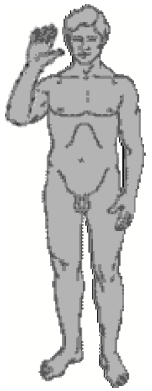




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Fireside Chat

BA-MEN is beginning our 15th year! Our 15th anniversary for the club being 12/21/17! (That date in 2002 was our first event.)



I hope I've not caused anyone problems with our recent revamp of our RSVP forms, which meant more or less invalidating the old bit.ly links we were using, however they should bring up the old forms with a reference to our new form locations, though you can't click them, unfortunately.

We have a single page with links to each form for the regular, hotel, and trip events, as well as links that will go directly to each.

I will put the links here in their usual positions, but here they are, hopefully never to change:

The page with links to each is:

<http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/>

That page has the following links for each of the 3 forms:

Hotel Parties:

<http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/hotel/>



Trips:

<http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/trip/>

And other events:

<http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/main/>

Now, if you wonder why we have 3 forms, it's simple... Well, at least to me. ;)

The main form doesn't ask a few questions that are very helpful to have answered for hotel & trip events, and if we have them down as optional on the main form, some guys tend to skip over them and/or answer the wrong thing on them, as well as for food options, so that's why we have 3 forms.

Our forms are currently hosted by Google Forms, and they use a secure web site, so your info isn't publicly visible if someone should be snooping on your net connection, even in a place like Starbucks or the library!

Speaking of which, they also host our current membership & feedback forms.

Their forms, in addition to being securely submitted, have better error checking and are more colorful than our old ones... Which hopefully will keep the spam bots at bay (they used to attack our feedback form periodically).



As you know, we're trying to get new guys in our group, I am hoping we will have the funds before April 1st so we can get some ads running in the Blade, Frontiers, and perhaps Rage Monthly, too.

If you can help us out to this goal, we're accepting "donations" in any amount, and while you can mail a few bucks in the US Mail, it would be safer and simpler (at least to me) to pay online (see the "Pre-Payment Policy" section on page 3 to see which we accept & other payment info... Feel free to email and suggest another if we don't have one you like!), and you can send checks & money orders, too.

Feel free to let us know if you'd like to be listed as a contributor or not in a future issue.



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For those that are interested in a more intimate event than we usually offer (at least during the official event), check out this new group:

<https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/OCLBNakedMen/info>

Orange County/Long Beach Naked Men will allow for a more intimate event than we normally do, and as such if anyone wants to host an event that's of that nature, it will be hosted under the guise of OC/LB Naked Men, rather than BA-MEN.

Check it out and see if some of the events planned there are of interest.

The Meetup sites for it and us are at this point temporary, unless someone wants to make donations to cover keeping Meetup.com sites going, as it costs \$20/month or \$15/month for 6 months paid in advance.

So, if you care to check them out, you may, but PLEASE do join the Yahoo Groups as a permanent site at the address to the left for OC/LB Naked Men and the address for us on the last page of this newsletter.

The (expected) temporary sites on Meetup are:

OC/LB Naked Men:

<http://www.meetup.com/OCLBNakedMen/>

BA-MEN:

<http://www.meetup.com/BA-MEN/>

Another new thing to help promote BA-MEN is we've got a (so far minimal) group & page on Facebook:

Facebook Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bamen.oclb/>

Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/BAMENoclb/>

Please "like" the above two if you have a Facebook account so we can get a little more exposure, even if you don't decide to join and/or follow them.



Do you drink Coke products, including any variety of Coke, Sprite, Fanta, Fresca, Tab, Barq's, (Mr.) Pibb, Mello Yello, Fuze, Seagram's Ginger Ale, Minute Maid, & Dasani. (Note that some of these, like non-sparkling Dasani, only have codes on the multi-packs.)

If you do drink these, but don't use the codes yourself, would you consider donating them to BA-MEN?

If you can either take a photo showing the code clearly, type it, or even give the code to your club's President, we'd like to collect the codes and when enough are accumulated, we'll have a FREE pack of some Coke product to share with the group at an event after the coupon to redeem the item is received.

If you can either take a photo or type the code for us (note that there are no O's, it's the number zero if you see one), please email either to BAMENClub@GMail.com or BA-MEN@BA-MEN.Org.

If you're saving the box flap or bottom or bottle caps for us, you can bring them to the next event you attend or arrange to meet me

near Harbor or Fairview off Westminster in Garden Grove, or possibly make an arrangement to meet elsewhere.



If you have a pool and/or spa, or know of someone who does and might host for us, even if they're not really in our "home area", we'd love to talk! Just use the feedback form in the prior column or any of our contact methods on the last page of this newsletter.

One thing we'd really like to find is someone willing to host in another area, like Palm Springs, with hopefully a pool and maybe a BBQ and ideally some place several of us can spend the night, instead of resorting to a hotel (with an added cost for many), but we can discuss options if you're willing – Just contact us and we'll talk about it!



Want to meet 1-on-1 or in a small group to chat & socialize sometime, on your schedule?

Right now I've got 2 new possibilities to meet... Best is where I am currently staying in Garden Grove near the Santa Ana border off Westminster/17th, between Harbor & Fairview. We can even hang nude for a while, if you like.

