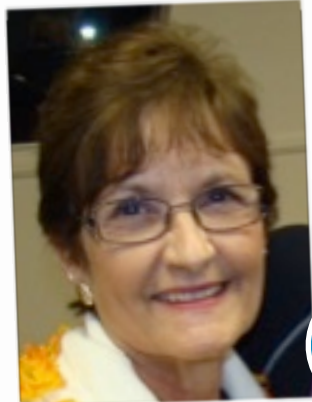


Jan-April 2022

Discovery

A Chapter of FMCA



Joan Edman
President

Presidents Report

January 2022

Happy New Year! It has been challenging for all, and here's hoping for a return to relative normalcy. Some positive news would be so welcoming.

Our Flying Flags Rally in January had 16 rigs in attendance. Leo and Marian Aragon joined us as Trail Bosses - not easy for them as they were also taking care of their 9 year-old great-grandson for six months.

The Santa Ynez Valley unfortunately had a lot of museum closures. However, most of the shops were open and an abundance of wineries. The weather was rainy at first, followed by cold mornings and early cold evenings. Even with the indoor mask mandate, our Discovery Club managed to get out and about. With the nightly expense of the park's clubhouse/kitchen and the mask mandate, we paid for a vacant space and erected "easy ups," adding lights and heaters. A big thanks to Ed Brennan who cut a huge pile of wood to burn in the firepit and keep us warm.

We enjoyed dinners at Firestone-Walker and AJ Spurs, and breakfast at Ellen's Pancake House. Unfortunately, the Alisal River Grill (my personal favorite) cancelled our breakfast reservation the night before the rally began. On Wednesday evening, Marian and I made hot soup followed by perfect homemade pies from my favorite baker, Norma Anderson. Our final meal out was lunch at Petros Winery on the Foxen Canyon Wine Trail. Delicious! Later that evening, we had potluck appetizers with cocktails. To call it an "appetizing abundance" would put it mildly.

Our members stayed busy shopping, playing golf arranged by Brennan (who was victorious by his account), driving to Lompoc and Santa Maria, and just touring the Valley. In true Discovery Club fashion, we played Left-Center-Right (OR Left-Right Center). Jacky's Nutter won the first night, Leo won the second night and came very close to winning the third night. However, Ed Testa (one of our new members) smoked him at the last minute! One very sad note....Litten's adorable dog got sprayed in the face by a skunk! This certainly added a new fragrance to the interior of their coach.

The coveted DDD Award was awarded by Leo to Marsha Swanson. Her beloved husband ratted her out. Apparently, she made a fashion faux pas by wearing her shirt backwards at a winery. John will no doubt enjoy the DDD award adorning his sleeping tent (outside the mohome) until the next rally.

We now have two new couples as members. I can't tell you how much they helped with this rally even before they joined! "Nick" Zoch and wife Chris, plus Ed Testa and wife Jackie, are such welcome additions.

Ed and I have sold our 2006 Monaco Cayman. We are in the market for a replacement RV. However, with the lack of inventory we are not rushing. FMCA will allow me to continue as President until the end of my term in December. We are desperately in need of officers and especially a Wagon Master. Ed Brennan has scheduled our 2022 rallies. We all know first-hand the importance of booking RV sites early! Ray Ouellette has offered to be my appointee to the Wagon Master position for the month of January and our newest members (Zoch's and Testa's) offered to be Trail Bosses. Further info will be forthcoming. I can't thank all of them enough!

PLEASE consider being an officer in our club to keep us viable! Please respond, "WHY YES I'D LOVE TO" if asked to be an officer or part of a Nominating Committee at our March Pechanga rally. Officers will be voted on in September and sworn in at the January 2023 rally. Remember, new members are always welcome, encouraged, and so needed!

Happy Trails!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR MARCH 2022

Our Pechanga Rally had 11 rigs in attendance and two "squatters" (Janet Ortiz & Us). We were spoiled rotten staying at Janet's beautiful home. Our Trail Bosses Jon King & Jacky Nutter, and their helpers - Ed & Jackie Testa and Nick & Chris Zoch did a wonderful job keeping us well-fed and amused. The weather too was beautiful. I fall in love with Temecula every time I visit!

Ed and I did not arrive until Tuesday evening, but by all accounts the dinner at Richie's Real American Diner was great. We ate there years ago with Janet's parents, and you could tell they were the servers' favorites. Further delicious experiences included Burgers & Beer - wine, lunch and dessert at Lorimar Winery - plus Mexican food at the clubhouse with dessert. The last night featured a potluck dinner, so needless to say the caloric needs of our club were taken care of.

