



ROMERS E-NEWSLETTER

Emerald Desert Rally

The Emerald Desert Rally started Wednesday January 10. It was a little different this year as the FMCA Rally was canceled, pretty much at the last minute. Fortunately, Dottie Van Doren was able to obtain camp sites in Palm Desert and we could continue to have a January event.

Juan Marquez & Debbie Holt and Debbie Smith & Janet Ream did a fabulous job putting together a fun time.

We began our festivities Wednesday evening with a wonderful catered dinner, to which we have become accustomed.

We had great weather & terrific food, all of which added to a perfect time as we met back up with so many of our traveling friends.

Thank you Debbie, Janet, Debbie and Juan.

And thank you all who were able to attend the Emerald Desert Rally.



President's Report

To paraphrase Groucho Marks "I'm not sure why I'd want to be president of an organization that would let in the likes of me".

I'd like to thank Jim McPheters and the rest of the Board and volunteers for their efforts to lead and grow the Romers RV Club over the past two years. Thanks also to the members who hosted rallies and to Gary Cowan for accepting the position of Vice President. Together, we WILL strengthen and grow our membership, while seeking new and familiar sites for our rallies.

Thank you all!

John Van Doren, President
Romers RV Club



Vice President's Report

Hello Romers,

It is my pleasure to serve as your new VP for the next 2 yrs. I look forward to working with John to continue the Romers tradition of enjoying various outings with a great group of people. One of my goals, besides finding new and old venues, is to put together a diverse group of volunteer Rally Masters. We have a new Rally Masters guide to assist new Volunteers. Remember, the success of our Rallies depends on all of your participation.

Thanks All, Gary Cowan, Vice President

Save the Date

Tucson Rally Casa Grande RV Resort March 16-19

We have 14 rigs signed up & reserved only 15 sites. If you are interested contact Jim Mc Pheters

Deadline for resignation was January 15

Rally Masters are Jim and Joanne

Tech Talk

Jim McPheters shared some info regarding his New Residential Refrigerator. It didn't require a new inverter. He got new batteries and they were able to get the refrigerator in through the front entry door by laying it down on its side.

Jeff Preach shared he pulled his air filter off, so debris could get past the filter, capped the fitting.

Jim Dozois shared Hydraulic hose replacement - repair. Thermoplasti hoses cannot be repaired, they must be replaced as an assembly.

John Van Doren discussed Onan resonator box replacement. Upgraded Victron Inverter a to new Multi PlusII, with 2X120 lines out feeding all outlets, thru MPP Main Power Panel.

Afterwards Gary Cowan got some help with his tow car battery from a plethora of Romers experts.



National Directors Report

Upcoming Rallies are as follows:

FMCA 108th Convention March 20-23, 2024
Tucson, Arizona

FMCA 109th Convention August 14-17, 2024
Redmond, Oregon

Monaco Int'l Balloon Fiesta Oct. 9-13, 2024
Albuquerque, New Mexico
(MUST be a MI member, www.mirvclub.com,
Registrar: 410-905-7919)

Monaco Int'l Solar Eclipse Rally April 4-9, 2024
Hot Springs, Arkansas
(MUST be a MI member, www.mirvclub.com,
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FMCA MAGAZINE January 2024 topic of interest

Pages 98-109 Listing of FMCA benefits & discounts, including details of FMCA Assist call Europ Assistance 877-352-0785 (Put this number in your phone!)

Page 6 Member Deals & Discounts on Theme Parks, hotels, movie tickets, sporting events and rental cars.

Log into your account at FMCA.com and look for Member Deals



Rick, Thank you for representing Romers at the last FMCA Rally

Sunshine & Showers

Our Sunshine & Showers Pat Klempner, fell on black ice December 12th & broke her left elbow in 4 places. A 4" metal plate and 10 screws along with several weeks of physical therapy is helping her recover. We wish her a speedy recovery so they can come camping with us again.

After catching COVID on a cruise to Canada and having to postpone her surgery until Nov. 6, Layne Strellic had to have a Tendon repaired & couldn't get into her rig. She is now healing and doing well & hopes to see us in Tuscon.

A card was also sent to Tom Getzfrid. He has a brain clot affecting his lower left calf. He can still drive & is hoping his MD will release him by the end of the month & they can drive SOUTH to warmer weather.

G'Nell DeLack also received a card. She has been released from Hospice. She and Bill hope to pick up their Motor Home and take their usual trip to Texas in the near future...Fantastic news!

Thank you Joanne for filling in for Pat



Remembering Knud Bjornestad

With heavy hearts we announce the passing of Knud Bjornestad, January 18, 2024.

As a longtime member of Monaco Romers, he served as President in 2015-2017 and was a good friend to so many of us.

Our sincere condolences to his wife, Darline, his family and all of his Romers firends.

He had been having breathing problems for some time, entered the hospital recently, thinking it would only be for a few days, then go to rehab to build up his strength, then home.

Knud's and Darline's home in Arizona was a great resting place for Romers, while traveling through the state. It was common to see 3 or more MH's parked on his property for a few days or longer.

Knud will be missed by all who knew him.



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slap happy after all the work



this is what we all felt like after our delicious meals



Is this working again...or yet?



*IT WAS A CELEBRATION!!
AS USUAL, WE ATE WELL
ENJOYED EACH OTHERS
COMPANY AND HAD AN
ALL AROUND GREAT TIME
happy new year*

