



# The NorCal News



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## President's Message

Greetings to all our Club members and I'm hoping everyone is staying healthy, happy and getting some traveling done. I have been hearing from some of you about our rallies, mostly good experiences, but some issues have come up that will be addressed by the Board during our next meeting at Pismo Beach. As everyone should know by now, the Bakersfield Rally has been canceled.

Deborah and I recently returned from our second Alaska Cruise, the first in 1995. To just say "we saw changes in Ketchikan and Juneau" would be an understatement. Memorable events included taking a first ever Seaplane Tour to see bears feeding in the river. We must have missed the bears' designated breakfast and lunch times; when we reached the observation platform there were no bears. Our guide, Caroline, was very knowledgeable of the area and showed us another viewing area and there, we were not disappointed. Fortunately, we had our binoculars and was



able to catch a couple of bears in a waterfall. As bears are territorial, a larger bear got into a spat a smaller bear, chasing it off to find its own territory. Then there was another bear that stood less than 100 feet from me, not interested in attacking me, just curious and wandered off into the brush after we made eye contact. I was a bit startled, but managed to remain calm.

An 1800-foot ascent by gondola in Juneau was quite breathtaking. When we reached the top, we hiked up a nearby mountain trail that was also "breathtaking." Sitka was quite exciting as we did not see it in 1995. This time we went, we saw and "conquered the town," walking through a small forest filled with Totem poles, visiting the Alaskan Raptor Center and enjoying a "Duck Fart" drink at Ernie's Old Time Saloon. In the picture above, "Bullwinkle the Moose" is seeing us off the ship in Sitka.

On October 7, we are heading to the Big Island of Hawaii for seven days. Well, enough about us. We look forward to seeing a lot of you at the Pismo Beach Rally in November. Bring your bikes, if you ride. Until we meet again, "Keep on Traveling."

*Jim Christie & Deb*

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# From the Editor

Hello Everyone:

The big news in this Poppy is the modified/improved rally registration rules that are going into effect, starting with NorCal's December rally, which is featured in this issue. The Registrar, Webmaster and incoming Rally Chair met to develop a more consistent and easier way for them to deal with rally registrations, to the extent they can.



An email blast on the modifications/improvements was recently sent out, but they are reprinted on page 3, and reflected in the rally registration instructions on page 5. Some issues pertaining to rally registration have popped up in recent months, and it is hoped

that these modified rules will resolve them, to the benefit of all. Any questions, you can email the rally registrar at [norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com](mailto:norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com).

This month, thank-yous go to Cliff Roblee for doing an excellent reporting job on the Felton rally he helped host, complete with complimentary photos, and to Bob Echols who literally showered me with photos. It was a fun rally, and a great site, especially since the weather was so beautiful. We discovered an actual Margaritaville restaurant in nearby Capitola (that had risen from the massive wreckage sustained during the January storms) and toasted Jimmy Buffet, RIP, with (of course) Margaritas on the back patio overlooking the ocean. The food was surprisingly good.

Finally, some representatives from SkyMed attended the rally and provided us with some useful information should you ever be in a situation where you need emergency help but are uncommunicative such as in the event of stroke, heart attack, or a vehicular accident. Having life-saving information on your phone that can be accessed by first responders without having to unlock your phone could prove quite helpful to you in the event of an emergency. Such information can include basic health information, blood type, emergency contact information, medications, allergies and other health issues, and the like that could be very important to those responders in identifying and treating you. I have included the "how tos" on how to accomplish this if you have either an Android or iPhone. If you have a different phone, such as a Moto or Google phone, email me and I'll provide those instructions to you.

With that, hope to see you at the Pirate Palooza in Pismo Beach come November. Avast Ye Matey!

