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FROM BEHIND THE WHEEL

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Dear GMC Pacific Cruisers Members

We just got back from the Valentine's Day Rally at the Elks Lodge in Vista. A good time was had by all and we all kissed the Elk at least once!

Now on to Desert Hot Springs and the Johnson Barn Rally, 3 to 5 March 2017.

Speaking of Cruiser Rallies, we are looking at a long time between rallies, May to September, as the song goes, we really need volunteers to do a rally some where, some time. So step up, we will give lots of help, I have some good ideas for locations, all you need is a GMC to be a member and share your enthusiasm and friendship with our group

"Rain keeps falling on my head", I thought it never rained in California. We're thinking about an ark instead of our GMC.

I have uncovered some interesting information while at the Johnson's Barn Rally. We added a new member to our roster Peter Reinzuch, who has 2 GMC'S in his yard, the one he is rebuilding is a Royal, the other one he got for parts and has had it since the 90's. He found an old Pacific Cruiser name tag in it, with the last name of Cox. I have looked in old Rosters back to 2008 and didn't find a listing for Cox, so am appealing to any old member's that might remember them?

Seems a lot of GMC'S end up in the desert. Art Johnson traded a cash register for his GMC and had to unbury it from the desert.

The history of our beloved GMC's is interesting and would make a good article for our newsletter. I would love to hear some of the history of your GMC.

Pacific Cruiser's will be joining in a joint Rally with Western States and GMC International in Tucson from April 6th through the 12th 2018. Mark your calendars for a big rally, but remember it is in 2018!

And see you in Pahrump, NV this year, 20 to 24 April with Western States.

Love, Bobbie Schultz President

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SPECIAL DAYS

Birthdays.....

Mar 23	Jim Rowe
Apr 4	Annie Mundia
Apr 8	Donna Ventura
Apr 15	Dave Wood
Apr 24	Audree Rowe
May 29	Joanne Hernandez
June 9	Max Walz

Anniversaries...

April 2, 1947	Ralph & Annie Mundia
June 7, 1954	Dave & Leone Wood

TREASURER'S REPORT BY JOE WEAVER

Through 02/28/17

Balance at start	\$5,686.97
Income	\$525.00
Expenses	\$100.00
Ending Balance	\$6,112.72

Joe Weaver joseweaver@aol.com

BOBBIE'S CORNBREAD RECIPE

Cream 1/2lb of Margarine
Add 3/4 C. sugar
Add 4 eggs, one at a time
Add small can diced green chillies
1 can cream style corn
Add a pinch of salt
1 C. grated mixed Mexican cheese, Mix together, 1C flour, 1C yellow corn meal and 4 tsp baking powder, add to other mixture. Bake @ 350 for 1 hour and 15 min

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PACIFIC CRUISER LOGO MERCHANDISE

- Get Pacific Cruiser 40th anniversary wine glasses so you can toast and serve your guests in style; plus these glasses are guaranteed to make cheap wine taste like the good stuff.
- Identify your coach with beautiful die-cast license plate frames. Limited supply.
- Embroidered patches that will turn any jacket into a "club jacket." Only a few left.

These items will be sold for \$5.00 each. When they're gone, they're gone. We won't be reordering. Look for them at the next rally. If you are one of the Pacific Cruisers who never comes to the rallies but want some of this good stuff, we will even package and ship the merchandise to you if you pay the postage and handling.



2017 RALLY SCHEDULE

APR 20-24	GMCWS Preferred RV Resort
Pahrump, NV	Roenick/Banovich
MAY	OPEN
JUN 23-25	Ramona Oaks RV & Camel Dairy
Ramona, CA	Rowe
SEP 15-17	Tucalota Springs
Sage, CA	Rowe/Cantrell
OCT 5-9	GMC Western States
Paso Robles, CA	Price
NOV	OPEN
DEC	OPEN

**We need volunteers to suggest locations and
volunteers to be Rally Masters.
Call Bobbie 760 525-3551**

BLYTHE BLUEGRASS RALLY

BLYTHE FAIRGROUNDS

25 coaches gathered for a fantastic rally at the Blythe Bluegrass Festival. We had a great group of Pacific Cruisers, 49er's and welcomed guests. There were the regular GMC's but also a few SOB's (some other brand).

