



MONACO ROMERS E - NEWSLETTER

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Monaco Romer Rally

Western Area FMCA Rally - Indio Fairgrounds

At the 30th Annual Western Area FMCA Rally, 26 coaches from our Romer Club (including guests) enjoyed a week full of activity, fun, and sunshine! In true Romer fashion, we dined each night on catered dinners under lighted tents that made other clubs envious. In addition to driving the courtesy Express Tram carts Wednesday - Saturday, Romers hosted a booth at the FMCA Chapter Fair and recruited two new club members! Marsha Taylor created a eye-catching photo montage highlighting Romer members at recent rallies and Duncan Holt designed a brochure/membership application to hand out to participants.

Returning by popular demand, The Flashback Boyz launched the 1st of three nights of entertainment, followed by a comedy show and Elvis tribute. Many thanks to our rally hosts, volunteers, and participants, and a special thanks to Susan & Jim Lewis, for making this third annual Romer rally such a success. Mark your calendars for next year's FMCA Indio Rally, January 9-13, 2019 with Romers arriving several days ahead to enjoy preferred group parking on pavement with 30 amp electricity. Hope you'll join the fun!

President/VicePresident's Report

President Steve Hobbs and his wife Donnis weren't able to make this rally due to family health issues so my report will combine both President and VP reports.

We have finished our 3rd yearly Indio Rally and I have to say that I think it was a success thanks to the efforts of Susan & Jim Lewis, Dianne & Rob Wilson, Laney & Don Strelic and Pat & Paul Klempner then to everyone who helped out including the volunteer Express Tram cart drivers.

Early birds arrived on Sunday and due to a bit of wind and rain we set up our common area on Tuesday. We had 5 canopies with lights strung throughout and a couple of gas lanterns. Everyone brought tables and chairs. It was a wonderful place to gather during the day and eat our delicious catered dinners after happy hour.

The weather was perfect for the desert, warm days and cool nights. The only rain was on the Weekend before the rally officially started. It wasn't all that cold for the 6:30am drivers.

Again, many thanks to Susan and Jim for setting it all up and Dianne and Rob for all the work in the bar and Laney and Don for their all around help & Paul & Pat helping where needed. Without volunteers we wouldn't have such nice rallies.

That brings up my main duty as VP: upcoming Rallies! Jim and Susan have done this rally for 3 years and need to cut back. Susan volunteered to continue to take reservations and coordinate with the parking committee. We will need some other people to take over the food coordination etc. After a show of hands, the members said that they would like to continue to have this rally. Therefore, **WE NEED HELP!** Please consider helping. With enough volunteers the tasks are not that difficult.

We have two more rallies scheduled this year and two for 2019 including Indio January 2019: The Wimberley's, Dee's and Van Doren's are hosting "Spring into the Mother Lode" in Sonora, CA April 28 – May 2. The Klempners and friends are hosting a rally in Plymouth, CA Sept. 24 – 28. More plans will be coming.

Joann Bush and Bill Beckley along with Laney and Don Strelic will be hosting our Spring 2019 rally at Pala Indian Reservation near Temecula, CA. Tentative dates are May 6-9.

We are still in search of a volunteer to host a Fall rally in 2019.

One last note, I want to wish Steve and Donnis and their son the best of luck in the upcoming months.

Happy and Safe travels and hope to see y'all in Sonora.

Respectfully, Duncan Holt, VEEP

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Sunshine / Showers Report

Steve & Donnis Hobbs' son has developed a medical condition and we have the family in our thoughts and prayers.

Judy Hays has completed her course of chemo treatment and we want to Congratulate her and wish her clear testing.

Larry Johnson is dealing with some neck issues and we are wishing him well.

Don Baumgart is in rehab therapy with COPD, we have him in prayers.

Please contact Nancy Holt if you want the club to be aware of a medical issue OR if Congratulations are in order.

Monaco Romers

Treasurers Report

Balance Savings & checking as of 1-11-2018	\$10,026.04
Balance of Savings Account	\$ 5,051.99
Interest Earned .05	
Total Savings Account	\$ 5,052.04
Checking Balance 5051.99	
check ordering Fee-26.00	
Total checking account	\$ 4,974.00
Income: \$0	
Expense \$0	
Total Checking & Savings	\$10,026.04

Romer MEN - Please Note!!!

