



Gold Country Travelers

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2018 Outings

July 22-26, Olema Camp Ground, Olema, Ca.,
Lucy Farley, Jim Ayers Wagon Masters.

Aug 15-19, McCloud RV Park, McCloud, Ca,
David Lee, Wagon Master.

Sept 14-18, The Lakes RV Park, Chowcilla, CA
Herb & Carol Brown, Wagon Masters

October 14-17, Jackson Rancheria, Jackson, Ca.
Mullins, Farley, Ayers, Co-Wagon Masters

November 5-8, 49er Village, Plymouth, Gary &
Donna Thompson, Wagon Masters.

December 7- Christmas Party, Frasinetti Winery,
Sacramento. Doug & Michelle Hey.



Message from the President

Cheers Fellow RVers:

Doug and I enjoyed our first outing this year at Vineyard RV park located in Vacaville. And, I had the great opportunity of holding my first club meeting which I will discuss later. During our first morning, our wagon masters, Bill and Lorraine, served breakfast which was omelet in a bag--yum. For those who haven't tried them, they are supposedly easy to make and you can freeze them ahead of time. They also treated the club to dinner, hotdogs and hamburgers with all the fixings and salad.

Ed scheduled a game of bocce ball one afternoon. Ok ladies, next time you must join in. I was the only female to play. Of course, there was a lot of sitting around and just chatting which was nice and relaxing.

For those who did not attend the outing, due to another rate increase at Bodega Bay, the club cancelled the outing for 2019. Dick is taking a well-deserved break as wagon master next year. With that said, there are several months available for those interested in serving as wagon master next year. John is working on updating the schedule so please take a look.

The main topic at the club meeting was, of course, outings for next year. I stressed, which may have bothered some members, that it is NOT important to me if the 2019 calendar is filled. I assigned Lucy to fill next year's calendar but we don't believe in pressuring members to host. David asked what about planning an informal outing and inviting members to attend or planning an outing with grandchildren or children. Both ideas are great. I am actually planning a trip, which may or may not be an outing, for the end of February. Doug and I are considering going to Santa Cruz Boardwalk for the clam chowder festival. The date for the festival has not been announced yet. If there is enough interest, then I will arrange it.

Looking forward to seeing you in Olema. The theme—Christmas in July.

Happy and Safe travels,

Michelle Hey, President

Past Outing Reports

April - Port O Bodega Dick LaVergne, Wagon Master

Ahoy! The Club's April outing was at the Porto Bodega RV Park and Marina with all of our RV sites backing up to Bodega Bay. This not only provided us with beautiful views of the Bay, but also of the fishing boats coming in and out, kayakers, sailboats and, of course the occasional seal and other wildlife.

We had a good sized group made up of the Browns, Thompsons, Tietmeyer's, Fernandez', Eldred's, Lavergne, Lee, Deaton's, and Watkins'. We also had guests, the Anthony's, Shongood and Goliher. Of the attendees, 9 of the rigs chose to stay 4 nights to enjoy the surroundings as much as possible.

Besides the locale, what else made the outing memorable? Why it was the Watkins afternoon seaside happy hour, complete with their famous Margaritas and with John and Dave grilling up some local oysters. While Gary and Herb missed out on the feast, they did enjoy a perfect day for golfing.

We were also graced with near perfect weather throughout the outing, with very little wind and making for great campfires. We also didn't miss having the chowder and crab sandwiches from Spud Point.

The Friday night dinner was at *Lucas On The Wharf* where the food and service was again flawless and we enjoyed the company of some of the group's extended families.

So, say "RV outing Ahoy," to Porto Bodega. They plan another significant rate jump next year and the Club will be working to find another venue that more of the members can afford and enjoy.....

Remember all the good times and maybe we'll be back

Dick L., Wagon Master

May Outing at 49er Ranch, Columbia Yvonne Collins, co-hosts - Ken & Cricket Couser

May 15-21, 2018 Gold Country Travelers had 8 rigs in attendance at 49er RV Ranch, Columbia, hosted by Yvonne Collins and co-hosted by Ken & Cricket Couser.

On Tuesday Couser, Diggins, and Thompson arrived, Collins on Wednesday, and Brown, Deaton, Farley/Ayers and Lee on Thursday. Everyone left on Sunday, except Collins stayed until Monday.



Reservations are made way in advance and this park is very popular, especially during annual area events, so at short notice it wasn't easy to get extra days outside of our original 3-day spots.

Everyone had a great time sightseeing the surrounding area, going to the Calaveras County Fair, watching frog jumping contests, or just going into Historic Columbia taking a stage coach ride, visiting shops or attending the Columbia's Annual re-enactment of an 1852 Gold Rush Tent Town.

