016.

Mark Mahoney filled us all in about the Do-It-In-The Dirt on the weekend of March 13th through the 16th. In attendance were 27 rigs with 45 riders for the first semi-annual Nicole Hoffman Memorial Poker Run. Aside from a great time and fantastic weather, the group contributed \$125.00 to the purple pig.

Jay Morrissey told us all of the March 27 – 30 campout at Newport Dunes. The event had a 30 rig attendance and some really great food and fun. The ladies trounced the men at bean bag baseball with a score of 10 to 4. Ouch.

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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. Tonight is the last night to sign up, as Larry has to call in the final rig count on Thursday 4/3/14. 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. Larry promised there will be a new game to challenge and entertain us all.

Ken Moody spoke of the May 15 – 18 campout at Yucaipa Regional Park. The wagon masters are Stan & Darlene Vastine with Ken & Karen Moody. He promised Buzz's Margaritas would be on site for all to enjoy. If you haven't been to this park, it is a beautiful park with lots of great side trips available to the apple country up in Oak Glen. All of the sites reserved are triple rig sites.

Larry Lamkins enthusiastically told us of the upcoming Experiential Campout featuring "Travel The World Of Cuisine" at Tocalota Springs on June 20 - 22. Your wagon masters & friends will be serving Hungarian Goulash on Friday night and grilled Teriyaki Chicken and Shrimp as part of an Asian meal with sticky rice and vegetables for Saturday night. A new game is to be played Saturday and there will be a dessert concert video to be run on Friday night.

Carol announced the wagon masters for the Vista Elks Lodge campout July 25 – 27th will be Buzz & Margo Dobbs with Joe & Pat Spychaj.

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
Jack Hansen, Officer at Large

Randy Eldridge, Exalted Ruler, Lodge Inaugural Ball – Saturday, April 5, 2014

Plastic egg stuffing at the Lodge – Saturday, April 20, 2014

Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt at the Lodge – Sunday, April 20, 2014

Communications Received / General Announcements:

None announced

Sickness and Distress by Linda Mosbrook:

None announced at the meeting.

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Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



May 2	Judy Webb
May 2	Jim Young (356)
May 5	Nancy Young
May 8	Jim Young (395)
May 8	Marvin Holm
May 8	Hank Poorthan
May 8	Nancy Saunders
May 10	Gary Lawler
May 11	Tom Grant
May 12	Alex Gonz'alez
May 13	Robert Taylor
May 14	Donna Rauls
May 15	Cornelia Tucker
May 20	Don Hunter
May 21	Debbie Zahn
May 25	David Skelton
May 27	Pete Haak

Anniversaries

May 1	Dan & Robyn Johnson
May 3	William & Patty Davis
May 4	Ben & Karen Diaz
May 5	Jim & Donna Rauls
May 8	Tony & Michelle Gaultieri
May 12	Pete & Shelley Haak
May 19	Mark & Debbie Mahoney
May 21	Merlin & Jacki Rice
May 25	Randy & Janice Eldridge
May 27	Pete & Elaine Weidner



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Sunshine: Report from general membership:

Jay & Evelyn Morrissey are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this month. (Sean & Trina Smorick, Dave & Sharon Fridley, and Bob & Tina Crews – also have anniversaries this month trying to catch up with the Morrissey's).

Bernie & Nancy Caughlin proudly announced their granddaughter won the Supreme Scholarship from the Emblem Club.

Unfinished Business:

New President Ken Moody presented Past President and Past First Lady Jay & Evelyn Morrissey a commemorative plaque and flowers in appreciation of their service.

New Business:

A motion was made and seconded "To distribute the remaining funds in the "Happy Wagon Fund" between the "Operating Fund", the "Flag Fund", and the "Equipment And Supplies Fund". The motion was overwhelmingly passed by a vote of the Elk-Enders present.

Randy Barrows PER called for A Moment Of Silence in honor of those soldiers killed and injured at Fort Hood, Texas today.

Jokes:

Jokes were told by Larry Hoffman.

