



# THE CARAVANER

Welcome to Cachuma Lake!  
Hosted by the Past Tents

May 2022

## Tucalota Springs Report

The Drifters hosted at Tucalota Springs with two 1st Timers, Bill Schreiner and Debra Castaneda. We had really good camping weather for most of the time. The exception was Friday which was very cold and then Saturday turned out to be beautiful. We thank everybody for all the help that we received. Gary Wells put on his regular Washer Toss Tournament and did his excellent job and we think that everyone had a good time, especially yours truly and Nancy Baker who won the tournament. Also it was great to see Di Filler again and their new puppy.

Vern Tutterrow

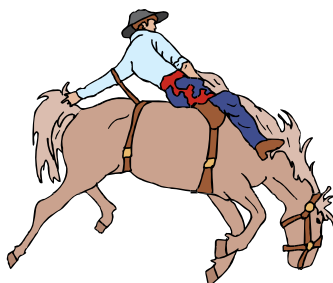


Bill Schreiner - First Timer

Also Debra Castaneda came late to the party on Saturday but don't have a photo of her.



Tucolota Flock



# WE SALUTE YOU

## HOST TENT VOLUNTEERS FOR APRIL

Thanks to all the Host Tent volunteers that made the check in process go so smoothly.  
Your dedication is appreciated

### Drifters

**Cindy Earle**

**Lurlie Edgecomb**

**Al & Lydia Granger**

**Carol Harter**

**Carol Kratzer**

**Ken & Linda Palmer**

**Roadrunners**

**Bob Schmahl**



Bingo at Tucolata. Had a good group this month.

## Tucolata Springs Caravan Washer Toss Tournament April 23, 2022

Our caravan at Tucolata Spring gave us quite a variation in the weather, with temperatures in the high 30's at night to the high 70,s during the day and good rain Thursday / Friday morning and cold temperatures that kept most people inside Friday. Saturday proved much better for our Washer Toss Tournament with warm sunshine and a very lite breeze.

We had 10 teams sign up for our tournament with two of the guys having to play on the gals side of the board.

Team #7, Vern Tutterrow and Nancy Baker were victorious in winning the winners bracket, defeating Team #3, Roger LaPorte and Velna Wells, sending them to the losers bracket where they had to play Team #4, Ernie Engeron and Carol Kratzer who they had defeated in their first game. Roger and Velna were winners and advanced to the championship round where they had to play Vern and Nancy again.

Roger and Velna were hot and had 21 but Velna still had 1 more washer to throw and she landed it in the 5 hole sending them back to 11. The next toss they had 21 again with Roger throwing, they had 21 with 1 last washer to throw, Roger put it into the 5 hole, losing the game to Vern and Nancy.

Congratulation to Vern and Nancy for a game well played.



# HOWDY!

## Come join the fun of our “Wild West” days at Lake Cachuma in May.

Bring your cowboy hats and western shirts! Awards will be presented for the “Best Hat” and “Best Western Duds”.

Draw a lucky card from our house deck when you register your rig at the Trading Post (Pavilion). If your card is drawn at the general meeting, you’ll win a special prize!

Come to the Thursday night “Hot Dog Dinner” - a BYOB affair with beans, coleslaw, dessert, and, of course, a delicious doggie plus all the fixin’s – for only \$2. Tickets available at the Trading Post.

And there’ll be a Friday night movie with popcorn and lemonade at the Clubhouse featuring “SPACE COWBOYS”. The grizzled team of Clint Eastwood, Tommy Lee Jones, James Garner, and Donald Sutherland will come out of retirement for one last hurrah to help NASA!

Like trivia contests? We’re putting a Western one together and everyone’s invited.

ENJOY!

