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Regional News

Annual Regional Convention and Elections This Month!

Final preparations are underway for our annual convention. This year it will held at Shangri-La Ranch from July 30 to August 1. The park is located an hour north of Phoenix, Arizona and all AANR members living in the eight western states are invited to attend and to participate, whether they belong to one of the 34 affiliated clubs in the 8 western states or not.

At this annual meeting we have **three days of fun events** as well as meetings, designed to make everyone's attendance a meaningful experience. There will be inter-club sports competitions in water volleyball, pickleball, and billiards, as well as Friday Night Karaoke, a Saturday DJ Dance, and an Ice Cream Social.

The serious party of the weekend will be the **Regional Assembly** on Friday and Saturday mornings where your ideas and suggestions for improving our service and operations get discussed and voted on. You can attend this meeting either in person or via online videoconference using the login codes provided (see below).

At the Assembly, each club gets to vote on a formula based upon its number of members with larger clubs having more votes. However, AANR members not affiliated with a club may vote also.

Unlike last year when COVID restrictions were in place, remote delegate voting will not be permitted at this Regional Assembly: you must be present to vote.

At this important meeting there will be a change in officers and directors, as some are term-out. If you are interested in serving on the Board, contact VP Jeff Tendick at conair.scunci@gmail.com before the convention (sooner, if possible, please!)

Shangri-Ka informs us they still have some rooms available for rent and also dry camping sites if you prefer. Contact their office at (623) 465-5959 or via email at joinus@shangrilaranch.com for further information.

Important! Club Credentials

Reminder: AANR-West has mailed credentials packets to all club presidents to confirm their participation in the convention. Clubs need to mail back a signed delegate form listing the names of those club members who will be their **delegates and alternates to the convention**. Also included in the packet will be nomination forms should anyone wish to run for a seat on the Board of Directors for AANR-West. There are four open

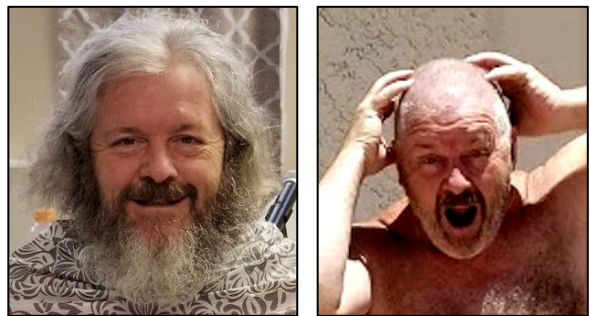
seats this year, as well as the offices of president, vice-president, secretary.

In the packet you will also find forms to nominate any worthy **Man of the Year, Woman of the Year, and Family of the Year**. We want these awards to be given to the unsung heroes in the clubs who work very hard and deserve some recognition. Please send them back with the names of anyone in AANR-West you feel worthy. We need to receive your signed delegate form plus any Award nominations before **July 19**.

Mail them to **Cyndi Faber at Shangri-La Ranch, 44444 N Shangri-La Lane, New River, AZ 85087**.

Annual Hair-Raising Fund Raiser

A highlight of the weekend – or should we say HAIR-light is our annual fundraiser for the Scholarship Fund. We usually raise several thousand dollars at this event. The proceeds go to next year's Scholarship winners. This year the event will be hair-raising: we are going to **shave Secretary Anny Walden's head**. How much is shaved depends on how many donations we receive! The photos below are from last year's hair-raising event. So, bring your checkbooks and extra cash to the convention and contribute to a worthy cause!



Photos from 2020 hair-raising event starring Andy Walden

How to Remote Login to the Meeting:

Please join our meeting remotely from your computer, tablet, or smartphone. You do not need to download any special application. From your Internet browser, go to:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/741847933>

For audio only, you can also dial in using your phone:

+1 (872) 240-3412, Access Code: **741-847-933**

Use the same code Friday-Saturday-and Sunday.



Campers enjoy a day at Black's Beach

Kids Camp Week A Success

By Claudia Kellersch, Camp Coordinator

A small team of staff and volunteers welcomed six amazing kids aged 12 (three), 14, 15, and 16 years old for a week of Kid's Camp fun.

The host club was Olive Dell Ranch this year, and park manager Becki, with the help of super-volunteer Lori, prepared and served a different breakfast each day, easy kids favorites for lunch and four out of the seven dinners. The other dinners were served after field trips by the group during the week:

We went to Rubio's Fish Tacos after a day at Blacks Beach in San Diego. Later in the week, the group enjoyed Mexican food at Casa Jimenez after a nature walk and soak at Deep Creek Hot Springs. Saturday night, the group participated in Naked Archery Night in Fullerton sponsored by Orange County's NitOC ("Naturist in the OC") nudist club. Later they shared sandwiches and pizza. A big thanks to volunteer "dad" Ron, who did a great job organizing the excursions.

A special thanks to our camp program director, Michael Bootzin (whom we all called "Bootz,") who skillfully engaged kids in activities at their own age level. I think the kids really grew in their social and emotional skills and had endless fun throughout the week.

Among the favorite activities disclosed at the end of the week were the epic pudding fight, the balloon toss competition, the nighttime "campfire wisdom exchanges," and a workshop on healthy/unhealthy touching. Several kids said making pizzas from scratch was a real (but enjoyable) challenge!

Blair offered a knot-tying workshop, and Claudia led the kids in painting naturist symbols on rocks. There was also an obstacle course challenge set up by Max and Blair.

We ended the week with a variety show involving all kids, performing in front of a large, interested audience of club members Saturday afternoon. The entire camp sang naturist-themed songs of freedom and body acceptance at the grand finale. One mom was brought to tears commenting on the "incredible social progress" of her son during the camp.

