



# The Gopher Trap

December 2016

MEETING TIME: First Friday of the month @6:30 PM  
LOCATION: Wyandotte Grange



## Ophir Gopher Jeep Club Meeting Minutes Friday, November 4, 2016

The November meeting was called to order by President, Jackie Peterson at 6:50 p.m. at the Wyandotte Grange.

### Attendance:

Members: Bob Duncan, David and Cheryl Casagrande, Jackie Peterson, John & Glenda Morse, Keith VanZandt, Jerry & Bev Roberson and Judy Bennett.



Guests: Sharon and Joie Cherry, [jercherry81@gmail.com](mailto:jercherry81@gmail.com) and new guests, Carl & Nadine (first time meeting Nadine) Webb (Ph. 530-870-3632, 916-633-3825 email: [cwebb@placer.ca.gov](mailto:cwebb@placer.ca.gov)), welcome all.

Barbara, please add Joie's email to the Gopher Trap so she will receive it! Thanks a lot!

Minutes: Were read then John made a motion to approve the minutes and Judy seconded, called for the vote and motion carried.

### Treasurer's Report:

Bills: David for North District Delegate Expense submitted \$56.00 for reimbursement. Glenda made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, Jerry seconded, called for the vote and motion carried.

### Delegate's Report:

David Casagrande, Delegate - None as there will not be a ND meeting until January 7, 2017.

### Trailmaster's Report:

Kevin Casagrande, Trailmaster, Jerry Roberson, Acting Assistant Trailmaster;

Jerry reported on the October run which was held on Saturday, 10/8/16 to the Howland Flat, Poker Flat areas. Kevin gave historical presentations at each location with photos from the early days. We all appreciate his efforts to furnish knowledge about the areas we visit. Proceeded East up a steep hill and

C4WDC Event Map



Jackie almost hurt her Jeep's undercarriage! Went to Saddleback lookout and was thoroughly entertained by the Ranger stationed there. He was extremely informative and showed us where things were and allowed us to interact a bit with the lookout equipment. The only drawback was the bees which stung a couple of our members!! Ouch!

The November run will be held on 11/12/16 and we will be exploring Caribou to Humbug areas. Meet at Home Depot at 8:30 a.m.

The December 3<sup>rd</sup> run will be to cut Christmas trees. Don't forget to go to the Forest Service to get your permits. We will meet at David/Cheryl Casagrande's at 8:30 a.m. where we will stage at the warming hut. There will be a Chili-dog lunch as usual with Bev as the Coordinator. She will be sending out an email asking for sign-ups for the food. Needed will be cans of Chili, Hotdogs, Buns, Cheese, chopped Onions, Catsup, Mustard, Chips, Cookies, napkins, plates, cups, hot chocolate, Can opener, tongs etc.

Kevin previously brought up the Winter Fun Festival that will be January 13-15<sup>th</sup> to see if anyone's interested in attending. There are 9 runs on Saturday and 3 on Sunday in Grass Valley. Fees are: \$95.00 Early Bird by 12/15/16 which covers Breakfast and Dinner meals only. You would need to provide your own lunches. If we want to attend as a group we need to send in our forms together. Jerry/Bev volunteered to host a get together to turn in paperwork and to decide what runs to go on for interested members and guests. Their address is 233 Oakvale, Oroville on Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

#### Old Business:

Don't forget, we need to attend Grange Functions throughout the month in order to have a meeting place. Calendar of events listed below:

December 4<sup>th</sup> - Grange Breakfast 7:30-10:30 a.m. (We meet at 8:30 am as a club)

December 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> - Xmas Bazaar 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m

December 14<sup>th</sup> - Bunco 6:00 p.m.

If you attend, state that you are with the Ophir Gophers so we get credit as part of our agreement with them.

Sacramento Office Club Wall needs the Ophir Gopher Jeep Club history/pictures to display as soon as possible. Jackie will work on that and may call upon members to come and help her. John and Glenda offered to help her with this.

#### New Business:

- Vote for new members; Joie Cherry/Sharon Cherry
  - ➔ We received a new member application for Joanna and Sharon Cherry. Discussion and vote was unanimous to welcome them into our club. Yay!
- Bev would like to look into the club adopting a family for the holiday. She will check with Steve Terry and get some information for us for the December meeting as a philanthropic donation to the community.
- Nominations were as follows:
  - ✓ President: Jackie Peterson

- ✓ VP/Treasurer: Judy Bennett
- ✓ Secretary: Cheryl Casagrande
- ✓ Delegate: David Casagrande
- ✓ Trailmaster: Kevin Casagrande
- ✓ Membership discussed appointing Jerry Roberson as Assistant Trailmaster, but is an appointed position, therefore not on ballot for vote)

■ Nominations will be open again at the December meeting.

**Announcements:**

Jeep club Christmas dinner will be at Oujas (near Lowe's) in Chico on 12/16/16 at 7:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be on Friday, December 2, 2016 at Wyandotte Grange at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Cheryl Casagrande, Secretary



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Can you believe it's almost December & time for cutting trees & trimming the halls for those fun times with family & friends. That includes our Christmas Party on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 at Ojiya's in Chico. So looking forward to the great food & fun with all of you. Brady & Sandy will be joining us again this year. Bev is organizing an Adopt A Family for Christmas so she will have more details for us.

I heard the Caribou run was great, except for John & Glenda. I think they were probably having a great time until the jeep wouldn't start. Those things seem to happen to all of us soon or later. Kevin again provided history of the area. I always enjoy knowing what was there so many years before. I guess that is why I always enjoyed all the exploring of the ghost towns in Nevada & would love the opportunity to do it again.

This Saturday is the Christmas tree run. Don't forget those permits. Bev is in charge of the food this year in my absence. We will be needing members to sign up to bring the following:

1. 2 packages of hot dogs
2. 2 packages of hot dogs
3. 4 packages of buns
4. Mustard, ketchup, chopped onion & grated cheese
5. 2 Cans of Chili
6. 2 Cans of Chili
7. 2 bags of chips
8. Cookies or such
9. Paper plates & forks & napkins

Please call Bev (370-7372) or email [jerry\\_roberson@att.net](mailto:jerry_roberson@att.net) as to which one of the above items you plan to bring. David usually brings his stove. You will need two pots, a ladle & tongs. Keith brings candles for the bathroom & someone needs to bring a Mr. Heater.



We will have final nominations for officers at the meeting with Election following.

Convention is coming up. We need to be sending in registrations in January. It is in Visalia this year so that is a little further distance. I plan on going & then heading down to Paso Robles area after to visit with friends. I won't have a job by then so I have lots of time for fun.

See you Friday at 6:30.

Jackie





