

NORTH CASCADE NEWS

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

**Sept 24-28, 2009
49th Parallel Joint
Installation Rally
Camperland RV
Resort
Bridal Falls, B.C.**

Driving Directions

**Head east through
Chilliwack on Highway
1, take Exit 135 (Hwy 9
Exit). Continue east on
the frontage road
(Bridal Falls Road) to
Camperland RV
Resort which is on the
right (about 1 mile).**

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MARILYNN'S LAST MESSAGE

The rally at Hoodsport was truly a great success. Those attending with their units besides David and me were: Wendell/Elsie Bonner, Larry/Norma Jean Howlett, Jim Kolhoff/Sue Thompson, Dave/Deb Hagen, Jerry/Karen Gilliam (and granddaughter Justine), Larry/Charlene Alvar, and Unit friends Rich/Nancy Peebles. We were pleased that Dick/Jeanne Sherwood and Sandra Kalata were able to find a place to stay near by and join in the festivities. The weather cooperated and we were able to enjoy the water. Deb took out the kayak, Dave flew his radio-controlled airplane, and Karen and Justine were able to build castles in the sand. Very nice. The Grandbabies of Deb and Dave Hagen and Karen and Jerry Gilliam cooperated and were not born during the rally so the Hagens and Gilliams were all able to remain with us for the whole rally.



The day to hand over the President's responsibilities to David is almost here. For me it is time to reflect on what our club has accomplished. For David, it is time to prepare and plan for what the club can yet achieve.

Last newsletter I said I was going to analyze my term as President as part of my final message. While gathering my thoughts, I realized that my thinking was all wrong. I was thinking in terms of my performance as President rather than that of the club's achievements. It is the President's task to be the planner and the organizer of events as well as the representative for International. The President is not the club.

The most important roles we "perform" within the North Cascade Washington Unit is being a contributing member and friend. As a club I believe we have all exceeded these achievements.

As President, I thank all of you for your support and allowing me to serve you.

David and I are also getting prepared for the joint installation rally at Bridal Falls, Canada. David and I have decided to take our trailer after all and face the border head on (well actually following Jerry Gilliam who can be first through the border check point !!!!). We can only hope for an easy go of it.

I sure wish there was some written "procedure" or "checklist" of what is the protocol for the ceremony – appropriate dress (correct color of pants – grey or blue), who gets what, who gives what, etc. I bet there is a lot of information out there that I am not aware is available. Maybe if I read my blue book?

That reminds me. I'd better find the club's gavel and put it in the trailer before installation! I think I have to give that to David as part of the ceremony? And the President's flag? Do I have to take this off the pole? Do I give this to David all folded up? O my gosh – all these things to think about.

I am sure there will be someone more than willing to lead me in the right direction.

Your Friend and President
Marilynn

Health Matters

JOE CONRAD will undergo total shoulder surgery on September 15th. Sounds challenging, Joe. Good luck and speedy recovery.

Email from Barb Lynch, 9/12/09: Mom (**Billie Lynch**) had a heart attack last Saturday and spent three days at Virginia Mason. The doctors adjusted her blood pressure meds and she has been symptom free for a week now. We got home on Monday (9/14) and Dad (**Jack Lynch**) was here with my brother and was having breathing difficulties. He was taken to Evergreen Hospital in Kirkland where they treated him for congestive heart failure and pneumonia. They discharged him on Saturday, 9/12, to a rehab section of a nursing home in Kirkland to get his strength back, as Billie is no longer able to care for him, e.g. help him get up., etc.

Please keep the Lynch family in your thoughts and prayers.

As always, kindly send information for the Health Matters column to Jeanne Sherwood by e-mail (jbsprn@aol.com) or phone (425-776-9829). Thanks.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the following members who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries during



- 01 Wayne Jeffrey
- 02 Jeffreys
- 04 Lynchs
- 06 Bob Halliwell
- 10 Gene Van Iderstine
- 11 Gloria Stilling
- 18 Jeannie Jeffrey
- 19 Hooks
- 20 Tom Beach
- 23 R.B. Bernd
- 30 Susan O-Neal



LUNCHEON(S) LOCATION!!!!

David Sams is preparing his calendar of events for next year; it has definitely been a challenge.

It is interesting how you believe you are ahead of the game only to have a wrench thrown in to make things more challenging. One of the main things to come up is our luncheons for this winter.

Our club members agreed (at a unit meeting) to have our luncheons at the same location each month at (Patty's Eggnest at Weller's) in Arlington. It met our main issues of:

- 1) being located mid way between the north and south of our membership
- 2) easy to locate (along the I-5 corridor)
- 3) a room that would accommodate our group
- 4) decent food.