All campers and parents wrote on their evaluation forms that they would recommend the camp to other parents, and they all would love to come back next year.



The trek to Deep Creek Hot Springs was enjoyable



Samples of the Arts & Crafts Day Painted Rock Project



Counselors, parents, and campers enjoy a "Campfire Wisdom Exchange."

Note: Photo releases have been received from the kids and their parents to publish these photos.

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2021 World Nude Gardening Day Winners Announced



Above: Martin Gonzales, First Place. Below left: Vicki Higgins, Second Place. Below Right: Keith Andre, Third Place.



Our second annual Nude Gardening Photo contest brought us seven contestants from several different AANR-West clubs. The judging committee consisted of three regional directors, none of whom were from the same clubs as the contestants.

The photos were judged based on the following criteria:

- Relevance to the Theme (Nude Gardening)
- Uniqueness/Originality of Concept
- Composition/Color/arrangement
- Overall Artistic Impression
- Clarity and Quality of Submission

After careful consideration, we are happy to announce the winners:

First Place Martin Gonzales from Northern California Exposure club. He and will receive a sports water bottle and butt towel.

Second Place: Vicki Higgins, an Associate Member from Las Vegas. She will receive a butt towel and lip balm..

Third Place: Keith Andre from the SCNA club, and he will receive a butt towel.

We thank everyone for participating.

Western Nudist Research Library Hosts Open House



Visitors and Staff Members Enjoy the Library Open House

By Mark P.

If you ever want to research the history of nudism in the U.S., Glen Eden is home to one of four Regional Nudist libraries in the U.S. All the libraries work to digitize all materials for the use of researchers worldwide. Our first Open House over Memorial Weekend (May 29-30) was a huge success. We had 68 visitors over the two days!

We received many compliments for our collection and how clean and organized it was. And several people stopped by with this comment: "So THAT'S what is in this building!" But the advertising of the event, the bright signage, the open doors, and the throng of people all caught their attention.

After each tour, we offered visitors a free copy of *N* magazine and sent them out the side door for conversation and refreshments. Several visitors became members or renewed.

Financial donations always welcome!

For more information: librarian@nudistresearchlibrary.com.

Check out the website: www.nudistresearchlibrary.com

Glen Eden's Red Cross Blood Drive Was A Success.

by Heather F., GE Event Coordinator



We wish to thank all the wonderful members who showed up to donate blood on May 28. We had a full schedule of appointments that day and eight more people became walk-in appointments. The nurses who worked it said they enjoyed the day.

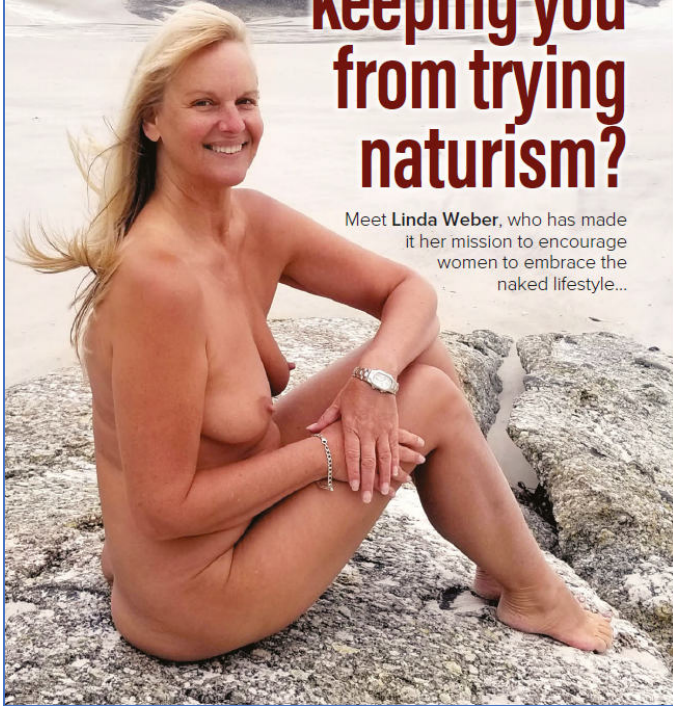
One gal used to work our blood drives in years past and she was thrilled to be back. From their rocking music to their beautiful personalities and skill, they made donating a fun and comfortable experience.

Drum Roll...our goal was 25 units of collection. We donated 38 units! We met our goal by 150%. Times that by 3 and that is the number of lives we helped save: 114! They said it was an "impressive" list of appointments and was literally "The Grand Slam of Blood Drives". Thank you to every one of you for taking the time out of your day to donate during this blood shortage. We look forward to the same success at our Halloween Haunt Blood Drive scheduled for Friday, Oct 29. Tell a friend.

NATURIST LIVES

Women - are social pressures keeping you from trying naturism?

Meet Linda Weber, who has made it her mission to encourage women to embrace the naked lifestyle...



Linda Weber Featured in July H&E Naturist Magazine Article

By Linda Weber, AANR-West Board of Directors

In the July 2021 issue of H&E Naturist, my article on societal issues that may be a barrier to women from trying nudism/naturism is featured in "H&E Naturist," the UK's longest-running naturist magazine.

I was recommended to the magazine by Donna Price, the WINR representative for British Naturism, about two years ago. I recently finally found the time to sit down and produce an article for the magazine. The article has been well-received, and I have been invited back to open another one.

Donna works closely with Editor and Owner Sam Hawke, an amazing woman, and a dedicated supporter of naturism. Both Donna and I maintain a considerable social media presence. The work we do mirrors each other, although we are on different countries.

