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President's Message

~ By Randy Scott ~ rscott@antelecom.net

Welcome to another edition of our Chapter Newsletter. As usual, our Editor Jean Maddux has done a great job in putting it together!

Terry and I recently returned from another very enjoyable trip. We hope those of you who are traveling are also able to go around and see this great land of ours! We went to our chapter Pre-Rally in Palm Desert, CA and caravanned on to the FMCA Western Area Rally (more details further on in this newsletter) where we saw many of our AlfaSeeYas friends and made new ones. Then Terry and I went to Scottsdale, AZ where we attended the Barrett-Jackson Auto Auction for a day. If you have seen it on TV (or even if not), if you are interested in classic cars, you HAVE to see it at least once! We had heard from other Alfa owners about how easy and relatively inexpensive it was to just see it for a day – and it was worth it! We then went to Quartzsite, AZ – the world's biggest flea market – to meet with one of the Alfa Owners chapters, and attend the annual "Big Tent" RV show at the end of Jan. This is another "must do" event – especially if you have never seen it before. Estimates are that between 500,000 and 1 million people are there during that time – most in RVs parked about as far as the eye can see! Terry and I actually stayed on in Quartzsite at an RV park for a couple of weeks - it was amazing how the area "cleared out" during that time, although there were still a lot of "locals" and snowbirds in the area.

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The Alfa Owners Club Annual Rally is coming April 2012 at the Canyon Vistas RV Resort in Arizona. The folks putting it on have done a lot of work to ensure it will be another good one – we hope to see many of you there! We will be having an AlfaSeeYas chapter business meeting during the rally – on Tues Apr 17 at 11 am for ALL Alfa motorhome owners – we hope to see you there and maybe prospective new members as well. One of the topics at our meeting will be the need to elect a nominating committee for our next chapter officer's election. Speaking of traveling, as you do so, we hope you are seeing other Alfa

motorhome owners, and when you do, invite them to join our chapter if they are not already members. Our Alfa motorhomes are still very popular, and we continue to get information on new FMCA members with Alfas (whom we invite to join us), as well as questions from prospective owners asking for information. We have about 10% of all Alfa motorhome owners as members of our chapter, so there are many others out there we can invite! In fact, some of you have been so successful in doing so, we were just notified that we have won an FMCA Member Recruitment Prize Package for recruiting 12 new FMCA members in their "Dozen Does It" challenge. Hopefully, we will receive it in time to bring to the April meeting to share.

We have several members looking into the possibility of having several rallies in the Eastern US in middle to latter part of next year. Several proposed areas include Lancaster, PA and Washington DC. We are also talking that it would be nice if the timing were to coincide with folks being able to then take in the "Fall Colors" in the fall timeframe. We welcome your ideas and participation. We also are always looking for members willing to help put on rallies – it is fun and not hard to do – especially when we have multiple wagonmasters – plus our attendees are always willing to help out too! Please let me know of any ideas and suggestions you may have – there is no commitment incurred by doing so!

You will see later in this newsletter proposed changes to our Chapter Bylaws and Standing Rules. Shortly after being elected Chapter President in Jan 2011, in becoming more familiar with them, I saw several changes I and other officers thought needed updating. The current ones date from 2005, plus FMCA has also made changes and updates since that time. I hope you take the time to review the proposed changes, and send in your vote before the deadline.

One other topic for your consideration is the "Members Only" section of our Chapter Web Site. As I understand it, it was initially established to allow sharing of information and ideas between chapter members, as well as an incentive for others to join our chapter. However, occasionally some chapter members mistakenly think it can be used to check on their membership status, and are then not sure if they are current members if they are denied access to it. Rather, as the section instructions show, member's current in both FMCA and our Chapter need to first register, after which your name and email address will be matched against the most current member roster and you will then receive an email showing approval for you to log in. So, if you have not done that, you will be denied access to it, regardless of your current standing. Regarding membership information, we do not believe it is a good idea to post detailed member information on the web site – regardless of how it is protected – as we do not want to take the (hopefully slim) chance of it being compromised, plus not all members want their personal information available to even other members – which we fully understand. Any time any member has a question about their membership, please feel free to contact our secretary or myself. Since there have been relatively few posts to the Members Only section for a while now, we are wondering if you would still like to have it as a part of our web site. Please respond back to me with your answer, and feel free to contact our webmaster Tony Monson if you have any questions.

Wishing you all safe and happy travels, and hoping we will see you on down the road!

~~ Randy

Editor's Note ~ By Jean Maddux, newsletter editor ~ jeansalfanews@gmail.com

Time flies when you are having fun !! And we have been having fun. We went to the FMCA Rally in Indio, CA and met up with some old friends and met some new people who have joined us this year. We also met some new members who haven't been to this Rally before. It becomes like a family reunion when you only get to see these people once or twice a year.

We went to Quartzsite and saw some other friends that have 5th wheels and can't go to the FMCA Rally. It is always good to see them too.

After that we went to Imperial Dam just north of Yuma, AZ and dry camped on the desert for two months. The Alfa's are really set up for dry camping because they hold a lot of water and the holding tanks hold a lot also. We put solar panels on top of our Alfa and that really helped.

We were only 2 miles from the dump station and fresh water and we could go for 6 days without going there.

Some people are more conservative than we are but I like to be comfortable.

The season runs from the middle of Sept. till the middle of April. It costs \$180 for 7 months on BLM land *OR* you could spend \$180 for one night on the FL Keys. Hmmm.

I took RV driving lessons a few weeks ago. I could drive the Alfa, but I was white knuckled the whole time. I spent two 4 hour days with Dan Sheppard (also an Alfa owner), who works for the RV Driving School. I feel so much more relaxed now. It was well worth the money. My husband Jerry got to go along and he learned things too.

Well, the Alfa Owners Club Annual Rally is coming up real soon. Sure hope to see many of you there. Come say "Hi".

Happy Trails and be safe.

~~ Jean

I read this article that said the typical symptoms of stress are, eating too much, impulse buying, and driving too fast. Are they kidding ??
That's my idea of a perfect day !!!

Report on the Jan 2012 Pre-Rally and FMCA Western Area Regional Rally

By Randy Scott

Once again we had our AlfaSeeYas pre-rally to the FMCA Western Area Rally at the Emerald Desert RV Resort in Palm Desert, CA. Our pre-rally ran from Fri Jan 6 to Tues Jan 10, 2012. Wagonmaster's Lorraine and Mike Lynch, along with help from co-wagonmaster's Pat and Barb Pintus, did a fine job of organizing, arranging, preparing, and greeting everyone! Naturally, everyone helped out to make it another very successful AlfaSeeYas function! Friday was arrival day - we had a total of 25 Alfas attend (including one who was already in the park and joined us!). Friday night we had a catered dinner and introductions of all attendees.

