

AANR West Fall Board Reports



November 4, 2017
Shangri La Ranch

**American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, Inc.
Fall Board Meeting
Shangri-La Ranch, Saturday, November 4, 2017**

AGENDA

Committee Workshops (Review proposed changes and budgets) 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

9:00 – 10:00 AM. Scholarship, Youth, Kids Camps (Cyndi, Ernie, Danielle, Tony)

10:15 – 11:45 AM. Out-Facing Communications: (Public Relations, Advertising, Social Media, Website, Trade Shows) and In-Facing Communications: (Membership Marketing, WINR, Singles, Young Adults, Club Liaisons, Associates, Newsletter.) (Andy and Ricc)

11:45 - Noon. How to Use Dropbox for regional storage of important documents. (Walt Stephens)

Noon – 1:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM – 5:30 PM Fall Board Meeting

AFTERNOON Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence
3. Welcome by Shangri-La Nudist Resort
4. Introductions and Announcements
5. Roll Call / Determination of a Quorum
6. Adoption of Agenda, Rules, and Order of Business
7. Approval of minutes from board meetings July 27 and July 30.
8. Officer’s Reports:
 - A. President Gary Mussell
 - B. Vice President. Cyndi Faber
 - C. Secretary Danielle Smith
 - D. Treasurer Russell Lucia
9. AANR West Trustee Report Tim Mullins
10. Legal Counsel Report Greg Wilkinson
11. Committee Reports and Budget Recommendations:
 - A. Internal Administration (IA) Tim Mullins
 - B. Finance (presentation of 2018 budget) Rolf Holbach

C. Public Relations and Social Media Andy Walden
 (a). Website Gary Mussell
 D. Membership Marketing Ricc Bieber
 (a). WINR (Women in Nude Recreation) Kim Wolfe
 (b). Singles Cyndi Faber
 (c). Associates Cyndi Faber
 E. Legislation Mike Glinzak
 F. Conventions & Facilities (C & F) Dave Utter
 G. Western Nudist Research Library Liaison Rolf Holbach
 H. Sports Cyndi Faber, Dave Utter
 I. Club Liaison Jeff Tendick
 (a). AANR West Facility Improvement Loan TBD
 J. AANR West Youth, Young Adults Cyndi Faber
 K. Scholarship Program Committee Tony Wilkinson
 L. Government Affairs Gary Mussell
 M. Legal Gary Mussell
 N. Credentials Cyndi Faber
 O. Audio Visual (Ad Hoc) Walt Stephens

Break (15 minutes)

12. Approx 2:30 pm – 5:30 pm) Review & Approval of the 2018 AANR Western Region Budget led by Rolf Holbach and Russell Lucia.

13. New Business (anything not previously discussed)

14. Good of the Order *

15. Announcements (usually future activities)

16. Adjournment

* Good of the Order allows for specific suggestions, constructive criticism and thus to attempt in good faith to rectify wrongs. if necessary, to achieve a desired outcome. They can be proposed as main motions, for example: I rise during the good of the order to express displeasure regarding smoking in the hall during meetings. I would like to make a motion that future meeting be non-smoking." It is important to note that no tabled, postponed, referred, defeated or otherwise disposed of motion acted on by the body can be reintroduced under good of the order, as this would circumvent the assembly's previous action thereon.

President's Report – October 2017

By Gary Mussell

The past few months since the summer convention have gone by in a blur for me. Listening to the concerns and suggestions from each of the Directors to formulate a list of priorities for the coming year was my first task. Cyndi and I met in Oklahoma City a few times to be sure we were both on the same page with this list. I then emailed all the directors these tasks broken down by committee so each could think about how to the region could implement them, in what order, and to start putting together a budget to fund everything. Some of the committees got to work right away and some straggled a bit, but as I write this report everyone seems to be moving in the same direction.

To remind everyone, our region's mission is "to disseminate knowledge and information about the benefits of social nudism, and in so doing, foster among the public a just and tolerant appreciation of the human person and body in all its aspects, and promote the understanding and liberty that humankind may achieve by practicing body acceptance through social nudism, and

- To establish, maintain, and foster the establishment of private clubs, parks, resorts, health centers, clothing-optional beaches and other public land for the enjoyment of social nudism, and
- To lawfully advocate, and, in combination with others, seek the establishment and maintenance of laws and traditions in any jurisdiction as will facilitate and provide for these purposes.
- We support the right of people of all ages to enjoy clothing-optional recreation in places they consider appropriate, regardless of national origin, gender, sexual preference, or special need.
- We endeavor to foster, encourage, develop and maintain cordial relations between AANR-West and other organizations, unaffiliated groups and individuals interested in promoting social nudism."

I hope each committee is developing its own **mission statement** on how best to fulfill its part of the big picture. In some cases, this may require some re-writing of the committee's description in our ruling documents to refocus on what it really does and what is important to achieve its goals. I look forward to reading the committee reports in the rest of this packet to see what our teams have come up with and to working with each everyone at the Fall Board meeting at Shangri-La in November as we stitch together a budget and working plan from all the various ideas presented.

As I said at the InBoard meeting in August, **improving communications** with our members has to be our primary focus this year. This means better relationships with our clubs, finding ways to service our "virtual members" (the non-affiliated associates and those club members living too far away from their home clubs to visit very often, if at all). AANR-West is also an important face of the nudism to the general public and so we must do our part to better educate non-nudists and perhaps make our way of life so interesting they will want to give it a try. Improving communications as my friends may tell you, is one of my never-ending mantras!

Work Assigned to Me

- As far as what I have been doing to further the mission, much of my time continues to be working with the web people to fill in the missing pieces on the new **web site**, planning for its next phase (the member's section and the iPhone version), and getting the club activities posted in a timely manner. I have written a separate report describing the details. Once this first version of everything is operational I will be turning its upkeep to a Web Master and committee so I can get back to everything else.
- I have begun a **monthly newsletter** to be sent to the clubs via email the first week of every month. I also plan to send thee to all the people inquiring about social nudism from our Contact Information page on the web site. I welcome contributions from the officers, directors, and any members!
- We are already receiving inquiries about AANR membership, club activities, and social nudism in general through the information@aanrwest.org contact page so we are already far ahead of providing

service than we were under the old Earth Village web site. I am answering those inquiries myself for the present.

- We also had a new booth event drop into our laps in Carpinteria last month, as we were finally approved to have a booth at their annual Avocado Festival on our third try. This 3-day weekend draws 70,000 people so it is a big deal to be able to talk about nude recreation there. Unfortunately, it is the same weekend as the Fall Festival, so Cyndi will be handling the Arizona event while I manage the Carpinteria show. More info about this under **Club Liaisons**.
- A few of us are also working on getting the region a **permanent business address** that does not shift around depending on where the officers may live. This would be good for correspondence and insurance policy premiums, and we can have business cards and stationery that remains stable as well. We have some ideas we will share at the convention.
- Our attorney, Greg Wilkinson, and I have had a conversation about starting our search for other attorneys in our different states that can provide advice to those who may get a ticket for being nude while hiking or at a beach, or perhaps has had their nudity made an issue in a family custody dispute or divorce proceeding. I touch on this in my **Legal Committee** report elsewhere in this packet. Your advice and help is appreciated.

AANR Convention

As regional president, I am required to attend the annual AANR convention. This year it was at Oaklake Trails in Depew, Oklahoma. So, after a few days back from the De Anza convention I repacked and was off to this 6-day event a week later. I got to meet my fellow regional presidents, several for the first time, and I was able to exchange points of view with many interesting people from around the country on AANR policies and priorities. I was hoping to focus my first year in office just on the western region, but it seems AANR wants the regional presidents to oversee some things. Most important of these is the **Nominations Committee for the 2018 elections** (the terms of all officers are up). I appointed Patty Faber to be our regional representative on that committee.

We are also in charge of the **Hall of Fame Committee** which seeks out worthy people from around the organization who have contributed over a lifetime either to AANR specifically and/or to the social nudist movement in general. If anyone has a name to suggest, please forward it to me at your convenience.

AANR West agreed to cede the western half of Mexico to the Southwest region, as we have had no clubs or members there for the past several years. The move would allow SW to more easily administer the entire country. A month after I got back from the convention, Claudia Kellersch announced she was helping form three new clubs in western Mexico, so this whole ceding idea has been put on hold while we see how these new clubs work out. However, we got agreement from the AANR office and many of the Trustees to our second idea that the Philippine Islands had no business being in the Western Region, so a **By-law change** will be proposed at the next AANR election to cede the Philippines back to AANR International office to be administered by them.

Thanks again for the privilege of being elected your regional president. I look forward to a productive year with our team of officers, directors and other volunteers!