The second option is to meet at a nearby public place, like McDonald's on Harbor & Westminster.

If you're interested, please use any contact method on the final page here, though keep in mind email is usually responded to fastest.



Do you know anything of the "Hilltop Hot Spring" towards Mammoth in the Owens Valley off Hwy. 395 or the "Hot Spring Canyons" in the Santa Ana Mountains?

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Contact us at any method on the last page if you do, as we'd love some info on the places.



Can you **help us** have fewer hotel events by **hosting an event at your home sometime?**

Keep in mind the following perks if you do help us out...

We have a **new offer for event hosts!**

We're now offering the following, per event:

* **A guaranteed minimum of \$10 for indoor events, \$15 for spa/hot tub parties, and \$25 for pool parties.**

* A virtual certificate for free admission at 2 other home-based events. (Or \$5 off the door fee of a hotel-based event when pre-paid only.)

* **Updated:** You get \$3 per paid attendee and you pay no fee.

* Free membership for up to an additional year beyond your current membership OR a second free admission cert. (as above).

* Ask and you'll receive any help you need with house cleaning before the event. (Though I'm sure anyone doing much would appreciate a shower afterward, before the event starts. He also will receive the same admission & membership perks noted for the co-host below.)

* At the event, we'll try our best to have someone deal with cleaning things up and trash, as needed. (They will receive free admission to your event, plus free membership, as above OR free admission to a future event, as above.) -Events with over 12 guys or those when a co-host cannot stay the full time, we'll have a 2nd guy co-host. (And if we ever have a large pool party, we'll try to have a 3rd or more!) -You will not need to request such assistance - only if you need help with vacuuming, dusting, mopping, or whatever before the event.

Alternatively to all the above, you're welcome to request a specific fee for the use of your place, but you'll need to be a current

member or the current basic membership fee will be deducted from said fee.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns on this new policy, PLEASE ASK!

You're also welcome to offer any suggestions on this, if you think we can do better and/or are not offering at least the same as another SoCal brother club.



We're still very much looking for other opportunities for nude hiking, camping, and other hot spring trips!

If you know of a good place to hike, camp, or of a hot spring that is *preferably* less than 200 miles away, please let us know!

We're not only looking for places to do such, but for guys who can lead the way – and for such, esp. if you can also drive a carpool and give guys without the means to get there, we'll give you our host's current offer – free membership for up to a year! – Drop us a line (see last page for contact info) if you can help us out like this.

Keep in mind that most of the events currently scheduled are un-hosted, so if you would like to host an event on that date or near it, just let us know and we'll make any necessary changes! ▼

Classified Ads:

Need a Personal Assistant or Valet? House or Pet Sitter? Computer Work? House-Cleaning? Handyman? Or ???

If you're looking for someone to help a disabled/semi-disabled person, house-sit, and maybe tend to your plants or animals (for example, he loves dogs & knows how to deal with aquariums), or if you're looking for some sort of help or work on your

computer or other electronics, or perhaps need a new light switch installed, please contact John before you spend 2-100 times the amount on someone who might cramp your lifestyle.

Since I'm "one of you", I don't care if you have gay porn laying around, live with your boyfriend, or like to walk around the house nude! –In fact, if you do like to be nude at home, I will likely join you in doing so while there.

You don't have to worry about your liquor or food if you're looking for a house-sitter, as I don't drink, and will obtain my own food. –And you don't have to worry about someone maybe hosting wild parties or whatever... I'll respect your wishes, whatever they might be.

If you are interested, please call John anytime at 714-248-6833 & leave a message or e-mail him at doctor34@gmail.com.



Need a Massage?

John is trying to get back into the "swing of it", and while he's feeling a little "rusty", he's offering you a good discount!

1 hour (plus) of massage at your place (out-call), using your bed, with Swedish & Tantric techniques for only \$25.

A body scrub is also available with a massage for only \$5 more! (Or, free if he can use your shower and not have to bother bringing towels. But he will bring bodywash!)

Sorry, but in-calls are not available at this time – it must be at your place.

If you'd like a different amount of time or have a partner or roommate who wants to relax as well, please ask John about other rates.

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Service is offered in most of Orange County & the greater Long Beach area (\$5-\$7 more in L.A. County other than some select areas of Long Beach), but will consider other areas depending on the amount offered if payment is made in advance online.

(Note this is not an offer for sex of any kind, so please don't ask. Also if it matters what your massage artist looks like, please don't contact him either.)

Please contact him at (714) 248-NUDE [(714) 248-6833] or doctor34@gmail.com. –And *please* speak up if you leave a voice message, as several guys have called for one reason or another, but John could not understand the message or number to call you back.

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Your Ad Could Be Here !!!

Want to Submit a Classified Ad?

We feature *free* ads from members (or those paid for by others for a small fee that we accept for print).

If you wish to feature an item for sale, have a room for rent, your services to offer, etc, please get in touch with us via any method listed on the last page of this newsletter. ▼

Who is this Celebrity Guy?

In the last issue the celebrity was Chicago Cubs player Jake Arrieta, from a shoot for ESPN Magazine.

