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Jan 1 - The annual Polar Bare Plunge at Olive Dell Ranch saw 17 brave souls jumped into 46-degree water on New Year's Day event. Above photo shows the group immediately afterwards in the club Jacuzzi. - photo by N. Crane.

AANR News

Reminder: AANR Bulletins - Paper or Email? (Starting This Month)

Starting with the January 2020 *AANR Bulletin*, the national magazine will only be available by email UNLESS you contact the AANR office at 800-879-6833 to tell them you still want a paper copy mailed to you.

The electronic copies can be read it online or downloaded in PDF format for you to save or print it yourself.

Reminder: AANR Membership Dues Are Increasing January 15

The national AANR member dues are increasing as of January 15. Anyone who wants to renew under the old rates have until that date to have their postmarked renewal checks (or to pay online at www.aanr.com). This deadline also applies to clubs sending in blocks of members on their renewal sheets.

Individual memberships will increase by \$6, so those paying directly to AANR online their normal dues will go from \$58.00 to \$64.00/year. The couples discount is being eliminated and all couples will now be split into individual memberships so couples will see a larger increase, going from \$93.50/couple to \$128.00 for two individuals.

If you are a member through a club, many clubs offer deep discounts, so check with your club about the amount of increase you may have to pay

The increase was approved by the national Board of Directors at the AANR convention last August. It has been eight years since the last dues increase and the organization needed to make the change to cover rising costs.

Region News

Annual Member Survey – Time to Hear What You Think

By Gary Mussell, AANR-West President

At the start of every year, we give you the opportunity to let your Board of Directors know how AANR and AANR-West are doing.

This is your chance to tell us what we are doing right, what you would like to see changed, what are your ideas for new events, along with any other thoughts or concerns.

To that end, we have included a 2-page Member Survey with this newsletter mailing that we would appreciate you taking a few minutes to fill out, and mail back to us.

The same survey may be downloaded from our website at www.aanrwest.org/news/survey2020.pdf.

Please try to complete the survey by the end of January so we can incorporate your ideas into our 2020 planning.

Please return it as an email attachment to information@aanrwest.org or print and mail to:

AANR-West Member Survey
23670 Calabasas Road #966
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New Rack Card Coming to Clubs Offering AANR-West Scholarships



The start of the new year means the application period for AANR-West school **Scholarships** is once again open.

A new rack card with more information about the scholarship program (see photo) will be sent to all AANR-affiliated clubs in mid-January. We ask they be on display at the club's registration desks or other high-traffic area.

The program was expanded last year to include not only college-bound students but also to anyone taking a vocational training class.

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There is no longer an age limit to applicants, but they must be AANR members or the children or grandchildren of AANR members to qualify.

Deadline to apply for the Fall Semester is May 1. Scholarships are awarded every June (we formally announce the winners at the annual summer convention).

Second, since vocational schools run courses year-round, we have set aside money for these courses. However, when this money runs out, no more funds will be available the rest of that calendar year. **These applications can be submitted at any time** until the funds have been exhausted.

Third, the application forms have been greatly simplified and are available now on our website at: www.aanrwest.org/scholarship.html.

Please submit your forms electronically to information@aanr-west.org or else mail them to:

AANR-West, Scholarships
23670 Calabasas Road #966 Calabasas, CA 91302

But Wait! There's More! AANR Education Foundation Scholarships

In addition to the AANR-West Scholarship, interested students may apply for an **AANR Education Foundation scholarship** without being a winner or an applicant for an AANR-West scholarship, and may do so at any time. The amount of these funds is not fixed but varies per availability and qualifications

AANR Education Foundation (AEF) scholarship applications may be obtained from the AANR Education Foundation webpage: www.aanr-ef.org then link to "Applications."

An Open Letter to All Clubs and Members about Political Civility

One of our important guidelines in AANR is not to interfere with the business of our various clubs or the First Amendment rights of our members to express themselves as they see fit, so my request here is only a request.

