



Sandlines

The Monthly Newsletter of the Sand Dollar Motorcycle Club

December 2018



**Christmas Party
December 15th
Keep Your Eyes
On Your Email
and Newsletter**



President's Corner

Hey Sandies,

It's been a great month and we got some good rides in. Went to thunder beach in Pensacola and it really was not bad for being put together with such short notice after Hurricane Michael hit Panama City.

Our thoughts are still with our friends to the East and we wish them a smooth and complete recovery. The Rally was held in Pensacola several weeks later than its traditional dates in Panama City Beach, so Pensacola Beach was a little cold for the bike rally but not too bad. And the organizers in Pensacola made it a volunteer effort and fundraiser for those devastated by the hurricane in Panama City. That's caring and class, folks.

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. The holidays are here and the weather is getting colder. One thing very important to remember is when you first start out on your bike is that the tires are cold, so take it easy for a few miles till they warm up and you get all the traction they are capable of. 'Til next time - stay safe and warm.

~**Robert Woods**



Birthdays December



**If YOU SEE THESE SANDIES THIS
MONTH, WISH ALL OF THEM A VERY
HAPPY BIRTHDAY....**

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We wish all these couples a very special wonderful and joyous anniversary

**David (Munchkin) & Helen
Bernauer**

Robert & Sharon Woods

It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like a Sand Dollar Christmas

George Engler

It's rapidly approaching the day for which all Sandies do their chores, clean up their rooms and make sure to wash behind their ears. No, not Christmas, but the Sandie Christmas Feast, Bacchanal, and Dirty Santa Gift Exchange,. Well, not a lot of 'Bacchanaling', but a whole heck of a lot of fun. Its Dec 15th, starts at 6:00 pm - Where you ask? Why at the New Sandie Central of course; Miz Edna's Sister's house (aka "Sand Dollar Heaven" because it's a well-known fact that Sandies can eat like a biblical swarm of locusts and there is always mighty fine food to be had at The Sister's House, Everyone brings something for the food table. I'll include Edna's e-mail and phone number in an e-mail blast to everyone very soon so you can let Miz Edna know what you're bringing. That way we don't wind up with 17 large bowls of Cole Slaw and a single plate of pigs-in-a-blanket for our Christmas Feast. Even Sandie locusts would have a hard time with that much slaw.

Gift exchange guidelines are: Guys bring a guy's gift, Ladies a Lady's gift, no more than \$15 or 20 bucks tops and no cheaping out. If you wouldn't want to receive it, don't bring it. Or you can make it real easy and just buy for me - I find that an envelope stuffed with cash is always thoughtful and appropriate.

Usually The Really Really Bad Santa makes an appearance and does this really cool gift thing, you get to take some else's gift , it's a hoot. A word to the parents, we are adults and sometimes in spite of our selves we act adult, to include some salty language. Please take that into consideration when you bring the little ones. If you bring little ones, bring them a/some presents and mark then clearly as such so they don't feel left out of the gift giving. Remember if you drink, please have a sober driver or Steven Gardinier will be happy to assist you home. So, be sure to mark Dec 15th on your calendar for one whale of a time.



What's Happening

Breakfast before our Rides..... Joe & Eddie's Restaurant (Across from Goofy Golf) 8:00 am. A note, Joe's has a bunch of new Wait staff, when you walk in and sit down, put your order in right away. Don't wait for other Sandies to join you. We leave at 9 am period.



Tuesdays...We will be getting together on our non- business meeting Tuesday's at a location To Be Announced by our famous "Cat Herder", so watch your emails, time as always: **6:00 PM.**

Our Business Meeting Time Has Changed !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Our Meeting will at The Okaloosa Fire Dept. Training Room, 2nd Floor 9:00 am, 1st Sunday of the Month, Ride to follow.

The Weekly Dining-In is now changing regularly. Watch the email for updates from George. The weirdness is always on Tuesdays, always starts around 6, and there's always a good crowd.

Sandie Christmas Party Time!!!

The annual Sand Dollar M/C Christmas party is on December 15th. Party will be at 6:00 p.m. Ms. Edna's house where the food and friendship are always amazing. Be sure to save the date. Bring a covered dish or check with Edna for needs. Stay tuned for further updates detailing the fun to be had by all!!



WE BE DO'N DINNER RIDES

The Sandies eons ago used to do one dinner ride a month, more than that and it got real thin on participation. The Dinner Ride will be a Mystery Dinner Ride. That means the Roadie leading it knows were it will end up. Now if you have certain dietary needs and/or a picky eater, just contact the Road Lead and find out just where.