The White Romer Club Shirt with the Herringbone Collar is no longer available. We have decided to offer a Navy Blue Shirt with the Romer Logo. This is the same brand as the women's navy shirt. The shirt will be offered in all men sizes @ \$40 ea.

If interested, please call or email:
marshataylor903@gmail.com 714-697-0725



Membership Report

Monaco Romers now have 104 members.

Our new Members & 1st Timers:

Scott & Mariann Van Pelt - Nipomo, CA (not pictured)

Debbie Holt & Juan Marquez
South Pasadena, CA

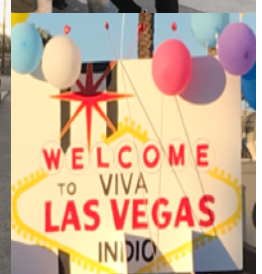
Jo Ann & Bill Bawks
Visalia, CA



1st Timers



New Members



Monaco Romers Minutes

January 12, 2018

The meeting was called to order under the tent at the FMCA Western Rally Indio, CA at 3:30 pm. Vice President Duncan Holt presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Jim Lewis.

Duncan thanked Jim & Susan Lewis, Rally Masters, with Diane & Rob Wilson, Don & Laney Strelac and Paul & Pat Klempner. He also thanked all the people that helped as volunteer Cart Drivers especially the 6:30 am shift. California Coasters complimented our group, being easy to work with.

Susan Lewis announced that the Indio Rally is an official Monaco Romers Rally with an official business meeting. According the FMCA we must have at least one official meeting each year.

New Members were introduced: Scott and MaryAnn Van Pelt and Bill and Joann Bawks.

Marsha Taylor reported that the men's white club shirt is no longer available. Men can now purchase Navy shirts which is the same material as the women's with 3 button up collar. White shirts will be used by the Officers.

G'Nell De Lack gave the treasurers report(included in the newsletter). Total in checking and savings is \$10,026.04. Motion to Accept the report made by Jim Lewis, Second by Ken Stender. Passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Curt Curtis resigned as FMCA Director due to a conflict with being director for another club. A motion was made by Tom Getzfrid for Larry Johnson to become the National Director and Jim McPheters to be Alternate National Director. Seconded by Knud Bjornestad. Passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Gary Wimberly reported on the Spring Rally at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds, Sonora CA, April 28 - May 2, 2018. They can take up to 40 Rigs with full hookups

Paul Klempner reported on the Fall Rally September 24 - 28, 2018 at the 49'er RV Village in Plymouth, CA. 30 spaces. Also, visiting Apple Hill to pick apples?

Joann Bush reported on Spring 2019 rally being planned at the Pala Casino RV Park near Temecula CA.

FMCA Director, Larry Johnson, reported we will not have a representative in Perry and asked for volunteer to represent our club. A notice will be sent out to see if anyone is going and can represent us. Larry continued to report that FMCA will now allow towables and fifth wheels. Romers membership rules will remain as they have been. Future FMCA Rallies: Perry, Ga, March 15 - 18, 2018; Northwest FMCA June 21-24 2018 at the Mill Casino in Coos Bay OR; Gillette WY July 18 - 21, 2018 which will be preceded by a Monaco International Rally at the same location.

Susan Lewis reported that Marsha Taylor made a beautiful poster board for the Indio Chapter Fair. Duncan Holt also put together a great brochure with information about our club with an application inside. We obtained two new members at the chapter fair. She encouraged everyone to take brochures in their coaches and give them out to Monaco Motorhomes we may see in our travels.

Rob Wilson asked about raising our chapter dues. This will be discussed by the Board and brought up at future meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the cost of rallies. Some ideas were also discussed regarding making breakfast optional or cutting down on having a big breakfast. This will also be discussed. (con't)

It was brought up that rally fees have a limit of \$425. However, Knud stated that our Bylaws say that it is up to the rally master to make a budget and set the fee. This will be researched and reported on by the Board.

(con't) who responded by bringing tables and tents and lights for this Rally to make our eating area so wonderful were thanked.

Susan and Jim Lewis have done the FMCA Indio Rally for three years. Susan volunteered to continue to take reservations and coordinate with the parking committee. We will need some other people to step up and take over the food coordination etc. Susan has all the information. The Club would like to continue to have this Rally.