We have similar challenges with getting women to try nudism, so it is nice to share success stories. In addition, it is great to have a supporter and someone who understands the issues that women face and gain a different perspective on how to address these challenges.

Glen Eden Will Host FREE Women's Open House July 10

Life is full of surprises, and you never know what great things can happen if you simply keep an open mind and let "the powers that be" lead you. This could be the mantra for women who have that little voice in their heads urging them to visit a nudist resort. Glen Eden Sun Club is having a Women's Open House Day for first-time women visitors to allow for a gradual introduction to enjoying nude recreation.



July 10th 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, we will welcome first time female guests and clothing is optional during this time.

Gate fees are waved, and no nude tour is required, though we're sure the ladies will want to see all of our amenities, including sports, yoga, Zumba, art studios, etc. We're hoping they'll stay past the open house and enjoy GE.

Refreshments and appetizers will be provided and lots of interaction with female ambassadors to answer questions and share impressions. New female guests will receive a gift of a wrap, a free second-day pass and a gift bag provided by the pottery studio. Contact our office to make reservations at 951-277-4650.

Reminder: July 15 is Deadline for 90th AANR-versary Photos

AANR's Birthday is right around the corner! Clubs are reminded to take a photo on or about July 10 of your members celebrating this occasion and email it to the AANR main office no later than July 15 so it may appear in the September issue of *The Bulletin*. Prizes will be awarded for the most creative way "90" is used in a photo.

One suggestion is for their members to take a group photo spelling out "90," either by ZOOM, or by arranging nude bodies to form the number in a pool or having people hold up individual "90" signs on a lawn, etc.

Individual members not affiliated with a club are also asked to participate in the photo contest also, and to find creative ways to incorporate the "AANRversary" theme. Anything that embodies the spirit of the 90th celebration is welcome.





AANR-West Regional 2021 Intra-Club Sports Calendar

April 24	Olive Dell Beer Mile Run
April 25	Olive Dell Bare Burro 5K Run
June 5	Glen Eden Dare to Be Bare 5K Run
July 27	Regional Volleyball Tournament, Shangri-La Ranch
Aug 7	Annual SCNA Summer Games Competition, Olive Dell Ranch
Sept 18	World Naked Bike Ride – Los Angeles
Sept 26	De Anza Springs 5K Fun Run
Oct 16	Shangri-La 5K Bare Buns Run

So. Cal. Clubs Preparing for Annual Summer Games Competition August 7



Olive Dell Ranch is again hosting the annual Summer Games competition on August 7, where individuals and clubs from all over the region are invited to compete for medals and a prized trophy.

These eight planned events will test your strength, endurance, and teamwork including an inner tube pool relay, hula-hoop relay, diving for bottles, noodle race, water balloon toss, and a Frisbee toss. Plus, the best for last! Our annual PUDDING TOSS! (Yes, it's just what you think it is!)

Show your AANR card to get a gate fee discount. Call ODR for more information (909) 825-6619.

Registration Open for Bare Booty 5K Fun Run at De Anza

Date: Sunday, **Sept 26, 2021**, 9 am

Registration Fees: \$34 Adults, \$5 Children under Age 18



Event limited to first 100 to register. No Registration after Sun Sept 19, 2021.

Registration includes a custom beach towel. There will be prizes for the top six female finishers and the top six male finishers.

This event, like the original Olympics, is a nude run. Shoes, hats, sunscreen, and big smiles are welcome. De Anza Springs Resort is clothing optional, so before and after the run, feel free to dress/undress, as you feel comfortable.

To register, go to:

<https://www.runguides.com/event/10652/bare-booty-5k-fun-run>

Shangri-La Announced 5K Bare Buns Run Oct 16

On October 16, Shangri-La Ranch in Arizona will host its annual Bare Buns 5K Run, beginning at 7:30 am. There is a \$40 registration fee.

The 2-lap course will take you all around the beautiful desert property, located remotely in New River, AZ. Nudity for the run is strongly encouraged; women may wear sports bras. A running swag bag, awards, and refreshments will be provided.

Race registration is open, and it includes a day visit to the resort. Sign up at: <https://4peakracing.com/events/bare-buns-desert-run-2021/>

AANR News



AANR Preparing for its International Convention in Texas

The 2021 AANR International Convention will be held Monday, August 9 through Saturday, August 14 hosted by Star Ranch Nudist Resort in Texas. The park is located in the hamlet of McDade (population 700) about 55 miles east of Austin. The convention was supposed to be held there in 2020, but the event was converted to a ZOOM videoconference instead due to the COVID pandemic. The park is planning many fun workshops and some amazing food-centric events with live entertainment. Reservations on the grounds are almost sold out except for some camping spots. However, the park has arranged for a block of rooms offsite at a nearby hotel. Business meetings begin on Wednesday August 11.

This is the “off-year” for elections so no new officers will be installed. The 7 Trustees have several full days planned, listening to committee reports on Membership Marketing, Public Relations, Diversity, Social Media, and Young Adults, with many policy decisions to make concerning each. There will also be a cart full of awards to hand out to clubs for membership increases, best newsletters, best websites, etc. The Government Affairs Team will present its Man of the Year Award and a committee of the 7 Regional Presidents will announce AANR’s Hall of Fame recipients.

If you are interested in attending, contact Star Ranch Nudist Resort at (512) 273-2257 web site: www.starranch.net.

Government Affairs

One of the primary reasons to belong to AANR (besides having fun) is to support our work that protects our right to be nude through legislation and the courts and, where possible, to expand social nude recreation opportunities. Here is what happened this past month in the states in our region:

CALIFORNIA – 2-YEAR LEGISLATURE

This state has a fulltime two-year legislature, but bills must pass their legislative house of origin by the end of August 2021, or the bill automatically dies.