### Card Crafts



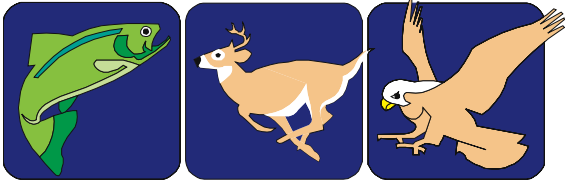
Papercrafting with Lydia Granger and Caryl Fisher. First-timer Bill Shiner enjoyed making a birthday card.

### 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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## Mother Nature Report by Lurlie Edgecomb

The third week of April 2022, we were camped in Tocalota Springs. The birds, lizards, and coyotes were active. The weather was variable and included rain one night late with Saturday being the best day for a nature walk so we went up and around higher than the RV campsites.

Crows were everywhere and usually noisy. However, a flock of them was on the ground quietly pecking at the fallen leaves under the olive trees in the grove beyond the owner/manager's home. Do they eat old olives? Or perhaps grubs laid in the soil near this food?

Female bluebirds were seen entering nest boxes. The males are very blue. All fly at low levels checking for bugs and seeds. They will stop to peck at the ground. Acorn woodpeckers were not in last year's dead stump but were flying between trees. There was no mistaking their white rump, shiny black back, black wings, and red patch on their heads.

The Host Table seemed to have a resident pair of towhees pecking at the ground in search of seeds and possible insects. They tolerated us quite well as most birds would take off if approached like the mourning doves. All that coo-cooing got annoying after a while. I did witness one mourning dove mating ritual in the upper "C" area. Thursday, no one was camping up there. Two doves were at it until a possible extra male interfered and away everyone went.

I had several reports of a Bullock's (my best guess) oriole in the lower part of the park. A great egret was photographed perched in a tree overlooking the pond. It's 3 feet tall and has long white plumes on the back of its neck for breeding plumage. The scrub jays were shiny blue and screeching as they flew from posts up into the trees. Owls were heard near the Host Table. The trees were thicker there. At night, the coyotes could be heard above the camp area.

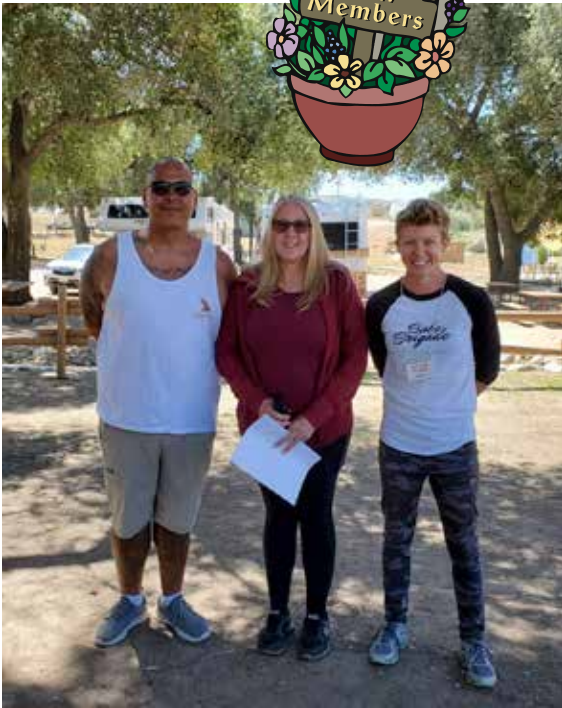
On the Nature Walk, we saw more lizards than we usually see. Many were doing pushups that make them look bigger. As we came down to the pond, the red-wing blackbirds sang to us. The mallard pair swam away. A swallowtail butterfly fluttered above us. It was such a bright yellow that you knew it was recently hatched. What was not new was the one koi we have seen before, just looking a little longer. We can hope it will be there next year.

End of report.

Submitted by Loretta Scott,  
Mother Nature's younger sister.



# First Timers



Welcome to Frank Stephens #3103 and Joanna Stanford-(Jo Jo) #3104



Vern & Charlene Tutterrow Anniversary Prize



May Birthday Prize

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