



# Gold Country Travelers

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Check the website for additional details on these upcoming outings

## 2017 Outings

- Jan 18-23 - Yuma Arizona, Chuck & Arlys Rogers, WM.
- Feb 20-24 - Monterey Fair RV Park, RSVP to Carmen Harris
- March 28-30 - Feather Falls KOA, Jack Diggins, WM.
- April 19-24, Port O Bodega, Dick Lavergne, Wagon Master.
- May 11-15, 49er Ranch, Columbia - Ken & Cricket Couser WM.
- June - Lake Comanche, Roy Pimentel, Wagon Master.
- July 10-14, Bodega Bay RV Park, Scott & Christy Nyland, WM.
- Aug 23-27 - Duck Island, David Lee, WM.
- Sept 10-14 - Pioneer RV, Quincy, Lucy Farley & Jim, WM.
- Oct - Wine Country RV Resort, Watkins/ Harris, WM
- Nov - TBD, CJ Deaton, Wagon Master
- DEC - Christmas Party



## Message from the President

Happy New Year fellow RVers! Aaron and I pray for good health for everyone and lots of fun outings.

The Electoral College has voted and I'm your new President and I also won the popular vote. So, thank you.

A great big thank you to C.J. Deaton for an outstanding job done as president for 2016.

Welcome to new members Herb and Carol Brown.

Thank you to the following families for hosting in 2016: Collins, Deaton/Morgado, Fernandez/Eldred, Farley/Ayers/Hey, Harris/Saylor, Lee/Hitt, Lavergne, Poynter/ Kochie, Rogers, Watkins. If I missed a name, I'm sorry...

In the coming year, 2017, I'm looking forward to our monthly outings with our RV family. So far, we will be visiting three new parks – Pioneer RV Park in Quincy in September, Wine Country RV Resort in October and Lake Comanche in June, with some old favorites, Port-O-Bodega, 49er Ranch, Bodega Bay RV Park, and Duck Island thrown in the mix. Check the Club website under the heading, OUTINGS, to get further information.

In the past, the Board and the membership have stressed that ALL members should rotate taking turns hosting an outing as it distributes the FUN/work fairly among all members. If you did not host last year or this year, please sign up to host an outing by yourself, or ask someone to co-host with you. It does not have to be fancy or with lots of frills and action – just select a park and invite us and we will be there. Everyone should be hosting at least every 15 to 18 months. In the very near future, I will start working on the hosting list for 2018. If you have a preference for a specific month, please send me a request.

Do you have a suggestion where we can host the December Christmas dinner? Send me a note.

*Carmen*

## Past Outing Reports

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**Jackson Rancheria RV Park, Jackson, Ca.**  
CJ & Kathy Deaton - Bill & Lorraine Morgado, Wagon Masters

October 17-20, 2016

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After a downpour Sunday night, the sun came out and we were able to enjoy beautiful sunny fall weather for our outing. There were 12 rigs attending including guests Steve and Dale Bernard. We had lots of local activity to choose from including wineries, antique shops and some tried their luck at the casino. Others just enjoyed relaxing in the beautiful campground.



On the second night most of us took the shuttle to the casino and enjoyed a tasty buffet dinner. In the evenings, some played 31, or we visited around the propane fire pit. On our last night we all gathered at the clubhouse for a delicious baked ham dinner and all the wonderful pot luck dishes contributed by our members and guests.



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**Heritage RV Park, Corning**  
**John & Shirley Watkins, Wagon Master**  
**November 17-20, 2016**

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It was a dark and stormy night when we started our November campout. It was the 17<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup> at Heritage RV Park in Corning. John and I had hosted our other camping club earlier in the week at the same park. Those that came in early on Wednesday shared leftovers with us in the club room. On Thursday we had 10 rigs plus an extra. Everyone went to Casa Ramos for dinner. It is so close to the park that we could have walked, if it wasn't rainy and cold.



