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Discovery

Club of California Newsletter

Susan Salit, Editor



A Chapter of FMCA



Presidents Message

Thank you for a great turnout at the Pechanga rally. We all enjoyed the outing, and the facilities at the RV park were outstanding, with big sites, and lots of green grass. The clubhouse was also very nice, and we had it all to ourselves.

We owe a big thank you for the trail bosses, the Skinners, Browns, and Swansons, for planning the affair, and for generously feeding us for the whole time we were there. The Winery Tour was educational, and showed us how it was done at Callaway. We now have more wine glasses than we have places to put them. The only thing that was missing during the whole rally is that there were no reports of a jackpot at the casino. Better luck next time.

We look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting at Emerald Desert in January.

Election of Officers

Officers elected at the Pechanga Rally in
September, 2012

Alan Johnston - President
Carl Johnson - Vice President
Jackie Ouellette - Secretary
Marilyn Turner - Treasurer
Ray Ouellette - National Director
Gary Brown - Alternate National Director



Member News

It is once again time to renew your yearly Discovery Club dues. Please remit \$30.00 to the Discovery Club for membership by January. It can be mailed to me at my house, 1208 Vista Cayenta, San Clemente, CA 92672 or hand it in at the January rally at Emerald Desert. Please be sure to include any changes to your personal information, i.e. cell phone number, e-mail address, etc. with your payment. See the coupon on Page 9.

Thank you,

Tammy Norris,
Membership Chairman

Art Valenzuela new e-mail address:
artvalenzuela@me.com

Susan Komen OC Race for the
Cure!

1,200 breast cancer survivors and families participated in the Komen Race for the Cure in Newport Beach at Fashion Island, this year Sept. 23, 2012.

Glenn has walked with me in my "walk a mile for the cure" every year for 6 years.

Thank you for all the support from my family and friends.

Marilyn Turner



Tenley Ownes, Pat
Roman's great
granddaughter

Born 9/25/12, 8:30 pm,
20 in, 7 lbs 11 oz

Emily Alyce Norris,
first grandchild for
Ralph and Tammy

Born 4/14/12, 8 lbs 8 oz.,
19 in.



WAGONMASTER'S REPORT

Our Pechanga Rally was a huge success thanks to Trail Bosses Rich & Sue Skinner, Gary & Carrie Brown and John & Marsha Swanson. Good food, golf, winery tours, gambling, fun new games and a special Mexican Fiesta which included free Sombrero Mexicano for all to wear and to keep. None of the 34 hungry Discoverers left the dinner table unsatisfied. We had a great turnout with seventeen (17) rigs in attendance. This is the second largest turnout we've had in the past two years with 73% of all members in attendance.

Several played golf at the famous Red Hawk golf course. A group of twenty two (22) enjoyed the wine tour and wine tasting at Callaway Winery. Several enjoyed donating to the Pechanga slot machines except for Larry Benson who claims to be the big winner.

Noe had a ball with the DDD award with several nominees including Ouellette, Rody, Valenzuela and Norris. The big winner was Norris for not wearing his Mexican Sombrero during our Mexican Fiesta. We had several winners of the LRC games including John Swanson and Muriel Benson who ended up with the largest amount of cash. Marsha Swanson introduced us in a new car racing game which was lots of fun with numerous winners.

Our Ways and Means fundraiser project netted our club approximately \$170 in ticket sales for the various expensive wine and gifts donated from Callaway Winery and other club members.

Our election was held and our new board will consist of President Alan Johnston, Vice President Carl Johnson, Secretary Jackie Ouellette, Treasurer Marilyn Turner, National Director Ray Ouellette and Assistant National Director Gary Brown. President Johnston will request several other volunteers for the non-elected positions at our forthcoming Emerald Desert Rally on January 15, 2013. I would like to politely remind you that our club requires lots of volunteers, please contact Alan if you can assist in any way.

Thanks to the Trail Boss volunteers, we have contracts signed for our 2013 rallies which include Emerald Desert - Bakersfield R.V. Resort - Terrible's Lakeside Casino R.V. Resort, Pahrump, Nevada, and Boulder Creek R.V. Resort.

Stay safe and healthy.

Ray Ouellette, Wagon Master
Discovery Club of California



2013 Rallies

(These are now official rallies. Contracts are signed.)