Good of the order by Vice President Gary Westmyer:

Larry Ryberg was absent, missing the \$132.00 grand price. Marcia Hoxworth was present to graciously claim the consolidation price of \$32.00 The \$100.00 will roll over to the May meeting.

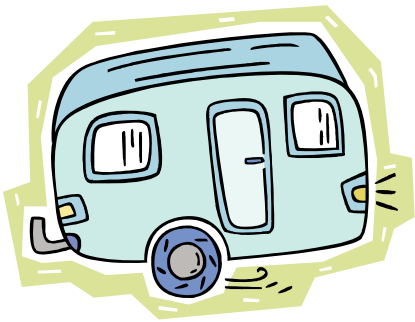
Meeting was adjourned by President Ken Moody 8:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted: *Jim Young*, Secretary.

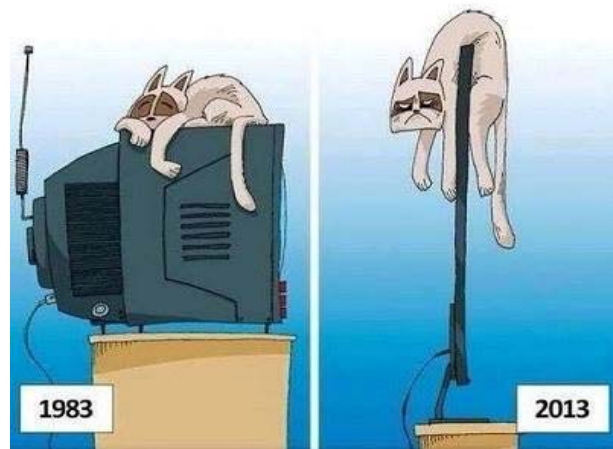
CAMPOUTS 2014

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



And you thought technology sometimes got the best of you . . .



Do you have a gripe, suggestion, or kudos for the Elks, the Lodge or the Elk-Enders?
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

- June Newsletter May 15
- July Newsletter June 15

About Deadlines.....
 Please note that deadlines are about 14 days prior to meeting day. However; because of Holidays, campouts, or weekends this varies a little. If it is past deadline and you have something that you feel should be printed, I will try to accommodate you if it is possible, but can't guarantee it will be able to be printed.

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
Home: 714-738-7171

Jim & Nancy Young
Cell: 714-926-5386

Steve & Debbie Pavich
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 *

Driving directions: 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 Jay Morrissey

CALIFORNIA CITY – March 13-16 **NEWPORT DUNES – March 27-30**

March is a fun and busy month for the Garden Grove Elks Elk-Enders. The Elk-Enders held their 17th semi-annual "Do It In The Dirt" classic fun outing with an approximate 12 ½ mile long poker run that afforded families from young to old with a lot of fun and an opportunity to support their major project, the "Purple Pig" and at the same time win prizes for themselves. This event was held at California City, located just north of Edwards Air Force Base. Many simply enjoyed the incredible high desert weather and many spent time enjoying riding and driving their different types of off-road toys through Saturday. Each evening sported a large campfire used by all attending. The event was recently re-named "The Nicole Hoffman Memorial Poker Run" after Nicole Hoffman, granddaughter of Garden Grove Elk Larry Hoffman.

On Saturday, Wagon Masters Mark Mahoney and Joe Spychaj held the riders meeting and at noon the Poker run began with forty four participant riders in and on Jeeps, 4-wheel drive cars, dune buggies, golf carts, motorcycles and quads. During the run, each participant drew a card at different check points and the last card at the finish. For the very first time, there were identical winning hands for 1st place. The winning hand was 4 sixes and an ace. It was a High-Low game and the winning low hand was 1,2,3,4 &5; known as a wheel (there are no straights in low-ball). 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. After the race Mark and Joe presided at the awards presentation.

The second March outing found twenty seven Elk-Ender members 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 fed.

No, this didn't show up at the campout. But maybe someday!



Newport Dunes





“Roughing it” at Newport Dunes – Friends, Fun, and Food!

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