Saturday morning we had breakfast provided by the resort, followed by a Chapter Business Meeting, and then a question/answer session and tech talk (moderated by Mike Lynch) with Alfateers representatives Jon and Martin. Lots of good information was shared by all. One of the primary benefits of members getting together is the "cross-talk" of questions/answers and "how to" information amongst all Alfa owners! In the afternoon, most of us went on a very informative escorted tour to the Wind Turbine farms in the local Palm Springs area. Our tour guide was very informative and humorous, allowing us to see and hear the pros and cons of wind energy development and operations. I think we all came away with a new appreciation of this fast-growing industry. Saturday evening we had our usual Happy Hour and then "Italian Night" dinner provided by the resort. Afterwards, some of our folks joined with the rest of the resort folks in playing Card Bingo.

Sunday, after the morning coffee and rolls (thanks again to those who arose early so everyone could have them each morning!); in the afternoon we had our popular coach walk. This is always a great opportunity to show off what Alfa owners have done to personalize/improve/update their coaches, and to obtain ideas for more projects! So many folks have done so much to their coaches that it is always hard to see everything in an afternoon. Of course, there are also the usual reactions: one member saying "let's do that" while the other responds with "dollar signs" or "man-hours" in their eyes! Sunday evening we had dinner via a new method - we all brought meat to grill (except for Jean and Jerry

Maddux who brought salmon that most others threatened to steal!) on the resort's outdoor grills, and also brought side dishes to share. This was a great idea on the part of our organizers, and turned out quite well! After dinner, we had a great game of Left/Right/Center (LRC) - always is exciting - especially when it gets down to the last few players. Our big winner for the evening was Linda Gradwell - congratulations!

Monday morning, Terry Scott conducted a "Learn to Crochet" class, with attendees having a variety of experience levels - all helping each other out in improving their abilities to make any variety of projects. Monday afternoon, Pat Pintus conducted the golf tournament - at which everyone participating had a lot of fun - and Monday night presented the many prizes to those "deserving" them. That night we had another delicious catered dinner, and then reviewed when and how to be prepared to depart the next morning.

Tuesday morning "bright and early" (at 7:30 am!) we lined up all our coaches on the nearby street, and caravanned to the FMCA Western Area Rally site at the nearby Indio fairgrounds. Mike and Lorraine had done a great job of preparing maps and briefing everyone, so we all got there on time and in a group. We were all able to park together and quickly found other Alfa coaches there, whom we invited to join our group. By arriving this day we are actually arriving a day early, but as we have found in the past, this is a great time to do so, as we are able to park together in a good spot, get everyone set up, and get all our registration materials well in advance to start planning what rally activities and events we want to attend.

The FMCA Rallies are always a lot of fun, with many activities, seminars and entertainment scheduled. Each morning we had coffee and snacks out for all the early risers. Each afternoon, we AlfaSeeYas had an informal social hour in an area near our coaches, with many tasty snacks provided by all. Mike also arranged for several of the Rally presenters to come to several of our social hours, to give us information on their products and services and how they apply to Alfa coaches, as well as answer a myriad of questions. The Rally had a total of about 1350 coaches in attendance, and we were able to "recruit" several new members into our chapter from those other Alfas in attendance.

Prior to the FMCA Rally, I asked the folks putting it on if our chapter could volunteer to help. Terry and *my* first experience with the AlfaSeeYas 4 years ago, was attending the

FMCA National Rally in Pomona, CA - at which the AlfaSeeYas chapter had volunteered to help by riding the trams and guiding the drivers. In case you were not aware of it, FMCA Rallies are put on primarily by volunteers (I seem to remember the Pomona one had something like 25 FMCA personnel and 800+ volunteers). After receiving a favorable reply from members at our April 2011 chapter meeting, we volunteered and were asked if we would help monitor the seminars at the FMCA Rally. Although we didn't receive all the details until arriving at the rally, we were very well received by the Rally seminar committee! We had a total of 13 of our chapter member's volunteer - we attended the volunteer meeting Tuesday afternoon and the volunteer dinner that night. Throughout the rally, we monitored 3 or 4 seminars each - helping the presenter if needed, handing out and collecting surveys, and filling out surveys ourselves. It felt good to help out, as well as hear some seminars we might not have attended otherwise! After the Rally, we received several thank-you's from the Western Rally organizers, expressing their appreciation for our help. Thank you again to our chapter members who volunteered. We will likely do so again in 2013 - especially now that we know what to do.

Again, thanks so much to Lorraine and Mike Lynch, as well as Barb and Pat Pintus! Prior to departing, we did sign an agreement with the Emerald Desert RV Resort to hold our pre-rally there again next year. Unfortunately, Lorraine and Mike will not be available to be wagonmaster's (partly due to Mike being our Chapter National Director representing us at the FMCA National Convention in Indianapolis), however, Arnie and Emily Burr, and Jane and Jack Stanley, "stepped up to the plate" and volunteered to be co-wagonmaster's for the Jan 2013 pre-rally. We hope you all will consider attending, as well as going on to the FMCA Rally in Indio, and hope to see you then!

Humor

A smile is a silent laugh. A grin is a smile to yourself that shows. A chuckle is a small laugh, sometimes real, sometimes not. A snicker is a wicked chuckle. A snigger is a dirty snicker. A chortle is an old-time, small-time laugh...a laugh is happiness set to music.

William Rotsler

RALLY CALENDAR: FMCA International Conventions and Area Rallies

Upcoming FMCA Rallies

For FMCA Rallies – Members should reserve General Parking for FMCA Rallies by calling FMCA reservations (800) 543-3622 or using the FMCA web site www.FMCA.com.

May 24th to 28th, 2012– [Great Lakes Area Rally](#)
Berrien County Youth Fair, Berrien Springs, Michigan

June 21st to 24th, 2012– [Northwest Area Rally](#)
The Mill Casino on Coos Bay, North Bend, Oregon

July 19th to 22nd, 2012 – [Northeast Area Rally](#)
Champlain Valley Exposition, Essex Junction, Vermont

August 27th to 30th, 2012– [FMCA's 87th Family Reunion & Motorhome Showcase](#)
Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, Indiana

September 26th to 30th, 2012– [South Central Area Rally](#)
Heart of Oklahoma Expo Center, Shawnee, Oklahoma

October 10th to 14th 2012 – [Eastern Area Rally](#)
York Expo Center, York, Pennsylvania

Rallies ... the most FUN you can have in your Alfa ...