Motion to adjourn by Tom Getzfrid, Second by Jim Lewis.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Joann Bush, Acting Secretary

INDIO ROMER RALLY ATTENDEES

Bill & Jo Ann Bawks - New Members
Bill Beckley & Joann Bush
Jack & Sharon Bennett (SOB)
Knud & Darline Bjornestad
Homber & Sharon Budd
Dennis & Geri Dee
Bob & Karenann Evans
Joe & Leah Dingman
Russ & Carol Hoeltzel
Duncan & Nancy Holt
Larry & Ellen Johnson
Paul & Pat Klempner
Jim & Susan Lewis
Al & Rose McDonald
George & Linda McKiernan
Jim & Joanne McPheters
Juan Marquez & Debbie Holt - 1st Timers
Dave & Bev Miller
Don & Judi Pagano
Ken Stender & Nancy Marcel
Don & Layne Strelie
Dave & Marsha Taylor
Barry & Ellin Whitson (SOB)
Ken & Cathy Washburn (SOB)
Rob & Dianne Wilson
Gary & Phyllis Wimberly

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Monaco Romer Rallies

April 28 - May 2, 2018
Spring into the Mother Lode
Sonora, CA

Fall Rally Sept 24 - 28, 2018
Plymouth, CA

FMCA Indio Rally
January 9 - 13, 2019

Spring 2019 (tentative May 6-9)
Pala Indian Reseration near Temecula

Monaco International Rallies

March 9-12, 2018 Moultrie, GA
July 11-14, 2018 Gillette, WY
October 10-14, 2018 Albuquerque, NM

FMCA Rallies

Feb 2018 17th International Area Rally
Tucson, AZ (Sold Out)

March 15-18, 2018 Perry, GA
NW FMCA June 21-24, 2018
Coos Bay, OR

July 18-21, 2018 Gillette, WY
Winter 2019 Chandler AZ or Tucson, AZ
Summer 2019 St. Paul, MN
Winter 2020 Perry, GA
Summer 2020 Redmond, OR

Note: Winter Conventions are usually scheduled
for March or April

Summer Conventions are usually scheduled
for July or August



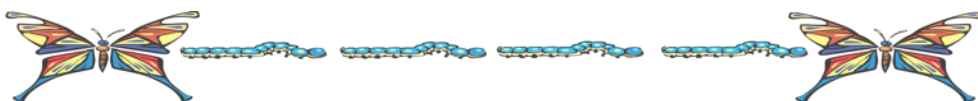
Thanks to the BarTenders! Great Job as Usual!
What a Really Smilin' Fun Rally. Be Sure to join us in 2019!!!



We will be
welcoming Nancy
Holt as the New
Newsletter Editor
in April.
Congratulations!

Marsha Taylor

Retiring
Newsletter Editor



EXPRESS TRAM



MONACO ROMERS RALLY

Spring Into the Mother Lode

Mother Lode Fairgrounds

220 Southgate Dr, Sonora, CA 95370

Arrive April 28, Depart May 2, 2018

HIGHLIGHTS:

Sunday, April 29: Rail Town 1897 Train Ride Jamestown Gold Country
Million Dollar Quartet, Columbia Fallon House Theater

Monday, April 30: Golf
Shopping in Sonora and Jamestown

Tuesday, May 1: Private Wine Tasting with Canapés @ Ironstone Winery

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____ Email: _____

Coach Length: _____ No. Slides: _____ First Romer Rally: Yes ____ No ____ Barefoot* _____

F.M.C.A. # _____ and if guest, Romer Sponsor Name: _____

Rally Fees

Item	#	Fee	
Coach with 2 people	1	\$425	\$425
Extra nights		\$ 35	\$
Extra persons or Barefoot*		\$150	\$
Non-Romers		\$ 25	\$
Golf with box lunch		\$ 45	\$
Wine tasting		\$ 25	\$
Theater		\$ 30	\$
Train ride		\$ 15	\$
Total amount submitted			\$
*Barefoot = attending w/o an RV			

Make checks payable to:

John Van Doren

11186 Corsica Court

Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Application Deadline Feb 15, 2018

NOTE: Only first 40 rigs accepted

Directions:

N/B CA99 to Merced, J59 to 108 to Sonora
S/B I-5 to Stockton, CA4 to Copperopolis, then
Obyrnes Ferry Rd to 108 to Sonora

Rally Masters:

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