



PACIFIC CRUISERS

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Greetings Pacific Cruisers Friends,

Hello! Boy it has been a crazy few months. Are you all doing ok out there? We just returned from the GMCPC rally in Julian at the Menghini Winery and that was the first time we had the coach out since the Barn Rally in February. We really missed traveling and seeing everyone.

Things dramatically changed for us in the middle of March, like most people in the world. Our family went from being completely overscheduled to having nothing on the calendar at all.

It took about 3 weeks before the boys started online learning, and you can imagine, that didn't go over well. They eventually figured it out and got into a groove. They missed their friends and we all got very familiar with Zoom trying to keep connections going. My job was furloughed until further notice so I find myself with all sorts of time to do anything I want. So, I decided to put all my energy towards my own leadership coaching practice helping leaders of leaders in the service industry develop their emotional intelligence to become better leaders. I do this through one on one coaching, group coaching and facilitating workshops. I am really excited to see where this new journey will take me. - wish me luck.

Now that things are slowly starting to open up we are enjoying being able to see our friends and family in person instead of over the computer screen. The boys are officially done with school so they are looking forward to not having days not filled with computer learning. All of their summer activities were cancelled so they will likely be spending a lot of time at the beach with their friends.

Our next trip is scheduled for July to the Lake Tahoe area. I have never been there before but Tom has



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spent time up there with his Jeep group. I have heard so much about how beautiful it is so I can't wait to experience it in person.

Hopefully things will get back to normal so we can start seeing all the regulars back at the rallies. We did have 4 new coaches at the Julian rally that I will introduce you to below. It is so fun having GMC enthusiasts find our group and join us in our travels.

Until we see each other again, take care of yourselves and have a safe and enjoyable summer.

All the best,

Patrice Ciccarelli

President - GMCPG

NEW MEMBER PROFILES



Yancy and Courtney Everhart (Yancy Jr. and Adele)

Coach: 1976 Palm Beach (Bob Hooton's prior coach)

When: Bought it in the summer of 2018

Where: They live in Mesa, Arizona

Next Trip: Big Bear, Ca. and South Lake Tahoe

Why did they buy a GMC: They were introduced to the GMC motorhome from Henry Wolfe and accompanied Adam Burleson on the trip to pick up his coach. He was sold after the road trip.



Jeff "Styles" and Susan Overman

Coach: 1976 Palm Beach

When: They bought the coach in February 2020 and had it shipped from South Hampton England!

Where: They live in Eastvale, Ca.

Next Trip: Puddingstone Lake in June with the Vintage Trailer friends

Why: Styles loves all things vintage like his dad and the GMC fit right in.



Adam and Suzie Burleson (Ethan and Evan)

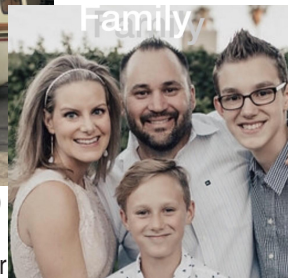
Coach: 1978 Royale

When: They bought the coach in the summer of 2018 from a seller in Norman Oklahoma (Flew into Dallas on Saturday and drove the coach back to Arizona the next day)

Where: They live in Mesa, Arizona

Next Trip: Big Bear, Ca.

Why: They camped with Henry Wolfe and fell in love with the GMC Motorhome.



Leo and Julie Macaluso

Coach: 1977 Palm Beach

When: They bought their coach in the spring of 2019 from a seller in Homer Michigan

Where: They live in Encinitas, Ca.

Next Trip: A day trip to San Elijo State Beach, then to the next GMCPG Rally!

Why: Leo was first introduced to the GMC Motorhome when he was in his early 20s. His boss bought a GMC motorhome that was worth more than Leo's house at the time and asked Leo to drive it on an errand. Leo became a big fan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Bob Hooten passed away March 2020.
He had bone cancer.

Dorothy & Bob were very active GMCPG members for many, many years.

Dorothy passed away Oct. 2018.

We miss them both.

ROSTER ADDITIONS

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GMCP C 2020 RALLY SCHEDULE

HOST

JUL - AUG	Summer Break	
SEPT 18 - 20	Lake Cachuma Rally - Santa Barbara Co., CA	Eric & Tippy Schulte
OCT	OPEN	
NOV	OPEN	
DEC	OPEN	

*Schedule & Registration form are available at gmcpc.org

LET US KNOW WHERE YOU WOULD LIKE TO GO IN 2020/2021!