Gary Mussell

Vice-President's Report

Cyndi Faber

Fall 2017

Hope everyone has had a great end to the summer and is ready for a great winter and holiday season. During the holiday's some clubs tend to slow down on events; this may be due to weather in their area or just because their members are more focused on other holiday events with outside family and friends. Whatever happens try and stay active within your club or just inside the comfort of your home.

Since regional convention at DeAnza, I attended the international convention in Oklahoma. This provided a great opportunity for Gary and I to spend some time together reviewing priorities and creating focus points for the upcoming year. I think that we are off to a great start on getting back to what the regions mission is. I was also able to speak with some of the other regional presidents and directors, it was great to see some that I haven't seen in the past few years.

While I was at convention I had a chance to speak with Sharon McLeod regarding some of the insight that she had on the benefits of being a 100% AANR club. I am working with Jeff and the liaison program to come up with a way to show the value of AANR and subsequently the region. We are looking at taking more of a marketing approach to this year's program.

Sports/convention and facilities are going to be a huge focus this next year. Events such as the 5k runs and festivals are where people are. These are events that focus on the fun of nudism and something that we need to get back to highlighting. These are also a great marketing tool and way to bring in more members as well as retain our existing base. The 5k run at Shangrila, their first one ever, was a huge success. I would like to offer some of the other clubs some support in regard to advertising among all the other club and runners. We are also going to be putting on a full series with awards for those that participate in multiple events. The ice cream socials hosted by the region at the conventions and festivals have also gotten great response and are something that we will continue to do.

Secretary Report
Fall 2017
Danielle Smith

Taking on this responsibility has been fun and enlightening and has given me a new perspective into the position and into AANR West. This has taken me longer to get into the swing of things that I had initially anticipated but I am getting there.

I am currently working on condensing and updating information so that what is available is current and easily understood. Many of our documents reside as multiple copies in multiple places and not all of them are complete or current, this leads to things being sent to the wrong place and with the wrong information as it looks current at first glance but is in all actuality an older version.

The next project is getting with the other officers and determining what should be placed in the drop box as well as the organization of it. This also includes who has access to what parts of the drop box.

I would like to switch over to the AANR West email for any communications concerning official business so that I am no longer getting my personal and business mixed up you can use dsmith@aanrwest.org for here on out I will be checking this at least once a day. These emails have been set-up to use so let's utilize them.

Please keep me updated to any contact information changes so that I as well as AANR West and ANNR has the most current information.

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Treasurer's Report

Rolf, the Finance Chair and I, along with members of the finance committee have put together a draft budget for 2018. Please review it carefully and consider what your plans are for your committees in 2018.

Ask yourself if you will need funding to accomplish your goals.

Ask yourself if the funding has been itemized on the draft budget.

Ask yourself if there are other things we should plan to do.

Please contact Russell or Rolf or both and let them know what changes need to be made to your committees' parts of the draft budget before 1/11/2017.

Thank you,

October 2017

TO: AANR-West Officers, Directors, Chairs, Clubs and Members

FROM: Tim Mullins, AANR-West Member Trustee

SUBJECT: AANR West Member Trustee Report

Activity Updates July 2017 to present

I attended the AANR-West and AANR Conventions. I am very pleased to announce the winner of the Alonso Stevens Jr. Government Affairs Award was the AANR-West Board, Walt Stephens President. The award recognized the multi year commitment AANR West made to create a new nude beach at Bates Beach Carpinteria, CA. The efforts of Gary and Walt were part of my GAT column in the October Bulletin.

At the AANR Convention I was honored to receive the Jim Cossins Award from President Beverly Price. Per the AANR Governance Manual

8.01.03 Jim Cossins Memorial Award: This award is issued at the discretion of the AANR President to an individual or couple who, in the President's opinion, has performed distinguished and meritorious services to AANR and who exemplifies the qualities of mature judgment, faithful dedication to high ideals and continuous services to AANR for which we wish to memorialize Jim Cossins.

I'd like to thank Bev for this honor. I am committed to AANR and moving us forward as we face the challenges of remaining relevant in changing social times.

The AANR Board is actively working on resolving an on-going internal issue. No other significant items have been presented to the Board since my last report.

Respectfully submitted

Tim Mullins

AANR West Member Trustee

LEGAL REPORT

Gregory Wilkinson, Esq.

Since AANR West's last board meeting, I have worked with the board to update our Event/Festival Agreement to bring it into compliance with both AANR West policies and include needed legal protections. With the input of all board members we now have solid template agreement that can be used for years to come. The new version both protects AANR West and also gives our clubs the needed freedom to offer ANRR West member the best experience at all ANNR West sponsored events.

I have been interfacing with the AANR Government Affairs Committee (GAT) to better coordinate legal and lobbying efforts with out other regional AANR organizations as well as with AANR itself. There is a wealth of knowledge to share and many regions have similar issue so it makes sense to have a united and standard procedure to handle certain legal/governmental issues.

Both Gary and myself has been working on a framework regarding our longer term project to build an attorney referral and support network for all AANR members in our region to use in the event they get into legal trouble due to nudist activities. We plan to take some time during the Fall meeting to set priorities within this project since there is so much to do. If you have ever worked with an attorney on a nudist issue (regardless of location) and you want to recommend them to us please do so.

AANR West now has a great new website. In order to protect it from legal issues I have teamed with Gary and Walt on providing website Terms of Use and a Privacy Policy. These will fully cover the use of the new website and what data we collect and how we use it. Its great to see AANR West fully embracing our modern era.

There have also been a few items I have worked on that due to their sensitivity I can't openly discuss but I assure you that everyone has handled them very professionally and with AANR West's best interests in mind.

As always, I look forward to meeting many new faces at the Fall Board meeting and getting to experience Shangri La Ranch.

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TO: AANR West Officers, Directors, Chairs, Clubs and Members

FROM: Tim Mullins

SUBJECT: Internal Administration (IA) Report

I accepted the assignment from President Gary Mussell of AANR-West Internal Administration Chair at the close of the AANR-**West Convention**. **I'd like to thank** Gary for the confidence he has in me to perform those duties.

Since taking the assignment there have been two issues brought to us for consideration.

In one case local law enforcement had already been involved and there is no issue for AANR-West to consider.

In the Second case an anonymous source is requesting a club's action be reconsidered by AANR-West. AANR West is not in a position to rule on internal club policy. A review of the procedures they used appears to follow AANR guidelines as far as it relates to AANR members.

No other items have been referred to the committee or me.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Mullins

AANR West Member Trustee

The draft of the 2018 proposed budget for AANR-West that the Finance committee has put together is included in this report.

Remember that the numbers in this budget are simply projections based on many factors, primarily history, of which we have actual figures for 3 past years and partial to date for 2017, in some cases the Procedure Manual, and in other cases educated guesses or wishes.

This budget is organized into the various committees and broken down further into **categories within each committee. It's your job as directors to look at these numbers and try to determine for each of the committees that you're sitting on HOW to use these funds – is it enough to fulfill our goals of supporting our existing AANR-West members, our clubs, and encouraging new membership in AANR-West?**

In many instances, for example Spiffs, under Membership Marketing, we've come up with a general number for that category, but it's up to those on the committee to determine how that number is broken up for the different items. Same goes for some other committees like sports or youth activities.

Remember, none of these numbers for 2018 are written in stone, all can be **discussed and adjusted at our meeting. Also, realize that just because they're in the budget doesn't necessarily mean we have to spend it, but it's there if you need to use it in order to achieve our goals.**

Many thanks to the other members of the Finance committee for their work on this, in particular our Treasurer, Russell Lucia, who instrumental in putting this worksheet together.

