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Sun City RV Club Newsletter

January 2025

Welcome to 2025!

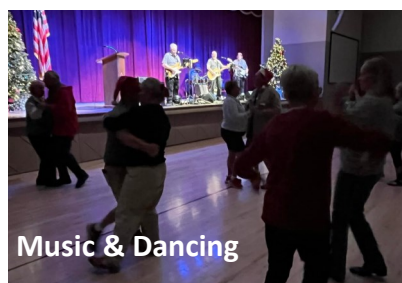
A new year—an opportunity to go places, do things, hang out with fun people....it's all happening at your RV Club! There are monthly Potluck/Membership Meetings complete with live entertainment, Game Nights, Caravan Meetings, and trips planned, a Club Picnic, and a Pancake Breakfast—all before we pause in May for a summer hiatus.

Our club leadership board has some ideas on how to continue to make our club fun and viable, but would like to hear from members, too. Do you have a suggestion or idea for a fun event, a great trip, or other comments? Don't be shy—reach out to a board member. A new year is a great time for ideas!

In December, we elected some new officers. (See page 2) Congrats to President Jim Brown, President-elect Joan Faretta, and Secretary Brandee Brown. Alba Pearl will continue as Treasurer. See additional board members here —

A big thank you is in order for our retiring officers and board members: President Clint Gienger, Secretary Gail Barber, Membership Director Andy Akerstrom, and Caravan Secretary Sabra Akerstrom. Thanks also to Bonnie and Bud Keller for supplying the yummy donuts at past caravan meetings.

Have an urge to get involved? There are always opportunities—big and small—so join in the fun!



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Board of Directors 2025

Jim Brown, President
Joan Faretta, President-Elect
Alba Pearl, Treasurer
Brandee Brown, Secretary
Nick Cooper & Eileen Brown,
Caravan Directors
Jean Hellwege, Communications
Director
Diane & Terry Brown, Membership
Directors
Carol Spencer, Caravan Secretary

Important January Dates:

1/8 & 21	Game Nights
1/13-16	Cave Creek Caravan Trip
1/24	Caravan Meeting
1/28	Board Meeting
1/28	Potluck/Meeting



News from President Jim Brown



As our newly elected President, I just wanted to say "hello" and wish everyone a Happy New Year. One of my goals as the new president is to increase the size of our club with new members and get input from our existing members to keep it fun and enjoyable. With that being said, Brandee and I are attending the "Discover Sun City" at the Sundial on January 15th to hopefully add some new members. I have posted several times on Facebook which has brought attention to our club with new members joining and more coming to our Potluck on the 28th. I would also love to hear any ideas that you think could help the club in this endeavor.

There will be a questionnaire at the January potluck and caravan meetings, which we hope you can take a few minutes to fill out. We are just looking for some general information about how the members participate in club activities to plan for the future.

Thanks for being part of this amazing group and looking forward to seeing everyone at the potluck and caravan meeting to sign up for our next adventure to Patagonia Lake State Park.

The 2025 Club Officers



Jim Brown
President



Joan Faretta
President-elect



Alba Pearl
Treasurer



Brandee Brown
Secretary

RV Humor? This is supposed to be a true story. You be the judge!

A woman named Mrs. Grazinski bought herself a brand-new Winnebago. She was excited and took her first trip to an Oklahoma football game. On the way home, she set the cruise control to 70 as soon as she got onto the freeway. She then walked to the back to make herself a sandwich, leaving the Winnebago to drive itself. The resulting crash was spectacular. It's hard to believe that someone would actually do that, but she did not feel at fault. In fact, she sued Winnebago for the crash because the owner's manual didn't tell her she couldn't leave it to drive itself. The jury agreed with her and she was awarded \$1,750,000 plus a new motorhome. This is why Winnebago manuals now warn people that they must actually drive the vehicle at all times when it is moving.