A couple of remembers, we use the Sandie table method, parties of 4 or 5 or 6, don't let the restaurant folks, unless they have the space, set-up one mass table. It works better for the wait staff and kitchen. Speaking of wait staff, Sandies if you get good service and the kitchen screws up don't take it out on the wait folks. Traditionally wait people really are not in love with Motorcycle Clubs cause they are crappy tippers. We on the other hand have quite a few places where we are really appreciated, let's keep the good feelings rolling.



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Minutes from Sandollar M/C Business Meeting November 4, 2018

Robert Woods call the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

Secretary's Report

Edna read the minutes from the Oct. 2018 meeting. The minutes were accepted as read

Treasurer's Report

Edna read the Oct. 2018 Treasurer's report. The report was approved as read.

Road Captain's Report

George gave the Road Captain's report for the Nov. & Dec. events. Please call or text George Engler at 850.244.0376 with any questions or comments regarding the ride schedule.

Save the Dates:

- 11/18/18 – Toys For Tots
- 11/23/18 – Black Friday Get out of Town Ride
- 11/25/18 - Nekkid Knight Goofy Golf Tournament
- 12/15/18 – Christmas Party
- 12/30/18 – Last Ride of the Year
- 12/31/18 – Ride into New Year

Old Business

Robert thanked everyone who helped make the Pumpkin Run a success.

New Business

Due to Hurricane Michael Thunder Beach has been moved to Pensacola Beach this year– new dates Nov.. 7th -11th.

Elder Services – With help from anticipated donations we should be able to give Elder Services about \$3,000 this year for Meals on Wheels, etc., that will still leave us with funds in the bank in case weather conditions causes us to cancel any poker runs next year.

Poker Runs – Club members need to decide if we are only going to have 2 poker runs next year and if so which ones.

Meeting Closed – There being no further business for the benefit of the Club the meeting adjourned at 9:45AM

Cherry Sausage Stuffing

Ingredients:

1/2 cup butter (1 stick)
6 celery stalks, finely diced
2 medium onions, finely diced
1 loaf French bread, cut into 1-inch cubes and toasted (10 cups)
1 cup dried cherries
3/4 pound Italian sausage (casings removed) cooked, and crumbled
3/4 cup fresh flat-leaf parsley, chopped
1 teaspoon kosher salt
1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1 cup Chicken Stock (The recipe calls for chicken broth but I prefer the deeper flavor of Stock)

Directions:

Melt the butter in a 12-inch skillet over medium heat. Add the celery and onions and cook until translucent, 5 to 7 minutes.

In a large bowl or pan, combine the celery and onions with the bread, cherries, sausage, parsley, salt, and pepper. Add the broth and stir until well combined.

Cover and bake any unused stuffing in a 325° F oven for 1 hour; uncover and bake for 15 minutes more. Serve warm.

I use this to stuff Turkeys; well I don't really stuff the poultry. But I do this TO stuff pork. Thin a bit and add crabmeat and stuff seafood. Stuffing shrimp then wrapping the shrimp in bacon is a treat you won't soon forget

George



Hasselback Potatoes

Ingredients:

8 tablespoons (1 stick) butter, softened
1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil
1/3 cup finely chopped chives
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
6 medium russet potatoes, scrubbed

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees F.

Stir together the butter, olive oil, chives and some salt and pepper in a small bowl.

Place a potato between the handles of 2 wooden spoons or 2 chopsticks. Slice the potato into thin slices, leaving 1/4 inch at the bottom unsliced; the spoon handles will prevent you from slicing the potato all the way through. Repeat with the remaining potatoes

Put the potatoes on a baking sheet and brush with the butter mixture, making sure to get in between all the slices. Bake until tender and crisp, 55 to 60 minutes.

A different way to bake a potato, but it is delicious . Goes well with a grilled steak or pork or poultry, it's good with anything. Hell, it's good by itself.

George



Nekkid Knight All Stars Golf Tournament

George Engler

Today 10 stalwart Sandies took on one of the oldest Goofy Golf courses in America over the Thanksgiving Holiday. It was The Nekkid Knight Golf Tournament which takes place annually on the Sunday after Thanksgiving. It is played in honor of Terry (The Coop) Cooper. Terry's boundless positive attitude, his inability to meet a stranger and most importantly, Terry never took anything seriously. Terry was just a super Sandie, you could count on staying at Terry's house if you were passing through Chattanooga. We lost Terry suddenly about 6 years ago and I miss him every time I'm on a Road Trip.