If you would like to suggest a local rally, please contact our President, Randy Scott. A group of AlfaSeeYas can get together very easily for a few days during the week, or over a weekend. **NEED HELP PLANNING A RALLY?** We have several documents to help those interested in planning a pre, post or other rally for our members. You can contact Randy and ask for any or all of the documents. They include: *Rules of Thumb for Estimating Costs* and *Planning a Pre or Post Rally in Brief*.

RALLY CALENDAR ~ ~ Upcoming Alfa Chapter Rallies**SOUTH LOAFERS CHAPTER OUTINGS****AOC Post Rally****DATES:** April 12th to 17th, 2012**LOCATION:** Canyon Vistas RV Resort, Gold Canyon, AZ Non-members/guests/SOB's may attend**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:** Harlan & Bonna Steinle 970-749-0426 hsteinle@hbsteinle.com
Larry & Shirley York 520-266-0044 lyork6@cox.net**JUNE OUTING****DATES:** June 2012**LOCATION:** Sparks Marina RV Park, Sparks, NV Non-members/guests/SOB's may attend**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:** David & Judy Sabol 909-595-6864 darlamae11@aol.com
Jim & Vonnie Beard 714-524-8948 jimbeard1401@gmail.com**AUGUST OUTING****DATES:** To Be Announced**LOCATION:** To Be Announced**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:** Bill & Joan Weaver**OCTOBER OUTING****DATES:** October 21st to 26th, 2012**LOCATION:** Pechanga RV Resort, Temecula, CA Non-members/guests/SOB's may attend**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:** Ron & Marla Green 239-877-2367 ronatchulavista@cox.net
Jim & Carol Vandepas 714-282-1744 jwvcav@aol.com**SUN SEEKERS CHAPTER OUTINGS**

Sun seekers have the first opportunity to register for an Outing. Sun seekers membership includes both Alfa & SOB owners. All Alfa, SOB's and guests are welcome to the outings depending on space availability. If you are interested in any of the outings, please contact Mel Kirkland mel_kirkland@msn.com or call 360-666-1621 or 360-991-7436 for information and a registration packet. Please do not by-pass the Registration Form process and contact the RV park directly.

Sun Seekers Chapter Outings cont.**MAY OUTING****DATES:** May 11th to 14th, 2012 (3 nights)**LOCATION:** Brookhollow RV Park, Kelso, WA**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:** Ken Opp & Joy Bucholtz joyj@pacifier.comBob Alexander BnBalex@aol.comCarol Hill ladyinredolympia@aol.com**JULY OUTING****DATES:** July 25th to 29th, 2012 (5 nights)**LOCATION:** Portland/Woodburn RV Park, Woodburn, OR**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:** Bing & Bonnie Wilkinson bingbonnie@gmail.comRon & Kathy Pyke rkpyke@peak.orgSherm & Pudge Willard Pudge747@earthlink.net***Limited to 25 rigs. We will be holding our Officer Elections 2012-2014****May not be room for non Sun Seekers. Please check.****SEPTEMBER OUTING****DATES:** Sept. 20th to 25th, 2012**LOCATION:** Blackwell Island RV Park, Coeur d'Alene, ID**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:** Randy & Cheryl Fabian cherandy@frontier.comKen Opp & Joy Bucholtz joyj@pacifier.com**NOVEMBER OUTING****DATES:** November 2nd to 5th, 2012**LOCATION:** Columbia River Front RV Park, Woodland, WA**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:** Denny & Lei Wright denleiwright@att.netGary & Gladys Drummond GaryDrummond2010@comcast.netLeigh & Gail Brendemuhl L.Brendemuhl@comcast.net**ALFA ONE CHAPTER OUTINGS****MAY OUTING****DATES:** May 16th to 20th, 2012**LOCATION:** Valencia Travel Village, Valencia, CA**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:**

JULY OUTING**DATES:** July 18th to 25th, 2012**LOCATION:** Pacific Dunes, Oceano, CA**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:****SEPTEMBER OUTING****DATES:** September 5th to 9th, 2012**LOCATION:** Chula Vista RV Resort & Marina, Chula Vista, CA**CO-WAGONMASTER'S:** Pat Hoffman & John Reay (562)421-4570gingerphir@yahoo.com

Belle & John Bohn

**A Message from our retired****Alfa SeeYas President**

After retiring from the the AlfaSeeYas I have kept busy by inventing and patenting a spice rack specifically designed to make use of high, hard to reach cabinets, (Belle is 4'11" tall !!). I am trying to bring this rack to the marketplace, but I have need of some more data before deciding on the product's final size and wood finish. Unfortunately this rack would probably not work well in your coaches, but it could be a great benefit in your stick-house kitchen.

If you wouldn't mind spending a few minutes to look at my website where the rack is explained, and filling out a couple of short surveys, I would really appreciate it. Within the website is a place for you to add your email

Address if you would like to be informed when the rack reaches the market. If you assist with the surveys, I will offer the spice rack at a generous discount when it comes out.

The website address is: <http://jfbohn.com>. Thank you for your assistance.

Also, Belle and I went on an extensive trip to Africa in September 2011. We thought you might enjoy seeing our Blog about the trip. It is quite long, with pictures and videos, so you might want to put it into your favorites and look at it at your leisure. The web site is: <http://web.me.com/jfbohn1>.

We hope everyone is still having fun and we say "HI" to all of our friends.

Sincerely, John & Belle

Personal Ads for members:

We will be allowing Alfa SeeYas members to place personal ads in our future chapter newsletters. "RULES" for the ads will be:

- Ads must be for selling or wanting motorhomes, toads or related items
- Maximum of 50 words per ad
- Be sure to include your contact information (e.g., phone number, address and/or email address)
- There will be no cost for the ads
- There is limited space in each newsletter, therefore ads will be placed on a first received basis. Any received once the available space is filled will be put in the next newsletter issue. Please email or snail mail your ads to our newsletter editor Jean Maddux, at email: jeansalfanews@gmail.com, or snail mail: **79370 Hwy 99N, Cottage Grove, OR 97424**
- Please let Jean know ASAP if you have sold or obtained your wanted item, so she can delete it from the newsletter if there is time before it is published

For Sale: 2005 Alfa Gold

Totally upgraded with MCD shades, Winegard HD antenna, HD TV's, air mattress, two ceiling fans, roof air, laminate flooring and custom cabinets. Work done by Alfateers. Maintenance includes new batteries, new roof/coach caulk, seals, Freightliner and Cummins services. Added rear brake lights. 40K miles. Good value, priced at \$79,900. Located in Mesa, AZ mountainpath75@msn.com Joe Somolik 605-939-1869

For Sale: 2005 Alfa See Ya 40'