The answer to who the guy shown here is will be in the next issue.



A hint: He's an Italian actor who's been in a number of movies & TV shows around the world. ▼

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

Dave R. on 01/06, Lance L. on 01/25, Bill D on 01/27, Gary S. on 2/26, Eric A. on 03/09.

Become a member and get your birthday listed here too! ▼

Calendar of Events

(All Events Are *Tentative* - *An RSVP for all is required!*)

To RSVP for any event, please click the following link or send email to that address, or call us via any hotline on the last page if you have no email. You may also contact us at this address if you have questions about the event that are not answered here.

BAMENRSVP@GMail.com

You can best RSVP for an event via our new RSVP forms:

For all events, you may click:
<http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/>

Or for the direct link to each form:

For hotel-based parties, click:
<http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/hotel/>

For trip events, click:

<http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/trip/>

And for everything else, click:

<http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/main/>

Also, please take a moment to view our current polls online and help us shape the future of your club and our events:

<http://BA-MEN.Org/polls/>

Our deposit/pre-payment policy for any hotel or trip event is if you cancel by the event's RSVP deadline or if we should have to cancel the event, you will get your money back in full via the same online payment service, or via a bank issued check by mail after your payment has fully cleared. Late cancellations may still receive a refund if others pay to attend in your stead.

At this time, for all events that request a deposit or pre-payment, you may pay via check or money order (by mail), Square Cash (Cash.Me or their app), Chime, Circle Pay, PayPal, Venmo, & PopMoney online, or you can pay in person in cash. Also we can accept credit & signature debit cards again in person and online. (Email or call to get our payment address or a location to meet us if paying cash or by card in person before the event, or to pay via one of the other methods.)

All deposits/pre-payments are due no later than Noon on the Friday the week before the event for online payments & U.S. Postal Money Orders, and all other checks & money orders are due by noon the Friday 2 weeks prior to the event.

BA-MEN provides a **drug-free environment**, and even things like "poppers" & "420" are not permitted at any time.

Also, **unless otherwise noted, smoking (even cloves & e-cigs) are not permitted.** ★



Need a Haircut?

At each of our scheduled hotel events (which is all but the meet 'n greet & Imperial Spa events on the calendar here), we'd like to offer you a free crew cut.

If you're interested, bring a large towel or sheet to capture the hair (and dump it in the trash carefully when you're done), and we'll be glad to give you a good buzz-cut.

The gent offering the haircuts (yours truly, the group President) is not professionally trained and is not asking for a cent (a tip would not be refused), but I can do a nice, even crew.

I can *try* to do other lengths, but I have never done so before, so there's no guarantee at all on how it might turn out. If you want to be a guinea pig and try something other than a crew, please bring a personal comb as well.

You will need to make your cut request (especially if not a crew!) known fully when you RSVP, as I will not bring the clippers if no one asks for one.

You're welcome to look at my own cut for an example of my work (and hopefully I've done it recently and it's not gotten shaggy).

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Saturday, January 28, 5-11pm

Beginning Massage Workshop (Swedish & Tantric techniques)

In Long Beach, on PCH near Cherry, and not far from the 405 or 710.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP & pre-pay no later than Noon 1/24.

Cost: If pre-paid by the deadline, a MAXIMUM of \$30 for paid members, first or second timers, & brother club members, \$40 for non-members; and a student or limited income discount is available with membership, or free membership for non-members.

You must pre-pay to guarantee your admission and the lowest entry fee. And if pre-paid, you may get in for as little as \$15, depending on attendance & your membership status.

Looking to learn the basics of Swedish (AKA Essalen) and Tantric massage techniques? If so, join us for an evening to do just that!

If you have a massage table and/or know the basics well enough to teach said workshop,

we'll let you in for free, but you must RSVP ASAP and let us know that you have a table we can use and/or feel you can impart your skills to others, and if you follow thru with one or both we'll not only let you in the event for free, but give you free membership for 6 months for doing either – or a year if you can do both! –We will have room for a maximum of 2 tables & 2 instructors.

Assuming we get no volunteers to teach and/or a table, we'll have a bed available for massage training & practice, and will plan to use a massage video along with an instructor to guide the class.

Please do understand that those getting a massage, either during the training, or during the practice time, may very likely get an erection, especially if you're getting Tantric massage (which in fact is somewhat necessary for)... We're all guys and know that an erection only means you're enjoying something, and that it's not a sign that you want sex. –That said, please do not offer to be demonstrated on if you object to other guys seeing you erect, especially if you are receiving Tantric massage.

Basic Swedish/Essalen massage is easy to learn, and anyone can do it! On the other hand, Tantric massage is a bit more complicated, as there are a number of techniques that one can preform. (Not that it's more difficult, it just means there's more to remember!)

(Speaking of which, if you feel you can teach Swedish but not Tantric, that is fine... Just let us know!)

This event is planned for a private hotel room with an in-room Jacuzzi tub, as well as a separate shower that you can use to freshen up at any time. (Don't worry, this hotel is not a really small one that watches everyone coming and going... We've never had an issue here.)