Caravan News from Directors Nick & Chris Cooper

Dear Fellow RV'ers,

We hope this newsletter finds you recovering from a marvelous, happy, and merry holiday. Chris and I had one that did not leave much time for advancing our group's caravan plans. As things stand, we are booked or reserved out until February of 2025 except for November where we have two possibilities on which we are working. Either of those could become a February event.

If you haven't signed up for the January trip to Cave Creek, a park which has a great layout for socializing, game playing, hiking and day tripping, please contact Eileen and Roger Brown to sign up immediately.

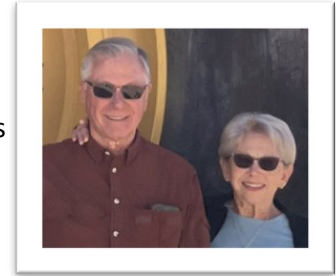
February's trip to Lake Pleasant is also open for sign-ups. Please contact Jim or Brandee Brown to be included. No one can complain about the long drive to get there!

In other news, we need Wagon Masters to lead these planned trips. I will be conducting WM training after

the January and February Caravan Meetings. The training will only take about 30 minutes, The trip packets my look imposing, but they are full of forms to make your job easier. Some of these trips won't involve complicated sign ups as the Parks will handle them. Others will have built in activities so that little entertainment will be needed. Please add to your involvement and enjoyment with the club by volunteering to do what we love best.

As we're about to leave on a 2-week trip, things will be quiet until mid-January. Our plan is to have next year's itineraries completed before our operating year ends in May.

Here's to a prosperous and healthy new year.



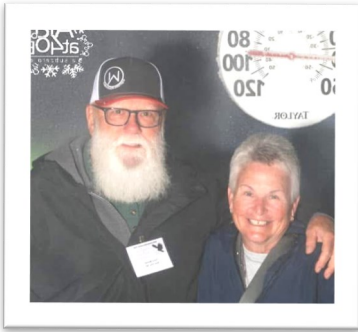
Caravan Trip Schedule

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Wagon Masters</u>
Cave Creek County Park	1/13 - 1/16	Eileen and Roger Brown
Lake Pleasant County Park	2/10 - 2/13	Jim and Brandee Brown
Patagonia Lake State Park	3/19 - 3/23	Jim and Sally McCabe
Lost Dutchman State Park	4/7 - 4/11	Jay and Alba Pearl

In planning stages:

<i>Willcox Fall Wine Festival</i>	<i>10/16-20, 2025</i>
<i>Palm Springs - TBD</i>	<i>Nov 2025</i>
<i>Buckskin Mountain</i>	<i>12/8-11, 2025</i>
<i>Quartzite</i>	<i>1/15-19, 2026</i>



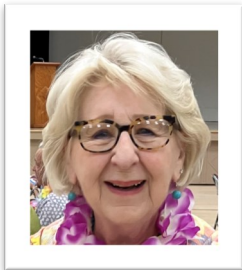


Membership News & Information from Directors Diane & Terry Brown

It's Membership Renewal Time:

Membership renewals and new memberships applications are available online @ the RV website— <https://scazrvclub.com>. Renew your membership at a Potluck or Caravan Meeting. We'll have renewal applications at the Membership Desk at those meetings and you can get one there too.

Entertainment Update from Alyse Porter



The entertainment scheduled for January is a high energy 6-piece band "Senior Moments". They play Vintage Rock, Soul, R&B/Motown and Original Tunes. They are well known in the Valley for their lively, uplifting shows. I do hope you all will be able to stay following the Potluck to show support for this outstanding band.



Club Calendar

Jan 8	Games	5 PM	Bell
Jan 13-16	Cave Creek Trip		
Jan 21	Games	5 PM	Bell
Jan 24	Caravan Meeting	9 AM	Sundial
Jan 28	Board Meeting	9 AM	Riverview
Jan 28	Potluck/Meeting	5:30 PM	Sundial