34,000 Miles, all new batteries (2 chassis & 6-6 volt). New Heavy Duty center feed main slide out motor, new microwave/convection, new CB radio. \$89,000. Call or write: John Holstrom, 573 Rider Ridge Drive, Longmont, CO 80504 760-861-4271. NOTE: Motorhome has never been smoked in and no pets. Also Oregon License Plates paid until August 2013

For Sale: 2005 Alfa See Ya 40'

43,000 Miles, 350-HP turbocharged Diesel pusher, Allison 3000 MH six speed automatic transmission, washer/dryer combo, 2 slides, new batteries, non-smoker, no pets, excellent condition. \$80,000. Will supply pictures if requested. Tim or Cathie 559-251-1414 Email address: tttautotrans@aol.com (Triple T Trucking) Tim's Cell: 559-916-2849 Cathie's Cell: 559-905-5664

TIPS FROM READERS**David Vaughn from Owosso, MI writes:**

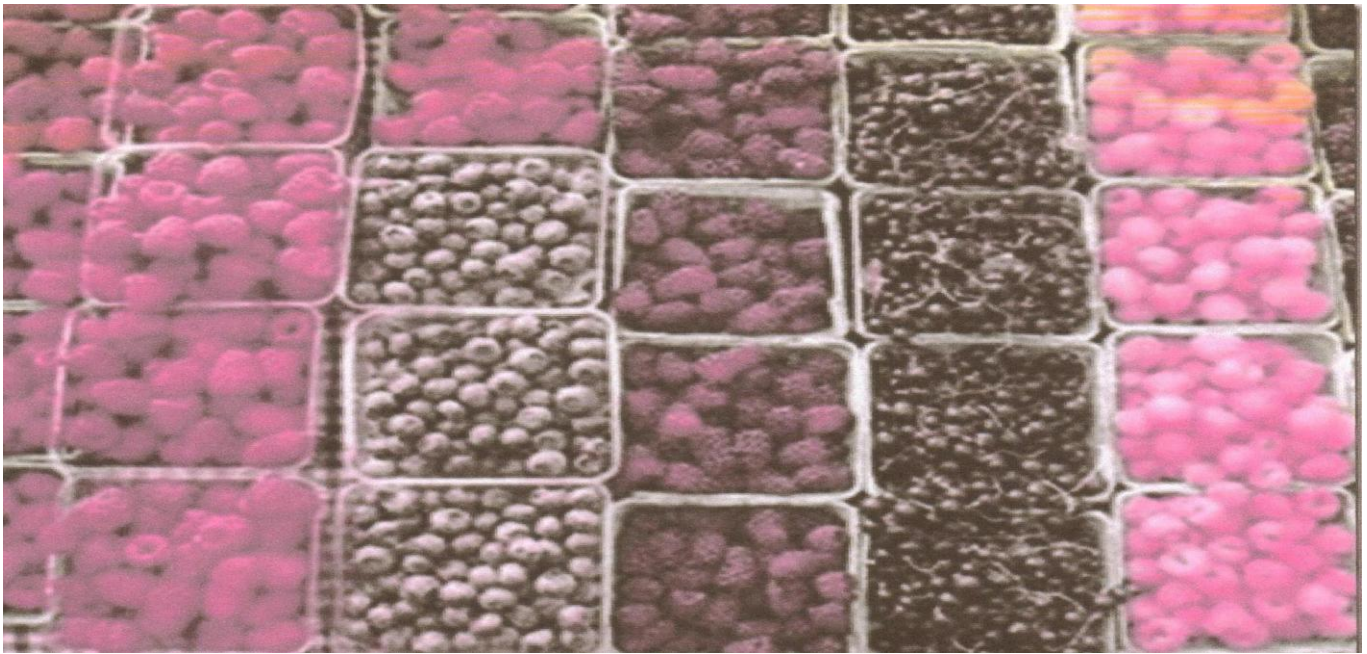
Pat has become wheelchair bound this last summer and we did not want to stop traveling. I installed a **CoachLift** that lifts her from the ground and swings the seat into the coach at the platform level. She makes the simple transition to the front seat with the stair platform lowered.

It really works! We traveled in September from Michigan to Bar Harbor Maine with lots of stops and visitations. Really has given us continued use of the Alfa SeeYa.

The lift is a screw jack lift with a chair lifted from below on a swivel. Cost me \$3000.00 for the lift and \$800.00 to have it installed in Owosso, MI. CoachLift is located in Phoenix, AZ. *Goggle CoachLift* for lots of details and a youtube video of it in operation.

TIP FOR CLEANING ALMOND COLORED LEATHER FURNITURE IN ALFA SEEYA COACHES

Lorraine Lynch writes: At a recent rally, one of our friends said she uses Mr. Clean Magic Erasers to clean her leather furniture. We had tried a variety of cleaners on our leather, but it still looked dingy. We gave the erasers a try and WOW what a difference !! We found that the heavy duty ones stand up better than the original ones which fell apart after a couple uses. **HINT:** Be sure to wet eraser well first and squeeze excess water out before using.



SAVING BERRIES FROM MOLDING

Berries are delicious, but they are also kind of delicate. Raspberries in particular seem like they can mold before you even get them home from the market. There's nothing more tragic than paying \$4 for a pint of local raspberries, only to look in the fridge the next day and find that fuzzy mold growing on their insides.

Well, with fresh berries just starting to hit farmers markets, we can tell you how to keep them fresh. Here's a tip I'm sharing on how to prevent them from getting moldy in the first place:

WASH THEM WITH VINEGAR !!!

When you get your berries home, prepare a mixture of **one part vinegar (white or apple cider probably work best) and ten parts water**. Dump the berries into the mixture and swirl around. Drain, rinse if you want (though the mixture is so diluted you can't taste the vinegar), and pop in the fridge. The vinegar kills any mold spores and other bacteria that might be on the surface of the fruit, and voila !! Raspberries will last a week or more, and strawberries go almost two weeks without getting moldy and soft. So go forth and stock up on those pricey little gems, knowing they'll stay fresh as long as it takes you to eat them.

You're so **berry** welcome !!!



A warm welcome to our newest AlfaSeeYas members. To paraphrase Sonny Gillespie, President of our FMCA association, the International Area Organization (aka INTO): *"The most important member of the AlfaSeeYas is the newest member."* Thanks so much for joining us!

