



September 2021

## *Firesiders Report from Launch Pointe*

Hi Lazy Daze Members!

Our Launch Pointe Caravan was a big success this month.

We enjoyed great weather mixed with a little wind to make it exciting. Thanks Steve Tivy for the great weather! We know you were the reason!!

We had 37 rigs with 1 first timer and 1 guest.

We had some great door prizes for the morning announcements. Lazy Daze donated T shirts and vent replacements for the fantastic fans. We also were given from Lazy Daze a 2 person hammock with a stand that we held a silent auction to give money back to the club. Dave and Christine Nordström were the winners and we can't wait for a picture when it's all put together. Firesiders donated some useful prizes too.

Make sure if you talk to Lazy Daze let them know we all appreciated the donations to our club.

Our First timers Gene and Sandra had a very interesting paint job on their 1987 Lazy Daze which peaked everyone's curiosity. This was their first time out and they appreciated all the ideas from our members. They have a 10 year old daughter, Victoria. She was a real joy to have around the campground. Sandra and Gene announced at the general meeting that they would have an open house that evening to let us all see the inside of their new rig. Wow!! What a beauty! We welcome them to the club and hope we see them again soon. They have plans to travel all over the country.

Many thanks go out to the Host Tent volunteers! We could not have ran a smooth ship with out you!

Thank you Al Grainger who held the Safety meeting and is still asking for volunteers to be on the committee.

John Van held the Tech Talk and had a good crowd. The subject was "If it ain't broke, done fix it". Sounds like a good plan! Thank you John!

Lydia Grainger and Caryl Fisher had a craft class where the members made greeting cards for Graduation or other occasions. Everyone who went really enjoyed it.

Thank you to Barbara Nastase for teaching members a new Bingo game. It was a marathon of games but everyone had fun and lots of winners. We will still plan on playing the "old" Bingo in the future when we have a room to play.

About 60 members enjoyed dinner at The Bobber on Wednesday night. They had a big task serving all of us. Thanks to Christine for setting that up.

The Washer Toss Tournament brought out about 12 teams who fought to the end. The games were played under some nice shady trees. Thank you Gary Wells for your leadership and hard work to put this on each caravan.

Christine worked hard to make sure we had everything run smooth at caravan. She negotiated the rate with all of us in mind. Thank you!

Enjoy your summer! Stay healthy and we will see you all in September wherever that will be.

The Firesiders

## Help For Forgotten Meds

Last year I went to a caravan in Desert Hot Springs and forgot some of my meds. Not wanting to drive all the way home to retrieve them, I called my Rite Aid pharmacy. They told me about a procedure called Vacation Override. Luckily, in Desert Hot Springs there is a Rite Aid and they looked up my prescriptions and easily issued enough pills to replace the ones that I needed. Cost was less than \$2.

Vern Tutterrow

## “The Russians are coming!”

These are Russian tortoises, my first ever baby Russians. I put them on the lawn behind my rig and they found a small patch of wild mustard and seemed to enjoy climbing into it, eating as they went. I walked by myself as I could, instead had people over to see the Russians and the eastern box turtles (14 of several sizes). I had an MRI on Saturday, am waiting for the results.

The sciatica pain seems to take turns, left side is most often the victim, so when I go for my morning walk I've been using a walking stick. I will write up more when I get a bunch of yard work done.

Lurlie



## HOST TENT VOLUNTEERS FOR JUNE

A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR HOST TENT VOLUNTEERS



We collected \$6.00 at this month's caravan at Lake Elsinore. We need your spare change or paper dollars to increase our year end donation from our club. Please consider a drop in the jar next time you're at caravan. It can usually be found at the Host Tent.

Thank you!

## ? EMERGENCY ?

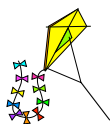
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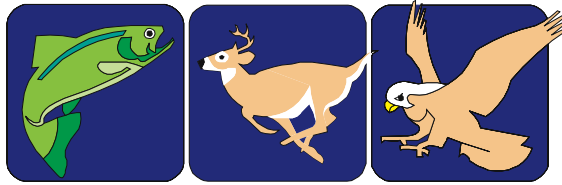


## Byron Shaner Party

We surprised Byron Shaner with the memory bear made from some of Mona's Lazy Daze clothes. We think Byron was pleased with what he saw. His sister in law (Mona's sister) and niece were there also to see it. We had quite a crowd of Lazy Daze folks that was an unexpected surprise.