Our members stayed busy shopping and seeing all Temecula has to offer. In continuing Discovery Club fashion, we played Left-Center-Right (OR Left-Right Center). We were only there for two games, but the winners were Ed Testa and Marsha Swanson. This was despite my fortune cookie prophecy "Victory is just around the corner." Yeah right....

After lengthy discussion, it was decided to no longer reimburse our trail bosses and assistant trail bosses. Our treasury is approaching the \$5,000 level. With the skyrocketing cost of fuel and sites, we need to do all we can to keep our rally costs down.

PLEASE consider being an officer or committee member in our club to keep us viable! We are so dependent on VOLUNTEERISM. The slate of officers will be presented at the May rally, voted on at the September rally, and sworn in at the January 2023 rally in Banning. A special thanks to Ray for visiting and reserving the Banning KOA, and to the Testa's and the Zoch's for offering to be Trail Bosses. Remember, new members are always welcome, encouraged, and so needed.

Ed and I left after the meeting Thursday and headed to the Tucson FMCA rally, intending to look at a new smaller RV. We were out of luck as the manufacturers and dealerships were obviously trying to get rid of their BIG rigs. We still enjoyed walking around the fairgrounds and visiting with the exhibitors.

I defer to the Ouellette's to provide the details of what transpired after we left. Never a dull moment in the Discovery Club....

Thursday night follow up information: After a wonderful pot luck dinner the sheriff announced fines of \$1.00 to the following folks for not wearing their badges: Joan Edman, Lois Jones, Ray Bass and Glenn Turner. Then the sheriff announced 3 worthy candidates for the DDD award. John Swanson, Jacky Nutter, and Jackie Ouellette. After each candidate gave their defense statements, the worthy winner of this outstanding award was John Swanson. He will proudly display the awards in the front window of his RV for all to see.

The night culminated with one last game of LRC. First time winner was Glenn Turner.

It was a fun rally and we will see you all in San Diego in May.

FMCA National Director's Report

Janet Ortiz



National Director's Report
January 2022

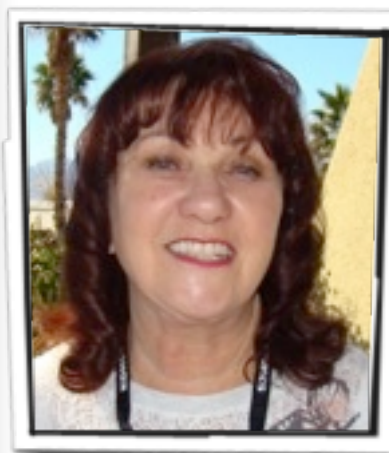
The National Director, Janet Ortiz, displayed a copy of the latest edition of the FMCA Family RVing Magazine, and highlighted some of the interesting news and articles found in the magazine. Included in the current edition is the recently elected FMCA Executive Board:

National President, Rett Porter
National Senior Vice President, Gary Milner
National Secretary, Kathie Balogh National Treasurer, Barbara Smith
National Western Area Vice President, Bob Golk
Immediate Past National President, Jon Walker

Submitted by Janet Ortiz

Discovery Club of California Officers 2021 & 2022

<i>President:</i>	Joan Edman
<i>Vice President:</i>	Janet Ortiz
<i>Secretary:</i>	Jackie Ouellette
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Marsha Swanson
<i>Nat'l. Director:</i>	Janet Ortiz
<i>Alt. Nat'l Director:</i>	Carl Johnson
<u>Committee Members (Appointed)</u>	
<i>Wagon Master:</i>	Ed Brennan
<i>Webmaster:</i>	Janet Ortiz
<i>Newsletter Editor:</i>	Susan Salit
<i>Membership Chair:</i>	J. D. Vanik
<i>Hospitality:</i>	Marilyn Turner
<i>Ways & Means:</i>	Annette Hall
<i>Historian:</i>	(Vacant)
<i>Photographer:</i>	Ray Ouellette



Treasurers Report Marsha Swanson

Please refer to the Minutes of the General Membership Meeting for reports from Janet and Marsha.

