



THE GOPHER TRAP

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Meetings: First Friday of the Month 6:30 pm
Wyandotte Grange, 4910 Foothill Blvd., Oroville
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Events

- ~~Sep. 6, 7:30-10:30 am~~
~~Grange Breakfast~~
~~\$8~~
- Sep. 7
Labor Day
- Sep. 9, 6:00 pm
Meeting
Roberson Home
****Note Date Change****
- ~~Sep. 9, 6:00 pm~~
~~Grange Bunco~~
~~\$5~~
- Sep. 12
Club Run
High Lakes
- ~~Sep. 19, 5:00-6:30 pm~~
~~Grange Dinner~~
~~\$8, Spaghetti~~



Why Celebrate Labor Day?

<https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/labor-day-1>

Labor Day, an annual celebration of workers and their achievements, originated during one of American labor history's most dismal chapters.

In the late 1800s, at the height of the Industrial Revolution in the United States, the average American worked 12-hour days and seven-day weeks in order to eke out a basic living. People of all ages often faced extremely unsafe working conditions, with insufficient access to fresh air, sanitary facilities and breaks.

Labor unions, which had first appeared in the late 18th century, grew more prominent and vocal. They began organizing strikes and rallies to protest poor conditions and compel employers to renegotiate hours and pay. Many of these events turned violent. Others gave rise to longstanding traditions such as Labor Day parades.

The idea of a "workingmen's holiday", celebrated on the first Monday in September, caught on across the country, and many states passed legislation recognizing it. Congress would not legalize the holiday until June 28, 1894 with President Grover Cleveland.

Labor Day is still celebrated in cities and towns across the United States with parades, picnics, barbecues, fireworks displays and other public gatherings.

Win-A-Jeep

Order your tickets at
<https://cal4wheel.org/win-a-jeep>



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Straight from the Gopher's Mouth

Joie Cherry, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 7, 2020 MEETING

- Meeting called to order by Jerry Roberson, President, at 6:36 p.m. at Wyandotte Grange.
- Attendees:
 - Members: Judy Bennett; David & Cheryl Casagrande; Mary & Watson Casagrande; Sharon Cherry; Miguel Madrigal; John & Glenda Morse; Jackie Peterson; Jerry & Bev Roberson; Keith Van Zandt
 - Guests: Charlie Miller
- Pledge of Allegiance led by John.
- Secretary's Report – Joie Cherry, Secretary
 - Motion made by Glenda, seconded by Cheryl, to accept the minutes of the July meeting as written.
 - Called to vote and motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – Judy Bennett, Treasurer
 - Motion made by Keith, seconded by John, to approve the treasurer's report.
 - Called to vote and motion carried.
- Delegate's Report – David Casagrande, Delegate
 - Fundraising challenge by the Trailbusters of Kings County to match their \$500 donation to Cal4Wheel.
 - North District Virtual Meeting
 - 6 or 7 bylaws proposals coming.
 - 2022 Convention will be in North District.
 - Big push for Win-A-Jeep ticket sales, including a contest for the district who sells the most.
 - Next meeting will have a discussion with Shannon Delong (Friends of Plumas Wilderness) and Jeff Blewett.
 - Bring questions to ask. Visit Friends of Plumas Wilderness website (<https://plumaswilderness.org>).
- Trail Master's Report – Keith Van Zandt, Trail Master
 - Stag Point workday went well, everyone who went is appreciated. Raffle price of a CB radio: winner Dustin Travis.
 - Next run to Graeagle area on August 8. Meet at Lakeside at 8:30 am.
 - September run to High Lakes.
 - October campout to Hat Creek.
- Old Business
 - Mary: The Hi-Landers are doing a fundraiser in memory of Dana Holland. T-shirts and sweatshirts for sale. Contact Mary for more info.
- New Business
 - Jerry from Kevin: A person from Pleasanton would like to be an affiliate member. Jerry will contact him.
- News
 - Jackie & Charlie bought a new truck. Silver 2020 Ram 2500 Sport.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.
- Dinner at The Patio for outdoor dining.

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Off the Beaten Path

Keith Van Zandt, Trail Master

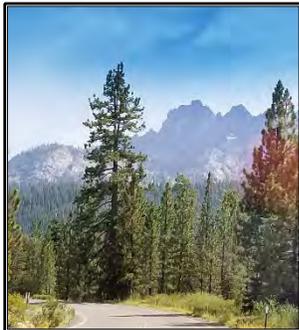
Greetings, fellow Gophers.

I hope everyone is surviving our latest disaster. Disease, fire, election, and now I hear an asteroid is heading our way—just in time for election day.