As indicated above, things do change. Patty's Eggnest has relocated to the Turkey House Restaurant (south of their previous location) and no longer meets the second criteria – no meeting room!!! So we are now back at ground zero.

If any of you have a suggestion of a luncheon location and it meets the criteria mentioned above, David would love to hear from you.

We'd like to take this opportunity to welcome new members **GERRY AND JUDY GRETH.**

The Greths have a 2007 International Ocean Breeze, 27 ft front bed. They live in Anacortes, WA. Their phone # is 360.299.8489.

We look forward to meeting them soon, perhaps at one of our luncheons during the winter.

BREAKING NEWS

Email from Deborah Hagen, Saturday 9/12/2009: We welcome to our family our new granddaughter **Kensley Hope Beach!** She was born on 9/09/09, weighing 7.5# (a lot smaller than our three #er grandsons) and 19.7" long. She has dark brown hair and blue eyes (that she hasn't opened up very much). Her big brother Brennen is doing very well and seems to get the idea that she is here to stay. Mom is doing amazingly well.

Proud Nana Debbie

Bonners Bits—Chuck's R.V.

Monday morning a few weeks ago, I had gone down to turn on the trailer refrigerator in preparation for the beginning of the August Camano Island rally starting the following Thursday. A couple of hours later Elsie came down to put some items in the trailer. She opened the refrigerator door and came out screaming, "The refrigerator is burning!" I shut down the welder, went to the trailer, and as soon as I entered, the smell of Freon hit me. Elsie was okay and so I said, "There goes the rally and probably a thousand dollars", and I went back to my welding.

There are repair shops in Everett and Marysville, and the one in Fife. That one is a long way off, and they still hadn't sent me a part that I had ordered over a year ago. I thought some more. Doing it myself was a little above my pay grade, and so I fell back on the Yellow Pages and my friend "DEX". What do you know. There is a shop just over a mile away. I called, a woman answered. I said, "I need help." She said, "What for?" I said, "I smell Freon", she said, "You've lost your cooling unit." I said, "When can I bring it in?" She said, "Now." I said, "Where?" and she gave me directions. They live on acreage, have two large pole buildings, one for a shop and one for covered storage and trailers, motor homes and campers, all over the place, but very orderly.

It was now Monday evening. I had three choices: a replacement cooling unit or a choice of two different new refrigerators. The Dometic factory is back east, so the next day I contacted them. Because of the age of our refer, they no longer make a replacement unit. The other new refrigerator would not fit, and so a new Dometic was the only choice. Because of Washington's antiquated inventory law, the new unit had to come from Oregon, shipped by special truck. Fed-Ex and UPS will not ship gas or Freon. The new refrigerator arrived Thursday, was installed, and we picked up the trailer Thursday evening, and went to the rally on Friday, one day late.

Cost of new refrigerator—\$1,386.86. Misc. material and shipping—\$80.84. Labor—\$212.50. Total cost—\$1,829.79 with tax. The new refrigerator works great. The door panels match, and we are very satisfied.

Chuck's RV Parts and Service—425-355-1406

He has several large new motor homes being worked on, and he also has a large shop trailer which can provide service at your home. For those customers who are in transit or cannot get the work done in one day and must stay with their RV, he has three sites with full hookups similar to Jackson Center.

© Wendell Bonner #5424



Not all Meetings Are Tiring

What a wonderful membership meeting we had at Hoodport's Rest-a-While RV Park.

One item of consideration was the North Cascade Unit's adoption of its updated Constitution and Bylaws. A special committee made up of Wendell Bonner, Jim Kolhoff, Jeanne Sherwood, Dick Sherwood, and Marilynn Sams, recommended the Unit accept the updated documents as reviewed. Responding to the Committee's request, the Unit members accepted the documents and recommended they be forwarded for approval by the Region President and ultimately International. This review and update is required every five years and impacts the acceptance of our Unit's Merit Award Application.

Also accomplished was the development of a list of "possible" officers for 2009 - 2010.

Although both above-mentioned issues were important, the greatest benefit of the meeting was the bringing together of our Unit members in a semi-formal setting to share valuable information, ideas, and wisdom.

Auction in November

Our November luncheon, wherever it may turn out to be, will be more than just an eating and visiting luncheon. It will also be a time to use your Airstream dollars to buy some great things - some Airstream or trailer related, some not.

I realize that I have been a little sidetracked about getting Airstream dollars to all of you who have earned them. In the next few weeks I will be developing a form that I will get to all of you (manner of distribution has yet to be determined). This form will allow you to identify things you have accomplished and things you have attended that have not been recognized with the payment of Airstream dollars.

If you have new or used (NOT abused) items that you would like to contribute, please bring them to either the September rally, October luncheon, or to the November luncheon between 11:00 to 11:15 am. (allowing time for set-up). This will be a fun time.

