



Coaster Chatter



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President's Corner

I'm looking forward to serving you as President of the Coasters. Thank you to all who have stepped up to serve as officers. It was great to be able to get together last month for the rally in Kingsburg—thank you to Denny & committee for all their work in putting on a great rally for us!

We need everyone to work with our new wagon masters and think about some great rally locations we can consider for September and October.

Happy Mother's Day to all Coaster Mothers!

Kerry



Notes from the Editor

The celebration of life for Dick Gibbs will be held on June 26, 2021 at 2:00 pm at New Life Church Student Center located at 990 James Way in Pismo Beach, CA 93449. Casual attire. Please RSVP to Charlotte Gibbs at: chargibbs10@gmail.com or (805) 354-3557.

IMPORTANT!

KINGSBURG RALLY

By: Sylvia Burns

It was a beautiful clear day (and not too hot) in Kingsburg as 33 rigs came together to celebrate our first rally of the year. Seems everyone was just as eager as we were to "just get away". While most of the RV resorts are not accepting groups and/or have closed their club houses, Kings River RV Resort, opened their doors and hearts to us. Because there were so many of us gathered, most of our dining and other activities were held outside under pop-ups, but we were able to use their club house for food preparation and for our morning gatherings.

Among the 33 rigs in attendance, there were three "first timers" – Hal and Karen Chase, Ken and Jerrie Dahlen, plus Tom and Patti Tringham. Make sure you introduce yourself to these new members and make them feel welcome.



California Coasters

Chapter of FMCA

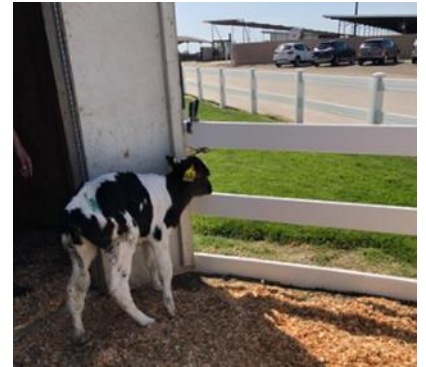
May 2021

All of our "social hours" were held in a big circle by the river. Unfortunately, the river was "dry" which was a big disappointment for those who brought kayaks and/or fishing poles. There isn't water in the river until it is released in late May. Actually, this was good thing for us since it's usually VERY noisy when the motorboats are going up and down the river. Monday night found us enjoying a wonderful Mexican dinner supplied locally. Afterwards, we had a roaring game of Left-Right-Center. About 15 of us participated and Robin Ray won TWICE! and Mary Contreras won the third game. There was also a pool game but I didn't learn who won.



Tuesday was the first of our two scheduled tours. I learned more about how Rosa Brothers treat their cows that I ever wanted to know. Plus, we got to get acquainted with a darling 2-week old calf and taste their various varieties of milk. It was a wonderful tour.

That night, we enjoyed Chinese food also supplied by a local restaurant. While a "baseball game" was



scheduled, it didn't take place as most went back to their rigs or joined others to reconnect.

Wednesday, was "General Meeting Day". Since there were no recent meeting nor expenses, there was no past minutes nor Treasurer's report. The Nomination Committee, headed by Max Peterson, offered up the following candidates: Kerry, Ray (President); Glen DeSchryver (Vice President); DC Contreras (Treasurer); George Brodt (National Director); David Burns (Assistant National Director); Randy Gibbs (Chapter Director); Carol Morgan (Membership); and Mary Contreras (Secretary). Wagon Master was unfilled at this time. All were successfully voted into office. With our records up-to-date, we now have 75 members. We also discussed possible future rallies/trips. Along with the upcoming FMCA Rally in Gillette, WY, in July.

After the meeting, five members (Bob Wyrick, Max Peterson, Arnie Burr, Dennis Mueller, and Lance Brown) took off for a game of golf. While it was expected that Bob would have the lowest score, he reported that no score was kept and they just had fun.

Wednesday, DJ Davis did all of the cooking and we all enjoyed a wonderful ham dinner. After dinner, a game of BINGO was scheduled but there wasn't enough room inside the clubhouse and it was too chilly outside, so the game was scrapped.



