

Treasure Chest

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Newsletter for the Sierra Treasure Hunters 4WD club P.O. Box 963, Rocklin, CA 95677



SIERRA TREASURE HUNTERS 4WD CLUB

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President - Rich Currie

Past President - Ron Kellogg

Vice President - Will Corbett

Secretary - Des Corbett

Treasurer - Kathy Medley

Trail Master - Lucky Hilmanofski

State Delegate - Ron Kellogg

Membership - Matt Hoey

Ways & Means - Kimber Hoey & Leona Kellogg

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Editor - Rich Currie



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President's Column

by Rich Currie

First, I like to thank all the STH members that attended our election day in May, and those who stepped up for an (another) officer position. It was slim pickin's for any new blood but we managed to fill the positions. Especially, I'd like to thank Lucky for taking on as the new Trail Master position and Ron as the State Delegate.

Following the election is the annual Installation Picnic where the new officers are celebrated and the yearly trophies are awarded. The picnic was graciously held at the Corbetts ranch on a beautiful May day. Secondly, I 'd like to thank Will and Des for hosting this event.

The new year for our sport is quite different than years past due to the weather. A lot of snow has hampered our early ventures to the hills. The trails now are at their most venerability with the melting of the snow and ice. Maybe there should be a time where no motorized vehicle travel be allowed including snowmobiles, motorcycles, atv's as well as our trucks and jeeps. This would allow time for the run off to dry out a bit on the grounds we ride on. So, when you're out and about, go easy on the virgin soils and slushy trails. Tread Lightly or don't do it at all.

I hope to see all you at the next 12 club meetings and / or club runs. Participation is key to any successful club. I know you can't make all the events but the meetings are important to be involved with. We want your opinions and your votes on issues the club decides on.

June 17-19 the club run will be at the Black Rock Desert area. There will be trail rides on the dry lakebeds and cool canyon passages. The run will not be a rock crawl but a scenic dash across one of the largest dry lakebeds. More info will be available June 2nd at the club meeting.

Thanks again,
Your newly elected club President,
Rich Currie AKA Tiltmaster (TLTMSTR)

STH Installation Picnic 2011

article by: Kimber Hoey



Thanks to the Corbetts for hosting this year's Installation Picnic! Just down from the house, Will and Des had set up a picnic area with activities to include BB gun target practice, disc throw and even lasso practice. The weather was perfect and we settled in under Easy-ups and Oak trees.



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STH Installation Picnic 2011

article by: Kimber Hoey (cont)

As usual with any STH event, there was food abound. Linda learned that those little peanut butter appetizers from Randy was not stuffed in apricots but habanero peppers (you can picture the rest...). Steve's grilled wild pig sausages were also a big hit. And yes, they were from the pig he shot while hunting this month. Cheese burgers topped off the meal and everyone was stuffed!

Chris and Suzy had a couple of friends passing through California, so they joined the party. Pablo and Anna, from Barcelona, have spent the last 10 years traveling literally the world in their van. You can check their exploits on their website:

<http://www.expeditionportal.com/forum/threads/59506-Around-the-world-since-june-2000>

Once dinner was finished, we got down to business. Ron (now past president) thanked his board for all their efforts and introduced the new board.



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STH Installation Picnic 2011

article by: Kimber Hoey (cont)



Suzy (outgoing Ways and Means) presented the awards. The Family of the Year went out to the Curries!!! Thank you for your efforts to support our club (while raising infant twins!). The Problem Child went out to Chris Medley for his roll over(s). Troy Holmes will receive his plaque for his Family of the Year tenure from last year as he had to surrender the trophy. Still under consideration are the Dance Trophy and the Dufus Goofus award. Chris Medley is a front runner for the latter for punching his windshield after one of the for-mentioned rollovers.

All in all, it was a wonderful day- and we all survived the end of the world! I could not think of a better way to spend the day!