Knowing that there are many AANR members and naturists who are passionate on all sides of the ideological spectrum, it is my hope that all members and all clubs will refrain from posting any political opinions in these troubling times onto social media.

Our mission is to promote nude recreation to everyone regardless of race, sex, age, gender orientation, etc. And while it is not specifically stated, I would hope this would also extend to political opinion as well. Therefore, in the interest of harmony I am requesting that you not post or forward articles, cartoons, or express your political opinions on any social media where you are identified as a naturist or member of AANR.

Our numbers are too few to lose members over something like this. What you do on your personal accounts is none of our business. Please exercise common sense.

Thank you for understanding,

Gary Mussell, AANR-West President

AANR West Nudist Passport Program Raffle Deadline is July 1

A few people have turned in their Passport raffle coupons early, so we need to remind everyone there is still an additional 6 months to go before the deadline to send in your information. Plenty of time to visit more clubs and nudist resorts!

The AANR-West staff is starting to collect some nice prizes for the Passport raffle, to be held this July.

Your deadline to submit your tear offs to our AANR-West office is no later than July 1.

If you are not familiar with the program, AANR members are encouraged to visit as many clubs as possible and having your Passport book stamped whenever you visit a new club. Each different club you visit entitles you to a raffle ticket for the July drawings.

Clubs can sell the books (recommended price \$5), or it can be purchased on the AANR-West website online at <https://www.aanrwest.org/nudist-passport-program.html>

Mail your raffle entries (the back section of the passport book) to:

AANR-West Passports
23679 Calabasas Rd Suite 966
Calabasas, CA 91201



2020 AANR-West Calendar



We Need Club Materials and Giveaway Items for 2020 Trade Show Booths

Each year, AANR-West attends several major trade shows around the region to promote nude recreation at information booths. We talk to show visitors who express an interest in learning more and we distribute club brochures and other material to encourage people to learn more. Staff volunteers are needed also!

Each year we ask our clubs to send us club brochures, event schedules, discount passes, and giveaway items (hats, T-shirts, towels) we can use as prizes. Please send these to us no later than the end of January to our regional address shown elsewhere in this newsletter. Here is our confirmed schedule (so far) for 2020:

February 15-16 – Los Angeles Travel and Adventure Show, Los Angeles Convention Center.

About 50,000 people are expected over the two days where about 400 booths representing destinations from all over the globe will compete for attention along with our Nakation™ -themed booth.

March 11-12 – California Parks and Recreation Show, Long Beach Convention Center.

The show brings in 5,000 employees, superintendents and managers representing parks and beaches, and gives us a chance to talk to them about nude recreation inside the state park system.

April 19 – Earth Day Fair, Balboa Park, San Diego.

The largest Earth Day event in the state attracts 70,000 people for one day. We get to promote nude recreation to a younger generation who are always interested.

June 27 – World Naked Bike Ride Los Angeles

AANR-West co-sponsors this event every year which attracts 400 bike riders, mostly under age 30, to a legal 15-mile ride around the city.

October 2-4 - Avocado Festival Carpinteria, CA

The largest free food festival in the state attracts about 120,000 people over 3 days. Our booth promotes nude recreation.

2020 Regional Sports Competitions and Nude 5K Run Schedule Announced

Sports tournaments (volleyball, pickleball, tennis, etc.) are played at clubs across the region on a daily and weekly basis.

Throughout the year there is also a terrific opportunity to have some inter-club competitions during our regional sports festivals, summer and fall, and convention. Teams, and individuals, from different clubs may travel to and compete for regional bragging rights as well as great prizes and trophies. Here are some confirmed events and dates for 2020:

Apr 25 – Olive Dell Ranch, Colton CA

1-Mile Naked Beer Run and Supersized Beer Pong

Apr 26 Olive Dell Ranch, Colton CA

Bare Burro 5K Run

June 5-7 Glen Eden Sun Club, Corona CA

AANR-West Summer Festival & 5K Run

Aug 8 Olive Dell Ranch, Colton, CA

Southern California Summer Games

Sept 20 De Anza Springs Resort, Jacumba, CA

Bare Booty 5K Run

Oct 9-11 Shangri-La Ranch, New River, AZ

AANR-West Fall Festival & 5K Run

We will announce more sports events as more clubs confirm their 2020 calendars.