Back to the Golf Tournament: 1st place with 41 went to Sam of course. 2nd was Pat G with a 49, Steven G and I tied with Jim W bringing up the tail. Now this is subject to change since I'm waiting on Sharon and Robert W and JoeJoe's (52) final score. It's going to be tough beating Sam's 4 holes-in-one. I won't say there was rampant cheating going on. But some of the scores looked rather shaky, just say'n. JoeJoe played ahead then came back to give us advice on the best shots. I for one, have learned to never trust JoeJoe's advice.

A case in point, some years back, we were heading east on Highway 20. Got to the corner of 20 and 231, looked south down 231 a wall of water was coming our way. I looked at the gas station next to us as a source of shelter, JoeJoe says "We can outrun this ". Who am I to argue with a 20 year USAF Weather-man? Boy did I learn my lesson the hard way. As we left the shelter of a gas station canopy, we crossed 231 and hit the throttle. The world became one water filled void with five motorcycles running... to where? It hailed, ground to air lightning so close you could smell it. The water was coming down so hard you could not see a foot in front of you. Ricky Davis had bruises on his hands from hail. We were soaked to the skin in seconds and we had to keep riding because guess what? There was no shelter anywhere. So you can understand that I look at JoeJoe's advice very warily.

Back to the Tournament: the lay-out is similar to our Goofy Golf in Fort Walton Beach. This makes sense since the same person designed all three Goofy Golf courses, the ones in Pensacola, Fort Walton and Panama City Beach all had the same designer. The one in Pensacola has this one hole with a full size moose standing over it. To get a hole in one you have to get the hole right below the Moose's butt which in turn drops the ball right into the hole. This was one of Sam's more noted holes in one. We had lunch at McGuire's in Pensacola. McGuire's open at 11 am we arrived at 11:05 the place was almost filled. We were fortunate they had a 10 place table waaay back in the corner. Had other Sandies been there previously? Had the Sandies been caught using the wrong restrooms? Sandies are not noted to read directions carefully, hell most throw the instruction manual away. It was a great lunch, service was outstanding, food was, as always, great.

Back at The Tournament it was looking rather ominous to the west. A look at radar showed the rain was knocking at the door. We managed to finish up the Tournament and head east. I swear I heard on the radio these words from a past encounter with weather, "We can outrun it".

George



COLD RIDING

SpectreSteve

A reminder that it's cold out! Yes, it's awfully close to being winter in this beach wonderland. The temperatures are dropping----DUH! Yes we know, it's a bit chilly outside. But does that mean you have to stop riding? Not necessarily. I remember a couple of group rides with the temps in the 20 degree range! And we went north! (Like it wasn't cold enough here.) Frozen fingers and toes, core body temperatures dropping, all were results of not being fully prepared. Yes I was one of the frozen chosen riding. With the change in weather, there must also be a change in your riding habits. Just a couple of things to be aware of:

Rule no. 1

Dress for the ride. Because temperatures can change quite rapidly, dressing properly can be problematic. With limited storage on our bikes, we cannot always be prepared for every weather type that day or series of days. There is often not enough room for the rain suit, heavy coat, two pairs of gloves, warmers for the toes and fingers, plus the normal riding gear along with all the other stuff we feel we have to carry and never use.

A couple of possible solutions: Buy waterproof gear and not a separate rain suit. Small items like toe, foot and finger warmers are easily stored in the bikes or in your pockets. Get heated gear. Turn it on or off as required. Use your own imagination to figure out what to carry. Find yourself without cold weather gear? Use your rain suit and line/stuff it with newspapers!

Rule no. 2

Use common sense. As you get colder, your mind tends to wander into thinking of how cold it is instead of paying attention to staying upright. Be rested, dress appropriately and stay hydrated. Cooler weather tends to be dryer than even hot summer weather. You can easily dehydrate without realizing it. Eat a good meal. Carbs will help your body stay warm, but may play havoc with your diet. Your choice.

If you are leading a group please plan on just as many, (or more) stops as you would on a hot day. Keep an eye out for someone who is having trouble in the cold. Reflexes, mind wandering and skills are degraded as much or more in cold weather as in hot. Watch out for your buddies and take care of each other!

