



April 2026

# TUCSON DRIFTERS NEWSLETTER

*It's not where you go, but who you go with*



Tom Roubal, Editor

## CARING AND SHARING



*Ted & Eizabeth Williams, 04/12*

*Bill & Betsy Hansen, 04/27*



*Ron Kuznicki, 04/03*

*Shirley Ridley, 04/06*

*Geoff Newton, 04/07*

*Jerry Arnold, 04/08*

*David Ridley, 04/10*

*Tom Roubal, 04/12*

*Ted Williams, 04/15*

*Julie Katz, 04/16*

*Randi Malisewski, 04/23*

*Andrew Kucy, 04/24*

## APRIL DINNER MEETING



Join us on April 7, 2026, at Barnfire Mesquite Grill, 8310 N Thornydale Road, Tucson, AZ for our monthly gathering. Our board meeting starts at

4:30 pm followed by activities meeting at 5:00 pm. Dinner Meeting is at 6:00 pm. Suggested topic for discussion is Tires.

The menu selection is:

6oz prime rib with a baked potato and side salad.

or

Grilled Chicken Salad with Soup

Please send your selection by April 3rd to [email4cbrooks@gmail.com](mailto:email4cbrooks@gmail.com)

Payment is \$24 per person, payable by check or Zelle. Zelle payments are to be sent to [tucson.drifters@gmail.com](mailto:tucson.drifters@gmail.com) by April 1st. Checks will be accepted at the door made out to Tucson Drifters. No cash as we do not have change.

Please check in by 5:45pm.



## President's Corner:



Unfortunately, unpredictable weather caused the cancellation of the March Tillo Ranch Rally, March 20-22. Thank you to the Rally Hosts for your efforts. Hopefully, we can have the event next year. Hard to second guess the weather!

Some members decided not to renew their Tucson Drifters membership for 2026 due to several reasons, not too late to rejoin! Remember each member is a Drifters recruiter.

At the dinner meeting, members will vote on the 2027 Nominating Committee, which consists of Jan Spaeth, Jim Schultz, and Carol Frizzell. The November meeting will include a vote on the list of proposed candidates for the 2027 Drifters Board.

Our next dinner meeting will be April 7<sup>th</sup> at the Barnfire Mesquite Grill at 5:30 PM. There will also be a Board meeting at 4:30 PM, all are welcome to attend. Our semi-annual Business Meeting will follow the meal service. I will be traveling during the April Dinner meeting. Bill Hansen, our vice-President, will chair the meeting.

Please contact me at [bkuehn@msn.com](mailto:bkuehn@msn.com) if you have any suggestions or issues that I may be of assistance

*Bernie and Kendra*

### 2026 Tucson Drifters Board Members

#### **OFFICERS**

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Alt. National Director Drew Kucy

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Betsy Hansen  
Tom Dimmick





## HEY, WHAT'S UP NEWS!

Bill and Betsey Hansen along with their daughter and husband are in Thailand and managing the area with extreme heat and humidity. Not shabby with the ocean and pools close by.

Bruce & Adair Kelly are still traveling to Australia and New Zealand for an extended cruise for two months.

Dave and Jacqueline DiPalermo both just had surgeries last week. Hope you both are doing better.

Deb Johnston is still battling with recovery.

Paul & Jan Spaeth are off to South America on a land tour.

Bernie and Kendra Kuehn will be on a 7-night cruise and will miss the dinner meeting.

Jen Yenez will have surgery next week. We wish her well

Ruth Roubal is scheduled for knee surgery on the 15th of April (maybe). Daughter just found out she has stage 2 cancer. Surgery scheduled one week before Ruth's surgery (the child is always first even though they are adults).

If you have an interest in having something, put in the HEY, WHAT' UP NEWS, let Ruth Roubal know @tucsonc21@aol.com.

## TUCSON DRIFTERS 2026-2027 SCHEDULE

March Unfortunately the rally scheduled for March at Alan and Jen Linaker's Tillo Ranch was cancelled due to excessive heat warnings. Hopefully, it can be rescheduled sometime in the future.

April rally will be in Patagonia and is already sold out. A very special rally with good times and good food. Waiting list available.

May No rally.

Jerry and Paula Arnold are planning the next long rally for the Tucson Drifters to Colorado in 2027. Stay tune.

October we will be going to San Diego for a October Fest Rally. Nice RV Park, events and good food will be on tap for this event. This park also has casitas for those not wanting to take their RV or those without currently. The base price will be around \$499.00. This will include Lodging for 3 nights, 2 hr boat trip around the bay, Brats and trimmings dinner, Italian dinner @ Little Italy, beautiful weather and maybe a special surprise treat to the Naval base North Beach for a view of the navy fleet and a trip to the movie theater on base. We will also be adding several a la carte items to this trip if you are interested, such as Ghost Tour and Seals Tour with the Ducks. We will be going to Old Town San Diego for a Mexican dinner and margaritas to die for. It should be a lot of fun.