Wagonmasters Report

Ed Brennan
Wagonmaster



UPCOMING 2022 DISCOVERY CLUB RALLIES:

**May 16th – 19th (FOUR NIGHTS)
Campland on the Bay RV Resort (\$75 per nt.)
2211 Pacific Beach Dr.
San Diego, CA 92109
(800)422-9386**

Trail Bosses: Jackie Ouellette, Marsha Swanson, Mary Johnson

**September 19th – 22nd (FOUR NIGHTS)
Bakersfield River Run RV Park (\$50 per nt.)
3715 Burr St.
Bakersfield, CA 93308
(661)377-3600**

Trail Bosses: Katie Horton and Kathy Litten

AND.....MARK YOUR 2023 CALENDAR!

**January 16th – 19th (FOUR NIGHTS)
Banning Stagecoach KOA (\$44 per nt.)
1455 S. San Gorgonio Ave.
Banning, CA 92220
(951)849-7513**

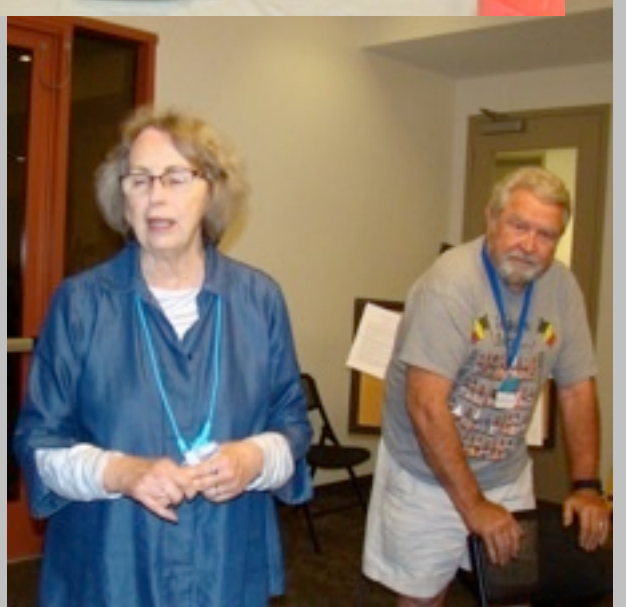




Pechanga Rally

March 19-22, 2022







Member Birthdays/ Anniversaries

January

7 Mary Johnson
17 Muriel Benson
28 Carrie Brown
31 Carl Johnson

Anniversaries:

February

4 Tammy Norris
9 Bob Hall
Anniversaries:
10 Ed and Joan Edman

March

25 John Swanson
26 Gary Brown

Anniversaries:

16 John and Marsha Swanson
22 Glenn and Marilyn Turner
25 Bruce and Ruthie Slusher

April

10 Pat Roman
11 Norm Teixeira
21 Ed Edman
23 Evelyn Teixeira

Anniversaries:

19 Tim and Sue Golec

May

29 Ray Ouellette
Anniversaries:

June

20 Marian Aragon
Anniversaries:
13 Leo and Marian Aragon

July

6 Jackie Ouellette
Anniversaries:
4 JD and Red Vanik
23 Norm and Evelyn Teixeira

August

1 Lois Jones
4 Marilyn Turner
9 Jackie Nutter
28 Glenn Turner
Anniversaries:
28 Gary and Carrie Brown

September

Anniversaries:

1 Carl and Mary Johnson
24 Ray and Jackie Ouellette
October
1 Ruthie Slusher
21 J D Vanik
22 Marsha Swanson
24 John King
28 Noe Roman
Anniversaries:
28 Noe and Pat Roman

November

2 Annette Hall
3 Bruce Slusher
8 Leo Aragon
11 Joan Edman
12 Cliff Horton
22 Susan Salit

Anniversaries:

12 Cliff and Katie Horton

December

23 Katie Horton
24 Marlene (Red) Vanik

Anniversaries:

If you are not on the list,
please email your birthday
and anniversary dates to
Susan at gsue@salit.us

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

Flying Flags RV Resort, 180 Ave. of the Flags
Buellton, CA
January 20, 2022



**Jackie
Ouellette**
Secretary

President Joan Edman called the meeting to order at 9:39 AM. She then asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Jackie Ouellette then gave the invocation.

Joan then introduced guests Ed and Jackie Testa, Alex and Christine Zoch, Bob and Peggy Thurman and new member D.J. Williamson. Joan said Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all the members who have celebrated since our last rally in May 2021. She also thanked the Leo and Marian Aragon, assistant trail bosses along with Ed Edman for their help with this fun rally.