Rule no. 3

Be safe. If you are having trouble with seasonal viruses such as a cold or respiratory problems, headache, runny nose, etc. let the group leader know. A stop can be planned to get warm or take an Alka-Seltzer - whatever you may need to get feeling better. Be safe! Our groups will not totally abandon you so don't be shy about your needs. Safety First! And second, and so on...

Be sure your motorcycle is good for cold weather. You don't need to break down on the side of the road in a snowdrift. OK that may be a stretch considering in our area it's more likely to be white sand than snow, but a drift is a drift and cold is cold, you get the idea. Be sure you have cold protection for your bike as well as yourself. Good strong battery, the proper oil weight for your bike in the temperatures you are riding in. Anti-freeze, buy it, change it at recommended intervals, use it! Tires, they get stiff and cold until you ride a few miles on them so be aware of any possible performance difference than in the summer. If you are carrying extra clothing or gear, please make sure it is secure. I mean really SECURE! Two years ago a woman died near Sturgis in the summer because she had a loose strap that tangled in her rear tire. Don't be that person.

Rule no.4

I can't emphasize enough the importance of riding safely. Yeah, yeah, I know, I'm the one with two curves and an intersection named after me. But trust me; I've corrected those oversights in my training (nothing like an oopsy to point out the holes in your game). Don't be me*. Be yourself, ride your own ride---always.

Any other recommendations will be appreciated. I certainly don't know everything you can do to remain safe, upright and comfortable when you ride in any kind of weather.

SpectreSteve

**Don't be like the past version of Steve. The current Steve is a very accomplished rider. The reason he's a very accomplished rider is that he works at it. Continuous improvement is possible no matter how well you currently ride. SpectreSteve is a shining example of that mindset. [ED.]*



TOYS FOR TOTS 2018

SpectreSteve

11 total Sandies went to the annual Toys for Tots hosted by ECHOG this year. We were just a small part of the crowd, but we were there to support the charity. Riding is just a part of the support, although it is the most visible part. Many people who see the caravan of bikes passing by wonder what in the world are we doing? Blocking traffic can be problematic but the benefit is people actually seeing bikers doing good things for the community.

With the help of local law enforcement all 500 people on 350 motorcycles made a safe trip from the Sam's Club in Fort Walton Beach to the Mullet Festival grounds in Niceville Fl. About a 15 mile trip when taking the 'scenic' round-about route.

So far as I know, there were no incidents this year. In years past there have been an incident or two involving motorcycles and autos. Many of the riders who show up for 'Toys for Tots' only ride 3 to 5 hundred miles a year on their bikes so to say they're not 'well-drilled' is an understatement.

This is the reason the Sand Dollars try to ride together. As a club, we know how to ride in a group. We do it every Sunday and sometimes more often. In fact if you see more than 2 Sand Dollars out on a ride, you will probably notice how the "group" is organized. Following distances and staggered paths are normal for us. No side-by-side riding, single file in turns, hand signals passed from bike to bike, people stopping at corners when those behind them are not visible. The beginning of each ride is normally started by a briefing by the lead rider regarding where we are going, how to get there and what to do just in case something happens. All of this is second nature to us. We ride together quite a bit and most of us do these things without thinking. It is second nature to us.

Large group, like parades, Toys for Tots, etc. are not like this. It requires us, whether riding mixed in with the crowd or in our own internal group, to be very aware of riders around us. You do not know the strangers in front of you, beside you, or behind you. You do not know how long they have been riding, what level of experience or what level of skill they have (skill and experience are not the same thing) whether they have had formal training or just a back-yard lesson or two from an Uncle who used to ride. You must be aware. Situational Awareness under these circumstances is mandatory at all times.

Now, add in the fact that you will be riding in traffic, even with Law Enforcement escorts, it's still traffic. Automobiles will tend to be impatient if you are in a large group. They will see an opening and try to force their way into the group, or through the group, to get to where they want to be. If you are not aware, you may be in their way, and you must realize that they are on a more important mission than you are on. They do not mean to hurt or kill, but it happens. Be aware!

Another thing that happens in large groups is break downs of other bikes. You got 400 or 500 bikes in a group and chances are good that something will go wrong with a few of them. You may see them pull off the road or they may just stop in the middle of the crowd. It's up to you to avoid them. If you decide to help you must make sure of your own safety. Again, it's up to you!

So go out, have fun with non-Sand Dollar friends. Join charity groups and other type of rides. Rallies, Poker Runs, etc., they can all be fun, supportive and productive. But please keep your head on your shoulders and looking for danger.