Most importantly, please place this on your calendar and allow yourself a few extra hours than you normally do when you attend our Airstream luncheons.

2009-2010 OFFICER NOMINEES

REVISED

At the Membership Meeting on Saturday, August 29, 2009, at Hoodsport, WA, the open positions of 2nd VP and 2-yr Director were filled as noted below:

President	David Sams
First VP	Jerry Gilliam
Second VP	Marilynn Sams
Third VP	TBD
Secretary	Jeanne Sherwood
Treasurer	Jim Kolhoff
Director/One Yr	Dick Sherwood
Director/Two Yr	Wendell Bonner

Many thanks to those who have volunteered to fill these important positions for the welfare of our club.

Nominations from the floor for any of the above positions will be taken at the 49th Parallel Joint Installation Rally Annual Business Meeting Saturday morning, September 26, 2009, at Bridal Falls, BC

The candidates will be voted into office and installed at the 49th Parallel Joint Installation Rally, Camperland RV Resort, Bridal Falls, B.C., September 24-28, 2009.

IS IT YOU?????

SOMEONE WILL BE RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE NORTH CASCADE WASHINGTON UNIT BY RECEIVING DAVID'S PRESIDENT'S "WALLY" AWARD.

Is it you?



Be at the September Joint Installation Rally and find out.

DECISIONS – DECISIONS – DECISIONS

Scheduling rallies can often be a challenging task. There are so many issues to consider when determining a location as well as deciding on the “best” date.

Many of our members are affiliates with the BC unit. A major consideration when developing a schedule is to reduce the number of conflicts between the two schedules so members are able to attend both units' activities.

Other issues for consideration are avoiding holiday weekends, providing enough time for members to travel to and from and attend International, as well as finding an appropriate location that has space available on the date we wish to hold the rally. There is also the consideration for making sure the location is at a reasonable cost to the club and its members.

Then of course there are the members' personal conflicts such as family reunions, other club commitments, and the list goes on.

This year has been no different than those in the past when developing the North Cascade Washington Unit rally schedule. Although the schedule for 2009-10 may not be a perfect fit with your personal calendar, it is hoped that you will be able to join us at as many events as you possibly can. A tentative schedule is attached to this newsletter.

Should you have any questions or concerns with next year's rally schedule please talk to your President—you know—David.



Working 2009-2010 Activity Schedule

49th Parallel Joint Installation Rally

September 24-28, 2009

Location: Camperland RV Resort, Bridal Falls,
BC

Host: Alex and Arlene Matches

Saturday October 24, 2009

11:30 am, Lunch at 12:00 pm

“Halloween” Luncheon

Location: TO BE DETERMINED

Host: Hostless

Saturday, November 14, 2009

11:00 am (viewing items) for lunch at 12:00 pm

November “Auction” Luncheon

(Auction at 1:30 pm)

Location: TO BE DETERMINED

Host: David and Marilyn Sams

Saturday, December 12, 2009

11:30 am, Lunch at 12:00 pm

December “Christmas” Luncheon

Location: TO BE DETERMINED

Host: David and Marilyn Sams

Saturday, January 16, 2010

11:30 am, Lunch at 12:00 pm

January “Happy New Year” Luncheon

Location: TO BE DETERMINED

Host: Hostless

Saturday, February 13, 2010

11:30 am, Lunch at 12:00 pm

February “Valentine’s Day” Luncheon

Location: TO BE DETERMINED

Host: Hostless

Saturday, March 13, 2010

11:30 am, Lunch at 12:00 pm

March “St. Patrick’s Day” Luncheon

Location: TO BE DETERMINED

Host: Hostless

Thursday, April 22—April 25, 2010

(confirmed)

Holland Happenings Rally at Whidbey

Location: North Whidbey RV Park

Host: Needed

Thursday, May 20—May 23, 2010

(unconfirmed)

It’s Grand at Grandy Creek Rally

Location: Grandy Creek KOA, Concrete WA

Hosts: Needed

Sunday, June 27—Sunday July 4, 2010

53rd International Rally in Gillette, Wyoming

Friday, July 9—Wednesday, July 14, 2010

Region 10 Rally in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho

A North Cascade Unit event will be held some time during the rally.

Host: Needed for Unit event only.

Thursday, August 5—Sunday, August 8, 2010

(confirmed)

Camano Island Buddy Rally

Location: Odd Fellows Park - Camano Island

Host: Needed

Thursday, August 19—Sunday, August 22, 2010

(confirmed)

Rest-a-While Hoodspport Buddy Rally

Location: Rest-a-While RV Park, Hoodspport

Host: Needed

Thursday, September 23—Sunday, Sept. 26, 2010

(confirmed)

BC & NCW Joint Annual Installation Rally

Location: Northwest Washington

Fairgrounds, Lynden, WA

Host: David and Marilyn Sams

All luncheon dates pending availability at location.