Everyone had a chance to enjoy the music as well as a variety of food and craft booths. Due to the rain, the Bluegrass bands took over the venue where the Quilt Show was to be held. Our GMC quilters weren't disappointed thanks to Bobbie Schultz. She convinced the Quilt Queen that we could host the show at our campsite. It was a smaller show but well attended and enjoyed by GMCer's & guests.

The usual happy hour gathering offered us many special hors d'oeuvres. Hoss & Ken kept 2 fires going with lots of firewood that was donated by the festival.

We had some rain and sun and still kept a sunny attitude.

Dave deGraffenreid with Bill & Midge Kittridge entertained us with a fun, funny and profitable auction...they topped it off with a bottle of Tequila and a memorial toast to Loren Bates. We bought many items that we didn't even know we needed.

The last day we had a tailgate party in front of Dave & Donna's outdoor TV to watch the playoff games. Ben & Mary kept us well fed in spite of their teams loss. Better luck next year.

Thanks Judy, Ken, Bobbie & Gene.
Submitted by Donna deGraffenreid

BLYTHE RALLY ATTENDEES

Banovich, George & Jodell
Booth, Ken & Judy
Cantrell, David & Arlene
Coats, Jerry & Barbara (guests)
Corrigan, George & Susan
deGraffenreid, Dave & Donna
Ginn, Howard & Elaine
Hauge, Hoss & Charlotte
Kittredge, Bill & Midge
Lamey, Bob & Karen
List, Tom & Suzanne
Morton, Don (guest)
Mundia, Ralph & Annie
Norton, Doug & Irene
Price, Ben & Mary
Roenick, Nick & Donna Ventura
Roman, Ron & Linda Harris
Schultz, Gene & Bobbie
Shier, Norm & Shirley
Smith, Andy & Vina (guests)
Walz, Max & Susan
Weidner, Larry & Lucy
Wood, Dave & Leone





VALENTINE'S DAY RALLY VISTA ELKS LODGE

What a fantastic "Rally"--I swear the sun was shining just for us --no rain. Our hosts, the Schultz and Hernandez out-did themselves.

Our Valentine's dinner was held at the campground. We had all the finery – lace tablecloths, roses, candy – what more could you ask for? We also celebrated the birthdays.

Wednesday, we visited the Carlsbad Craftmanship Museum. Everything is miniature and works just like the big guys – engines, planes, boat engines, trains, toys, houses, etc. We were given a private tour and demonstration. Afterward, we had lunch at the Schultz home. Bobbie & Gene's "Old Spanish House" was really beautiful --so much to see. The yards surrounding the house were really interesting with patios everywhere. An outstanding place for our party of two kinds of chili and homemade cornbread.

Thursday, the exciting part of our Rally was the "Bocci Ball" tournament. Men against the women, and of course the women won. For dinner, we joined the Elks Lodge members in a cook-your-own steak dinner with salad and baked potato.

Every night we enjoyed Hoss's fire pit. We had great appetizers – fun was had by all – what could be better.

See you at the next rally in Desert Hot Springs.

Submitted by Annie Mundia





VALENTINES RALLY ATTENDEES

Judy & Ken Booth
Arlene & Dave Cantrell
Deanne & George Ciz
Charlotte & Hoss Hauge
Joanne & Phil Hernandez
Jacque & Art Johnson
Ruth & Bob Martin
Annie & Ralph Mundia
Mary & Ben Price
Audree & Jim Rowe
Shirley & Norm Shier
Donna Ventura & Nick Roenick
Bobbie & Gene Schulze
Susan & Max Walz
Leone & Dave Wood



JOHNSON RANCH RALLY DESERT HOT SPRINGS

It was clear and warm as we arrived Friday for the Johnson's Ranch Rally. The GMC's were all lined up and everyone was sitting in front of the barn enjoying each other and the sunny afternoon. Before long, snacks and finger-food appeared and cocktail hour had begun. As usual, there were enough hors d'oeuvres to call it dinner. When it got dark and the stars started to appear, Hoss lit the campfire and we moved closer as the evening cooled off.

