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Western Road Runner



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To the members:

- Thanks to all of you who submitted names for the newsletter. The consensus for the new name was made at the Board meeting
- Thanks for joining the CCC. We are growing!
- **July 16th is the deadline to make your rally deposit. Please see Page 3.**

First Annual Western Region Rally Hood River—Sept. 9-12th

This is going to be a great rally with terrific scenery! We are staying at the "Bridge RV Park and Campground". It is located on a bluff overlooking the Columbia River, Washington side. From I-84, take exit 64 and cross the river. Please see the map, page 3. Here is the itinerary with web references:

Wednesday, September 8, 2004

Arrive Bridge RV Park (1-888-550-PARK) www.bridgerv.com, early for a rail tour the following morning. or if you skip this option, you may come later on Thursday.

Thursday, Sept. 9, 2004

9:15 a.m. Depart the RV park for a *Scenic Rail Tour*, www.mthoodrr.com. The train leaves the station at 10:00 a.m. for a 44-mile round-trip excursion with unparalleled orchard views with a one-hour lay-over at Parkdale. Visit the historic orchard community and Hutson Museum. Lunch can be purchased there or you may wish to pack your own. We will be back to the park about 2:30 p.m.

3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Meet with a Trail Wagons Chinook Representative for a session on care and maintenance tips for your Chinook.
6:30 Western BBQ at the RV park. Hamburg-

ers, chicken, beans, salad, beer and wine will be served. *Western duds encouraged, but optional—(no spurs please!)*

Friday, September 10, 2004

Maryhill Museum of Art on the Columbia River and Maryhill Winery, www.maryhillmuseum.org & www.maryhillwinery.com.

9:30 a.m. depart the park via limo, van or bus to the museum. You will see over 400 objects from Native People of North America, over forty fashion ensembles from the 40s, private collection paintings from 1880-1890, other paintings, sculptures, prints, film, royal furnishings, chess sets, watercolors, plasters bronzes and more. A box lunch will be provided to enjoy on the grounds or at the winery a few minutes away. You will go to the winery for a tour, taste and fun. Dinner will be on your own.

Saturday September 11, 2004

2:00 p.m. Depart Park via bus, board stern-wheeler "Columbia Gorge", www.sternwheeler.com for a two-hour sightseeing excursion cruise. (Chinook representatives will join us.) The captain provides fun and informative narration on Lewis and Clark, the Oregon Trail, riverboat and the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic (Continued on page 3)

Death Valley Rally Report

The second Western Region Mini-Rally in the Las Vegas – Pahrump - Death Valley region went off as planned, "without a hitch" the last weekend of April. Nine Chinook coaches met at the designated "Rally Point" – the Las Vegas Outlet Center at 9:30 on Thursday morning, April 29th. We then caravanned west to Red Rock Canyon park administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

After a brief stop at the Visitor's Center for all to view the exhibits, we once again boarded our coaches for a drive around the scenic loop before heading west, once again to Pahrump and our two-night stay at Terrible's Lakeside Resort and RV Park. Upon arrival, we were escorted to our sites where we set up "Chinook Row". Thursday evening we all gathered for a great potluck dinner and lots of friendly conversation.

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Death Valley (Cont'd)

On Friday we were free to rest, read, walk around the resort, go to the nearby casino and donate or just stay around our area and swap tales of our coaches and travels. Later on Friday, we were joined by two more coaches to bring our total coach count to eleven.

Participants were CCC – Western Region Members: Bob and Dorothy Berryman, “**CB**”

Davis (VP – Rallies), Jerry and Jane Earley, Lucy and **Al** (Board Member at Large)

Enriquez, Scott and Diane Feck, Barbara and Ole Jensen,

Lena (VP – Membership) and

Barry (the Prez) **Prentice**,

Ray and **Carol** (Secretary)

Skillings, Jim and Linda

Spencer, Barbara Todd and

Bert Wall (Treasurer) and

Marta Newcomb Wall. With all

of your Officers and Board

Members present, we seized

the opportunity to hold a

Board Meeting on Friday evening

at which we decided on

the name for the Newsletter

and reviewed plans for the

Annual Rally in September.

