



# THE GOPHER TRAP

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Meetings: First Friday of the Month 6:30 pm  
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## Events

- June 5, 6:30 pm Meeting  
*\*At Judy's House\**
- June 7, 7:30-10:30 am Grange Breakfast  
\$8
- June 10, 6:00 pm Grange Bunco  
\$5
- June 12-14 Camping  
Buck's Lake
- June 20, 5:00-6:30 pm Grange Dinner  
\$10, Tri Tip
- June 21 Father's Day



## From the Summit

Jerry Roberson, President

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:10 am...having my second cup of coffee, listening to the thunder and lightning while the dogs are nervous as a long-tailed cat in a room full of rocking chairs. Crazy we're getting this rain at the end of May. I do enjoy a good thunderstorm though.

I prefer my monthly reports focus on things directly related to our club activities; however, it won't be the case this month. Thankfully, things are starting to open up and we'll be back on the trails soon.

Here's what's happening in Bev and my world. As I'm writing this report, our oldest daughter, Kayla and her husband, Keith, are at Enloe Hospital preparing to bring our first grandchild into this world. Kacie Alyssa Mae is knocking at the door. We are very excited. I'll try no to be that grandparent who thinks their grandchild is better than everyone else's, but I'm pretty sure she's going to be pretty awesome. 😊

Our son, Tyler, recently interviewed for a job in Hollister. Last I heard, they are in negotiations regarding his employment package. It'll be wonderful to have him back in California, but not sure if it will work out. Fingers are crossed.

Our youngest, Katie, has been hired as a firefighter at the Shasta Lake Fire District. She's worked so hard pursuing an Associate's of Arts degree in Fire Science and preparing for a career in fire service. We are so proud of her and blessed by her success.

Now for the important stuff...Bev and I will not be able to attend the June meeting. We will be travelling to Bend, OR to pick up our new 5<sup>th</sup> wheel. You think we're excited about a grandchild? What's more exciting than a new RV? Just kitting! We can't wait to enjoy some RV life with friends and family.

Well, that pretty much wraps it up on my end. Hope all are happy and healthy. Take care and we'll see you all soon.

Jerry Roberson  
Aka "Poppy"

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# Straight from the Gopher's Mouth

Joie Cherry, Secretary

## MINUTES OF THE MAY 8, 2020 MEETING

- Meeting called to order by Jerry Roberson, President, at 6:36 p.m. at the Roberson's backyard.
- Attendees:
  - Members: Judy Bennett; David & Cheryl Casagrande; Mary, & Watson Casagrande; Joie Cherry & Vanessa Purdy; Troy & Jody Jobe; Miguel Madrigal; John & Glenda Morse; Jackie Peterson; Jerry & Bev Roberson
  - Guests: Charlie Miller; Dan Tiedemann
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Jerry.
- Secretary's Report – Joie Cherry, Secretary
  - Motion made by Judy, seconded by Vanessa, to accept the minutes of the April meeting as written.
    - Called to vote and motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – Judy Bennett, Treasurer
  - Motion made by Joie, seconded by Jackie, to approve the treasurer's report.
    - Called to vote and motion carried.
- Delegate's Report – David Casagrande, Delegate
  - The main report was in the Gopher Trap.
  - No one guessed where the cabin is located from the Gopher Trap: it is down the hill from the Four Trees warming hut. There are 2 cabins and an old stamp mill.
  - An 18-wheeler loaded with lumber jack-knifed in the snow coming down from Buck's Lake. Because of this and the work to get it unstuck, the back road is now open to Buck's Lake.
- Trail Master's Report – Keith Van Zandt, Trail Master
  - Nothing new to report due to everything having been canceled. Next month is supposed to be camping at Buck's Lake.
  - July run planning to be a workday at Stag Point.
- Old Business
  - None.
- New Business
  - Glenda reported on the Lower Buck's Lake PG&E dam repair. It will likely take a couple years to complete and those roads will remain closed.
- News
  - Miguel: New axels, gears, driveline, steering, u-joints, bumper, tire carrier, and CB.
  - Dan: All Federal lands plan to reopen May 9.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.  
Dinner Celestino's delivered pizza and Bev made salad.

*HAPPY 55TH ANNIVERSARY, OPHIR GOPHER JEEP CLUB!*

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# Off the Beaten Path

Keith Van Zandt, Trail Master

Howdy.

I am afraid there isn't much news to make a report from.

The next scheduled run is to Buck's Lake on June 13<sup>th</sup>. We will leave from the Fire Station at 9:00 am. Destination to be decided. As usual, everything is subject to change.