We'll plan to have about 2 hours for instruction, a break for pizza (chip-in around \$7-\$8 if you want some), and then about 2 more hours of practice time where you can try your techniques on others there, and the

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one being worked on as well as the instructors can offer feedback on your work to improve it, if needed.

Those that RSVP will be given the basic address, but we'll need to call you (or you can call us) with the room # we're renting, so BE SURE to GIVE YOUR PHONE number when RSVP'ing for this event.

For this event, please plan to bring a total of 3 towels – 1 to sit on at all times, 1 to dry off with after showering or using the Jacuzzi, and another that's either a large beach towel, bath sheet, or even a flat bed sheet to use for massage, as well as a non-staining massage oil, lotion, or gel.

Please also bring your own beverages, snacks to share (if you want any), pizza chip-in (if you want pizza), and your door fee, if not pre-paid.

An "after-hours party" will be available for 1 hour following the event.

RSVP at: <http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/hotel/>

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Saturday, February 4,
1:00pm-2:30pm

Taco Saturday Meet 'n Greet

Clothed, at the Taco Bell off beach Beach Bl. on Garden Grove Bl.

Google Map/directions:
<https://goo.gl/maps/rXTrGrNyXAT2>
(If re-typing, note that case is sensitive!)

You MUST RSVP if you want to attend! If you don't we won't know you will be there, and if no one RSVP's, your President will not be there either.

Please RSVP by 9pm 2/3.

This is an event to meet & get to know a few of the group members ahead of time, as well as talk over things related to the group, and perhaps talk about new things to do or maybe find someone willing to host an event.

You're welcome to order something (or not) and join us, but you'll be responsible for your own bill and we're not asking for a cent for the event, but as always no donation will be refused should you wish to make one.

This event is non-smoking.

Please feel free to join us at 3pm in the Imperial Spa just about 2 blocks away following this event!

RSVP at: <http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/main/>

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Saturday, February 4,
3pm-7pm

Imperial Health Spa (in Garden Grove)

***** Your RSVP is REQUIRED if you are attending with the group! *****

(You won't know where to find us or hear about any changes/cancellation in plans if you don't RSVP.)

Please DO NOT FORGET TO RSVP if you intend to attend! –Our last few Imperial Spa events have had few "for sure" RSVP's,

especially any that would confirm they would attend.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP no later than 9pm on 2/3.

The Imperial Spa is located at:
8251 Garden Grove Bl.
Garden Grove, CA 92844
Phone: 714-530-0055

Google map/directions:
<http://bit.ly/Imp-Spa-GG>

(Please call the spa only for location or services info, and PLEASE do not mention BA-MEN when calling.)

Cost: \$15 entry due to the spa upon arrival, plus any optional services.

Come and enjoy the many amenities of this Korean-style day spa, where virtually everyone goes nude. (Keep in mind this is an all-ages/family spa, not a gay bath house, so it's not a place for sexual activity.)

The men's wet area features a dry sauna, steam room (fairly hot, & sometimes w/Eucalyptus), "Live Mineral" steam room (warm to mildly hot), a cold plunge, & fairly hot Jacuzzi.

Body scrubs (\$25 extra) are given in an alcove off the wet area by a male attendant wearing shorts only - you are nude.

Relaxation area has warm to rather warmly heated Jade & Salt Rooms, as well as a darkened recliner/TV room, as well as a nap room, and cold, filtered water is on tap.

Spa provides all soap, shampoo, conditioner, & even shaving cream & disposable razors if wanted, as well as small towels (sized to cover the sauna & steam room benches), and robes, t-shirts, & shorts for the common/co-ed areas.

Note that massages or acupressure treatments are given by women in the common area.

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They do have a juice & snack bar w/sodas, juices, & Asian soups & goodies for an extra fee, and a robe is needed here.

Please RSVP so we know you plan to attend, but feel free to go anytime they are open, 8am-10pm.

Be sure to RSVP so we can tell you who to look for in the men's area, otherwise we'll never know you were there if you don't come over and say "Hi!"

If you're shy or want to talk about the club ahead of time, join us for a Meet 'n Greet lunch at the Taco Bell about 2 blocks away.

RSVP at: <http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/main/>

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**Friday, February 10,
7pm-8:30pm**

Meet 'n Greet at Hamburger Mary's Long Beach

(Clothed)

Hamburger Mary's Long Beach location is at: 330 Pine Ave., Long Beach, CA 90802

You'll be responsible for your own bill, so buy whatever you like and can afford... Unfortunately we can't arrange a discount, but there's no cover there at this time nor is there a required donation... Though if you wish to make one, we will not object.

If you want a little info on the restaurant, see:

<http://www.hamburgermarys.com/longbeach/>

You can also check out their menu here:

<http://www.hamburgermarys.com/longbeach/HMLongBeachMenuA.jpg>

If you're not familiar with Hamburger Mary's, it's a gay owned & operated chain, though some locations are franchises.

There are other locations in SoCal, including WeHo & Ontario, but Long Beach is in our home range, where the others are 30+ miles away for most of us.

We plan to meet there about 7pm, and I'll try to get you a map of where the nearest 2-hour free parking lots are exactly (their map shows 2 within a few blocks), as the nearest parking is \$5, which I believe covers all evening after 5pm.