Friday the weather cleared and we played bocce. Many of the players had never played before, but everyone had such a good time that we played 2 games. The park was recently remodeled and added the bocce courts. That evening most of us went to the Green Barn in Red Bluff for dinner. The dinners were just OK, with the Prime Rib tough. We will have to find a new spot in Red Bluff. After dinner, some

sat around the fire pit to visit while Carol and Herb Brown taught others a new card game in the club room.

Saturday was pretty much on your own, some people went to the Olive Pit, Lucero Oil, or the casino. Some of us went to Vina to see the progress on the Abby. It was very interesting. They are now constructing the entrance and have completed a new parking lot. Of course we stopped for a little wine tasting and buying. That evening we had our potluck. I fixed Navy Bean Soup and Italian Wedding Soup (meatball soup). We had a wide variety of appetizers, salads, and desserts. Everyone had to participate in our game before they could have dessert. It was a little putting contest. Surprising how well the ladies did! After many elimination rounds the winners were Bill Morgado, Aaron Harris, Dave Routt (our friend) and David Lee in that order.



Heritage Park was easy to work with, had a large clean club room, new bocce courts, and a gas fire place. Thank you all for coming.

Shirley and John Watkins



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**Annual Christmas Dinner  
December 12, 2016  
CJ & Cathy Deaton, Hosts**

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This years' Christmas Dinner was held at the Buckhorn Steakhouse in Winters. This has been a favorite place for us. The delicious buffet dinner started off with appetizers a no host bar and much socializing. The buffet included Garden Salad, Vegetables, Roasted Red Potatoes, Char-roasted tri-tip, Herb Roasted Chicken, and Salmon Fillet. Everyone was dressed up in their Christmas season favorites. After dinner a brief business meeting was held to elect officers for next year and review the 2017 camping calendar. All months are assigned. Looks to be another fun year of camping with some new parks on the list.



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## Details- Upcoming Outings

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**Yuma, Arizona  
January 18-23  
Chuck & Arlys Rogers, Wagon Masters**

The base RV park will be Fortuna De Oro. 13650 Frontage Road, Yuma, AZ, 928-342-5051, or 888-940-8989. No scheduled activities at the park. No reservations are necessary unless you are staying for an extended time or have special needs.

### Outing Agenda

- 18 Jan (Wed) Arrive in Yuma  
5 PM Cocktails at Rogers, 13529 E 49th Drive, Yuma, AZ.
- 19 Jan Visit the Yuma Proving Ground (YPG). Lunch at the Cactus Café.  
After lunch - Depart YPG for Castle Dome Silver Mine Museum. Leave on your own.
- 20 Jan Shopping available in the Yuma Market Places 10 AM to 4 PM. One outdoor and two indoor areas are available for shopping, open Thur-Sun.  
4:30 PM All you can eat fish at Foothills Eatery.
- 21 Jan 1000 AM Visit Wellton Tractor Pull Contest.  
Later Visit Koche's and Poynter's.
- 22 Jan 4:30 PM Potluck Dinner at Rogers.
- 23 Jan (Monday) Depart if you want to.

For your visit to the Yuma Proving Grounds, contact Chuck, ([chkrog@aol.com](mailto:chkrog@aol.com)) as some personal info will be needed for entry. See our website for additional information.

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**Monterey, California  
Feb 20-14  
Monterey County Fairgrounds RV Park  
2004 Fairground Rd, Monterey, CA 93940**

RSVP to: [Carmen Harris](#)

This will be a no host outing. There is much to do in the area including the Monterey Bay Aquarium, Cannery Row, beaches and Fisherman's Wharf with plenty of restaurants.

\$45.00 per night. Full hookups, wifi. No Rec Room, Golf course located behind RV park.

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**March 28-31**  
[Feather Falls KOA,](#)  
**3 Alverda Drive, Oroville, Ca**  
**Jack Diggins, Wagon Master**

10 sites have been reserved. Full hookups, Cable TV, WiFi. \$45 per night.  
 RV Park is within walking distance to the Casino.