Picnic Attendees:

Will and Des
Steve, Kathy, Josh and Mercy
Rich, Tina, Tessa and Macey
Kimber and Matt
Ron
Lucky and Cindy
Suzy and Chris
Carroll and Linda

New Board Members:

Rich Currie – President
Will Corbett – Vice President
Des Corbett – Secretary
Kathy Medley – Treasurer
Matt Hoey – Membership
Lucky Hilmanofski – Trailmaster
Ron Kellogg – State Delegate
Kimber Hoey and Leona Kellogg – Ways and Means
Rich Currie – Editor
Rory Huber – Webmaster

Collards Show Foreign VIPs a “Rocklin” Good Time

article by: Suzy Collard



World-renown overlanders, Pablo and Anna, recently spent a few days of R&R at Casa Collard. Included in their luxury package deal were the following amenities and adventures:

Sailing the Collard yacht on Folsom Lake

On this particular excursion, the atmosphere was so relaxing, there was actually no wind. So, there was more floating than the actual work of sailing. All that tacking, coming about – who needs that stress when you can sit back and enjoy some light refreshments. If you like the adventure of uncertainty, be sure to go when the motor konks out in the middle of the lake. This adds the extra bonus of the possibility for enjoying the overnight accommodations.

What is the best remedy for this type of concern? Why, tequila – of course! The more you drink, the nicer you talk to the motor. Luckily for this group, they had ace mechanic, jack-of-all-trades, Capt Chris at the helm. In no time, he had the problem diagnosed and repaired. Pablo took the tiller for the ride into the marina. For the next leg of their trip around the world, perhaps it will be via a watercraft, rather than on wheels. NOTE to future yacht trippers: If it is a sporting adventure you prefer, oars are provided at no additional charge.

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Collards Show Foreign VIPs a “Rocklin” Good Time

article by: Suzy Collard (cont)

Fun-filled Friday

Friday’s activities started with a hunting trip at Troy’s home in Rocklin. The men-folk donned their hunting attire, grabbed special tools and headed out to hunt big game. In this case, the animal of choice was “big cat”. Unfortunately, for our straight shooters, the animal of choice was also “dead cat”. As in “dead-and-been-under-the-house-a-few-days” cat. Not disheartened in the least, the brave hunters retrieved the body and gave it a respectful disposal.

To start the action-packed Friday night, the overlanders were treated to a sunset dinner at Crawdad’s on the River, where they were introduced to such New Orleans fare as jambalaya and etoufee. Pablo and Anna were quite interested in the food and considered the possibility of visiting the Big Easy. Although, since they have attended Carnival in Rio, Mardi Gras in New Orleans may seem like a church picnic (with spontaneous parades).

Friday’s activities continued with a visit to historic Old Town Sacramento. What could be more fun than drinks at Fanny Ann’s Saloon? Well, I’ll tell you – it’s the arcade area at Fanny Ann’s. Although impressed by the eclectic décor, Pablo seemed more interested in the vintage video game. A late night “must” is Rick’s Dessert Diner, located at 23rd and K Streets, Sacramento. The guests had a kick out of ordering “Death by Chocolate” cake, since it was rumored that some folks would be leaving this earth on Saturday, at 6 PM. Why not end your time here with a delectable dulce? Also ordered was carrot cake, a novelty to our Latin amigos.

Saturday with STH

There is no better way to spend a Saturday afternoon than BBQing with friends from STH (unless of course, you are on the trail with these friends). Pablo and Anna provided tours of their home (aka La Cucaracha Libre) and stories of the road. Lots of good food, drinks (too much for some!) and sporting activities rounded out the day. Pablo’s aforementioned gaming skills were put to good use at the ring toss. He and Josh Medley teamed up to kick everyone’s a..... There was no stopping this dynamic duo. Losers were required to take some tequila shots. Come to think of it, I think the winners also imbibed. The evening was wrapped up by a campfire and more stories. A big thanks to Will and Des who hosted the event.

p.s. Keep an eye on whatever food Randy brings to such festivities. What appeared to be harmless appetizers flavored with peanut butter and chocolate, actually turned out to be a real 5-alarm mouth burner!

