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## Minutes

California Off-Road Vehicle Association

Board of Directors Meeting Conference **February 25, 2019 7:00 PM**

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### I. **Call to Order** - 7:08 PM

II. **Roll Call & Welcome Guests** Managing Director Amy Granat (sick but listening on line), Board members: Vinnie Barbarino, Bruce Brazil, Ken Clarke, Wayne Ford, Lori Lewis, Charlie Lowe, Diana Mead, Mike Moore, Jim Woods and Roberta Woods.

#### Guests:

Nick Bouet, Stephen Howard (Scooter), Butch Meyner, Ken Oyer, Ed Waldheim and Terry Work.

Absent Board Member: Bob Ham, Ed Stovin and Bruce Whitcher

[Ten attending BOD members]

### III. **Review Agenda, modify as necessary**

### IV. **Minutes from previous BOD meeting –**

Motion to approve minutes from meetings of 12/17/2018 and 01/28/2019 by Roberta Woods, seconded by Bruce Brazil. Motion carried.

### V. **Member's Reports & Requests**

A. Butch Meyner – (see email attached) Butch has concerns about legal challenge asking for closure at Carnegie SVRA with the challenge by the wealthy Garmendi family. Butch would like a letter generator from CORVA. He knows that the family has the right to challenge and ask for the closer of the area. However, Butch wants to know why our legislatures spend their time and our tax dollars working on this issue when it should not be handled this way. Butch feels that maybe Garmendi/Connelly are donating to the politicians' campaigns and that's why they are prioritizing this challenge and the lawsuits from this family. Bruce Brazil reviewed the lawsuits and reports that our State Attorney General is fighting this in an excellent manor. Diana Mead will work on a letter so the people that live in the District 11 of Senator Glazer can send letters to his office. She also wants off road users in Senator Rebecca Bower-Kagen's district. These would be direct constituents and their voices (and voting power) mean more. We need the constituents from Senate district 7 and Assembly districts 11 and 16. Butch wants to use the internet to reach them. People can call and attend meetings. Lori Lewis wants to put notices on Instagram.

Nick Boeuet the FaceBook manager for the CORVA page with reach out to Ian (the new Instagram manager for CORVA) to coordinate messages to our members.

VI. **President's Report – Ken Clarke – (see email attached)** Ken reviewed the San Mateo 4WheelParts Truck Fest. The CORVA booth brought in about \$800.00 over the two days. The booth featured the new large banner that was made by Ed Waldheim's team for the Off Road Hall of Fame. Ken reports that many people stopped to read the banner. Ken also handed out the new CORVA flyers. Vinnie Barbarino remarked that while he was at Truckhaven Ed Stovin told him about an error on the banner and the flyers. There is a picture that misnames one of the people in the picture. It is listed as "Ricky Thompson" instead of "Ricky Johnson". Corrections will be made. Ken wants to use the flyers as a sales tool to businesses. Ed will have the corrections made on the flyers and enlarge the font before the next printing. Ken also thanked all the volunteers including Lori and Mark Lewis, Bruce Brazil and Bruce Landfield from BESTOP who helped. CORVA is invited again next year.

Ken wants to figure out plans for our annual meeting which will include elections. He also wants us to bring in more volunteers. The date is still in question. Locations suggested are Oceano Dunes or Jawbone again. Ed Waldheim reported that Jawbone is fine for Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup>. Ed suggested breakfast, lunch and dinner could be done in the warehouse/kitchen. Ken will call Ed. Lori spoke to the people at Oceano Dunes. That room only holds 25 people without tables.

Ken mentioned that maybe we could use a Collaboration App to help us all connect with each other better.

## VII. **Legislative Reports**

- A. Managing Director's Report – Amy Granat – sick.
- B. Updates and related bills (Re: Kathy Lynch) - Bob Ham –Absent
- C. Bruce Brazil reported that US Senator Murkowski has a large omnibus Bill S47 concerning many outdoor areas. The other US Assembly Bill HR403 concerns Clear Creek does not seem to be moving. Bruce suggested that it be added to S47 but has not heard back.

