



The Rig Runner Gazette

Newsletter of the Hi-Desert Rig Runners, a WIT Chapter
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Lone Wolf Colony Apple Valley

The Hi-Desert Rig Runners and guests assembled at the Lone Wolf Colony in Apple Valley on November 7-10 for their monthly outing. Wagonmasters Marge Morrison and Lorraine Brockway greeted everyone as they arrived. Guests at the start of the outing were Paul and Marcie Clites. By Thursday afternoon they had become members of the Chapter. Welcome Paul and Marcie! Everyone car-pooled to Out Of This World BBQ and enjoyed a tasty dinner featuring many different



BBQ'd items from the menu.

Tuesday began with wonderful potluck breakfast at the Club House. The morning was free. Mid-afternoon saw Chapter members

assemble in the Club House for a Celebrating Home party which featured many unique items for the home. Following a potluck dinner, members relaxed playing Spinner and poker. Wednesday morning we enjoyed another potluck breakfast.

At 9:30 the Chapter was given a tour of the Lone Wolf Colony by Bill, the current manager. It was surprising to hear that the Colony began in 1922 with a couple of fellows in tents working year-round in the Mojave Desert to build a facility where persons with respiratory problems could recuperate. The Colony was eventually taken over by members of the telephone company (eventually Bell Telephone) and is still run as a non-profit organization under a

Board of Directors, each of whom has worked for a telephone company sometime during their career. The Colony has been entirely built by volunteers.

They currently have several cabins reserved for persons needing medical recuperation. These folks are served three meals a day, given



lodging, have access to a hot tub, library and a telephone museum - all for \$5.00 per day/two weeks maximum. The colony has about 200 campsites for 'permanent' RVers and about forty for more transient use.

An Executive Board meeting was held at 1:00 pm to plan for the December outing/Christmas party. The Chapter meeting was held at 2:00 pm. The following were elected as officers for 2012: Frank Kojder, President; Clare Gilbertson, Vice President; Paula Gorges, Treasurer; and Lorraine Tessler,



secretary. President Augie had a full agenda and couldn't keep up his track record of short business meetings (1 hour 44 minutes). Al Morton's sister and

husband, Tom and Pearl MacIntyre, from England were guests at the meeting and the potluck dinner.

New Chapter members Paul and Marcie Clites introduced us to a new card game in the evening - Chase the Aces. Lorraine Brockway walked away with

the pot of quarters. This game was followed by games of Spinner and poker to complete the evening.

After a continental breakfast and some leftovers on Thursday morning, Chapter members headed down the highways and byways to their homes.



Minutes of Hi-Desert Rig Runners Meeting

November 9, 2011

Lone Wolf Colony, Apple Valley

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Augie Sansone at 2:10 pm. He then led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Greg and Karla Beckner, Lorraine Brockway, Jerry and LaVerna Fagan, Orin and Clare Gilbertson, Bob and Paula Gorges, Jerry and Connie Just, Frank and Deanna Kojder, Marge Morrison, Al and Tryna Morton, Augie and Judi Sansone

Guests Present: Paul and Marcie Clites, Tom and Pearl MacIntyre (Al's sister and husband from England)

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Two items needing correction were brought to our attention. First, Frank's name should be spelled Kojder. Second, the sentence beginning with "Deanna Kojder made a motion" was incorrect and should be deleted. The Minutes of



the October meeting were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Paula summarized some of the

difficulties experienced the past several months with the Chapter debit card. Only Paula and Augie have cards but Augie has not activated his card. The Treasurers Report was filed for audit.

Sunshine Report: Lorraine reported that she had sent cards to Clare after her surgery and Norma Miller after Harold's death. A card was

also sent to the Stramler family after Frank's death.

Correspondence: The Chapter received an email thank you note from Clare.

Old Business:

- a. A discussion was held on the 150 miles/3 hour driving time as stated in Standing Rule 7. Frank provided charts with the "camping" zone based upon the membership of a couple of years ago. He also presented a chart showing a 75 mile radius circle and a 150 mile radius circle centered on an area slightly NE of Big Bear City.



The intent of the existing Standing Rule is to make travel distance/time to any outing reasonably short. Locations farther than the 150 miles/3 hours must be approved by the membership. Tryna made a motion to keep Standing Rule 7 as is. Al seconded. The motion passed.

- b. Augie led a discussion on the days of the week for Chapter outings. Article VI, Section 1 of the Bylaws provides for the Chapter outing to be held on the weekend containing the third Saturday of the month. This section also provides for the outing dates to be changed with Chapter membership approval. Wagonmasters are responsible for selection of the dates and site for their outing. If a change from the weekend containing the third Saturday is desired by the wagonmaster they need to bring it before the membership in a timely manner which allows everyone to make their plans. A change in date may be requested at a Chapter meeting, by personal contact, by telephone call or email to each member.
- c. Augie discussed the 2012 outing schedule and polled each wagonmaster on their

planned site and dates. (See outing schedule elsewhere in the Gazette)

- d. Frank Kojder recommended an item, number 10, to the Standing Rules. His recommended motion was that "Monthly outings shall be scheduled in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws of the



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scheduled for the months of June, July and August each year." Tryna moved that we accept the proposed Standing Rule. Paula seconded the motion. The motion passed.