They don't have anything scheduled on Fridays before 10pm, when they have a dance club with "GoGo boys & girls" and an apparent \$5 cover. -There is no cover prior to 10pm.

Their menu appears to have entrees ranging from \$12 to \$20+, but the place has good reviews. :)

Join us for an enjoyable evening, along with a chance to chat about the club & meet guys before you gotta get naked. :)

RSVP at: <http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/main/>

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**Friday, Feb. 17
thru Monday, Feb. 20**

Tecopa Hot Springs Soak & Death Valley Trip

Have you ever soaked, showered, etc in water that feels as smooth as silk? Well, you literally can do this in Tecopa, CA & neighboring Shoshone, CA!

And yes, this may be one of the farthest trips we've planned, but it's well worth the drive!

Did we mention that the waters here have been proven to have curative properties for various aches & pains?

These hot springs are also virtually sulfur-free, so there's no disturbing odor!

Since it is a good drive, we seriously suggests making this a 3 night/4 day trip, so we can get the most out of it all! (Which means leave for Tecopa on Fri. in the AM, if possible, & return Mon., if at all possible, likely early afternoon. If you can't take off for 4 days, let us know when you can attend.)

Keep in mind that the Monday of this trip is Washington's Birthday or President's Day, so many have the day off.

FYI: If you RSVP and pay your deposit no later than 3 weeks prior to the event, you can help us decide which is better: The ONE remaining cabin with its own shower that is right near the hot spring pools OR the "mini-house" that's close to the cafe, so may have a WiFi signal but is a good quarter-mile walk to the pools. -Mention this when you RSVP

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if you have a preference. (The house would be like other units, sharing the showers near the pools as well as in the pool rooms.)

Not only can you bathe in the very smooth waters of the natural hot springs in the area, but this trip will be a chance to have a lot of space to hike (nude if you want if you're on BLM (national) land, which is most of Tecopa!), and/or see the sights of a real, old-west ghost town, visit and sample the goodies at a date ranch (grows all but 3-4 of the world's types of dates - doesn't get cold enough there for a few!), see the Death Valley museum, and more!

Unfortunately, only our room/cabin, the hot spring pools, and hiking, as well as perhaps some of the drive out there are clothing-optional... The rest do, unfortunately, need clothing. (It should be noted that the hot spring pools REQUIRE NUDITY, and the showers are in the hot spring pool enclosures, so do expect to be nude around the other guys at this event at least at some point.) :)

Delight's Hot Springs Resort is the place we plan to stay at, as they have decent size cabins for several guys to spend the night, as well as having 4 private hot spring pools, which have open air enclosures - no roofs, just netting - and may offer a chance for stargazing or catching some sun while soaking! -Their pools also feature showers within each. (And I guess that means you can have an AHP anytime inside our room(s) or the pool areas, since they are private, as long as those with you do not object.)

Those attending may bring games to pass the time... Or if someone has a TV & DVD player they want to bring we can run movies or whatever back in the room.

(On that note, there's no local reception of TV, radio, or even cell phones out there, which is a nice get-away-from-it-all trip, unless you have to stay in contact... There is a land line phone in the lobby, and WiFi is available near the cafe. ONLY SATELLITE TV, radio, & phones work in the area. It is possible that Verizon and/or

AT&T has service in the area, however we were unable to verify this on our Spring 2016 trip.)

We suggest bringing your own beach-size towel, as well as sunblock, sunglasses, and/or a hat for any daytime outdoor time. You will also need to bring your own water & other beverages. (The water in Tecopa & Shoshone is not safe to drink - it contains very high levels of arsenic, lead, & fluoride, as well as a cocktail of other metals & minerals. You can buy bottled water & ice in the office and nearby, but it's not cheap - \$3/32 oz. or 1-1.5 ltrs.)

We are looking for someone to drive their vehicle out there & back, and you may have the option of allowing someone else to drive part of the time, should you desire. Estimated driving time from Western O.C. is about 3.5 hours, one way, and we recommend stopping for 15-20 min. at least once on the way, or perhaps 10-15 min. twice, so everyone can stretch their legs and whatever. (One good stop is at an In-n-Out Burger just off the freeway in Barstow or if you need food sooner, in Hesperia or Victorville.) Best stop for gas is likely a station in Baker, where the giant thermometer is, which is also the last chance for same, as well as groceries or food without paying a premium unless we go for about a 45-mile ride into Pahrump, NV (yes, they do have casinos there, too). Gas is often cheaper in Baker than here in the O.C. & So. L.A. County areas.

We plan to buy groceries as a group and cook in our cabin to keep costs down, and a share of that, plus a share of the cabin, & gas for the trip is expected in advance in full.

If you're not riding with our main car pool, naturally you're on your own for gas, but the remainder of any shared expenses will still be due in advance to ensure you have a bed & food at a reasonable price.

The trip is **currently estimated at a cost of \$100-\$150**, or possibly a little higher, depending on prices of gas, food, & rooms. (Cost is dependent on number going per car, its MPG, current cost of gas and any

possible increases in the cost of food, as well as the number of guys staying in each room or cabin - they have some that can sleep 6 easily, perhaps 7+.) -This cost can only be finalized further once we have MPG figures from a driver and know relatively certain how many want to make the trip.