California 2021 SB 53. This bill would make it a crime for a person to knowingly send an unsolicited image by electronic means depicting any person engaging in an act of sexual intercourse, sodomy, oral copulation, sexual penetration, or masturbation or **depicting the exposed genitals or anus of any person.** The bill would make the

crime punishable as an infraction by a fine of \$500 for a first offense and \$1,000 for a second or subsequent offense. We are opposed to the bill in its current form as it directly affects our nudist websites, publications, and sharing of images between members.

This bill is sponsored by Bumble and is supported by Feminist Majority and the California Women’s Law Center. **AANR-West opposed the bill in its current form as it directly affects our nudist websites, publications, and sharing of images between members.**

After several committee hearings, the bill was finally put in the inactive file by its author in mid-June, meaning it is dead for this year.

California 2021 AB 307 Covers the same territory as SB 53 but focuses on lewd intent when images are distributed, and it requires registration as a sex offender if the person is convicted. No committee hearing date had been set yet, meaning it may also be dead. We are watching it.

WYOMING

The State Park Superintendent issued emergency regulations on June 23 prohibiting camping longer than 14 days, prohibiting alcohol containers over 2 liters in size, restricting dogs and other pets off-leash, music after 10 pm, and other similar things.

It also **prohibits nudity** with a penalty of a \$750 and/or six months in jail.

It appears to be a response to homeless encampments stating to pop up in the parks and gives rangers the authority to clear them out.

We only have a few members living in this state but consider this a heads up in case you planned to skinny-dip on a visit to any of the state park lakes or beach locations.

HAWAII

After a brief truce, the nudity crackdown by deputies at Little Beach on Maui and Kahena State Beach is back.

Kurt Cottrell, the superintendent for the Dept of Land and Natural Resources (DNLR) seems intent on shutting down all nudity in all the state parks.

On June 23, he led a public discussion on the future of outdoor recreation education in Hawaii. It became a forum for his ideas on “the respectful use of outdoor spaces...and the ongoing challenges of communicating with recreationalists.” Meaning us.

Bill Watts and other directors of the newly formed Friends of Little Beach are setting up a 501c nonprofit corporation. It may take up to a year to get IRS approval for donations to be deductible. Meanwhile, AANR has urged them to quickly build a new website where people can donate to a GoFundMe page. It should be up soon.

Activist March For Topless Equality In Fort Bragg, CA

Fort Bragg, CA - Local top freedom activists stages a protest rally on June 28 to support a change in the local city ordinance that gives men different rights than women. An estimated 25 women participated, many in festive body paint, feathers, and body jewelry. Several had slogans painted across their chests, such as “My Boobs are Legal!” and “Freedom!”

Protesters said the rally was in support of Marie Willa Bobo-Smith, 57, a local transgender woman. Bobo-Smith addressed the crowd at one point, stating: “Since I was a kid, I have always walked through town without a shirt for health reasons. Nobody cared. Suddenly, since my transition, I am the target of hate mail and phone calls, and it is very hurtful. This inequality isn’t fair.”

The protest group proceeded to march through downtown which was busy at the time with an influx of summer tourists. The marchers walked on the sidewalk waving and carrying signs that said, “I am with her,” “Equality has no gender,” and “You have boobs too!” Rally organizers said the onlookers cheered. No comment from city officials.

The town of Fort Bragg is a quiet little town of 7,000 on California’s Mendocino Coast. It should not be confused with the larger Army base of the same name in North Carolina.





The following information is extracted from the newsletters, tweets, and emails submitted by our various clubs around our region, edited for space. Have a club event happening? We want to know about it! We encourage all clubs to send us their news by the 25th of every month to be included in the following month's Western Sun newsletter. Visit the individual club's web site for more complete information. Send your email, text, and photos to us at information@aanrwest.org.

ARIZONA

• ARIZONA WILDFLOWERS (PHOENIX)

Members have successfully returned from their annual white water rafting trip down the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon, Arizona.

• BUFF-A-TEERS (TUCSON)

The Tucson Buff-A-Teers are looking forward to safely getting together during their upcoming clothing-optional outings as well as returning to their monthly on-the-town get-togethers.

On July 8, Buff-A-Teers members will return to their monthly evening dinners on the town at a local restaurant. These textile dinner events not only allow members the chance to share great meals, but also provide opportunities for new club member prospects to meet with the group prior to them being invited to clothing-optional events.

A few days later on July 10, club members will enjoy a post-Independence Day pool party celebration at club members Dennis and Sue's beautiful home. The club will be sponsoring the BBQ hamburgers and hotdogs while members complement the potluck with their favorite side dishes to share.

Updated details of all club events can be found at www.Meetup.com under Tucson Clothing Optional Recreation Meetup or on their website at:

<https://sites.google.com/site/tucsonbuffateers/>. Inquiries can also be emailed to the club at tucsonbuffateers@gmail.com.

• MOJAVE SUN CLUB (LAKE HAVASU)

The Mohave Sun Club will host a Skinny Dip on July 10 to celebrate AANR's 90th Anniversary. Members will be attending the regional convention at Shangri-la.

For more info on Mohave Sun Club events or to RSVP, email club at mohavesunclub@gmail.com.

• MIRA VISTA (TUCSON)

On July 3, we have planned a "Red, White & Blue" Dance in the Lounge with DJ Harry. The next afternoon at 4 PM, join or traditional Independence Day March through Mira Vista Resort. Meet at the pergola and be your patriotic best in costume, body paint or nothing at all!