## VIII. **Finance Report**

Treasurer's Report. Mike Moore – (*Financial Reports to be sent via email*) Mike reminded everyone that our yearend is February 28<sup>th</sup>. Mike needs everyone to give him an inventory of CORVA items they have so he can make adjustments before turning in our Financials to the CPA for our tax return. Mike turns our information in by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

IX. **Northern Report** – Lori Lewis reported on her participation with the booth. She wants Mike to let us know if we get members from that area because people said they were going to join. There were also many Overlanders at the event. Ken reported about the Rubicon Trail Foundation fundraiser Black Tie and Boots event coming up in March in Jackson, CA. (Board members pay their own way.) CORVA is participating in the Eldorado and Tahoe Forest Over Snow travel management. People who didn't originally write comments were submitting objections on the plan. Amy is going to question how this is possible. Bruce Brazil added that he worked the booth and it was the first time he did. He had many people tell him how great CORVA is. Vinnie said memberships are important to get during events, not just donations into the donation box.

X. **Southern Report** – Vinnie Barbarino (*see attached report*) There are two events happening in March, both on the same weekend – March 23-24<sup>th</sup>. Vinnie will be working the EcoKrawl in Ontario and SDORC will hopefully represent CORVA and off road interests at the Del Mar event. Next year hopefully, we will be represented at both events. The goal is to get memberships at either event. Vinnie will make sure to send Ed Stovin some of our newsletters. Vinnie will need volunteers. Continuing, Vinnie reported that Charlie Lowe will attend the IE4W meeting and accept the donation to CORVA from the matching funds program. Vinnie also reported that the raffle donors from Truckhaven were sent thank-you letters and t-shirts. Additionally, Stephen Howard (Scooter) sent pictures of the raffle winners to the appropriate vendors. Vinnie agreed with Jim Woods that the Annual Meeting be held on Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup> so that we can participate in the Moose Anderson Days. (See Ed Waldheim's comments above.) Ed Waldheim reminded everyone of the OHV Commission meeting on Friday March 1<sup>st</sup>. Redrock will be the main focus of the Commission visit and discussion. Ken asked as many people as possible to attend. The State historians took information from Ed and Bob Ham about the 50 year history of CORVA.

## XI. **Ongoing Business**

- A. CORVA Annual Meeting 2019– The date will be Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup> at Jawbone Station. Our meeting will be in the shop area on Sunday. More details about the food etc. to come. Ken will send out an email.
- B. CORVA 50<sup>TH</sup> Birthday 2020 – sub-committee needed to create budget, etc. – Ed Waldheim mentioned that the State Historians are also working on a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of OHV in California as well. They took all of Ed's information to Sacramento to create a history of OHV. Ken Oyer reported that he went to the hotel in Jean, NV where the CORVA OHV display is located. They want to host our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. There was some agreement to hold our event there. Ken Clarke wants our business sponsors to help pay for this. Lori Lewis agrees with holding the event there. More discussion to follow.

C. Family Fun Run Event – Pt. Mugu 4x4 Club – Terry Work reports that Pt Mugu has been working with Hungry Valley staff to make the arrangements and get the permit process started. Pt Mugu will be there March 22-24 for a pre-run. The event will be family friendly and include all off-road vehicles. . The event date is August 17-18<sup>th</sup> .

D. Membership Chromebooks for Northern and Southern California – Amy and Daniel Renteria have been working on phone Apps that will be able to do this. The Apps work on any mobile device. So purchasing the Chromebooks are on hold at this time.

XII. **New Business**

- A. Suggestions and Nominations for Board Officers – Ken Clarke asked for suggestions. He wants more Board officers especially the Vice President of Administration. No other comments at this time.

XIII. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn meeting by Vinnie and seconded by Bruce at 8:30 PM. Motion carried.

Next CORVA regular scheduled board meeting **March 25, 2019**

*Protecting public land for the people, not from the people.  
California's Off Road Voice for Access*

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Meeting Date: February 25, 2019

**MANAGING DIRECTOR REPORT**

**EMAIL FROM AMY ON 02/21/2019**

YESTERDAY I PARTICIPATED IN THE ALL-DAY OBJECTION MEETING FOR THE INYO NATIONAL FOREST PLAN REVISION. CORVA WAS AN OFFICIAL OBJECTOR FOR THE PACIFIC CREST TRAIL ISSUES, AND I WAS HONORED TO REPRESENT MIKE JOHNSTON AND THE EASTERN SIERRA 4WD CLUB FOR THE DISCUSSION ABOUT ADDING ADDITIONAL WILDERNESS TO THE FOREST.

IT WAS A LONG, BRUTAL DAY. THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP HAD PACKED THE ROOM AND TRIED TO DERAILED THE DISCUSSIONS. THEY DIDN'T SUCCEED, BUT THEY TRIED.