Activities and points of interest in the area include:

- Old town Oroville
- Sierra Nevada Brewery Tours
- Chico Air Museum
- Bolt Antique Tool Museum
- Feather River Nature Center (Bath House Museum)

For more information, watch your email and to reserve your space contact Jack Diggins,  
[thedigs@att.net](mailto:thedigs@att.net)

## Birthdays and Anniversaries This Quarter



### Happy Birthday This Quarter to:

Lambert, Lynn	3-Jan
Eldred, Loran	21-Jan
Couser, Ken	23-Jan

Diggins, Jack	10-Feb
Hey, Doug	12-Feb
Couser, Cricket	15-Feb
Deaton, Cathy	20-Feb
Fernandez, Ed	20-Feb
Saylor, John	22-Feb
Nyland, Christy	23-Feb

Morgado, Loraine	6-Mar
Alexander, Dennis	14-Mar
Saylor, Janice	15-Mar
Amaclerio, Sharrie	15-Mar
Ayers, Jim	16-Mar
Rogers, Chuck	19-Mar
Bilheimer, Carol	31-Mar

### Anniversaries This Quarter

Harris, Aaron & Carmen	22-Jan
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Kochie, Larry & Maxine	20-Mar
Saylor, John & Janice	30-Mar



# Meeting Minutes

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## **Gold Country Travelers RV Club Meeting Minutes October 18, 2016 Jackson Rancheria RV Resort**

The meeting was called to order by President CJ Deaton at 6:29 pm. CJ congratulated Ed & Joan Fernandez who are celebrating 59 years of marriage. He also introduced guests Steve & Dale Bernard.

**Secretary Report** - John reported minutes are being emailed out and printed in the Newsletter.

**Treasurer Report** - Michelle reported all is fine with our finances.

Short discussion on deposits that are rolled over to reserve a park for the coming year.

If club funds were used be sure to notify the treasurer and the wagon master for that outing. It would be best to get a receipt from the park showing the rolled over deposit and also keep track whether personal or club funds were used.

### **Upcoming outings-**

**November** will be in Orland at Heritage RV Park. Nov 17-20. Shirley Watkins will be sending out info and you can check the website for details.

**December Christmas** dinner will be in Winters at the Buck Horn Steak House on Monday evening December 12. More info to follow.

CJ reported that a new couple will join us at Orland, so be on your best behavior.

### **2017 Outings**

Still need wagon masters for February, March and November.

Jack Diggins will not be available to host the June outing. So a wagon Master is needed for June.

Shirley & Carmen had been looking at an RV park in Truckee for October but they required a large deposit up front to hold, so they will be looking elsewhere.

### **Other Business**

Short discussion on membership recruiting new members.

### **Officers**

CJ announced that nominations for officers next year are open. Carmen is willing to stay as VP, Michelle is willing to stay as Treasurer. Lucy is nominated for Secretary and John Saylor for Member at Large. We still need a nominee for President.

Voting will take place at the Christmas dinner in December.

There was no additional business so the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

John Saylor  
Secretary

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## **Gold Country Travelers Meeting Minutes - November 19, 2016 Heritage RV Park, Corning Calif.**

The meeting was called to order by President CJ Deaton at 7:22 pm. CJ thanked Shirley & John for a fun outing. CJ recognized the following birthdays - Ken Collins, Shirley Watkins, Jane Poynter and Arlys Rogers, and the following Anniversaries - Doug & Michelle Hey and Chuck & Arlys Rogers.

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**Upcoming Events**

Christmas Holiday Dinner will be at the Buckhorn Steak House in Winters, Monday, December 12, 5 pm. Cost is \$35 per person. We will have a private dining room and Bar. Send your check to CJ.

For 2017 there are still 5 months in need of a Wagon Master.

**Nomination of Officers for 2017**

The following have been nominated to serve for 2017

President - Carmen Harris

Vice President - CJ Deaton

Secretary - Lucy Farley

Treasurer - Michelle Hey

Member at Large - John Saylor

Nominations will close and we will vote at the Christmas dinner next month.

