



Cactus Chronicle

Arizona Chapter FMCA

“A Family Oriented RV Club”

Amigos Del Camino Friends of the Road November 2021

FROM THE PRESIDENT

GEORGIA MOSES

“A Good Time was had by all at the pre-rally and RMMA in Tucson,” — at least that's how it looked to me! We had most of the folks present working on one thing or another for the whole week, and Dave and I are very grateful for all the help! Except for the *goat head* stickers, the park was fine, the services okay and there were no major issues. We did have a flat tire that kept us overnight until Monday, but all's well that ends well. If you haven't tried to find our new Facebook group, (AZFMCA) do so and join. Roberta Ernest is acting as our administrator and she developed the group for us. We all had fun at the Tucson rally posting to it.

I want to welcome all of our new members. If you haven't heard from our Membership VP, Richard Talman, you will soon. Rich is recovering from surgery and we gave him some time off! Hopefully this newsletter finds him well on the road to recovery.

Looking forward to seeing everyone over the next few months

Georgia & Dave Moses



WAGON MASTER REPORT

ART & SHARON SIMPSON

The first Rally of the 2021-2022 season was held in Tucson within the RMMA. Unfortunately, Arthur and I were not able to attend. I hear everyone who attended had a wonderful time and several new members joined. A few of the new members have already signed up for the November and December Rallies.

Thank you to everyone who made the Rally so successful.

Arthur and I are working hard to get everything ready for over 50 people already registered for November's Rally in Yuma at Fortuna De Oro RV resort. We still have a couple of spots open if you are thinking about coming. In order to attend the Rally, you need to call Fortuna de Oro in Yuma at 928-342-5051 to check availability followed by sending an email to Sharon's email ssimpson81@gmail.com with your assigned site number and completed Rally form. The Rally payment of \$25 per person needs to be made out to Arthur Simpson (so he can cash it) and sent to Arthur Simpson site # 1058 - 13650 N Frontage RD, Yuma, AZ 85367 or bring cash to the Rally to be collected at check in. We are already in Yuma.



Our Rally Schedule for 2021-2022

November 18 - 22, 2021

Note: Thursday – Monday / 3rd weekend / 4 nights

Yuma Colorado River Balloon Crossing
Fortuna de Oro in Yuma – Registration Open
(individually register for site by calling Fortuna de Oro in Yuma at 928-342-5051 – Rally under AZFMCA Sharon Simpson – send email to Sharon with site number)
Rally Master: Arthur and Sharon Simpson
Assistant Rally Master: Al Reed
Committee members: Don and Denise Sturdevant, Jerry and Dorothy Hoffman

December 29, 2021 - January 2, 2022

Note: Wednesday – Monday / 4th weekend / 4 nights)

New Year’s Eve
Casa Grande RV Resort and Cottages – Casa Grande
(individually register for site by calling Casa Grande RV Resort and Cottages at 520-421-0401
Rally under AZFMCA Sharon Simpson – send an email to Sharon with site number.)
Rally Master: ???
Assistant Rally Master: Arthur and Sharon Simpson
Committee members: Al Reed, Ken Duval, ?? – We need you to make this happen. Please consider stepping up.

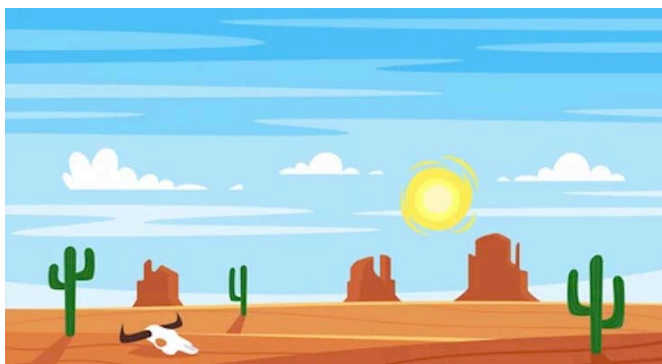
February 17 - 20, 2022

(can park there 14 – 21 at no additional cost)
DRY CAMPING w/services
LAKE HAVASU Rodeo Fireworks
(individually register at lakehavasurodeo.com/fireworks)
Rally Master: Arthur and Sharon Simpson

This Rally is full; however, we have started a standby list if you are interested. Please email Sharon Simpson at ssimpson81@gmail.com if interested in being on standby.

March 23 - 26, 2022

FMCA International Rally (individually register at: FMCA.com/fmca-event-registration Pima County Fairgrounds and send email to Sharon Simpson that you are interested. Additionally, there will be an Arizona Chapter Rally within Rally
We will not be Rally Masters at this event please consider volunteering for this event.



TREASURER REPORT
AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2021

JUDITH TALMON

Savings account

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Checking account

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include: as of 04/24/2021 (\$ 2,797.52), Memberships (+ 45.00), Return Rally Deposit (+ 300.00), Rally Loss (37.13), Go Daddy * (72.93), National Director Fee (500.00), Arizona Corp filing fee (10.00), Balance 10/31/2021 ** (\$ 2,522.46)

* Fee increased to \$12.99 in October 2021
** Chase Bank — New ways to waive the Monthly Service Fee — The Monthly Service Fee for your new account will be \$15, and the minimum daily balance required at the beginning of each day to waive the fee is \$2,000. These may be higher than your current Monthly Service Fee and/or minimum balance to waive.

