

# **WELCOME PACKET**

## **Sun City Oro Valley**

https://sundownersrvclub.wildapricot.org/ www.suncityorovalley.com (under Clubs)

### **WELCOME!**

The <u>Sundowners RV Club</u> was chartered in January 1997. The purpose of the Club is to bring together individuals in Sun City Vistoso who might own a recreational vehicle, or who share an interest in the lifestyle associated with traveling, camping, off-roading, boating and fellowship.

The monthly meetings, Holiday Dinner Party, social gatherings, plus 6-7 annual trips provide opportunities to increase one's knowledge and to share experiences regarding the RV lifestyle. The scheduled as well as impromptu trips offer a variety of activities for all members. The atmosphere is always friendly and inviting.

When planning trips, the "Wagon Masters" (volunteer Club members) organize and present choices of activities to meet the various interests and needs of Club members. The trips are made available at cost and are frequently more economical than if purchased through commercial organizations, or if traveling as an individual.

The Club meets the second Monday of the month from October thru May (except December) at 9 AM in the Catalina Vista meeting rooms. Come early for coffee and socializing. The agendas might focus on educational topics, upcoming trips, previous trips, reputable mechanics, or RV items "Wanted" or "For Sale". Frequent guest speakers inform members about the latest topics, destinations, maintenance and equipment pertinent to our safety and enjoyment.

Our calendar year is from April 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>. Dues are \$20 per household and are payable at the March meeting prior to the new season.

### Further information can be obtained through:

- https://sundownersrvclub.wildapricot.org/
- www.suncityorovalley.com (under Clubs)
- > articles in the SCOV newsletter The Tipster
- > the New Members' Packet
- > the Club Photo Albums
- > the Club President

Come join in on the fun with this adventurous group!

# **Sundowners RV Club**

### **Board of Directors**

# 2018—2019

President	Bill Hale
Vice President	Brad Taylor
Treasurer	Vernon Barr
Secretary	Mary Barr
Social Coordinator	Marian Ellestad
Trip Coordinator	Nancy Bern

# Chairpersons

RV Club Webmaster	Dan Stasi
Sundowners Logo Merchandise	Lynne Wohner
RV Vendor List	Jeff Milbourn
Welcome Committee	Joy Huxtable
Sunshine Lady	Betty Campbell

### **Sundowners RV Club Leadership Positions**

**President:** Presides over all RV Club Board Meetings and facilitates all General Club meetings; Provides leadership and guidance to Board members; Promotes the RV Club and works with the Association if there are any issues of concern related to the RV Club's membership, activities etc.

**Vice President:** Leads the Program Committee in developing, organizing and implementing educational programs for the monthly Club meetings; prepares and submits monthly Tipster articles regarding the upcoming activities of the RV Club; backs-up the Club President, as needed.

**Secretary:** Records the minutes of all Board, regular and special club meetings; maintains of all records of the RV Club, other than the Treasurer's; responsible for correspondence as required by the members of the Board and produces and submits any reports required by SCOV Association.

**Treasurer:** Handles all the financial activities of the RV Club including: collecting annual membership dues, paying club expenses, keeping financial records, preparing and delivering monthly financial reports to the Board and at Club's General meetings; works with the Welcome Committee to insure the committee is aware of new members who join the club. In addition, the Treasurer insures new member information is forwarded to the person who manages the RV Club roster and email distribution list.

**Trip Chair:** Leads the Trip Committee in promoting RV Club trips, recommending future trip locations/activities, recruits and supports Trip Wagonmasters. In addition, the Trip Chair reports on upcoming Club trips at all regular meetings; maintains trip sign-up lists, if needed and insures upcoming trip reminders are sent out via email.

**Social Chair:** Leads the Social Committee in organizing RV Club Social events. This includes: promoting events, reserving rooms in advance, sending out reminders of events, collecting money, if appropriate, having sign-up sheets at the regular monthly meetings and following-up on all the "day of event" details.

**Vendor List Coordinator:** Maintains and distributes a list of Vendors who provide RV services to Club members. This list serves as a resource to all members on the vendors who provide both good and poor service.

