



JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER

Arizona Tumbleweed
2023 Muster Schedule:

Arizona Tumbleweeds Officers and Committee
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Jan 17 early	Q23 - Boondocking
Jan 19 normal	On BLM Land in Yuma
	No Host
Feb 27 - Mar 2 (3 nights)	North Clifton RV Park 380 Frisco Ave, Clifton, Roadrunners Host
Mar 27 - 30 (4 nights)	Sonoran Desert RV Park 800 S. Butterfield Trail, Gila Bend Tumbleweeds Host

Words from our President,
Rich Caruso

Holly and I hope that all of you had a Wonderful and Merry Christmas. Our Chapter's Holiday luncheon was held at the Black Bear Diner in Glendale and a good time was had by all who attended. I hope we can do it again for 2023.

Our chapter agreed on a donation of \$200.00 to Operation Warmheart, a nonprofit program that is run by First Sergeants who help their Airmen and families in need. Also, we agreed on a

\$260.00 donation to SMART National Headquarters to help them financially.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Quartzite Muster in January, the Clifton Muster in February and the Gila Bend Muster in March.

We wish all our members a great and prosperous New Year and safe travels throughout the year.

Rich Caruso

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Report from Holiday Luncheon held at the Black Bear Diner on Dec 9th.

In attendance for the luncheon were John and Diana Ingianni, Matt and Lee McGuire; Bill and Rhoda Barr; Pat and Sally Kavanaugh; Patricia Sappa; and Joe Edstrom. Clothing was brought for the Airmen’s Attic at Luke AFB. Pat and Sally delivered the items that afternoon. Joe Edstrom collected dues from those in attendance. Those present approved the \$260 donation to SMART HQ and the annual donation to the Warm Heart Operation at Luke AFB.

January 19 - 23, 2023 Q23

Boondocking on BLM Land during the annual RV Tent Show in Quartzsite, AZ.

Q23 will happen during the annual RV show which runs from Jan 21 to Jan 29th. The SMART Q23 set up crew usually come two days early (the 17th) in order to help secure the camping spot for the larger group. Normal arrival is the 19th. RVs may stay up to 14 days on BLM land without moving.

Attendees, please contact Rich Caruso (714-222-8867) or Erwen Greven (505-280-0152). Let them know if you will be coming on the 17th to help with setup or normal arrival (19th) so they can plan the location.

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February 27th - March 2, 2023 Combined Muster

North Clifton RV Park, 380 Frisco Ave, Clifton, AZ. Call Liz at 928-865-9064 to make your reservations; then register on the SMART Website. This is a Passport America Park; rate is \$27 per night.

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March 27 - 30, 2023 Combined Muster

Sonoran Desert RV Park, Gila Bend, AZ 85337. Call the park directly (928-683-2850); ask for Scott or Peggy; let them know you are with SMART. Sites are on a first come; first served basis - no blocks set aside.

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Celebrations:

Birthdays:

Bill Barr, Jan 2

Holly Caruso, Jan 11

Anniversaries:

Bill and Rhoda Barr, Jan 1

Matt and Lee McGuire, Jan 8

DUES ARE DUE!

Yes, it is that time of year. Annual dues of \$12.00 are due in January. Checks maybe made out to SMART Arizona Tumbleweeds and mailed to Joe Edstrom, 111 S. Greenfield Rd., Lot 106, Mesa, AZ 85206.