At the request of our Members we will now accept Zelle for payment of dues. Please use azfmca.membership@gmail.com as the email address.

Save time, envelopes and postage use Zelle to pay your dues.

Stay safe
Respectfully submitted
Judith Talmon
Treasurer



PAST PRESIDENT
&
RMMA SECRETARY
GRACE FOGARTY

The RMMA annual 2021 rally, held in Tucson this October, was attended by 20 rigs from our Arizona chapter. I am so proud of you all. We had record chapter attendance and every single man and woman volunteered in the office, security, safety, and trams. We participated in the Chapter Fair plus the Moses and their committee threw a huge block party which was so much fun. The Moses ran the 50/50 raffle and 50%, \$500.00, was donated to the Donkey Rescue, which is a local charity run by a husband and wife, they do not get any grants, so this was greatly appreciated by them. I understand we got several new members too. Congratulations to you all for volunteering and helping make this rally a huge success. It couldn't have been done without you all. We truly have an awesome Arizona Chapter family.

Grace Fogarty
RMMA Secretary



SECRETARY REPORT

SANDRA PARKER

Welcome to the 2021/2022 AZ FMCA outing season.

Our last meeting was held in April 2021. The meeting notes were published in the May 2021 newsletter.

Due to a couple of unexpected circumstances, Louis and I had to cancel our plans to attend the Oct 2021 pre-rally/RMMA rally in Tucson. It was great being able to follow the activities on the new Facebook page for our chapter. Thank you Roberta! And thank you to all the members who posted photos and comments.

Louis and I look forward to seeing you at the November 2021 rally in Yuma, AZ.

Safe travels.

Sandra Parker
AZ FMCA Secretary



NATIONAL DIRECTOR

DAN FOGARTY

Well, we just concluded a great RMMA ramble in Tucson. I would like to thank all of the Arizona chapter members who volunteered. We could not have had a successful rally without you. At the rally we elected three officers for the next two year term. Elected was Judy Talmon, treasurer, Vallarie Erickson-Smith, region 1 VP, and Connie Jones, RMMA Sr. VP.

Next up on the national stage is the FMCA 104th International Convention and RV Expo. Please mark your calendars for FMCA's 104th International Convention and RV Expo, "Saguaros and Sunsets," scheduled to take place March 23-26, 2022, in Tucson, Arizona. The FMCA Academy, in partnership with the RV Driving School, is offering a pair of programs for attendees – an RV Driving class and an RV Backing class. Space is limited, so encourage your chapter members to sign up as soon as possible. For more information, visit:

<https://www.fmca.com/rv-driving-school>.

FMCA will be hosting a Chapter Fair on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, in Tucson, and Chapter Block Parties will take place on Thursday, March 24, 2022, beginning at 5:00 p.m. If your chapter registers to participate with a table at Chapter Fair AND agrees to host a Block Party, FMCA will give the chapter \$75 to purchase snacks, drinks, decorations, etc. for your Block Party. You will be provided an FMCA-assigned confirmation number once you register, which will allow you to participate in the Chapter Fair and pick up the \$75. We encourage you to sign up to participate in the Chapter Fair and to host a Chapter Block Party in Tucson! Early Registration is open and spots are going fast. Register soon! If you have any questions, please contact Chapter Services staff at chapters@fmca.com or 800-543-3622. We look forward to seeing you there! You must register for the Chapter Fair before March 4, 2022, and no registrations will be taken on site.



2ND VP & MEMBERSHIP

RICH TALMON

Arizona Chapter of FMCA Membership:

Dues notice reminders will be emailed to membership on December 1, 2021 for the 2022 membership year.

Annual dues are \$15.00 and must be paid prior to January 1, 2022.

New Members

Six new members to the chapter were recruited at the RMMA Ramble in Tucson. There were also three couples that showed interest in joining. I will follow up with them.

This brings our membership total to 76 family units.

There were 47 new members that joined FMCA in the month of October 2021 that reside in Arizona.

I will email those new members invitations to join our chapter.

If you would like to join us on Facebook, log onto our website at www.azfmca.org. Go to the membership section and find the link: (Arizona Chapter of FMCA now on FaceBook). Follow the directions and there you go.

Last but not least, without the Rally Masters, there would not be any rallies. Please consider offering to help. Offer to help with meals, games, etc. Chapter rallies are for all our members to enjoy. We have to remember the Rally Masters are members also.

Respectfully submitted:
Rich T — Membership

During our visit to the RMMA Ramble that was held in Tucson, AZ this year, an RV bearing California license plates parked on the main driveway.



Notice anything odd concerning the sewer line?
Apparently if everything does indeed go uphill, it should go downhill.

COMMERCIAL MEMBERS

2021-2022 CHAPTER OFFICERS

We are very fortunate to have Commercial Members in the AZ Chapter and we encourage you to support their businesses whenever possible. Our commercial members are:

AFFINITY RV

3197 Willow Creek Rd, Prescott, AZ 86301
928-445-7910 or www.affinityrv.com

ROBERT CRIST & COMPANY RV

2025 E Main St., Mesa, AZ 85213
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RV WORLD

5875 E Gila Ridge Rd, Yuma, AZ 85365
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