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Collards Show Foreign VIPs a “Rocklin” Good Time

article by: Suzy Collard (cont)

Burritos a la Chris

Master burrito maker Chris Collard treated our guests to his world famous breakfast burritos on Sunday morning. Chris’ preparation is poetry in motion as he chops, sautés and rolls these babies effortlessly. Most times, he acts as a short order cook – making sure each diner gets their food “their way”. No onions for this person, no meat for that person, no guac for another. And he manages to serve everyone at the same time. In my opinion, he should express that talent by preparing meals every day. But then again, Chris’ habit is to take whatever is in the fridge and put it into a tortilla. (Wo)man can not survive on tortilla food alone.

It was time to bid our overlanding amigos a fond farewell as they headed off on their next excursion. We hope to see them again Memorial Day weekend at the Medley soiree. And perhaps we will meet up with them some day on the road less traveled. All in all, we did our best to make their trip to Rocklin memorable, at best and a little weird at the least (dead boat motor, dead cat.....).



COVER STORY

Installation Picnic.....Off the Beaten Path

article by: Julie Dootz (Huber)



The dessert was made, the ice chest loaded with Coors light and Rory and I were on the road to Auburn to attend the Installation Picnic at the Corbetts' house. We stopped for an early bite to eat at California Burger and glanced at some of the truck ads and just happened to see a 2008 Wrangler advertised that was just around the corner. What could it hurt, we asked? I had decided it was time to think about retiring my Accord and had come really close to buying a Wrangler a few years ago, so why not just look? We figured we had time for a quick look to see if it looked as good as the ad.

About five jeeps later, we figured we already missed the good grub at the BBQ and the tequila had probably already made several passes around, so we ended up in Folsom because Golden 1 was running a special interest rate on used cars at the Folsom Auto Mall. One thing lead to another and about five hours later, I was driving out of there with a new 2011 Wrangler. He's a handsome one! Rory is already talking about all the things "we" can do to it. We're sorry we missed the festivities and probably deserve the flake award on this one.....

Editor's notes

by: Rich Currie

Thanks to all the officers for their input to this newsletter.

Thank you to those that submitted articles or reports.

If there is something you would like to see in the club newsletter please submit your thoughts to me, via phone, emails or face Book to make Rory happy.

All the readers of our monthly newsletter appreciate your input.



STATE DELEGATE

by: Ron Kellogg

The next North District meeting is July 16th at CA4WDC office. I sent an email to the ND Secretary introducing myself and gave her my contact information and asked to be added to any email distributions of agenda, etc.

The current CA4WDC officers are:

President: Mark Cave
Treasurer: Don Spuler
Membership: Sherry Stortoem

North District Officers are:

Vice President: Frank Funk
Membership: Scott Rasmussen
Secretary: Barbara Kissler

Remember!!!
The June STH meeting is at the
4-Wheel Parts Performance
Thursday, June 2, 2011
Meeting time is 7:00 PM
Drinks: 4WP
Snacks: 4WP

FYI

General interest

June 2	STH Meeting, 4-Wheel Parts 7PM
June 17-19:	Black Rock, Rich to lead
July:	Sierra Trek Pre-run, Chris to lead, details to follow
July 28-31	Jeepers Jamboree
August 5-7	Jeep Jamboree
August 11-14	44 th Sierra Trek

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2 CLUB MEETING 4WHEEL PARTS 7P	3 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Rick Kerley	4
5	6	7	8 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Chris Medley	9	10	11
12	13	14 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Dick Shannon	15	16	17 CLUB RUN	18 CLUB RUN
19 CLUB RUN	20 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Geoff Ford	21	22 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Rory Huber	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		