AANR-West Kids' Camp Location and Dates Set

The AANR-West **Kid's Camp** will be held June 21-25 at De Anza Springs. It is open to children between ages 8 and 16, with activities designed for different age brackets, depending who signs up. These include pool games, various arts and crafts, sports competitions, cooking, and a talent show. There will also be a beach trip.

We have confirmed two experienced and certified youth counsellors to guide these activities. Parents are encouraged to help supervise also.

The camp is for the children and grandchildren of AANR members, but guest children will not be turned away.

The full activity itinerary and pricing information will be available in about a month.

There's Always Something Happening Around the Region!

Below is a list of major club activities for the next several weeks from around the region. **This is only a partial list.** Visit the aanrwest.org web site for a more complete list. Click on the club link at right to view some details about the event at the club's web site.

Calendar of Major Events at AANR-West Clubs January 1-31, 2020

Date	Event Description	Host Club	Club Link
01/01/20	New Year's Potluck	Olive Dell Ranch	olivedell1952@gmail.com
01/01/20	Polar Bear Swim	Olive Dell Ranch	olivedell1952@gmail.com
01/01/20	New Year's Band Dance	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
1/1/2020	New Year's Day Potluck Breakfast	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
1/1/2020	New Year's Eve Party - 2020	Sequoians	sequoians@gmail.com
1/1/2020	New Year's Day (plunge / bocce / hike)	Sequoians	sequoians@gmail.com
01/02/20	Wii Bowling (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/03/20	Morning Hike (Clubhouse)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/03/20	Bingo (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/03/20	Karaoke (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
1/3/2020	Music by Request Dance	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
01/04/20	Rocking' Robes Dance	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
01/04/20	Air Gun Practice & Lessons (Shooting Range)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/04/20	Team Trivia (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/04/20	Pool Tournament (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/04/20	DJ Dance (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
1/4/2020	Hoedown Theme Dance	Laguna del Sol	office@lagunadelsol.com
01/05/20	Water Volleyball (Indoor Pool)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/09/20	Buff Dinner – Mimi's Café, Tucson	Buff-a-teers	rsvp-buff@googlegroups.com
01/10/20	DJ Dance Party with Ross	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
01/10/20	Bingo (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/10/20	Karaoke Night	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
01/11/20	Nude at The Getty Scavenger Hunt	SCNA	scna@socalnaturalist.org
01/11/20	Texas Hold'em Tournament	Olive Dell Ranch	olivedell1952@gmail.com
01/11/20	DJ Dance Party with Barbara & Howard	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
01/11/20	DJ Dance (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
1/11/20	Game Day	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
01/12/20	Knife and Fork Party	Olympian Club	olympianclub@aol.com
01/17/20	Open Microphone Night	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
01/17/20	Karaoke (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/18/20	Women's Appreciation Weekend	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
01/18/20	Soul Train Dance	Olive Dell Ranch	olivedell1952@gmail.com
01/18/20	DJ Dance (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/18/20	Buff Outing – Hunter and Barb's, Tucson	Buff-a-teers	rsvp-buff@googlegroups.com
01/18/20	Do You Want to Build a Snowman	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
01/18/20	Big Time Birthday Party	Sequoians	sequoians@gmail.com
01/18/20	Wine Pairing (The Lakeside Inn)	Laguna del Sol	office@lagunadelsol.com
01/24/20	Bingo (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/25/20	Nude Spa Night	SCNA	scna@socalnaturalist.org
01/25/20	Chinese New Year (Pig) Celebration	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
01/25/20	Team Trivia (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/25/20	DJ Dance (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
01/26/20	Water Volleyball (Indoor Pool)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com