Thursday was our second scheduled tour. This one to Nutrinut Automatic Walnut Processing Plant lead by Sybil Wheeler's son, Dave Wendt. Once again, this was a very informative (if somewhat noisy) tour. And, a special thanks to Dave who gave each of us a package of walnuts to enjoy later.



Our last “social hour” by the river, was an eventful one in that we now have a “Wagon Master” – Steve McAbee and Tom Tringham will co-hold the position. Nothing like a “newbie” to step up to the plate!



Thursday night was centered around the BBQ. Special thanks to all those who barbequed and did an outstanding job. DJ was once again found in the kitchen preparing all the other wonderful dishes. After dinner we really enjoyed the ice cream manufactured by Rosa Bros. Dairy.

This outstanding rally (which we all enjoyed) was organized by Denny and Sybil Wheeler. We can't thank you enough! A special thanks also goes to Woody and Ida Jean Woodruff who prepared and handled all of the morning breakfasts. Thanks also to those who were on the committee or who assisted – DJ and Leroy Davis, Dennis and Judy Mueller, and Dave and Sylvia Burns.

Meeting Minutes
California Coasters Membership Meeting
Kings River RV Resort - Kingsburg, CA
Wednesday, April 14, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by President, Leroy Davis. He reported that we had a quorum with eight of the nine Board members and thirty-two RV's present. The following is a summary of Board members present and absent:

Present

President LeRoy Davis
Vice President Kerry Ray
Treasurer Dale Johnson
National Director George Brodt
Asst. National Director Dave Burns
Chapter Director Randy Gibbs
Membership Joy Giles
Wagon Master Denny Wheeler

Absent

Secretary Pam Meyer

The first order of business was a report by President Davis that the minutes for the last meeting that was held in Verdi, NV were approved and published in the newsletter. He also reported that the Treasurer's report for the end of March was published in the April issue of the newsletter.

The second report was presented by George Brodt, National Director. He discussed the article that was published in the April newsletter that discussed the current status of the FMCA annual dues. FMCA shopped around and found another insurance company that would continue to provide the FMCA assist emergency medical assistance insurance for a lower cost. He also reported that FMCA decided to continue the reduced annual dues rate of \$ 50.00 until the Executive board and the Governing Boards meet during the International Rally that will be held in Gillette, WY July 7 – 10, 2021.

Director Brodt also discussed the history of the California Coasters providing volunteers to drive the Express Trams at the Western Area Rally in Indio in partnership with the Monaco Romans Chapter. This rally is usually held at the fairgrounds in Indio in early January each year. Director Brodt's request for a show of hands by those that would be interested in attending the 2022 Indio Rally was very positive.

The third discussion was presented by Membership chairperson Joy Gilles. She stated that we currently have 75 member families. She also stated that she informed FMCA headquarters that we have 75 members, not 95 as their records indicated.

Under New Business, President Davis asked the chairperson of the Nominating Committee, Max Peterson, to give a report on the results of the committee's efforts to find candidates for Chapter officers. He thanked fellow members of the Nominating Committee: Sharon Rendall, Kerry Ray and Ed Frank for their service. The following is the list of the office and the names of members that have agreed to serve if elected:

President - Kerry Ray

Vice President – Glenn DeSchryver

Secretary –

Treasurer – DC Contreras

Membership – Carol Morgan

National Director – George Brodt

Assistant National Director – Dave Burns

Wagon Master –

Chapter Director – Randy Gibbs

Since the Nominating Committee was not able to find a person to serve as Secretary and Wagon Master, President Davis made an appeal to the members present to consider filling these vacant positions. Mary Contreras, who is currently serving the Chapter as the newsletter editor, agreed to serve as the Secretary and was nominated by Dale Johnson.

With one person nominated to fill all but one of the vacant positions, Sue Levine made a motion to accept all of the nominees. The motion was seconded by Woody Woodruff. Since all of the positions only had one nominee, President Davis approved the new slate of officers by acclamation. The new officers were asked to come forward and they were sworn in for a two-year term by Past President Davis.