Ed Wyand & Joyce Allred	Wayne & Joy Holt
Pamela Bockoven	George Lowther & Yolanda Fry Lowther
Les & Susan Chandler	Tom & Maureen Mathison
Dan & Nancy Gentry	Todd & Sheila Wilson

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**The more you praise and celebrate your life,
the more there is in life to celebrate.**

Alfa Repair Facilities

Dick Albritton , Choudrandt, LA. (318) 278-1677, email dickalbritton@gmail.com

Alfateers, in Fontana, CA. (909) 428-6775, website <http://www.alfateersrvservice.com>

Charlie's Service in Sunset, UT. (801) 547-7630, website is <http://www.charliesservice.com>

Mike Ewing in Robertsdale AL (south of Loxley). (251) 508-3102, email ewingrvrepair@gmail.com

Bretz RV, in Missoula, MT. (406) 541-4800, website www.bretzrv.com

Gene Kelley's Mobile RV Repair (RVSA Certified Master Technician) Tucson, AZ (520) 906-9676

Useful Internet Sites for Alfa Owners

Our Chapter Website Alfa SeeYas.com: www.alfaseeyas.com

You'll find lots of great information, including Rally info, Chapter documents, membership and dues information, past issues of the Newsletter, Tips and Tricks, a Photo Album, and much more!

Family Motor coach Association: www.fmca.com

Yahoo Message Boards - these are Internet forums where Alfa owners ask questions and exchange information about our coaches. To read the messages, and post your own, you will need to "join" the group (click the blue button that says Join This Group).

Alfa SeeYas: <http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/alfaseeya/>

SeeYa DP: <http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/SeeYaDP/>

SeeYa Travels: <http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/SeeYaTravels/>

Chapters of the Alfa Owners Club:

[Roadrunners](#) - Non-Regional (Full Time/Half Time/Part Time)

[South Loafers](#) - Southern California , Arizona , & Nevada

[Mavericks](#) - Central California

[Western States Wranglers RV Club](#) - Northern California to Eugene, Oregon

[Sun Seekers](#) - North of Eugene, Oregon, and Washington

[Lone Stars](#) - Texas Area

[Alfa One](#) - LA and surrounding area

[Sunrisers](#) - An Alfa club that covers the Eastern US from Canada to Southern Florida

Proposed Changes to AlfaSeeYas Chapter Bylaws and Standing Rules

Prepared by: Randall Scott, President, AlfaSeeYas Chapter

Shortly after being elected Chapter President in Jan 2011, I started looking into how the chapter reimburses our National Director, Alternate National Director or Designated National Director when one of them represents our chapter at the annual FMCA National Convention Governing Board meeting. I thought this important since in the upcoming years of 2011 and 2012, the National Conventions were to be held in Madison, WI and Indianapolis, IN, respectively - both some distance from the homes of our newly elected Directors. Our chapter reimbursement process is contained in the chapter Standing Rules. The current Standing Rules are dated Nov 2005, and I believe this reimbursement process should be updated. This also caused me to further review both the chapter Standing Rules and Bylaws to become more familiar with them, and see if there were other changes I or the other new officers believed needed to be updated. We found several others, including the need to bring them current with recent changes made by FMCA and with current practices of the Chapter.

I had planned to detail the proposed changes and ask for a vote of the membership during the chapter business meeting at our Jan 2012 chapter pre-rally, but upon further review, I found that the current process for amending our Bylaws is to have the entire chapter membership vote on them. Our process (as currently stated in the chapter bylaws) is that the bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 affirmative vote of the members voting by mail or email, providing that prior notice of at least 30 days has been given of the proposition(s) to amend. The FMCA National Office format for chapter Standing Rules states Standing Rules may be adopted by a majority vote at any business meeting and do not require previous notice. It also states if an amendment to a Standing Rule deals with a parliamentary procedure, then it requires a 2/3 vote if prior notice was not given, or a majority vote if notice was given. However, since we are sending out proposed amendments to the chapter Bylaws at this time in our newsletter, I thought I would also include the proposed Standing Rules amendments for a vote by the entire membership.

We have included a copy of both the current chapter Bylaws and Standing Rules after the proposed amendments for your reference, plus they are available on our web site (under "Chapter Documents"). For each proposed amendment, I have included an explanation/reason for change, and then the specific change. I have numbered them so everyone can track them and identify them on the ballot and have attached a ballot for each member family unit to use to vote.

Proposed amendments to the AlfaSeeYas Chapter Bylaws:

1. **Article VI, sections 3B and 3C:** Since FMCA decided to hold only one National Convention and General Membership meeting per year, the FMCA requirement to hold at least 2 chapter business meetings per year was changed to hold at least 1 per year. Therefore we need to change sections 3B and 3C to reflect this FMCA change. The sections will now read: "**B. BUSINESS MEETINGS:** The Chapter must hold at least 1 Business Meeting each membership year at which a quorum is present. Said Meeting shall be duly announced in advance to the Membership." and "**C. OFFICER ELECTION:** The voting general Membership is to elect Chapter officers, including a President, one or more Vice Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a National Director, and an Alternate National Director."
2. **Article VI, section 4:** Per the change noted in #1 above, we need to change the requirement from at least 2 business meetings per year to at least 1; plus the new FMCA Chapter Bylaws format requires the specified information be submitted no later than December 31st of each year. The first sentence in section 4 remains the same and the second sentence will now read: "The Chapter Secretary shall furnish to the National Office of FMCA, no later than December 31st each year, a membership list, a list of Chapter Officers, and assurance that a Business Meeting was held."
3. **Article VIII, section 2:** The latest FMCA Chapter Bylaws format changes the amendment process. The first sentence in section 2 will now read: "These Bylaws may be amended by a 65% affirmative vote of the Members present and voting at a duly-called meeting, providing that prior notice of at least 30 days has been given of the proposition(s) to amend." The rest of section 2 remains the same.
4. **Article IX:** The latest FMCA Chapter Bylaws format makes minor changes to the wording, but with no actual impact on the chapter. The sentences will now read: "This chapter of FMCA may be dissolved by a majority vote of the Chapter Members. All of the remaining assets of the Chapter shall be contributed to the purpose(s) for which the Chapter is organized, or to a qualified non-profit charity or charities."

Proposed amendments to the AlfaSeeYas Chapter Standing Rules

1. **2nd and 3rd Standing Rules (regarding AlfaSeeYas functions):** For some time now we have allowed guests at some AlfaSeeYas chapter-sponsored activities. These have included members of Alfa owners groups, as well as guests with other than Alfa coaches -

primary reasons being to attract new members, as well as to potentially obtain better pricing due to larger quantity discounts for more attendees. We have been advised by the FMCA National Office that the insurance provided for us at chapter-sponsored functions still applies as long as the AlfaSeeYas members attending are in good standing with both the National and Chapter - i.e., that their dues are current. However, there may be occasions when it would be appropriate to restrict a function to only chapter members, or have non-members pay a non-member fee. For example, the former could be when the function is a pre-rally to an FMCA rally (which may be limited to only motorhomes), and the latter could be if the chapter contributes funds to a rally (such as if we need to have an RV park help arrange tours and/or provide some functions that a wagon master would normally do if we are unable to find members willing to volunteer) and it would not be appropriate to use chapter funds for non-members or guests. Therefore, I believe these standing rules should be amended to: **2nd Standing Rule:** "AlfaSeeYas members attending AlfaSeeYas functions must be members in good standing of FMCA and the chapter. At the recommendation of each function wagonmaster(s), and with the approval of the chapter Executive Board, an AlfaSeeYas function may be opened to guests and non-members - who may be required to pay an additional fee." **3rd Standing Rule:** "All AlfaSeeYas function participants must attend in an RV."

