



Arizona Roadrunners Chapter

Outstanding chapter 2021, 2023

November 2024 Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Hello AZ Roadrunners,
It was a busy October for us with 3 back-to-back RV events. Our Muster at Double Adobe in Bisbee, AZ went great. We had 7 rigs show up. The lunch at the old Gadsden Hotel in Douglas, AZ was great. The last night dinner at the Thirsty Lizard also went very well, with the Andersons coming down from Tombstone. Under the new ownership things run much better at the Thirsty Lizard.

We had a rousing game of bean bag baseball where the women beat the men 26 to 10. Our chili dump on Monday night and baked potato bar on Tuesday night went off without a hitch. In the evenings we went and looked at the comet in the western sky. We had our chapter meetings Tuesday morning. Jeannie Greven gave the treasurer's report. The last muster was the Western Regional so Nationals was sent \$170 as we had 17 rigs. A gift card was bought for Nationals in Charleston at a cost of \$53.94. The present balance is \$1,531.78. Dues are presently \$12 annually. After much discussion, Bill Barr made a motion to increase the dues to \$15 annually, in line with other chapters. Rhoda Barr seconded the motion. Motion passed. You can mail dues now for 2025. As a side note, if you read the latest SMART Traveler, you will read that SMART costs have gone up

significantly in the last 3 years. SMART's insurance premium is now up to \$6000 per year. There is a lot of discussion about increasing dues, which haven't been raised in 10 years. We can help avoid this by recruiting and getting our member numbers up.

By the way, FMCA just doubled their membership fee for 2025.

Elections are coming up for next year. Jeannie Greven is willing to remain as treasurer, as is Erwin Greven, President. However, if others would like to run for these positions or any of the others, please step up.

Nominations will be at the November muster and the election is at the Christmas/holiday luncheon in December.

While I was looking up the election guidelines, I noticed that our bylaws and standing rules don't match on officer terms. Bylaws state 1-year term, standing rules state 2-year term. Both are from 2006; this is something that probably needs to be updated to match next year.

There were discussions on where to hold upcoming musters in Feb, March, and possibly April, and somewhere cool next summer.

Some places brought up were Gila Bend in Feb. and possibly the Casino del Sol again in March. Maybe Yuma, email ideas to me, if you have some place in mind.

2024/2025 Muster Schedule

November –13 to 16 2024

KOA at Picacho Peak.

18428 South Picacho Hwy

Picacho, AZ 520-466-2966

December – Christmas/Holiday party

Dec 10th, 11:30 Golden Corral

4380 E 22nd St in Tucson

Please let me know, if you are coming just so we know who to expect. We picked here so we didn't have to make reservations.

January 17-20 2025 River Sands RV

Resort.

49960 Ehrenberg Poston Hwy

Ehrenberg, AZ 928-255-5208

February TBD

March TBD

April TBD

2025 Western Regional

Golden Gate Chapter

April 2nd – 5th

Orange Grove RV Park

Bakersfield, CA

Let me know if you have any questions.

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SMART Caravans 2024/2025

Veterans Unite in Branson
Nov 6 – Nov 15, 2024

SMART Caribbean Cruise
Feb 8 – 17, 2025

Louisiana Food and Music
March 25 – April 25, 2025

Venice of America
May 23 – 30 2025

Planes, Trains, Automobiles and Ships
June 16th-July 31st 2025

Alaska Bound Caravan
July 1 – Sept 2nd 2025

SMART Nationals 2025
Sept 15-19 Mineola, TX

Touring Texas Together
Sept 20 – Oct 15th 2025

Find all the information about
musters and caravans at the SMART
website: www.smartrving.org
Western Region



Comet



Camp happy hour



Happy Halloween



Dinner at the Thirsty Lizard



Ladies shopping

FYI

This is a heads up and FYI for those of you traveling to California with a

diesel motorhome or diesel truck towing a 5th wheel or trailer. California just enacted their Clean Truck Act Senate Bill 210, October 1st and goes into full compliance mode Jan 1st 2025.

I spoke with a woman (65-minute hold) at the CARB (California Air Resources Board) office about how this affects out-of-state motorhomes and trucks in California.

She told me that all diesel motorhomes and trucks over 14,000 lbs GVWR will have to emissions test before going into CA.

She also said that the vehicles cannot be older than 2011. She said to go to the clean truck website. So I did. Here is what I found online: copied "Senate Bill 210 directed CARB to develop and implement a comprehensive heavy-duty vehicle inspection and maintenance regulation (now known as Clean Truck Check) to ensure that vehicles' emissions control systems are properly functioning when traveling on California's roadways.

Clean Truck Check applies to nearly all diesel and alternative fuel heavy-duty vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) over 14,000 pounds that operate on California public roads. This includes both in-state and out-of-state vehicles, as well as public vehicles (federal, state, and local government); motorcoaches; transit, shuttle and school buses; hybrid vehicles; commercial vehicles; personal

vehicles; California registered motorhomes; single vehicle fleets; and vehicles registered outside of California (not including motorhomes).”

As you can see in the last part, not including motorhomes, is not what she told me. I also did not see anything about an age limit for visiting, though California will not register a diesel vehicle older than 2011.

“Non-California registered vehicles include vehicles registered in other states and countries, as well as federal vehicles not registered in any DMV jurisdiction. DMV exempt plated vehicles include California local and state government vehicles exempt from DMV re-registration requirements.

These vehicles’ emissions compliance testing compliance deadline is based on the last number of the vehicle’s vehicle identification number (VIN). To identify when your non-California registered/exempt plated vehicles refer to Table II below. Compliance Deadlines may be found in the vehicle’s [CTC-VIS account](#).”

Clear as mud

I have a 2017 diesel Sunseeker and received an RV email that CA SB210 went into effect 10-1-2024 and why I looked into this. Use this information how you see fit, I don’t live in CA and I am under the 14K GVWR. You will have to check into your own situation before you go.

Erwin Greven

President AZ Roadrunners