*Elisa Ungerman Poppy Editor*

# 2023 Rally Schedule

<del>March 1 - 5</del>	<del>Yanks RV Park, Greenfield</del>	<del>Hosts: The Scheuers, Team Paz</del>
<del>March 29 - April 2</del>	<del>Nevada County Fairgrounds, Grass Valley</del>	<del>Hosts: The Crutchfields and Williams</del>
<del>May 17-21</del>	<del>Lassen RV Park McArthur</del>	<del>UNHOSTED</del>
<del>June 14-18</del>	<del>Sparks Marina RV Park Sparks Nev.</del>	<del>UNHOSTED</del>
<del>June 24-July 1</del>	<del>International Rally Rock Springs, Wyo.</del>	<del>Hosts: Airstream Club International</del>
<del>August 2 - 6</del>	<del>Chris &amp; Dean Davison's Fortuna</del>	<del>Co-Hosts: The Scheuers, Team Paz, Team Nathan &amp; Ryan</del>
		<del>Boondocking</del>
<del>Sept. 6-10</del>	<del>Santa Cruz RV Resort Felton</del>	<del>Hosts: The Echols, Roblee/Valerio, Becks</del>
<del>October 4-8</del>	<del>River Run RV Park Bakersfield</del>	<del>UNHOSTED</del>
<del>October 25-28</del>	<del>Region 12 Rally Pismo Beach</del>	<del>Hosts: Region 12</del>
<del>Nov. 8-12</del>	<del>Pismo Coast RV Park Pismo Beach</del>	<del>Hosts: The Ungermans &amp; Salingers</del>
<del>Nov. 29-Dec 3</del>	<del>Black Oak Casino Tuolumne</del>	<del>The Websters, Marsons, &amp; Team Rappaport/Haymond</del>

### The Fine Print

New info shown in green. Dates are arrival and departure, although you can often request early arrival or Monday departure. Sign-ups are accomplished by submitting a completed Registration form and payment by the deadline to the Club Registrar. If a rally is full, there is a wait list. "Buddy" events allow you to invite a non-member even if they don't own an Airstream. Events lacking hosts or the minimum number of campers may be cancelled. Rallies are subject to COVID restrictions and protocols and any refunds are covered by Club policies as shown on the rally coupon.



# New Improvements to NorCal's Rally Registration Process (September 2023)

*First VP Carmen Ortiz*

At NorCal, we always strive to provide a more rewarding experience for our members. The following procedures have been established to make it easier for members to register for rallies, as well as to make it easier for the Rally Registrar, Treasurer and Webmaster to do their jobs. The individuals in these positions are volunteers that do an enormous amount of work getting everyone registered, paying the bills, etc.

## MODIFIED PROCESS

1. **Rally registration will be done online via Jotform.** Paper rally coupons will no longer be used.
2. **The Jotform will be available for registration at 9 AM on the first day of the month** a rally is announced, regardless of whether the Poppy announcing the rally is released a few days before. The same applies if a rally is announced via an email blast. As usual, you will be able to access the Jotform via the link in the Poppy or through the ACI.org website.
3. The Jotform will have a "Review" button at the bottom of the form. This will allow members to review their choices carefully and make corrections before submitting the registration form. NOTE: Do not submit duplicate forms to correct errors. Contact the registrar, if needed, via email as noted below to correct any errors.
4. An acknowledgement of receipt of your completed Jotform will be automatically sent to you. However, this does mean your that you are confirmed to attend the rally. Your rally registration status will be confirmed by the registrar via a separate email soon thereafter. She will let you know if you are on the list to attend or on the waiting list, based on the time she receives the Jotform (they are time stamped) and the number of spots available. To be clear: the email registrants receive after submitting the online Jotform does not constitute confirmation of rally attendance.
5. If you do not hear from the registrar within 48 hours of your registration, please contact her (see email address below). You may want to add the registrar's email address to your contact list to make sure the confirmation email does not end up in your spam folder.
6. **NEW: Do not send your payment (whether check or via Zelle) until you receive a confirmation email from the registrar.**
7. Communications with the registrar will be done using the designated email address: **[norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com](mailto:norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com)**. In the event of an emergency, you may call (973) 270-4132. Text messages will not be acknowledged or accepted.



# A Very Merry Ho Ho Ho Down

November 28-December 3, 2023.

**Black Oak Casino**

19400 Tuolumne Rd N, Tuolumne, CA



*Hosted by Amy & Tom Webster, Team Paula & Gabriella*

Welcome one and all to our Very, Merry Ho Ho Ho Down. Dust off your favorite boots, spruce up your Cowboy hat and be ready to have a lot of fun. Christmas is just around the corner and we'll help get you in the spirit.