New Business:

- a. Deanna described what to expect at the December outing for the newcomers.
- b. The Bylaw section dealing with Honorary Membership needs to be updated to be in accordance with the National Bylaws. Tryna requests that all Honorary Members of the Chapter be listed as a group at the end of the membership roster.
- c. Tryna shared information on the Pecan Fest to be held this Saturday at Jurupa.
- d. Frank is coordinating the breakfast that the Chapter will prepare and serve at the January State Meeting in Hemet. The breakfast will be served on Saturday morning.
- e. Tryna presented The Nominating Committee report for Chapter officers for 2012.

- a. President: Frank Kojder
- b. Vice President: Clare Gilbertson
- c. Treasurer: Paula Gorges
- d. Secretary: Lorraine Tessler

No further nominations were received from the floor. Marge moved that we accept the slate of officers as presented. Tryna seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:54 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:
Orin Gilbertson, Secretary



Presidents Message

It was so great to see everyone at Lone Wolf. What a good time. Well, I guess this will be my last entry into the newsletter as president of the Hi-Desert Rig Runners.

Time to step down. As I look back over the last year or so what a time I have had! The things we have done as a



chapter and all the new members. I want to thank Tryna for all of her help keeping me on track - you have been real trooper, have done a great job on the web site and newsletter. I would like to thank Frank for all the work on the roster and for trying to keep me straight on Roberts rules of order. Deanna thank you for all your help not only with our chapter, but also with the state club. Orin your guidance and input on matters has really helped me see things from a different point of view. Lorraine I never had to think about what cards had to be sent out - you took care of it and that really made sunshine for all those needing a little cheer. Paula you stepped up and took over the treasurer's job last year as Deanna

went on with me to state club duties - thanks. And to every one in the chapter whos input and help has made a difference. Margie's input about other clubs and chapters, Clare's input on what and how a



wagon master should do things, Bob to see you go from "You want to do what? to let's go

there's another adventure down the road". And Al for your putting up with me bugging Tryna about things - you've been a friend. I know everyone will help Frank and the new board in 2012 as you have helped me in the past.

Augie



Welcome

We would like to welcome Marcie and Paul Clite to the Hi-Desert Rig Runners. We're so glad you decided to join us.



Congratulations

Congratulations are in order to our 2012 Hi-Desert Rig Runners officers.

Frank Kojder - President
 Clare Gilbertson - Vice President
 Paula Gorges - Treasurer
 Lorraine Tesler - Secretary

Belated congratulations to members of our chapter who were elected to State positions:

Augie Sansone – CA State President
 Deanna Kojder – State Treasurer



2012 Outing Schedule

Dec 5 - 8 (Mon - Thurs)	Banning KOA WM: Executive Board
Jan 26-29	State: Hemet Golden Palms RV Resort
Feb 13-15	Desert Willows, Hesperia WM: Kojder, Gorges
March 22-25	Diamond Valley RV Park, San Jacinto WM: Just, Brockway, Morrison
March 29-Apr 1	SWRR Parhumph
April 26-29	State: Bethel Island Sugar Barge RV Resort
May 14-17	KQ Ranch, Julian WM: Sansone, Morton
June - August	Dark
July 15-20	GNR, Forest City, Iowa
Sept. 13-16	TBA
Oct 3-7	State: Bakersfield Bakersfield RV Resort
Nov. 8-12	Sierra Trails, Calif City WM: Gilbertson, Tesler
December	TBA WM: Executive Committee



Phone Laws

You can go to the following URL to find out the phone laws for each state.

www.distraction.gov/state-laws/



Cooks Corner

Marge Morrison's Yummy Dessert

1 can crushed pineapple

1 can lemon Pie filling

Mix together and put into a 9 X 13 cake pan.

1 box dry cake mix sprinkled on top

Crushed pecans on top of that

2 sticks of melted butter on that

Bake at 350 for 45 min to one hour.

Best if served with whipped cream or ice cream

(Some of us couldn't believe that Marge, who rarely cooks, had made something so delicious for us!)

Sugar Free Pumpkin Cake Recipe

Karla Bechner

1 reduced sugar yellow cake mix

2 eggs

2 tsp pumpkin pie spice

1/4 c. water

2 tsp baking soda

2 c. pumpkin

mix together and pour into a greased bundt pan.

Bake at 350 for 40 to 45 minutes

serve with whip cream.



Thank You

We would like to thank you for your hospitality when we visited the group with brother Al and sister-in-law Tryna. It was fun meeting some of their friends and we now understand why they like belonging to the group.

Pearl and Tom MacIntyre from Holland-on-Sea, England

