

October 2017 - Website: RVWheelers.com

2017 CALENDAR

Oct. 12 Members Free Guests \$2	Regular Meeting Clubhouse Six, 6:00 pm  PIZZA PARTY
Nov. 9	Regular Meeting Clubhouse Six, 6:30 pm
Nov. 13-18 (5 nights)	Sam's Family Spa, Desert Hot Springs See flyer
Dec. 7	Holiday Party Clubhouse 7 Happy Hour 5 pm Dinner 5:30 pm
Dec. 6-10 (4 nights)	Chula Vista RV Resort (coordinated with CDRV Club) NO VACANCIES - FULL

How about it? Will you host a rally next year? You can pick the place and plan as much or as little as you choose.

**[CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT
rvwheelers.com](http://rvwheelers.com)**

**PIZZA NIGHT, OCTOBER 12 - PLEASE
NOTE A LITTLE EARLIER THAN
USUAL**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a great time we had at our Ice Cream Social on September 14! Even with 30+ members attending the Chula Vista rally, we still had 75+ attend this fun meeting. The evening was mostly social, eating sundaes fixed any way you wanted and then a fun game of Five to the Left afterward, leaving one person at each table a little richer. Many had never played the game and really enjoyed it. I understand those who attended the rally in Chula Vista had a great time (see the article and pictures inside).

The biggest issue on my mind at this point is the rally schedule for 2018. Ed really needs members to step up and volunteer to host or co-host and recommend venues. We are open to different types of camping from plush (like Chula Vista and Emerald Desert) to more rustic places (maybe even boon docking). We'd like to throw in some weekend camping as many of our members still work; maybe Friday-Tuesday or something like that. If you have a special place you'd like to go, PLEASE think about doing this and talk to Ed!

Okay, now is the time to make your reservations for our annual Holiday Party – to be held again in Club House 7 on Thursday, December 7. **Cocktail time is 5-5:30 pm** with dinner served at 5:30 (eating a little earlier this year). The dinner menu, by Jolanda, will again be her delicious salmon, chicken or beef. The entertainment will be Tommy Tassi, who specializes in the pop hits of the 50s, 60s & 70s and sounds like many legendary artists. His shows appeal to dancing as well as listening audiences (check him out on Google). See the flyer in this newsletter and make your reservations ASAP as this party tends to sell out quickly!

Then, it's time to start thinking about sending in your 2018 membership dues (form at back of newsletter). Renewing members only need to check the "renew" box and only add or change any information that is different from what is currently in the Membership Directory; if no changes – that's easy. Mail the form with your check to the address at the bottom.

Lastly, as we know, everything is going up. Our lot fees have been doubled to \$320/year effective January 1, 2018, mutual assessments have increased, and our room rental rates have been increased from \$15/night to \$40/night. Even your Board is faced with the possibility of maybe having to increase our membership dues, effective January 1, 2018. But for right now, if you pay before January 1, it's only \$15/person (\$30/couple).

Dee 949-697-0798

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Sunshine	Vi Richards	50/50 Drawing Shirts/Hats	St. Clair & Moore Joanie VanWickle

October Birthdays

1	Jackie Martin
2	Rob Wingrove
5	Sandy Reis
7	Dee Wennerstrom
14	Leon St. Hilaire
15	Bob Off & Linda Besson
16	Mary Faux
17	Nadine World
18	Peter Wescott
19	Lorrie Gibson
20	Patricia Wedehase
22	Charles Ryan
24	Ron Marrin
25	Mark Furlan
30	Carol Epstein

Anniversaries

1	Jerry & Marilyn Gross (50 years)
10	Evans & Maria Givan (7 years)
14	Bob & Jerry Chabot (56 years)
18	Fred & JoAnn Emmerich (65 years)



NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to all our new members this past month: Carla Melrose, Walt Herd & Marie Sillasen, Jan & Paul Lambert, Mardi Reese, Richard & Heidi Penkava, Leroy & Elizabeth Roper, and Kathryn & Earl Hungness. We are so happy to have them be a part of our club. Please introduce yourself to them when you see them at a meeting or rally. You should see their listing in our membership directory soon. Our thanks to those of you who promote our club to your friends and those you may see in our RV lots who may not know of us.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Again, this year we will give a free individual 2018 club membership to the current member who brings in the most new members between September and December 2017. Remember, those who sign up now get the rest of this year and all of 2018 for \$15/person.