2. 4th Standing Rule (regarding refunds for cancellations of rally costs): I believe (as currently stated) it is appropriate to charge \$10 if a reservation is cancelled, and to not refund non-refundable costs that have been incurred, but I believe the third sentence in this paragraph - prohibiting refunds less than seven days before the start of a rally - should be changed. For example, just prior to our recent Jan 2011 Pre-rally, one of our members had a medical emergency and was unable to attend. However, we coincidentally had a new member who signed up and then wanted to attend, and so we were able to substitute monies and refund most of the funds back to the member with the emergency. If we delete the third sentence prohibiting refunds, the first two sentences should still take care of any situation - i.e., if someone signs up to attend a rally, and has to later cancel, there will be a \$10 cancellation fee, and any non-refundable costs will not be refunded. Therefore the 4th Standing Rule would be amended to eliminate the 3rd sentence: "There are no refunds...rally."

3. BUSINESS MEETINGS Standing Rule: As stated in proposed amendment #1 to the chapter Bylaws, a minimum of one chapter business meeting per year is required. Also, it has been the recent practice of the chapter to not necessarily hold it in conjunction with or during the FMCA National Conventions, nor is there an FMCA requirement to do so.

Therefore the amendment to this section will be to delete the first two sentences, and modify the remaining sentences. **The new BUSINESS MEETINGS Standing Rule section will read:** "An election will be held during a business meeting. During even years the election will be for the Nominating Committee, and during odd years the election will be for President, Vice President(s), Secretary, Treasurer, National Director and Alternate National Director. Any position vacancies may be elected during either meeting."

4. REIMBURSEMENT FOR ATTENDING NATIONAL MEETINGS Standing Rule:

There are several amendments proposed. I have provided an explanation of each change below, with the final proposed amended paragraph at the end.

a. When the Chapter Standing Rules were published in November of 2005, the maximum allowance for reimbursement to the Chapter representative attending the annual FMCA National Governing Board meeting was stated as \$500. However, there have been significant increases in the price of fuel since that time. I looked back through some older personal records, and found diesel fuel was selling for approximately \$2.50 per gallon at that time. However, at the time this is being written, diesel fuel is over \$4.00 per gallon in many areas. Rather than frequently amend the Chapter Standing Rules to try to keep up with increases or decreases in fuel prices, I propose we amend the reimbursement amount to be stated in terms of gallons. At the Nov 2005 rate of \$2.50 per gallon, the \$500 reimbursement would be equivalent to 200 gallons; therefore the new reimbursement rate would be not to exceed the cost of 200 gallons of fuel.

b. I had hoped to make this change in reimbursement rate after I was elected Chapter President prior to our chapter Alternate National Director traveling to the 2011 FMCA National Convention in Madison, WI, but (as explained earlier) was unable to do so. However, I believe that this amendment should be made retroactive to also apply to the 2011 FMCA National Convention.

c. The current Standing Rule requirement that the fuel costs must be incurred within one week prior to the convention or chapter meeting is so restrictive such that it precludes someone from reaching the area early (e.g., if they wanted to visit within the area prior to the meeting) and it means reimbursement would only be for one way travel (i.e., there is no stated provision to reimburse for the return from the meeting). If we delete this one week requirement, then the reimbursement would be for fuel used to travel to and from the Governing Board meeting.

d. At the 2011 FMCA National Convention, the Governing Board - as a demonstration of commitment to cutting expenses - voted to not have FMCA reimburse the attending chapter representative for their convention registration fee for the 2012 National Convention. In the past, it had been the practice that FMCA would reimburse the chapter representative the standard early bird registration fee without electricity. For example, the chapter representative was reimbursed \$155 for attending the 2011 National Convention. The Governing Board may or may not vote on this again at the 2012 National Convention. If they do not, then this reimbursement will be allowed again beginning in 2013. If they do, and the vote is as it was in 2011, then the reimbursement will not be allowed for the 2013 National Convention, and this could also happen for future National Conventions. Since our current chapter National Director and Alternate National Director agreed to serve with the understanding that this fee would be reimbursed (as it had always been in the past), I believe it is only fair that we include an amendment that the chapter will reimburse this portion of the registration fee if FMCA does not.

e. Due to the potential for future higher costs of travel (such as for fuel), it is conceivable that our chapter representative to the annual National Convention may elect to not take their motorhome, but instead drive or fly, and stay in other accommodations, such as a motel. I checked with the FMCA National Office, and found that a chapter representative attending the National Convention is not required by FMCA to drive and stay in their RV, but other means of travel and accommodations are allowed. Therefore, I propose that our chapter reimbursement section be amended to allow this, but restrict the amount of reimbursement to the same not-to-exceed amounts for fuel and registration fees as if they had driven their RV. For example, if the chapter representative were to drive a car or take a commercial airline flight to the National Convention and stay in a motel, they would be reimbursed by the chapter not to exceed the cost of fuel that would have been required to drive their RV; and if FMCA does not reimburse our chapter representative for the convention registration fee (per paragraph d. above), they would be reimbursed by the chapter the amount of the standard early bird registration fee without electricity.

Based upon the above explanations, this Chapter Standing rule will be amended to:

"REIMBURSEMENT FOR ATTENDING NATIONAL MEETINGS

There shall be a reimbursement from chapter funds payable to one of the following: the Chapter National Director, Alternate National Director, or Elected Designated Temporary

Delegate certified to represent the Chapter by attending the National FMCA Governing Board meeting held annually. The reimbursement shall consist of:

a. A maximum allowance of the cost of 200 gallons for fuel expenses for which receipt(s) must be furnished. Receipts must clearly indicate both date of purchase and geographical location of purchase.

b. If the FMCA Governing Board votes (as it did for the 2012 National Convention) to eliminate their prior practice of reimbursing the chapter representative for the standard early bird registration fee without electricity, then the chapter will reimburse the chapter representative for that fee.

c. If the chapter representative elects to travel by means other than RV and stay in other accommodations, then the amount of reimbursement to the chapter representative will be no more than the amount of fuel that would have been used by their RV per paragraph a. above, plus no more than the amount equal to the RV registration fee per paragraph b. above.

