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2022 REMAINING RALLY SCHEDULE

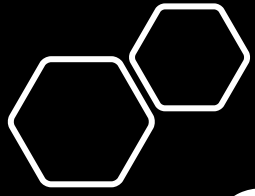


Date	Location	Reservation Information	Website
November 10-14	Butterfield RV Benson, AZ	520-586-4400	https://www.rv-resort.com/
November 23-27	Low-Hi RV Ranch Deming, NM	575-546-4058	https://www.lowhirvranch.com/ratesreservations.html



Happy
Halloween





Controversial 10-year-RV rule explained



- Have you heard of the “10-year rule” at RV parks? If not, you’ve probably not been an RVer very long.
- Here’s the rule, as it applies to camping in an RV park: If your RV is 10 years old or older, you may not be allowed to stay. If you’re asked while making a reservation the age of your RV, you might be turned down if it’s 10 years or older. The rule is never, to our knowledge, applied in public parks, like state parks and national forest campgrounds. It’s exclusively enforced only at commercial RV parks. Many parks, of course, have no such rule.
- While many RVers with well-kept RVs even older than ten years have never encountered this rule, others have, some plenty of times especially in snowbird states like Arizona and Florida. And to many, it may seem downright unfair.
- Advertisement/Affiliate
- The rule is there mostly for one reason: It allows a park to turn away junky RVs. They’re an eyesore to other RVers, and if enough of them are present in a park, other RVers with well-kept rigs will choose to stay elsewhere.
- Some RVers with well-kept rigs will fudge about the age of their RV, saying its a 2013 model rather than, say, a 2011. If the RV is a mess, the park management may ask for proof of its age in order to easily justify turning the RVer away. However, if it’s in pristine condition, it’s unlikely the RVer will even be questioned.
- This video from the folks at Drivin’ and Vebin’ does a good job explaining the rule and how it is applied at RV parks.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uy6lzq2rmas&t=55s>



- Janet took a solo trip up to Lake Caballo, NM



Visit The New Redbud Ranch RV Resort Near Austin, Texas
<https://www.redbudrvresort.com> .

Festival Under the Tucson Sun

Southwest Sun Chasers were represented at the Rocky Mountain Motorhome Association, RMMA, yearly ramble in Tucson, AZ by Cindy and Bill Massey; Vallarie and Brian Smith; and Grace and Dan Fogarty.

Over one hundred seventy coaches attended the ramble. The ramble was filled with a variety of activities and the format was a bit different than years past. The usual vendors and seminars were scheduled with many attendees adding items to their coaches, having their coaches weighed, upgrading steering and suspensions, replacing windshields, coaches were washed and waxed, and much more. We raised money for the wild donkey preserve and were treated to having a few donkeys visit us. An antique car club brought out their cars for us to enjoy. We had a Hawaiian themed dinner and a barbecue style dinner. Our entertainment included a steel drum band and a fire dancer. We had line dancing lessons. The ladies had a luncheon. We were treated to beer and pretzels one evening and coffee and donuts on several mornings. RMMA held its annual general meeting and open officer positions were filled. The park did a great job getting rid of the thorns and thistles experienced in previous years make the ramble much more enjoyable for our pets. Cindy and Bill participated in the chapter fair which resulted in the chapter picking up new members. Vallarie participated in the chili cookoff competition for the chapter. Because the chapter participated in both the chili cookoff competition and the chapter fair, the chapter was awarded \$500.00. While we there a barrel horse competition was held and car races were held. We we also treated to a spectacular nighttime launch of a rocket from California that carried new Starlink satellites. The ramble for 2023 will again be at Pima County Fairgrounds and will be held in late October.















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And then go to:

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Maitlands Travel to Texas Hill Country

- Jay and Annette Maitland and their friends from Rio Rancho, NM, Ray and Diana headed east to visit the Texas hill country. They spent time at Pecan Valley RV Park, Junction, TX and enjoyed some Texas pean sweets. They also visited Fredericksburg, where it looks like Annette found a new friend.





- Linda is out of her back brace and on the road to recovery. She took in a UTEP football game with her daughter.