Reservations: Please call 520-744-2355

• SHANGRI-LA RANCH (N OF PHOENIX)

There will be a July 4th weekend celebration. poolside including karaoke, games, and a DJ dance. Check our website at: <https://shangrilaranch.com/> for additional information.

During July the park hosts karaoke in the clubhouse every Friday and a dance there every Saturday night.

Oct 16 the park is hosting our annual Bare Buns 5K Run, beginning at 7:30 AM. There is a \$40 registration fee.

From June 2 through July 21, we are hosting a community event each week where we are inviting people from the community to come and enjoy our pools. So, every Wednesday from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm, the main pool, volleyball pool, and our hot tub will be **clothing required**. Everyone must be clothed anywhere in public or outside your home. If you plan to use any of the pools during those times you will be required to wear a bathing suit.

CALIFORNIA

• DE ANZA SPRINGS

We are situated on more than 500 acres of high desert in eastern San Diego County, and ideal for year-round vacationing. The resort is comprised of 311 spacious RV sites with full hook-ups and plenty of spacious tent sites for dry camping. Luxurious rental units consisting of fully furnished park models, midsize RV's and motel rooms.

We have learned that the club is rebuilding its website and new activity information will be posted there soon. Meanwhile, there will be some Independence Weekend events around the pool and in the clubhouse to enjoy.

The annual Nudestock music festival is in August and the 5K Ru is in September. Details to follow soon.

The AANR-West Fall Festival is scheduled for De Anza Springs Resort on in October.

For reservations, call (619) 766-4301 or visit the website at: www.deanzasprings.com. Email: stay@deanzasprings.com

• GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB



Tiki Island Weekend

The mysterious tropical ways of the tiki islanders took Glen Eden by storm, literally, there was a storm, on the weekend of June 19-20, blowing in with a tsunami and out with a volcano (at least a theoretical one). Scores of happy nudists, freed from the constraints of clothing by the benevolent gods, enjoyed a dramatic play around the pool, ukulele tunes, savvy karaoke songsters, fantastic bands, and a luau. We even had a few of our own up on stage with the Pat Enos and the Smokin' Menehunes doing the hula, playing the drums, and generally being embarrassed in front of a crowd. What could be better than that? There was no poi involved in the making of this weekend, but there were a lot of volunteer hosts, actors, musicians, singers, servers and ticket takers who must be thanked from the bottom of our Hawaiian hearts. Okole Maluna—that means Bottoms Up!

Independence Weekend, July 2-5

GE will host the following activities: a Friday night DJ Dance, Saturday afternoon music by the pool, and Saturday evening a band dance featuring The Decadent Decades. Sunday afternoon music, plus David Winston's "Mind to Mind" Mentalist Show. Sunday evening is a DJ Dance with Alicia. There will also be music Monday afternoon, completing the long holiday weekend.

Happy Birthday, Glen Eden!

On July 10, 2021, come celebrate our 55th birthday and participate in the international Skinny Dip Day at the pool starting at noon. This is also Women's Open House Day (see story above).



The GE Nudestock Festival 2021

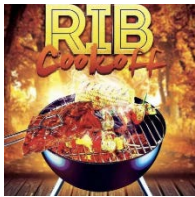
This year it is scheduled for the weekend of July 16-18. Our groovy "Three Days of Peace & Love" will be filled with music! Dress for the occasion in history (1969) or come in body paint or au natural. Do your own thing, baby, and set free your spirit

and "inner hippie."

The major activity GE has planned for July is a Tequila Party on Saturday, July 31.

Visit <https://gleneden.com/calendar/> for a complete activity list, subject to change.

• LAGUNA DEL SOL (SACRAMENTO)



Rib Cook-off Saturday, June 19th

If you would like to participate in the contest, be sure to have your ribs ready by 2 pm. You can bring your BBQ/cooking supplies to the patio of the restaurant and cook there or cook at your site and bring them over. It is a contest! Prizes will be awarded for best ribs! Be prepared to serve at least 20 Judges! If you would like to make more to give away after the judges have tasted, you are welcome to do so. If you would like to be a judge, please contact the office at 916-687-6550 (during office hours!) or email office@lagunadelosol.com. The 1st 20 people to respond will get a spot as a judge!

July 17 Rockets & Sprockets Motorcycle and Car Show

Rockets and Sprockets is one of those events that requires a lot of member/guest and volunteer participation in order for it to be a successful event. They usually get 50 or more registrants for the show, making it an amazing variety of machines!

August – September Naked Man and Nudestock

The club's two biggest events of the year are back for 2021! **Naked Man** will have the theme that was chosen for last year - Of Fables and Fairy Tales. The dates are August 6-8 and Michael Lawrie has stepped up to coordinate the event once again. It's not far away, but there is still plenty of time to plan your camps. **Nudestock** is September 16-19. All 6 bands are booked, including one for Thursday night for the first time. The website calendar has all the band details.

• LUPIN LODGE (SANTA CRUZ)

On June 10 we enjoyed a "Discology Aerobic Dance" party, where all one needed was headphones and a smartphone because a person then could dance as they wanted with nobody else hearing the music. It looked a little strange but wonderful to watch.

Friday, June 11 was our "Pineapple Express" Party with a lot of new people being welcome at Lupin.

On Saturday, June 12, we had Music on the lawn all day and we had our wonderful Volley Ball players here all day as well. There was Life Drawing with Mindy at 2 pm, Aikido with Dennis at 2 pm, and in the evening the June Birthday and Anniversary Dance hosted by guest DJ Sara.

Independence weekend there will be many fun events including a nature hike, a Saturday night DJ dance, and a Sunday Community Pancake breakfast.

