

# OFFICER, COMMITTEE & LIAISON REPORTS

American Association for Nude Recreation  
Western Region



Mountain Air Ranch

July 25-29 2019

Littleton, Colorado

**American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, Inc.**  
**Annual Convention meeting Schedule**

All MAR members are invited to attend all these events!

**Thursday July 25, 2019**

7:00 pm Final Meeting of the 2018-2019 Board of Directors

**Friday, July 26, 2019**

9:00 am Meeting of the Regional Assembly..... Clubhouse  
2:00 PM Candidates Forum (Q&A) Panel (approximately 90 min)..... Clubhouse  
4:00 pm Happy Hour ..... Poolside

**Saturday, July 27, 2019**

9:00 am Meeting of the Regional Assembly..... Clubhouse  
  
1:00 pm - Workshop: ..... Clubhouse  
    How to Create a Regionwide Speaker's Bureau Program  
    Don Giles will show us his presentation designed for a non-nudist audience.  
  
2:00 pm – Workshop..... Clubhouse  
    International Nudism  
    Claudia Kellersch reviews the status of nude recreation in Thailand, Mexico and Europe

**Sunday July 28, 2019**

9:00 am First Meeting of the 2019-2020 Board of Directors..... Clubhouse

**American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, Inc.  
2019 Annual Convention: Outgoing Board of Directors Meeting Agenda  
Thursday July 25, 2019**

1. Call to Order, 7:00 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum
4. Introductions and Announcements
5. Adoption of this Agenda
6. Approval of Minutes from the March 2, 2019 Board Meeting
7. Officers' Reports
 

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| President .....      | Gary Mussell   |
| Vice President ..... | Cyndi Faber    |
| Secretary .....      | Danielle Smith |
| Treasurer .....      | Russell Lucia  |
8. AANR West Trustee Report..... Walt Stephens
9. Committee Reports (Updates/Supplements to Submitted Written Report):
 

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| Internal Administration (IA) .....             | Tim Mullins                         |
| Finance .....                                  | Rolf Holbach                        |
| Membership Marketing.....                      | Ricc Bieber                         |
| WINR.....                                      | Claudia Kellersch, Danielle, Treena |
| Singles.....                                   | Jeff Tendick, Cyndi Faber           |
| Associate Members / Newsletter.....            | Cyndi Faber, Gary Mussell           |
| Public Relations .....                         | Andy Walden                         |
| Social Media .....                             | Andy Walden                         |
| Trade Shows .....                              | Andy Walden, Ricc Bieber, Garl      |
| Website .....                                  | Gary Mussell, Don Giles             |
| Sports .....                                   | Jeff Tendick, Treena Saavedra       |
| Conventions & Facilities (C & F) .....         | Jeff, Cyndi, Ernie Wiese            |
| Club Liaisons.....                             | Andy Walden, Ernie Wiese            |
| Government Affairs .....                       | Gary Mussell                        |
| AANR West Youth and Young Adults.....          | Claudia Kellersch, Cyndi Faber      |
| Scholarship Program .....                      | Ernie Wiese                         |
| Legislation .....                              | Mike Glinzak                        |
| Western Nudist Research Library (Ad Hoc) ..... | Rolf Holbach                        |
| Credentials .....                              | Cyndi Faber, Treena Saavedra        |
| Nominations Report .....                       | Cyndi Faber                         |
10. Business Specifically Referred to This Meeting
11. New Business (anything not previously discussed)
12. Announcements (usually future activities)
13. Good of the Order
14. Adjournment

**American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, Inc.**  
**2019 Regional Assembly Agenda**  
**Friday & Saturday, July 26-27, 2019**

1. Call to order, 9:00 AM
  2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by Moment of Silence
  3. Welcome by Mountain Air Ranch
  4. Introduction and Announcements
  5. Roll Call of Officers and Directors
  6. Credentials Committee: Roll Call of Clubs and Delegates
  7. Oath to Delegates
  8. Adoption of this General Assembly Meeting Agenda, Rules and Order of Business
  9. Officers' Reports
    - President..... Gary Mussell
    - Vice President..... Cyndi Faber
    - Secretary..... Danielle Smith
    - Treasurer..... Russell Lucia
    - AANR West Trustee Report..... Walt Stephens
  10. Committee Reports:
    - Internal Administration (IA) q..... Tim Mullins
    - Finance..... Rolf Holbach
    - Membership Marketing..... Ricc Bieber
      - WINR..... Claudia, Danielle, Treena
      - Singles..... Jeff, Tendick, Cyndi Faber
      - Associate Members..... Cyndi Faber, Gary Mussell
    - Public Relations..... Andy Walden
      - Social Media..... Andy Walden
      - Trade Shows..... Andy Walden, Ricc Bieber, Gary Mussell
      - Website..... Gary Mussell, Don Giles
    - Sports..... Jeff Tendick, Treena Saavedra
    - Conventions & Facilities (C & F)..... Jeff, Cyndi, Ernie Wiese
    - Club Liaisons..... Andy Walden, Ernie Wiese
    - Government Affairs..... Gary Mussell
    - AANR West Youth and Young Adults..... Claudia Kellersch, Cyndi Faber
    - Scholarship Program..... Ernie Wiese
    - Western Nudist Research Library (Ad Hoc)..... Rolf Holbach
    - Legislation..... Mike Glinzak
      - Motion to Ratify All Board Actions 8/2/18 to 7/25/19
    - Credentials (any changes?)..... Cyndi Faber & Treena Saavedra
    - Nominations Report..... Cyndi Faber
      - Any Nominations from the Floor..... (Nominations to Remain Open)
- Recess of Regional Assembly until Saturday, July 27, 9:00 AM

**American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, Inc.**  
**2018 Regional Assembly Agenda**  
**Schedule for Saturday July 27, 2019**

- Regional Assembly Day #2 Call to Order 9:00 am..... Gary Mussell
11. Additional Delegate Credentials ..... Cyndi Faber
- Oath to Any Additional Delegates
12. Appointment of Vote Tally Committee ..... Gary Mussell
13. Further Nominations from the Floor/ Motion to Close Nominations
14. Election of Officers and Directors ..... Gary Mussell
15. Presentation of AANR Western Region Awards ..... Cyndi Faber/Gary Mussell
- Membership Increase Award (by number)
- Membership Increase Award (by percentage)
- Man, Woman, and Family of the Year
- Young Man and Young Woman of the Year
- Bill Hawk Sportsmanship Award
- Bob Page GAT Memorial Award
- AANR-West Hall of Fame
- President's Certificates of Appreciation ..... Gary Mussell
16. Oath/Installation of New Officers and Directors ..... Gary Mussell
17. Business Specifically Referred to This Meeting
18. New Business (anything not previously discussed)
19. Announcements (usually future activities)
20. Good of the Order\*
22. Regional Assembly Meeting Adjourns

**American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, Inc.  
2019 Annual Convention: Incoming Board of Directors Meeting Agenda  
Sunday July 28, 2019**

1. Call to Order, 9:00 AM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum
4. Introductions and Announcements
5. Adoption of this Agenda
6. Officers' Reports
  - a. President ..... TBA
    - Appointment of 2019-2020 Committees:
      - Internal Administration (IA) ..... TBA
      - Finance..... TBA
      - Membership Marketing..... TBA
      - Women in Nude Recreation (WINR) ..... TBA
      - Public Relations ..... TBA
      - Social Media ..... TBA
      - Website ..... TBA
      - Regional Newsletter..... TBA
      - AANR West Associates..... TBA
      - Sports ..... TBA
      - Club Liaison..... TBA
      - Conventions & Facilities ..... TBA
      - Government Affairs ..... TBA
      - AANR West Youth ..... TBA
      - Scholarship Program Committee ..... TBA
      - Legislation ..... TBA
      - Western Nudist Research Library..... TBA
      - Credentials ..... TBA
      - Nominations and Awards..... TBA
  - b. Vice President ..... TBA
  - c. Treasurer /Finance Chair ..... TBA
    - How to complete reimbursement forms
    - Discussion of 2020 Budget Process
7. AANR West Trustee Report..... Walt Stephens
8. Discussion of 2019 -2020- Goals..... Everybody!
9. Business Specifically Referred to This Meeting
10. New Business
11. Announcements
12. Good of the Order
13. Adjournment (Approximately 12:30 PM)

## President's Report, Summer 2019

By Gary Mussell  
AANR-West President

It has been another very exciting year for the region! My focus has been to improve communication between the AANR-West leadership and the 8000 members in the region. Equally important is the outreach to the general public and to build there a favorable impression for nude recreation in society and AANR's role there.

### Membership Marketing /Public Relations

We launched the **Passport program** in January and received a very positive response. As of the end of June, about 225 books have been distributed so the clubs should start seeing an increase in visitors through their gates over the summer. After some production delays we finally got the passport book stamps distributed to the clubs who ordered them.

Second, we have updated some (but not all) of the **trade show backdrops** as ours were about 4 years old and some of the photos and text needed replacement. We also updated our AANR-West brochure. Backdrops and literature. Are now being used at a greater number of trade shows, 5K Runs, festivals, and expos than ever before. We added an information booth at a Women's Expo in Phoenix this year.

We also **co-sponsored several public-facing events** this year including a theatrical play at the LA Fringe Festival, a monthly nude comedy show, and the World Naked Bike Ride – Los Angeles. Last September we had an information booth at a Free the Nipple rally in Denver and signed up AANR members on the spot!

### Spiffs Quartermaster

I remain "quartermaster" of all the spiffs we giveaway at the various travel shows and festivals. We purchased an intelligent amount based upon our inventory counts during 2017, and we are on track to have just enough to get through 2018. I look forward to finding someone who will do this important task instead of me!

### Monthly Newsletter

Since September 2017, I have been writing and publishing a 5-7-page regional newsletter each mid-month. I send it out to contacts at all the clubs in the region, and I ask the them to email forward it to their own members. Some club owners do it, and some, unfortunately, do not. Once the new membership system goes online in December, we hope to have the capability to email the newsletter to all 8000 members directly instead of having to go through the clubs.

Then newsletter is also sent monthly to the 1700 Associates in the region plus a couple hundred others who signed up at one of our trade show booths to receive a copy.

Past newsletters are stored online at [www.aanrwest.org/news.html](http://www.aanrwest.org/news.html).

### Social Media

Andy, Claudia, and Danielle are doing a great job managing our accounts at Twitter, MeWe, and Facebook respectively. Andy's daily memes at Twitter always attract a lot of "Likes" and by including a link to the AANR-West website in every post, he drives new visitors to our location. I have my own Twitter account (@AANR-Gary) with about 2500 followers, double from last year. We continue to see over half of the all site visitors coming there from social media. They have a separate report elsewhere in this packet.