We will announce a deposit/estimated cost for the trip, which will be required at least 5 days before the event if you want to attend with us (depending on how paid). Currently, we expect this to be around \$140, with any expected overages due upon arrival at the event and any remaining funds will be refunded within 1 week of the event. (It will take about 48 hours to process after our return, plus an additional 2-4 business days for the service you paid by to process the refund or for our bank to issue a check.)

An advance deposit/pre-payment is required to attend this event. We will not accept payments on the trip except for cash for extra expenses to be paid by all.

(Should we stop at a restaurant or other place with expenses of any kind, you are liable for 100% of your own bill, to be paid directly by you - individual checks/receipts.)

<http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/trip/>



Saturday, February 25,
5:00pm-11pm

**Touch Session with Massage
Exchange & Jacuzzi Soak and
"Boudoir Photography"**

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In Long Beach, on PCH near Cherry, and not far from the 405 or 710.

(Note that this event allows intimate contact, however it is NOT A SEXUAL ACTIVITY event.)

If you plan to attend, please RSVP no later than Noon 2/21.

(For extra privacy, the exact address will be given to RSVP'ers only.)

FYI: You may develop an erection at some point during the event, but that's completely normal - we all understand the way a penis works and sometimes just wants to say it's enjoying things too. (Again, this is NOT a sexual event!)

Cost: If pre-paid by the deadline, a MAXIMUM of \$25 for paid members, \$40 for non-members; and a student or limited income discount is available with membership, or free membership for non-members.

You must pre-pay to guarantee your admission and the lowest entry fee. And if pre-paid, you may get in for as little as \$15, depending on attendance & your membership status.

The point of the event is to make friends with a deeper mutual trust & caring, and it's OK if you want to look for a boyfriend, too. ;)

This event is essentially the same as what another group refers to as a "puppy pile", where guys can "connect" more closely, allowing some basic contact while (in their group) remaining clothed and not progressing to sexual activity while at the event. (In other words, cuddling, spooning, & basic touch/contact.)

Our "touch session" will allow for a more direct contact, doing the same with your clothing off!



You are free to "connect" with anyone there that you wish, but you must respect their boundaries. If someone is letting their hands or other body parts wander to somewhere you're uncomfortable with, please either ask them to stop or just take a gentle but firm grip on their hand (or other body part) and move it elsewhere... This extends to those with physical injuries & weaknesses, not just because of the way it makes you feel.

During the scheduled event, no actual sexual activity is permitted, so we ask you to refrain from lip-to-lip kissing, all forms of penetration, and any actual masturbation or other sexual activity. (If you cannot abide by these limits, you may be asked to leave the event & not return.) We also ask that you help from spreading anything communicable by not touching anyone below their ankles (this can easily create jock itch or athlete's ft.), or their buttocks, and if you've not showered recently before arriving, please take a few minutes to do so on arrival.

You're also not permitted to do anything anyone may find painful, including any pinching or more than light squeezing. (Unless we're talking about massage techniques.)

Keeping the above in mind, it's OK to touch any external body part that your connection is OK with, including his penis & testicles. -But remember, please keep it friendly & not with a sexual intent during the event.

If you want to do more with your connection, you're welcome to exchange info and/or go home with one another at any

time. (Or wait for the "after-hours party" following the event.)

If you'd like someone to take a photo of yourself posing nude on the bed or other nude poses, you're welcome to bring your own camera OR your president will take a photo with his 13+MP digital camera, email it/them to you, and if you desire, the photo will be deleted, and not even used personally. Or alternatively, depending on content, if you allow, it may be used for a future newsletter, or Flickr page (no name or other ID on the photo), or even for a GNI newsletter or even in an issue of G+N Magazine.

If you bring your own camera for use at the event, you must agree not to photograph someone who does not wish it, and to otherwise use it ONLY for personal use or sharing with the group.

As implied by the French word "Boudoir", meaning bedroom, we'd encourage you to feel free to pose in a fashion that you would care to use on an online dating site, to send to a prospective date in email, or similar... Such poses may include erotica, with erections & holding same, but please nothing much more overtly sexual. (Though to be used by the group, the photo must be more of a rated "N" [naturist/nudist tame nudity] variety.)

Pizza will be ordered for delivery around 8pm for around a \$7-8 chip-in.

You're welcome to use the shower there whenever wanted (please bring your own soap/bodywash).

Also, as space is available, massage exchange time is available as well. You may use the bed, floor space, or we'd love it if you can bring a massage table! (Let us know in your RSVP, and if you do, we'll give you a discount on the event.)

Bring your own: beverages, towels (1 to sit on at ALL times, plus 1 to dry off with after shower or Jacuzzi & a large/beach towel or sheet if receiving massage), as well as a

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non-staining massage lotion, gel, or oil and bodywash or soap.

Also please bring snacks (chips, dip, cookies, deserts, or appetizers) to share. (Enter type you'll bring in your RSVP, please.)

If you take the bus or think you might need to crash there, limited space is available to those who may QUIETLY spend the night on a first-come, first-served basis. (Mention this when you RSVP if so.)