We'll gather on Wednesday, November 28 to kick off our event. Set up your trailer, decorate if you wish, get ready for a few days of good food and great friends. This evening we will start with a Happy Hour and ask that anyone who wants to share appetizers do so. We'll leave the clubhouse open for games this evening. Cards, anyone?

On Thursday will start the day with a Cookie Exchange. Bring what you like, it doesn't even have to be a Christmas Cookie -any cookies will do. Please bring 3 dozen cookies for the exchange, you are welcome to donate more if you wish, we'll have the extras available for nibbling if the trail gets a little dusty.

Then Thursday evening we will gather for a real Chili Cook-Off and the Past President's Dinner. Everyone is invited to make a pot of their favorite chili to enter in the contest. Our retiring President, Jim Christie will serve as Sheriff and Chief Judge to find the tastiest chili entered, but everyone will have a chance to taste and to vote. There will be four categories; Traditional, Vegan, Ho Ho HOT, and Unusual. Once the tasting is over, we'll get to fill our bowls with the entries and eat a hearty dinner. The hosts will provide accoutrements for chili (cheese, onions, sour cream, hot sauce, etc.) as well as a green salad. \$6.00 per person. We'll end the evening with a bit of line dancing.

Friday is a free day. There is so much you can do in the area: visit the Train Museum, go shopping in Sonora, ride a bike, or go for a hike. Might we

recommend Columbia, the state park? On Friday night, they have a walking lantern tour running 90 minutes (every 15 minutes from 6:30-10:00 pm) where the town is inhabited by folks reliving the past in vignettes of the gold rush town. Tickets can be ordered for desired time slots and if you want to tour with your Airstream buddies, reserve for the same time. Tickets are \$25.00 pp.

<https://friendsofcolumbiashp.com/events/columbia-state-historic-park-events/> For now, we'll still plan to gather for Happy Hour and to share our adventures.

Saturday is the highly anticipated Charity Auction. We ask that you bring an item to be auctioned-off for the charity selected by our incoming President, Carmen Ortiz. It is the Amador Tuolumne Community Action Agency (ATCAA) Food Bank. They provide emergency food services to adults, food for kids and to college students. They also have Food Club Van that delivers meals to seniors. Carmen is a strong supporter of food banks and what they do to end hunger. <https://www.atcaa.org/food-bank> Throughout the week, we'll also be collecting non-perishable food for this charity to accompany our cash donation.

The grand finale to our rally is a catered dinner of fabulous food from Sierra Smoke BBQ to celebrate the Installation of Carmen Ortiz and first husband, the dashing Jose Ortiz. We'll offer BBQ chicken and brisket, Mac and Cheese, Ranch Beans, Salad, Cornbread and an Apple Crisp for Dessert. The vegetarian option is a Stuffed Portabella Mushroom (by special order only). \$48.00 per person.

Starting this rally, there is no more paper coupon; registration is done only online via the jotform, although payment can be by check sent to the registrar or via Zelle. *See the next page for the link to the jotform and further instructions.*

# A Very Merry Ho Ho Ho Down

## November 29 - December 3, 2023

### Black Oak Casino, Tuolumne



Wait - Where's the coupon?  
It has been discontinued. See below.