Carol's Minutes for that meeting

are published in this newsletter.

On Saturday morning

we all took off for Death Valley

National Park and Furnace Creek Ranch. After checking in at the Visitor's Center we proceeded to the campground where we, once again, parked in a row.

Later that day some of us drove up the Valley to visit Scotty's Castle and Ubehebe



Crater before returning for a great dinner at the Furnace Creek Ranch Steakhouse that evening.

On Sunday morning most left for home while some of us continued our tour of Death Valley and others gathered for Sunday Brunch at the Furnace Creek Inn.

All in all, everyone had a great time for which we thanked Bert and Marta, our Hosts, and the Rally organizers.

Treasurer's Report

(May 31, 2004)

Assets:

Checking \$1518.58

Rally deposits \$515.00

Total (equity) \$2033.58

Income

Members dues \$2275.00

Rally fees \$1900.00

Total \$4175.00

Expenses

Rally costs \$1374.56

Supplies \$231.50

Telephone \$179.48

Postage & delivery \$175.95

Printing & reproduction \$171.93

Bank charges \$8.00

Total \$2141.42

Income over expenses \$2033.58

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Hood River Rally (Cont'd)

Area. Returning, we will take a short walk to the *Marine Park Pavilion* for a no host bar. After cocktails we will enjoy a Northwest Salmon Bake which includes planked salmon cooked over an alder wood fire, Jamaican Jerk chicken with fruit salsa, wild greens with huckleberry vinaigrette, fresh sliced watermelon, sternwheeler rice pilaf, summer squash with fresh herbs, Indian fry bread with honey and wild blackberry preserves. After dinner we will convene our *First Annual Meeting* for the western region.

Sunday, September 12,

Departure at noon unless you make other arrangements.

Rally Costs

Persons	Total	Deposit
1	\$250	\$150
2	\$375	\$275

Scenic Rail Costs

Persons	Total	Deposit
1	\$55	\$25
2	\$85	\$25

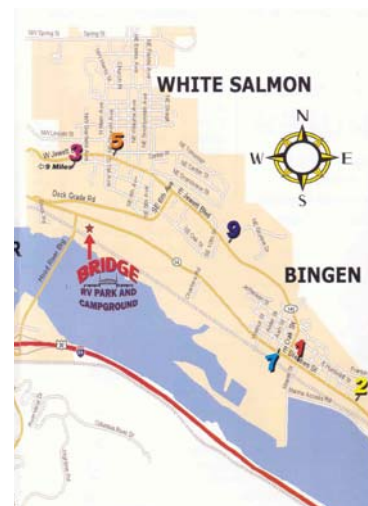
Deposits must be received no later than July, 16, 2004 to guarantee RV space. They are non-refundable

Please make checks out to:

Chinook Camping Club, and mail to:

CB Davis
P.O.Box 310
Sisters, OR 97759

If you have questions, please call CB at (541)549-2033



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Minutes of the April 30th Board Meeting

All board members were present at our 2nd. Western Region Rally. The meeting was called to order at 6:45 P.M. at Pahrump, Nevada. The treasurer reported that we have \$1,500 in the bank. He paid \$200 for name tag lanyards with Chinook written on them. Bert also reported this rally broke even.

A suggestion was made to raise the dues to \$36 a year. If someone joined in the middle of the year they would pay \$3 a month. Our year starts October 1st. of every year. It was passed and seconded.

Next order of business was to name our news letter. Barry read the names that have been submitted to him so far. We discussed them and settled on five: Western Road Runner: Western Road Runner News: Road Bullet News: Upstream News: and Chinook Winds. A vote was taken by those present and there were eleven for Western Road Runner: three for Road Bullet News: two for Chinook Winds: and one for Upstream news. Western Road Runner won and was passed and seconded.