All receipts must be presented to the Treasurer for approval within 30 days of being incurred and reimbursement will normally be made within 30 days thereafter."

Current AlfaSeeYas Chapter By-Laws

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this not-for-profit organization shall be the ALFASEEYAS Chapter of the Family Motor Coach Association, Inc., hereinafter referred to as Chapter and FMCA.

ARTICLE II - OBJECT

1. **PURPOSE:** This Chapter exists to promote social, recreational, and informational exchange activities that provide for the enjoyment and pleasurable use of Family Member Coaches.

2. **AREA/SCOPE:** This Chapter shall be authorized to function in The International Area with a mutual interest in any Motor Coach manufactured by Alfa Leisure, Inc.

ARTICLE III- MEMBERS

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** To be eligible for and to maintain Membership in the Chapter, a person must own at least 1/3 of an FMCA approved Qualifying Motor Coach manufactured by Alfa Leisure, Inc., be in good standing with FMCA, and meet the dues requirement and provisions set forth in the Bylaws of this Chapter.

Membership in this Chapter shall not be denied any person because of race, sex, religion, color, marital or family status, age, nationality, or disability.

2. The term "Family Unit," is defined as a person; his or her spouse, or partner; dependents of each, regardless of age, non-dependent grandchildren and great-grandchildren age 18 and under.

3. The term "Membership," is defined as either a Family Unit or an individual or individuals owning a Qualifying Motor Coach who share a Membership number.

4. The term "Member," is defined as each adult who, jointly or individually, constitutes a Membership. The voting rights of each Member are defined in the description of each category.

5. The term "Qualifying Motor Coach", is defined as a self-propelled, completely self-contained vehicle that contains all the conveniences of a home, including cooking, sleeping, and permanent sanitary facilities, and in which the driver's area is directly accessible in a walking position from the living quarters. The terms Motor Coach and Motorhome may be used interchangeably.

6. DUES AND FEES:

A. **ANNUAL DUES:** Annual payment of Chapter and National dues enables persons to become active Members and entitled to all rights and privileges of the Chapter and FMCA. The annual dues for Membership in the Chapter shall be an amount as the Membership shall establish.

B. **RENEWAL:** Renewal dues from Chapter Members become due and payable on each anniversary date of their original Membership.

C. INITIAL APPLICATION: Application for new Membership shall be accompanied by payment of annual Chapter and National dues (unless already an FMCA member)

D. INITIATION FEE: New and reinstated Members may be required to pay an initiation fee in an amount to be established by the Chapter Membership.

E. ARREARS: Any Member whose dues remain unpaid for more than 60 days after becoming due shall be considered delinquent; after 120 days Membership is canceled.

ARTICLE IV- OFFICERS

1. DUTIES OF OFFICERS: The duties of elected officers shall be as defined in the Member and Volunteer Handbook.

2. TERMS OF OFFICE: The elected Officers of this Chapter shall serve a 2 year term of office, or until their successors are elected.

3. RIGHTS AND LIMITATIONS:

A. An individual FMCA Member may hold office(s) in only 1 chapter.

B. Individual FMCA Members may hold no more than 2 offices in the same chapter.

C. Any Member in good standing may be nominated from the floor for any elective office.

D. Only Full Members, Full Lifetime Members, Life Members, or Honorary Members who have advanced from one of these classes have the right to hold office in this Chapter.

E. No official or Member shall become vested of any right, title to, or interest in any Chapter property, except as required by law.

4. EXECUTIVE BOARD:

A. The Officers of the Chapter shall constitute the Executive Board.

B. The Executive Board shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Chapter between its Business Meetings. The Board shall be subject to the orders of the Chapter, and none of its acts shall be in conflict with the Chapter or FMCA

ARTICLE V-COMMITTEES

1. **APPOINTMENT:** Committee members and Chairperson (except Nominating Committee) shall be appointed by the President.
2. **DUTIES:** All committees shall function within the policies of the Chapter and (except Nominating Committee) under the direction of the President. Financial reports, vouchers, and monies due the Chapter shall be submitted on a timely basis.
3. **QUORUM:** A Committee quorum shall be a majority.

ARTICLE VI - CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION

1. **AUTHORITY:** This Chapter shall be democratically self-governed, deriving its existence and authority from the consent of its Membership assembled in Meetings or, in certain instances, by mail or email vote on stated propositions.
2. **ORGANIZATIONAL YEAR:** The fiscal and membership year of the Chapter shall commence on July 1 and end on June 30.
3. **CHAPTER MEETINGS:**
 - A. **TYPES:** The term "Meeting" shall include Coach Rallies, campouts, dinner meetings, and any other gatherings suitable to the function of the Chapter.
 - B. **BUSINESS MEETINGS:** The Chapter must hold at least 2 Business Meetings each membership year at which a Quorum is present. Said Meetings must be at least 14 days apart and be duly announced in advance to the Membership.
 - C. **ANNUAL ELECTION:** One of the Business Meetings shall be an Annual Meeting at which an election is held if required by a 1-year term option. The voting general Membership is to elect Chapter officers, including a President, one or more Vice Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a National Director, and an Alternate National Director.
 - D. **QUORUM:** A Quorum for the transaction of business at any duly-called Chapter Meeting is 25% of the Chapter Family Unit Memberships or 15 Family Unit Memberships, whichever is less.

E. VOTING: Except as specified elsewhere in these Bylaws, a simple majority vote of Members in good standing and voting shall be required to approve or disapprove any matter.

The Chapter has established that voting will be **ONE vote per Family Unit**.

Balloting by mail and/or email may be undertaken when a proposed matter is voted to be of such importance or urgency that a total Membership vote is advisable.

F. PARLIAMENTARY PROCESS: The rules contained in the current edition of **ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER NEWLY REVISED** shall govern this Chapter's proceedings to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of FMCA, and the Bylaws of this Chapter.

4. MAINTAINING AFFILIATION: This Chapter must maintain a minimum of 15 Family Unit Memberships.

The Chapter Secretary shall furnish to the National Office of FMCA, no later than the last week in December, a Membership list, a list of Chapter Officers, and assurance that 2 Business Meetings were held.

5. ANNUAL AUDIT: An annual audit of the Chapter's financial books and records shall be undertaken and reported to the Membership.

6. APPLICATION OF NATIONAL CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS: This Chapter accepts and agrees that the Chapter Bylaws shall conform to any mandatory requirements stipulated in the Constitution and Bylaws of FMCA.

ARTICLE VII - ELECTIONS

1. NOMINATING COMMITTEE COMPOSITION:

A. The Nominating Committee shall consist of not less than 3 Chapter Members in good standing, nominated and elected every other year by the Chapter Membership.

