

ROADRUNNER RAMBLINGS

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BOARD MEMBERS

PRESIDENT...JERRY WINTERS
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SECRETARY...DIANE SHIPMAN
TREASURER..PAM ZACHARIA
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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE JANUARY 2022

Hello, Road Runners

As we start moving out of Winter into Spring it will soon be time to De-Winterize those RV's and get ready to hit the road.

We have a few trips planned for Q1:

Feb 10-14 Lake Havasu Fireworks

March 3-7 Death Valley

March 24-29 Verde River Resort April 11-14 Buckskin State Park

April 20th Quarterly Meeting at a Park (details to come)

We had our January Club Meeting on the 8th at Affinity.

Bob Bean attended and gave us an update on the sale of Affinity. At this time he does not see any changes but will keep us updated. The new owners are helping with the sourcing of New Units, Parts and Supplies. He was not sure if they will be having Affinity Days Show do to Corona Virus Issues and City Approval.

We had a pair of guest speakers a young couple Jason and Delyn who talked about their experience of going fulltime with teenage kids and their You Tube site.

Goals for 2022 are:

- 1. HAVE FUN & GO RV'ing
- 2. Work with the membership to get all involved
- 3. Try to have >12 outings this year
- 4. Continue to Recruit Good New Members
- 5. Continue to work with Affinity under new ownership
- 6. Support our Local Vets

I am encouraging each of you to <u>Please Consider</u> getting involved and being a Wagon Master or Co-Wagon Master and help set up a trip, it is not that hard and you get more involved and more out of the Club!! If you are interested give one of the Board Members a call to help you get started and on the WEB is a Wagon Master Guidance Document. June, July, August and October are very lean on Trips!! Again GET INVOLVED and plan a trip.

Just a reminder dues are do! You can mail a check for \$18 to Pam Zacharia. Let's have some Fun and Go RV'ing Road Runners.

Safe Journeys

Jerry Winters

NEWSLETTER EDITORS NOTE

As I try to keep everyone informed of what's going on in the club, trips that are coming up and any reports on trips that have been completed so please send me your info, pictures and thoughts and I will pass it on here.

I will publish articles of interest on RV's and camping in general. If you have something along those lines, please submit them to me at <u>roadrunners.newsletter@gmail.com</u>.

Please remember when responding for a specific trip communicate directly with the Wagonmaster not communications.

2021 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Roadrunners Christmas Party took place on December 14th at the Event Center in Prescott Valley. We had a great turnout and everyone had a good time with their fellow members. Many of our club members brought donations for both Toys for Tots and our local veterans.

The event began with an hour of greetings and conversation. Almost everyone brought their own libations while the Event Center furnished ice and the club furnished cups and wine glasses.

Dinner was served buffet style and consisted of a salad, roast beef au jus and baked chicken, vegetables and rolls, followed by assorted dessert items.

Jerry Winters, our incoming president said a few words and Adrian Geiger thanked Shawn Stencil, out outgoing president, for her service to the club and wished her well as she and Phil began their full-time RVing life.

There was a little game to determine the recipients of the beautiful table center pieces that were made and donated by Diane Shipman and Shirley Critelli.

The final event of the evening was a performance by our club favorite Elvis tribute performer. He performed a wide array of old-time rock tunes as well as Christmas songs. As usual, his performance was excellent, and everyone had a wonderful time.

I'd like to thank the members of the Christmas Party Committee, Shirley Critelli, Jerri Rook, and Diane Shipman for their hard work in organizing the event.

Diane Grayson





MEMBER PROFILE

Jerry Winters..Club President

Jerry was born and grew up in the Northern California town of Santa Rosa, the county seat of Sonoma county. He has 1 brother and 1 sister and his 90 year old mother still lives in California.

He met his wife Gina at Fairchild Semiconductor where they both worked and they married in 1984 there in Santa Rosa.

The University of San Francisco is his Alma Mater and prepared him for his career in the Semi-Conductor materials industry where he worked his way up from machine operator to CEO. He retired from his position as CEO of Pure Wafer Corp. in 2019 here in Prescott.

Jerry loves to garden, make home improvements and travel, both domestically and internationally. His favorite camping trip was going up through Yellowstone, Mount Rushmore and the Grand Tetons. The beach and the mountains are also his favorite destinations.

He related a funny story to me about a camping trip with Gina and his daughter when she was a child. His daughter made friends with other children in the campground so Jerry made up a treasure hunt for them, drawing up a pirate map that led to the buried treasure. A bag of candy buried in the ground was the treasure. They found the candy and were eating it when the other children's mother saw them and asked where they got it. "We dug it out of the ground" was the reply. The mother promptly made them spit it out and throw the rest away.

Interviewed by Charley Shipman

2022 Roadrunners Calendar of Events

<u>Month</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Wagon Masters</u>
January	8	Quarterly Meeting	Potluck Dinner
February	10-14 23-28	Lake Havasu Fireworks Yuma	Indra (FULL) Meyers (Cancelled)
March	3-7 24-29	Death Valley N.P. Verde River Resort	Shipman Shultz/Winters
April	11-14 20	Buckskin State Park Quarterly Meeting	Meyers Potluck Lunch @ Park
May	27-28 29-June 4	Monument Valley Durango	Schultz Rosenfeld
June			
July	9	Quarterly Meeting	Potluck Dinner @ Affinity
August	22-28	Red River, NM	Geiger
September	TBD TBD	Dead Horse Williams, AZ	TBD TBD
October	Mid Oct	Rocky Point, MEX	Winters
November	11-14	Verde River Resort	Annual Meeting
December	TBD	Christmas Dinner	Club Officers

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^{*}Dates listed are for day of arrival through date of departure

TBD - To Be Determined

UNUSUAL PLACES TO CAMP

Conestoga Ranch, Utah



Covered-wagon campsite | Conestoga Ranch via Facebook

CONESTOGA RANCH VOTED USA TODAY 10BEST GLAMPING RESORT

Whether you opt for one of the luxurious grand tents, keep it rustic in the traditional tent, or choose to camp in a re-created 19th century Conestoga wagon, there's no camping experience quite like Conestoga Ranch. Situated on a private island overlooking the beautiful Bear Lake in Utah, this gorgeous resort isn't quite roughing it. But it still offers all the fun camping activities you need, including hiking, lake recreation, and mountain biking.

LAST LAUGH

(True story by Charley and Diane Shipman)

A few years ago Diane and Charley were Boondocking with their camper trailer and were in the National Forest just south of Jackson Hole Wyoming. They found a spot along a beautuful stream and were both outside the camper preparing to unhook and set up. All of a sudden they hear this bear growling behind them. You are not supposed to run from a bear but holler and make noise. But Diane didn't do that, she screamed and ran into the camper and locked both the doors. Of course Charley is locked outside with the bear now. As it turned out the scream and the sudden movement was enough to frighten the bear off.

The moral of the story is Ladies don't lock your hubby out with the bears.

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