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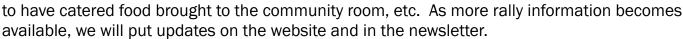
Dear HTC Members,

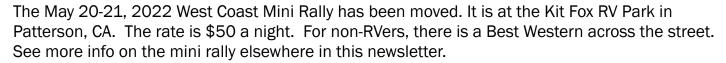
Happy New Year. May 2022 bring the end of Covid, the end for the need for vaccinations and mask wearing; a return to the new normal--whatever that may be.

Hopefully, we will be able to host our Annual Rally and several mini-rallies throughout the year. It will be joyous to gather together again.

Bill and Barb Gratzke are our Wagon Masters for the 2022 Annual Rally which will be held September 11 to 16 at the Elkhart Campground in Elkhart, Indiana.

It was challenging finding a campground that met all of our criteria--paved roads, community room or shelter, the ability





Teresa Bartz is producing the Annual Rally picture album for 2021. Even though the 2021 rally was not an official rally, many of us gathered and the event is part of the history of HTC. The album should be available sometime in the Spring. The 2019 album is also available on-line now. Teresa has an article in this newsletter for more information.

Good news to share!! Rowland Winters is recovering from the stroke he had in late summer. He is active, has very few residual effects, and is gearing up to run for city councilman again. You can't keep a good man down.

I just learned that Tom Chadwick, one of our members, passed in March 2021. He was a kind, funny, helpful person who I will miss. Our thoughts go out to Letty, his wife, and their families.

Please contact me if you have thoughts to share, questions to ask, improvements to be made, etc. (<u>President@handicappedtravelclub.com</u> or 925-437-9847).

Sincerely,

Sharon Bonney



Update from Webmaster

Our website has been refreshed and is now hosted on <u>wordpress.com</u>. You can check it out here: <u>https://handicappedtravelclub.com/</u>.

We have also created a few generic email addresses for the club. The website now only publishes these addresses as contacts for the club. They each forward email to the appropriate person.

Email Address	Purpose	Forward To
President@handicappedtravelclub.com	President of the Club	Sharon Bonney
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Editor@handicappedtravelclub.com	Newsletter Editor	Will Robinson
Webmaster@handicappedtravelclub.com	Webmaster and Tech Support	Brad Bartz
Info@handicappedtravelclub.com	General Club Information	Brad Bartz

^{*}We can create more accounts if needed...

We no longer host a marketplace on the HTC website and are instead referring people to https://www.rvproperty.com/handicapped-rvs-for-sale/ to buy and sell RVs.

The members only area of our website has moved to https://htc.groups.io/. This is a private group for current HTC members only. If you're an HTC member please join https://htc.groups.io/ and check out the files menu to view any of the club documents.

There you'll find the latest copies of:

- 2013 BYLAWS Final.doc
- HTC Membership Application.pdf
- HTC Officers & Directors Revised Aug 2019.docx
- HTC Proposed ByLaws Changes (2019 Rally).docx
- HTC roster 2021.xlsx
- HTC Welcome Letter Rev 2021.docx
- Procedure Manual.docx

The photo albums for our rallies are now hosted online at https://handicappedtravelclub.shutterfly.com/.

Our public Facebook group at https://www.rvproperty.com/handicapped-rvs-for-sale/ is active and part of our social outreach program. We utilize the Facebook group to promote our Rallies and Accessible RVing in general. We encourage you to join this group to help answer questions and promote the club.

You can now pay your HTC dues for 2022 online by sending \$10 to https://paypal.me/HTCDues.

Thanks,

Brad

Future Events

2022 May 20 to 21

HTC Western Mini Rally

Patterson, California

Note Change of Mini Rally location.

The Annual West Coast Mini Rally will take place May 20-21, 2022, at Kit Fox RV Park in Patterson, CA. The park is located on I-5 about 30 miles south of Stockton. The rate is \$50 per night. You may come early and/or stay late.

Call or email Don Bonney for reservations. Non-members are welcome-come check us out.

For those without RVs, the Best Western Plus Villa Del Lago Inn is adjacent to the park (Reservations 800-780-7234; Hotel Direct 209-892-5300). Call the hotel for reservations.

See campground website for more information: https://www.kitfoxrvpark.com/.

Watch our web site for any updates https://handicappedtravelclub.com/.

Don Bonney sdbonney3@yahoo.com 925-237-6308

2022 September 11 to 16 HTC Annual Rally

Elkhart Campground, Indiana

The 2022 HTC Annual Rally will take place at the Elkhart Campground in Indiana. See campground website for more information: http://elkhartcampground.com/.

Rally Wagon Masters are Bill and Barb Gratzke 305-987-5329, 305-987-5328.

More information to follow.

New Members - Welcome!

James and Deb Reeck Britton, Michigan



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