



Elk-Ender News

The Prez Sez

December, 2010



On October 21st through 24th the Garden Grove Elk-Ender Campers attended their 36th Annual Halloween Rally at our very own Garden Grove Elks Lodge #1952. We were joined by camping group members of the Culver City Lodge, the Mission Viejo Lodge, and the Simi Valley Lodge. The Wagon Master and Entertainment Chairman was yours truly, your President. Recreational Vehicles filled the parking lot and the fun began on Thursday. The Exalted Ruler Kevin Perkins graciously changed the Thursday Night Lodge Meeting to an "Open Meeting" which allowed all of the spouses to attend and join in on the fun. We thank him for that kind gesture.

Throughout each day there were several organized games, craft tables, a silent auction, horse races, a champagne breakfast, dinner, dancing to the Borderline Band, a Friday Night costume contest, and a fantastic Saturday Night floor show. These events were only possible because of all of the wonderful Elk-Enders that stepped up and volunteered to organize and assist in their success. For example, Jack Hansen, who has helped out for years, again bought all of the food for the Saturday morning champagne breakfast and took charge of the Chef duties along with the assistance of David Skelton, P.E.R. and Chuck O'Dey. Many of our members also helped to serve the hot food and keep the champagne flowing. They all were Great Elk-Enders doing a great job.

I would like to thank all of the wonderful volunteers that helped out at our rally. I would like to give a very special "thank you" to Elk-Ender Sherrie Larson. She donated all of her material costs and hours and hours of her time at home to hand make a very special patriotic quilt we called "Old Glory". The raffle tickets for her quilt brought in \$1,060.00 in donations. I would also like to thank Pete & Gretchen Doeringer for another successful year of obtaining over 80 donations

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Coming Lodge Events.

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| 12/10 | Member's Christmas Party |
| 12/12 | Breakfast w/Santa & Needy Kids |
| 12/19 | Christmas Baskets Delivery |
| 12/26 | Pizza Sunday |
| 12/31 | New Years Eve Dinner Dance |

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Minutes of the November Meeting



Date: 11/3/10

1. **Call to order: 7:30 P.M.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance was led by:** Karen Reel
3. **Guests Present:** George & Pauline Oliveras and Stu & Susan Gunter. Susan was the winner of the Patriotic Quilt made by Sherrie Larson. The quilt was then presented to Susan.
4. **Recognize – Please stand:**
 - a. **Past EE Presidents:** Jack Hansen, Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman, Martin Hoxworth, and Steve Pavich.
 - a. **Current EE's of the Year:** Randy Eldridge, Larry Hoffman
 - a. **Past EE's of the Year:** Larry Hoffman, Randy Eldridge, Eileen Rasmussen. Alex Gonzalez, Jack Hansen, Pete Doeringer, Twyla Bass, Martin Hoxworth, Bill Catlin and Dave Lewis.
5. **Secretary's report by Jim Young:**

September minutes were announced as printed in the November newsletter. No corrections were noted and minutes were approved.
6. **Treasurer's report by Eileen Rasmussen:**

Monthly report was read and approved as read or corrected

 - a. Eileen added that the Halloween Rally netted \$3,132 profit. Almost the same as last year.
6. **Vice President's report by Reggie Brown:**
 - a. Reggie announced he had flags and decals for new member Gerry Sykes, who unfortunately was not present.
6. **General Reports:**
 - a. **General Wagon Master report by Mark Mahoney:**
 1. Randy filled in for the absent Mark Mahoney.
 1. Randy profusely thanked all those that helped make the Halloween Rally a success. Randy went on to implore everyone that next year even if you don't plan to bring a rig that you can and should plan on attending the dinners and functions of the rally. Reggie presented Randy and Janice their Wagon Master patches.

