



**GMC Saguario Jetset
Motorhome Club**
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GMC Saguario Jetset Gazette

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April 2004

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The final rally of the 2003-2004 season was small but successful. Six coaches convened at the Tombstone Territories RV Resort near Tombstone. We were pleased that new member John Welty from Green Valley joined us. Thanks to the members who turned out for this fun rally! We crowned a new Farkle Queen (Dorothy Myers, who rolled 5920 points in one turn!) and Omelet King (Don Schmidt, who made omelets to order for everyone at Saturday's breakfast!)

Besides John Welty, Richard and Sharon Smith from Castle Rock, Colorado have also recently joined our chapter. Many of you will remember the Smith's from the February rally in Mexico. Welcome to John, and to Richard and Sharon! Our membership now stands at 40.

Thanks to Carol James, who volunteered to host this year's Christmas rally, and to Dorothy Myers who volunteered to assist Carol as co-host.

We're still pursuing a January 2005 "no host" rally at Pinal County fairgrounds, coincident with the annual bluegrass jamboree. Keep checking the Web site for updates!

The February 2005 rally in Mexico will retain the same date format (Wednesday to Wednesday), with a pre-Mexico gathering in Why (like we did this past February). Since we have some members who choose not to travel into Mexico, would you consider coming to Why for a stateside mini-rally for a few days prior to the departure of the caravan into Mexico?

It's almost time to announce candidates for the Nominating Committee; I'll be doing that in the next few weeks. Ballots for the Nominating Committee election will be sent out by the end of May. The elected Nominating Committee members will be charged with assembling a slate of candidates for chapter officers for 2005 (those ballots will be sent out this Fall, and the outcome will be announced during our annual meeting in December).

Remember to send me an Email if you have news for the club. I'll post your information to the Web site

I hope you all have a wonderful — and safe — Summer!

Tom Armstrong

p.s. Visit the Web site; there are more member coaches for sale!

Upcoming Dates of Interest

- August 17-19, 2004:** FMCA 72nd International Convention, Redmond, Oregon
October 5-10, 2004: GMC Western States Balloon Festival Rally, Albuquerque, New Mexico
October 21-23, 2004: FMCA Rocky Mountain Area Rally, Farmington, New Mexico
March 21-26, 2005: GMC Western States Spring 2005, Gold Canyon, Arizona
March 22-24, 2005: FMCA 73rd International Convention, Perry, Georgia
August 16-18, 2005: FMCA 74th International Convention, Minot, North Dakota

GMC SAGUARO JETSET BUSINESS MEETING—Saturday, April 17, 2004 **Tombstone Territories RV Resort, Huachuca City, Arizona**

The April business meeting of the GMC Saguaro Jetset chapter of the FMCA was held Saturday April 17, 2004 at the Tombstone Territories RV Park in Huachuca City, AZ. President Tom Armstrong called the meeting to order at 9:37 am, and quorum was not declared. Other officers in attendance were Second Vice President and Wagon Master Don Schmidt, Secretary Pam Schmidt, Treasurer Cindy Armstrong. Full Members Present were: Don and Dorothy Myers, John and Evelyn Culver, Carol James and John Welty. (Carol James' guest Charlotte also attended.)

President Tom Armstrong introduced our newest member, John Welty from Green Valley, AZ. He also mentioned that several GMCs are popping up in Green Valley. As of this date, we have 39 members, and working on more. Eg: Bob Rummage in Phoenix, and one interested person in Green Valley from Mississippi.

The percentage of club members who are part-time Arizona residents has risen from 50% a year ago, to 55%.

Treasurer Cindy Armstrong reported that as of April 14, '04 there was \$4,564.22 in the treasury with no outstanding Rally deposits. The financial information is posted on the Members Only portion of the web site.

Carol had a question about the March rally cancellations and how that affected the treasury. Members must communicate in a timely manner with rally hosts about cancellations to avoid incurring costs to the club. Reservation refunds will be made whenever additional costs will not be incurred by the club.

Evelyn announced that the February rally reservations are taken care of for the next couple of years. Non-members will pay \$20.00, instead of the member rate of \$10.00 for the Mexico rally. She said that donations of toys, food, blankets etc. are appreciated in Mexico. She will put donation information into the flyer for next year's rally.

Tom Armstrong has suggested to potential members that they join only if they are going to be able to participate, as our total numbers have a direct effect on the percentages needed to declare a quorum for official business meetings.

50/50 Raffle money is a separate line item in the Treasurer's Report, with all this money being slated for the December Rally Christmas party expenses. (The James and the Myers have volunteered to host the 2004 Christmas Rally at Gold Canyon). Don Schmidt announced that the October '04 Rally will be hosted by the Schmidts and Steggemans on October 14, 15, 16, & 17 at Cattail Cove State Park at Lake Havasu, AZ. Tom Armstrong suggested contacting our members in the Las Vegas Area well in advance so they can plan to attend.

