

May 2011

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Club of California
Newsletter



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Vice Presidents Message

Thank you everyone, for coming to the Hemet rally and making it a great outing with a lot of fun and laughs for us all. We all send our special thanks to Gary and Carrie, and Rich and Sue for making it all come together with fun and games and lots of good food. The tour of the new museum was a treat, especially for all us old folks who did not even know it was there, and an enjoyable afternoon of shuffleboard was an unusual club recreation.

Good luck and good health for all, and we'll see you again at Chula Vista.



**Alan
Johnston**
Vice President

WAGONMASTER'S REPORT



Upcoming Events

Sept 13-16, 2011
Rally @ Chula Vista RV Resort
460 Sandpiper Way
Chula Vista, CA
800-770-2878
Hosts: Ray & Jackie Ouellette
Glenn & Marilyn Turner

Aug 10-13, 2011
FMCA 86th Convention
Madison WI

Jan 11-15, 2012
FMCA Western Area Rally
Indio, CA

Jan 20-23, 2012
Rally @ Quail Run RV Park
918 N Central Blvd
Quartzsite, AZ
Glenda 928-927-8810 (Quartzsite)
Hosts: Bob & Pam Johnson
Harry & Susan Salit

Mar 20-23 2012
Pechanga RV Resprt
45000 Pechanga Pkwy
Temecula, CA 92592
Trailboss volunteers needed

May 15-18, 2012
Pismo Creek RV Resort
98 S. Dolliver St.
Pismo Beach, CA 93449
805-773-4434
Hosts: Dick & Lillian Rody
Art & Barbara Valenzuela

Sept 13-16, 2012
Boulder Creek RV Resort
2550 S. Hwy 395
Lone Pine, CA 93545
760-876-4243
Trail Boss volunteers needed

Our Hemet Rally at "Golden Village Palms R.V. Resort" was filled with fun, games, prizes, good food and a very informative trip to the nearby museum and the Diamond Valley Lake information center. Our Potluck Dinner on Thursday provided us with a variety of gourmet dishes that could never be duplicated through the best outside caterers. Having a Potluck dinner is an excellent way to start a rally and gives everyone a chance to participate. It's also very helpful to the trail bosses who have limited time to prepare for the first day of the Rally.

Speaking of Trail bosses, I would like to express my personal thanks to Gary, Carrie, Rich and Sue for a wonderful rally. It's difficult to believe that this is their first time as Trail Bosses because everything went without a hitch and everyone had a great time. Our tri-tip and sloppy Joe dinners included baked beans, corn on the cob and several other fixings and great desserts including a beautifully decorated "Over The Hill, Discovery Club Cake."

The highlights of our rally included a short trip and caravan to the "Western Center for Archaeology & Paleontology." This is a World-Class Museum that includes interactive displays, a movie theater and several exhibits including "Max", the largest mastodon ever found in the Western U.S.; "Xena," a 16,000 year old mammoth; and Sammy," a giant ground sloth. The massive Diamond Valley Lake construction project led to this museum's fascinating collection.

We played several games including LRC, Bingo, and Trivia Quiz. However, our Shuffle Board Tournament was tops thanks to the expert drill instructor

provided by the Resort Facility. The first place shuffle board winner was the team of Bob and Pam Johnson. Art and Barbara Valenzuela along with Noe & Pat Roman were the second and third place ribbon winners. However, it appeared that Pam, Barbara and Pat were the real experts in this game. The LRC winners were Mary Archambeault (again) and Art Valenzuela. The lucky bingo winners were Barbara Wilkinson and Harry Salit. Our smartest member was Pam Johnson who answered most of the trivia questions correctly.

We have several great forthcoming rallies including Chula Vista and Quartzsite. Please submit your applications in a timely fashion if you plan to attend. Chula Vista requires a final notice 30 days prior to the rally along with a one-day deposit for each site. Additionally, please consider being a trail boss. It may sound like lots of work and it probably is, but it's also lots of fun. It's not necessary to cook every meal, we all have food in our motorhomes and it seems that every time you turn around at these rallies, it's time to eat again. Don't hesitate to utilize local catering services and ask for assistance from other club members who will be happy to help. Remember, the club also covers camping fees for both the trail boss and the assistant trail boss.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if further information is desired. I also remain ready to assist in any way.

Hope to see you in Chula Vista.