Randy reminded everyone that Do-It-In-The-Dirt campout is coming the November 11 - 14. A sign-up sheet was passed around. Please call the Wagon Masters, the

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1. Mahoney's and the Spychai's for food planning. So go dust off your desert toys so you can get them dirty again!! Remember there are only 5000 spaces, so plan early.
1. Bill and Sue Catlin announced the December Campout to Emerald Desert is on for December 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Sue mention that while we don't have a room for Friday night, do have a room from 1:00 on Saturday. John Zahn is bringing canopies to put up on compted sites for the Friday night dinner. There will be a fun style gift exchange at the Saturday night dinner. Sue had emailed all the potluck assignments and campout particulars to all campers who signed up. If you did not receive the flyer via email be sure to call or email Bill or Sue Catlin asap. Bill is going to get reservations for all of the early Thursday arrivals to the Palm Springs Folly's Thursday matinee. Let Bill know early if interested.
1. Linda Hansen gave more details about the EE Christmas Party at the Lodge on December 18th. Dinner will be a choice of Top Sirloin Steak, Chicken Cordon Bleu, or Halibut. In lieu of a gift exchange please bring a food item for the Charity Christmas Baskets.
1. Steve Pavich announced and passed around signup sheets for the January campout at Woods Valley. Steve and Debbie are the Wagon Masters for this event with Randy and Janice assisting

a. Elk-Endor Newsletter report by Larry Hoffman:

1. Larry reported Progress.

a. By-laws Committee report by Martin Hoxworth:

1. Martin reported progress.

a. Special Activities Reports:

1. November 7th – Daylight Savings Ends.
2. November 13th – New Member Orientation.
3. November 18th – New Member Initiation.
4. November 28th – Pizza Sunday.



6. Communications Received / General Announcements:

- a. Thank you letter from Karen Reel for the flowers we sent for her mother's funeral.

6. Sickness and Distress by Corresponding Secretary Judy Stretcher and the Membership:

- a. Judy reported Dave Hudock is doing better.
- b. Chuck Pollard has prostate cancer.
- c. Merlin Rice has a bum foot.
- d. Art Eng fell and broke his leg.

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11. Sunshine: Report from general membership:

- a. Randy Barrows reported he has LuAnn.
- b. Twyla and Irv Bass are going to be Great Grandparents.
- c. Bill and Sue Catlin are celebrating their 54th Wedding Anniversary. Martin and Marcia Hoxworth are celebrating their 43rd Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations to both couples.

11. Unfinished Business:

- a. Randy, again thanked (profusely) everyone that helped at the Halloween Rally.
- b. Linda Hansen spoke that in the spirit of the upcoming holiday season we should donate diapers to the Hope Project. Larry Hoffman moved that the Elk-Enders donate \$200.00 for diapers to the Hope Project. The motion was seconded and successfully affirmed by the members present.
- c. LuAnn Barrows previewed the banner for the Elks First Annual Fun Walk for Cancer. The Walk begins at 7:00 AM this Saturday November 6th at the Lodge.

11. New Business:

- a. Martin Hoxworth updated the membership that the 2011 California Elks Rally at Hemet will be October 6, 7, 8, and 9th. This will not conflict with our 2011 37th Annual Halloween Rally. Whew!
- b. Dave Lewis reminded us all that the more than 800 pictures from the Halloween Rally were up on the web site last weekend as promised.
- c. Randy recognized all veterans in attendance and reminded everyone of the open Lodge meeting on Veteran's Day, Thursday 11/11/2010.

11. Jokes:

- a. Jokes were told by Larry Hoffman and Ed Mosbrook.

11. Good of the order by Vice President Reggie Brown:

- a. Reggie had Conner Smorick draw the tile for the membership drawing. Al Quinn was not present to win \$30.50. The pot will roll over to the December 1st meeting. Sorry, Al!!

11. Meeting was adjourned by President Randy Eldridge at 8:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: Jim Young, Secretary.

Birthdays

- 2 Dec. Fran Struthers
 3 Dec. Linda Hansen
 3 Dec. Martin Hoxworth
 5 Dec. Eleanor Quiyada
 6 Dec. Lorraine Downing
 7 Dec. Dave Bakke
 10 Dec. Cora Byrd
 10 Dec. Eileen Rasmussen
 10 Dec. Janice Skelton
 14 Dec. Shirley Mitchell
 20 Dec. David Hudock
 21 Dec. Phyllis Maywhort
 24 Dec. Pete Weidner
 25 Dec. Jerry Austin
 25 Dec. Eve Schroeder
 25 Dec. Joe Zapata
 27 Dec. Robyn Johnson
 28 Dec. Dutch Schultz
 31 Dec. Joe DeFort



Anniversaries

- 13 Dec. David & Winnie Coombs
 13 Dec. Jim & Cecile Young #395)
 15 Dec. Bill & Debbie Zahn
 18 Dec. Larry & Pauline Hoffman
 18 Dec. Bill & Joan Wise
 22 Dec. Dutch & Dottie Schultz

Pearls of Wisdom



We could learn a lot from a box of crayons.... Some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names & all are different colors, but they all have to live in the same box.