### AANR-West Web Site

Content on the [www.aanrwest.org](http://www.aanrwest.org) web site continues to expand, including travel reports, sports activities, historical archives, and feature stories. The problem continues to be finding people who will submit interesting text, but this is a universal problem that all websites and newsletters have always had. We invite all submissions!

Our site statistics continue to show progress, that people are looking at the pages we want them to look at including the club directory, calendar, sports, etc. I remain the region's main liaison to our web master, Scott Weber at Rocketboy Media, who continues to do an excellent job for us.

I need to acknowledge that several clubs in the region have been inspired rewrite either start a newsletter or web sites or to upgrade their existing one. A few AANR members have started blogs containing positive commentary about their nudist experience. All of this helps promote AANR to its members and also nude recreation in general to the public.

## **Multi-Organizational Cooperation**

One of the cornerstones of my candidacy was to find a way to end the bickering between the different naturist organizations and find ways to cooperate in our public outreach and when combating ill-advised political legislation. I am happy to say those first steps have been taken.

The AANR monthly Government Affairs conference phone call now includes people from the Naturist Society's NAC Board. We reached an agreement with the Naturist Society's Camping Bares club to do a joint information booth at the San Diego Earth Day Expo, the first time we have done this together, so that 70,000 visitors could learn about nude recreation and not just about our different national organizations.

## **Callan Davis and Cec Cinder**

I have been working on this for the past year and I think we finally have some positive results. The Callen-Davis Memorial Fund was established a few decades ago by Beachfront USA, to be used for an eventual appeal of a 1977 California Court ruling against nude recreation in Los Angeles County. They never raised enough money for the appeal and the funds have just been sitting in a bank drawing meager interest. I always thought these funds might be repurposed to other nudist-related needs. But it took the deaths and retirements of several of that board's members (almost all are in there mid-80s or older) to get them to agree to a reorganization of its board and a re-writing of its by-laws. After some negotiation, their board now has two members of AANR, two from the Naturist Society, and three others from Beachfront, plus an Executive Director appointed by the AANR-West President. I appointed the two board members earlier this year and they were approved. It is hoped this new and younger approach to the needs of social nudism will make this fund more relevant and flexible to future challenges.

As a corollary to this, Cec Cinder, who has retired as the Callan-Davis Exec Dir last year, has a garage full of books he has written but not sold. This includes his world-famous *The Nudist Idea*, considered a major contribution to our movement. His heirs have agreed to release some of the book stock to us to sell on our website and at other nudist clubs who may be interested. We are still negotiating the commission percentages and logistics, but an announcement should be made about this soon.

## **Government Affairs (GAT)**

This year I found no volunteers to take over the GAT Committee from me, so I continued to perform that task for the region (read my GAT report elsewhere in this packet). I participate every month on the international GAT phone conference call. This 15-person committee reports on all news stories and proposed state/county/local bills and ordinances that affect nudists and plans appropriate responses.

## **AANR-West Membership Numbers**

I am happy to report our membership numbers are up slightly from the end of the year, after taking a small hit for 2018. After investigating, I learned most of the 165-person decrease last year occurred at two of our big clubs: Laguna de Sol raised its dues and I was told this decrease always happens to them whenever prices are raised. Those numbers are bouncing back in 2019. The second club with a temporary decline for the year was Glen Eden, who suffered several evacuations during the second half due to nearby fires and floods.

## **AANR**

My job description includes duties at the AANR level, not just in our region. I am required to attend all AANR Trustee meetings and the international convention, as all the Regional Presidents also meet there to discuss issues of common concern to us. Walt Stephens, our elected Trustee, was unable to attend the Mid-Winter Trustee meeting at Lake Como, Florida, so I got to represent the region at the "big table" with the trustees.

I also sit on the international Hall of Fame Committee, seeking individuals worthy of the honor for their lifetime achievements.

I also participated in the AANR Membership Marketing monthly teleconferences as they prepare to implement a new software system by end of the year to handle all AANR membership renewals. We will discuss this at our regional convention at the end of July.

I look forward to being re-elected and serving in this role for an additional two years.

Gary Mussell, AANR-West President



## Vice President Report Summer 2019

Cyndi Faber

As my term of Vice President is coming to an end I would like to extend a thank you to the board for the support and opportunity to serve in the this role the past two years. I am looking forward to continued work with the board and the region in a different role. Whomever is elected to this position will have my continued support and be able to rely on me for questions and anything that they need.

Nominations: VP is responsible for nominations of board members. If you are re-running for your position please send me your nomination paperwork. I would like to have this done before convention so that we are not scrambling at the last minute. Club owners; if you or any of your members are interested in being a part of the board please reach out. We are looking for volunteers from different backgrounds that have experience working with a team, communicating with the public and businesses, and have the desire to see our great organization grow.

Awards: If you have an outstanding member please nominate them for one of our honorary awards. These were created to recognize members that are going above and beyond the norm to further the ideas and principles of family nude recreation. We also have a sportsman ship award for those that are doing their part in spreading the great word of nude rec through sports. If you have any questions about how to nominate someone please send me an email ASAP as the deadline is June 30.

Event hosting: If your club is interested in hosting a sports festival, convention, or board meeting please contact me ASAP. This is a great way to show off your club, landed or non.

Newsletter: This has been a great opportunity for us to communicate with our members and direct traffic to the website. I would like to see a program developed for the associates, as we are trying to target directly. Something like a meetup every month at different clubs so the associates can meet each other and hopefully get out to the clubs.

Convention and Facilities: So excited to be visiting MAR for conventions; almost as excited as they are to have us. Since we have not been to Colorado for some time, they are happy to show off to the board and other members. I have been working with Jeff for the events and scheduling for the convention.

American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region

2019 Convention

**Treasurer's Report**

The financial report for the first quarter of 2019 has been distributed. If you did not get a copy and would like one, please contact the treasurer at [treasurer@aanrwest.org](mailto:treasurer@aanrwest.org)

The financial report for the second quarter of 2019 will be distributed after the end of June 2019. You should have it before convention starts.

I will be turning over the position of treasurer at this convention. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as AANR Western Region Treasurer for these past five years. I would love to continue as your treasurer but since I have moved out of the region it now must fall to someone else to take up the task. I will do my best to support the new treasurer and AANR Western **Region in the coming years. I hope to be able to visit often and see my friends "out West!"**

If you have any questions, please send them to the treasurer at [treasurer@aanrwest.org](mailto:treasurer@aanrwest.org)

Thank you,

Russell Lucia

Treasurer,

American Association for Nude Recreation,

Western Region

310-291-5552 text or voicemail

2019 Regional Assembly

Secretary Report

Danielle Smith

At this time the Bylaws and Procedure Manual are fully up to date with annotations and corrections as they are required. The club directory is up to date to the best of my knowledge and constantly updated as information is passed on. This is not a one-person job if anyone hears of a change in contact information please pass it on as the directory needs to stay up to date. Email has become the fastest way to communicate to everyone at the same time so make sure the any emails coming from @aanrwest.org are not marked as spam as this is communication directly from the region.

This is my last report to you all as part of the board. I have the computer and sound equipment all ready to hand over to the new secretary. I am committed to working with the new secretary on the ins and out of this position and providing as smooth of a transition as possible. Thank You.

## FINANCE REPORT – JUNE 19, 2019

Rolf Holbach – Finance Chair

First of all, I would like to thank outgoing Treasurer, Russell Lucia, for his service to AANR-West and his dedication to accuracy in following the By-Laws in the execution of his duties during his term. I look forward to working with the incoming Treasurer in the creation of the 2020 AANR-West budget.

I am happy to report that the loan approved by the board of directors at our Spring Meeting to sponsor the naturist play at this years Hollywood Fringe Festival should be repaid in full by the time you read this. Every performance was a sell-out and the play was very well received and reviewed at the Festival.

As of this writing 6-22-19, I am still in recuperation mode from some recent surgeries, but I am recovering well. After a 6-week hiatus, I am back at the office and driving again! Thank you to all the well-wishers everywhere!

**Passport Program:** The AANR West Nudist Passport Program is a qualified success! At the moment, we only have about 40-50 Passports in stock, and may reorder soon, depending upon growing interest. Our inclusion of a 'Passport Stamp' to the various participating clubs was a bonus for participation.

I want to thank Gary Mussell for his guidance and participation in this program. Our choice of using our local printer, Minuteman Press for some of our projects, has proven to be a great decision, and because of their proximity to my business office, very time-saving, as well.

**Liaison Report:** I have reached out to my assigned clubs, and have not received any responses thus far. I will be redoubling my efforts for updates at convention.

That's about it at this time. This will be my last year serving on The Board, and it has been an interesting ride, with some great innovations and programs implemented along the way.

I look forward to helping to make this coming year even better!

Ricc Bieber

Director

Report from AANR West Director Claudia Kellersch, San Diego  
Club: De Anza Springs  
Interests: WINR, PR, Sports, Newsletter  
June 26, 2019

Since our board meeting in March 2019 at Lupin Lodge, where I stood alone for about an hour in front of my fellow directors, officers and visitors, delivering my last report and brainstorming our future together, we have had a very busy time.

AANR West Passports -

I delivered my 10 brand new passports to the De Anza Springs office in March 2019, and Kim told me, when I returned over Memorial Day weekend in May, that she sold and stamped 3 of them. She stamped mine :) as #4, so she knows the two places where the stamp goes.

April 13 and June 15

Co-Hosted Deep Creek hikes with Ron. Talked up one lady who is a member of an unaffiliated club in the Inland Empire.

Connected to another lady, with her female partner, about spas in southern California, and she showed up for WNBR LA one week later. Sadly, I was the only female on the overnight camp.

*PR: Since people have the low cost opportunity to camp in their own tents at AANR West clubs, I think we need to look into promoting camping at AANR West clubs more to families, couples and ladies. Lupin Lodge allows you to rent and move into their tents already set up.*

April 28 - Earth Fair in Balboa Park, San Diego

Excellent PR, tons of ladies stopped by the booth who are already familiar with the nude beach at Blacks, and others with alternative backgrounds. Our best investment.

First time to promote AANR/AANR West as booth neighbors to the local Camping Bares of San Diego club, for whom I volunteered in their booth for more than fifteen years prior.

I have not spent any budget money yet (have not yet received any feedback from my committee members, zero photos nor text to go with my sketch.)