Following the swearing in ceremony, Trail Boss for the Kingsburg Rally, Denny Wheeler, provided information and directions for Thursdays outing to the Nutrinut automatic walnut processing plant in Cutler, CA and provided suggestions for things to do and see during free time. He also discussed an idea for possible future informal outings to the coast of Oregon, the eastern Sierras, Utah and the northern California coast.

There being no further discussion, Denny Wheeler made a motion at 9:45 am to adjourn the meeting. Steve McAbee seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Submitted by: George Brodt, National Director

Addendum

Following the meeting, Tom Tringham and Steve McAbee got together and decided that they could collaborate and fill the vacant office of Wagon Master. During the Social hour on Wednesday afternoon, Joy Gilles told the members of this good news. Tom Tringham and Steve McAbee made a few comments to the group and stated that Tom would be willing to serve as the Wagon Master and Steve would be willing to serve as the Assistant Wagon Master.

Hearing this news, the Chairmen of the Nominating Committee, Max Peterson, stood and nominated Tom Tringham to fill the vacant office of Wagon Master and Steve McAbee to serve as Assistant Wagon Master. Chairman Peterson then called for the vote. They were unanimously approved by all of the members present.

During the dinner on Thursday evening President Kerry Ray installed and swore in Tom Tringham as the Wagon Master and Steve McAbee as Assistant Wagon Master.

2021-2023 Officers

President - Kerry Ray

Vice President – Glenn DeSchryver

Secretary – Mary Contreras

Treasurer – DC Contreras

Membership – Carol Morgan

National Director – George Brodt

Assistant National Director – Dave Burns

Wagon Master – Tom Tringham and Steve McAbee

Chapter Director – Randy Gibbs

SUNSHINE REPORT

By: Sylvia Burns



We got some really good news while we were in Kingsburg. While unable to join us, Ed Frank is now at home and well on the road to recovery. Our best wishes for his speedy recovery.

Unfortunately, I also received a report that both Pat and Shirley Crawford are not doing well at this time. While the Club has sent them a card with our good wishes and prayers, if you would care to send them a card/note on your own, their address is: 6555 Altos de Piedra, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

From the Wagon Masters



Steve McAbee and I are excited about being your new Wagon Masters. Steve said it best during happy hour at the Kingsburg rally, "it takes two people to fill Denny Wheeler's shoes". Denny set the bar high, so our work is cut out for us, but we look forward to working with all the members to provide many memorable outings.

During the Kingsburg rally Joy Gilles announced a 3-night campout at Lake Cachuma, 5/18-5/20. My wife, Patti, and I have reserved site #29. Last I heard,

7 rigs are going! If you are interested, make a reservation, and let Joy know. Thank you, Joy.

The months of September and October are blank on the Coastal Chatter Schedule. If you have any ideas of where to go, please let the Wagon Masters know. And remember, we need all members to step up and be Trail Bosses or Assistants to ensure outings are successful. Hopefully the "new normal" will allow us to enjoy our Christmas party at Wine Country RV Resort and the FMCA Western Area Rally, January 12-16, in Indio.

Happy Trails,
Tom Tringham (51%)
TomB.Tringham@gmail.com
Steve McAbee (49%)

Members of the California Coasters,

I told a group of you when we were at the Kingsburg rally, that I would put together a trip up the coast of Oregon, which I did. Upon looking at the schedule we decided that I was biting off more than we could chew because of our ages, and we would not be making the trip in favor of shorter trips. Therefore, I am sharing what I put together in case anyone else would like to take it over, or even just take the trip.

See page 7 for the information.