B. Election of an individual to the Nominating Committee shall not prohibit that person from being nominated for an elected office.

2. NOMINATING COMMITTEE DUTIES:

A. To select one of its members as Nominating Committee Chairman.

B. To nominate candidates for the Chapter Offices of President, one or more Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, National Director, and Alternate National Director for the new term to be presented for voting by the Chapter Membership.

C. To obtain clear acceptance of the nominees to serve the Chapter should they be elected.

D. To make certain that nominated candidates are Members in good standing and qualified under applicable National and Chapter Bylaws.

E. To nominate candidates to fill vacancies that occur in elected Chapter Offices.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

1. MANDATORY AMENDMENTS: National Bylaw Amendments applicable to Chapter operations shall be automatically adopted by the Chapter and are not subject to a vote by the Chapter Membership.

2. AMENDING PROCEDURE: These Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 affirmative vote of the Members voting by mail or email, providing that prior notice of at least 30 days has been given of the proposition(s) to amend.

Any Member of the Chapter may propose amendments to the Bylaws.

Approved amendments to these Bylaws become effective immediately upon their adoption, or at such time as specified in the amendment.

3. DISTRIBUTION: Copies of changes, additions, amendments, or revisions to these Bylaws shall be forwarded to the National Office and to the National Area Vice President.

ARTICLE IX - LIQUIDATION AND DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution of this Chapter of FMCA, by majority vote of the Chapter, all of the remaining assets of the Chapter shall be contributed to the purpose(s) for which the Chapter is organized, or to a qualified non-profit charity or charities.

EFFECTIVE: July 1, 2005

CURRENT ALFA SEEYA STANDING RULES

NOVEMBER 2005

There will be an Initiation Fee of \$10 that will be collected from new applicants in addition to the Annual Dues of \$10. A new Initiation Fee and Annual Dues will be needed to reinstate a cancelled member.

AlfaSeeYa functions are open only to **AlfaSeeYa Members**

Members at **AlfaSeeYa** rallies and gatherings must attend in their Alfa coach.

There is a \$10 charge if a reservation is cancelled. If the rally has incurred non-refundable costs, these will be deducted from the refund unless there is a waiting list. There are no refunds for cancellations less than seven days before the start of a rally.

If not in conflict with the rules of the rally, members may sell goods and services during chapter rallies and gatherings, but not during an FMCA Rally unless duly registered as a vendor with FMCA. Members offering such goods and services must first obtain rally site permission and will be fully responsible and liable for settling any disputes arising from their sales. The AlfaSeeYas Chapter officers and/or wagon masters shall not be liable in this regard.

There will be no posting of signs or verbiage of a derogatory nature in, on, or around a member's coach during the course of an AlfaSeeYas rally or gathering. This will apply to all AlfaSeeYas events, including AlfaSeeYas Rallies, Pre-Rallies and FMCA Events where AlfaSeeYas are gathered together in a group in a coordinated manner.

By December 1st of each year before elections the nominating committee will seek nominees for each office who are members in good standing and will obtain written agreements to serve from each nominee selected. Provided that there is more than one nominee for any office, balloting will be conducted to conclude by March 15th.

All votes must be cast by email, or postmarked, by a date 45 calendar days from the date of the mailing of the SeeYa Connection newsletter publishing the ballot.

All votes must be identified with a signature and coach number. One Vote Per Coach membership in good standing with dues paid current.

BUSINESS MEETINGS

The two required chapter business meetings, in accordance with FMCA By-Laws, Article XVI, (4), will be held in conjunction with or during the FMCA National Conventions. One being during the summer and one being during the winter. One year the election will be for President, Vice President(s), Secretary, Treasurer, National Director and Alternate National Director. Any position vacancies may be elected during either meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE SERVICE TERM

The nominating committee shall consist of no less than 3 and no more than 5 AlfaSeeYas chapter members in good standing. The election of the Nominating Committee shall be for a two year term and shall be held during a business meeting held in the even years. The nominating committee shall select within themselves a chairperson.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR ATTENDING NATIONAL MEETINGS

There shall be a reimbursement from chapter funds payable to one of the following: the National Director, Alternate National Director, or Elected Temporary Delegate certified to attend the National FMCA Governing Board meeting held annually. The reimbursement shall consist of:

A maximum allowance of \$500.00 for fuel expenses for which receipt(s) must be furnished showing that the costs were incurred during one week (seven days) prior to either the FMCA convention or the chapter business meeting being held in conjunction with the meeting which ever is earlier. If a lesser dollar amount is shown, then only that lesser amount will be reimbursed. Receipts must clearly indicate that distance travel was being performed by showing both date of purchase and geographical location of purchase.

All receipts must be presented to the Treasurer for approval within 30 days of being incurred and reimbursement made within 30 days thereafter.

Ballot for Proposed Amendments to AlfaSeeYas Bylaws and Standing Rules

[Note: one vote per family unit; and your dues must be current with both FMCA and the AlfaSeeYas chapter]

Amendments to Chapter Bylaws:

You may vote in favor of all the Bylaws amendments by placing an "X" here ___

OR

You may vote for the amendments individually:

- 1. Hold at least 1 Business Meeting per year: YES ___ NO ___

- 2. Hold at least 1 Business Meeting per year, and submit chapter information by Dec 31st: YES ___ NO ___

- 3. Change Bylaws amendment process: YES ___ NO ___

- 4. Minor wording changes: YES ___ NO ___

Amendments to Chapter Standing Rules:

You may vote in favor of all the Standing Rules amendments by placing an "X" here ___

OR

You may vote for the amendments individually:

- 1. Allowing guests or non-members at some AlfaSeeYas functions: YES ___ NO ___

- 2. Changes in Refunds of rally costs: YES ___ NO ___

- 3. Hold at least 1 Business Meeting per year, not necessarily in conjunction with National Convention YES ___ NO ___

- 4a. Fuel reimbursement to chapter rep not to exceed (NTE) cost of 200 gallons fuel YES ___ NO ___

- 4b. Fuel reimbursement NTE 200 gallons retroactive to 2011 National Convention YES ___ NO ___

- 4c. Fuel reimbursement based on round-trip usage YES ___ NO ___

- 4d. Reimbursement for portion of rally registration fee if FMCA does not YES ___ NO ___

- 4e. Reimbursement if not use RV to convention YES ___ NO ___

Your Name: _____ FMCA # _____

Please either **mail** your completed ballot to: **Randall Scott, President AlfaSeeYas**
P.O. Box 1360
Rosamond, CA 93560-1360

Or **email** a copy of your complete ballot to: **rscott@antelecom.net**

Per our Bylaws, please ensure the President **RECEIVES** your ballot **NO LATER THAN May 15, 2012**. Thank you.