Last updated: 9/14/2009

49th PARALLEL JOINT INSTALLATION RALLY

September 24-28, 2009

Bridal Falls, BC

Here's a preliminary schedule outline of the main events.

The B.C. Unit Caravan arrives on Wednesday, September 23rd.



Thursday, September 24th

Parking all day

4:00 pm Happy Hour

Dinner on your own (or organize dining out with friends)!

Friday, September 25th

8:00 am Coffee and muffins provided

9:30–2:00 Check out the sights! Tour Minter Gardens, visit historic Hope or walk through the Othello Tunnels

2:00–4:00 Games, Golf or Crafts

4:00 pm Happy Hour

6:00 pm Pot Luck dinner. If your last name begins with an A-M bring a main course item.

If your last name begins with N-Z bring buns, salad or dessert.

7:30–Late Cards and games

Saturday, September 26th

8:00 am Coffee and muffins provided

9:00–11:00 Annual General Membership meetings:

BC Unit Annual General Meeting 9:15 am.

NCW Annual General Meeting at 11:00 am.

Rally fee and annual dues will be collected right after the meetings.

12:00 noon Lunch on your own

3:00 pm Installation of Officers Ceremony

4:00 pm Cheese and Wine Reception for new officers

6:00 pm Catered Dinner (charge—to be determined)

7:30 pm Cake and ice cream, then cards/games afterward



Sunday, September 27th

8:00 am Breakfast provided by hosts

10:00–4:00 Games, Golf, Crafts or Tours (your choice)

4:00 pm Happy Hour

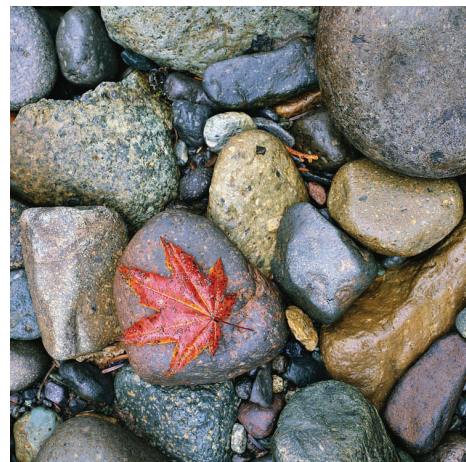
6:00 pm Dinner on your own

Monday, September 28th

8:00 am Coffee available

No planned activities today, so-o-o

say your goodbyes and drive safely.



DUES ARE DUE

Once again, our Treasurer, **Jim Kolhoff**, wishes to remind you that the annual dues are due.

International dues remain at \$55 and our Unit 138 dues are still \$15. for a total of **\$70.00**.

Affiliate Dues are \$15.00 (only).

“Friend of the Unit” dues are \$15.00 (only).

Dues must be in U.S. funds.

Jim will be happy to accept your current installment at the Installation Rally. If you don't plan to attend, please mail your check to Jim at the following address:

Jim Kolhoff
P. O. Box 844
Kingston, WA 98346

Please include your WBCCI # and your e-mail address, if you wish that to be printed in the International directory.

ALSO, PLEASE NOTE: All money and member information has to arrive in Jackson Center BEFORE November 1st. So be sure Jim receives your dues in time for this to happen.



ANNUAL INSTALLATION RALLY

Please plan to attend the annual Installation Rally being held this year at Camperland RV Resort at Bridal Falls. This is your opportunity to cast a vote for members you would like to see run YOUR club, meet other BC Unit members, plus socialize with the North Cascade Washington Unit members who make up the other half of the 49th Parallel Joint Rally. This is also our most important business meeting of the year. (Elsewhere in this newsletter is an agenda of what is happening at the Installation Rally). The hosts need to know how many are attending for catering purposes; so, if you haven't done so already, please let Alex or Arlene know your intentions; either by phone or email. Although we have booked space, **you MUST make your own reservations** at Camperland (please mention you are with the Airstream club). Their phone number is **1.604.794.7361** and our group has been quoted \$25/night (this price doesn't include the GST). Also, reservations can be made and information on sites and surroundings found on Camperland's website at: <http://www.holidaytrailsresorts.com/camperland>

DRIVING DIRECTIONS ARE ON PAGE ONE.



Start planning now to attend the 53rd International Rally June 28 to July 4, 2010 in Gillette, Wyoming. Sign up at the Installation Rally in Bridal Falls to receive discounted pricing. There are 1000 sites with full hookups.