My plan, if approved by my committee members, is to develop an Earth-Fair specific handout for 2020 with a raffle ticket worth \$ 20 (entrance to my future monthly scheduled AANR West Lady Spa Nights), encouraging e-mail and text contact.

*This event is definitely a Go for next year.*

May 1 to May 8

Thailand.

Invited speaker, visited NatCon8 (over 120 attendees from all over Asia), and three additional naturist clubs, including Phuan Village already affiliated with AANR, working on AANR affiliation with another club based on the request by the owner.

Worked together with Robin Handleman, former WINR Chair at AANR East, who organized the famous "AANR loves NATCON" photo. I gave her my AANR photo release for this, and I had the volunteers I recruited sign mine for upcoming article in AANR Bulletin.

*Scheduled to speak about Thailand Naturism at the upcoming convention in July 2019.*

May

Brief trip to Florida to fundraise on the nude beaches of Apollo and Playa Linda for situation on Blind Creek Beach.

While at Cypress Cove, Carolyn invited me to stop by the AANR National office, where I had a tour, took pictures, and - most importantly, was given copies fresh and hot off the press of the new national WINR brochure, which is out of this world with ladies of color, with tattoos, the actual happily retired set you see at clubs, a lady in a wheel chair, one mother with a baby, WOW!!!! We can do this here in AANR West also, with our real existing members!

May 19 - Bare to Breakers

(See article and photo in the current June 2019 newsletter)

I wish my begged-after AANR West cards had arrived in time, as I had tons of photo requests with me from ladies on the course track plus positive comments from female bystanders. Putting an AANR West card into their hands with my contact info and our website and info would have gotten us endless free PR!!

A set of cards printed on hard white paper in various non-standard sizes arrived at my address 3 days after the event. Thank you, Danielle! Since they do not fit into wallets and are not credit-card sized, they stand out more.

Sports

Graham Hamilton a De Anza Springs member, asked me to be a promoter for the 5 K he organizes there, part of the AANR West 5 K series. He printed me a promotional shirt, which I have been wearing to various events (before taking it off :), and provided me with cards. I brought a large amount to the WNBR LA and they went over well. I had them on the tables as well as handing them out targeting them carefully at the most likely to attend cyclists and chatted them up over the event as well as the Arizona 5K run in October.

WINR at my club

I chatted up Whitney to offer a ladies workshop with beads. It is my own idea to use name letter beads to make first names, nude names or nick names as an ice breaker for ladies events. This will be part of a workshop. Several weeks later I rounded up letter beads and have them now.

May 22 -

The day I received my AANR West calling cards - Thanks, Danielle!

They are on rigid white card board, are cut nicely and have all different sizes, so they stand out from the normal cookie cutter cards that just fit into your wallet, where you tend to forget them.

Memorial Day weekend- De Anza Springs

PR

Gary at DASR told me about the success of his PR campaigns for the club, on MeWe, newsletter open rate, etc.

While I am excited that ladies events were organized in two AANR West clubs (GE and MAR), the brief reports published in the AANR West newsletter (March 2019) did not indicate any nudity or nude recreation in those events. I personally prefer events *with nude recreation* to bring people together, such as naked soaking in hot pools and skinny dipping at Deep Creek hot springs, nude 5 and 12 K run/walks, WNBR events, nude spa nights, trips to nude beaches, nude overnight camping, nude club events at AANR West clubs, etc.

The newly developed WINR handout shows only one unrecognizable photo of a prominent lady's back (the title on the handout is: "Woman in Naturism"), and was rushed to print before giving me any chance to see it and proof (or edit). As a professional proofreader and experienced editor, I hope to develop good material without spelling mistakes.

June 8 - WNBR Mexico City

This 14-year run since the very start of World Naked Bike Rides is the most successful in the world with over 1.700 attendees this year (some say 2000). A clean park plaza in the center of the city has body paint areas with volunteer painters and paints, and more than a dozen media (television, radio, social, blogs) interviewers with camera men given access to participants. The number of families, pets, riding on the same bicycles together and the fact that all ages, sizes, shapes came together to protest car traffic, pollution, oil dependency, was really impressive. The crowds were chanting *Ahora SI me vez = You can see me NOW!*

June 9 - Mexico City

Annual Meeting of the Mexican Federation of Nudism (FNM)

I properly requested and was given time to talk about my work as the first-ever delegate from the Mexican federation to the INF World Congress in Portugal, where I had paid 100% of my own way plus subsidized Hector's attendance, plus donated 500 Euro back of the INF reimbursement to the federation for sending a delegate to the congress, providing important seed money for their ambitious plans. I put Mexico on the map of global naturism in a positive way, highlighting their successes (4-year festival, growing each year, on a legal nude beach, over 4000 attendees in 2019, social media outreach etc.). Sadly, Hector, the young new president, who had just started his own group in Guadalajara a couple of years earlier, has decided since November 2018 and insists again in June 2019, that he does not wish to cooperate with us. His term is two years, until June 2020. There are many different new groups and leaders emerging all over the country, and they work independently from Hector and outside the federation. I am continuing my work in Mexico as always, and maintain my active membership in the federation, working positively with other leaders in the federation and in various parts of Mexico.

*Scheduled to speak about Mexican Nudism and new developments at the upcoming convention in July 2019.*



WINR in Mexico

Even though I requested to talk about my new initiative, since I wanted to do this inside the federation, Hector informed me at the beginning of the annual meeting that I would not be allowed to speak about my new initiative (which he had not heard about.) So nobody knows that I am in a large Mexican naturist ladies group and trying to find a suitable multilingual female Mexican delegate to travel with me to the next world congress of the INF (Slovenia, September 2020).

June 15 - Deep Creek

Of the various southern California groups from where people head to Deep Creek hot springs, 3 ladies changed their RSVP to No within 24 hours of the meetup.

I ended up being the only female on the overnight camp after the nude hike to the hot springs. Fortunately, I was able to hand out my new AANR West card to two ladies at the springs, and one contacted me and will be coming to the WNBR LA. She is also into Spa nights, and we discussed many different spas in the OC and San Diego County she has attended alone or with her female partner.

Half-finished and VISION

Purchase copy of the [Embrace](#) video from Australia for ladies workshops. (It is about body acceptance).

Use the existing Ladies Only group of Naturists in the Orange County, a club with AANR members, but not affiliated, to create and diffuse ladies events.

Create WINR Ladies Groups on MeWe and Meetup.

To the delegates to our AANR West convention at Mt. Air Ranch:

As I received only one brief year that went by way too fast, I respectfully ask for your vote to re-elect me for another term to continue my work for AANR West as a director and serving on the committees as part of the WINR, PR and Sports programs.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Kellersch

WINR Chair, July 2018 - July 2019

# Social Media Committee Report

Andy Walden ◦ Danielle Smith ◦ Rolf Holbach ◦ Don Giles

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Mountain Air Ranch ◦ 9006 S<sup>o</sup> Mica Mine Gulch Rd ◦ Littleton CO

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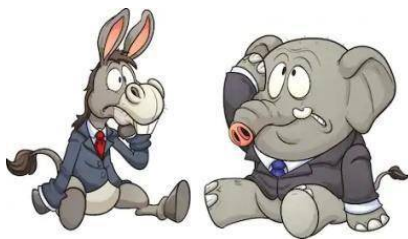
## GENERAL ISSUE

Social nudism in the United States is a microcosm of American life. Just about every ethnicity, religious affiliation, age group, education level and occupation is represented by those living the nude life and this also includes political viewpoints. As for the latter, there is a time and place for it.



With the country moving towards the next election cycle, social media is already *chock full o' nuts* voicing opinions from exalted enthusiasm to unbridled vitriol. We respect the individual exercising his or her First Amendment Right in the expressed ideal that, “**Congrejs shall make no law ... abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press.**” Yet we are now witnessing increased hypersensitivity and overreactions to even the most mundane stories in a way which has caused divisiveness amongst friends, colleagues and even family members.

Therefore, let it be stated that it is good policy for our organisation’s representatives to avoid *brandstanding* or corporate virtue signaling unless there is a direct concern regarding nudists’ rights or privileges. A recent newspaper interview quoted an AANR officer of finding a candidate’s enjoyment of swimming nude as a possible in-road to executive acceptance. Even though the statement was intended as *simply good exposure* for us, for a number of readers this was tantamount to a political endorsement.



It is a responsibility of the SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE to curb personal perspectives and represent all of our members as nudists — and only as nudists — sans qualifying adjectives. This same advice is recommended for our affiliated clubs, resorts and businesses as well. We may wear our politics on our sleeves but, once we remove our clothes, we also remove those sleeves!

## FACEBOOK

The AANR West page continues to grow at a steady pace. Over the last 28 days (as of 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2019), there have been 26 posts, 5,2k people reached, 3,5k engagements and 179 times our hyperlinks were clicked. We have garnered over 600 followers, 575 of whom LIKE us.



## MEWE



Our latest outreach platform has been steadily gaining popularity. A separate AANR-West page has received positive responses. Like TWITTER, nudity is allowed which is one of its draws for other naturists to switch from the FACEBOOK consortium.

## PARLER



A new platform is gaining attention from FACEBOOK and TWITTER users, especially who have experienced shadow banning, throttling-back of businesses who are not using the boost option, and who have been outright banned for content. Pronounced /paɪ.le/ as in the French *to speak*, **their stated goal is, “to empower users to control their social experience and build trust within the online community.”** If they accept non-sexual nudity as free speech and expression, this can be an exciting new

outreach.