Those that RSVP will be given the basic address, but we'll need to call you (or you can call us) with the room # we're renting, so BE SURE to GIVE YOUR PHONE number when RSVP'ing for this event.

An "after-hours party" will be available for 1 hour following the event. (You may engage in safe sex play then only. However, other than oral, no other penetration is allowed with any body part.)

Keep in mind what is not mentioned as off-limits here is OK to touch, as long as the one being touched allows it, that includes his chest, legs, back, shoulders, and yes, even his penis & scrotum, only keep in mind that the point of this type of touch is not to be sexual, but to allow for a better sort of male bonding, possibly to the point of finding a new boyfriend if you both wish, but we want to limit contact to not really be sexually driven so as to keep the event from becoming an orgy and driving some guys away.

RSVP at: <http://BA-MEN.Org/rsvp/hotel/>



Upcoming Events:

Sun. March 5, 2:00-3:30pm: Taco Saturday Meet 'n Greet at Taco Bell (clothed, in Garden Grove)

Details at: <https://is.gd/safuli>

Sun. March 5, 4:00-7pm: Imperial Health Spa (in Garden Grove)

Details at: <https://is.gd/eyuvux>

Looking ahead:

June ?: San Onofre Nude Beach (but not the State land due to their current rules, so we'll go past the fence piece to the Marine base land, like everyone else that goes there still and gets naked.)

Sat. 8/12/2017: Annual President's Birthday trip to Catalina Island (Maybe rent a room on the island for a party and get naked!?)

Plus more to be announced!



Can YOU Host an Event???

We're always looking for guys to host events at their home or other suitable venue that they have access to, and right now we're mostly looking for guys who can host ANY kind of indoor event!

We seriously need some new guys to host, and would love to see some of our past hosts help out as well.

(Speaking of which, if you hosted in the past and had some sort of issue with the event, can we *please* talk about it and see if we can't overcome whatever the problem was?)

I know some guys have commented at times about what I've said, but **PLEASE keep in mind I'm just making suggestions! I'm not trying to say you HAVE to do this or that, just making suggestions based on**

various experiences and requests our members & non-member attendees have made.

No matter your limitations on hosting, we can work with you, including no alcohol, no smoking (most of our guys prefer this), limited or no immediate area parking, you need a lot of help before you can host, or whatever!

Seriously, we can help vacuum and/or other cleaning ahead of time... Just ask!

If you have female roommates/relatives (etc), then perhaps you can plan for something when they are out of town.

If you've got male roommates you're not sure if they will feel OK with such, try asking them sometime if they've ever been to a nude beach and see what they say... Or if you think that even that might mess up your relationship, then invite myself or even a handful of guys over sometime when he/they are there and let us bring up the subject. Should it go well, we can even bring up the idea of hanging nude and see what they think... And even offer to be first to get naked then and there and give it a try, should they wish.

BTW, even guys in a studio apartment can & have hosted events for us – we just set a limit on attendance.

We can do potlucks, snacks-only events, order pizza or Chinese food, or no food at all – whatever you wish!

In the past we've held all sorts of events, including movies, games, massage trades, Jacuzzi soaks, nude workouts, touch sessions, and even various workshops, including art drawing/painting, learn basic massage, and more! And even a plain social with no specifically planned activity works, too.

If you can only do it at noon for an hour on Tuesdays, we can work with that as well!

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Granted, Saturday afternoons or evenings are always the most requested by our attendees, but it's not what we're limited to.

If you host, you get to pick what we do when, any limits, etc.

You also get \$3 per paid attendee, don't pay yourself (or any male roommates), plus you get free membership for a year and 2 free (for home) or discounted (when possible) event admissions for future events you'd like to attend.

If you'd like to talk about it, I'm open to any method! -Start by emailing (or calling if you need to) one of our addresses on the last page of this newsletter, letting us know you're interested in hosting, and if you phone, be sure to leave your number(s) and time to call or not call if we can't call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. :)



Cash.Me), PopMoney, as well as check, money order, or cash, & signature credit & debit cards in-person, by phone, or online.

If you can help out, please email us (see last page for address) with your preferred method of payment and we'll send instructions.

Any amount is appreciated, but keep in mind some of these charge nearly \$0.50, so \$1 doesn't go far, and PopMoney, if the fee is passed on to us, costs \$0.95, so less than \$3 is kinda pointless there.

The ones that use debit cards or bank account debit tend to be free, including Circle Pay, Venmo, Chime, & Square Cash.

Thanks for your consideration!



If You Can't Host, Can You Spare a Buck?

We're looking for a few guys who can donate towards club expenses even when we're not hosting an event and accepting any funds from that.

Our club's been dwindling down a bit in membership, and we're in need of some new members... And some guys that can host events would be really, truly, appreciated. The trick is finding them!

So what we'd like to do once again is run some ads in various places, like "The Blade", "Rage Monthly", etc. We'd also like to keep a site on Meetup.com going (\$20/mo., or a bit less if paid 6 mos. In advance). Many of these in the past got us quite a few new members and guests.