It's Up To You!

SpectreSteve



20 Things you probably didn't know about Christmas

1. It wasn't always on December 25.

Though Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ, there is no mention of December 25 in the Bible. (Most historians believe he was actually born in the spring.) It wasn't chosen as the official holiday until the 3rd Century. Some argue that the date was picked because it coincided with the pagan festival of Saturnalia, celebrating agricultural god Saturn with partying and gift-giving.

2. Thank Prince Albert for your tree.

Another Christmas tradition stemming from Saturnalia was the Christmas tree: During the winter solstice, branches served as a reminder of spring — and became the root of our Christmas tree. The Germans are credited with first bringing evergreens into their homes and decorating them, a tradition which made its way to the United States in the 1830s. But it wasn't until Germany's Prince Albert introduced the tree to his new wife, England's Queen Victoria, that the tradition took off. The couple was sketched in front of a Christmas tree in 1848 — and royal fever did its work.

3. Coca-Cola came up with the red suit.

Well, Santa wore a variety of colorful suits through the years — including red, blue, white, and green — but legend has it that the popular image of his red coat came from a 1930s ad by Coca Cola.

4. St. Nick was more generous than jolly.

Sure, you probably knew that Santa Claus came from St. Nicholas, a Christian bishop living in the fourth century AD. St. Nicholas gave away his abundant inheritance to help the needy. He also was known for good deeds like rescuing sisters from prostitution. As his legend spread, he was eventually known by names like Sinter Klaas in Dutch — which morphed into Santa Claus. He's not just the protector of children, either: St. Nicholas is also the patron saint of unmarried women, prisoners, thieves and pawn-brokers. How's that for a naughty list?

5. Stockings have a funny root.

Gift-giving also came from Holland. There, St. Nicholas' feast day is celebrated December 6 by children leaving out shoes overnight and finding little gifts from St. Nicolas in the morning. According to legend, hanging stockings came from the tale of a poor man who couldn't afford his three daughters dowries: St. Nick dropped a bag of gold down their chimney one night so that the eldest could wed — but it fell into a stocking that was drying by the fire and was not found immediately!

6. Rudolph was almost named Reginald.

A copywriter named Robert L. May first invented the oddball reindeer in 1939 as a marketing gimmick for Montgomery Ward's holiday coloring books. (May considered naming the beloved misfit Reginald and Rollo.) And his nose wasn't originally going to be red: A red nose was viewed as a sign of chronic alcoholism, and Montgomery Ward didn't want him to seem like a drunkard. Good thing they changed it. "Reginald, the blue-nosed reindeer" doesn't have quite the same ring ... or charm.

7. Jingle Bells was originally a Thanksgiving song.

James Lord Pierpont, an organist from Savannah, Georgia, first performed a song he wrote, "The One Horse Open Sleigh," at his church's Thanksgiving concert. The song was re-published in 1857 and given the title of today. Bonus fact: It's also the first song broadcast from space. On December 16, 1965, the Gemini 6 crew serenaded Mission Control after they reported seeing a "red-suited" astronaut.

8. Christmas sends at least 15,000 people to the ER.

From hanging lights on ladders to taking roast out of the oven, making merry can prove hazardous. In fact, the Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates that an average of 15,000 Americans visit hospital emergency rooms each November and December from holiday-related decorating accidents. To top it off, dried Christmas trees spark hundreds of fires, an average of 17 deaths, and \$13 million in property damage annually.

9. Christmas Merrymaking used to be illegal.

Though the first American batch of eggnog was created by the Jamestown settlers, by the time the Puritans settled Boston, Christmas was illegal. (The word nog comes from the word grog; that is, any drink made with rum.) From 1659 to 1681, celebrating the once-pagan day could cost you a fine of as much as five shillings. And after the Revolutionary War, the new Congress found the day so unimportant that they held the first session of the Continental Congress on Christmas Day, 1789. It wasn't proclaimed a federal holiday for nearly another century.

10. Washington Irving created Santa's sweet ride.

He's best known for *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow's* headless horseman, but the author also came up with the idea of Santa's flying sleigh. In *The Sketch Book of Geoffrey Crayon*, an 1819 series of short stories, Irving recounted a dream where St. Nicholas flew across the sky in a wagon. According to legend, his stories were so popular that they sparked a Christmas fervor in the United States and even England, so much so that Charles Dickens reportedly was inspired by Irving when making his own holiday classic, *A Christmas Carol*.