Saturday started out sunny and beautiful too. We had a delicious breakfast of "zip lock omelets", sausage, bacon, lots of pastries and champagne for Mimosas. Several people went walking around the neighborhood. Others visited Art's Cash Register museum or browsed the items people brought to sell. Mid-morning a table and jigsaw puzzle were set up. The men were discussing GMC's so the ladies got busy with the puzzle. In the afternoon, the wind started to blow so we mostly moved inside the barn. The men kept on discussing the coaches and the ladies putting the puzzle together. As time passed, the wind blow stronger and Bobbie says she's sure she saw Dorothy & Toto blow thru on their way to Kansas. Ralph & Annie Mundia are celebrating their 90th & 91st Birthdays and 70th Wedding Anniversary in March & April. Art & Jacque honored them at dinner with a toast and dedicated the Rally to them. Our hosts served us a fantastic dinner of chicken cooked three ways, sausages and salads. Cheesecake followed for dessert. After dinner Hoss presented Ralph & Annie with a lighted GMC plaque in honor of their special days. It was too windy for a campfire so we lounged in the barn and socialized thru the evening.

Sunday morning the wind was still blowing. We enjoyed a continental breakfast and everyone headed home fairly early to beat the forecasted rain. Thanks to the Johnson's for a great rally. We appreciate all their hard work and had a wonderful time.

Submitted by Judy Booth

ATTENDEES

Ken & Judy Booth
Dave & Arlene Cantrell
Phil & Joanne Hernandez
Hoss & Charlotte Hauge
Art Johnson/Jacque Morris
Bob & Ruth Martin
Ralph & Annie Mundia
Jim & Audree Rowe
Gene & Bobbie Schulze
Ed & Eileen Staal





RUN AWAY TO RAMONA

June 23-25, 2017

RAMONA OAKS RV RESORT, RAMONA, CA.

24340 Highway 78, Ramona, CA 92065 (760) 788-3085



You will be taken to the unique Oasis Camel Dairy where you will be entertained by Gil and Nancy Riegler who will introduce you to their “American Dream” during the sit-down animal show in a tree shaded outdoor theater with a sound system that insures nobody has to strain to hear! In addition to meeting and learning about the amazing camels, other Dairy residents are part of the show as well. *Funny, fascinating and full of amazing facts!* And guess what? There are BABIES! After the show, the group will be led around the Dairy to meet more residents including exotic birds, horses, donkeys, sheep and of course the famous racing turkeys where guests can “talk turkey” and have their own gobbling contests with our raucous toms. ***Camels come right up for one-on-one petting!*** Then time for shopping in the gift store.

Rally masters: **Jim & Audree Rowe** (909) 670-3113 (cell) or (909) 599-2820 (home)

Registration fee includes 2 dinners, 2 breakfasts, and 2 nights camping along the river under the shade of 200 year old oak trees with full hook-ups (Fri/Sat) at the beautiful and deluxe Ramona Oaks RV Resort and transportation and admission to the Camel Dairy.

Registrations must be received by June 17, 2017

Make checks payable to Audree Rowe, 1353 N. Shirlmar Ave., San Dimas, CA 91773

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Name(s): _____ First Rally? Yes _____

Address: _____ City: _____ St. _____ Zip _____

Email address _____

Phone Number _____ Coach License _____ Tow Car License _____

Coach with Two Persons \$ 200.00 \$ _____

Coach with One Person 155.00 \$ _____

Each Additional Guest 45.00 \$ _____

Guest Name(s) _____ Total payment enclosed \$ _____

Additional night camping @ \$50.00 per night. Make your arrangements directly with the RV park.