**Sundowners Logo Merchandise Coordinator:** Promotes clothing and other accessories available with the RV Club logo; takes orders from membership; collects money; picks up and distributes items.

**RV Club Webmaster:** Develops and maintains the RV Club Website; insures information is updated on the Website in a timely manner.

**Welcome Committee Coordinator:** Leads the Welcome Committee in welcoming and mentoring new members. In addition, updates and maintains the RV Club's Welcome Packets.

**Sunshine Lady:** Sends out timely Get Well and Sympathy Cards to members who are ill, or lost a spouse, or other family member.

### SUNDOWNERS RV CLUB BYLAWS

### Article I

#### Name

The name of this organization shall be the **Sundowners RV Club**, a non-profit organization.

### Article II

### Object

The object of the club shall be to bring together people who share an interest in the RV lifestyle as well as to plan and organize RV trips.

### Article III

### **Authority and Limitations**

The club will operate as a chartered club of Sun City Oro Valley Community Assn., Inc., hereinafter referred to as SCOV in compliance with its bylaws and regulations but will not conduct business or obligate funds in the name of SCOV.

### Article IV

### Membership

- Section 1. Membership shall be open to any person having a current SCOV membership card. Non SCOV residents can join, as long as their numbers do not exceed the percentage allowed in the SCOV Clubs' Rules, Regulations and Procedures. No eligible person shall be denied membership because of sex, race, religion, color, ethnic culture, marital status, sexual preference or national heritage. Guests are welcome and each guest can attend up to 3 meetings per year.
- Section 2. The club officers shall propose annual dues. All initial dues or changes to the amount must be approved by a majority vote of those present and voting at a regular or special club meeting.

### Section 2

All members shall be entitled to vote at any regular or special meeting of the club, and to participate in all club events upon compliance with all adopted regulations. Club business shall be decided by a majority vote of those present and voting.

### Article V

### Officers

- Section 1. The officers of the club shall consist of the following: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Coordinator and Trip Coordinator. Member(s)-at-Large will be chosen at the discretion of the Board.
- Section 2. Term of office: All elected officers shall hold office for a term of one (1) year and may be elected to the same office for not more than two (2) consecutive terms. No member shall hold more than one (1) office at a time. Elected officer's term of office begins April 1st and ends March 31st. If an office cannot be filled, the current officer will be asked to continue serving in that office for one (1) year.

### Article VI

#### Nominations and Elections

- Section 1. Prior to the meeting for the purpose of election of officers, the President with Board approval shall appoint a nominating chairperson.
- Section 2. The slate of officers proposed by the nominating chairperson shall be announced at least two weeks prior to the election meeting.
- Section 3. Nominations may be made from the floor with the consent of the nominee.
- Section 4. A majority of those members, present and voting, shall elect. In the case of multiple candidates for a given office, the vote shall be by written ballot.

### Article VII

### Governing Body

- Section 1. The governing body of the club is the Board of Directors, hereinafter referred to as "the Board", which consists of the following elected officers: President, VicePresident, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Coordinator and Trip Coordinator. Member(s)-at-Large may be appointed at the discretion of the Board.
- Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Board to conduct, manage and control the affairs and business of the club between meetings of the regular membership.
- Section 3. Meetings: The Board shall meet monthly if necessary. There shall be a joint meeting of the outgoing and incoming Boards held after the election meeting and before the next regular meeting.
- Section 4. Quorum: Three (3) members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

- Section 5. The Board shall appoint vacancies occurring in any office, other than the presidency. Should the President resign, the Vice-President will automatically assume that office.
- Section 6. All Board members, upon retiring from office, shall deliver all records, procedure books and other property belonging to the club to their successor.

