



## **GOLD COUNTRY TRAVELERS**

Third Quarter 2025

Newsletter Published Quarterly by the [Gold Country Travelers RV Club](#)  
Our 26<sup>th</sup> Year

The Gold Country Travelers RV Club is a non-brand specific club. Members own campers, travel trailers, 5<sup>th</sup> wheels and motorhomes of different make & models.

Members volunteer to take turns as wagon master monthly. Wagon masters choose the location of the outing. We have an outing once a month, January through November. In December we celebrate with a Holiday lunch.

We are all about having fun, fellowship and relaxing on our outings.

### **CLUB OFFICERS 2025**

#### President

Jack Diggins

#### Vice-President

Carl Taylor

#### Secretary

C. J. Deaton

#### Treasurer

Bonnie Marquardt

#### Member At Large

Donna Thompson

#### Website

Ernie Curto

### **President's Message**

As the Gold Country Travelers RV Club wraps up 2025, I can reminisce on an interesting year. Except for January of 2025, Wagon masters hosted an outing every month. Wagon Masters hosted four new parks the club had never been to before: Coachella Lakes RV Resort, Mountain Gate RV Park, Paso Robles RV Ranch, and Burney Falls / Hat Creek KOA. It was enjoyable to attend a combination of new and familiar parks.

Next year we still need wagon master's for March, July and November. If you have not been a wagon master in a while or know an RV Park you think the club would enjoy, please consider being the wagon master for one of the open months next year.

The Holiday Party will be on Saturday, December 6, 2025, at the Aviator Restaurant, located at the Sacramento Executive Airport. The meal hours will be from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Shortly I will send out the menu and cost per person of the meal. The Club will also be asking for members to bring new toys to donate to needy families and children. More details will follow regarding what toys will be needed.

I hope club members have enjoyed this 2025 RV season as much as I have. Even though I will be gone approximately 47 days in 2026 on a Fantasy RV tour, I am still looking forward to enjoying numerous outings with the club.

Looking forward to seeing many members at the Holiday Party and future Club outings.

Jack Diggins

**JULY 10 – 17 2025**  
**LITTLE BEAR RV PARK**  
**GRAEAGLE/BLAIRSDEN, CA**

Although there was a small turnout we had lots of fun.

Thursday it was impromptu dinner with the John & Debbie Marquardt.

On Friday John and Bill played Pickleball and we all had a picnic at Packer Lake no fish were touched however I rescued a large floating Flamingo with John aboard when the wind came up.

Saturday the Tiemeyer's did the Bear and Round lake loop where we saw 6 different lakes Bear Lake, Little Bear Lake, Cub Lake, Long Lake, Silver Lake and Round Lake. John & Debbie rode bikes on several trails. Anne and I visited the Brewing Lair for some Beer and music on the lawn.

Sunday John and I played pickleball with the locals and had a lot of fun. Ed and Violet arrived along with new perspective members Jim and Karen Grant with their 3 Rottweilers and a Chihuahua. We picked up Gumba's Pizza and had our meet and greet at the clubhouse.

Monday was a Pickleball palooza John, Ed, Violet and Bill. Ed and Violet went to the mill pond to swim with their dog. Then we had Pork Loin and salads, however Debbie's appetizer and Karen's watermelon were my favorite.

Tuesday was Kayaking fun at Salmon Lake with Ed, Violet, Anne and Bill but the funniest thing ever was Ed's dog jumping out of the kayak and swimming behind Ed to the shore good thing Cassie had his life vest on. We all enjoyed Dinner out at the Iron Door where we were joined by John's friend Steve who is quite the comedian.

Wednesday was a quiet day with some morning pickleball and afternoon at the Mill Pond.

Thursday, we said our goodbyes, with John and Debbie headed back to Chico, Jim and Karen heading

back to Novato, Ed and Violet staying through the weekend for the craft fair while Anne and Bill heading back to Jackson.