John Culver suggested having a section of the web site have pictures of the coaches and their owners to help all of us identify each other with our coaches.

Carol James suggested extending the time in Why, AZ for the Mexico Rally.

It was suggested that the January 2005 Blue Grass Rally at the Pinal County Fairgrounds be a no-host rally with a non-refundable deposit to be paid to the wagon master. The club must pay a \$50.00 deposit for the club to attend.

John Culver suggested sharing opportunities for trips such as inviting each other to go to favorite camp locations. Our website is a good communications vehicle for that type in information/invitation. Evelyn Culver expressed enthusiasm for a rolling rally.

In May, there will be a ballot for nominating three candidates for the nominating committee. After the nominating committee is selected, they will develop the slate of potential officer candidates for next year.

Announcements included the suggested reading of the three articles about GMC coaches in the FMCA magazine, and a reminder to check the club web site on a regular basis for up-coming events for the club, FMCA, etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

- Pam Schmidt, Secretary

RALLY REPORT
TOMBSTONE TERRITORIES RV RESORT
HUACHUCA CITY, ARIZONA
APRIL 15—18, 2004

Since this was a “no host” rally, I’ll provide a summary. First to arrive Thursday were the Armstrongs — in their SOB (a 1997 Dolphin by National RV). Myers and Culvers arrived a bit later. We visited, absorbed the sun and played Farkle, after which we pooled our food for an impromptu potluck.

Friday saw the arrival of Carol James and her friend Char (Gordie was golfing in Myrtle Beach!), new member John Welty (and his sidekick ‘Buddy’) and the Schmidts. Another potluck dinner, complete with grilled entrees, was enjoyed by all.

The wind blessed us Saturday, so we moved our breakfast

into the clubhouse, where Don Schmidt proved why he is renowned as the ‘Omelet King’. Following our informal business meeting, there was more game-playing, coach repair work, etc. Don & Dorothy took Carol and Char into Tombstone, since they had never been there before. Potluck “leftovers” were consumed Saturday evening. Although Cindy and I missed the excitement, “Rock Races” at the clubhouse highlighted the evening’s entertainment.

After a day and night of strong winds, Sunday morning dawned clear, calm and cool. We gathered for breakfast, pictures and the 50/50 raffle, after which the coaches began to leave for the journey home.

Good news! ‘Buddy’ did not severely injure his foot during his two ‘escapes’ from John’s coach. The vet gave him some medication, and told him to stop behaving like a kid!

- Tom Armstrong

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MAY

ANNIVERSARIES

None

BIRTHDAYS

5 — Don Myers
6 — Keith Thomas
12 — Herm Beeck
15 — Jo Ann Lelm
18 — Anita White
22 — Dave Johnson
27 — Jim Swanson
28 — Kerry Tandy
29 — Skip Robinson



New club member, John Welty

2004
RALLY SCHEDULE

JANUARY 8-9-10-11

FIDDLER / BLUEGRASS EVENT

**PINAL COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
CASA GRANDE, AZ**

RUSSELL / PAULINE CLINK 520-733-9665

**MAY - JUNE - JULY -
AUGUST - SEPTEMBER**

NO RALLIES SCHEDULED

FEBRUARY 18 - 25

MARGARITAVILLE

**PLAYA BONITA R.V. PARK
PUERTO PENASCO/ROCKY POINT, MX**

**JOHN/EVELYN CULVER 480-945-1201
JIM/MARVENE SEUFERT 928-305-6752**

OCTOBER 14-15-16-17

OKTOBERFEST

**CATTAIL COVE STATE PARK
LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ**

**DON / PAM SCHMIDT 520-298-0616
JOHN / LUCY STEGGEMAN 928-342-2208**

MARCH 11-12-13-14

JOINT RALLY WITH PACE ARROWS

**APACHE GOLD RV PARK AND CASINO
GLOBE, AZ**

RUSSELL / PAULINE CLINK 520-733-9665

NOVEMBER 4-5-6-7

THANKSGIVING

**CANYON VISTAS RV RESORT
GOLD CANYON, AZ**

**JOE / MADELEINE YOUNG 480-962-5041
GLEN & JO ANN LELM 480-641-8880**

APRIL 15-16-17-18

NO-HOST RALLY

**TOMBSTONE TERRITORIES RV RESORT
HUACHUCA CITY, ARIZONA**

DON / PAM SCHMIDT 520-298-0616

DECEMBER 2-3-4-5

CHRISTMAS

**CANYON VISTAS RV RESORT
GOLD CANYON, AZ**

**CAROL/GORDIE JAMES 480-471-2502
DOROTHY/DON MYERS 480-829-1988**