## TWITTER

AANR-West has recovered nicely from the recent suspension and subsequent reboot of its TWITTER account. For a platform which has tacitly allowed extreme echelons of violence and pornography, it is curious that tweets depicting wholesome, family-oriented nudism can be cause for anonymous retribution with little chance of **recovery**. **As of this report’s submission, SCNA has been taken off-line;** Rolf Holbach is investigating.



| AFFILIATE TWITTER ACCOUNT                      |                  | FOLLOWERS  |             | FOLLOWERS   | TWEETS    | TWEETS    | LAST TWEET <sup>1</sup> |               |
|--|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------|
| <b>DE ANZA SPRINGS RESORT</b>                  | @deAnzaSpringsRe |            | 19-Jun-2019 | 22-Jan-19   | 19-Jun-19 |           | 19-Jun                  |               |
|  |                  |            | 3277        | 5022        | 5915      |           |                         |               |
|  |                  |            | 12000+      | 1335        | 1333      |           |                         |               |
| <b>Clothes-Free International</b>              | @ClothesFree     |            |             |             |           |           | 13-Mar                  |               |
| <b>LUPIN LODGE</b>                             | @LupinLodge      | 2093       |             | 2416        |           | 1075      | 1086                    | 29-May        |
| <b>GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB</b>                      | @GlenEdenSunClub | 1170       |             | 1677        |           | 465       | 537                     | 17-Jun        |
| <b>AANR Western Region</b>                     | @aanrWESTorg     | <b>129</b> |             | <b>1005</b> |           | <b>43</b> | <b>491</b>              | <b>19-Jun</b> |
| <b>MIRA VISTA RESORT</b>                       | @MiraVistaResort | 1684       |             | 1987        |           | 292       | 325                     | 21-Apr        |
| <b>THE SEQUOIANS</b>                           | @TheSequoians    | 1106       |             | 1328        |           | 293       | 299                     | 23-May        |
| <b>LAGUNA DEL SOL</b>                          | @Laguna_del_Sol  | 1668       |             | 1946        |           | 276       | 298                     | 21-Apr        |
| <b>OLIVE DELL RANCH<sup>2</sup></b>            | @ODbareburro     | 649        |             | 711         |           | 211       | 254                     | 10-Jun        |
|  | @bobbykilborn    | 276        |             | 306         |           | 92        | 92                      | 01-Sep-18     |
| <b>Las Vegas Naturists</b>                     | @LVNaturists     | 351        |             | 398         |           | 130       | 131                     | 17-May        |
| <b>SHANGRI LA RANCH</b>                        | @SLRnude         | 1079       |             | 1184        |           | 22        | 69                      | 29-Apr        |
| <b>Roadrunner Naturists</b>                    | @RRNaturist      | 297        |             | 356         |           | 44        | 44                      | 11-Jan        |
| <b>Las Vegas Bares</b>                         | @LasVegasBares   | 152        |             | 185         |           | 42        | 43                      | 31-May        |
| <b>MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH</b>                      | @trynude         | 89         |             | 99          |           | 1         | 1                       | 25-Jul-09     |
| <b>S<sup>o</sup> California Naturist Ass'n</b> | @SoCalNaturist   | 11800+     | suspended   |             |           | 6484      | suspended               | suspended     |

<sup>1</sup>As of 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019

<sup>2</sup>Neither account is wholly dedicated to ODR

## EPILOGUE

This committee is proud of the accomplishments in communicating to our nudist/naturist brothers and sisters the activities, upcoming events and NAKATION™ ideas from not only the region but also across the country as well as from around the world. For our textile cousins, we have reached out with messages of wholesome, family-oriented nudism in a fun, honest and sometimes provocative way. There are no statistics to prove our effectiveness but we are confident that our campaign can be considered successful.

It has been a pleasure to chair this vital committee. The daily dedication to finding subjects, appropriate graphics, scripting the right words and — the most daunting task — weeding through and vetting new followers have been both a pleasure and sometimes a curse. Whether this position continues on its course or changes hands, it's been an honour to serve the AANR WESTERN REGION in this capacity.





## AANR-West Web Site: WWW. AANRWEST.ORG

By Gary Mussell, AANR-West Web Team Coordinator, June 2019

In the two years since we first launch our new aanrwest.org the web site has blossomed into a wonderful resource for clubs, regional activities, and basic information about all aspects of social nudism.

We have retained **Rocketboy Media** in Chatsworth to be our Web Designer and site manager. We are very happy with their work. His current big project is converting the web site so that it works more cleanly on a smart phone.

Google Statistics allows us to look at how we are doing on yearly, weekly, daily, or by the month basis.

### Google Web Statistics Summary April 1 through June 20, 2019

Search Engine Optimization: On Google, we rank #1 on searches for Nude Recreation | Nudist Resorts | Nudist

Number of unique visitors: 13,450

Average length of time on site per visit: 1 min 34 sec. (meaning they are reading /downloading something, otherwise it would be about 10 seconds))

Percentage New Visitors: 72% (85% of first-time visitors are female, but we don't get many back)

Percentage Returning Visitors: 27% (this is a consistent ratio over the two years).

Percentage Male: 87% (grew by 15% over a year ago).

Percentage Female: 13%

#### Age Range of Visitors:

|            |     |
|------------|-----|
| Ages 25-34 | 12% |
| Ages 35-44 | 19% |
| Ages 45-54 | 35% |
| Ages 55-64 | 19% |
| Ages 65+   | 15% |

#### Social Media Referral Sources:

|            |     |
|------------|-----|
| Twitter    | 67% |
| Facebook   | 31% |
| All Others | 2%  |

#### Operating System Used:

|         |     |
|---------|-----|
| iOS     | 35% |
| Android | 32% |
| Windows | 25% |

#### Device Type Used:

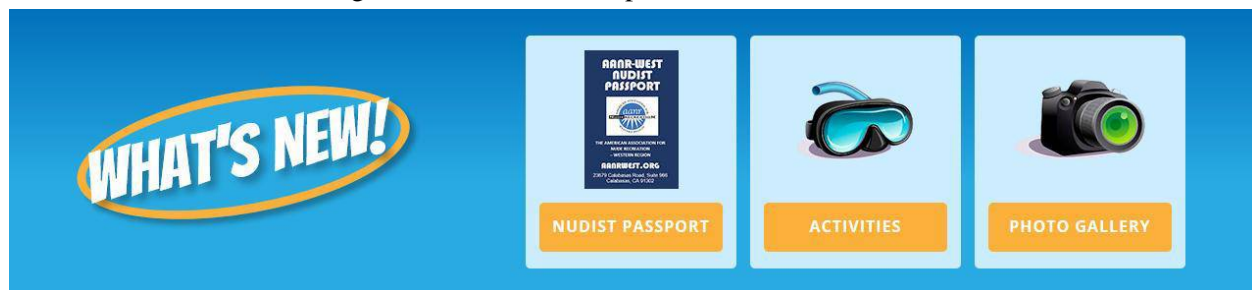
|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Smart Phone    | 48% |
| Tablet         | 11% |
| Desktop/laptop | 40% |

Where Do Visitors Go on Our Web Site? (top 24 in descending order)

1. Club directory
2. Places to Hike Nude in Southern California
3. Photo Gallery
4. AANR West Newsletter
5. Club Activity Calendar
6. Home Page
7. Women in Naturism
8. Sports
9. Activities description
10. Aanr-youth-speak-out
11. Travel
12. Behavior Guideline
13. Nudist FAQs
14. Member Stories
15. Videos
16. Nudist Etiquette
17. About AANR West
18. Guide for First timers
19. Government-affairs
20. Membership Info
21. The Nudist passport program
22. Meet the Regional officers
23. The Pioneers
24. Youth programs

Notes about these statistics:

- The number of first-time **visitors** jumped way up this spring (over double) after we attended several different trade shows where we handed out literature and other information about the region. Obviously, the show booths are having a positive effect!
- The **Activities** section also includes descriptions of all the things a person can do while in a social nude setting (Play Volleyball, Tennis or Pickleball, Hike and Run, enjoy the Beach, Bowl, Garden, do Yoga, etc.) People are reading the PDF links describing these activities in detail. We recently added a **Photo Gallery** under Activities.
- We have also started a **Travel Stories** page where viewers can read about nudist adventure in the Grand Canyon, on a Nude Cruise, etc. We need more stories!
- The **News** area is where we have our **monthly newsletter**, plus links to the archive of previous issues. This link is provided on our Twitter page and in email via **MailChimp** to our Associate members, so we don't have to send the newsletter as an attachment to the email announcement each month.
- Also, in this About Us are biographies of nudist **Pioneers** from the region. We have about a dozen more to add after the research is completed on their lives and contributions.
- Under **Gov't Affairs** we have a library of important legal cases about social nudity. These can be used as reference by the public, AANR members, and attorneys looking for legal precedents. Recently we added an **'Update'** page that discusses current proposed legislation and what AANR is doing about it.
- The **Contact Page** is getting us several emails a week from people curious about social nudism or from members with various questions or problems. I read these and either answer immediately or refer the question to the proper AANR office person. I am VERY happy we have this ability to communicate directly with our membership!
- We added a "What's New" section on the Home Page to draw visitor's attention to new areas recently added to the site, allowing direct access to an important area otherwise buried a few levels down.



2019 Regional Assembly

Sports Report

Jeff Tendick

Olive Dell held its annual Bare Burro 5k as well its new Beer Mile which was highly attend and has many looking forward to next year.

The summer season started off great with the run at Glen Eden as well as the sports events held during the summer festival.

The annual convention being held at Mountain Air Ranch in Colorado looks to be fun and exciting as it has been many years since they have hosted a large event like this. The club is excited to be hosting and presenting us with many sports activities to attend.

DeAnza Springs has a 5k on the calendar for Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup>. This will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> year they have had this event.

The Fall Festival at Shangri La Ranch, October 11,12,13 that is always a blast with multiple clubs sending representatives for lively water volleyball and other sports. There will also be a 5k on Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>.



## Conventions and Facilities Summer 2019

Jeff Tendick

This year we have been working with Mountain Air Ranch as they are our gracious hosts this year.

Not only have we scheduled a couple of great workshops to pass along more information about what we are doing but MAR have scheduled a lot of FUN activities. Hopefully in the next couple of years we can create more of them and find some outside speakers.

In addition to all of the activities MAR has amazing hiking opportunities that everyone should take advantage of.

Traveling to MAR for convention is a great way to get a stamp in your **passport! Don't have** your yet? What are you waiting for? This is exactly what they were created for; to give members credit for traveling to different clubs in the region.

We are always looking for clubs, landed and non to host events including meetings, sports festivals, and convention. Requirements are minimal and it is a great opportunity to show off your club. Please contact me if you are interested.

# Liaison Committee Report

Andy Walden ◦ **Ernie Wiese**

66<sup>th</sup> Annual AANR Western Region **Convention** • 25-28 July, 2019

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## REPORTING

Last meeting's package was quite disappointing; only two directors submitted reports for March 2019's gathering from their respective clubs and resorts! As this is a voluntary position, priorities can plausibly be pushed to the back burner; nevertheless, voluntarily standing for a place on the Board also infers an acceptance to responsibilities. We included a new budget line to compensate for visiting our assigned clubs; telephone calls or e-mail correspondences still are suitable so it's difficult to understand the lack of action.



The liaison programme is to afford our affiliates and associate members representation on the governing Board of this Region. We, as directors, are charged with bringing their voices to these meetings. Aside from the abovementioned reason, this also gives our region's members intangible added value to their loyalty *vis-à-vis* their membership. The success of our connection to the members of AANR WESTERN REGION is saddled in open communication. We not only need to represent our associates, we need them to know they are represented.