For more information contact us 408-353-9200.

E-mail: relax@lupinlodge.com

• NORTHERN EXPOSURE/RIVER DIPPERS (SACRAMENTO)

The club will be attending the Rockets & Sprockets Motorcycle and Car Show at Laguna del Sol on July 17.

The July 21-24 Campout on S. Yuba River is tentative. This is in the northern Sierra Nevada at Lake Angela in Nevada County about three-quarters of a mile north of Donner Pass.

For activity information, please contact the club at: members@norcalexposure.com

• OLIVE DELL RANCH (COLTON)

Visit Olive Dell Ranch's Facebook page for the most recent information about their events. Park is closed to nonmembers on Tuesday & Wednesday Website: www.olivedellranch.com Email: bnude@earthlink.net

The last Saturday of each month during the summer is an Acoustic Concert from 1 to 4 pm.

The annual So. California Nude Summer Games will be held at OCR on August 7. Everyone is welcome!

• OLYMPIAN CLUB (TUSTIN)

July 4-11: National Nude Recreation Week
Aug 14 Olympian anniversary party in Fullerton
Sept 4-5 Luau festival at Olive Dell
Website: www.olympianclub.com
Email: olympianclub@aol.com

• SEQUOIANS (EAST BAY)

The Sequoians, a Clothes-Free Club, is located in the hills of the beautiful San Francisco East Bay Area. Visitors are welcome on weekends and holidays for up to four visits while deciding on some level of membership. July encompasses two very special events, the Club's annual Open House on the 10th and the Signature Luau and live band Dance on the 31st.

Other special events for July are an Arts and Music Day and Lingerie evening show on the 3rd, Bocce Ball, Ice Cream and Hike on the 4th, a Poolside Potluck on the 5th, Open House, skinny dip, tours on trails and Games on the 10th, Music Jam on the 17th, Crafts on the 18th, Service Party, Movie on the Lawn and Full Moon Hike on the 24th, Bocce Ball League and Ice Cream on the 25th and Luau and Dance on the 31st.

For more information visit us at www.sequoians.com, write to 10200 Cull Canyon Road, Castro Valley, CA 94552 or call (510) 582-0194.

• SCNA (LOS ANGELES)

On July 9, the club will launch a reimagined website at www.socalnaturist.org. Please stop by for a visit!

Saturday, July 19, is the General Members Meeting and Board Elections. The meeting will be held both in-person and online (for those wishing to attend remotely). This is also our Members Appreciation Lunch and Pool Party where the main dish is catered. Members can bring a side dish or dessert.

Other events planned for July include a July 11 picnic to Bates Beach, and a July 24 Online Game and Cocktail Party.

The monthly online meetup discussion groups continue on July 13 and July 20. The In-Person meetup dinners for Ventura and Santa Barbara County members are starting up again, beginning July 9.

On August 7, SCNA will be participating in the Nude Summer Games between all the nudist clubs in Southern California hosted by Olive Dell Ranch.

COLORADO

• FRONT RANGE NATURISTS (DENVER)

A Potluck and Marbles Tournament (Burgers, Dogs, Brats, & A&W Root beer furnished by Club) is planned. For more information, visit the website at: <https://frncolorado.com/>

• MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH (DENVER)

July 3 Dance party in the clubhouse.

On the weekend of July 10, we celebrate our 86th year!

July 11- The club hosts a Body Art Festival where various professional body painters will be on the grounds to decorate members with their favorite designs for tips.

July 24 is the date of our annual Trailer Crawl event, where members meander/crawl from trailer site to trailer site, enjoying a snack and beverage.

We require all new visitors to call ahead to schedule a tour. Visit our website at: www.trynude.com. Contact us at (303) 697-4083. Email: marinfo@trynude.com

HAWAII

• FRIENDS OF LITTLE BEACH (MAUI)

See story under **Government Affairs** above.

• SWIM FREE HAWAII (BIG ISLAND)

Swim Free Hawaii is a clothing-optional boat charter that allows you the opportunity to explore the island in an exciting, safe, and comfortable environment.

Capt. Chuck has over 30 years of experience to guide our journey through the breathtaking waters of the Big Island. Whether you're interested in snorkeling, swimming, or just sunbathing nude, we offer a unique, safe, and quality experience we guarantee to be unforgettable.

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www.swimfreehawaii.com, info@swimfreehawaii.com

NEVADA

• LAS VEGAS BARES

The Las Vegas Bares sponsor Nude and Clothing Optional day and overnight trips to hot springs or landed nudist resorts. We have scheduled clothing-optional hikes and nude kayak day trips, full moon nude hikes, nude overnight kayak excursions on the Colorado River and visits to neighboring nude resorts in CA and AZ. Sometimes we also have nude pool parties with NUDE Water Volleyball, and a sundeck to get your all-over tan! Come out and enjoy an afternoon of relaxing naked in the sun or recharge your mind and body with a free hike in the desert. <http://www.lasvegasbares.com/>

• LAS VEGAS NATURISTS

Hardy at the Las Vegas Naturists writes he has been busy lately building a "Tortoise Habitat" for the club. It should be finished by the Fourth of July, the club's 178th anniversary. The guests enjoy playing horseshoes, bocce ball, our inviting jacuzzi, bonfires, and feast on the best potlucks in Las Vegas. <https://www.lasvegasnaturists.com/> Phone: (702) 658-9444

• NORTHERN NEVADA NATURISTS (RENO)

We are a non-landed AANR club serving Northern Nevada and California. Based out of Reno, Nevada, and formed for the enjoyment of social nudism. We frequently meet at members' homes for activities or Lake Tahoe Nude Beaches and Sierra Ville Hot Springs.