PLEASE CONTACT BILL KITTREDGE (714) 264-7386 WITH YOUR SUGGESTIONS.

PACIFIC CRUISERS RECIPE CORNER

WHITE BEAN CHICKEN CHILI

4 Servings

32 oz Chicken stock
 3 - 15.5 oz cans Cannellini beans
 5 c Cooked shredded chicken
 16 oz jar Salsa
 8 oz Grated Pepper Jack cheese
 2 t Ground Cumin
 2 cloves Minced garlic OR 1/2 t Powder
 White pepper to taste

2 Servings

1-1/3 c
 1 - 15.5 oz can
 1-2/3 c
 1 c
 2/3 c
 3/4 t
 1 clove



Garnish:

Fritos
Sour Cream

In crock pot, Cook on Hi until cheese is melted
Stovetop, cook in large pan over Med/Hi until cheese melts.

MENGHINI RALLY

JUNE 11 - JUNE 14, 2020



We gathered 13 coaches and one tent (sorry, Richard Curiel) in Julian, CA for the 2nd Annual Menghini Winery Rally. Mike and Toni Menghini opened their pasture to us amid gentle breezes, lots of sunshine, marvelous shade trees and spectacular mountain views. Despite a hot Thursday of travel, all coaches made the pull to 4,200 feet. Bill and Midge Kittredge were the rally hosts, with lots of help from Tom Ciccarelli and Dave de Graffenreid on logistics.

Those who braved the Thursday heat were rewarded by the cool of Julian and a lovely winery itching to open. The Burleson and Everhart families joined Todd Lehmacher in a 3-coach caravan from Arizona that day. Such a treat to meet their families and an honor that they have joined to the club. Brad Lehmacher and his children Otto and Ava also joined the gathering from Yorba Linda... Pretty sure Todd will convince them to join the GMC Motorhome family.

Friday was cooler and with plenty of sun as fresh faces Jeff and Susan Overman from Eastvale and Leo and Julie Macaluso from Encinitas arrived in their Palm Beaches. We are pleased and honored that they too joined the club at the rally. Some of us used Friday to explore the town of Julian, while others relaxed, napped, played with dogs and RC cars and took full advantage of cold beer on tap from Mike Menghini's beer truck. A&S delivered a delicious dinner... pulled pork, beans and coleslaw which we enjoyed in an open-air setting. Julian Apple Pies a la mode sent us to bed fully satiated.

Saturday brought delicious A&S breakfast burritos and another beautiful, if breezy day. After breakfast Patrice Ciccarelli lead a club meeting. We confirmed the slate of officers, discussed rally



MENGHINI RALLY



opportunities and got acquainted with the new members. It was again a day for excursions to Julian, games in the pasture, and visiting Mike Menghini's car collection. We also lifted hoods, changed a tire, raised an antenna, tracked down electric issues, tightened belts and generally fine-tuned a number of coaches. Jeff Overman displayed his GMC painting expertise, Leo Macaluso shared battery updates and more innovations he has added to his Palm Beach, and Yancy Everhart, Tom Ciccarelli and Steve Weinstock played roving tech team to everyone's delight. Mike and Toni Menghini then presented an informative open-air wine tasting (and GAVE their horse to a wide-eyed equestrian loving Adele Everhart), and A&S delivered juicy grilled chicken, beans, dinner rolls and more Julian Apple Pie a la mode. Evening brought cold wind and live fireside guitar music and musings from our own Richard Curiel. His opener was a promising young comedian, Jeremy Ciccarelli. Both brought the house to applause.

Coffee and pastries awaited all Sunday morning. We then slowly departed for home, appreciative of the time together, and the beauty and relaxing memories of the Menghini Winery. Mike and Toni have invited us back, and the date is set: June 17-20, 2021 – the perfect Father's Day Getaway!

Attendees:

Bill Kittredge & Midge – HOSTS
Adam & Suzy Burleson, Ethan and Evan
Tom & Patrice Ciccarelli, Jeff and Jeremy
Richard Curiel
Dave & Donna deGraffenreid
Yancy & Courtney Everhart, Adele and Yancy Jr.
Hoss Hauge
Todd Lehmacher

Brad Lehmacher, Otto and Ava
Leo and Julie Macaluso
Ralph & Annie Mundia
Len & Pat Novak
Jeff and Susan Overman
Ron Roman & Lynda Harris
Steve & Merrie Weinstock