TODAY I AM FLYING TO SEATTLE FOR MY GRANDDAUGHTER'S BAT MITZVAH! IT'S AN IMPORTANT FAMILY CELEBRATION, AND MY FIRST GRANDCHILD TO REACH THAT MILESTONE, WHICH IS A VERY BIG DEAL FOR A JEWISH FAMILY.

I'LL BE AVAILABLE SOMEWHAT BY PHONE AND EMAIL, BUT AS THE GRANDMOTHER, I HAVE AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE CELEBRATION. I'LL BE BACK MONDAY. FORECAST IS RAIN FOR THE WEEKEND IN SEATTLE - I DON'T KNOW WHY I'M SURPRISED...

AMY GRANAT  
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February 25, 2019

**REVIEW:**

## **February 2019 Southern Report**

Not much to report on this month. There are 2 shows in March Corva can attend. One is at the Del Mar fairgrounds (Off Road Nights). I've been in contact the promoter and he sent me a registration packet. The other one is at Norco fairgrounds (EcoKrawl) we've been invited to attend. Both are on the same date. I previously didn't know about either event so I haven't made any arrangements to go to either yet. My gut feeling is that we would better received at the EcoKrawl event. They are very active on social media and they actually invited Corva to attend. However, the Off Road Nights event will surely be larger and have more attendees but I assume it's more of an entertainment event with quad racing, truck jumping and so forth.

Ed Stovin representing SDORC is going to attend Off Road Nights. Maybe they would be willing to hand out ORIA's for us this year and next year we could make plans to attend. I still have a bunch of ORIA's left over from Truckhaven I could get to them. I told the promoter (Rat Sult) that we would promote his event in the ORIA for a complimentary booth but it's too late for that this time.

Charlie agreed to go to a IE4W meeting either in March or April to accept their \$5000 donation to Corva. He will follow up with them. I will try to go too.

Roberta sent Thank You letters along with event shirts to all the Truckhaven supporters. Thanks for doing that. I also just sent Thank You emails to them along with a picture of the winner holding their product. Most of them replied that they were happy to support and I'm sure they will help us out next year. One even asked about becoming a Business Sponsor (Squatchbox Coolers). I sent him the info.

Early this month I stopped by Jawbone Station to pick up 3 cases of the "new" maps they have. Bob, the guy that helps run the place, mentioned that it would be better to have the annual meeting on Sunday rather than Saturday. That way the Interpretive center and book store can stay open during Moose Anderson Days and they will be able to make sales. I think Jim Woods recommended that we have it on Sunday also so we can help with Moose Anderson Days. I like that idea but it might be difficult for some members to do that.

Talk to everyone tonight

Vinnie

Vinnie Barbarino  
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**CORVA President**  
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Meeting Date: February 25, 2019

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

The most exciting event of the month for me had to be the 4Wheel Parts Truckfest in San Mateo last weekend. CORVA member Mark Fagerroos spent Saturday with me which had the most traffic of the weekend. Sunday Northern Board members Bruce Brazil and Lori Lewis along with Mark Fagerroos all helped out. I did not feel well Sunday so I very much appreciate the help from everyone. We did not sell any memberships although we sold \$730.00 in merchandise. We missed out on a life membership because we were not able to take credit cards. I purchased a table today which with Amy's help I will setup as a point of sale device so we do not miss out on opportunities in the future. We were told by 4WP management to just show up every year for this event from now on. This is great, I normally start sending emails in October but I never get a replay till the week before the show. I want to get a tablecloth with our logos to make the booth look more professional. We hung the Hall of Fame 50 years of achievements banner in the booth this generated tons on interest. I could see the people that were trying to walk by without making eye contact reading the banner. The banner handbill was also an attention getter. May be we should print some with a membership application on the back. Thank you Ed Waldheim and anyone else that work on the banner. Bruce Landfield of Bestop is amazing he insisted I give him some ORIA's. Bruce was handing them to everyone he could and telling everyone to stop by the CORVA booth and donate a few bucks.

We need to work on date and location of our annual meeting. Jawbone is once again an option. I have received suggestions to hold the meeting at Oceano Dunes. Pismo as us old timers know it, is the birth place of CORVA so it would tie in with our 50th anniversary. No matter where we hold our meeting we will have a seminar on using our mobile devices to enroll new members plus handle mechanic sales in the field.

Speaking of meetings Ken Oyer has started a conversation with the folks at the Off Road Motorsports Hall of Fame Museum regarding holding or 50th party at the Gold Strike in Jean Nevada.