AANR-West 2018 Budget Plan							
I. Expenses		Actual Expenses (to date)				Budget	
Line #	Committee/purpose	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Notes
1	5.01.00 Internal Administration (IA)						tm
2							
3							
4	5.02.00 Finance						rh
5	Discretionary Expenses			120.00			
6							
7	Donations 501(c)(3)					2,000.00	rl
8	AANR Education Foundation						
9	American Nudist Research Library (Kissimmee)	2,000.00					
10	Western Nudist Research (Connett Memorial) Library	2,000.00		1,500.00			
11							
12	Equipment						
13	Computer with warranty & printer				683.94	600.00	rl
14	Deprecation	932.00	632.00	633.00			
15	Transfer computer & printer cost to Fixed Assets account				(624.14)		
16							
17	Insurance	2,301.00	2,151.00	1,868.00	1,654.00	2,000.00	rl
18	NM Funds - Interest Expense	81.91	2.17	1.36	0.25		
19							
20	Office Expenses		69.40				
21	Office Phone						fc
22	Post Office Box	63.05	73.00		66.00	100.00	rl
23	Postage		11.90	54.05		100.00	fc
24	Service Subscription - GotoMeeting				348.00	500.00	rl
25	Software (Quickbooks)					500.00	rl
26	Supplies	132.21	87.12		115.04	200.00	rl
27							
28	Past President AANR Life Membership	700.00	700.00		800.00		fc
29	President AANR Convention Travel Reimbursement	996.08	1,066.49	828.15	1,224.72	1,500.00	gm
30	President AANR Trustee Meeting Travel Reimbursement	1,104.35	941.74		600.99	1,000.00	gm
31							
32	Professional Services						
33	CPA Annual Review 6.06.00	515.00	530.00	525.00	535.00	500.00	fc
34	CPA Tax Preparation	672.00	675.00	695.00	695.00	700.00	rl
35	Secretary Stipend	1,200.00	2,100.00	2,400.00	1,800.00	2,400.00	rl
36	Treasurer Stipend	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	1,800.00	2,400.00	rl
37							
38	Provisional Filing Fees 7.07.00					500.00	rl

39	Taxes & Licenses	55.00		5.00	25.00	30.00	rl
40	Travel	73.58					
41	bookkeeping adjustment		(800.00)				
42	Finance Subtotal	15,226.18	10,639.82	11,029.56	9,723.80	15,030.00	
43							
44	5.03.00 Public Relations						aw
45	AANR West Advertising			252.88		1,000.00	rl
46	Advertising for Fall Festival						
47	Advertising for Summer Festival						
48	Advertising in AANR Bulletin						
49	Advertising in Arizona Parks and Recreation Association Magazine						
50	Advertising in Orange County Register						
51	Advertising in RV Travel and Camping Guide						
52	Advertising in Southwest RV Traveler						
53							
54	AANR Western Region Web Site						gm
55	AANRWest.org Web Site Hosting	600.00	600.00	600.00	230.00	300.00	rl
56	Design	315.00	105.00	150.00	7,671.68	4,000.00	fc
57	Domain Names					200.00	rl
58	Domain name: AANRWest.com			16.00	27.50	18.00	rl
59	Domain name: AANRWest.net		17.26	18.00	14.42	18.00	rl
60	Domain name: AANRWest.org		17.26	17.99	15.00	20.00	rl
61	Domain name: AANRWestern.com						
62	Domain name: AANRWestern.net						
63	Domain name: AANRWestern.org						
64	Domain name: FreeNudistExperience.com						
65	Domain name: NudistResearchLibrary.org	17.54	17.54	19.57	14.42	18.00	rl
66	Domain name: WesternNudistLibrary.org			13.67		18.00	rl
67	Domain name: WesternNudistLibrary.com			13.67		18.00	rl
68	Web Site Professional Manager (\$200/mo)					2,400.00	rl
69							
70	Co-Op Advertising 7.06.00	3,785.30	3,071.21	3,255.30		4,000.00	rl
71	Printing				29.28	100.00	rl
72							
73	Promotions						
74	Beach Cards					200.00	rl
75	Friends of Bates Beach Support	1,500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	648.02	1,000.00	rl
76	Fringe Festival			363.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	rl
77	Pirates Cove	116.33					fc

I. Expenses		Actual Expenses (to date)			Budget	
Line #	Committee/purpose	2014				Notes

78	WNBR-LA (Portable Toilet rental)		2015 237.50	2016 125.00	2017 227.50	2018 275.00	rl	
79								
80	Membership in Local Associations					500.00	rl	
81	Arizona Parks and Recreation Association Membership	250.00						
82	California State Parks Foundation Membership							
83	EarthFair Exhibitor				35.00	35.00	rl	
84								
85	Trade Shows					1,000.00	rl	
86	Avocado Festival							
87	Arizona Parks and Recreation Association Show							
88	Bay Area Travel Show							
89	California RV Show, Pomona							
90	Los Angeles Travel and Adventure Show	3,198.20	3,566.05	3,288.41	3,170.00	3,400.00	rl	
91	Quartzsite RV Show	1,360.00	2,627.58	1,369.00	14.15	1,600.00	rl	
92	San Diego Earth Day Earth Fair			294.79	348.24	300.00	rl	
93	Travel	38.64	131.68		292.52	1,500.00	rl	
94								
95	Public Relations Subtotal	11,181.01	11,391.08	10,797.28	13,737.73	22,920.00		
96								
97	<u>5.04.00 Membership Marketing</u>							rb
98	AANR Memberships (raffle prizes)			96.50		250.00	fc	
99	AANR West Booth			210.45		500.00	fc	
100	AANR West Brochure				291.42	450.00	fc	
101								
102	Spiffs	484.49	3,066.00	3,235.71		4,000.00	fc	
103	Bandanas							
104	Bike Seat Towel Covers							
105	Butt Towel							
106	Chip Bag Clip							
107	Emery Boards	449.61						
108	Fanny Packs							
109	Flags (large)							
110	Flags (small)							
111	Flashlight key holder							
112	Jar Gripper							
113	Lip Balm		217.04					
114	Mood Cups		119.35					
115	Neck Coolers							
116	Nudist Voter Buttons		250.00					
117	Pens	650.35						
118	Post It Pads	456.12						
119	Sunscreen packets							

120								
121	Travel			28.08			fc	
122								
123	Western Sun Newsletter (4 per year)						fc	
124	Email List of Associate members							
125	Insertion and mailing with AANR Bulletin							
126	Mail Labels							
127	Writing, Editing, Printing							
128								
129	Women in Nude Recreation Subcommittee						kw	
130	Head to Toe Women's Expo booth					300.00	rl	
131	Sarongs							
132	Travel					300.00		
133	WINR Banner			696.69				
134	WINR Brochures			186.61	189.55	250.00	rl	
135	WINR Gathering					200.00	rl	
136								
137	Singles Subcommittee						cf	
138								
139	Membership Marketing Subtotal	2,040.57	3,652.39	4,454.04	480.97	6,250.00		
140								
141	5.05.00 Legislation							mg
142	Printing					100.00	fc	
143								
144	5.06.00 Convention & Facilities (C & F)							du
145	Spring Board Meeting					136.54		
146	Host Award 10.01.00	38.50	32.16	37.69		40.00	rl	
147	Printing	1.62						
148	Travel	3,349.87	3,687.02	2,133.85	3,257.64	3,200.00	\$3107 avg each yr	
149								
150	Summer Festival 7.05.00							
151	Highest % Attendance Award							
152	Host Expense	500.00	500.00	500.00		500.00	rl	
153	Host Award 10.01.00					40.00	rl	
154	Ice Cream Social			71.49		100.00	rl	
155	Registration Tags 9.06.00	532.14	352.86	622.60				

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Line #	Committee/purpose	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Notes
156	Travel					100.00	fc
157							
158	AANR-West Annual Convention 7.05.00				57.02	1,000.00	rl
159	Awards	70.39	112.63	212.85	418.56	400.00	rl

160	AANR West Hall of Fame 10.10.00						
161	Bill Hawk Sportsmanship Award 10.05.00						
162	Bob Page Memorial Award 10.06.00						
163	Family of the Year Award 10.03.00						
164	Highest Attendance # Award 10.02.00						
165	Highest Attendance % Award 10.02.00						
166	Host Award 10.01.00	42.19					
167	Man of the Year Award 10.03.00						
168	Membership Increase # Award 10.07.00						
169	Membership Increase % Award 10.07.00						
170	Woman of the Year 'Peggi Pickett' Award 10.03.00						
171	Young Man & Woman of the Year Awards 10.04.00	32.00					
172							
173	Host Expense	750.00	100.00			750.00	rl
174	Ice Cream Social			58.23		150.00	rl
175	Name Badges, Officers, Directors, & Trustee 2.01.04	94.87			170.68	100.00	rl
176	Printing	16.28					
177	Pudding Fight			116.05			
178	Registration Tags 9.06.00	292.03	259.75	88.80			
179	Travel	4,941.49	3,755.02	1,993.52	3,008.15	3,500.00	\$3425 avg per year
180							
181	Fall Festival					200.00	rl
182	Highest % Attendance Award						
183	Host Award 10.01.00						
184	Host Expense	500.00	500.00			500.00	rl
185	Ice Cream Social			42.95		120.00	rl
186	Tags 9.06.00	144.84	347.37				
187	Travel		421.95				
188							
189	Fall Board Meeting						
190	Host Award 10.01.00					40.00	rl
191	Travel	3,296.64	3,433.08	4,261.76		3,700.00	\$3664 avg each yr
192							
193	Convention & Facilities (C & F) Subtotal	14,602.86	13,501.84	10,139.79	7,048.59	14,440.00	
194							
195	5.07.00 Sports						du
196	Festival & Convention Sports Prizes & Awards				1,749.89	1,800.00	rl
197	AANR Nightlight Units						
198	AANR Wrist Packs						
199	Hats		779.67	730.89			
200	Lunch coolers						
201	Mood Cups		320.33				