## **THIS RALLY'S REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS - PLEASE READ**

- No longer will paper coupons be accepted for NorCal Rallies. All registrations must be done online via the Jotform.
- **The Jotform will be available on the October First at 9:00 am. Register online using the Jotform link: <https://form.jotform.com/232556157554158>** or follow the 'Register for the Rally' link on the webpage (<https://airstreamclub.org/northern-california/rallies-and-events>). After you have registered, you will automatically receive a registration completion form from Jotform.
- **However, Do not pay until your Jotform registration has been confirmed by the Club Registrar.** You will receive a separate email from the Registrar letting you know your status soon after you register online. If you do not hear from her - contact her within 48 hours of its submission.
- Once your registration has been confirmed, you can choose to pay your rally fee online via Zelle (initiate through Zelle App or bank app if your bank participates) or by check, sending your check directly to registrar Lori Bibby. Remember to put rally info on "memo" or "note" portion of Zelle.
- If you pay by check, **make your checks payable to WBCCI/NorCal and mail to NorCal Registrar Lori Bibby, 3029 Black Hawk Lane, Lincoln, CA 95648.**
- If you want to pay via Zelle but do not know how or if your bank participates, check out: <https://www.zellepay.com/> or your banking app or the Zelle app on your phone.
- **Refund Policy:** Cancellations and/or changes to registration should be received no later than Wednesday of the week prior to the rally, e.g. a week before the start of the rally, if possible. Refunds will be available depending on funds recovered in all categories. Parking fees are refunded according to RV park cancellation policy. Meals, tours, rally fees, etc., are refunded if money has not been spent/committed by the hosts. Any refunds will happen after the rally accounting is closed.
- **Please contact the Rally Registrar if you have ANY changes to your registration, or wish to register after the deadline via her email: [Norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com](mailto:Norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com) She will contact you as soon as she can. PLEASE NOTE: ONLY CORRESPONDENCE TO THIS EMAIL ADDRESS WILL BE HONORED. TEXTS WILL NOT BE ACKNOWLEDGED.**
- **Under no circumstances are members to contact the RV Park with changes or cancellations.**
- NorCal abides by the federal, state and local COVID19 mandates to keep not only its members safe but also the employees of the RV Parks and the communities we visit safe, which in turn allows us to continue to rally during the pandemic. If you are unable or unwilling to do so, please do not sign up for this rally. If you are ill or not feeling well, please stay home and get better. Thank you for your courtesy in this regard.

**For this rally, full registration and food costs will run approximately \$61.50 pp plus a site parking fee of \$56 per night. More details on the Jotform. You also will be asked if you will be donating an item/items or basket for the charity auction.**



# NorCal Club Contacts 2023

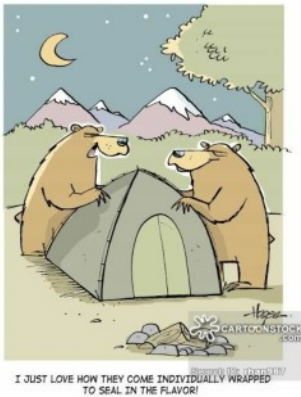
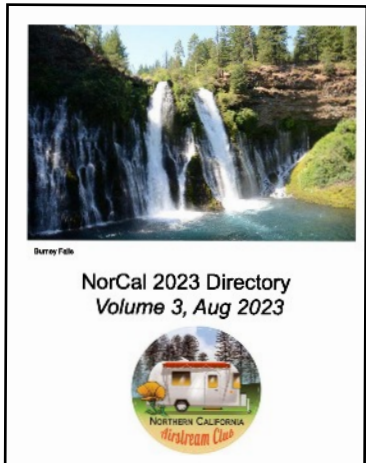
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## Welcome New Members

- David Mires & Louis Herrera
- Flavia Naves
- Tony & Calyn Stanfill
- Jeffrey & Kim Streblow

## Welcome New Affiliate Members

- Lisa & Steve Steinlein
- Emily & Scott Sommer
- Sandra Dallas
- Jeffrey & Laurie Bullock
- Douglas & Elena Sale



The latest NorCal Directory was recently released via email. If you did not get a copy, please contact Tom Smithson (contact info in chart above) to get your copy. If your photo is not included - send one to Tom so we can know who you are!

NorCal Membership Numbers	
198	Unit/Life Memberships
63	Affiliate Memberships
261	Total Memberships



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**October**  
BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Jim Christie
- 1 Linda Myers
- 8 Scott Leaman
- 14 Sandy Higgins
- 22 Kit Langstroth
- 22 Sarah Curl
- 23 Catherine Lemieux
- 26 Linda Ackerman
- 26 Larry Warren
- 31 Leslie Irey



**OCTOBER**  
ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 Bob & Linda Minder
- 18 Kirk/Joanne Reistroffer/Hilli

NorCal would like to recognize the birthdays and anniversaries of **all** our Members and Associates. To ensure you are included in the Poppy, please send Marget Williams (NorCal Membership Chair) an e-mail with your Name (First and Last) and your Birthday and Anniversary (Month and Day only).  
[norcalmembership@comcast.net](mailto:norcalmembership@comcast.net)



**VISIT OUR WEBSITES**

**Airstream Club International on the Web**

<https://airstreamclub.org/>  
Region 12 on the Web

<https://airstreamclub.org/region12>  
NorCal on the Web

<https://airstreamclub.org/northern-california>



**NorCal Officer Elections**

This year, the nominated candidates by the nominating committee were: President: Carmen Ortiz, 1<sup>st</sup> VP: Tary Salinger, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Tom Webster, Trustees: Paula Hammond & Debbie Ames, Secretary: Amy Webster, and Treasurer: Jose Ortiz. Senior Trustees: Mark Winchell & Bill Maffei are elected to two year terms and will continue.