November we will be going to a casino for some fun and dry camping.

December will again be a special party for our meeting at Skyline or Tucson Country Club.

## 2027

January,2027, we go dry.

February,2027, Lake Havasu, Arizona for the Winter Blast Pyrotechnics show and the Rockabilly Reunion in downtown Lake Havasu. We will be staying at the State Park which is located near the London Bridge. We will also be taking a Boat trip to see the Canyon and light houses.



# OKTOBERFEST RALLY IN BEAUTIFUL SAN DIEGO

**OCTOBER 9 TO 12TH, 2026**

**October 9th – Friday** - arrive at your leisure to the beautiful Sun Outdoors San Diego Bay Resort at 825 E. Street, Chula vista, California 91910 - 619-489-3950

Escape to the epitome of upscale coastal living in southern California's newest oasis of relaxation and recreation. The resort offers an array of accommodation options including vacation rentals and RV sites. Enjoy Olympic size pool, spa and water features, restaurant, fitness center, events center, game room, dog park, and the promenade. This is a 5 plus star resort!!!

For those wishing to play golf (**optional**) the Coronado north beach military base. (Appx. Cost for 18 holes and cart (\$68.00) per person. Must come in a day earlier to participate in this event.

Oktoberfest rally for **golfers** starts on October 8, Thursday or anyone wanting to come early. Come in at your leisure. We will select a restaurant that evening for dinner. Members will pay directly for their meals.

**October 9, Friday** - official start of rally. - arrive at your leisure!

8:00 am - golfers leave for north beach naval base golf course. You will be driven by a member of our rally team that is retired military or DoD member to golf course. We are limiting this venue to the 1st 10 rally members that sign up. 5 members to a team. Beautiful course with 3 holes overlooking the ocean (same views as pebble beach golf course that is a short drive down the coast). Lovely club house for lunch if you desire. Best scoring man and best scoring woman prizes.

4:00 pm - Oktoberfest dinner of brats and trimmings. Weather permitting Top Gun will be shown on outside tv at camp central or club room. Bring your own drinks and plate setting.

OR

5:30 pm -after dinner possible trip to north beach naval base for an outside viewing of the big naval fleet ships in port and evening movie in their grand theater.

**October 10th - Saturday** -

11:00 am- delicious clam chowder soup, scrumptious Caesar salad and piping hot rolls served at camp central for lunch. Bring bowls, drinks and flatware.

12:15 pm - leave for boat trip at the pier.

1:00 am - 2 hour boat trip around the beautiful San Diego Bay (included).

3:30 pm - drive to old town San Diego for dinner @ Casa De Reyes mexican restaurant located at 2754 Calhoun St. (big meal portions for sharing. Stipend \$35.00 per couple (included). This is not just a restaurant. It's a dining experience that combines delicious food, great drinks and a lively atmosphere.

4:00 pm - be at restaurant for dinner.

6:45 pm - **optional** ghost tour in old town San Diego. For those not participating in this venue, feel free to explore the area.

**October 11th - Sunday**

9:30 am - continental breakfast at camp central or club house.

11:00 am- leave for point loma, the farthest end point of the United States. See location where the military cemetery was the site of the filming of Top Gun. We will travel to this venue in our cars and please carpool. Need America the beautiful park pass.

Free afternoon to explore Balboa Park and take in the free organ concert in Spreckels amphitheater 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm. 2005 pan American plaza e. Rd (Spreckels organ pavilion), a relaxed and fun way to enjoy one of San Diego's most iconic venues.

Or

2:00 pm - **optional** duck tour out of seaport village.

4:30 pm - little Italy for an Italian experience @ Philippi's pizza grotto. 1747 India St., downtown San Diego. You will think you are in Italy for this venue. We will be having family-style spaghetti and meat sauce, meatballs



and salad for our tables. Drinks & wine are on your own.  
Free parking at restaurant.

**October 12th - Monday** - leave for home by 11:00 am.

Full cost - \$499. 00 for rally fee without options. This includes 3 night lodging in a 5 star resort, 2 outside dinners at restaurants and the Oktoberfest meal at RV resort- camp central, little Italy (Phillips) and Casa De Reyes in old town are the selected restaurants, 1 continental breakfast, 1 clam chowder lunch, 2 hour boat trip of San Diego bay, a visit to point loma, a visit to balboa park and possible trip to north beach naval base for a movie.

### **Optional items: a la carte**

1. Golfing per person \$69.00 (18 holes and cart). Coronado, north beach navy base. Limited to 10 people (subject to change).

2. Haunted Ghost Tour by Bus of old town after dinner included. You will see the following stops, which is a 2-hour tour. Cost \$48.00 per person (need 10 people).

- a. Drive by the Whalen house.
- b. Entrance to the Villa Monte Zuma house.
- c. Entrance to the Hortan Grand Hotel
- d. Entrance to the Davis/Horton house
- e. Old Town graveyard.