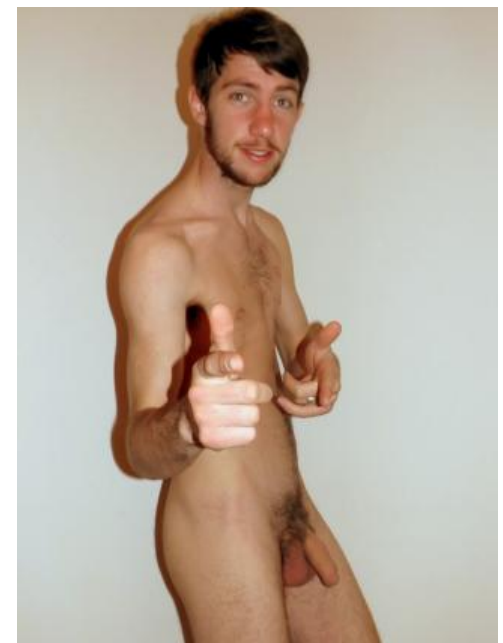
But those ads cost money, often \$30-\$40 an issue, which isn't all that inexpensive compared to what little funds we still have from this past year.

We can accept PayPal, Venmo, Circle Pay, Chime, Square, & Square Cash (app or



I'm open to emailing, calling, meeting in person, or perhaps even an online chat and working things out.

So what do you think???



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To become a member and receive our monthly newsletter, see our web site, or please send the amount below, preferably via Money Order or cashier's check, to the address in contact methods, and make it **payable to John E.**

Membership Form

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

E-Mail _____

Birthday Month & Day _____

Please check as appropriate:

Is this a: New Membership Renewal

Membership Options:

1 Year - Electronic Newsletter (e-mail/download): \$10/year

Partners or Roommates add \$5 for each to the above.

Lifetime - Electronic Newsletter \$50 sgl./\$75 cpl.

College Student or Limited/Fixed Income - Electronic Newsletter \$5/year (Contact us first!).

Would you like your:

Name & last initial on our members' contact list?

Yes No

Phone # listed also? Yes No

E-Mail Address also? Yes No

Would you permit your photo to be used in:

Our newsletter & online members only areas?

Yes No

Our public web site? Yes No

Other clubs newsletters? Yes No

Can you offer or do you need a ride or wish to carpool to events?

I can offer a ride. I need a ride.

I wish to carpool.

For ride-sharing purposes, what area do you live in?

Nearest **Major** Intersection - N/S Street first, please:

City _____

Zip _____

How did you first learn about our group? (Be specific!)

If you are interested in joining via **credit/debit card or electronic check**, please check our website, e-mail us, or call us at one of the numbers below for more information. You can join our club online at:

<http://BA-MEN.Org/signup/>

Our Group's Purpose

(Southern California) Beach Areas Men Enjoying Naturism (AKA **BA-MEN**) is a men's naturist/nudist social group. **Our focus is as a loosely organized social club, not a sex/adult activity club.** (Any sexual activities are at the discretion of the event's host, and we support only safe sex activities.)

Fees: In addition to our membership fees (see left column), we may collect a donation of anywhere from \$0 to \$10 per member, first time guest, or brother club member (with proof, please) per event, and \$7-\$15 per other non-member per event. -This does not take into consideration any additional amount for the host's or venue expenses. If you cannot afford the posted door fee, please let us know when you RSVP and we'll see if we can't help you out!

People: We are not a clothing-optional club, instead we **require nudity.**

We are a **private, not-for-profit** club that accepts males of all ages (as long as you are at least age 18), nationalities/race, sexual orientations, and religions.

It does not matter your body type: Fat, skinny, tall, short, or whatever your penis size, you're always welcome at **BA-MEN!**

Guests, visitors from other clubs, and new members are **always** welcome!

Contact Methods:

• **E-Mail:** BAMENclub@GMail.com

Please also be sure to have the above addresses added to your "White" or "Approved" lists and check your spam or bulk mail folders to make sure it did not get caught there. (We've been having problems with Yahoo & AOL either trashing or deleting mail to or from us, so you might try another free service like GMail.com, a great free service from Google.

Feel free to also contact us at our secondary address:

BA-MEN@BA-MEN.Org

• **24 Hour VoiceMail Phone Numbers:**

Long Beach area: (562) 507-1-BA-MEN [(562) 507-1226]

Compton area: (424) 785-4-BA-MEN [(424) 785-4226]

Garden Grove area: (714) 643-BA-MEN [(714) 643-2263]

Laguna Beach area: (949) 436-9-BA-MEN [(949) 436-9226]

All of our hotline numbers support incoming text (SMS) messages from cell phones, as well as voice messages.

• **US Mail:**

If you need to send us U.S. Mail, please e-mail or call us for a temporary mailing address.

For the **fastest** response, please contact us via e-mail.

• **Web Site:**

<http://BA-MEN.Org>

• **Yahoo Group Forums & Mailing Lists:**

<http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/BA-MEN/info>

And for members only:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/BAMEN-Members/info>

Announcements only:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/BAMEN-Announcements/info>

Event Details only:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/BAMEN-Calendar/info>

Newsletters only:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/BAMEN-Newsletters/info>

• **We are on Tumblr at:**

<http://BA-MEN.Tumblr.com>

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