On the fire side of things, Google Maps has started putting links to fire information on their maps. You need to be in the general area on the map and the right magnification, but very handing for getting information.

<https://www.google.com/maps/@38.5902366,-122.1519315,11z>

The last run was lightly attended, just two members and one guest. That worked out fine because it was a long day. We started out at Gibsonville near LaPorte. From there, we traveled on the forest roads to the Johnsville Park. Easy going, just 25 miles of bumpy and dusty. Very scenic and fairly remote area for being in our back yard. After lunch and an ice cream in Gaeagle, we hit the highway for the long drive home. A thunder near the Sierra Buttes made things interesting. More pictures at <https://imgur.com/gallery/o0cAPDU>.



The next run on our schedule is the High Lakes. I will not be in town, so someone else will need to lead that run.

The October 10-11 run is to the Hat Creek area. Rancheria RV Park seemed to be the best option. <https://rancheriarvpark.net/>. They are running with limited facilities due to the Covid crap.

I hear someone has bought themselves a nice blue Jeep. An almost new Rubicon. That has to be quite a change from their old blue rig.

<u>Run Count 2020</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Guests</u>	<u>Total</u>
J. Bennet	0	T. Kinser	1
D. & C. Casagrande	3	C. Miller	3
K. & M. Casagrande	1	R. Stuepnagel	1
S. Cherry	6	D. Tiedemann	3
J. & V. Purdy-Cherry	2	K. Tiedemann	2
T. & J. Jobe	2		
M. & J. Madrigal	5		
J. & G. Morse	2		
J. Peterson	2		
J. & B. Roberson	4		
K. Van Zandt	6		

New Rig

David & Cheryl Casagrande



Continued

Build

Joie & Vanessa Purdy-Cherry



Camp Food

Vanessa Purdy

Trail Carne Asada for Engine Burritos

Marinade

- 3 to 4 cloves garlic, chopped or pressed
- ½ tsp chili powder
- ½ to 1 jalapeño
- 1 handful of chopped fresh cilantro
- Juice from 1 large orange
- Juice from 1 large lime
- 1 Tbsp soy sauce
- 2 Tbsp vinegar
- ¼ cup olive oil
- 1 tsp salt
- Black pepper to taste

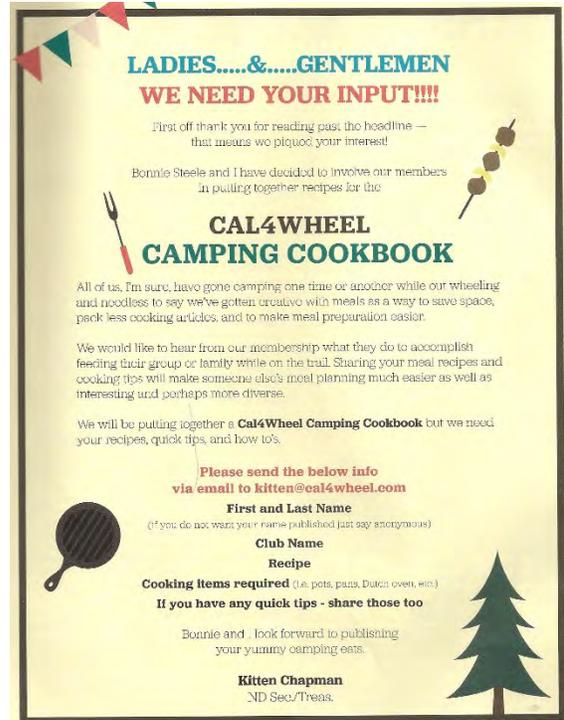
Instructions

1. Salt and pepper steak of your choice while you make the marinade. Marinate the steak for 1 hour or overnight, no more than 8 hours.
2. Cook steak on the grill 7-10 min per side over hot coals or under the broiler in your oven. Pull off the grill and allow it to rest for 15 min.
3. Cut steak into thin slices against the grain, then further chop up the meat into smaller pieces.
4. Place in large tortilla along with fillings of your choice, such as rice, beans, salsa, cheese, sour cream, etc.
5. Roll and wrap in heavy duty foil and place in a “secure” spot in your engine.

Tips

There is always the risk of losing your burrito after a good bump on the trail, so always have some backup snacks available! And don't forget your burrito is there or your rig may develop a not-so-pleasant smell!

Cal4Wheel Camping Cookbook



Send your submissions to Kitten Chapman via email, kitten@cal4wheel.com. Be sure to include your first and last name (or anonymous), club name, recipe, cooking items required, and any quick tips! I can't wait to see what our club contributes!! I think we have the best cooks in the association!!!