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there,
Ray Ouellette
Wagonmaster

Hemet Rally

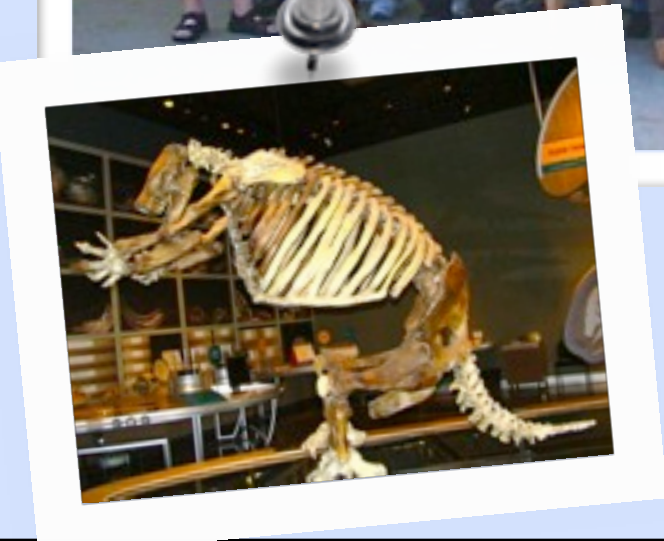


SHUFFLEBOARD
COACH

We played
shuffleboard and
ate cake!



I'm
a winner!
First Place



We went to the museum and saw ancient
animal remains unearthed during the
building of Diamond Valley Reservoir.

**DISCOVERY CLUB OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Minutes - May 13, 2011
Golden Village Palms RV Resort, Hemet, California**



**Jackie
Ouellette**
Secretary

The meeting was opened at 9:30 am by Vice President Alan Johnston. VP Johnston then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Jackie Ouellette posted the minutes of the March 26, 2011 meeting. Motion made by Joanne Johnston and seconded by Carrie Brown to accept the minutes. Motion approved.

Treasurer Ralph Norris was absent; Noe Roman posted the Treasurer's report. Motion made by Joanne Johnston and seconded by Dick Rody to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion approved.

National Director Ray Ouellette gave a brief FMCA report. He also encouraged all to read their copies of the FMCA magazine for lots of information. Alternate National Director Gary Brown may attend the next National Meeting August 10, 2011 in Madison, Wisconsin. If he is unable to attend Susan Salit will represent our club.

VP Alan Johnston gave a Hospitality Report in the absence of Lois Jones. He read a letter from Marietta Richardson regarding the health of her husband Bill. Bill really welcomes cards and calls.

VP Johnston thanked the Brown's and the Skinner's for the wonderful job they are doing hosting this rally. It is a first time hosting by both couples. Gary Brown asked all to meet in front of his RV at 11 am so we can carpool to the Western Center Archaeology & Paleontology Museum.

Wagon Master Ray Ouellette gave dates for upcoming rallies:

Chula Vista, Sept. 13 – 16, 2011 Ouellette's & Turner's hosting
Quartzsite, AZ, Jan 20 – 23, 2012 Bob Johnsons & Salits hosting
Pechanga, Temecula, Ca – March 20 – 23, 2012 - need hosts
**tentative – Pahrump, NV – May 22 – 25, 2012
Lone Pine, CA – Sept. 13 – 16, 2012 – need hosts

Ray also talked about an outline for "Trail bosses" and has offered to help all in their planning, questions, and any other needs they may have.

Ways & Means Chairman Jackie Ouellette discussed a White Elephant Sale at the next rally in Chula Vista. All were asked to donate "good" salable items. There was a discussion led by Gary Brown regarding the Club purchasing an AED Heart D-Fib to be available at all our rallies. Gary will have a representative come to our meeting March, 2012 to demonstrate, answer questions and tell of the cost involved. (approx. \$1300.) There was also a suggestion that we use Way & Means monies to cover the cost of the D-Fib. More discussion will be held at the Chula Vista meeting in Sept. 2011.

Marilyn Turner asked for books to trade during our rallies. There was a motion made by Jackie Ouellette and seconded by Joanne Johnston to make Marilyn Turner our clubs official librarian, motion passed.

Noe Roman asked all to let him know of any worthy DDD award candidates.

With no further business, VP Alan Johnston made a motion, seconded by Noe Roman to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Ouellette, Secretary