202	Tanks							
203	T-Shirts	2,796.88						
204	Visors							
205	Volleyball Tournament prize							
206								
207	Nude Summer Games (multi club event at Olive Dell)		100.00			100.00	rl	
208								
209	Sports Subtotal	2,796.88	1,200.00	730.89	1,749.89	1,900.00		
210								
211	<u>5.08.00 Club Representative</u>							jt
212	Travel					500.00	fc	
213								
214	<u>5.09.00 AANR West Youth</u>							ew
215	Club Events Coin Dives							
216								
217	Summer Festival Youth Activities					500.00	rl	
218	Coin Dive							
219	Food							
220	Sun screen							
221	Supplies							
222								
223	Convention Youth Activities	100.00				500.00	rl	
224	Coin Dive							
225	Food							
226	Sun screen							
227	Supplies							
228								
229	Fall Festival Youth Activities					500.00	rl	
230	Coin Dive							
231	Food							
232	Sun screen							
233	Supplies							

I. Expenses		Actual Expense s (to date)				Budget	
Line #	Committee/purpose	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Notes
234							
235	First Aid supplies						
236							
237	Youth Camp	386.70	189.44			2,000.00	rl
238	Coin Dive						
239	Entertainment		59.94				
240	Food	568.99	720.66				

241	Gas	831.39	322.88					
242	Sun Screen							
243	Supplies		64.40					
244								
245	Youth Leadership Summit	568.88	859.18			800.00	rl	
246								
247	AANR West Youth Subtotal	2,455.96	2,216.50	0.00	0.00	4,300.00		
248								
249	5.10.00 Scholarship Program Committee							tw
250	Scholarships Appendix F			2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00	rl	
251								
252	Scholarship Program Committee Subtotal	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00		
253								
254	5.11.00 Government Affairs							ws
255	Brochures				219.59	600.00	rl	
256	AANR-West GA Brochure			167.86				
257	State Parks Proposal Brochure							
258								
259	CA Parks and Recreation Show booth	2,035.00	1,630.00	2,330.77	1,752.34	2,200.00	rl	
260	Lobbyist fees		1,250.00					
261	National Conference of State Legislator Pins	315.60	150.00			500.00	rl	
262	Travel to CPRS show and to state legislature				163.09	500.00	rl	
263								
264	Government Affairs Subtotal	2,350.60	3,030.00	2,498.63	2,135.02	3,800.00		
265								
266	5.12.00 Legal							gm
267	Legal Services				2,250.00	2,250.00	rl	
268	Travel				769.56	1,000.00	rl	
269								
270	Legal Subtotal	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,019.56	3,250.00		
271								
272	5.13.00 Credentials							cf
273								
274								
275	5.14.00 AANR West Facility Improvement Loan							jt
276								
277								
278	Total Budget Expenses	50,654.06	45,631.63	41,650.19	39,895.56	76,190.00		
279								
280		<u>Actual Income</u>			2017	Budget for		
281	II. Income	2014	2015	2016	YTD	2018	Notes	

282	Club Memberships	5,347	5,362	5,182	5,400	5,200	About same as 2016
283	Times \$8/member	42,779.76	42,895.17	41,455.84	32,029.97	41,455.84	
284	Associate Memberships	1,653	1,474	1,671	1,900	1,700	About same as 2016
285	Times \$8/member	13,220.00	11,790.67	13,364.00	11,032.00	13,364.00	
286	Life Memberships	1	1	5	3		
287	Times \$100/member	100.00	100.00	500.00	300.00		
288	Youth/Young Adult Activities	925.00	563.00				
289	Summer Festival Registration Fees	2,875.00	2,385.00	2,310.00			
290	Convention Registration Fees	2,765.00	705.00	555.00			
291	Fall Festival Registration Fees	1,235.00	1,460.00				
292	Donations	222.01	23.69		261.77		
293	Interest Income	50.61	23.57	14.68	2.67	5.00	
294	Other						
295	Total Income	64,172.38	59,946.10	58,199.52	43,626.41	54,824.84	
296	Net Income (Loss)	13,518.32	14,314.47	16,549.33	3,730.85	(21,365.16)	

Public Relations Report

Andy Walden ◦ **Ricc Bieber** • AANR-West Board of Directors Meeting
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TWITTER

The big news in the TWITTERverse is **September's announcement that the social network will test** extending the text limit of a post to 280 characters — in effect, doubling the length of TWEETS. The service has yet to announce when or which languages will be tested but we can only imagine what effect this will have on our messages! As for @AANR_WestRegion, we now have over 1700 followers. Included in the list of followers are a number of non-nudist news feeds which means the AANR-West **message is going "outside the circle" every time they ♥ or retweet** one of our posts. Monitoring for pornography collectors and other *twits* with whom we ought not to be associated is a daily task in order to keep our image wholesome and true; pass the bleach!

SOCIAL MEDIA IN GENERAL

Many clubs have social media outlets yet the level of participation varies greatly. This chart shows there are several affiliates who still are not on-line. Our goal is to **work with the "off-line"** groups to bring them into the conversation. We need their participation to keep our message of family-oriented social nudism alive.

By reaching out to *millennials* in their favoured mediums will bring a younger demographic into nudism. The smaller affiliates would especially benefit from using these relatively inexpensive outlets to inspire new membership.

CLUB	STATE	WEB PAGE	FACEBOOK	INSTAGRAM	TWITTER
Arizona Wildflowers	AZ				
Buff-a-Teers	AZ	yes			
Canyon State Naturists	AZ	yes		yes	
MIRA VISTA RESORT	AZ	yes	yes	yes	yes
Mohave S.U.N. Club	AZ				
SHANGRI-LA RANCH	AZ	yes	yes		yes
<i>Clothes-Free International</i>	CA*	yes			yes
DE ANZA SPRINGS RESORT	CA	yes	yes	yes	yes
GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB	CA	yes	yes	yes	yes
LAGUNA DEL SOL	CA	yes	yes	yes	yes
Le Club	CA				
Naked Volleyball	CA	yes			
N ^o California Exposure	CA				
OLIVE DELL RANCH	CA	yes	yes	yes	yes
Olympian Club	CA	yes			
Pacificans	CA				
SEQUOIANS	CA	yes			yes
S ^o California Naturist Ass'n	CA	yes	yes		yes
Front Range Naturists	CO	yes			
MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH	CO	yes	yes	yes	yes
HANGIN' LOOSE	HI				
Las Vegas Bares	NV	yes	yes		yes
Las Vegas Naturists	NV		yes		yes
<i>SingleNudist.com</i>	NV*	yes	yes		
Roadrunner Naturists	NM	yes	yes		yes
SunTree Travel Club	NM	yes			
Wasatch Naturists	UT	yes			

EPILOGUE

This committee will continue to work with Membership Marketing to assure a positive message is always presented to our members and potential associates. We are all ambassadors for AANR as we chat with friends and family or on-line; let a positive smile be your favourite thing to wear

WEB SITE REPORT – October 2017

By Gary Mussell

Since our August convention, the web site presented there has gone live at aanrwest.org. It is now hosted at Media Temple instead of Earth Village. Media Temple is also the host for aanr.com.

We have found some misspellings (and some wrong text) among the 50+ pages the site contains, and fixing these is a continuing process. If anyone finds something that needs correcting, please either email me directly or use the “Contact Us” web page to alert us so I can take action.

Newsletter

Starting in September, we have begun publishing a monthly on-line newsletter. AANR-Northwest and AANR-Florida do this with impressive results. Obviously, some of it can be republished as an article in the AANR Bulletin. But I also hope it can grow in length and depth to become a useful resource for non-members and other people who do not get the AANR Bulletin to tell them what social nudism is all about and to entice them to visit a nearby club. The newsletter may be found under News. The September issue was emailed to all club contacts in the region. Contributing articles by other board members are appreciated.

Emails and Contacts

Russell moved all the emails over to the new host. Please use your AANR-West account for all official business.

The main “Contact us for more information” email is information@aanrwest.org and it is linked to gmussell@aanrwest.org, so the president now gets all inquiries directly to his email account. In fact, inquiries are received several times a week from people interested in AANR, a nearby club, or social nudism in general. These inquiries are being answered the same day received, a vast improvement from the Earth Village system where inquiries often sat for months or were never answered at all.