Maverick Ranch

Lajitas, TX

January 12-17, 2023

Apache Junction, AZ

February 17-22, 2023

Cotton Lane RV Resort

February 22-26, 2023

See Below for Additional Details and visit: [Southwest Sun Chasers FMCA Chapter \(shutterfly.com\)](https://www.shutterfly.com)



Maverick Ranch
Lajitas, TX
January 12-17, 2023

- Reservations: 432-424-5182

Apache Junction, AZ

February 17-22, 2023

New Dates

Anticipated Group Events:

Goldfield Ghosttown: <http://goldfieldghosttown.com/>

Barleen's Dinner Show: <https://www.barleensdinner.com/>

Arizona Renaissance Festival: <https://arizona.renfestinfo.com/>

MLB Spring Baseball Game: Pending Release of Spring Schedule

Golf: For those that Golf

Shopping: Bass Pro Shop



New Event

MLB Spring Training Rally

New Event

FEBRUARY 22-26, 2023

Cotton Lane RV Resort
17506 W. Van Buren Street, Goodyear, AZ 85338
Reservations: 623-853-4000

Par Three Golf Course and in-door pool
for our entertainment at Cotton Lane.

Rally will focus on attending a
couple of MLB Spring Training
games in Surprise, AZ



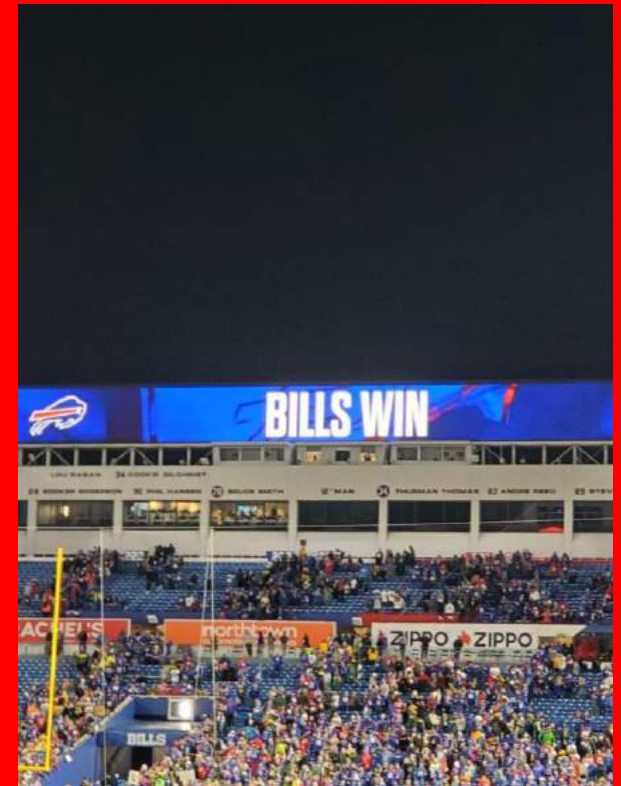


- Lisa and Jim took a weekend trip to Pancho Villa State Park, Columbus, NM.

- Taco Tuesdays continue to be popular.
- Time and location is announced on Signal.
- Make sure you are part of the Southwest Sun Chaser Signal Group.



The Linvilles travelled to Buffalo, NY and enjoyed a Sabres hockey game and of course they went to a Bill's game.



2023 RALLY SCHEDULE

Dates	Location	Reservation Information	Website	Notes
January 12-17	Lajitas, TX	Maverick Ranch 432-424-5182	https://www.lajitasgolfresort.com/	Reservations Open
February 17-22	Apache Junction, AZ	KOA Apache Junction 480-982-4015	https://koa.com/campgrounds/mesa/	Reservations Open
February 22-26	Cotton Lane RV Resort	17506 W. Van Buren Street, Goodyear, AZ	Reservations: 623-853-4000	New Addition
March 27-April 10	Natchez Trace	WilliamMassey60@gmail.com	https://www.facebook.com/groups/5343858142313864/	*Reservations Closed Please Contact William Massey For late registration
May 25-31	Camp Verde	Zane Gray RV Village 928-567-4320	https://www.zanegreyrv.com	Reservations by 02/01/2023
May	TBD	TBD		
June 21-25, 2023	Santa Fe, NM	Santa Fe Skies RV Park	FMCA.com	RMMA Region 1 Rally Registration is open
June 30-July 5	Durango, CO	Bayfield Riverside RV Park 970-247-0783	https://bayfielddriversidervpark.com/bayfield-rv-park-reservations/	Reservations On-Line
August	TBD	TBD		
August 31-September 5	Angel Fire, NM	Angel Fire RV Resort 575-377-4472 Spaces 210-216 Are Reserved for SWSC Chapter	https://angelfirervresort.com/	Reservations by December 5, 2022
Oct 24-29	Pima County Fairgrounds and RV Park	Online Registration FMCA.Com	https://www.rockymountainarea.com/ 505-330-1380 jerickson@fmca.com	RMMA Ramble Includes Five Nights/ Registration Pending
Nov (TBD)	TBD	TBD		

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To all of you,
Happy Holidays
and **Best Wishes**