11. The Grinch stole the box office.

It's hard to decide which holiday classic to watch first — or which one will be most popular with the whole family. But when it comes to the box office, the highest-grossing Christmas movie of all time is *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* starring Jim Carrey.

12. Santa has his own zip code.

Every year, letters to Santa Claus flood post offices across the world. Some Canadian Post Office workers even started answering them — but as more letters arrived, they set up a special zip code for Santa as part of a "Santa Letter-Writing Program" literacy initiative. The zip code? H0H 0H0.

13. Favorite carols have complicated histories.

The original lyrics to "Hark! The Herald Angel Sings" were "Hark! How the Welkin rings!" Pretty catchy, right? (Welkin was an old English term for heaven.) And though "Silent Night" was rumored to be a Christmas miracle by Father Joseph Mohr of Oberndorf, Austria, whose organ was broken, the truth was less dramatic: A Catholic priest wrote the poem "Stille Nacht! Heilige Nacht!" in Mariapfarr, Austria. Two years later, he transferred to Mohr's St. Nicholas Church and asked Franz Gruber to put it to music, which they performed on Christmas Eve 1818.

And the holiday classic "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town" has a less jovial history. Songwriter James "Haven" Gillespie was asked to write a Christmas song. At the time, he was broke, jobless, and mourning his brother's recent death. Despite being overcome with grief, he found inspiration in the holiday memories he and his brother had shared.

14. 'Xmas' doesn't remove Christ from Christmas.

It's quite the opposite, in fact. According to *From Adam's Apple to Xmas: An Essential Vocabulary Guide for the Politically Correct*, the word "Christianity" was spelled "Xianity" as far back as 1100. X, or Chi, in Greek is the first letter of "Christ" and served as a symbolic stand-in. In 1551, the holiday was "Xtemmas" but eventually shortened to "Xmas."

15. Americans ship an unbelievable amount of gifts.

Last year, on December 22, the U.S. Postal Service delivered a staggering 28.2 million packages — breaking its own record for most parcels ever delivered in a single day in its 237-year history. That's just ONE day of the entire holiday season, too!

16. Ham, not turkey, is the festive favorite.

The dinner debate rages on. Searches for "ham" and "turkey" both spike during the month of December, according to Google Trends data. (Though it's nowhere near how frequently "turkey" is hunted for online in November!) But despite the popularity of both festive entrees, spiral-cut ham remains the more popular choice for a Christmas table. In 2013, Americans bought 318 million pounds of ham during November and December, or 50% of their annual total consumption.

17. Feliz Navidad Around the World

Christmas traditions vary from culture to culture. Finns often visit saunas on Christmas Eve, while Portuguese revelers hold a feast on Christmas Day for the living and the dead (extra places are set for the souls of the deceased). In Greece, some believe that goblins called kallikantzeri run wild during the 12 days of Christmas, and most Greeks don't exchange presents until Jan. 1, St. Basil's Day. Thanks to their geographic location, most Australians and New Zealanders enjoy Christmas on the beach or at barbecues. Spain, meanwhile, hosts the world's largest lottery.

18. With a bullet...

"Silent Night" is the most recorded Christmas song in history, with over 733 different versions copyrighted since 1978.

19. Who was that bearded man?

Boston church leaders tried to have the song "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus" banned in the 1950s because they thought it "promoted physical intimacy." Singer Jimmy Boyd had to fly to Boston and explain to them why it wasn't obscene.

20. Yeah, but can he twitch his nose?

If the Griswold's house in National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation looks familiar, that's because it's the same house where Bewitched was filmed.



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2 Business/ Lunch 9 am OIFD 2nd floor	3	4 FOOD 6-ish pm Location TBA, call 246-0029 for further	5	6	7	8
9 Skills 8:30 AL 9 am Range	10	11 FOOD 6-ish pm Location TBA, call 246-0029 for further	12	13	14	15 Christmas Party 6 pm at The Sisters House
16 Open for ride Suggestions. Anyone ?	17	18 FOOD 6-ish pm Location TBA, call 246-0029 for further	19	20	21	22 Tim W Special Ride To Ms Ruth's 9 am AL's
23 Getting ready for Christmas	24	25 	26	27	28	29
30 Last Ride of the year to Stockton, AL AL's 7 am	31 Sandie Tra- ditional "Ride into the New Year" 11:30 pm					

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27 Chili Ride 9 am AL's	28	29 FOOD 6-ish pm Location TBA, call 246-0029 for further	30	31		