What Needs to be Done

Several holes remain, principally in the Youth, Young Adult, Kid Camp, and Scholarship sections. I hope our discussions at the Fall Board meeting will give us proper direction to re-write this text and correctly convey our points of view. The Sports area is also weak, in my opinion. If we are going to create multi-location sports competition, we need better descriptions of each of these events.

We also need some new photos that represent social nudism. I hope the clubs can provide some of these. We prefer photos with people in them doing something, not just smiling and standing in a line. We want to convey the fun of being at a club with images that truthfully reflect the divergent ages, races, and body sizes of who we are.

An area I want to focus on next are displaying the promotional ads which many clubs send to us. I know they would appreciate the extra “splash” a regional web site can give to them, and we agree. It is high on the list of next things to do.

After this phase is completed, our web designer (Scott Weber of Rocketboy Media) will convert much of it to WordPress format and rework the code so it can more easily be ready on handheld devices and smart phones (an estimated 35% of all our followers do so on their phones).

We still need to negotiate with Mr. Weber what his ongoing role will be, if any, once the terms of the original contract are fulfilled.

Membership Marketing

Ricc Bieber

First, my apologies for missing Convention at DeAnza Springs Resort. I had last-minute work obligations that required my immediate and direct attention, and I am happy to report that all went well.

Membership: A few of us have been working on how to better serve our membership at large, including **the Associates. To my recollection, the goal of the Associates' Program is to bring in potential members** who may not be familiar with the club structure, and eventually getting these folks connected to a landed or travel club. In this regard, we have failed. We have a large number of Associate members who are not connected to any club, and are not even engaged into the organization itself. My goal, and the goal of some of the other Directors and Officers, is to find a way to not only include the diaspora, but to engage them in a way that will ensure their participation in the future of the organization, as well.

Website: I know there will be a report elsewhere regarding the new website, but I will be happy to say that I was a part of this very important aspect of the AANR West public face. This is a great step forward for the organization-AANR National Office, take note!

Liaison Program: I expect to be working with Jeff Tendrick to help implement a more robust Liaison Program that will be more inviting to not only the clubs, but the members, as well. Andy Walden and I **have discussed the possibility of a 'AANR West Passport' that would be a sort-of contest.** Within this framework, members visiting a landed or travel club would receive either a stamp or sticker into their **'Passport', proving that they attended a club or event at or for that club. We hope to have more details** worked out by November, including costs.

In addition to the Passport Program, we are looking at other incentive items to include at conventions and festivals, or, if you will chochkes. We eliminated the Convention Fee, and with the elimination of the fee went the convention tags that were so coveted by many as a memento of the event. We are looking to include something along the line of either the return of the tags, wristbands, or cooler bands imprinted for the various occasions. A cost analysis is being put together for these programs and will be presented at the meeting in November.

Last, welcome to the new board members and officers! I look forward to meeting you in Sangri-La!

Associates Report

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REGION: AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR NUDE RECREATION WEST (AANR-W)

CLUB	SINGLE	COUPLE	TOTAL Aug-17	TOTAL Dec-16	AMT. VAR.	% VAR.
*Arizona Wildflowers	33	28	89	89	0	0.00%
~Buff-A-Teers	20	5	30	30	0	0.00%
~Canyon State Naturists	7	8	23	26	-3	-11.54%
~Clothesfree.com	16	8	32	33	-1	-3.03%
DeAnza Springs Resort	109	98	305	307	-2	-0.65%
~Front Range Naturists	4	5	14	16	-2	-12.50%
*Glen Eden Sun Club	651	419	1489	1443	46	3.19%
~Hangin' Loose	2	10	22	16	6	37.50%
*Laguna del Sol	499	668	1835	1851	-16	-0.86%
~Las Vegas Bares	12	1	14	15	-1	-6.67%
~Las Vegas Naturists	3	16	35	25	10	40.00%
*Le Club	5	1	7	8	-1	-12.50%
Mira Vista Resort	79	116	311	306	5	1.63%
~Mohave Sun Club	11	7	25	25	0	0.00%
*Mountain Air Ranch	186	153	492	457	35	7.66%
~Naked Volleyball	3	1	5	14	-9	-64.29%
~Northern California Exposure	1	4	9	9	0	0.00%
*Olive Dell Ranch	61	57	175	187	-12	-6.42%
*Olympian Club	10	7	24	24	0	0.00%
*Pacifcans	1	2	5	5	0	0.00%
*Roadrunner Naturists	20	22	64	63	1	1.59%
*Sequoians, A Clothes Free Club, The	70	17	104	98	6	6.12%
Shangri-La Ranch	106	90	286	325	-39	-12.00%
~SingleNudist.com	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
~Southern CA Naturist Association	13	10	33	31	2	6.45%
~SunTree Travel Club	5	5	15	21	-6	-28.57%
#1100C ~Wasatch Naturists	4	2	8	1	7	Provisional 2016
AANR-W Associates	912	522	1956	1886	70	3.71%
TOTAL	2843	2282	7407	7311	96	1.31%

We encourage our associate members to always be worthy ambassadors for family-oriented social nudism. The degree to which we *publicly announce* our participation is a personal choice; yet even subtle gestures can work as icebreakers. Wearing an AANR t-shirt, having a pin on your hat or placing a logo sticker on the window of your vehicle, house or business will spur conversations with both the curious as well as the initiated.

Legislation Committee Report by Mike Glinzak

The Legislation Committee is making no budget request beyond \$50-\$100 for unlikely but possible miscellaneous expenses, such as printing.

The following amendment to the Procedure Manual was made at the July Regional Assembly Meeting:

Motion #21 Maker: Bev Price Second: Oliver Ellsworth I move to amend Procedure Manual Section 7.06.00: AANR West Chartered Clubs may be reimbursed either 50% of the cost of qualified advertising, The amount not to exceed \$400.00 per year per club, or 25% the amount not to exceed %1,000.00 per year per club, at the clubs option. In no case, can the reimbursement exceed the clubs member contribution for the year in dues paid to AANR West. Passed 213 For 10 Against

However, our Treasurer had indicated that calculating this reimbursement with the members' dues limitation is difficult to administer. He has suggested returning to the original language with 100% clubs being reimbursed double the original rate as a "reward" for being a 100% club. Discuss and propose PM amendment?

The Treasurer has suggested a second PM manual revision of Section 7.06.00 to move up the cut-off date for filing for co-op advertising reimbursement from the end of the calendar year to a postmark date of no later than October 31. Rationale: most clubs file at the very end of the year, causing AANR-West to keep its accounting open past December 31, even though most reimbursements are sought for expenditures much earlier in the year. Discuss and propose PM amendment?

Any suggestions from the AANR-West community for additional legislation would be appreciated.

Proposed Changes

7.06.00 Cooperative Advertising Reimbursement

AANR Western Region clubs may be reimbursed either 50% of the cost of qualified advertising, the amount not to exceed \$400.00 per year per club, or 25%, the amount **not to exceed \$1,000.00 per year per club, at the club's** option. Copies of receipts or bills which are certified as having been paid, and the advertising with a description of the event must be submitted to and approved by the AANR Western Region Treasurer no later than the 30th of November following the date the expenditure was made.

7.06.01 To qualify for reimbursement from AANR Western Region, the advertising must specifically refer to AANR.com or AANRWest.com and the AANR logo or the AANR Western Region logo or both should be displayed where space permits.

7.06.02 Advertising which conflicts with the principles and standards of AANR and/or AANR Western Region shall not be eligible for reimbursement under the provisions of this section.

7.06.03 The AANR Bulletin and other AANR publications are not eligible media for such reimbursement. Advertising in any other nudist publication must have the prior approval of the AANR Western Region President for reimbursement.

7.06.04 AANR Western Region 100% AANR Membership clubs are permitted to submit advertising for either 50% of the cost of qualified advertising, the amount not to exceed \$800.00 per year per club, or 25%, the amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 per year **per club, at the club's option.**

Old:

SECTION 7.00.00 REIMBURSEMENTS

All reimbursements shall be for expenses actually incurred for official AANR West business. Receipts for all expenses must be submitted with a completed expense voucher form prior to reimbursement. Receipts are not required for stipends.

New:

SECTION 7.00.00 REIMBURSEMENTS

All reimbursements shall be for expenses actually incurred for official AANR Western Region business. Receipts for all expenses must be submitted with a completed current AANR Western Region expense voucher form prior to reimbursement. ~~Receipts are not required for stipends.~~

Why:

To specify current AANR West form must be used. Stipends are not reimbursements.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Old:

7.02.00 The president may authorize reimbursement to persons traveling on official AANR West business at the current per mile rate established by the IRS or the actual travel cost, whichever is less. Total expenditures thus authorized shall not exceed \$1500.00 per person per calendar year. Committee chairs who are not elected AANR West officials shall not receive travel reimbursement unless specifically requested to be present by the president.