Anon.

What's on Your Mind?

Do you have a gripe, suggestion, or kudo for the Elks, the Lodge or the Elk-Enders?

Please note that we have an "Editorial section and would love to hear from you.

Please keep it non-personal and non-political

Send it to me via Email or Snail mail.

Larry Hoffman

Points to Ponder ?????

If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know?

Coming Deadlines

Deadline	Issue
Dec. 14	Jan. Issue
Jan. 12	Feb. Issue
Feb. 10	Mar. Issue

Elk-Ender Christmas Campout 2010

***Emerald Desert RV Resort
76000 Frank Sinatra Drive, Palm Desert, (760) 345-4770
Friday, December 3 to Sunday, December 5, 2010
Wagon Masters: Bill and Sue Catlin (714-534-4729)
Assistant Wagon Masters: Martin and Marcia Hoxworth
Assistant Wagon Masters: Ken and Karen Moody***



***25 spaces are reserved for \$41.42 per night. Plus \$ 2.00 per pet, per night.
With full hook-up, cable TV, and WiFi access. Amenities include pool, hot tub,
Tennis, putting green.***

***If you plan to go on Thursday, you must call to make reservation for the early
Arrival. Early birds must check-in at the office on arrival.***

Friday, December 3rd.

Activities

4:30 – 6:00

Happy Hour,

6:00

Dinner (Chicken Fettuccini, Salad, Bread)

7:30

Scru Yer Neighbor (bring quarters)

Last Names A – M Bring a Dessert

Saturday December 4th.

Activities

7:00 AM

Coffee Available

9:30 AM

Potluck Breakfast

2:00 PM

Bean Bag Baseball

5:00 to 6:00

Happy Hour

6:00

Holiday Dinner

(Ham, Potatoes, Candied Yams, Green Beans, Roll)



7:15

Brief Meeting

7:30

Optional Gift Exchange , \$5.00 Limit, Wrapped

Last Names N –Z Bring a Dessert

Please remember to bring Plates, Utensils , cups to all meals.

December 5^t

7:00 – 9:30 AM

Coffee and Sweet treat –

***Directions to Emerald Desert RV Resort: Freeway 1-10 to Palm Desert. Exit on Cook
Street. Go right (south). Turn left (east) on Frank Sinatra Drive to resort entrance, on left.***

Nearby attractions: The Living Desert Zoo and Gardens in Palm Desert (760)346-5694

***Palm Springs Air Museum (760)778-6262, Tramway (760)325-1391. Indio Elks, College of the
Desert Street Fair/Swap Meet.***



Elk-Ender's Holiday Dinner

Saturday, December 18, 2010
At the Garden Grove Elks Lodge, 6:00 PM



You are cordially invited to attend our annual
Christmas Dinner Party.

We expect to have 100 or more people signed-up for this gala event. If you haven't added your name to the list, please call one of the numbers below. The **deadline** for signing-up and payment will be **December 1st** at our regular meeting. (pre-payment is required)

The cost will be \$14.99 per person (gratuity not included). The dinner will be a choice of New York Sirloin, Chicken Cordon Bleu, or Haibut.

After the dinner, there will be door prizes and dancing.

In lieu of a gift exchange, please make a donation of a gift or gift card to the HOPE Organization



We look forward to seeing all of you there!

Randy & Janice Eldridge

Linda Hansen

Hm. 714-554-4363 Cell 714-273-3970





EDITORIAL

It seems to me..... But I'm only one person who is parroting the words and thinking of quite a few Elk-Enders, other than just myself,; about the support and the show of solidarity as well as the concern, or shall I say "**lack of**," for the status of the Elk-Enders demonstrated by the officers and trustees of the Garden Grove Elks Lodge during our 36th Annual Halloween Rally.