This committee tried a different way of allocating liaison assignments this session so perhaps the experiment is a failure. However, we are always open to suggestion and welcome ideas to improve our results. Whether the chairmanship continues on the same path or changes hands, it has been an honour and privilege to serve the AANR WESTERN REGION in this capacity.

## aanr west liaison schedule 2018-2019

|                   |                          |              |                          |              |                           |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Andy Walden       | AANR Florida             | Ernie Wiese  | AANR East                | Ricc Bieber  | Bay Area Naturists        |
|                   | AANR West Canada         |              | Front Range Naturists    |              | Beachfront USA            |
|                   | <b>Hangin' Loose</b>     |              | Mountain Air Ranch       |              | Bonny Doon Beach          |
|                   | Living Waters Spa        |              | Wasatch Naturists        |              | Las Vegas Bares           |
| Claudia Kellersch | Naturists in the OC      | Jeff Tendick | Arizona Wildflowers      | Rolf Holbach | Las Vegas Naturists       |
|                   | <b>Swim Free Hawai'i</b> |              | Buff-A-Teers             |              | Lupin Lodge               |
|                   | AANR Northwest           |              | Canyon State Naturists   |              | The Sequoians             |
|                   | Blacks Beach Bares       |              | Mira Vista Resort        |              | Whales Cave Conservancy   |
| Don Giles         | Camping Bares            | Mike Glenzak | Mojave SUN Club          | Rolf Holbach | Arroyo del Sol % B&B      |
|                   | de Anza Springs Resort   |              | Shangri La Ranch         |              | Canyon Sun Club           |
|                   | Friends of Blacks Beach  |              | ClothesFree.com          |              | Casa Cahava % B&B         |
|                   | Friends of San Onofre    |              | Harbin Hot Springs       |              | Casa Jardín Paraiso % B&B |
| Treena Saavedra   | Le Club                  | Mike Glenzak | Laguna del Sol           | Rolf Holbach | % Home Network            |
|                   | Olympian Club            |              | Nº California Exposure   |              | Friends of Bates Beach    |
|                   | AANR Midwest             |              | Olive Dell Ranch         |              | Glen Eden Sun Club        |
|                   | Roadrunner Naturists     |              | River Dippers            |              | Pacificans                |
| Treena Saavedra   | AANR Southwest           | Mike Glenzak | South Valley Travel Club | Rolf Holbach | Sº Calif. Naturist Ass'n  |
|                   | Suntree Travel Club      |              | Tahoe Area Naturists     |              | Western Nudist Library    |

\*individual liaison reports are located at the end of this packet\*

## AANR-West Government Affairs Report – July 1, 2019

By Gary Mussell, AANR-West GAT Chair

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.

This past year, AANR-West had a much easier year than the previous one when it came to be fighting for our rights, as most of the state legislatures were focused on the issues of marijuana and illegal immigration. However, there were a few significant court rulings in our region concerning nudity and top freedom. Below is a month by month and state by state rundown of significant events since our last convention in August 2018:

### September: Utah Ordered to Pay Up After Losing 'Deadpool' THEATER Case

Lawmakers and the governor in the conservative, predominantly Mormon state had backed a law that is largely aimed at strip clubs but also prohibited serving booze during films with simulated sex or full-frontal nudity. Until now.

A movie theater sued in 2016 after Utah regulators threatened to fine it up to \$25,000. The state defended the measure in court, calling liquor and sex an "explosive combination"

In September, after a lengthy trial, a Federal judge struck down the law last year as a violation of First Amendment rights, ruling the theater is not an adult-oriented establishment and *Deadpool* is a mainstream, R-rated movie. The judge ordered the state to pay more than \$475,000 in legal fees after it lost a court fight over a law that banned serving alcohol during the racy, foul-mouthed superhero film *Deadpool*.

Liquor authorities were concerned about a suggestive scene in the film's credits involving a cartoon unicorn, among other things. The theater's attorney and former Salt Lake City Mayor Rocky Anderson argued that the law was so vague it would apply to Michelangelo's "David."

His office was awarded attorneys' fees and an additional \$3,800 in other legal costs. *Deadpool* star Ryan Reynolds held a fundraiser that raised \$22,000 for the plaintiffs and this was deducted from the final financial award.

Idaho lawmakers repealed a similar law last year when a theater sued after its liquor license was threatened for showing *Fifty Shades of Grey* while serving alcohol.

### October: Sexual Harassment Law Strengthened in CA

**Important notice for all landed clubs in California with 5 or more employees:** Currently, the relevant provisions of California's Fair Employment and Housing Act ("FEHA"), sections 12950 and 12950.1 of the California Government Code, require employers with 50 or more employees to provide sexual harassment training for all supervisory employees.

SB 1343 amended these provisions, instead requiring employers of five or more employees—including seasonal and temporary employees—to provide sexual harassment training for both supervisory and non-supervisory employees by January 1, 2020.

### November: how did the 2018 midterm elections affect nudists?

Some interesting factoids from this year's election:

- With Idaho and Utah voting yes, it is finally the law in every state that mothers can legally breastfeed in public.
- With the defeat of Gov. Scott Walker in Wisconsin, local nudists have emailed me they are hopeful the new Democrat administration will be more open to the restoration of the clothing-optional area at Mazo Beach, which Walker closed several years ago.
- "Trifecta states" (where one party controls the governorship and both houses of the state legislature) saw a net gain of six states for the Democrats. The current count is Republicans have 22 trifectas and Democrats hold 14. This means essentially "one party rule" in those 38 states.
- The only state left with a divided legislature is Minnesota. The remaining 49 state legislatures are all controlled by one political party or the other. Of those states, Democrats control 18 legislatures while Republicans control 31.

Some of the new legislative sessions will begin in December and others in January or even later. We will be watching for bills that affect nudists and we will report these to you in future newsletters. Here is more election information about our region's individual states:

## **CALIFORNIA**

This state remains the “bluest” of the “blue” states, with Democrats holding all statewide elected offices, and holding a 2/3 majority in both the State Assembly and State Senate. New bills can be introduced starting December 1.

Fifty-three members of Congress come from California. The election flipped four of these seats from Republican to Democrat, so the count is now 40 Democrats, 13 Republicans, depending on if there will be any recounts.

U.S. Senator Diane Feinstein (D) easily won reelection to her sixth (and probably her last) term. At age 85 she is the oldest and the longest current serving member of the Senate.

In Carpinteria, one of our nude beach supporters was defeated for reelection to the City Council, to be replaced by someone who is “open to discussion” about it. The council challenger who was vocally opposed to the beach was defeated and came in last.

## **ARIZONA**

Arizona remains a Republican “trifecta” at the state level. Republicans control the state Senate with 16 seats to Democrats' 13 seats. Republicans control the state House with 28 seats to Democrats' 26 seats with two not yet decided.

Republican Rep Martha McSally was slightly behind Dem Kyrsten Sinema for the U.S. Senate seat, but with only one half of a percent separating the two, they are probably headed for a recount.

The state's nine U.S. House seats remain split between five Democrats and four Republicans, a net gain of one for the Democrats.

## **COLORADO**

The Democrats flipped the Governorship back to their column and they also picked up a Congressional seat making that count now four Dems and three Republicans, with one not yet decided. Congressman Jared Polis will be the country's first openly gay man to serve as governor.

Colorado's State Senate also flipped with 18 Dems and 17 Republicans, while the state House now has a Democratic majority 37-23, a net gain of four for the Democrats.

## **HAWAII**

Hawaii has been a Democratic trifecta for many years, controlling all state elected offices, and both state houses by wide margins. The party won the single US Congressional seat by a 50% vote margin, and Sen. Mazie Hirono was re-elected to the US Senate by a 71% margin over her Republican opponent.

## **NEW MEXICO**

The Governor's office flipped to the Democrats this year, and all the other statewide elected officials are also now Democrats. Democrats control the state Senate with 26 seats to Republicans' 16 seats. Democrats regained control of the State House in November 2016 and increased their six seat margin to 22 with two still undecided.

The U.S. Senate seat remained in Democrat hands by a 54% to 30% margin. New Mexico has three U.S. Congressional seats and the Democrats now hold all three after flipping the last one.

## **NEVADA**

The Democratic "blue wave" hit was never more evident than in Nevada this year, with Democrats taking the Governorship for the first time in two decades and toppling the incumbent Republican U.S. senator.

However – only in Nevada! - a brothel owner and reality TV star, Dennis Hof, who died a month before the election, still won his race for Nevada's 36th Assembly District. Hof, who ran as a Republican and calling himself “The Trump of Pahrump” defeated Democratic challenger Lesia Romanov by more than 7,000 votes, proving the old cliché that some people would rather vote for a dead man than for someone from the opposition party. According to state law, county officials will now appoint a fellow Republican who also resides in the district to take Hof's seat.

## **UTAH**

Utah remains a Republican trifecta, controlling the governorship as well as a majority in both the state Senate and state House (58-17 seats) although the Democrats had a net gain of two seats in the lower house. Former Republican Presidential nominee Mitt Romney won election to the U.S. Senate with 62% of the vote.

## WYOMING

Wyoming is also a Republican trifecta, with that party holding the governorship and a wide majority in both the state Senate and state House. The Republican U.S. Senator was re-elected easily, as was the state's sole member of Congress, Liz Cheney, daughter of the former U.S. Vice President. The state's legislative session starts February 12.

### **December: Tumblr social platform Bans All Adult Content, Including Artistic Nudity**

As of December 17, 2018, the popular blogging platform Tumblr has permanently banned all nude images, including artistic nude photos published by professional photographers.

The move is seemingly in response to Tumblr's official app being banned from Apple's iOS App Store in November after child pornography was discovered on the social network. But Tumblr's new policy is much more wide-reaching. Here's Tumblr's new definition of the "adult content" that will no longer be allowed:

***“Adult content primarily includes photos, videos, or GIFs that show real-life human genitals or female-presenting nipples, and any content—including photos, videos, GIFs and illustrations—that depicts sex acts.”***

This definition seems to have spared boudoir photography and other suggestive photos if there's no explicit nudity such as exposed nipples or genitals. However, Tumblr uses the same automated algorithm tools used by Facebook and Instagram to identify offensive images, so famous paintings and statues are being banned same as they are on the other two social platforms, despite protests the identification process is too strict.

“Posts that contain adult content will no longer be allowed on Tumblr, and we've updated our Community Guidelines to reflect this policy change,” writes Tumblr CEO Jeff D'Onofrio. “We will focus our efforts on creating the most welcoming environment possible for our community.”