Thursday everyone had arrived and we all carpoled for Mexican dinner at El Jardin in Columbia. (Cont'd next page)



(49er Ranch, cont'd) Friday the Ranch puts on a Hot Dog & Chili Dinner, which we combined with the salads and desserts brought by members.

Saturday was the usual appetizer-happy hour, followed by the Potluck Dinner, Greek Baked Chicken with members supplying their best salads and desserts, yummy!!!

Saturday's evening entertainment started with Yvonne's door prize raffle, some were "stolen" right away by the next person up. Of course, a number of craft/gifts had been made by Ken Collins (RIP) and these were treasured items which few dared to "steal" away from the first recipients. Each evening was the famous "31" card game and/or campfire.

Sunday morning the Ranch folks, as in previous years in appreciation of groups, again supplied a gratis continental breakfast of fresh baked pastries, doughnuts, bagels/cream cheese, juice & coffee. We miss that at other RV parks.

I want to thank my co-hosts Ken & Cricket, and also everyone present for their kindness and assistance in making this a fun and memorable club outing. A great time was had by all.

--Submitted by Yvonne Collins

JUNE 2018 OUTING –VINEYARD RV PARK

Bill and Lorraine Morgado, Wagon Masters

Nine rigs traveled to Vacaville, six arriving on Wednesday, June 13 and the other three on Thursday the 14th. As expected this time of year, the weather the first day was pretty hot, but turned surprisingly cool and windy for the remainder of the trip (the Saylor's must have brought it in with them from the coast). By Friday evening it was too cold to sit outside, and the wind made it all-but-impossible to leave your awning out. All of the sites were conveniently located around the park



clubhouse, a large fully-equipped room with a wonderful adjoining covered patio, which became our "home away from home away from home" during the stay.

The early-arrivers (Ayers/Farley, Diggins, Harris, Hey and Lee) were treated by the Morgados to a wonderful breakfast of home-baked zucchini and cranberry breads, assorted spreads and "Omelet in a bag." If you haven't had one of these delicacies, you're missing a real treat and a fun way to get your grandchildren (or a group of young-at-heart seniors) to eat breakfast. You take the ingredients you'd want in an omelet – ham, sausage, onion, peppers, mushrooms, cheese – and chop them up, put them into a quart-sized

freezer bag with 2 beaten raw eggs, press the air out, seal and drop into boiling water for 7-8 minutes. It's so simple but absolutely delicious! And an easy way to serve breakfast to a crowd!

Most of the members spent a lazy Thursday, sitting around the large outdoor patio, telling tales and swapping RV stories. As Lorraine Morgado said, this was intended to be a "no frills, laid-back" outing and there was definitely time to relax and enjoy the wonderful weather. (Cont'd next page)

(Vineyard, Cont'd) Ed Fernandez, the Nyland's and the Saylor's checked in and joined the group and Carmen Harris organized a dinner outing to the Buckhorn Steakhouse in Winters (site of the Club's former holiday parties) and by all accounts the food was outstanding.

The real activities started on Friday, with several touring the Jelly Belly factory and others taking off to explore the area. An impromptu bocce ball elimination tournament took place at 3:00, with Aaron Harris and Ed Fernandez taking home the prize. Sincere condolences to Jim Ayers and Jack Diggins, who took second place.



Friday evening's meal was an old-fashioned down home barbeque prepared by Bill and Lorraine consisting of hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans and watermelon for dessert. CJ and Cathy Deaton drove over to attend, as did former member Suzy Coffee. Also joining the group was Jim Ayers' son Eric and his wife Tracey and their daughter Leora, who took Lucy Farley's cat Diesel home for a "sleep-over" with their dog and 3 cats. Reports are that all was not good, but everyone survived without serious injury.

President Michelle Hey led a brief meeting after dinner where information on the July outing to Olema and the August trip to McCloud were presented. Discussion was also held about sites for 2019 outings. After the meeting, Christy and Scott Nyland, Michelle Hey and Janice Saylor gathered in the clubhouse to play cards while those brave enough to face the cooler weather (or smart enough to have brought long pants

and jackets) sat outside until the wind finally drove them into their respective RVs. At one point Lucy Farley was the only woman sitting in the circle of men, and she later reported that what men talk about when women aren't around is pneumatic grape pruners, dreams of co-purchasing 40 acres of land in Idaho, fast cars and motorcycles, tools and other gender-specific "guy stuff" topics.

Saturday morning found some of the members leaving for home to celebrate Father's Day on Sunday. Those that stayed witnessed a hot-air balloon fly over and land in a nearby field, nearly brushing the power lines on its descent. The afternoon was spent sitting around the clubhouse patio, joined by Mandy and Sophie, Jack Diggins' and David Lee's engaging female canine companions. The day was capped with a dinner out at the Black Bear Diner absent the Saylor's, who ate out with John's brother. The cold and wind drove the group inside the warm clubhouse at night but spirits remained high.