Other than Loyal Knight Rick Ross (thank you Rick), most of the few officers present at the lodge seemed to remain in the Club Room during the evenings. In the years past the officers always had a full table at the evening dinners.

I for one, find their lack of support unconscionable, as do numerous other Elk-Enders. I feel we should bring this to their attention with words **and actions** when they come to us for support.

Larry Hoffman

Sickness and Distress

Fran Struthers from Fallbrook called and wanted her Elk friends to know of her distress. She was in the hospital for 1 week experiencing many tests to find out what is wrong with her. They still don't know, so she is to have more tests soon. She would welcome prayers and healing thoughts, cards too, I think. She seemed very discouraged. Fran would like this sent out as an email and also put in the newsletter. She does have some sunshine though, her grandson and wife in Copenhagen are expecting their first child. This will be the 5th great grandchild for Fran and Dave. Thanks to Judy Strecker for the information.

Sharon Houston has been hospitalized for treatment of a Kidney infection and bronchitis.

Art Eng is reported to have a broken leg as a result of taking a fall.

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for our evening raffles. Oh, and I would be remiss if I did not thank John Grossman and Karen Reel for all their work and sales on Friday and Saturday nights booze wagons. Because of space limitations in this article I can not name each and every one of you, but you all know who you are. Great job by all !

For our December 3rd through 5th Christmas Campout we will be camping at a five star resort called Emerald Desert in Palm Desert. Our Wagon Masters will be Bill & Sue Catlin with the assistance of Ken & Karen Moody and Martin & Marcia Hoxworth. It is so wonderful when our members step up and volunteer as Wagon Masters. It makes our campouts so much fun.

Don't forget that we will we will be having this year's Christmas Party at the Lodge on December 18th. Instead of a gift exchange we will be bringing gifts again this year to help out the families under the "Project Hope". If you need any suggestions on what to bring, please call Elk-Ender Linda Hansen. Happy Holidays to all of you and may your 2011 be your best year so far.

MONTH	DATES	CAMPGROUND	# SITES	WM & ASST. WM	\$ SITE	CONFIRM	FACILITIES	DEPOSIT	DISTANCE
April	16-18	Lancaster Elks Lodge	30	Zapata & Hoffman	\$17.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$100	106
May	21-23	Oceanside RV Resort	20	Larson & Eldridge	\$31.00	30 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	55
June	18-20	Tucalota Springs	20	Jim & Nancy Young	\$30.00	30 Days	FH & 30A	\$100	81
July	30-08/01	Vista Elks Lodge	20	Eileen Rasmussen	\$18.00	30 Days	W & 30A	None	57
August	12-15	Oceano Elks Lodge	30	David & Janice Skelton	\$20.00		W & 30A		200
August	27-29	Pechanga RV Resort	30	Carl & Charlene Kellogg	\$42.00	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	69
September	23-26	CA Rally - Hemet	Open	Mark & Debbie Mahoney	TBD	Individually	FH & 30/50A	None	67
October	21-24	Halloween Rally	Open	Randy & Janice Eldridge	TBD	None	W,30A/Dry	None	
November	11-14	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
December	03-05	Emerald Desert	25		\$36.00	30 Days	FH & 30/50A	TBD	105
January	28-30	Woods Valley	20	Pavich & Eldridge	\$29.00	30 Days	W & 30A	\$150	96
February	25-27	Lake Elsinore	30	Reggie & Sunshine Brown	\$30.00	14 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	51
March	10-13	Do It In The Dirt - CA City	5,000	Mahoney & Spychaj	Free	None	Dry C/O	None	150
March	25-27	Newport Dunes	35	Zahn & McMillan	\$35.00	10 Days	FH & 30/50A	\$100	15

Please VOLUNTARILY sign up to be a Wagonmaster

By-Laws Article V, Section 3: "Each member is expected to VOLUNTARILY serve as Wagonmaster before anyone is required to serve a second time."

About Deadlines.....