Be sure to carry applications with you in your car and RV and put your name on the "referred by" line (see application attached). Take a look at the back side of the application to talk up our "benefits". Remember, there is power in numbers.

WE WANT YOUR INPUT

Our club officers have regular meetings with VMS staff to voice concerns and track responses. With that in mind, a new page on the Wheelers website has been developed to receive input from you on concerns that you would like to see addressed. If you have concerns, please also include your suggestions for solutions to those concerns.

Of current concern is the RV lot fee for next year. It is going to \$320 a year, so now is the time to voice our issues about lot maintenance, security, etc. These can then be collected and presented as club issues to VMS. It is our hope that by doing it this way we will get a better response than individually submitted issues.

Please see the input submission form on our website www.rvwheelers.com. You can get to the form under the "Contact Us" page. A click on "Give Us Your Input" or going to www.rvwheelers.com/infoform.html will take you directly there.

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OCTOBER MEETING

OCT.12 6PM PIZZA

Last Pizza night of the Year !!
Dee's Recap on what happen with Lot Fee
Poole's reaction to a total eclipse
When and how to RV in Canada
Save \$\$ by now renewing your membership!
Your summer fun explained!?





WE NEED YOUR HELP

DO YOU LOVE TO CAMP? ARE YOU ADVENTUREOUS? ARE YOU A TAKE CHARGE PERSON? IF SO, WE NEED SEVERAL PEOPLE LIKE YOU TO PICK OUT VENUES FOR OUR 2018 RALLYS AND AGREE TO HOST OR CO-HOST ONE OF THOSE RALLYS.

YOU CAN CHOOSE WHERE TO GO, HOW LONG TO STAY, WHETHER OR NOT YOU WANT TO INCLUDE A WEEKEND, AND YOU DECIDE TO PLAN AS MANY OR AS FEW ACTIVITIES AS YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE COORDINATING.

CONTACT ED BAUMAN AT 949-378-9195 OR at eab@fea.net

PLEASE HELP US OUT!!!



CHULA VISTA RALLY Julie & Bob Mangino

A good time was had by all at the Chula Vista camp out! We had 20 rigs with some new members and visiting guests renting trailers from Travel Time so they could join us. Due to our large group we had use of the large recreation room for the week. Your hosts and wagon master Ed Bauman decided to change things up a little this year and have a barbecue in the park area by the marina which turned out to be great fun! While Leon St.Hilaire and Bob Mangino cooked the burgers, some of the campers played a little croquet and horseshoes and the rest enjoyed the beautiful weather. It was a fun filled evening with yummy food, good conversation and great company.

Leon St.Hilaire created his own pickle ball net and set it up on empty spots around the resort for our enjoyment. Loyd and Teresa Stewart and Ron and Roslyn Ginnis were given a lesson in how to play and discovered a new sport they liked. Campers were introduced to a new experience one morning at the potluck breakfast by making "boil in bag" omelets! It was a fun activity to do together that many are going to go home and try on their own.

And of course there were many daily excursions...some went to visit beautiful Balboa Park while others went to Seaport Village and enjoyed the Harbor cruise. Then there were those treasure hunters who enjoyed scouring the great thrift stores they have in the area. Lots of game playing each day with many learning some new games like left right center, spoons, sequence etc. And, of course, there was the typical playing of Hide and Seek and kick the can (just kidding).

Enjoyed music and dancing at happy hour the resort puts on by the pool on Tuesday and then again at the Galley restaurant on Wednesday with several of our gals entertaining us with the electric slide. And if that wasn't enough, 26 of us went back on Thursday night to enjoy the fish and chips special. Some of the gals had fun one day renting a surrey bike and riding around the park singing to the resort residents! All in all it was really a great week with a nice group of people.