New:

7.023.00 The president may authorize reimbursement to persons other than officers, directors, member trustee, and legal advisor traveling on official AANR Western Region business at the current per mile rate established by the IRS or the actual travel cost, whichever is less. ~~Total expenditures thus authorized shall not exceed \$1500.00 per person per calendar year.~~ Committee chairs who are not elected AANR Western Region officials shall not receive travel reimbursement unless specifically requested to be present by the president. In order for the reimbursement to be approved, the president must notify the finance chair and treasurer in writing or email of such request before such travel commences.

Why: To remove the \$1,500.00 limit and to provide documentation for payment.

Fiscal Impact: None.

Old:

7.03.00 All officers, directors, member trustee, legal advisor and others authorized by the president shall be reimbursed for attendance at an AANR West board meeting. This paragraph also includes reimbursement of the AANR West president when attending the AANR convention and the AANR trustees' meetings. Reimbursement will be based on the following criteria:

1. For individuals residing 200 miles or fewer from the meeting site, round trip mileage at the current rate per mile established by the IRS for travel.
2. For individuals residing more than 200 miles from the meeting site, mileage at the current rate per mile established by the IRS for travel or the lowest available expenses to fly at coach rate air fare, whichever is less. Documentation of the calculation of the lowest available expenses to fly made within 22 to 90 days prior to the meeting must be provided with the reimbursement request. The absence of such documentation will result in the reimbursement being limited to one-half of the round trip mileage at the current rate per mile established by the IRS for travel. Expenses to fly may include mileage to and from the nearest major commercial airport, baggage fees, and coach rate air fare.
3. To qualify for reimbursement, an individual must attend the entire meeting, unavoidable transportation delays notwithstanding.
4. Newly elected non-incumbent officers and directors shall receive one-way, i.e. one-half, of their round trip travel expenses (mileage) for the convention.
5. Mileage will be paid to only one person per automobile. Car pooling is highly encouraged. Drivers of car pools will receive a 10 percent bonus to their mileage reimbursement.
6. The AANR West president shall be reimbursed for lodging expenses for attendance at the AANR trustees' meetings at a rate not to exceed the maximum established by the host club.

New:

7.032.00 All AANR Western Region officers, directors, member trustee, legal advisor ~~and others authorized by the president~~ shall be reimbursed for ~~attendance at an~~ travel and lodging to attend AANR Western Region board meetings. This paragraph also includes reimbursement of the AANR Western Region president when attending the AANR convention and the AANR trustees' meetings.

Reimbursement will be based on the following criteria:

1. For individuals residing 350 miles or fewer from the meeting site, round trip mileage at the current rate per mile established by the IRS for travel, no matter how they actually travel.
2. For individuals residing more than 350 miles from the meeting site, mileage at the current rate per mile established by the IRS for travel or the lowest available expenses to fly at coach rate air fare, ~~whichever is less~~. Documentation of the calculation of the lowest available expenses to fly made within 22 to 90 days prior to the meeting must be provided with the reimbursement request. The absence of such documentation will result in the reimbursement being limited to one-half of the round trip mileage at the current rate per mile established by the IRS for travel. Expenses to fly may include mileage to and from the ~~nearest major commercial~~ airport, baggage fees, airport parking, car rental, and coach rate air fare.
3. To qualify for reimbursement, an individual must attend the entire meeting, except in the case of unavoidable transportation delays ~~notwithstanding~~.
4. Newly elected or appointed non-incumbent officers and directors shall receive one-way, i.e. one-half, of their round trip travel ~~expenses (mileage)~~ reimbursement for the convention or board meeting.
5. Mileage will be paid to only one person per automobile. Car pooling is highly encouraged. Drivers of car pools will receive a 10 percent bonus to their mileage reimbursement.
6. ~~The AANR West president shall be reimbursed for lodging expenses for attendance at the AANR trustees' meetings at a rate not to exceed the maximum established by the host club.~~ Lodging reimbursement for each authorized person will be one-half the current minimum room rate at the meeting site for the night before and each night after a meeting only when staying on the club property. This also applies to the AANR West president for attendance at the AANR convention and trustee meeting.

Why:

To clarify to whom and what is being reimbursed, to agree with the AANR Governance Manual mileage limit, to clarify who may be reimbursed for flying, to remove the requirement for flight cost documentation for persons who drive, to clarify transportation delay exception, to provide for travel reimbursement for appointed directors, and to provide payment of lodging allowance.

Fiscal Impact:

Not determinable. The reimbursement for driving more than 350 miles rather than the lesser of flying or driving and the addition of lodging allowance will be an added expense; the reduction of the **president's lodging reimbursement will be a small savings.**

Old:

7.03.01 Rental car costs incurred at meeting sites for the day immediately before, the day(s) during, and the day immediately after the meeting may be reimbursed at compact car rates, if shared by two or more people who are eligible for travel reimbursement. The requirement for sharing may be waived by the AANR West president when a person provides evidence that their schedule makes sharing impractical. The AANR West president shall be reimbursed for rental of an automobile at the AANR trustees meetings, which may be shared by the AANR West trustees, and when feasible, other attendees from AANR West.

New:

7.03.01 Rental car costs incurred at meeting sites for the day immediately before, the day(s) during, and the day immediately after the meeting may be reimbursed at compact car rates, ~~if shared by two or more people who are eligible for travel reimbursement. The requirement for sharing may be waived by the AANR president when a person provides evidence that their schedule makes sharing impractical.~~ Sharing of rental cars is highly encouraged. The AANR Western Region president shall be reimbursed for rental of an automobile at the AANR trustees meetings, which may be shared by the AANR West trustees, and when feasible, other attendees from AANR West.

Why:

To remove the requirement for sharing a rental car.

Fiscal Impact:

This will likely increase car rental expenses.

Conventions and Facilities Fall 2017

Hello to all from fiery California. It seems half of our state is on fire with the devastating effects of the Santa Ana winds. The good news is none of our clubs are in immediate danger, however I know many of our members are negatively impacted. Please let us know if there is anything we can do.

This year at Convention we took a different approach to planning our get togethers in 2018. In an attempt to broaden the possible hosting clubs, we sent a letter to management and owners of all AANR West clubs inviting them to submit a bid to host one of the festivals or meetings.

At this time we have received responses from the following clubs who would like to host in the 2018 season:

Spring Board Meeting – Laguna Del Sol

Summer Convention – DeAnza Springs

Summer Festival – Glen Eden

Fall Festival – Shangri La Ranch

Fall Board Meeting – Mira Vista

We have a new bid form under review by our legal counsel which better addresses the needs of hosting clubs and AANR West. We should have these forms completed in time for the Fall Board Meeting November 4.

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend Fall Festival at Shangri La but I understand it was well attended and everyone really enjoyed their time together. Thank you again to Shangri La for opening your doors and rolling out your mats for this fun event.

As the cool fall air begins to descend on the Western Region we start to see a different complexion of attendees at Nudist events. We see regulars from the summer dissipate as school begins, we see snowbirds from the north take their place and during big holidays we see them all melded together. This is a good reminder, at least for me, that nudists come from all walks of life, all ages, all beliefs and **all ethnicities. Yet we're all bound by our love of the nudist lifestyle.**

Thank you to everyone who has hosted, contributed to or attended one of our AANR West events over the last year. We look forward to a prosperous and effective 2018.

Yours Truly,

Dave Utter

WESTERN NUDIST RESEARCH LIBRARY REPORT

By Rolf Holbach

The Library now has an intern from UC Fullerton, Christina Brown, working part-time **in organizing and filing material while also doing research for her Master's thesis on nudists and nudism in Southern California.**

After attending the Naturist Society's Western Gathering at Sun Meadows in August, I put Mark Storey, the head of their Naturist Education Library, in touch with Rich Hirst, the VP of our library at Glen Eden, to further communicate and share resources and info between the two libraries.

One of the other WNRL board members who also designed their website, Tom Rodman, is researching other data entry systems, as the one being used, Data Pro, is becoming obsolete according to Rich.

Volunteers from outside GE, whether nudists or not, are allowed into the library **to work or do research free of GE's gate fee, if they make arrangements in advance with the library and are escorted in by Rich Hirst.** Those volunteers must remain in the library, but are allowed to visit the café and closest restroom.

The next WNRL board meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 18.

Sports

This year we saw great success with the 5k runs that 4 clubs hosted.

Next years focus is going to rely heavy on runs. This is a great way to bring in young adults, families, and new members.

We did have some participants that completed all 4 runs and will be awarded t shirts.