The election ran from September 15<sup>th</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup> via email. Since there was no opportunity for write-in candidates, the result of the election is not a secret. The newly elected board will be presented at the Annual Business Meeting in November at the Pismo Rally, and installed at the December rally.

**New Airstream Trailer**

Interested in New Airstream Model - one that goes back to its outdoorsy roots and away from the recent coastal vibes? Then check out the new Trade Wind Trailer that currently only comes in a 25FB version, although I'm betting a 27 may be on the way soon. With a back hatch, 2 lithium batteries, and 600 watts of rooftop solar., It is being marketed toward boondockers, although I think that buyers will need to add at least one lithium battery. Check it out:



<https://www.airstream.com/blog/introducing-the-all-new-airstream-trade-wind-travel-trailer/> MSRP around \$142,000.



# Felton Rally 2023

## Santa Cruz Redwoods

*By Cliff Roblee*



Nestled tightly amongst the towering redwoods, the thirty aluminum shelters we make our homes sparkled in the fleeting shafts of light penetrating the forest canopy as the NorCal Club gathered once again for a rally weekend full of friends, fun, activities, and relaxation at the Santa Cruz Redwoods RV Park in Felton, CA. Group activities were centered at the clubhouse and adjacent terraces sited directly above the peacefully babbling San Lorenzo River.

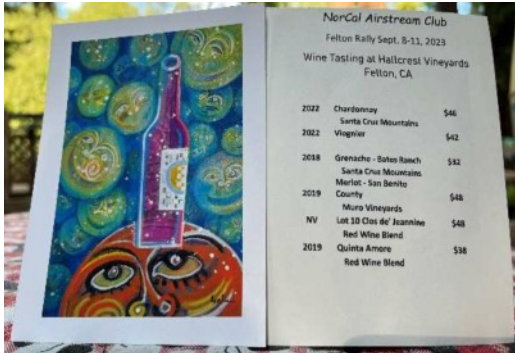
The rustic setting of the clubhouse was accentuated by a decorative theme recalling the railroad heritage of this region. Hosts Carole & Bob Echols reprised table décor from prior Felton rallies that featured pairs of redwood trees, each uniquely handcrafted by Bob, which bore striking resemblance to the giants outside. Bob's artwork commemorating the rally was also included in each welcome bag distributed upon arrival.

Organized activities began in earnest Wednesday evening with a Welcome Social Hour on the terrace followed by pasta dinner in the clubhouse. Old bonds were re-established, new faces welcomed, member news exchanged, and this unique cadre of individuals, bound largely by a common love of aluminum trailers, began again to share time and space in a unique spirit of comradery, sharing, mutual concern, curious adventure, and outdoor appreciation.





Thursday offered two very different daytime activities with roughly equal-sized groups participating in each. One group, led by hosts Carole and Bob, headed to the nearby Hallcrest Vineyards for a tour and wine tasting. Hallcrest is family owned and got its start in 1941 when it was one of only three vineyards in the Santa Cruz Mountains, and the only one producing varietal wines from estate vineyards. Art on tasting menu was provided by Yoshi Deiwert.