There was no additional business. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

John Saylor

Secretary

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Meeting Minutes - December 12, 2016

Buckhorn Steak House, Winters, Ca

The meeting was called to order by President CJ Deaton at 7:15 pm. CJ thanked everyone for coming.

**Nominations** - CJ reported the following nominees for 2017 officers:

President - Carmen Harris

Vice President - CJ Deaton

Treasurer - Michelle Hey

Secretary - Lucy Farley

Member at Large - John Saylor

David Lee made a motion to accept the nominees. The Motion was seconded by Jack Diggins. Motion passed.

**Dues** - Dues are due, be sure to get your check for \$15 to Michelle.

At this time CJ turned the meeting over to Carmen Harris, our newly elected President.

**Upcoming Events**

Carmen reported that she has reserved the Monterrey County Fairgrounds RV park for February 20-24. Need reservations to be sent asap due to the short time frame. This will be a no-host outing unless someone signs up to be wagon master.

For March, Jack Diggins has volunteered to be wagon master and will start looking at RV parks.

Roy & Sharrie have volunteered to handle June and will be looking at Lake Comanche for the outing.

CJ and Cathy will take November. All months are now set for 2017.

David Lee introduced Herb & Carol Brown. They are enthusiastic about our club and have submitted their application, having now attended two events.

There was no additional business. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

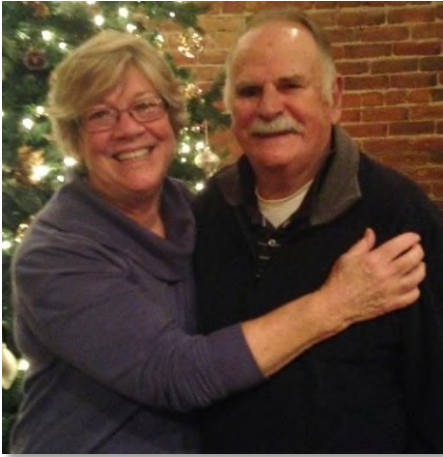
John Saylor

Secretary

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Welcome to the Club.



Meet our newest prospective members. Herb and Carol Brown. They have camped with us and came to the Christmas dinner. We hope to see more of them next year.

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**Newsletter Published Quarterly. Submit Articles to John Saylor [j99saylor@gmail.com](mailto:j99saylor@gmail.com)**  
**Wagon Masters** should send a story of their outings as soon as possible after the event is complete.  
**Tech Tips, Recipes** and other items to publish can be sent anytime and will be included in the next newsletter.

**Web Site:** Please send calendar and details of upcoming outing to John Saylor. I will update the online calendar and publish a detail page of your outing. Remember we also have a Tech Tip section, Recipe page and a page of useful RV information, so send that info to me to share with the club. If you take pictures, send them to me and I will add them to the Photogallery web page.

**Looking back.....**

-- Pomo RV Park, Fort Bragg, Sept 2005



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The *Gold Country Travelers RV Club* is not a brand specific club. Members own campers, travel trailers, 5th wheels and motor homes of many different makes.

Our members volunteer to take turns as wagon masters on a monthly basis. We have an outing once a month, January through November. During December we leave our rigs at home and celebrate the year at a local restaurant.



We sometimes take extended trips to places such as Quartzsite, Yuma and Oregon. We are all about having fun, fellowship or just relaxing at our campsites.

Our members share travel ideas, stories, technical, maintenance and repair ideas they have learned from experiences. The cooks in the club share recipes and cooking stories. Our quarterly newsletter and website keep members informed of upcoming and past activities.

**Gold Country Travelers RV Club**

<http://www.goldcountrytravelers.com>

Membership Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_

Cell 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Cell 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Email 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Email 2: \_\_\_\_\_

RV Type: 5th Wheel [ ] MH [ ] Travel Trailer [ ] Camper [ ]

RV Length \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Slides \_\_\_\_\_ Slides Curbside \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary (month & day) \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdays (month & Day)

His \_\_\_\_\_ Hers \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contacts:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Contact Dr. or Medical group: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_