### **Article VIII**

### **Duties of Officers**

- Section 1. President: shall be the chief administrator of the club and shall preside over all meetings; shall be ex-officio a member of all committees, except the nominating committee; shall appoint, with Board approval, the chairpersons of committees including the nominating chairperson, and at the direction of Board or membership, shall appoint special committees; and shall appoint a committee of two (2) or more to audit the Treasurer's books. In addition, the President shall schedule facilities usage with the activities director, negotiate for the club contracts, such as equipment and instruction, and sign for contracts in addition to the SCOV representative. Shall determine the amount of any donations with a majority vote of the Board.
- Section 2. Vice-President: shall assist the President and shall, in his/her absence, perform the duties of that office. Shall also arrange for the presentation of topics pertinent to the RV lifestyle at the general meetings. This might include guest speakers.
- Section 3. Secretary: shall record the minutes of regular and special meetings of the Board and membership and, in the absence of the Treasurer, shall read that report; shall be in charge of all records of the club, other than the Treasurer's; shall be responsible for correspondence as required by the members of the Board, and shall make available any reports required by SCOV.
- Section 4. Treasurer: is the chief financial officer and shall be responsible for collecting the annual dues of the members and other monies, if required; shall pay all bills owed by the club; shall present a financial report at each meeting of the club and maintain financial records as required by the IRS. Shall keep membership roster current.
- Section 5. Social Coordinator: shall organize and implement any social functions that are intended to bring together club members. Must secure approval of a majority of the Board before implementing the social function. Shall keep accurate records of activities and expenses. May plan functions on or off SCOV grounds.
- Section 6. Trip Coordinator: shall communicate information to members regarding up-coming trips. Shall encourage members to become wagonmasters, who will organize and lead trips. Shall keep accurate records of dates and destinations of trips.

### **Article IX**

### Fiscal and Finance

Section 1. The fiscal year shall be April 1st thru March 31st.

- Section 2. An annual audit of the Treasurer's books shall be made by a committee of 2 or more appointed by the President. The audit shall be made by the end of the fiscal year and shall be reported to the membership at the next regular meeting.
- Section 3. The Treasurer and at least one other officer shall be authorized to sign checks.
- Section 4. No member of the club shall receive compensation for services rendered.

### **Article X**

### Meetings

- Section 1. Meetings shall be held usually at 9 AM on the second Monday of the month from Oct. thru May. Exceptions might occur as the year progresses. Change of dates, time and places will be announced well in advance.
- Section 2. The annual meeting and election of board members shall be held during the March General Meeting.
- Section 3. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President or by any two (2) members of the Board provided notice of such meeting has been given by telephone or email, at least five (5) days prior to the day of such meeting.
- Section 4. Meetings of the general membership, unless otherwise designated, shall be held at SCOV facilities.

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### Amendments

- Section 1. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting, at a regular or annual meeting of the club provided written or email notice of each proposed amendment, or proposed new bylaws, have been announced two (2) weeks prior to the meeting.
- Section 2. All proposed amendments to these bylaws are subject to final approval by SCOV.
- Section 3. Any Sundowners RV Club member who participates in any activity of the Sundowners RV Club does so at their own risk, including other persons for whom such member is responsible, and is deemed to have waived and released the Sundowners RV Club and its members, officers, and directors from and against any and all liability, damages, or injuries that may be suffered or incurred by such person arising out of the participation in such club activities.

### Article XII

### Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of this club, all assets will be donated to SCOV. Dissolution is mandatory when membership drops below the SCOV required level.

Dissolution will not be initiated until all outstanding debts are satisfied. The President may direct the use of any and all assets to satisfy outstanding debts, provided the majority of the club membership has voted for the President to do so.

All members must be advised that they are liable for any debts incurred by the club and must satisfy them in full prior to the club's dissolution.

If dissolution is contemplated, the membership must be notified at least two weeks in advance of the meeting date and time.

Adopted by membership:		
Amended by membership:	(02/08/2016)	
:	Signatures of Club re	presentatives:
Club President		_ (02/08/2018)
Club Secretary		_ (02/08/2018)

# Sundowners RV Club Club Name

# **Sundowners Social Calendar** 2018-19

Date	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b>December 16, 2018</b>	12:00-3:00	Holiday Party	Auditorium
February 11, 2019	11:30-1:00	Valentine's Lunch	Off-site, TBD
March 17, 2019	Noon-3:00	St Paddy's Party	
April 9, 2019	4:00- Potluck	/BBQ & Campfire	Catalina State Park
November 3, 2019	Noon-3:00	Chili Fest	Auditorium
December 15, 2019	Noon-3:00	Holiday Party	Auditorium

# lt's More Than Living... It's A Lifestyle...

On the Road Again...