3. Seal tour on the ducks. Leaves out of seaport village close to dinner restaurant. \$45.00 and Free parking with tour.

\$52.00 per person (need 10 people).

4. Extra day for staying at resort is \$124.03 in rv. - 2- or 1-bedroom cottages \$239.85

PRICING AND EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE



# Tucson Drifters Event Calendar

2026 *A Work in Progress*

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January		February		March		April	
Title:	RMMA/ Reg 3 Rally	Hearts & Stars Rally	Tillo Ranch Rally- <b>anceled</b>	Patagonia Rally			
Date:	12-30/1-1	Feb 12-15	20-22	8-12			
Place:	Hope, AZ	Benson, AZ	Tucson, AZ	Patagonia, AZ			
Host:	Ridley	Guizlo & Schultz	Linaker "Posse"	Brooks, Wenzen, & Kucy			
May		June		July		August	
Title	NA	NA	NA	NA			
Date							
Place							
Host							
September		October		November		December	
Title	NA	Beautiful San Diego	Casino	Candy Lakr Express			
Date		9-12	TBD	1			
Place		San Diego, CA	Green Valley	Skyline CC			
Host		Roubal, Kuehn, Kuznicki, Schultz	Need Rally Host	Hansen, Roubal, Toscano, DiPalermo, Kuehn, & Strawn			

visit our website with our own club's name as the URL: [www.TucsonDrifters.org](http://www.TucsonDrifters.org)

### **TUCSON DRIFTERS RALLY DEPOSITS AND CANCELLATION POLICY**

A **nonrefundable** Rally Deposit must accompany rally registration. Once the Balance Due Date is passed and Total Payment made, no refunds of these monies will be made until the rally has been completed and records have been reconciled. Any refunds are exclusive of rally deposits.



# RALLY REGISTRATION FORM

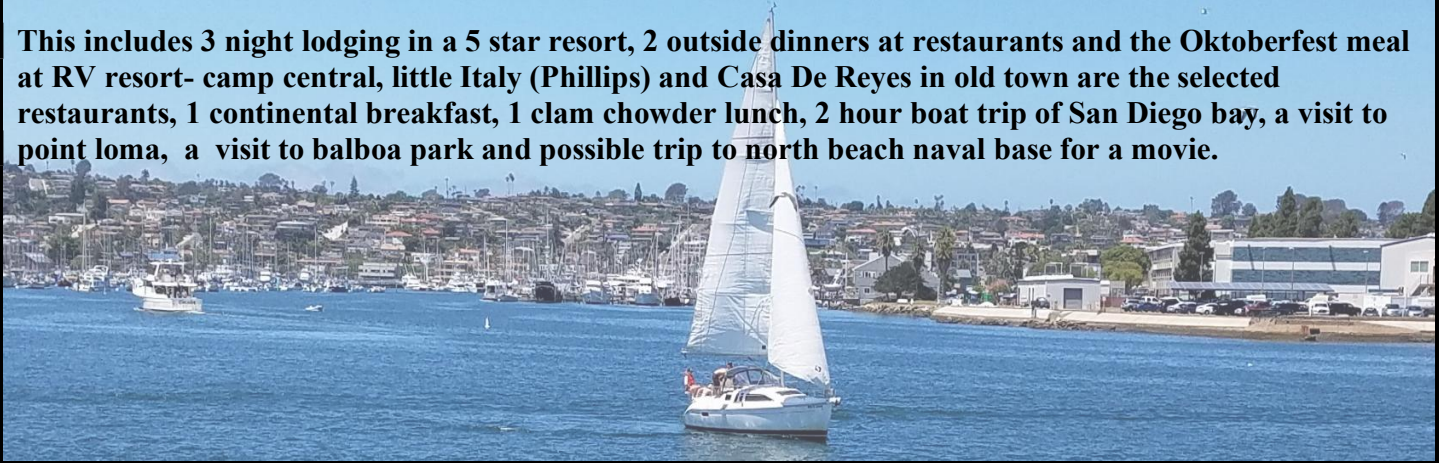


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Name:					
Phone:					
Motorhome:		Cell:		Email:	
Pets:		Length:		No. Slides:	
Basic Rally Cost: <b>\$499.00</b>		Deposit of <b>\$135.00</b> Due Feb 20, 2026		Balance Due: <b>May 15, 2026</b>	
Optional/Additional Per Person Costs:		Golf \$69.00*	Ghost Tour \$48.00	Seal Tour \$52.00	
*Golf Option will require arrival at the RV Park a day early at a cost of \$124.03.					
<b>Note:</b> The RV Park also rents cottages for those without an RV. The cost for a cottage is \$239.85 per night.					
Contact your Rally Host if you are considering this option.					
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Rally Hosts: Tom & Ruth Roubal, Bernie & Kendra Kuehn, Helen Baldrige and Bill Nickerson					
Make checks payable to:	Tucson Drifters				
Mail To:	Cheryl Dimmick, 16230 w Killarney Ave, Tucson, AZ 85736				