If a blogger believes their image was incorrectly flagged as violating the new policy, D'Onofrio says the site owner can appeal the decision, but in the few weeks the new policy has been in effect few appeals have been successful.

Since the web site now lumps nude pictures and videos into the same category as pornography, reaction was swift and negative among online nudists

Many posts on Tumblr, Facebook and Twitter during December indicate nudists are migrating their nudist content over to the Twitter, Mastodon, and MeToo social networks. True Nudist has also made a heavy pitch to receive any Tumblr refugees. Others have decided to open their own blogs using WordPress

### **January: National Park service approves Saline Valley air strip**

The National Park Service completed and released its long-anticipated report recommending changes to the Death Valley National Park and adjacent areas under its jurisdiction, including the traditionally clothing-optional Saline Valley Hot Springs.

To our relief, there were very few changes recommended to this remote and under-developed Springs except to officially approve the makeshift airstrip called the “Chicken Strip,” basically a strip of flat dirt used by people to access the Springs who do not want to drive the bone-crushing four-hour drive on a 50-mile long rutted dirt road to get there.

Both the difficult access and the lack of improvements means the place will never become a major tourist destination - so much the better for both the handful of residents and nudist visitors!

### **February: New Hampshire's supreme court upholds city topless ban by 3-2 vote**

Feb 8, 2019 — In a 3-2 ruling, the New Hampshire State Supreme Court found the city of Laconia's nudity ordinance does not discriminate based on gender or violate the women's right to free speech.

The Laconia city ordinance defines “nudity” as “[t]he showing of the human male or female genitals, pubic area or buttocks with less than a fully opaque covering, or the showing of the female breast with less than a fully opaque covering of any part of the nipple.”

Ginger Pierro had challenged the law after her 2016 arrest. She'd gone to a public beach to practice yoga poses topless, and she was arrested after refusing police warnings to cover up. In protest of Pierro's arrest, Kia Sinclair and Heidi Lilley went to another beach in Laconia and exposed their breasts a few days later, also getting arrested.

Writing for the 3-judge majority, Associate Justice Anna Barbara Hantz Marconi stated, “The facts of this case, including the particular way in which men and women differ with respect to the traditional understanding of nudity, are unique... We are told that concepts of morality and propriety are changing; if so, then it can be reasonably expected

that public demand will soon make it imperative that this portion of the ordinance be repealed. ... The people of Laconia may make such a decision, but this court will not make it for them.”

Associate Justice James Basset wrote a minority opinion and said he rejected the argument that the ordinance is not discriminatory because, “The challenged portion of the ordinance creates a public dress code which only one gender can violate,” Basset wrote. “This is a gender-based classification.”

Pierro’s lawyer, Dan Hynes, said in a statement. “We are extremely disappointed in the Court’s ruling that treating women differently than men does not amount to sex discrimination. The court has effectively condoned making it a crime to be female,”

The justices, though, said courts have generally upheld laws that prohibit women from exposing their breasts, citing a Washington Supreme Court case that upheld the different treatment “because there are more parts of the female body intimately associated with the procreative function.”

Authorities in Laconia and Gilford said they will continue to enforce the ordinances. Laconia Police Capt. Allan Graton said the penalty in his city is a \$250 fine. In Gilford, the ordinance is narrower, covering only the Gilford Town Beach. It carries a \$25 fine.

Similar court cases have had mixed results. In 2017 a federal court block a Colorado city from enforcing a law barring woman from going topless.

Meanwhile, a [Chicago company](#) announced it will offer New Hampshire residents a 10 percent discount on its \$35 flesh-colored bikini tops, which include a painted nipple. **TaTa Tops** said it made the offer considering the New Hampshire Supreme Court decision.

### **March: Federal Appeals Court Says Women Can Be Top Free in Fort Collins**

The 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that women can't be banned from going topless in Ft. Collins, Colorado.

The ruling potentially sets up a show down at the U.S. Supreme Court should the city decide to appeal to the next level.

The appeals court judges ruled 2-1 in favor of Free the Nipple activists who sued the city of Fort Collins over its ban on females appearing topless in public. The court ruled that ordinances that target a group based on gender— such as banning women specifically from going topless, while allowing men to do so — is a violation of the equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution, attorney Andy McNulty said.

"I think this is a pretty historic moment in the women's rights movement," McNulty said in an interview. "Since the beginning of the 20th century, court decisions have slowly but surely chipped away at the idea that women should be stereotyped by their sex and gender. This is the next step to make sure women have equal rights in this country."

The city's ordinance prohibited women from knowingly exposing their breasts in public, with certain exceptions, like breastfeeding.

City of Fort Collins spokesperson Emily Wilmsen said City Council will decide next steps. "All we can say right now is that the city is reviewing the implications of the court's ruling," she said.

The city argued in court that women going topless could prompt public disorder, distract drivers and expose children to public nudity. The court rejected those claims, noting that children may already be exposed to topless women if they pass a mother breastfeeding in public — an act that is specifically legal under city code. The judges further argued the ban "creates a gender classification on its face" and furthers gender stereotypes.

"Laws grounded in stereotypes about the way women are serve no important governmental interest," wrote the opinion of the majority, citing prior rulings. "To the contrary, legislatively reinforced stereotypes tend to 'create' a self-fulfilling cycle of discrimination."

The court acknowledged that men's breasts and women's breasts serve different functions and have inherent physical differences. Those differences didn't pass muster for banning one gender from displaying a bare chest in public view but allowing the other to do so, they ruled.

Other federal appeals courts have ruled against Free the Nipple activists, creating a patchwork of enforced and invalidated laws throughout the country, McNulty said. The 10th Circuit Court's ruling applies to Colorado, Wyoming, New Mexico, Kansas, Utah and Oklahoma.

## **April: Nudists Rally to Support Florida's Blind Creek Beach**

In response to an urgent request by the Treasure Coast Naturists (TCN) group in Fort Pierce, Florida, individual nudists as well as national and regional organizations have taken immediate action to counter a state agency's threat to close the clothing-optional Blind Creek Beach on nearby Hutchinson Island.

The South Florida Free Beaches, Florida Naturist Association, the Naturist Society Foundation, the Naturist Action Committee (NAC), the B.E.A.C.H.E.S. Foundation, and other nudist organizations started fundraising together during the past month to hire a lobbyist and secure legal representation against recent actions and threats by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

### **Background**

About 15 years ago, St. Lucie County established Blind Creek Beach County Park as an isolated Hutchinson Island preserve located immediately north of the St. Lucie Nuclear Power Plant. Before the county park's official startup, this same section of isolated shoreline was host to a long tradition of nude sunbathing and swimming. Begun as far back as the 1970s, the free beach attracted nudists from around North America. Skinny dippers encountered a pristine piece of coastline that was relatively free of arrests or harassment.

In 2014, negotiations between local nudist advocates, the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office, and the St. Lucie County Attorney led to the recognition that this isolated stretch of beach and its tradition of family-oriented skinny-dipping did not run afoul of the state's anti-nudity statute (SS-800.03) as long as lewd behavior did not occur. County deputies quietly patrolled the beach just like any other and the local government tolerated and even cooperated with the non-profit TCN group who managed the beach by patrolling the shore protecting the sensitive dunes from human intrusion, providing portable bathrooms to beach-goers, managing the parking lot, and organizing beach clean-ups and occasional town hall meetings. A range of 500-1000 nudists show up on weekends, and the county saw a marked increase in tourist revenue in the area.

### **The Current Situation**

Three years later, the Florida DEP sent a complaint to St. Lucie County objecting to the county's tolerance of a nude beach on what it sees as State-owned land (much of Hutchinson Island land is leased by the county from the state park system.) More threatening letters followed with the demand that the nudist use be shut down or moved away from Blind Creek Beach. The response from St. Lucie County has been largely silent. With the backing of business leaders and others, the county chose to let the beach continue and thrive.

In March 2019 TCN discovered that DEP was getting ready to take immediate additional actions to compel St. Lucie County to close down all nude use of Blind Creek Beach, since the nudists refuse to back down or leave this beach. Instead, they began a fundraising effort and hired Ramon Maury, the longtime state lobbyist and legal advisor to Haulover Beach, the South Florida Free Beaches, the Florida Naturist Association, and the American Association for Nude Recreation Florida Region.

According to Maury, there are two steps that must be undertaken:

**Step 1** encompasses placing a hold on DEP's actions to quickly shut down Blind Creek Beach. Maury has opened up a dialog with each of the stakeholders in Tallahassee and is working to impose a temporary hold on all pending actions that might stop nudism at Blind Creek Beach.

**Step 2** involves opening a conversation with key members in the Florida state legislature to rewrite state park rules and/or regulations that currently discourage the establishment of sanctioned nude beaches in Florida.

Undertaking both steps is expensive, so TCN is asking all nudists in the country to help by making a financial contribution.

### **How to Donate**

Make your donations to the TCN Legal Defense Fund by check or via PayPal at [paypal.me/tcnaturists](https://www.paypal.me/tcnaturists). Make checks payable to: Treasure Coast Naturists, Inc. and mail to: PO Box 882281 Port Saint Lucie, FL 34988. Please indicate that your donation is for the TCN Legal Defense Fund.

*Portions of this story was extracted and summarized from the April 2019 newsletter published by the South Florida Free Beaches organization with the permission of its editor, Seth Paronick*



## **May: California County Renews Fight to Restrict Pirates Cove/Avila Beach**

We received this email from the Whales Cave Conservancy nudist group that oversees Pirates Cove: "There was an ugly incident that happened this afternoon. This incident is a symptom of the events set into motion result of County's Park Development Proposal in 2013. The events that have transpired of course were not what anyone wanted. But here we are...Pirates Cove had for decades been an undiscovered place where the main activity was getting all over tan. Maybe a little fishing, skim-boarding, volleyball. But all that changed in 2013 and 2014 when, after losing a long battle over the County's Park development proposal. It was "Announced" that the County would not be doing anything with the Property. The announcement that the County would not do anything with the "Park" was seen by many that this beautiful place was free of any rules or regulations. Beer pong parties, "music" that you can hear for the full length of the 0.31-mile beach and trash were, and still are considered incompatible with the area but now we have graffiti, homeless encampments and gang related activities. Up until today the only evidence that gang activity existed was the graffiti and the "Gang Task Force" that we have observed cruising the parking lot.