Members of the SCOV Sundowners RV Club keep their wheels rolling. By Joy Huxtable

You might be surprised to learn that RVing is a lifestyle shared by many residents in Sun City. Did you ever wonder what it would be like to travel around the country in an RV? Well, numerous SCOV homeowners found their way to our community during a road trip in their motorhome, fifth wheel, trailer or van. SCOV RVers often take to the open roads during the summer months. They visit their families, national and state parks or maybe only travel as far as the

Arizona White Mountains. When they are not traveling, they enjoy the camaraderie of fellow RVers who live in our community.

SCOV's Sundowners RV Club recently celebrated its 20th Anniversary with a party where former and current members came together to share RV stories and reminisce. Currently, the club has 127 members and holds monthly meetings from October through May. The meetings provide a time to connect with

fellow RVers and learn about the latest in RV accessories; how to handle RV maintenance, repair and safety issues and to discuss plans for the next club trip.

For Sundowners president, Dennis Kraft, "Participation in the RV Club embodies a wide range of the active adult lifestyle. Club trips have included hiking, birding, visiting historical areas, attending the theater, dining out, off-road excursions and more. We have members who don't even own an RV, but want to take advan-

tage of our club's wide-ranging activities and social events." Contact Dennis at 612-799-4047 to learn more about the

Long time member, Jim Wisda, explained, "There are so many advantages to being a member of the fun-loving Sundowners RV Club. We have met many wonderful people with shared interests. Fun club activities have included exciting trips to interesting locations, great sightseeing, campfires, social events and entertainment.

Remember Johnny Cash's song, I've Been Everywhere Man? The Sundowners have taken group trips everywhere from the Olympic Peninsula to the San Antonio Fiesta, from the Albuquerque Balloon Festival to Branson, Missouri. The club has also traveled south to Rocky Point, Mata Ortiz and Teacapan, Mexico. You might find the club in California exploring San Diego, Borrego Springs, Pismo Beach or the Monterey area. Off road four-wheel drive trips in the National Parks of Utah, visiting Silver City, New Mexico and participating in the '49ers Encampment event in Death Valley were some of the special club-sponsored trips. Hal Hufford, a past RV club president, stated, "Participation in the RV Club has encouraged Sharon and I to visit places that we would never have

gone on our own. Every day on an RV trip is a new adventure.'

Club RV trips are planned and led by members called Wagonmasters. They pick a place to visit and select an RV Park where the group will camp. Wagonmasters plan optional activities in the area and group potluck dinners. According to Dianne Wisda, who has been the Wagonmaster for several fun trips, "It is really easy to plan an outing for people in the



enjoy a camp fire and live music at an outing in Catalina State Park.

Left photo: SCOV RV Club members dine at Rocky Point, Mexico. Photos by Vic Huxtable.

Sundowners RV Club. They are so flexible and roll with the punches. They deal with adversity well but are thrilled when they find an RV park that isn't located next to a railroad track. Members' potluck dishes are often culinary delights!"

Most RVers have funny stories of their misadventures while RVing. A few years ago, the club instituted the I Screwed-Up award. This is such a prestigious award that many members will report on their own mistakes just to be able to proudly

display this special award in their RV.

Sundowners hold several fun social events each year. However, their annual April Campout and BBQ at Catalina State Park with live western music around the campfire is the highlight of the year! Marge Allen, a past club president, observed, "I don't think I've ever belonged to a more interesting, fun and caring group in my life. Members look forward to not only the RV trips, but to the social interaction we experience while on these trips. Just traveling to a place isn't necessarily what it's all about; social time before dinner, group potlucks, campfires in the evening, scouting new areas, that's what it's all about.'

If you see your neighbors loading up their RV, they are probably humming Willie Nelson's famous song, On the Road Again.