In all, the trip was more than promised, with delicious food, unexpected 70-degree weather and the usual good company. --Submitted by Lucy Farley



Luxury Motor Home of the Day.
The ride has got to be rough with those hard rubber tires, but a lot more comfortable than a tent!

Details- Upcoming Outings

**[Olema Camp Ground](#), Olema, Ca.
July 22-26
Lucy Farley, Jim Ayers Wagon Masters.**



10155 Highway 1, Olema, CA

Come join us for a "cool" time in the Pt. Reyes area away from the summer heat
All sites with Wi-Fi and full (W/S/E) hook -ups
Rate per night is \$40 (including tax) for 10 rigs,
A deposit for one -half your total stay charge is due by May 30

Theme is "Christmas in July" with a white elephant gift exchange, potluck and other fun activities.

Call Lucy at (916) 283-6885 if you have any questions.

**August 15-19
McCloud RV Park**

David Lee, Wagon Master, Bill Tiemeyer Co-Wagon Master.



**To RSVP: Contact David by calling 916-952-9179
Great Mount Shasta Camping**

Tucked into Northern California's Cascade Range at the base of spectacular Mount Shasta.

13 Spots are reserved for our club. No deposit required. Full Hook Ups, Cable TV, WiFi.

Dave is looking into a possible Saw Mill Tour.

Dave will contact those who are signed up for Tour, Dinner and Potluck with details

Location: North of Redding. Off I-5, Exit 736, to Hwy 89 . 10 miles to McCloud.

Upcoming Outings, Continued

September 14-18

The Lakes

RV & GOLF RESORT

5001 E. Robertson Blvd.
Chowchilla, CA 93610
Herb & Carol Brown, Wagon Masters

Something to think about....

All of our spots are on the Lakeside at \$50 per night. There is free golf for all that are staying there along with a nice swimming pool, spa, and lake fishing. Please check out the website for more information about the resort. <http://thelakesrv.com/>

Areas of interest: Yosemite National Park, [wine tasting](#), [Forestiery Underground Gardens](#) (Fresno), [Fossil Discovery Center](#) (Chowchilla) and many more.....

Please consider this outing. Must have confirmation by August 10th and minimum of 8 rigs. We will be sending more information in the near future.

This is a new one us. Looks like a beautiful park.
Contact the Wagon Masters at 916-485-1648, or cabcalls2u@gmail.com

Anniversaries and Birthdays This Quarter

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Steve & Bobbi Treon	3-Jul
Brown, Herb & Carol	22-Jul
Thompson, Gary & Donna	10-Aug
Watkins, John & Shirley	26-Aug
Stohlman, Howard & Kathy	13-Sep
Nyland, Scott & Christy	26-Sep



Happy Birthday This Quarter to: _____



Stohlman, Kathy	13-Jul	Pimental, Roy	9-Sep
Treon, Steve	26-Jul	Eldred, Kay	23-Sep
Thompson, Donna	28-Jul		
Deaton, CJ	10-Aug		
Nyland, Scott	22-Aug		
Farley, Lucy	23-Aug		
Lee, David	25-Aug		
Brown, Carol	25-Aug		

Looking ahead to 2019. We still have some months to fill. I hear there are thoughts of a Pismo Beach area trip in late January or early February, maybe sequenced it with Yuma.

Jan	Yuma, Arizona, Murl & Jane Poynter	July	Harris / Deaton
Feb		Aug	David Lee
Mar	Feather Falls Jack Diggins	Sept	
Apr		Oct	Pioneer RV Park, Quincy, Lucy & Jim
May	Doug & Michelle Hey	Nov	
June		Dec	Christmas Party

Roster Updates

Delete: Larry & Maxine Koche from your roster they have sold their Rancho Cordova home, are building a new place in Welton, Az. We wish them good times in their new adventure.

Guests - The following have inquired about the club. Please include them in your invites to your outings, especially if you have extra spaces.

NAME	email	Misc
Ernie Curto	ernie.i.curto@gmail.com	Elk Grove, Ca, - 19ft Travel Trailer
Sandi Gollither	segollither@gmail.com	
Janet Green	gabbygirl22454@yahoo.com	Sonora, CA
Michael & Annette Babcock	wal6782@yahoo.com	
Dona Pedvin	reoficina@aol.com	14030 mystic mine road, Nevada City, 25 foot Forest River..Lexington

**Club Officers and Contacts
2018**

President
Michelle Hey

V.P.
Lucy Farley

Secretary
C.J. Deaton

Treasurer
Open Position

Member at Large
John Saylor

Website & Newsletter & Roster
John Saylor

Newsletter Published Quarterly. Submit Articles to John Saylor
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.

Dillon Beach way back when we could circle up in the meadow.



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 # _____