The other group, led by apprentice co-hosts Joanne and Cliff, embarked on the Santa Cruz Coastal Bike Tour which combined some easy coastal riding with two educational stops. The first stop was at the UCSC Seymore Marine Center. While the Center itself was temporarily closed for renovation, the group had the opportunity to participate in a behind-the-scenes docent-led tour the 25-acre Younger Lagoon Reserve, an environmental teaching and research site. This site is one of the few relatively undisturbed lagoon wetlands remaining on the Central CA Coast. A fascinating feature of this lagoon ecosystem is the annual 'breach event' (<https://youtu.be/V7RjVAbKtdQ?feature=shared>) where the initially freshwater lagoon water breaks through the coastal sand bar separating it from the

open ocean, thus leading to rapid changes in lagoon salinity. Nancy, our kind docent, provided a passionate and compelling case for preserving these and other unique CA ecosystems for future generations. Wilder Ranch State Park, situated along the coast just north of Santa Cruz, was the next stop where participants could either



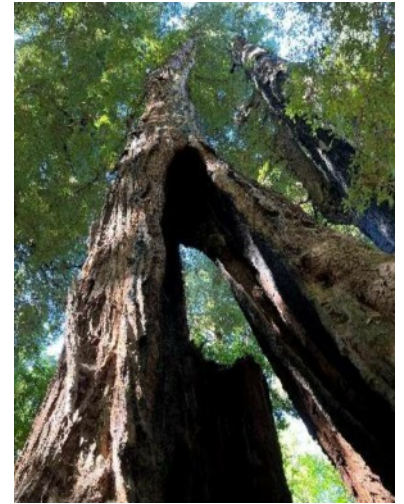
enjoy a quiet picnic or join a docent-led Historic Ranch Tour. Kevin, the Park's interpreter, provided an outstanding chronology of ranch history seeded with both serious and entertaining insights connecting it to California's evolution from the Spanish Mission days to the present. Highlights included witnessing an operational Pelton Wheel, used to power the machine shop and a Sears-Catalog electric dynamo, viewing some of the unique design features of the Victorian house such as simulated oak woodwork painted over redwood, and hearing about the technological marvels of the day including a player piano and early headphones. The bike tour wrapped up with a beautiful out-and-back ride through Natural Bridges SP and along the West Cliff Drive bike path situated atop the shoreline bluffs. Sunshine, a sea breeze, swirling wave eddies, and flocks of diving Brown Pelican were our constant companions, as well as a few surfers catching the waves along the famed Steamer Lane.







Friday's agenda included the fresh, the sweet, the lucky, and the obscure. The day began with a short fresh-air hike through the ancient redwood's grove at the nearby Henry Cowell SP. A local volunteer docent provided insight into tree growth patterns, fire suppression strategies, and forest preservation history. Folks were on their own in the afternoon to enjoy longer hikes, the Roaring Camp, and other destinations before returning for the customary Social Hour.



After dinner, the group reconvened for a packed night of evening activities starting with an Ice Cream Social led by apprentice co-hosts Patience and Scott. Five delicious flavors of locally-made ice cream from Penny's Creamery were scooped in abundance, capped with sweet toppings, and consumed by a roomful of smiling faces while they placed their bids on a varied selection of raffle items assembled by the hosts. Winners were thrilled to receive items of their choice.







The raffle was followed by a Trivia Contest developed by Cliff featuring questions on four themes: State & National Parks in CA; Airstream Miscellaneous; Local to Santa Cruz; and Camping Pastimes. Questions ranged from the easy to the very obscure and probed such things as the wettest and driest State Parks in CA, the lowest big-red number assigned on the first Inter-American Caravan, names of ice creameries local to Santa Cruz, and the origins of familiar terms including Happy Hour, Mexican Train, and S'mores. The winning table had over 70% correct answers! Although many found it a bit challenging, hopefully all left with new interesting tidbits of knowledge of things near and dear to our lives.



Saturday daytime was left open for all to explore and enjoy the region on their own. Some outings included visiting Big Basin SP to witness the effects of fire devastation and emerging signs of forest recovery in this cherished place, visiting the hidden local gem of Loch Lomond Regional Park, biking to the Capitola Arts Fest, and just hanging around the campground with dear friends.







Saturday evening brought folks together for one last rally gathering. Social hour included recognitions of birthdays and anniversaries, followed by a catered taco bar dinner. The rally closed with after-dinner entertainment provided by the All Shook Up Ukulele Band who serenaded the assembled group into the twilight with unique takes on popular cover tunes from Jimmy Buffet, Willie Nelson, the Beatles, Bruce Springsteen, and others. As the music faded and night settled in, quiet conversations could be heard bidding kind farewells and anticipation for the next gathering.





