



ROADRUNNER RAMBLINGS

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE MAY 2023

Happy Spring Road Runners:

Time to get those RV Out, Cleaned Up, Check the Tires and get On The Road.

We have had a few Good Trips to Tombstone & Buckskin and our January Meeting and Picnic at Gold-water Lake so far this year. Coming up in the next few months we have a trip to Durango and to Williams as well as our July meeting at Affinity. Check with the wagon masters for availability on these trips. A full calendar of events has been sent out and is on our Face Book.

We have had 2 new couples join the club: The Lacoss's and Tom Neely / Carmella Leyva, make sure you get a chance to introduce yourself and welcome them to the club.

Changes are coming to our Sponsor Affinity RV as they have been purchased by Blue Compass RV.

They are in the process of Changing their name to Blue Compass RV. We now have a new Representative form Affinity his name is Gonzo Romero make sure you say Hello and Welcome him, his contact information is on the latest roster and he works out of the PV site. Affinity is having their Yearly Sale and Celebration May 4 to the 7th, as in the past we will be supporting our Sponsor by Helping out Cooking and Serving at the event. Thanks for your support in manning the concession stands at both sites. If not working stop by and say hello or come buy a new RV.

Our Goals: Have Fun, Get Everyone Involved, More Outings, Recruit New Members, Support Affinity and Local Vets. Our Club in only as Strong as its Members and Volunteers.

Enjoy and Safe Travels

**Jerry Winters
President**

NEWSLETTER EDITORS NOTES

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 charley.shipman@gmail.com.

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

Raffle Prizes: As you know the raffle prizes are donated by the members and if you were one of the lucky raffle prize winners could you be so kind as to bring a raffle prize to the next meeting. That would help a lot. If you didn't win, better luck next time and bring one anyway. This is one of the ways our club raises money.

Web Site and Face Book Page: Web Site: <http://www.yavapairoadrunners.com>. The site is updated and managed by Ray Schultz so if you have news or pictures, send them to Ray. The site now has a Roadrunner email people can use to contact the Club, located under the "Contact Us" tab. The old site roadrunners97 is gone. We now have a new Facebook page: Yavapai Roadrunners. All FB members will now be able to post to this site

Updated 2023 Calendar of Events

| <u>Month</u> | <u>Date*</u> | <u>Event</u> | <u>Wagon Master(s)</u> |
|--------------|--------------|---|------------------------|
| January | 7 | <u>Quarterly Meeting 5:00 pm @ Affinity</u> | Potluck dinner |
| February | 25-Mar 1 | Tombstone | Schultz/Winters |
| March | Canc | Moab - Arches | Schultz/Rosenfeld |
| April | 12 | <u>Quarterly Meeting @ Goldwater Lake 11:30 am</u> | Picnic Lunch |
| | 16-20 | Buckskin Mountain State Park | Meyers |
| May | 4-7 | Affinity Sale | Club Members |
| | Canc | Verde River Trip | Minette/George |
| June | 1-9 | Chama & Durango | Rosenfeld/Winters |
| July | 15 | <u>Quarterly Meeting 5:00pm @ Affinity</u> | Potluck dinner |
| August | 14-18 | Williams, AZ – Railside RV Park | Meyers/Bevier |
| September | 24-29 | Red River, NM - Roadrunner RV Ranch | Geiger/Schultz |
| October | 9-13 | Rocky Point, Mexico <i>Need Mexican Car Insurance & a U.S. Passport</i> | Winters/Geiger |
| November | 2-6 | Page Lake Powell Balloon Regatta | Shipman |
| November | 10-13/14 | Affinity Appreciation Party | Club Officers |
| | 12 | <u>Quarterly Meeting</u> followed by 2024 Planning Meeting Verde River RV Resort & Cottages 1472 W Horseshoe Bend Drive, Camp Verde, AZ (928) 202-3409 | |
| December | TBD | Christmas Dinner Party - Location TBD | Club Officers |

* Dates listed are for day of arrival through date of departure

TBD To Be Determined

Updated 3/21/23

TOMBSTONE ARIZONA OUTING

Shultz/Winters Wagonmasters

Tombstone Outing February 25-March 1.

Jerry & Gina Winters, Ron & Jerri Rook, Adrian & Barb Geiger, Rich & Sandra Taylor, Dan & Diane Grayson, Jim & Janis Bevier, Steve & Shirley Sheperd, and Ray & Teresa Schultz were in attendance. A big Thank You goes out to the Sheperds for bringing the green chili brats from New Mexico!

Although the weather did not cooperate sometimes, we had a wonderful time seeing the sites in the area. Downtown Tombstone, Kartchner Caverns, and more. Even snowed on Sunday! The RV Park was always very helpful and accommodating.





BUCKSKIN MOUNTAIN STATE PARK

April 16th thru 20th

Doug and Mary Meyers Wagonmasters

(See the Yavapai Roadrunners Facebook page for info and pictures)

GREAT PLACES TO CAMP

CUSTER SOUTH DAKOTA AREA

This area offers a wide range of campgrounds and State and National Parks.

Things to see and do:

- Mount Rushmore. Visit the unique stone carvings of past presidents.
- Crazy Horse Monument. Large stone carving of the Indian Leader Crazy Horse.
- Custer State Park. This park ranks right up there with any national park for its beauty and wildlife.
- Wind Cave National Park
- Jewel Cave National Monument
- Badlands National Park
- Needles Highway Scenic Drive

RV MAINTENANCE

PONDEROSA MOBILE RV SERVICE

We discovered a mobile RV service guy that impressed the heck out of us. It is Ponderosa Mobile RV Service based in Chino Valley. Dale and Cathy Crader own and run the business.

Let me state that I have only used him once but a neighbor has used him for a number of years and speaks very highly of him. He is very good at returning calls and keeping you updated on arrival times, acquisition of parts, and getting back to answer questions.

He quoted me a set rate to install a new awning on my class A. Due to weird electrical issues, the installation took two hours longer than the hour and a half he based his set rate on. He stayed with it and determined the problem and then apologized for the additional time it took to complete the task.

He has a good-sized truck and carries quite a few spare parts and equipment so no time lost running around for additional parts as I experienced with other mobile repairmen.

If you are interested, the Ponderosa Mobile RV Service telephone numbers are:

Office: 928-443-5121

Mobile: 928-925-7488

(Submitted by Dan Grayson/Membership)

LAST LAUGH

I WON AN RV

A woman goes to a coffee shop, buys a coffee and sits down to drink it. She looks on the side of her cup and finds a peel off prize label. She pulls off the tab and yells, "I WON! I WON! I WON a motor home, I WON a motor home!" The waitress runs over and says, "That's impossible. The biggest prize given away was a mini van!" The customer replies, "No. I WON A motor home, I WON a motor home!" By this time the manager makes his way over to the table and says, "You couldn't possibly have won a motor home because we didn't have that as a prize!" Again the customer says, "No, no mistake, I WON a motor home, I WON a motor home!" The person hands the prize ticket to the manager and he reads, "WIN A BAGEL."

Thanks to our sponser Blue Compass RV Sales and Service for their continued support. Our new liason is Gonzo Romero

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