Everyone enjoyed the shirts that we designed this year as they are extremely functional and are more **likely to be worn outside of a club which helps to get our name and brand out to the “textile” world.** The only downside is that we still get the snarky comments about the irony of giving out clothes at a nudist resort; we can take it.

The rules that are in the PM for specific sports need to be re-**evaluated.** **Some of the club’s members are** becoming disgruntled when it comes to the rules that were put in place years ago. We have talked about removing these from the PM so that we can change as needed.

Subject: Liaison Report

Date: Fall 2017

Submitted: Jeff Tendick

I am close to completing a comprehensive spreadsheet that (at a glance) identifies the 32 affiliated AANR Western region clubs and affiliates (includes Western Nudist Library (Glen Eden) currently not listed on the AANR 2017-2018 directory).

Furthermore, there are 18 NON AANR affiliated clubs within the spreadsheet.

(The list includes the 2015 and 2016 Liaisons for most of the 50 clubs)

Below is a tiny snapshot with formulas applied.

Business	Co-op	Proprietary	Landed	Travel	Applied	AANR Charter	# AANR Members Dec 30 2016
4	15	12	9	18	2	25	5424

De Anza Springs Resort
Glen Eden Sun Club
Hangin' Loose
Laguna del Sol
Mira Vista Resort
Mountain Air Ranch
Olive Dell Ranch
The Sequoians, A Clothes Free Club
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Arizona Wildflowers
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Canyon State Naturists (CSN)
ClothesFree.com
Front Range Naturists
Las Vegas Bares
Le Club
Naked Volleyball
Northern California Exposure
Olympian Club
Pacificans
Roadrunner Naturists
SingleNudist.com
Southern California Naturist Association (SCNA)
Suntree Travel Club
Las Vegas Naturists
Mojave SUN Club
Wasatch Naturists

The spreadsheet will include all major contact information along with their phone number, email and website info if applicable.

I found it interesting that Southern California Naturist Association was the only club in the directory that included their twitter account info. I suggest that all AANR AFFILIATED clubs provide their twitter AND Facebook account information to update the next directory.

What is MISSING from my list is the (identity of) the 100% AANR affiliated clubs. That information is not in the directory (as far as I can tell), yet critical information for us to articulate the benefits properly.

We can create a form to show the BENEFITS of being 100% AANR. Below is an example of what American Express uses to show the BENEFITS of a platinum card versus a gold card.

This would be a great tool for the liaisons to PRESENT BENEFITS to upgrade non-affiliated clubs, as well as **affiliated, but NON 100% clubs..... to upgrading to 100%**. Cyndi and I are working on this. We will present at the meeting.

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Youth Report

Youth contents and inventory have been divided, half will be going to MAR as they have expressed interest in hosting youth camps and events since they have a large population of families.

The other half of the inventory will be going to GE.

We wanted to keep youth supplies at a centrally located CA club so that it is accessible to those that need it. Dave and DeDe have graciously offered to bring this back to GE with them after the board meeting; thank you Dave and DeDe.

I will be talking to Ernie before the meeting in regard to setting something up at MAR for next summer.

It is great to see all of the kids that have participated in the 5K's over the summer; hopefully with a full-on series next year we will be able to attract more families and more youth.

Young Adult

I did not attend the youth summit this year. I decided that regional funds and resources would be better allocated to focus on other young adult events.

The 5k runs are a great way to attract young adults and therefore something that I will be heavily focusing on for next year.

Scholarship Committee Report

At this point the committee is requesting to maintain the current budget allotment of \$4,000.

We would like to keep the program in place with some changes listed as follows:

- Age cut off
- Some application requirements but still include a written component
- Consider dividing the award into smaller/larger portions

We would like to maintain the faction of sending the money directly to the school and not do a cash payout.

These are just a few of the ideas proposed by the committee more will be presented at the meeting.

LEGAL COMMITTEE (AD HOC) REPORT – October 2017

By Gary Mussell

At the summer convention there was consensus that the region needed an on-going legal committee to set up a network of attorneys to provide legal advice in all eight states regarding nudist issues. This ad hoc committee currently consists of the retained attorney, Mr. Greg Wilkinson, and the regional president. I will be asking for a **few more volunteers** at the Fall meeting.

This network is necessary because each state, county, and city has its own nudity laws, and few lawyers are licensed to practice in more than one or two states. If you ask most AANR members, they think we do this already, so it is important we expand the list of available attorneys as soon as possible.

As of this date, Greg and Gary have spoken on the phone, and reached an understanding as to the scope of the project. We will start looking for attorneys first where we are most likely to need one, which we agreed, is California. If any Board member has suggestions about other locations to place near the top of the list, please contact me, or let's talk at the Fall meeting.,

I want to repeat, establishing this legal team is a high priority for the region during the next two years.

Date: AANR-Fall Board Meeting November 4, 2017

Location: Shangri La Ranch Resort

To: AANR West Officers, Directors and Clubs

From: Walt Stephens

Re: Technology Report

As most of you know we had problems with our current sound system and DVD recorder at the last board meeting. We have been having problems with the system for some time now. Gary tasked me with researching replacement units. I consider these factors in my research;

1. Cost of replacing both the sound system and the recorder for around \$500.
2. Ease of use for non-technical users
3. Weight and ease of transport.
4. Features available with at least four microphone inputs for the sound system.

It should be noted that our Fender Passport PD-250 unit is no longer in production therefore repair would be questionable. Plus the sound system is too heavy at 48 pounds for easy transport and setup. I would advise against repairing the unit for these reasons. I was able to get the DVD recorder to work after cleaning the laser and blowing out the dust that had accumulated inside the unit. While the **recorder is currently working, I recommending we go to a digital recorder. I'm guessing the weight on the DVD recorder and carrying case is around 20 pounds. You add another 15 pounds for the box with the microphones and you have combined weight of about 80 pounds.**

The primary purpose of the sound system and recorder has been to make an archive copy of our meetings. The sound system is also used as a microphone mixer plus amplifier for better audio for our guests. As of late the sound system has been used to enhance the audio quality for Gotomeetings.

I concentrated my research on the need for archiving our meetings. Many technological advancements have occurred in the eighteen years we have had the sound current system. FYI: The DVD recorder was added about eight years ago for around \$109 dollars when the cassette recorder we were using failed and could not be repaired. Today we can record our meeting on a hand held digital audio recorder with an audio input range of up to 200 feet for between \$100 and \$200 dollars.

I have attached hyperlinks and cost for two digital recorders and one sound system that I think would meet our requirements.

I want to have a record of our meeting so my plans for the upcoming meeting are as follows;

1. I will purchase a digital recorder for around \$100 out of my pocket. I will bring it to the **meeting and test how it works as a standalone unit. It should be noted the unit I'm looking at has inputs to attach it to a sound system. (This in no way obligates AANR-West to buy this item should it work or not.)**
2. I will bring one of my smaller and lite weight sound systems and set it up in a similar way as we have in the past and use the DVD recorder.
3. If the digital recording is successful the recording will need to be moved to DropBox and to a DVD.

After this meeting we can make a decision on what we want to do about a replacement sound system and recorder. The replacement sound system is 41 pounds and has twice the power of our current one. Links to equipment;

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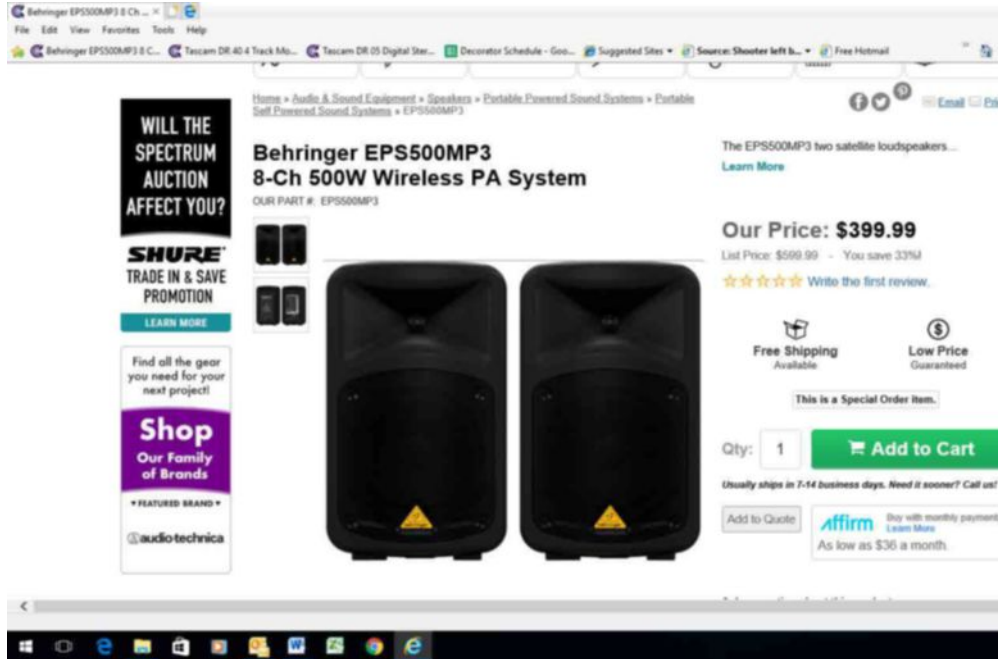
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- Woofer: 8"/209mm
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- Frequency Response (-10dB): 50Hz to 20kHz
- Crossover Frequency: 2.5kHz

Liasion Reports

October 2017

TO: AANR West Officers, Directors, Chairs, Clubs and Members

FROM: Tim Mullins

SUBJECT: Club Liaison Report

Updates from my assigned clubs since our last meeting.