Please note that deadlines are about 14 days prior to meeting day. However; because of Holidays, campouts, or weekends this varies a little. If it is past deadline and you have something that you feel should be printed, I will try to accommodate you if it is possible, but can't guarantee it will be able to be printed.



Loyal Knight Rick Ross mixing the Bloody Marys for the Sunday morning rounds.



YAMAHA generator,
 Model 1000iE.
 1000Watts AC w/12V
 inverter. New condition
 \$ 475.00 Call Alex at
 (714) 894-5690

Anagrams When you re-arrange the letters:...



**“SLOT MACHINES” can
 become “CASH LOST IN
 ME.”**





Eileen Rasmussen trying to be the Elk-ENDER cut-up

Elk-Enders

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[Photos: Dave Lewis, Steve Pavich, Jim Young & Larry Hoffman](#)

Elk-Ender's January 2011 Campout

Woods Valley Campground

15236 Woods Valley Rd., Valley Center, CA 92082

(760) 749-2905

Thursday – Sunday, January 27 -30

Steve & Debbie Pavich

H - (714) 963-2633

Wagon Masters:

AND

C - (714) 322-7561

Randy & Janice Eldridge

H - (951) 354-7733

C - (714) 501-0247

** Early Birds need only arrive and pay for the extra nights with the Park Manager.

We have 25 camp sites reserved. More are available if more campers sign up. They have electric, water. No extra charge for pets. Dump station at the park. Check-in time is 12:00 Noon. Our special rate for GG Elk Enders is \$29.00 per night.

Activities at or near Woods Valley Campground:

- Large Game room with beautiful fireplace reserved for all days. Free firewood provided for game room fireplace!
- Outdoor Fire pits provided, bring your own firewood for outdoor fire pits.
- Bates Nut Farm about 1 mile east. Excellent nuts, dates, craft items, etc.
- Lake Wolford just over the ridge to the south. About 4 miles by road. Good fishing.
- Four Casinos within 20 miles: Valley View, Rincon, Pauma, and Pala Casinos.
- Just 40 miles to San Diego or Temecula "Old Town" and antique shops.
- Sky Diving at Lake Otay!! "You gotta be nuts!"



Friday, January 28th

Pot Luck Dinner - 5:30 P.M.

A-L Bring dessert

M-Z Bring main dish

Skrü Yer Neighbor Card Game

7:00 P.M.

Things to Bring

- Bring your own plates, silverware service, and beverages to each meal.
- Bring a Pot Luck Dish for Friday Dinner and Saturday Morning Breakfast.
- Bring Washer Boards.

Saturday, January 29th

Coffee & Juice 7:00 A.M.

Potluck Breakfast - 9:00 to 10:00

Bring your favorite dish

Washer Board Game - 10:30 A.M.

Lunch - On your own

Baseball Board Game – 2:00P.M.

Happy Hour 4:30 in lodge BYOB

Dinner - 5:30 to 6:30 P.M.

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce

Garlic Bread

Green Salad

Dessert

Evening Meeting & Fireside Chat with Mr. President - 7:00 P.M.

* **Special Guest** – Sheriff Bart *

Sunday, January 30th

Coffee, Juice & Danish - 7:00A.M.

Eat leaves, bark, or anything in your RV.

Drive home safely.