Jul 3- 11 The club will enjoy a week camping out at Laguna Del Sol. The exact location of our base camp inside the resort is not yet determined so check with the front office to find us. All welcome to join us or stop by if you are already there.

Northern Nevada Naturists

Reno, NV 89512

(775) 848-8305

Website: www.nnnaturist.org; Email: wrightchef@gmail.com

• TAHOE AREA NATURISTS (TAN)

Tahoe's remote east shore beaches have been a favorite hang-out for naturists for more than 75 years. With an enticing combination of granite boulders, soft white sand, the meeting of emerald green and deep blue waters, and an off-the-beaten-track location, these lovely little beaches are irresistible.

June 19 was our kickoff potluck at Creek Beach to celebrate the summer solstice. This has always been a seafood-themed potluck, and the selection was terrific!

August 21 will be our 38th Annual Hat Day.

For more information, contact us at:

tahoeareanaturists@yahoo.com

NEW MEXICO

• ROADRUNNER NATURIST CLUB (ALBUQUERQUE)

Roadrunner Naturists is an active group of nudists based in northern New Mexico, with most events held in the Albuquerque area. For July and August events, email us at: RoadRunnerNaturists@hotmail.com.

• FAYWOOD HOT SPRINGS, LLC

Faywood Hot Springs, a rustic natural geothermal resort in southwestern New Mexico, has many outdoor campgrounds and private soaking pools for those who wish to partake of its healthful and rejuvenating mineral water baths. There are separate clothing-required, clothing-optional (naturist) pools and private and group bathing areas. Contact us at <https://faywoodhotsprings.com/>. New Phone number: (575) 342-8181.

• SUN TREE TRAVEL CLUB (LAS CRUCES)

For club activities, email: information@suntree.net

UTAH

• SUNS (ST. GEORGE)

Please note that we will begin our events at 11:00 am for the next few months to avoid some of the summer heat. On June 12 we enjoyed some great sunshine, pool time, buffet foods and conversation.

At our June 26 pool party, we had a record turnout of 23. "We had our buffet lunch as usual and enjoyed meeting quite a few new folks. We are so happy to see the group grow!"

At its recent annual general meeting, the members of the SUNS club(s) approved the following three proposals:

1. By a vote of 27-0, membership fees were changed (and reduced) to individual only, and the couples discount was eliminated.
2. By a vote of 29-0, the club extended SUNS memberships paid during 2020 to the end of 2021 in deference to the difficulty attending in-person events due to COVID. All current members who joined during 2020 will have a membership renewal date of January 1, 2022. All members who join during 2021 (and subsequent years) will have a renewal date 12 months after their join date.
3. By a vote of 22-6, the use of light alcohol at parties was approved. This does not include marijuana. Individuals who become inebriated and discourteous will be asked to leave and may have their membership rescinded.

Contact us at: SUNS.StGeorge@gmail.com

• WASATCH (SALT LAKE CITY)



The Wasatch club was featured in a ClothesFree.com video released June 20 on its video subscription website.

CFI show #284 has their reporter Kevin interviewing various club members about their nudist experiences. The taping occurred during the club's June 11-13 RV campout at

Bonnerville Seabase near Grantsville, west of Salt Lake City, Utah.

The link is:

<https://clothesfree.com/f/kevin-joins-the-wasatch-naturists-club-in-utah-watch-video>.

Next up: July 18 – 21: A clothing-optional campout at Bear Lake State Park.

The Wasatch club has developed a popular online blog for stories and comments at: <https://wasatchnaturists.com/blog>. For more information, email the club at: wasatchnaturists@gmail.com.



Members of the Wasatch club enjoying their recent campout.

WYOMING

There are no AANR-affiliated clubs in this state.

WESTERN MEXICO

There are no AANR-affiliated clubs in Mexico. We received no news from our scattered individual members there.

International Nudist News

BRITISH NATURISM IS BOOMING

A June 14 story in the Daly Star newspaper declared that nudism in the United Kingdom is booming again, with over 1,100 new members since the start of the year.

The interview with Dona Price, who runs the Women in Naturism Campaign for BN, says that female membership has always been around 30% of the total but since COVID began she has seen a surge in interest. She attributes this to more people being naked at home during the pandemic, feeling comfortable in their bodies, and now they are seeking other places to enjoy it with others.

Reminder: AANR Bulletin Will Promote Your Non-Landed Clubs

The *AANR Bulletin* publishes articles highlighting AANR's non-landed clubs. To get your non-landed club and activities featured, contact Donna Mollan at donnamollan@gmail.com with information about events, your location, and other promotions.

Both the SCNA and the SUNS clubs have already been featured this way!

Western Sun Ad Rates Effective 01/01/2021:		
Business Ad Sizes:		
Frequency:	2" high x 3.5" wide	4" high x 3.5" wide
1 time only	\$ 55 ea.	\$ 75 ea.
6 times	\$240 (\$40/mo.)	\$400 (\$67/mo.)
12 times (annual)	\$400 (\$34/mo.)	\$750 (\$63/mo.)
Personal Ads		
Per Month Only	\$25 one time	30-word limit

For more information and to download a contact form, contact information@aanrwest.org. Rates are above.

Obtain Your TreeSpirit Project Images from AANR-West at a Discount!



Jack Gescheidt's TreeSpirit collection of fine art photographs are now available to AANR-West members at a discount.