SEE MORE PICTURES ON THE NEXT PAGE AND ON OUR WEBSITE



Congratulations to three of our lady members who have recently acquired “new to them” RVs, having found out that they really like RV’ing with friends and want to do more of it. Mardi Reese, is a new member who joined the club first and then bought a Class C which she loves. She’s already taken it out on a couple of test runs. Then Nadine World traded in her Class B for a more roomy Class C and is in the process of getting used to it. Connie Gilland has also purchased Dave Finley’s 34-foot Class A so will be retiring her Bounder. Congratulations, ladies!! - Way to go!

Rather than spending time writing a book about the “5 best guns to have when traveling alone”, actually living the RV dream on the open road seemed a much better alternative when I retired some 17 years ago. Now, after having had an RV for more than 25 years, I sold mine a year ago. Now, what to do as a single lady who loves to travel? How about finding some “best friends to travel with”?

Single RV ladies who finally decide to take the step of RV’ing alone, learn the basics of their RV, listen to their “gut” about stopping in certain spots, and learn to overcome their inner fears. Many will often make friends and end up traveling (at least part of the time) with folks they meet on the road. Some will take extra precautions such as staying within sight of other RV’ers, putting two pairs of boots outside their doors, or travelling with pets, but others just fly free and take it in stride. The important point is that being solo doesn’t stop them from RV’ing, sometimes even boondocking.

Earlier this year, I recognized that the RV Wheelers had several single women with RVs – some rarely going on rallies with the club. One even full-times it for months at a time with a singles RV club. So Nadine World and I took the first step to get these ladies together to find out if they were interested in maybe helping each other out with RV-related issues and maybe doing some trips together. We hosted a little “get together” with wine and appetizers and talked about what might interest us as a group.

Then we planned our first trip – a nearby, 3-day trip to San Mateo Campground, across from the beach in San Clemente. No hookups there, so that presented some issues new to some. Boy, did we have a great time! There were five of us. We all were responsible for bringing and cooking our own meals. One of the ladies even shared her rig with me and one of us had a very nice dog. We all cooked on one BBQ for dinner, then ate our meals together; we went on walks and had long talks around the camp fire in the evening (Connie is an excellent fire builder). While we didn’t solve the problems of the world, we had a great time! Since then we’ve had a beach picnic, another Happy Hour, and planned another trip.

Since then, some of the ladies have joined the Wheelers on some of our club campouts and we have had two other single ladies join our group – so now we are seven! We all seem to get along well together and have given each other lots of help and advice. And, I think we all know that it helps to have friends who can be there for you with ideas and support when you need it most.



In freedom lies the promise of discovering that you have self-confidence, self-determination and maybe even a bunch of new pals to *gain*.

The name of our group is: **WOW!!**

WOMEN ON  WHEELS!!

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HOLIDAY DINNER & PARTY

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2017

CLUB HOUSE SEVEN (note Club House)

5:00 TO 5:30 P.M. - HAPPY HOUR

Complimentary Munchies & Wine of your choice or Soft Drinks
Furnished By The Club

5:30 - DINNER

Catered by Jolanda

**Brisket, Salmon, or apple-brie stuffed Chicken
With cranberry wine sauce**

You May bring your own wine for the dining table; glasses provided.
Installation of 2018 Officers

Entertainment

Tommy Tassi

Singing pop hits of the 50s, 60s & 70s.

Deadline to RSVP is Thursday, November 30, 2017

**Please make checks payable to RV Wheelers and mail to:
Dee Wennerstrom, 4002-3G Calle Sonora, LW 92637
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Sam's Family Spa hot water resort

70-875 Dillon Road • Desert Hot Springs, CA 92241

NOV 13 (MON) to NOV 18 (SAT), 2017

\$265 FOR 5 NITES



Join us in November for this new venue in Desert Hot Springs. Sam's Family Spa and Hot Water Resort is approximately 110 miles from Laguna Woods and close to many Palm Springs attractions. Sites are gravel with concrete patios that include picnic tables. The resort has full hookups, dog run (**NO EXTRA FEES FOR YOUR PETS**), 36 washer laundromat, horseshoes, grassy picnic area, BBQ facilities, volleyball & basketball courts, exercise room, sauna, billiards & ping-pong, and large recreation hall that will be available during our stay for happy hours, potluck, games, and socializing. The resort is known for its naturally heated outdoor swimming pool and four (4) therapeutic pools naturally heated at various temperatures. For those who don't have a rig, Sam's have motel rooms available: Reservations can be made by calling 760-329-6457. Additional information will be provided prior to departure.