Secretary Jackie Ouellette said a copy of the May 2021 Minutes are posted on the bulletin board. A motion was made by Lois Jones and seconded by Katy Horton to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer Marsha Swanson gave a Treasurer's Report with approximately \$5000.00 balance - exact amount will be given after bills from this current rally are paid. Jackie Ouellette made a motion to approve the report, Leo Aragon seconded the motion. Motion passed. Marsha passed out membership renewal forms, fee is \$20.00 per year (per rig). Please fill out and mail to Membership Chairman J.D. Vanik.

National Director Janet Ortiz spoke of some the benefits we receive from FMCA. She spoke of the Travel Assist Program, and of all the information in the FMCA magazine. Janet also said we currently have 23 members and 5 Honorary members. She encouraged members to invited new prospective members to come join a future rally.

Hospitality Chairman Marilyn Turner was absent from the meeting. Marilyn's husband Glenn said get well cards have been sent out as Marilyn receives notice of a ill member. Please continue calling Marilyn if you know of a member who needs some cheering up from with a card from the membership.

Wagon Master Ed Brennan gave the list of 2022 rallies and the need for a January 2023 rally location and volunteer Trail Bosses. New Members as of this rally the Testa's and the Zoch's have volunteered to be hosts. Ray Ouellette volunteered to find a location for the January 2023 rally. It was also decided since we have many members from Southern California and almost an equal number of members from Central Coast California that we would have two rallies in the South and two rallies in Central CA.

Ed gave the list of rallies for the rest of 2022:

March 22-24, Pechanga RV Resort, Temecula. Trail Bosses: Jacky Nutter and Annette Hall. They also have more volunteers helping.

May 16-19, Campland By The Bay, San Diego, Trail Bosses: The Swanson's, Ouellette's and Johnsons.

Sept. 20-22, Bakersfield River Run RV Resort, Bakersfield, Trail Bosses: The Horton's and the Littens.

January 2023 to be announced at the Pechanga Rally in March.

Janet Ortiz said Newsletter Chairman Susan Salit would love more information for the Newsletter.

President Joan Edman asked if anyone would like to volunteer for the Nominating Committee. The committee will solicit members for all elected positions and also any committee positions. The committee will present a slate of officers for the 2023-2024 term. Members will vote at the September meeting and the newly elected positions will be sworn in at the January 2023 meeting. Joan STRESSED the need for a Wagon Master as most RV Resorts are booking one year in advance. Volunteers for the committee were asked to contact Joan. Two members, Janet Ortiz and Jackie Ouellette have volunteered to be on the Nominating Committee.

With no further business, Joan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Leo Aragon and seconded by Jackie Ouellette. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Jackie Ouellette, Secretary

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

I'm away attending the FMCA National Rally in Tuscon, AZ. President Joan Edman passed out badges to the new members who joined at the last rally. We currently have 22 coach memberships. More news at the next meeting.

J.D.Vanik
Membership Chairman
909-260-4121



New Members
Ed and Jackie Testa and
Nick and Chris Zoch,

DISCOVERY CLUB OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Pechanga RV Resort, 45000 Pechanga Pkwy.
Temecula, CA
March 24, 2022

President Joan Edman called the meeting to order at 10 AM. She then asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Jackie Ouellette gave the invocation.

Joan then gave well wishes to John and Marsha Swanson and Glenn and Marilyn Turner on their anniversaries. Also birthday wishes for today is John Swanson's birthday.

Joan thanked Trail Bosses Jacky Nutter, John King, Annette and Bob Hall and all their helpers for this wonderful rally. We all appreciate your hard work.

Secretary Jackie Ouellette said a copy of the Secretary's report dated January 20, 2022 is posted on the bulletin board for all to review. A motion was made by Jacky Nutter and seconded by Nick Zoch to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer Marsha Swanson gave the Treasury Report with a balance of \$7,608.06. This balance does not represent the current expenses for this rally. A motion was made by Mary Johnson and seconded by Marilyn Turner to approve the Secretary Report. Motion passed.

National Director Janet Ortiz was absent. No report.

Membership Chairman J.D. Vanik was attending the FMCA National Rally in Tuscon, AZ. President Joan Edman passed out badges to the new members who joined at the last rally. We currently have 22 coach memberships.

Hospitality Chairman Marilyn Turner reported she sent a get well card to past member Ralph Norris.

Ways & Means Chariman Annette Hall -- no report

Newsletter Chairman Susan Salit sent notice that she will be making a combined January and March Newsletter. Also, she'd like to include any interesting articles or pictures you would like included in the newsletter.