"Today, Sunday June 9th a gang of about 16 to 20 young (15 to 19-year-olds) walked down the beach. They stopped about 100 feet into the **Nude Friendly Zone**. Thankfully, they turned around and left. A few minutes later we could see some activity in the middle section. It initially appeared that they were fighting among themselves. It turned out that they were ganging up on a couple of beach users. A group of locals went to break it up. The gang backed off as they saw the locals. As they (gang) went into the first section on their way out, it appeared that they had a brief skirmish with some of the people in that section also. I'm sure this made all the news and there will justifiably be an outcry.

The WCC's stance has been to keep the area Natural and access unrestricted. Although we have recommended that the County have a presence in the area to discourage bad behavior. Each time we bring it up we get the same reply: "There is no money in the budget" How bad do things have to get before they put it into the budget?"

AANR-West has offered assistance to this group when negotiating with county officials. The local supervisor is friendly to our cause, and several Coastal Commission members have also expressed support.

## **June: WNBR-LA**

AANR-West co-sponsored the World Naked Bike Ride in Los Angeles again this year. The event on June 223 drew a record 520 bike riders who rode around downtown LA on a 13-mile course for about 3 hours. It was well received by the public! As a co-sponsor, we were entitled to an information booth, where we distributed brochures and flyers about AANR-West clubs. We gathered a nice list of names of people seeking additional information, and we handed our discount coupons supplied by some local clubs.

## **AANR-West Web Site GAT section**

We continue to improve and to expand our Government Affairs section of the [annrwest.org web site](http://annrwest.org). The section now includes all the state and local nudity laws in the eight western states, plus important court cases involving nudity from the region. This area of the web site is receiving a lot of visitors and is seen as a great resource for attorneys and others who want to know about our legal rights.

## **GAT and NAC**

Last year, leaders of AANR's Government Affairs team and leaders of the Naturist Society's Naturist Action Committee met and agreed to stop duplicating effort wherever possible. NAC has a much faster and more efficient way to contact its members when letters and emails need to be sent to legislators or state park officials, while AANR regions appear to have more cash reserves for political action than does NAC, the latter relying almost solely on voluntary donations. Finding a way to use each group's strengths and overcoming weaknesses will take further discussion, but at least they have started.

This year, NAC directors were invited to join the monthly GAT telephone conference call, and several of them did. These lead to productive discussions about the situation in Florida at Blind Creek and also the efforts at Lighthouse Beach on Long Island, NY.

Meanwhile, Gary Mussell (GAT) and Ron Weimer (NAC) are regularly sharing information in the Western Region.

WESTERN NUDIST RESEARCH LIBRARY REPORT

June 19, 2019

From: Rolf Holbach – Liaison

The Consortium and Best Practices Sharing Agreement has been approved and signed by the four existing nudist libraries in the USA. Additionally, principals at nudist libraries in Germany and Australia are looking over the agreement and are interested in joining the Consortium and linking up with our libraries.

The WNRL at Glen Eden and the ANRL at Cypress Cove are now linked together through the G-suites program and refinements in the process of sharing the information at each library are ongoing. Once the procedures are standardized, the Naturist Education Library in Wisconsin and the Willamettans will be linked in also.

The WNRL is always looking for volunteers to assist in cataloging and inventorying the material in the library whenever visiting Glen Eden.



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR NUDE RECREATION,  
WESTERN REGION, INC.

Motion Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_July\_\_, 2019\_\_

I move that Procedure Manual Section 2.02.03 on page 3 be added as follows:

2.02.03 By majority vote, the board shall select the time and place for all of its meetings and other events and activities as it may consider. Bids for the locations and times of such meetings and events for the following calendar year shall be received by and voted upon by the board at its first meeting following the annual Regional Assembly unless the board decides to delay its decision to a future board meeting due to a lack of bids.

Rationale:

This is a companion motion to the proposed AANR-W By-Law change to Articles IV (B) and V (B) presented to the Regional Assembly at the Summer 2019 Convention to make it clear in the Procedure Manual that the board of directors is empowered to set the date and time for all of its meetings and other events and activities.

Fiscal Impact: Probably none, but there is a possibility of less travel expense should the board ever agree to reduce the meeting part of the convention from four days to three.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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Motion Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date July, 2019\_\_

I move that the By-Laws Article IV (B) on page 4 be amended as follows:

**B. Time and Place**

The ~~annual meeting of the Regional Assembly meeting~~ shall be held at the annual AANR West convention. The convention shall be held within 30 days ~~commence on the Thursday two weeks~~ prior to the AANR annual membership meeting, at a time and place to be determined by the Regional Assembly. ~~The board of directors shall have the power to amend or change the date or time of the annual AANR-West convention should a scheduling conflict arise after the Regional Assembly adjourns.~~

~~except when the AANR convention is held within the AANR West or AANR Northwest region. When the AANR convention is held in the AANR West or AANR Northwest region, the AANR West convention may commence on the Thursday one week prior to the AANR annual membership meeting. The board of directors shall determine, if necessary, the precise date of the regional assembly.~~

Rationale: If after the Regional Assembly votes to hold its convention at a specific time and place the following year, a scheduling conflict is found, the Board is now unambiguously empowered to change the date and time since there was some confusion last year whether the Regional Assembly had to be reconvened to do it. This closes that loophole.

Some clubs would host one of our meetings but the rigid date requirement conflicted with something the club was doing and so they had to decline the bid. This allows us the flexibility to accept a bid for a different weekend from that club at a time close to our traditional target.

Fiscal Impact: Probably none, but there is a possibility of less travel expense should the board ever agree to reduce the meeting part of the convention from four days to three.

**Maker:**

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Motion Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date July , 2019\_\_

I move that the By-Laws Article V (C) on page 5 be amended as follows:

**C. Meetings**

1. Two-thirds majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum.
2. The first board meeting shall be held ~~the day~~ within 24 hours following the adjournment of the Regional Assembly at which the new officers were elected.
3. The Fall board meeting shall be held ~~on the first Saturday in November after November~~
- 4 within 45 days after October 15 at a place and time to be determined by the board of directors.
4. The Spring board meeting shall be held ~~on the first Saturday in March.~~ within 45 days after the last day of February at a place and time to be determined by the board of directors.
5. The final meeting of the board ~~of directors~~ shall be held ~~the evening immediately~~ within 24 hours preceding the opening of the next annual Regional Assembly.

**Rationale:**

Some clubs would host one of our meetings but the rigid date requirement conflicted with something the club was doing and so they had to decline the bid. This allows us the flexibility to accept a bid for a different weekend from that club at a time close to our traditional targets of the first weekend in August, first Saturday of March and first Saturday in November (not Nov 1) targets. It also allows us to better avoid the cold/rainy weather we always seem to get for our spring board meeting should the bid be from a club where that weather is a possibility. To avoid major religious holidays for the spring board meeting, enshrining any date beyond mid-March to late April in the Bylaws or Procedure Manual should not be done because of the annually moving independent target dates of Easter and Passover

By adding some flexibility to when the last board meeting before the Regional Assembly and the first board meeting after the Regional Assembly are held, we now can be less rigid about our 4-day convention schedule, encouraging greater participation and less travel expense by condensing the meeting part of the convention should the board choose to do so in the future.

If the Board wants to ever get specific as to dates and times of meetings, the place to put this is in the Procedure Manual and not in the By-Laws.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Probably none, but there is a possibility of less travel expense should the board ever agree to reduce the meeting part of the convention from four days to three

**Maker:**

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Motion Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_July\_\_, 2019\_\_

I move that the past actions of the Board of Directors for the 2018-2019 year and for the August 3, 2018 meeting of the 2017/2018 year, as recorded in the minutes and summarized in the legislation report supplement, "Summary of Board Actions 2018/2019" are approved by the members

Rationale: Routine motion

Fiscal Impact: None

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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## **AANR WEST LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**Date:** July 26, 2019  
**To:** AANR West Clubs, Officers, Directors, and Members  
**From:** Mike Glinzak, Oliver Ellsworth, Danielle Smith  
**Re:** Legislation Report Supplement -- Summary of Board Actions, 2018 - 2019

This summary includes the Outboard meeting held before the 2018 Regional Assembly. Actions at that Board meeting were not included in the Summary of Actions for 2018-2019.

### **Outboard Meeting, August 3, 2018 (De Anza Springs Resort)**

No actionable items recorded.

### **Inboard Meeting, August 5, 2018 (De Anza Springs Resort)**

Added the previously unbudgeted Topless Festival in Colorado as a valid expense to the WINR budget.

Decided to cease participation in the Quartzsite RV show.

Motion #2

Award the Fall Festival 2019 to Shangri-La Ranch and the Summer Festival 2019 to Glen Eden.

### **Fall Board Meeting, November 3, 2018 (Mira Vista Resort)**

The Board chose Lupin Lodge as the site of the Spring 2019 Board Meeting.

Motion #4

Replace Procedure Manual Section 2.01.01 with a requirement that all officers, Directors, and the Trustee shall maintain their legal residence within the region beginning with their election or appointment and renumber subsequent sections as necessary.

Fiscal impact: None/minimal.

Failed. Tie vote

Motion #5

Amend Procedure Manual Section 7.02.00.6 to increase lodging reimbursement for authorized persons shall be increased to 100% including taxes beginning with the Spring 2019 Board meeting.

Fiscal impact: Increased travel expenses for meeting attendance

Passed by unanimous vote.

Motion #6

The budget presented at this meeting was approved as amended.

Fiscal Impact: See Budget

Passed by unanimous vote.

**Spring Board Meeting, March 25, 2019 (Lupin Lodge)**

Motion #1

A resolution was introduced to show the Board's concurrence that the lapse in Director Ernie Wiese's AANR/AANR-West membership were by clerical error, that Director Wiese had putative status as a Director until the lapse was discovered, the lapsed membership was corrected, and that Director Wiese's presence on the Board and his votes on board actions during this time were valid.

Passed unanimously.

Motion #4

Motion to loan Brian Knudsen \$1900 interest-free for production costs of the naturist play Naked Truth at the Hollywood Fringe Festival with repayment to be by July 5, 2019.

Fiscal Impact: None if loan repaid

Passed:

Motion #5

An application by Roadrunner Naturists to transfer all funds held by AANR-W under Procedure Manual Section 12.01.00 et al to Roadrunner Naturists.

Fiscal Impact: None as these funds are being held separate from AANR-W funds.

Failed by 2 to 5 vote.

**Outboard Meeting, July 28, 2019 (Mountain Air Ranch)**

Any actions from the Outboard meeting that require ratification by the Regional Assembly will be reported to the Assembly in 2020 in the Summary of Board Actions 2019 - 2020.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA NATURIST ASSOCIATION (SCNA) LIAISON REPORT

June 23, 2019

Submitted by Rolf Holbach: SCNA President

The SCNA is still the largest non-landed naturist club in California with 145 paid members plus a mailing list of approx. 450. It is affiliated with both The Naturist Society and AANR, but dues for these two national organizations are voluntary. Currently 31 members also belong to AANR and about 30 also belong to TNS, with perhaps a dozen people overlapping and belonging to both. SCNA annual dues remain at \$90/individual or \$115/couple.