### SUNDOWNERS HIT THE ROAD...PREVIOUS TRIPS

### 2017-2018

□ Cowboy Festival in Fort Worth, TX (Holiday Park Campground at Lake Benbrook) □ Holiday Lights in San Diego, CA (Mission Bay RV Park) □

### 2016—2017

- Cochise County Ghost Towns, AZ (Tombstone Territories RV Resort)
- Wings over Wilcox, AZ (Magic Circle RV Park)
- Tubac Arts Festival and Patagonia Lake, AZ
- Canyon Lake, AZ (Canyon Lake Marina and RV Campground)
- Catalina State Park Campout
- Scottsdale/Fort McDowell, AZ (Eagle View RV Resort)
- · Birding Theme Rodeo, NM (Rusty's RV Ranch)

### 2015-2016

- Rocky Point (Playa Bonita RV Park)
- Balloon Festival at Lake Havasu, AZ (Cat Tail Cove RV Park)
- Big Bend National Park, TX (Maverick RV Resort in Lajitas, TX)
- Borrego Springs, CA (The Springs at Borrego RV Resort)
- Catalina State Park Campout
- Silver City, NM (KOA)
- Moab, UT (cancelled)

### 2014—2015

- Monterey, CA (Marina Dunes RV Park)
- Las Vegas, NV (Oasis RV Resort)
- Camp Verde, AZ (Distant Drums RV Resort)
- Catalina State Park Campout
- Mesa, AZ (Usery Mountain Regional County Park)

### 2013-2014

- Dragoon, AZ (Triangle T Ranch)
- Rocky Point, Mexico (Play Bonita RV Park)
- Balloon Festival at Lake Havasu, AZ (Cat Tail Cove RV Park)
- Canyon Lake, AZ (Canyon Lake RV Marina and Campground)
- Catalina State Park Campout and Gilbert Ray Campground, AZ

### 2012-2013

- Rocky Point, Mexico (Playa Bonita RV Park)
- Chula Vista & San Diego, CA (Chula Vista RV Resort Holiday Lights)
- · Quartzsite, AZ
- Rocky Point, Mexico (second visit)
- Catalina State Park Campout, AZ
- Chaco Canyon and Chama, NM (Cumbres-Toltec Steam Train Trip)
- Olympic Peninsula, WA (three week trip)

### 2011-2012

- Mesa, Phoenix and Scottsdale, AZ (Usery Mountain Regional County Park)
- Borrego Springs, CA
- Trinity Atomic Bomb site, NM
- Catalina State Park Campout, AZ
- Kartchner Caverns & Patagonia State Park, AZ □ Las Vegas, NV
- Death Valley, CA (for 49ner's Pioneer Days)

### 2010-2011

- Quartzite & Blythe Bluegrass Festival, CA
- Tubac Arts Festival, AZ
- Mata Ortiz, Mexico
- Festival of the West, Scottsdale, AZ
- Wickenburg, AZ & Rocky Point, Mexico
- Catalina State Park Campout, AZ
- Silver City, NM
- · Chula Vista & Pismo Beach, CA
- Rocky Point, Mexico

### 2009-2010

- Roper Lake State Park, Safford, AZ
- Mata Ortiz, Mexico
- Rocky Point, Mexico
- Casa Grande, AZ
- San Antonio Fiesta, TX
- Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta, NM

### 2008-2009

- · Balloon Festival, Yuma AZ
- Teacapan, Mexico
- Palm Springs, CA
- · Japanese Matsuri Festival, Phoenix, AZ
- Rocky Point, Mexico

- Sedona, AZ
- Santa Fe, NM

### 2007-2008

- Silver City, NM
- · Phoenix, Mesa, Chandler, AZ
- Dragoon, AZ (Triangle T Ranch)
- Cowboy Poetry Festival, Sierra Vista, AZ

- Mystery Trip—Show Low, AZ
- Canyon Lands, Arches National Park, Moab, UT

### 2006-2007

- Phoenix, Mesa, AZ
- · Rocky Point, Mexico
- Oatman, AZ and Laughlin NV
- · Lost Dutchman State Park, Apache Junction, AZ
- Big Bend National Park, TX & Carlsbad Caverns, NM
- Solvang, Santa Barbara, Monterey County, CA