Tuesday January 15 - Friday January 18, 2013

[Emerald Desert RV Resort](#)

Palm Desert, CA

The Johnsons and The Ouellettes

Tuesday March 19 - Friday March 22, 2013

[Bakersfield RV Resort](#)

5025 Wible Road

Bakersfield, CA 93313

PH (661) 833-9998 | FX (661) 833-9994

The Teixeiras and The Aragons

Tuesday May 14 - Friday May 17, 2013

[Terrible's Resort](#)

Pahrump, NV

Trail Bosses the Skinners

Thursday Sept. 19 - Sunday Sept. 22, 2013

[Boulder Creek RV Resort](#)

2550 South Highway 395

Lone Pine, CA 93545 (760) 876-4243

The Romans and The Norrises



Pechanga Rally

Awesome Hosts
The Skinners
The Browns
The Swansons

Thanks! It was great.

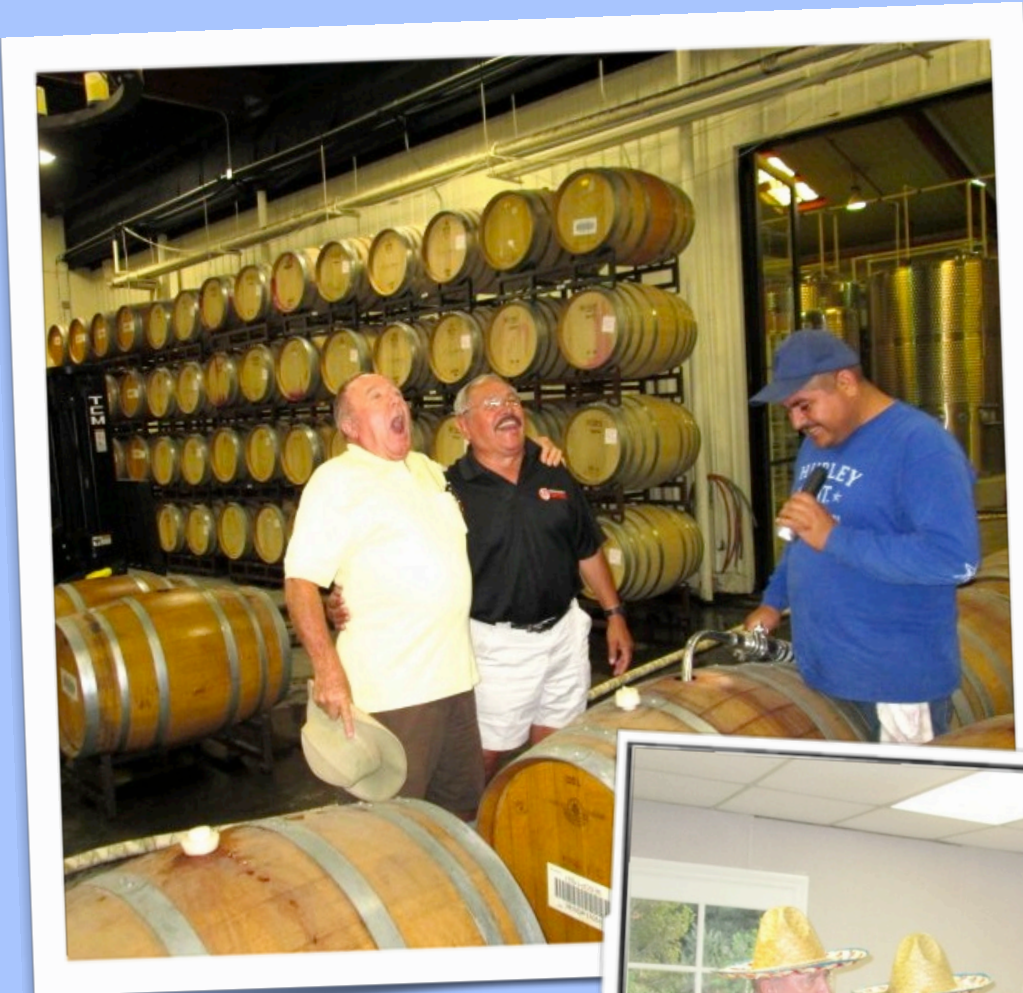


Muriel posing in Ray's new toy.



Lois, Tammy and Pat shopping at Steinmart





Do they really think
he is going to fill
them up?



THE DD&D AWARD

The candidates and the
winner.

It was a Mexican party
and Ralph just refused
to wear his hat.