Web Master Janet Ortiz sent notice she keeps the website up to date, so please check for all club information

Wagon Master Ed Brennan was absent. President Joan Edman asked "Honorary" (her words) Wagon Master Ray Ouellette to give report. Ray has secured the KOA Banning, CA RV Resort for our January 16-20, 2023 Rally. Trail Bosses will be the Testas and the Zochs. Our next rally will be May 16-20, 2022 at Campland by the Bay, San Diego, CA. Trail Bosses the Swansons, Johnsons and Ouellettes. Our September 19-23, 2022 rally will be in Bakersfield, CA - Trail Bosses the Hortons and the Littens.

President Joan Edman responded to Leo Aragon's question at Flying Flaggs about our rallies not being listed in the FMCA magazine. FMCA's Lindsay Price assured her they are on the FMCA website under "calendar of

events/rallies” with our website provided. There is a timeline for magazine entries, and perhaps the next Wagonmaster might do so after appointment in 2023.

Jackie Ouellette passed out flyers for the Campland by the Bay Rally. She gave highlights of the rally, and noted this is a 4 day rally. If anyone wants to come in early or stay extra days, call Jackie for site assignments and then call Campland to request extra days. Please note deadline for rally sign up is April 15, 2022. Please have your checks to Marsha, Treasurer, payable to Discovery Club of California.

Jackie Ouellette and Janet Ortiz are the nominating committee for the 2023-2024 Board and committee positions. Please contact either of them so you can volunteer, ask questions, or nominate someone. Nominations will be presented at the May Rally, voted on at the September Rally, and Sworn-in at the January 2023 Rally.

Joan then presented a "discussion and suggestion" by the Board regarding "free" nights for the Trail Bosses and Assistant Trail Bosses. Ray Ouellette gave a detailed discussion regarding how, why and when this policy was enacted. A lengthy discussion then followed by the membership. A motion was made by Nick Zoch and seconded by Mary Johnson to discontinue the free rally fees for Trail Bosses and Assistant Trail Bosses, motion passed.

With no further business Joan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Mary Johnson and seconded by John Swanson. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:54 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Jackie Ouellette, Secretary
Discovery Club of California.



NEWSLETTER REPORT

Hi Discoverers,

I miss you all and am so glad that you all are having such fun. I've been having a great time too. I'm now a great grandmother and babysitter.

I know the Birthday/Anniversary List is out of date. If you would like to update your information, please email any corrections/additions to me.

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Susan Salit, Editor
gsue@salit.us



This is my great grandson. His name is Iggy and he's lot's of fun.

DISCOVERY CLUB OF CALIFORNIA
 Campland on the Bay
 2211 Pacific Beach Drive, San Diego, Ca
 Trail Bosses: Swansons, Johnsons, & Ouellettes
 May 16-20, 2022
 Bring tableware to all meals & coffee for breakfast

- Monday 5/16: Check-in 2 PM
 5PM Margarita's on the Beach *bring chairs
 6PM CATERED Dinner in Large White Tent (grass area)
 7PM Mystery Ball Game
- Tuesday 5/17 8:30AM Breakfast Casseroles – Tent – BYO Coffee
 Free Day to explore San Diego - see your gift bags for ideas
 5PM Happy Hour BYOB
 6PM Pot Luck Dinner A-M salads/sides N-Z main dishes
 dessert provided by Trail Bosses
 7PM Bingo -\$3.00 per sheet-3 games \$\$\$prizes
- Wed 5/18 Breakfast on you own
 10AM Caravan to Liberty Station
 5PM Happy Hour BYOB
 6PM Italian Pizza Night & Special Dessert
7PM *****Special Auction night - auctioneer Gary Brown - Please
 bring WRAPPED gift - new/funny/useful or not, use your imagination
- Thurs 5/19 8:30AM Continental Breakfast BYO coffee
 9:30AM Board Meeting
 10AM General Membership Meeting - Important Info today!
 3PM Corn Hole Tournament - Great Prizes
 5PM Happy Hour BYOB
 6PM All American Burger Night
 7PM Sheriff's Report & DDD Award Followed by LRC Bring \$3.00
- Friday 5/20 Hugs and Good Bye's. See you in Sept. Happy Summer - Stay Safe

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY Friday April 15, 2022

Rally Fee - 4 nights -----\$332.00
 Rally Food - \$50. per couple \$25. single -----
 Total.....

Make check payable to Discovery Club of CA. Mail to Treasurer
 Marsha Swanson 25198 Hoofprint Drive, Wildomar, Ca 92595