



Rio Grande Roadrunners RV Club News Letter August 2020 Issue

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Notice:

Due to the Corona Virus, our on-site monthly meetings have been canceled. Our trips are back as scheduled but planned activities are under new guidelines until further notice. We will resume our normal functions when it is safe to do so. We had an On-Line Video Chapter meeting Wednesday August 5th. There were 15 members (Rigs) attending.

New Club Name announced: "Rio Grande Roadrunners"

Congratulations to Bud and Debby Brinkerhoff for their suggestion. Marie Mook will be sending a gift card.

Secretary Report By Marie Mook

The Money in the NM State Good Sam State organization was split by active members in each old chapter. Our Club will receive about \$2797 from the state organization.. What to do with the money has not been decided at this time.

The state trailer has been sold, and each chapter will receive about \$600 to be designated for a charity of their choice. Our club voted at the meeting to donate \$300 to storehouse West (our designated charity and \$300 to Watermelon Ranch Animal Shelter.

Our September trip to Rt 66 has been canceled. The RV Park canceled large

gatherings due to the virus. So far, there has not been a replacement trip. Some of the other NM clubs are still going to Rt 66 on their own, and anyone from our club is welcome. You must make your own reservations.

It was reported that since the NM chapters have de-charted, some of the old members are returning to their clubs!

Treasurer Report By Gary Gum

Gary presented the current financial status of our club, in Marie's absence.

Wagon Master Report: By Various members (Debby had a previous commitment)

Scheduled trips will go on as scheduled. Attendees should continue social distancing and will have a choice of participating in the Pot Luck(s) and Saturday breakfast, or bring their own food for these activities

Member News

Please keep all of our ill and recovering present and past members in your thoughts and prayers including:

- Marie Gum - Had shoulder surgery on the morning of Aug 5th. Gary reported that she did very well.
- Dorris Coons - Back is feeling better, but she was running a temp last week and not feeling well.

State Web Site

By Pete Agrusa

Chuck Culpepper has created a state website for the six NM RV clubs. He had to pay (out of his pocket) to lease the Host and Domain for the site, The fee split six ways amounts to about \$46 per club for two years. After the initial two years, there will be another fee of \$8.50 per club to extend it for an additional two additional years.

Our club voted at the meeting to pay the \$46 to Chuck and participate in the new State web Site. It can be viewed at:

www.nmrving.com

2021 Site selection

By Pete Agrusa

Sept 2021 trip has been reserved for a “Just Friends, Food and Fun Campout” campout. At RT 66 RV Resort. Other NM club members may be invited to attend if they wish.

2021 trip information and the primary ballot has been sent to the membership. Primary Ballot must be returned by Wednesday 08/12/2020 at 08:00 pm.

The voting process will be done similar to the name change process with a primary ballot cutting the list of 40 sites down to about 15. Then a final ballot to choose the 2021 locations.

You will be requested to select locations that you may wish to attend, rather than “nine locations” as in the past. If you only intend to make 4 or 5 trips, only choose those locations, We hope to get a better selection of places that members actually want to attend.

The club officers will use the final selection to reserve locations for the 2021 Event Schedule. If any locations chosen can not

accommodate us, the officers will select substitutions based on the vote count.

August 21st Trip

Pagosa Riverside Campground

Pagosa Springs CO 81147

Phone – 1-970-264-5874 or

1-888-785-3234

Not sure how many members plan to attend.

July 17 Alpine Rose Trip

By Debby Brinkerhoff

The club went to Alpen Rose in Durango in July. A year ago Marie Gum graciously offered to lock in some campsites for us for 2020. Everything went according to plan until just before the camp out when the new owners and their new computer system shuffled the campsites around. So we were no longer in the spots we had picked out. Marie tried hard to get everything straightened out.

Despite the initial snafu by the site, everyone seemed to have a good time. Because of the Covid 19, the resort did not allowing eating at the large covered patio. But we did play Dana's card bingo she introduced to us last year.

For the Friday night dinner out we had our individual hor d'oeuvres. Then for breakfast some food was provided but several couples elected to eat their own.

We sat and visited for the Saturday night dinner. We decided to do it this way because some people were still wary of eating food prepared by others. We gathered together on a nice grassy spot between two RV's.

All in all we had a good time with some hiking, fishing, train riding and shopping in between our get togethers.

Meeting Location

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday Sept_2nd at 6:30 pm. At this time it is scheduled as an on-line Zoom meeting.

Members Sold Rigs

Two of our members have sold their rigs. Hopefully that can join us at locations that have other accommodations

- Amy and Vinni Fittipaldi – No plans to purchase another.
- Doris and Ross Coons – No plans to purchase another.
- Ann and Lane Kirkpatrick – May purchase another.
- Mark and Mary Murayama – Plans to purchase another and remain in the club

RV Tip – Same as last month!

Since most of us are in the high risk category you may want to:

- Practice social distancing, a mask is recommended.
- Avoid the public restrooms and showers
- Carry hand sanitizer or disinfectant wipes at all times
- Avoid shared facilities at the campground when possible (pools, Jacuzzis, club houses etc.)
- Practice the six foot rule in gatherings
- Avoid sharing foods and snacks unless you are comfortable with it.

Joke of The Month

A teacher asked Johnny “how many times can you subtract 10 from 100?”

Johnny answered “Once”

The teacher said “That’s incorrect” but

Johnny insisted that the answer is “Once”

The teacher said “How did you come up with that?”

Johnny replied “The next time you would be subtracting 10 from 90!”

Chapter Badges

The Red and White Chapter Name badges are available by request. The cost of the badge depends on the type of attachment selected.

Pin	\$6.00
Clip	\$7.00
Magnet	\$8.00

Note: Due to shipping cost, a single badge order will cost \$2.00 more, so we try to send orders for more than one badge.

Logo Items

For the location and directions to purchase Rio Rancho Sam’s logo t-shirts, denim shirts, or Other items see the Swap and Shop Section of our Web Page!

Our Chapter Web Site

Our 2020 schedule with phone numbers and trip information is on our web site. Click the hot link bellow, or paste it into your browser.

https://sites.google.com/view/riorrancho_rvclub/home

NM State Website

The New Mexico State Website including information from affiliated NM RV Clubs can be found at:

<http://nmrving.com/>

I like coffee because it gives me the illusion that I might be awake!

You all have a great and safe day!
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