The July run is a work party on our adopted trail, Stag Point on July 11<sup>th</sup>.

Everyone stay safe.

Keith

P.S. The weather has been a little warm, so here is a little snow.



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# Fire Restrictions

David Casagrande

## Plumas National Forest Fire Use Restrictions

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a), and to protect natural resources and provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited within the Plumas National Forest.

This Order is effective from May 29, 2020, through November 30, 2020.

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, except in open developed recreation sites. 36 CFR 261.52(a).
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, in an open developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. 36 CFR 261.52(d).
3. Operating an internal combustion engine off paved, gravel or dirt National Forest System roads and trails, except boats on a water surface. 36 CFR 261.52(h).

Pursuant to 36 CFR 216.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with a valid California Campfire Permit are not exempt from the prohibitions listed above. However, persons with a valid California Campfire Permit may use a portable campfire ring/pit, stove, or lantern in an area at least five feet from any flammable materials provided that the portable campfire ring/pit, stove, or lantern only burns gas, kerosene, jellied petroleum or pressurized liquid fuel, with a shut-off valve.
3. Persons with a valid 2020 Forest Products Removal Permit (fuelwood permit) issued by the Plumas National Forest or persons operating under the Forest Service waiver of fuelwood permits for personal-use, are not exempt from the prohibitions listed above, but may operate a chainsaw with an internal combustion engine off National Forest System roads and trails only to the extent necessary to cut fuelwood, provided the cutting of fuelwood is done in compliance with the with the terms of the Permit and local policies, laws, and regulations.
4. Persons with a valid Forest Service special use authorization for a recreation residence, resort, or organizational camp are exempt from Prohibition No. 1, while at their recreation residence, resort, or organizational camp. FOREST ORDER No. 05-11-00-20-08 Plumas National Forest Fire Use Restrictions
5. Persons with a Forest Service non-special use written authorization to conduct non-recreational activities, such as harvesting timber or forest products, or grazing livestock, are exempt from Prohibition No. 3, provided the activity is done in compliance with the terms of the authorization.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions contained in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A. A violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. 16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559, 3571, and 3581. Executed in Quincy, California, this 28th day of May 2020.

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## Camp Food

### ***Apple Crisp (Microwave Style)***

From a 1985 Gopher Trap submission by  
Carole Vance

Cook Time: 10-12 min.

Servings: 8

#### **Ingredients**

1 c all-purpose flour  
1 c rolled oats  
1 c firmly packed brown sugar  
½ c butter or margarine  
1 ¾ lbs. tart apples, ½ in. diced (4 cups)  
1 c sugar  
¼ c all-purpose flour  
½ tsp. cinnamon

#### **Instructions**

1. Mix together flour, oats, and sugar in a large bowl. Stir in butter with fork to make a crumbly mixture. Set aside.
2. Combine apples, sugar, flour, and cinnamon in 8x8 in. baking dish. (I add about 4 slices of margarine, also.) Stir to mix well. Sprinkle topping over apple mixture.
3. Microwave 10-12 minutes on HIGH or until apple mixture starts to bubble through topping.



### ***Rice-A-Roni Salad*** Sharon Cherry

#### **Ingredients**

1 box Chicken Rice-A-Roni  
2 small jars marinated artichoke hearts  
1 green onion  
curry powder  
apx ½ c mayonnaise

#### **Instructions**

1. Cook Rice-A-Roni according to package directions. Let cool.
2. Drain artichoke hearts, retaining oil. Mix oil, mayonnaise, green onion, curry.
3. Chop artichoke hearts up and add to rice. Blend in mayonnaise mixture.
4. Chill overnight for best flavor

Make ahead of your trip—it travels well!



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Can You Guess Where?

David Casagrande

Some people might know where this is???



Most people should know where this is...



Probably nobody knows where this is...



Answer to last month's:



Several miles west of  
Four Trees warming hut

## New Toys

Miguel Madrigal

Recent upgrades:

- Dana 44 front axle
- Ford 9-inch rear axle
- 4.56 gears
- Detroit Truetrecs front and rear
- Spring-over axle conversion
- Rear disc brakes
- Front and rear drivelines, steering, U-joints
- Smittybilt Rock Crawler Classic Rear Bumper with Tire Carrier
- Cobra 29 LTD CB Radio



## Turn Back Time

Sharon Cherry

May 1978 Feather Fiesta Days Parade  
Our float won First Place!