Little Bear is taking reservations for September 2026 talk to Ernie for details.

Bill & Anne Tiemeyer, Wagon Masters

---

**August 18 – 22, 2025**  
**PASO ROBLES RV Park**  
**PASO ROBLES, CA**

MEMBERS: Steve & Susan Patchett, Cliff & Linda Neal, Liana Mabry, Jack Diggins, Virginia Quinn, Dan & Jeannie Radler, John & Wanda Wingerter, Tim & Beth Forrester, Ed Fernandez & Violet Ask-Young, John & Debbie Marquardt, Jim & Bonnie Marquardt, Yvonne Collins & Bill Morgado, Dan & Debbie Cullen. We had Jim & Ellen Laramie as Guests.

POTLUCK COURSE: The meat was Pork Loin but we helped with BBQing because the grill at the park was not usable. Tim, Jim and John helped with BBQing. Thank you to all of you. The club room was very different, but it worked.

RESTAURANT: We checked the ODYSSEY World Cafe. They had a nice room and a great meat from Grill, Stir-Fry, Sandwiches & Wraps, Pasta, Steak Fish and Chicken. Everyone was very happy.

ACTIVITIES: Some of us went to Sensorio Light Show and loved it. Hearing about the light show some went the next day. We had a great group at the Sculpterra Winery and Sculpture Garden. The sculpture is fabulous and so was the wine tasting. We also visited the Estrella Warbirds Museum.

Every evening, we had a circle at our RV and all dogs too. Also, some of us went to the pool in the afternoon because it was starting to get hot late afternoon. Also, a group went biking too.

Steven & Susan Patchett, Wagon Masters

---

**SEPTEMBER 14 – 19, 2025  
BURNEY FALLS/HAT CREEK KOA  
HAT CREEK, CA**

There were 7 rigs and fourteen people attending. The following members attended the Burney Falls / Hat Creek KOA outing: Jack & Liane (daughter) Diggins, Jim & Bonnie Marquardt, John & Debbie Marquardt, Jean (Marquardt's sister), Liana Mabry, Susan & Steve Patchett, Marsha & Ken Robinson (Guests), Carl & Karen Taylor.

Marsha and Ken Robinson joined the Gold Country Travelers and became official members of our club.

This was a new RV park that the club had never attended before. There was universal praise for the park, sites and facilities. An excellent dinner and breakfast were available for purchase at the KOA on Friday and Saturday. Members went to McArthur Burney Falls State Park. Everyone was in awe of the booming beautiful Falls. Many of the members also took the 1-mile loop trail around the Falls and toured the State Park Campground and beach. Subway Cave (a lava tube) was also toured by GCT members. A good flashlight and shoes were required to walk through the lava tube. Everyone thought the lava tube was a special .3-mile walk.

A number of members drove through Lassen Park and did some sight-seeing and hiking. Having a Senior Federal Pass made Lassen Park free. The scenery was beautiful. The town of Burney along with the Pit River Casino was visited. The Hat Creek Radio Observatory (Seti Institute) that is searching for signals from extra-terrestrials was also visited. The Marquardt's and Patchett's found a 12-mile bike ride that they enjoyed.

The potluck was a delicious Tri-Tip that was BBQed by the wagon master. The usual delicious side dishes, appetizers and desserts were supplied by the attending members. There was enough extra food for a leftover potluck dinner. No one went hungry. The weather was high 70's to low 80's during the day. Evenings dropped to high 40's to low 50's at night. A good time was had by all sitting around the fire pits. This was a very pleasant and enjoyable outing

Jack & Mike Diggins along with Liane & Wille, Wagon Master

**LITTLE BEAR**  
**JULY 10 – 17, 2025**







**PASO ROBLES RV PARK  
AUGUST 18 – 22, 2025**





**BURNEY FALLS/HAT CREEK KOA**  
**HAT CREEK, CA**  
**SEPT 14 – 19, 2025**