Local attractions include Palm Springs aerial tramway, Joshua Tree National Park, Indian Canyons, The Living Desert, Cabot's Old Indian Pueblo, Palm Springs Street Fair, Palm Spring Air Museum, golf, and many more Palm Springs attractions.

To reserve your site, your full payment of \$265 must be received no later than October 10, 2017.

Rally Hosts: Rich (Cell: 949-463-6070) & Bonnie Smith (Cell: 949-830-7650)

Rally Co-Hosts: Val (Cell: 949-599-6707) & Ann Lester (Cell: 949-214-6913)

SAM'S FAMILY SPA AND HOT WATER RESORT

Nov 13 - 18, 2017

___ ATTACHED IS MY CHECK FOR \$265 MADE PAYABLE TO RICH SMITH

Name(s) _____ No. of people _____
 Address _____ Phone _____
 Cell Phone _____ Length of Rig _____ # Slides _____ # Pets _____
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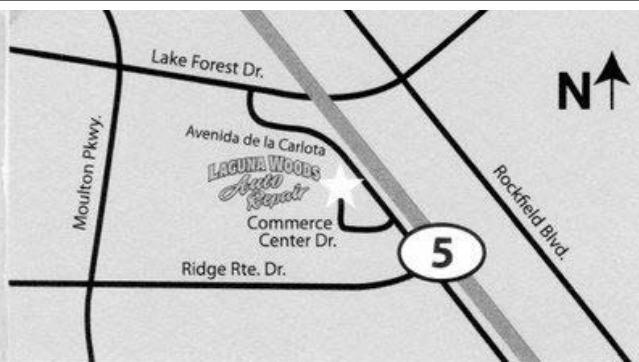
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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RV WHEELERS OF LAGUNA WOODS VILLAGE

☐ New
 ☐ Renewal
 ☐ Changes from previous year
 Referred by _____

Any resident of Laguna Woods Village, who is the owner of, or is interested in, a travel trailer, camper or motor home is eligible for membership. Our purpose is to promote social relationships of our members by holding meetings, rallies and get-togethers and to disseminate information of benefit to members.

Date

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APPLICANT (PLEASE PRINT)

Anniversary (Mo/Da/Yr)

Last Name	First Name	Nickname	Birthday (Mo/Da)	Email
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SPOUSE/COMPANION

Last Name	First Name	Nickname	Birthday (Mo/Da)	Email
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Address	City	St	Zip
Home Phone	Cell #1	Cell #2	

RV	Make	RV Model	Rig Class	License	St
Rig Length	# Slides	Parking Lot A or B	Space Number		
Tow or Dinghy	Make	Model	License	St	

Our club's strength is member involvement. Would you be willing to help with: (x)

Social Events		Hospitality		Greeter		Programs	
Publicity		Membership		Asst. Rally Master		Board Member	

What are your interests? (x)

Card Games		Dominoes		Bingo		Shopping	
Cycling		Hiking		Walking		Tours/Museums	
Other (Please indicate)							

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Please mail this application and \$15.00 per person to our Membership Chair. **Make checks payable to "RV Wheelers"**. If you wish, you may submit this application at any regular meeting.

Mail to Treasurer: Linda Huber, 788-Q Via Los Altos, LW 92637

Please list 4 of your favorite campgrounds (within 150 miles) of Laguna Woods

MEETINGS ARE THE 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, AT CLUBHOUSE SIX, 6:30 PM



ADVANTAGES OF RV WHEELERS MEMBERSHIP

- **We are your only liaison with the GRF Security Committee and can relate your concerns about the RV lots, rules and regulations, lot fees and more**
- Planned 4 to 7-day group rallies, within a reasonable driving range of the Village. Also have some week to 2-week trips further afield with planned or spontaneous activities at destination planned by those who attend
- Monthly meetings with guest speakers with knowledge of RV maintenance, repair, and road rules plus social time and camaraderie
- Informative website and monthly club newsletter
- Resource Guide of member recommended RV maintenance, repair, supplies, and parts dealers