River Dippers Website: <http://www.RiverDippers.org>

TNS Affiliated club, which I also belong to, has on-going meet and greets through Meet-Up.Com. We are in the process of putting up a new website. Member Randy Boyd has also volunteered to redo the NCE website.

Scheduled events are on their calendar on the website. The next Events are the Halloween Party and our annual Thanksgiving Dinner, which Debra and I are hosting.

Contact members@Riverdippers.org for further information. All items are on their website or on MeetUp.com site.

Their newsletter is available to members and clubs who request to be added to their mailing list. Send request to Editor@RiverDippers.org

American River Canyons Clubs – Inactive.

Family Skinny Dippers – Inactive

Northern California Exposure – website: www.norcalexposure.com

Our website is still down and I am the webmaster. As I mentioned in the River Dippers Report member Randy Boyd has volunteered to update our site and we will be up

and running soon.

In the meantime going to the website still sends you to the AANR-West website. All club activities have been combined with River Dippers.

Mira Vista Resort

No update.

Laguna Del Sol website: www.Lagnadelsol.com

All their activities are on-going and on their website .

Tahoe Area Naturist

Inactive since North Swanson's passing

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Mullins

AANR West Member Trustee

Club Liaison Report – October 5, 2017

By Gary Mussell

Bates Beach, Carpinteria, California

Beach Picnics

Since the summer convention, the Friends of Bates Beach has organized several large picnic events at Bates Beach, averaging 50 people at each. The reaction of the other beachgoers to the nudity in the designated clothing-optional area has been generally good, with a live-and-let-live attitude. We were only aware of on visit by sheriff deputies to the beach during the summer, and that was to a person down the beach not related to our group. Because the county went back on its word regarding the No Nudity sign at the top of the pedestrian ramp down to the beach, FOBB printed its own official-looking sign announcing the nudist section of the beach. As we hoped, the new sign has been a valuable way to prevent beach user conflict.



Photo at left shows the trimming the park service did to the No Nudiy sign, making it much more visible. Sign in center is our response, and it is displayed on the sand at the start of the clothing-optional area. Photo at right is from July picnic at beach.

Beach Cleanup

September 16 - For the 11th year in a row, members of Friends of Bates Beach and 30 other volunteers gathered at 9 am at the Pavilion area above Bates Beach to participate in the annual National Beach Cleanup Day.

Our volunteers received empty trash bags, gloves, poke sticks, and a form used to catalog the kinds of trash collected. Over the 3-hour event at Bates, we logged cigarette butts, food wrappers, plastic bottles, and Styrofoam pieces. We also cleared a homeless site down by the pier, several lobster traps, and a 10-ft. long piece of rusty pipe that had fallen from the cliff above the beach. Over 225 bags of dog excrement were also retrieved. In total, we collected 223 pounds of trash from the 2.5 miles of sand.

Sponsored by the Coastal Commission, nearly 1100 volunteers showed up across Santa Barbara County to clean 5,600 lbs. of trash from 83 miles of coastline.

For our efforts, we received a photo and caption in the local paper

Meeting with County Officials

On Sept 19, 20 members of Friends of Bates Beach met with Deputy County Parks Director Brian Yanez and Field Deputy Ashley Kunzel representing County Supervisor Das Williams. The 2-hour meeting discussed recent complaints the Supervisor has received about nudity at Bates Beach.

Kunzel emphasized that Sheriff deputies still have the right to warn or ticket people on the beach if they receive complaints. To date they have received 15 written complaints (out of hundreds who have visited the beach). She said the Supervisor did not want to change the county nudity law at this time.

She was concerned the recent articles about the clothing-optional section at Bates that appeared in the Haulover Beach newsletter and the Young Naturist America blog would attract too many people to the beach and thus bring in a "bad element." We pointed out that both articles appeared in nudist publications on the east coast and so there was little danger of Florida nudists coming soon for a visit.

FOBB in turn objected to the cutting of the shrubs back from the **No Nudity** sign at the top of the entrance to the beach instead of letting the bushes grow around it to obscure it. FOBB said the county sign was the reason for the complaints. Director Yanez said he received no such request from the Supervisor and so county workers were just doing their job. He said the sign will not be removed.

By the end of the meeting both sides agreed to work together because the "nudist problem" would not "go away" since there were several hundred in the county who deserved a designated place of their own.

Ashley said a representative from the Sheriff's office will likely attend the October Meetup in Carpinteria on October 13 to discuss the complaints in more detail.



Avocado Festival

From October 6-8, the city of Carpinteria celebrated its annual Avocado Festival. The main street of the town was closed to traffic and filled with over 200 booths representing local community groups and food services selling all manner of food that included avocado or guacamole, from beer to ice cream to chop suey. An estimated 90,000 people attended the 3-day festival.

Friends of Bates Beach and AANR-West shared a booth there, handing out literature about the organizations and advocating nudist rights.

We had many booth visitors tell us they used to go nude at Bates Beach all the time and they were grateful for our work getting it back on their behalf.

The team also used \$2 bills, the nudist currency in town, to purchase meals and touristy things from the vendors to show the purchasing power of the local nudist community.

We ran out of almost all giveaway items by the end of the first day, and by the end the festival we were left with only a handful of emery boards. We definitely will need to order more of everything for 2018! We raffled off two beach towels per day and the grand prize was a 2 day/2 night stay at Arroyo del Sol, Rolf Holbach's Bed & Breakfast.

Pirate's Cove, Avila Beach, San Luis Obispo

However, Pirates Cove has been in the headlines in the Tribune Newspaper at least 4 or 5 times during September. The focus of the articles has not been the nudity but the accumulating trash in the parking lot and the graffiti in the cave and on the rocks.

County supervisors are now considering an ordinance to add a gate and close Cave Landing Road and Pirates Cove Parking lot at night. Over the past few years, since the California Coastal Commission sided with the nudists against the county plan to pave the parking lot above the beach and put in picnic tables and other amenities, they have refused several pleas by the nudists for county trash pickups and portable toilets there. The newspaper article focused on the filth and trash that is the result of that county decision. The nudity does not to be in danger at this time but the county is trying to limit the number of people who can access the beach rather than spend money to give it the barest of support.

Gary Mussell assured the WCC that AANR-West is available to help, if called. He said he would personally drive up to speak to anyone if WCC felt that is necessary.

The Whales Cave Conservancy nudist club that watches over the beach had 50 volunteers for its monthly Beach Cleanup on September 16 including a California Coastal Commissioner, and a County Supervisor.

The Olympian Club

President Earl Miner says "Nothing to report to the AANR-West Board. Our membership is declining, as we've lost a lot of our older members. We're hanging in there."

I have asked to come out and visit with the club members in the near future. Upcoming events:

- Saturday, October 28 - Halloween party in Corona
- Saturday, November 11 - General Members Meeting in Dana Point
- Saturday, December 9 - Holiday party in Tustin

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Another wonderful summer for Michael and Janet Smith and they are looking forward to the arrival of the first flock of *snowbirds* of the season. The annual Ironman Triathlon World Championship brings a number of regulars — especially European visitors — **who come to the Island of Hawai'i every October for the fierce competition as well as the relaxing atmosphere of the tropical surroundings.**

Jan and Mike continue to drive for more AANR memberships via HANGIN' LOOSE. Their numbers are growing, up 38% this year, and they hope to attract new and transferred affiliates with discount rates and gift passes.

Mike still makes his weekly trek to Kehena, a black-sand cove located about thirty minutes down Pāhoa-Kalapana Road. The un-official, *tolerated* nude beach is a gathering place for an eclectic collection of visitors, local "granola" and the curious — all in various stages of nudity — and Sundays are popular with drum circles, impromptu singing and "herbs." Be prepared to hike a short but quite vertical path and heed the locals' advice about the usually rough waters.

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