Calendar of Major Events at AANR-West Clubs February 1-29, 2020

Date	Event Description	Host Club	Club Link
02/01/20	Band Dance with Chris	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
02/01/20	DJ Dance (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
02/01/20	Buff Outing – Gary and Becky's, Sonoita	Buff-a-teers	rsvp-buff@googlegroups.com
02/01/20	Super Bowl at Bev's House	Sequoians	sequoians@gmail.com
02/01/20	Team Night Theme Dance	Laguna del Sol	office@lagunadelsol.com
02/02/20	Super Bowl Party, Chili Cookoff, Best Soup	SCNA	scna@socalnaturist.org
02/02/20	Super Bowl Party	Olive Dell Ranch	olivedell1952@gmail.com
02/02/20	Super Bowl Party	Olympian Club	olympianclub@aol.com
02/02/20	Super Bowl Party	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
2/2/2020	Superbowl Party (The Lakeside Inn)	Laguna del Sol	office@lagunadelsol.com
02/07/20	DJ Dance Party with Oz	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
02/07/20	Young at Heart Music by Request Dance	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
02/08/20	Valentine's Dinner & Dance	Olive Dell Ranch	olivedell1952@gmail.com
02/08/20	Ukulele Jam	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
02/08/20	DJ Dance Party with Alicia	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
02/08/20	DJ Dance (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
02/08/20	Game Day & Potluck	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
02/14/20	Karaoke Night	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
02/15-16	Travel & Adventure Show Booth, Los Angeles	AANR-West	information@aanrwest.org
02/15/20	Valentine's Day Band Dance	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
02/15/20	DJ Dance (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
02/15/20	Masquerade Dance	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
02/15/20	Sweetheart Dance	Sequoians	sequoians@gmail.com
02/15/20	Valentine's Ball	Laguna del Sol	office@lagunadelsol.com
02/22/20	Hollywood Nights Dance	Olive Dell Ranch	olivedell1952@gmail.com
02/22/20	Wacky Wig Day & Dance	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
02/22/20	Dart Tournament & DJ Dance	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
02/22/20	Mardi Gras Theme Dance	Laguna del Sol	office@lagunadelsol.com
02/23/20	Nude Escape Room Adventure	SCNA	scna@socalnaturist.org
02/29/20	Mardi Gras Carnival & Dance	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
02/29/20	DJ Dance (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com

Calendar of Major Events at AANR-West Clubs March 1-14, 2020

Date	Event Description	Host Club	Club Link
03/02/20	Summer in March (BBQ and Bar at SR)	Laguna del Sol	office@lagunadelsol.com
03/06/20	DJ Dance	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
03/06/20	Karaoke (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
03/06/20	Music by Request Dance	Mountain Air Ranch	marinfo@trynude.com
03/07/20	DJ Dance	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
03/07/20	DJ Dance	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
03/14/20	St Patrick's Dance	Olive Dell Ranch	olivedell1952@gmail.com
03/14/20	AANR West Board Meeting	De Anza Springs	scna@socalnaturist.org
03/14/20	St Patrick's Day Dance	Glen Eden Sun Club	info@gleneden.com
03/14/20	DJ Dance (Oasis Lounge)	De Anza Springs	stay@deanzasprings.com
03/14/20	St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Massage	Sequoians	sequoians@gmail.com
03/14/20	St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance	Laguna del Sol	office@lagunadelsol.com

Note: These activities and dates are subject to change.

AANR Bulletin to Feature Non-Landed Clubs in Monthly Column

Beginning in its January issue, the *AANR Bulletin* is running articles highlighting AANR's non-landed clubs. To get your non-landed club and activities featured, contact Donna Mollan at donnamollan@gmail.com with information about events, your location, and other promotions.