I am going to change the format of our meeting somewhat. I would like to hear from our members as to where they think CORVA should be heading. We should also have a forum so our members can bring their issues to our attention. We will still have Amy and Bob's reports during the first part of the meeting. Once we get the issues out of the way we can conduct our business. I feel this will make the meetings more interesting to our members plus they can drop off when we get down to business.

The ORIA is running late. I am helping to get articles from our Business Affiliants but I could pull teeth easier. Please help collect articles from Business Affiliants this is their chance to get some advertisement. If you have had a great experience with one of our Business Affiliants write it up. We need content!

Thanks to all of the BOD member and volunteers for making 2018 another fantastic year for CORVA  
Happy Trails

Ken Clarke  
CORVA President  
Wandering Wheelers President

CORVA BOOTH AT THE 4WHEEL PARTS TRUCKFEST 2019



February 25, 2019

## **CORVA TREASURER'S REPORT**

### **REVIEW:**

Reports were attached

Truckhaven final – final invoices are in – net income was only \$600 off from last year which is fantastic considering we had no store and last year we took in \$1,650 from the store.

Our tax year is coming to a close – it ends on Feb 28 – it was a good year for CORVA – Donations were down (donations to the various legal funds were even and we still have the \$5,000 donation from IE4W which will show up the first part of next year but general fund donations were off around \$8,000) – Merchandise income doubled showing an almost \$7,000 increase and membership income was up over \$15,000 – (8 to 9,000 can be attributed to the increase from 30 to \$40 but there was growth in overall membership as well) – we still have another week in the year so should have a final for the year at the March meeting.

With our yearend approaching it is tax time – I have already reached out to Steve Gardner to provide an inventory update of what he has on hand for the store – any of you that are holding merchandise related to the CORVA store please give me an update of what you the first part of March so I can get an estimate together for the year end value of our inventory before the final accounting goes to our CPA for filing taxes.

Your Treasurer

### **In response to Mike's report:**

**EMAIL RECEIVED FROM JON KINLEY**

February 25, 2019

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What's the problem with having a CORVA store at Truckhaven?-Tax issue?-State wants a cut?-seems like we could still make some money from selling goods there even with the State extortion fee?

I think this coming year could be another great one with Tommy and Ian and their plans having an entire year to plan and coordinate, also maybe mid-year after we sell some more existing inventory we can look into CORVA patches-still seems to be a demand for these out there...



**EMAIL FROM BUTCH MEYNER:**

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February 25, 2019

Has anyone put together a document asking our community to contact their state senators and assembly members to contain the financial waste perpetrated by Celeste Garamendi and her pals? I've been meaning to write this up since the SRI Closure, and finally threw this together. I am not positively sure of all the facts, so all your corrections are appreciated. Plus we need to put in links to "find your representative" things. Or letter generators. Something to make it easy. And I think the timing is critical, as folks have a short attention span. Maybe when AB1316 Version 2.0 is introduced.

Something like:

Please contact your representatives (go to this linky blah blah blah) and inform them that you would like them to oppose the continuing waste of the state's resources in her personal vendetta against OHV users? It seems a personal issue as well as a perceived economic one, as he husband owns a 7500 acre ranch adjacent to the State Park.

Through her family wealth and political influence, Garamendi has been able to have legislation introduced and lawsuits filed to cause the state to expend tremendous amounts of money to continue to operate this State Park that has been serving the community since 1974.

- 1 The few assaults upon the OHV community and State Park that i am aware of are The Fisherman's Lawsuit of 2008
- 2 Four lawsuits filed by her compatriots challenging the latest General Plan approved in 2016; "Friends of Tesla Park", SPRAWLDEV", Alameda County Parks and the Connolly Ranch
- 3 SB 249, meant to eviscerate the OHVMR Division of State Parks
- 4 AB 1316, meant to force the State to give away two thirds of the park territory to SPRAWDEV, or some other entity which she has influence
- 5 Closure of the SRI creek crossing under the guise of the Connolly Ranch will lose access to their property because of physical destruction of their easement
- 6 The upcoming legislation to reintroduce the content of AB1316

Because almost anyone can put anything on the internet, Garamendi has continued to misrepresent the nature of the OHV activity at this, and other SVRA's. In reality, these parks are nature preserves that are well managed that provide critical facilities for this community of public land users.

It is ironic that the Garamendi and Connolly families have been operating incredibly destructive cattle ranching operations for more than a century.

I ask you to represent my communities' interests, as opposed to that of a few wealthy enraged individuals. They may have more money, and Connolly is a lawyer, but we are more voters. We do not have a lot of money, and the Garamendi tactic seem to be to continue to put up roadblocks until our community and the State run out of money.