# Accessing “In Case of Emergency” Information from your Cell Phone



You may be in a situation where you are uncommunicative but in need of emergency Assistance. A stroke? A heart attack? A car accident? A fall? How are the first responders to assist you when they know nothing about you, including your identity? “In case of Emergency” information, accessible on your cell phone even when it is locked, could save your life, or your health. At the Felton Rally, representatives of Sky Med provided the “how-tos” on enabling this information to be accessible on your phone even when locked. They are reprinted below.

## ICE on an iPhone

All iPhones come with the Health app, which, along with tracking your steps and other health data, allows you to set up a Medical ID. This will display basic personal information, important medical information and emergency contact numbers when accessed from your lock screen. Additionally, your emergency contacts will be automatically contacted and updated on your current location if you make a call using the Emergency SOS feature.

Follow these steps to set it up:

1. Open the Health app on your phone.
2. Select the “Medical ID” tab.
3. Select “Edit” at the top of the screen.
4. Make sure that the “Show When Locked” slider is green.
5. Below, fill in the various fields. If there’s a section that isn’t relevant, such as “Medical Conditions” or “Allergies & Reactions,” it’s a good idea to write “N/A” or “None” instead of leaving it blank to avoid any confusion.
6. At the bottom is the “Emergency Contacts” section; tap “add emergency contact” to create a new contact. Note that you need to have this person’s name and number saved in your phone’s contacts list in order for the app to pull it in.
7. Once you’ve selected a contact, indicate their relationship to you.
8. You can add more than one emergency contact; continue repeating steps six and seven until all your emergency contacts are added.

To test that your Medical ID contains all the information you added, lock your phone and then wake it back up to reveal the Touch ID/passcode lock screen. (if you have facial recognition phone block the camera) Tap “Emergency” in the corner to bring up the SOS keypad — you’ll see the “Medical ID” link in

the bottom left. Press this to bring up your **ICE** info as well as emergency numbers that can be tapped and dialed directly from that screen.

## ICE on an Android

There are a couple of ways to set up **ICE** contact information on an Android phone. First, you can add your info to the emergency information feature:

1. Open the “Settings” app.
2. Tap “User & accounts,” then “Emergency information.”
3. To enter medical information, tap “Edit information” (you might have to tap “Info” first, depending on the version).
4. There’s a separate section where you can enter emergency contacts; tap “Add contact” to add a person from your contacts list (you might have to tap “Contacts” first)

Once you have set this up, anyone can find your **ICE** information by swiping up on the lock screen and tapping “Emergency,” then “Emergency information.”

Another option is to add your **ICE** info directly to the lock screen. Android lets you put any message you want on your lock screen:

1. Start by opening the “Settings” app
2. Tap “Security & location.”
3. Next to “Screen lock,” tap “Settings.”
4. Tap “Lock screen message.”
5. Enter the information you want displayed, such as your primary emergency contact and any medical conditions and tap “Save.”

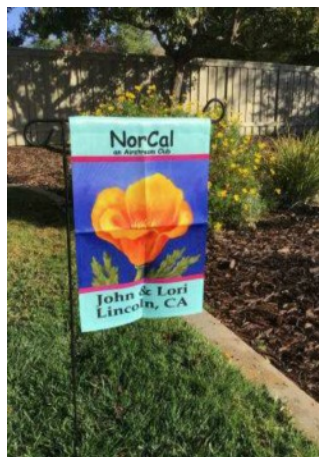
Some versions of Android may let you add emergency contacts and your medical information directly through the Contacts app. There, you can add contacts to your “**ICE** - emergency contacts” group and edit your own profile to include vital medical information.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1  9 am Sign ups Start for Dec. Rally	2  NO ALCOHOL DAY	3	4  NATIONAL Golf Lovers day	5	6	7
8	9  INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY	10	11	12  OCTOBER 12 <sup>TH</sup> WORLD ARTHRITIS DAY	13	14
15  NATIONAL GROUCH DAY	16  Dictionary Day	17	18	19	20	21
22  NATIONAL NUT DAY	23	24	25	26  OCTOBER NATIONAL PUMPKIN DAY!!!	27  HAPPY BEER DAY	28
				<b>Region 12 Rally</b>		
29 	30  NATIONAL CANDY CORN DAY	31  Halloween				 Airstream

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