Connie





**Lurlie Edgecomb #2285**

## **Mother Nature**

Despite not being able to schedule a walk due to hip and leg pain (sciatica), there was plenty to see as the wildlife flew in at Launch Pointe, Lake Elsinore, in June. The birds had more mobility than I and came calling. You all noticed the turkey vultures who were quiet and the crows who were not. There was a small black and white bird that would fly out from the lower branches of the big tree in the middle of the lawn in the Track and Trails Parkway area. He or she (sexes are alike) kept me entertained with the quick flights out and back. I wasn't bothered by any bugs, but that is what this sparrow-sized bird was eating. Every bug it got was one less to worry about.

In 31 years of being a Dazey, I can't recall ever seeing rock pigeons (also called park pigeons). They eat on the ground, are usually not alone, are plump, and flee if you move your foot. In checking in my bird book, I found a really interesting fact. Doves and pigeons are the only birds capable of drinking with their beaks in the water. All others have to sip and tilt their heads up so the water slides down their throats. Their colors are earthy tones from gray to beige to brown to white often with iridescent greens and blues on their necks. Males, females and the young look alike.

Rabbit droppings were to be found underfoot especially in the grass. Several of you, my field reporters, claimed to have seen jackrabbits and a cottontail on the lawn after dark. Several lizards were seen day times, including one doing pushups. A white moth flitted through. And I got a brief glimpse of a swallow or swift while I was hooking up.

I bring my baby turtles as they need to be fed and watered often. They are a hit with the young crowd. The 10 tiniest box turtles are 7 months old, 3 are almost 1 year old and 1 is over a year old which makes them different sizes. They range from .2 of an ounce to 1.2 oz. Then the other two, who are larger, are Russian tortoise babies. They are dry land turtles. The box turtles need to be kept moist. Their ancestors are from the southeast where there is plenty of moist leaf litter from them to hide in and forage for wormy and buggy food. Their parents are in my backyard. Almost all are rescues and live free in the yard, though I am now keeping the females in a 10' by 10' pen with water pans, greenery, and turtle houses. Guess why? And, no, the parents do not take care of the babies. The term cold-blooded applies here.

On Thursday afternoon with my walking stick, I ambled down to the shore where I saw turkey vultures (hoping for scraps floating in from fishermen cleaning their catch), a snowy egret and a black-necked stilt searching for crustaceans or mollusks, a California gull, several cormorants, and a male mallard. Friday morning early, I went down again and found a great blue heron, several cormorants drying their wings, the snowy egret, and 3 stilts with their long, pinkish red legs. Apparently, one was the mother who was clucking at me while scooting the younger ones along. A good morning's walk.

When next at Elsinore, I plan to look for black-crowned night herons. There were plenty here 30 or more years ago. You had to be careful where you parked your vehicle as big white splotches, smelling fishy were likely to appear on your roof or hood of your car. Staying away from tall trees was a good move.

# Launch Point RV Park Washer Toss June 10, 2021

Launch Point, Lake Elsinore weather was as expected, cool mornings with the overcast burning off by noon. Thursday was exceptional with the sun coming up with no overcast.

Thirty-seven rigs were in attendance including one First-Timer and one guest,

Twenty-four people signed up for our Washer-Toss tournament, including First-Timers Sandra Rabe and her daughter Victoria, who was very exciting to watch play and was teamed with Marlin Zabel.

Team #12, Vern Tutterrow and Cindy Thompson were the winners of the winners bracket and had to play off against Team #1, Guy Richards and Peggy Zable winners of the losers bracket. Team #1 had to beat Team #12 twice to win the tournament in our double elimination tournament.

Team #12 was set to go back to 11 because of going over 21 when Team #1 topped the washer in the 3 hole leaving Vern and Cindy with a score of 21 to win the game and tournament.

Congratulation to Vern and Cindy for a game well played.



# Nastasi Creation



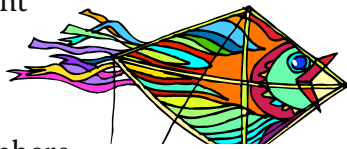
# Tech Talk with John Van

Photo by Harry Earle



## KITE FLYING FUN

Let's go fly a kite  
Up to the highest height  
Let's go fly a kite  
and send it soaring  
up through the atmosphere  
up where the air is clear  
Oh, let's go fly a kite



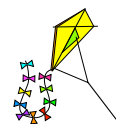
## Lazy Daze Crafts



## From the Editor

The deadline for articles is the Sunday following each Caravan. Thank you for your continuing support in the production of the Caravaner.

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# Vintage Lazy Daze

Photos by Donna LaPorte



# Happenings at Launch Pointe