All members and event guests undergo a background check before admittance to events or before being accepted as participating members of this non-profit California Corporation.

I have added our Calendar for the remainder of 2019 to give you an idea of the events the SCNA creates or participates in with other clubs and resorts in the area.

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| Multi-club event        | Sat June 22          | WNBR: Nude Bike Ride   | Los Angeles, CA                   |
| <i>Multi-club event</i> | <i>Sun June 23</i>   | <i>Summer Solstice Nude Hike</i>                               | <i>Olive Dell, Colton</i>         |
| Multi-club event        | Sat June 29          | Bates Beach Party 11:30 AM – 3 PM                              | Carpinteria, CA                   |
| \$2 Bill Day            | Sat June 29          | Independence Day Parade 4-6 PM                                 | Carpinteria, CA                   |
| Multi-club event        | Sat July 6           | “Pinball Wizard” Nude Video Arcade Party                       | Chatsworth, CA                    |
|                         | Sat July 13          | Island Style Members Appreciation and General Meeting          | Altadena, CA                      |
| <i>Multi-club event</i> | <i>July 18 - 21</i>  | <i>TNS Western Naturist Gathering</i>                          | <i>Lupin Lodge, Los Gatos, CA</i> |
| <i>Multi-club event</i> | <i>July 19 - 21</i>  | <i>Nudestock Music Festival</i>                                | <i>Glen Eden, Corona</i>          |
| <i>Multi-club event</i> | <i>Sat July 20</i>   | <i>Art Show (Art-rageous Festival)</i>                         | <i>Olive Dell Ranch</i>           |
| <i>3-day event</i>      | <i>July 25 - 27</i>  | <i>AANR-West Convention</i>                                    | <i>Mountain Air Ranch, CO</i>     |
| Multi-club event        | Sat July 27          | Bates Beach Party  | Carpinteria, CA                   |
| Multi-club event        | Fri Aug 2            | Nude Comedy Show   | Studio City, CA                   |
| Multi-club event        | Sat Aug 10           | Annual Naked Summer Games Day                                  | Olive Dell, Colton                |
| <i>Multi-club event</i> | <i>Aug 12 - 19</i>   | <i>AANR National Convention</i>                                | <i>Sun Meadows Resort, ID</i>     |
| Multi-club event        | Sat Aug 17           | Nude Boat Day Trip   | Marina Del Rey, CA                |
| Multi-club event        | Sat Aug 24           | Bates Beach Party  | Carpinteria, CA                   |
| <i>Multi-club event</i> | <i>Aug 31- Sep 2</i> | <i>New Orleans Themed / Labor Day Weekend (Dinner Sun 9/1)</i> | <i>Olive Dell, Colton</i>         |
| Women Only              | Sat Sep 7            | Dragonfly Ladies Gathering                                     | Altadena, CA                      |
| Multi-club event        | Sat Sep 14           | Zorthian Pool Party & Talent Show                              | Altadena, CA                      |
| <i>Multi-club event</i> | <i>TBD</i>           | <i>Deep Creek Hike and Camping</i>                             | <i>Apple Valley, CA</i>           |
| Multi-club event        | Sat Sept 21          | Annual California Beach Cleanup / Bates Beach Party            | Carpinteria, CA                   |
|                         | Sat Sept 28          | Ice Cream Social & Pool Party                                  | Simi Valley, CA                   |
| \$2 Bill Day            | Oct 4-6              | Carpinteria Avocado Festival/FOBB Booth                        | Carpinteria, CA                   |
|                         | Sat Oct 12           | Oktoberfest Party  | TBD                               |
| Multi-club event        | Sun Oct 20           | Nude Bowling   | Montrose, CA                      |
| Best Costume            | Sat Oct 26           | Annual Halloween Party   | Camarillo, CA                     |
|                         | Thurs Nov 7          | Nude Movie Night   | Pasadena, CA                      |
| Best Side Dish          | Sat Nov 16           | Thanksgiving Pool/Jacuzzi Party                                | Altadena, CA                      |
| <i>Multi-club event</i> | <i>TBD</i>           | <i>Deep Creek Hike</i>   | <i>Apple Valley</i>               |
| Gift Exchange           | Sun Dec 15           | Annual Holiday Party & Awards Ceremony                         | Northridge                        |

\* SCNA members may participate in other nudist-friendly events throughout the year sponsored by other organizations (red-colored italic text).

The Los Angeles World Naked Bike Ride took place yesterday, June 22, 2019 and we had 497 registered riders. The ride was very successful, with many riders enjoying the two separate routes we established, a 5-mile first route through downtown LA, and a second 13-mile route along the LA River. In addition to body painters, we had a photo booth, food trucks, and information tables from AANR-West, SCNA, NitOC, Naturist Society, and the Olympians. For the first year, we also had commemorative T-shirts available which sold very well.



In addition to these events, along with AANR-West, we co-sponsored the production of an immersive naturist play at the 2019 Hollywood Fringe Festival, "**Disrobed-Why So Clothes-Minded**". **As of this** writing the first three performances have sold out, and we expect the last to sell out also. The play has been very well received and we have plans to perform it at other venues, including some local resorts.

Paralleling these events will be our monthly **Men's Only Nude Yoga** classes in Canoga Park as well as Co-Ed Nude Yoga classes that take place in Altadena. More shows with the NudeComedyLA group will be scheduled throughout the year also. We continue to host monthly Meetup dinners in Van Nuys, Pasadena, and Torrance. In April we resumed our Meetup dinners in Ventura and Carpinteria.

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# Club Liaison Reports

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## AANR — FLORIDA REGION



The region has hired the same webmaster who designed the AANR Int'l Hq. pages to create a new and improved site, according to Jeff Baldassarre. Their revamped FACEBOOK page has been received very well and features new posts daily. Hidden Lake Resort was the site for their regional convention, held near the Panhandle town of Jay on the week-end of 7-8 June. [aanr-florida.org](http://aanr-florida.org)

## AANR — WESTERN CANADIAN REGION

This year's regional convention will be 2-5 August at the VAN TAN CLUB, Canada's oldest nudist organisation, north of the city of Vancouver on the lower slopes of M<sup>t</sup> Fromme. Their website is several years out of date and there has been no reply for a current itinerary received by report deadline.



[aanr-wc.com](http://aanr-wc.com)

## HANGIN' LOOSE CLOTHING OPTIONAL RETREAT & BOTANICAL GARDENS



This director made a visit to HANGIN' LOOSE in June to talk story with Michael and Janet Smith. They have had a busy spring season with their regular visitors booking once again and returning to the Puna District hideaway. They have also seen a number of new couples who discovered their six-acre sanctuary from articles in THE BULLETIN, including *Big Nude Boat* friends Stan and Linda. Linda was inspired enough to write her own article for the magazine. A visit to Kehena found the clothing-optional black sand beach as carefree as usual.

[hanginloose.com](http://hanginloose.com)

## LIVING WATERS SPA

Jeff and Judy Bowman are into their 16<sup>th</sup> year at their unique, QUIET European-style Desert Hot Springs spa. The business and property is on the market for the right buyer(s). The best lead thus far is a group of loyal customers who hope to organise a corporation to purchase the old "Kismet Lodge" and keep it clothing-optional.



## NATURISTS IN THE OC

This non-affiliated travel club based in Orange County has several AANR-WEST members amongst its ranks. They host monthly pizza nights, trips to Southern California clubs, hikes to Deep Creek and activities with SCNA. No reply for current information was received by report deadline.



nitoc.weebly.com

## SWIM FREE HAWAI'I



An invitation was received from Capt. Chuck Haupert to join Katana and the Webers for a nude cruise to swim at a nearby cove. Four-hour boat **trips depart from the harbour at Honokōhau and are clothing-optional** as soon as the entrance to the marina is cleared. The majority of his bookings are received from THE BULLETIN and the good captain is grateful for his affiliation with AANR!

swimfreehawaii.com

## Club Liaison Report – Mike Glinzak July, 2019

All active clubs are in full summer time mode. Landed clubs Laguna Del Sol and Olive Dell Ranch both have calendars full of the usual summer events, potlucks, dances, etc. on weekends.

Harbin Hot Springs – After a disastrous wildfire in September 2015 that destroyed 95% of the grounds and buildings, Harbin has arisen like the Phoenix from the ashes and reopened. Harbin's clothing-optional Mainside Pool Area, fifteen Grove Cottages, and the three comfort stations that serve Overnight Tenting guests are rebuilt. They are the only permanent buildings at Harbin that are currently open to guests. Virtually all the other structures that serve Harbin's guests today are temporary – including the Reception trailer, Food trailer, Health Services trailer, Events trailer, and poolside Bathroom/Shower trailer and dressing tent. While Harbin is open for day/overnight use, at least one member of each group must be a dues paying member of Harbin's Heart Consciousness Church before admittance. A \$10 single month membership is available.

Laguna Del Sol – big events are scheduled about every two weeks during the summer with the biggest coming in early August, Naked Man, and mid-September, Nudestock.

Olive Dell Ranch – ODR again hosted the Bare Burro 5K which registered almost 400 runners with almost 300 starting and 97%+ finishing. The Nude Beer Mile was held the day before. ODR again held their Rockin' the Ranch music festival and BBQ over the Memorial Day weekend. Upcoming is the Nude Summer Games in early August hosted by SCNA. Teams from SCNA, NiTOC, and ODR will again fight over the vaunted Victor's Trophy. A Glow Party

will follow the Summer Games where black lights and glow sticks will light the night. Additionally, ODR has made the public areas at the pool, patio, and around the café and clubhouse 100% non-smoking. A smoking area nearby has been provided.

ClothesFree International — no news beyond their usual activity on the internet. Last TV/Photo post was March 13, 2019.

**Non-Landed clubs:**

Las Vegas Bares – had a full June event calendar including a backyard party, nighttime moon hike, and a nude kayaking trip. No events listed after June.

NorCal Exposure and RiverDippers — share events and cooperate to increase attendance. A joint calendar is shared on the two clubs' websites. Calendars show few events to entice people to join but they are planning a trip to Laguna Del Sol.

South Valley Travel Club – this non-landed/non-AANR club in Bakersfield no longer maintains a website and redirects to Naturist Directory with just a PO Box and phone number.