**Playing Games
Car Races and LRC
And Winning**

**DISCOVERY CLUB OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

September 26, 2012

Pechanga RV Resort, Temecula, CA



Jackie Ouellette
Secretary

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Alan Johnston at 9:40 A. M. President Carl Johnson was absent. Alan then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Alan then thanked Trail Bosses Rich and Sue Skinner, Gary and Carrie Brown and John and Marsha Swanson for the outstanding rally.

Secretary Jackie Ouellette announced the minutes of the May meeting were posted on the bulletin board. Sue Skinner made a motion and seconded by Gary Brown to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Wagon Master Ray Ouellette thanked the Trail Bosses and thanked all for the great turn out at this rally. Ray then talked of the next rally at Emerald Desert, January 15th thru January 18, 2013. Ray passed out sign up information sheets for that rally. Trail Bosses will be the Ouellette's and the Johnson's. Ray also said there will be a motor home caravan to Quartzite, AZ following the rally for anyone interested.

Ray then announced the rest of the rallies for 2013:

Bakersfield RV Resort, March 19 thru 22, Trail Bosses the Teixeira's and the Aragon's.

Pahrump, NV, May 14 thru 17, Trail Bosses the Skinners.

Boulder Creek RV Resort, Lone Pine, CA, Sept. 17 thru 20, Trail Bosses the Romans and the Norris's.

National Director Ray Ouellette announced that members Harry and Susan Salit attended the FMCA National Meeting in August. It was announced that FMCA no longer has the Sky Med benefit as part of our membership. Sky Med can be purchased on its own by any member. An outline of the meeting is posted on the bulletin board.

Jackie Ouellette talked about our next rally at Emerald Desert, in January 2013. We will be having a "Christmas White Elephant" silent auction fundraiser. Lois Jones told everyone of the Palm Springs Tour we have planned for the rally.

Treasurer Ralph Norris said the Treasurer's report for the last two rallies is posted on the bulletin board. A motion was made by Jackie Ouellette and seconded by Sue Skinner to accept the report. Motion passed. Ralph asked for a committee to do a Treasury Audit. Committee members: Marilyn Turner, Betty Wickersham, Ray Ouellette and Ralph Norris. Committee will meet immediately after the Membership Meeting. Treasurer Norris also stated that he filed the Federal Tax Return for the Club on time.

Hospitality chairman Lois Jones announced the following: Harry Salit is recovering from an eye stroke, he has no sight in one eye but can still drive and get along well. Harry also fell and hurt his arm on his recent cross country trip. Dave Wickersham isn't feeling well and has had many tests to determine what's wrong, no results yet. Ralph Norris successfully had a cancer growth taken off his eye area. Leo Aragon had successful knee surgery. The Ouellette's and the Norris's celebrated Anniversaries this month. Sue Skinner celebrated her birthday. And finally, Lois told us about her recent heart episode and that she had two (2) stents due to blockages. Lois is doing very well.

Membership chairman Tammy Norris said no new members. She said when FMCA notifies her of a new "Discovery" motor home member, and then she emails the persons and lets them know about our club. Her responses are few and she suggests going back to "snail mail" as that form of contact is much more successful.

Library chairman Marilyn Turner announced she has many books for members to borrow, have or exchange for another book. All book donations are gratefully accepted.

Newsletter chairman Susan Salit asked for articles and/or pictures for the newsletter. She thanked those who have contributed in the past.

Ways and Means chairman Jackie Ouellette announced the club made \$170.00 at the wine raffle. The next fundraiser will be at the January 2013. She asked members to "save" those "white elephant" Christmas gifts and bring them to Emerald Desert RV Rally.

Web Master Alan Johnston said nothing new with the web site.

Nominating committee chairman Dave Wickersham presented the following slate of officers for 2013-2014.

President: Alan Johnston
Vice President: Carl Johnson
Treasurer: Marilyn Turner
Secretary: Jackie Ouellette
National Director: Ray Ouellette
Asst. Nat'l Director: Gary Brown

A motion was made by Muriel Benson and seconded by Harry Salit to accept the slate of officers. Motion passed.

With no further business Betty Wickersham made a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by Jackie Ouellette. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:25 A. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Ouellette, Secretary
Discovery Club of California



Discovery Club of California Yearly Membership Dues

Yearly dues from members are \$30.00 per coach payable January 1st each year. Please remit by January 1, or at the January rally. You must maintain current membership in FMCA. Please fill in your current information so that we may update our records.

RENEWAL

Make checks payable to:

Discovery Club of California

Mail to:

Tammy Norris, Membership
1208 Vista Cayenta
San Clemente, CA 92672

NAME _____ FMCA # _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE (____) _____ CELL PHONE (____) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

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