Directions

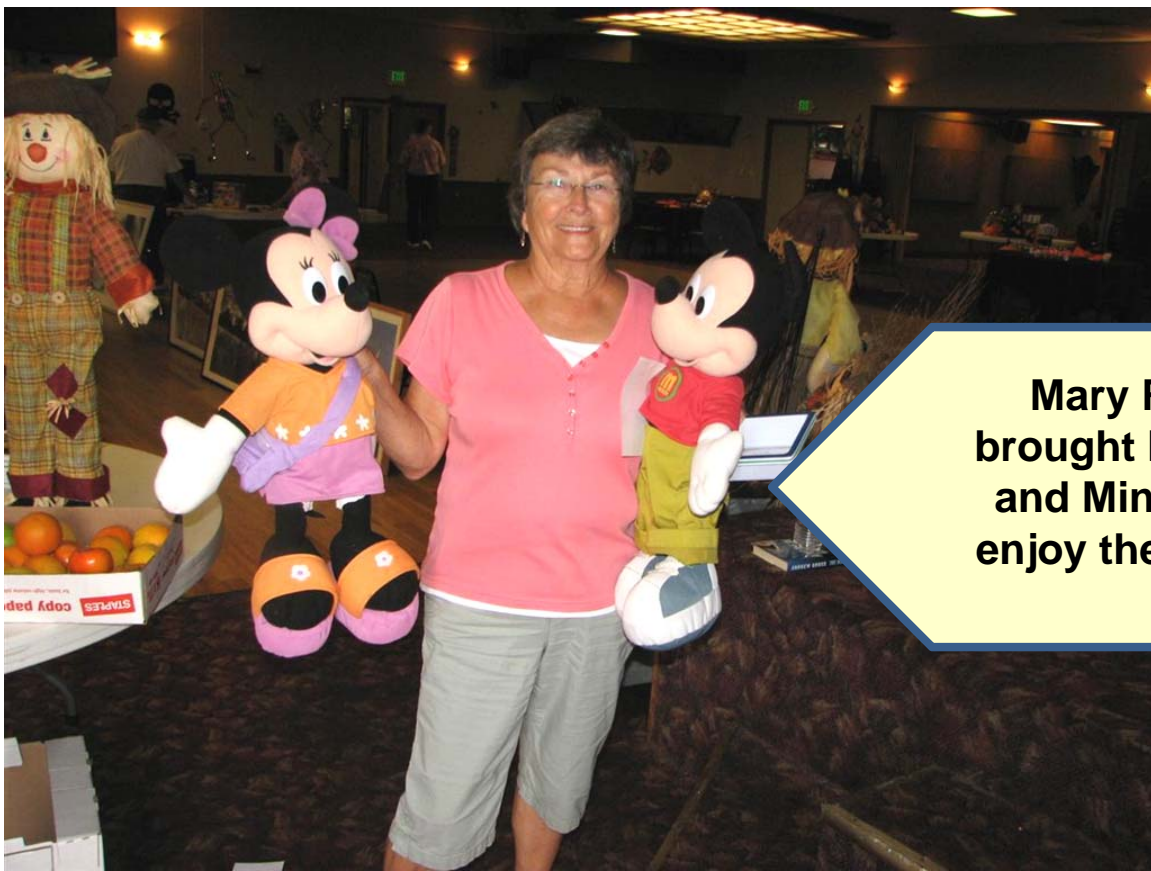
- Take I-5 South to Oceanside
- Take 78 Fwy East till it ends at a stop light in Escondido.
- Turn right / south, go to the second light, which is Washington.
- Turn left / east, go about 3.7 miles to Valley Parkway. There is a light at this intersection.
- Turn left / north, go 4.2 miles. Up a grade then down the other side into the valley. The first right is Woods Valley Rd. You're almost there.
- Turn right / east, go 2.2 miles and look for the sign on the left!



The “Dancing Queens” set the evening’s frivolous tone

The new fantastic scenery by our own Bill Catlin





Mary Rich brought Mickey and Minnie to enjoy the party.



OMG!!! OBAMA CARE IS ALREADY HERE!

**...and
the
race
is on!**



**The 3
horses
tied and
split the
winnings.**



**Horses run
slow Kemo
Sabe!
Jockey's
look a tad
overweight.**

**Whoopee; I
won a trip to
the San Diego
Zoo!**



**A fugitive and “Working Girl”
from Harbor Blvd.**



**What
Oil
Spill?
It was a
great
day for
a swim
in the
Gulf!**





The Samurais... (L-R) Gotta Da Yen, Why I Itchi, Ti Nee Dong, and Hootchi Kootchi.



Them X-Ray Glasses are amazing, but I'd never take advantage and look!would I?



**Above: Winners of Saturday's 2nd race cashing-in.
Below: Friday's Horse Race Board Game in full swing, led by Dave Lewis.**



These two are going home in a few minutes and change into their costumes.



Ah yes! Once again more treasures from the "Silent Auction." If you missed out, don't fret; most will show-up again at next year's auction