Denny



Birthdays



George Brodt	5-3
Marilyn Platz	5-5
Jill Carle	5-10
DJ Davis	5-17



Anniversaries



David & Lisa Henry 24 years



Officers

President Kerry Ray

Secretary Mary Contreras

Chapter Director Randy Gibbs

VP Glenn DeSchryver

National Dir George Brodt

Membership Carol Morgan

Treasurer DC Contreras

Alt. National Dir Dave Burns

Wagon Masters Tom Tringham & Steve McAbee

Appointees:

Sunshine Sylvia Burns

Photographer Sharon Rendall

Historian Donna Brodt

Newsletter Editors DC & Mary Contreras

California Coasters Summary Financial Statement April 2021

Beginning Bank Balance	\$18,334.42
Receipts	\$ 9,490.00
Expenses	\$ 5,495.42
Ending Bank Balance	\$ 22,329.00



JUNE TRIP UP TO & INCLUDING OREGON, WASHINGTON COASTS

DAY	DATE	DAY	FROM	TO	RV PARK	PHONE	MILES	NOTES
1	06/05/21	Sat	SLO	Gilroy	Gilroy Garlic USA RV Park	408-848-8081	170	
2	06/06/21	Sun	Gilroy	Petaluma	Elks	707-241-0566	115	
			Alternative to Elks is San Francisco KOA in Petaluma					
3	06/07/21	Mon	@Petaluma					
4	06/08/21	Tues	Petaluma	Willets	Creekside Cabins & RV	707-459-2521	105	
5	06/09/21	Wed	@ Willets					Ride Skunk Train, reservations recommended 3 weeks ahead of time. Phone 707-964-6371
6	06/10/21	Thurs	Willets	Eureka	Elks	707-442-6652	135	
			If Elks is not available:	Eureka	River Walk RV Park in Fortuna	707-725-3359		
7	06/11/21	Fri	Eureka	Klamath	Klamath River RV Park	707-483-2091	63	Right on the river
8	06/12/21	Sat	@ Klamath					See Fern Canyon, elks
9	06/13/21	Sun	Klamath	Coos Bay	Bay Point Landing	541-351-9160	162	
10	06/14/21	Mon	@ Coos Bay					Visit Bandon, Washed Ashore, Botanical Gardens
11	06/15/21	Tues	Coos Bay	Florence	Elks North	541-997-9259	55	In forest
12	06/16/21	Wed	@ Florence					See or ride sand dunes, or just hang out
13	06/17/21	Thurs	@ Florence					
14	06/18/21	Fri	Florence	Tillamook	Elks	842-420-6623	118	In Forest
15	06/19/21	Sat	@ Tillamook					Visit Garibaldi, ride train
16	06/20/21	Sun	Tillamook	Bay Center, WA	KOA	360-875-6344	107	Oyster Processing Plant, buy oysters
17	06/21/21	Mon	Bay Center	Forks	Forks 101	360-374-5073	151	
18	06/22/21	Tues	Forks	Sequim	John Waynes	360-681-3853	73	See remnant of removed Elwha Dam
19	06/23/21	Wed	@ Sequim					See lavender fields
20	06/24/21	Thurs	Sequim	Castle Rock	Pardise Cove	360-274-6785	157	
21	06/25/21	Fri	@Castle Rock					See Mount St Helens
22	06/26/21	Sat	Castle rock	Coburg, OR	Eugene Premier RV Park	541-686-3152	179	
23	06/27/21	Sun	Coburg	Shady Cove	Rogue River RV Prk	541-878-2404	153	Right on Rogue River
24	06/28/21	Mon	Shady Cove	Redding	Elks	530-243-5900	205	
25	06/29/21	Tues	Redding	Stockton	River Point Landing	209-951-4144	210	
26	06/30/21	Wed	Stockton	SLO			254	
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California Coasters Chapter, FMCA

2021 Schedule

2021	RALLY & LOCATION	TRAIL BOSS	ASSISTANTS
January			
February			
March			
April 12-16	Kings River RV Park Kingsburg, CA	Denny & Sybil Wheeler	Dave & Sylvia Burns Leroy & D.J. Davis Woody & Ida Jean Woodruff
May			
June/July/Aug.	DARK MONTHS		
September			
October			
November	DARK MONTH		
December Dates TBD	Wine Country RV Resort Paso Robles	Leroy & DJ Davis ?	David & Lisa Henry ? Dennis & Judy Muller ? Steve & Sheila Ton ?

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