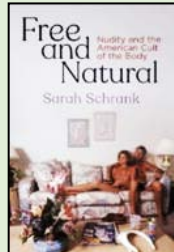
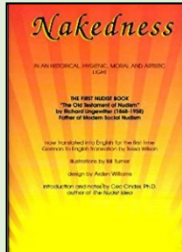
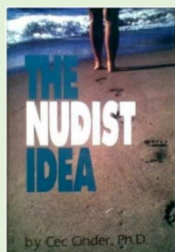
AANR-West members can purchase one or more of three specific TreeSpirit art posters at 50% off their retail prices.

Visit the gallery at: www.TreeSpiritProject.com/gallery

To order, email your choice and a full name and mailing address to AANR-West at information@aanrwest.org. For custom sizes or materials, allow 2-3 weeks delivery time.

Three Books That Belong on Every Nudist's Bookshelf!

Available Through AANR-West
Contact us at information@aanrwest.org



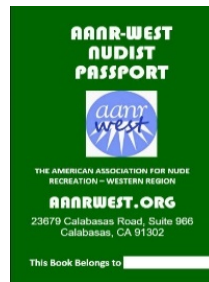
The Nudist Idea: \$27.32 incl tax, plus shipping.

Nakedness \$19.66 incl tax, plus shipping.

Free and Natural \$32.49 plus tax and shipping

Western Region's Passport Program Is Now Available at AANR Clubs

If you have not yet received your AANR-West Passport book, they can be purchased either from any participating club or directly online at www.aanrwest.org.



These Passports (green colored cover) can be used through July 1, 2022. (Note: If you had a previous 2019-2020 book – blue cover- that book is no longer valid.)

Some clubs may choose to charge their members a small fee for the book. If ordered online the charge will be \$10 plus shipping.

How It Works: Bring your Passport with you when checking in for your club visit. The club check-in person will stamp/mark your Passport. Visit as many different clubs as possible before the July 1, 2022 deadline! Mail the back tear-out pages in the back of the book to us to be entered into the drawing at the 2022 Regional Convention (prizes include merchandise & stays at various locations).

The number of raffle tickets you receive is equal to the number of different clubs you visited during the contest period. **The more locations you visit the more chances you have to win.**

AANR-West GPS T-Shirts Online Sales Are Off to Fast Start



Have you ordered your AANR-West GPS T-shirt yet?

The attractive new 2021 T-Shirts showing the GPS coordinates for each of the major nudist parks/resorts in the region without providing any names. Nobody will know you are a nudist unless they ask what the shirt coordinates mean. This allows the wearer to reply with a description of nearby nudist parks

and the joy of skinny-dipping.

The shirts are now available for purchase online at: <https://aanrwest.org/our-region/store>. Shirts come in white and range in size **from Large to Triple XL**. The cost is \$20 plus \$5.95 shipping if purchased online.

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Just Search for "AANR Western Region"



The World Naked Bike Rides Are Back!

For the past six years, AANR-West has co-sponsored the Los Angeles World Naked Bike Ride through Los Angeles. Other AANR regions and clubs are starting to do this also in their various cities.

After a year’s hiatus due to COVID concerns, the World Naked Bike Ride is coming back to cities around the globe. Organizers are seeing an increase in participation from previous years and the number of cities allowing the ride is expanding.

Bike Rides have already been held at:

- Byron Bay (NSW, Australia) – March 14
- Cape Town – March 13
- New Orleans – April 20
- San Francisco – April 24
- Vancouver June 12
- Toronto – June 12

Bike Rides scheduled during the summer include:

- San Francisco – July 4 (second ride)
- Montreal – July 17
- Chicago – August 14
- London – August 14
- St. Louis – August 28
- Los Angeles – Sept. 18

Typically, these events attract several hundred riders each. This year, organizers in the cities that have completed their rides reported increases from 20% to 30% more this year.



In Portland, Oregon, usually the largest ride in the world, The event attracts over 20,000 riders. This year, organizers decided to not hold a single event due to pandemic concerns. Instead, they are hosting monthly events through the summer on the night of the full moon, where people are encouraged to wear a mask and nothing else.

The first Ride there was on June 23 celebrating the “Strawberry Moon.” Future dates are July 23 and August 22. Rides begin at 8:30 pm.

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/PDX.WNBR/> for more info.

In London, the target date is August 21. It will start at five different locations around the city, each taking a different route and converging on Hyde Park for a rally afterwards.

At many (but not all) of these rides, participants are asked to wear a mask. That request may disappear the farther away we get from local pandemic restrictions.

Purpose of WNBR

THE WNBR was first organized in 2004 and it is now seen in over 200 cities worldwide. The purpose of the World Naked Bike Ride is:

- A lighthearted protest against our dependence on fossil fuels.
- A commentary on the vulnerability of cyclists and other less protected users of the road. That's the naked part!
- A celebration of positive body image for all and an expansion of our social boundaries.

There will be a body-painting booth for those who want to decorate their bodies with colors or signs. Some people bring guitars or other musical instruments. It resembles a large naked street fair.

Naked Bike ride welcomes all kinds of bikes: fixies, electric bikes, tandems. or (in the London ride) even a chariot or two

You don’t have to be nude to participate! The phrase we use is: “Be as Bare as You Dare!” Everyone is welcome to join, registration is not required and there is no cost to participate. The World Naked Bike Ride is sustained by support from the community. Participants are highly encouraged to donate any amount.

Los Angeles September 18

For the Los Angeles ride, the staging area in downtown near city hall is kept secret until about 24 hours before the start to avoid attracting gawkers and paparazzi. In Los Angeles at least, the police have approved the 10-mile route and are even providing an escort to clear the way and help prevent potential spectator misunderstandings along the way.

Sign up at www.facebook.com/WNBRLA/ to get an email the day before with directions and further information.