### 2005-2006

- Blythe Blue Grass Festival & Palm Springs, CA
- Cowboy Poetry & Musical Festival, Sierra Vista, AZ
- San Diego, CA
- · Camp Verde, AZ
- Canyon de Chelly & Monument Valley, AZ

### 2004-2005

- Albuquerque Balloon Festival, NM
- Death Valley Days, CA & Laughlin, NV
- Quartzite, AZ
- Cowboy Poetry Festival, Sierra Vista, AZ
- San Francisco & Napa Valley, CA
- Chama, NM
- Glacier National Park, MT & Victoria Canada

### 2003-2004

- Utah National Park Circle Tour, UT & CO
- Arizona State Fair & Phoenix, AZ
- Kartchner Caverns & Benson, AZ
- Las Vegas, NV 

  San Diego, CA

- El Paso, TX & Las Cruces, NM
- · Branson, MO
- Lake Tahoe & Reno, NV

### 2002-2003

- Cottonwood, Sedona, Prescott & Jerome, AZ
- Lake Havasu, Oatman & Parker, AZ
- · Palm Springs, Disneyland, CA
- Las Cruces, White Sands & Alamogordo, NM
- Long Beach, Newport & Catalina Island, CA
- San Antonio Fiesta, TX

### 2001-2002

- Santa Fe, NM
- Roper Lake State Park, Safford, AZ
- · Death Valley Monument, CA
- San Diego, CA
- Breckenridge, CO

### 2000-2001

- Southern New Mexico Tour
- Silver City, NM
- Lost Dutchman State Park & Apache Junction, AZ
- Quartzite, AZ
- Solvang & Santa Barbara, CA
- Durango, CO

### 1999—2000

- Albuquerque Balloon Festival, NM
- Lake Havasu, AZ & Laughlin, NV
- Rose Parade, Pasadena, CA
- Gold Rush Days, Wickenburg, AZ
- Palm Springs, CA
- Kartchner Caverns, AZ

### 1998—1999

- Silver City, NM
- Organ Pipe National Monument, AZ
- San Diego, CA
- Renaissance Fair & Lost Dutchman State Park, AZ
- Monument Valley & Moab, UT

### 1997—1998

- Organ Pipe National Monument, AZ
- Sedona, AZ
- Show Low, AZ
- Death Valley Monument, CA
- Patagonia, AZ
- Chama, NM

# Sun City Vistoso Community Association, Inc. RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKING PERMIT

This permit grants a license to the person(s) named below (referred to herein as "guest") to park a recreational vehicle \* in the designated area at Sun City Vistoso for a period not to exceed seventy two (72) hours aggregated in one month.

Sun City Vistoso makes no representation or warranties regarding the condition or safety of the parking area. Guests assume all risks associated with parking their vehicles on Sun City Vistoso property.

Guests understand that no security is provided for the parking area and that this permit is revocable at any time by Sun City Vistoso with or without cause. No Hook-ups or other services are provided. Recreational vehicle may not be occupied overnight. No generators or other noise producing devices are allowed. Animals may not be left in RV's overnight.

This permit is granted solely to the guest named below and is not transferable or assignable to another party. This permit is non-exclusive; e.g., others may also use the area for parking recreations vehicles. This permit is granted solely for the purpose of parking the guest's recreational vehicle and for no other purpose.

# THIS PERMIT MUST BE DISPLAYED IN THE FRONT OR DRIVER'S SIDE WINDOWS OF THE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE WHILE PARKED IN THE DESIGNATED AREA.

Guest's Name:		(typed or printed)
Guest of:		(Sun City Resident)
Resident's Address:	Pho	one #:
Dates and time RV will be par	ked in the designed ar	ea:
Beginning:	Ending:	
RV Make & Length:	License #:	State:
By Signing below, Resident-host ack R.V. Parking Policy:	knowledges responsibility for	or any and all infractions of the
Resident (Host) Signature:		
Authorized by:		Date:
Sun City Vistoso Repre	esentative	

# Sun City Vistoso Community Association, Inc.

# **RV** Registration Information

Registered in the Name o	f:
	Lot:
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State licensed in:	
License Number:	
Year:	
Make:	
Color:	

### RV PARKING LOG ENTRIES

Registration	Serial	Numbers:	
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