Name tags were next on the agenda. It was suggested to have a picture of the member put on the tag or a picture of their motor home.

Some liked the simplicity of just having the Chinook logo, name of member, and the city and state. An amendment was made to have the name tags made bigger. After much discussion it was decided to make the name tags ourselves. Bert made some and they were very nice and then we will laminate them. The motion was passed and seconded.

We have 62 paid coaches so about 110 members in the club. A directory was made earlier and a new one will come out next October after the memberships have come in for the next year. The names of those who join after Oct 1st will be sent to the other members so that they can add the new names to their directory. Originally the members were given numbers as they joined to be put on the name tags and displayed on their motor homes but it was decided that we won't use numbers or the status of charter members on the name tags or motor homes.

Bert and Marta Wall, who were in charge of this rally gave us information about the rest of the rally.

Carole "CB" Davis, Vice President of Rallies, is in charge of the **ANNUAL RALLY**, September 9th. through the 12th. She has it all set up for Hood River, Oregon. She will send a check for \$515 for the deposit on the Stern Wheeler. She also will send a \$30 deposit per coach on the R.V.

Resort per coach. It was passed and seconded. The money for the resort isn't due until August 1st. and by then Carole should know how many are going to attend the rally. The annual rally can be held at a different spot each year and we need to let the Eastern Division know of the rally.

Carole said to let every know that if they have a good spot for a rally to let her know. They can then set it up and be in charge of the rally.

Barry suggested a "Rolling Rally" that could be after the rally at Indio, California. It could be a trip up the coast on Highway 1 and stop at all interesting places on the coast. It was decided to have the rally at Indio every year at the FMCA Rally. We had so much fun this year and 12 members attended.

Carol Skillings suggested making a banner for our rallies to display at each rally. First we have to decide on a name for our Western Division and then Bert said he would even make the banner for us.

Those attending this rally were Barry and Lena Prentice, Carol and Ray Skillings, Bert and Marta Wall, Carole "CB" Davis, Al and Lucy Enriquez, Barbara Todd, Ole and Barbara Jensen, Bob and Dorothy Berryman, Jerry and Jane Earley, Jim and Linda Spencer, and Scott and Dianne Feck.

It was a good turn out and we thank Bert and Marta for a fun time. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Postscript to the minutes of April 30th meeting:

"After the Death Valley Rally, several members of the Board of Directors revisited the discussion that we had at the Board Meeting about prorating the dues for new members joining during their first year. We held a "Board Meeting by telephone", and all Board Members agreed that instead of prorating the dues for each member's first year, we would simply call the first \$35 that each new member submits with their Application Form, an Application Fee. Then their next dues would be due on October 1st following their application. That way, there would not be a need to try and figure out prorations, relieving a great burden from our Treasurer and eliminating the potential for great confusion on the part of new members."

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Club Officers—2004

- Barry Prentice, President
- Carole "CB" Davis, VP Rallies
- Lena Prentice, VP Membership
- Carol Skillings, Secretary
- Bert Wall, Treasurer
- Al Enriques, Member at Large

For those with internet access the newsletter is posted on the site shown below. This will save the Club a considerable sum for publishing and postage. For those without internet access, we can mail you a black-and-white printed copy upon request to the editor (the old ink slinger):

Phil Beautrow
120 Cedar Lane,
Santa Barbara, CA, 93108 -1729
Email: Please see membership directory

Thanks to those who have contributed photos and experiences in the past. Please send me articles and photos for consideration in future issues.



"Just Whizzing along"

Photo Gallery

Pictures taken during the Death Valley Rally are shown on the following pages. We have made them larger than normal so you can see the detail.

You can also increase the viewing area in "Acrobat" by using the plus sign on the tool-bar.

Also this is a picture and site map of the Bridge RV Park. Looks like a nice spot!





GrOup of "nine" meeting in Las Vegas



Lining up for the "start" at the Outlet Center



Red Rock Visitor's Center



Assembly



Terrible's Lakeside Resort



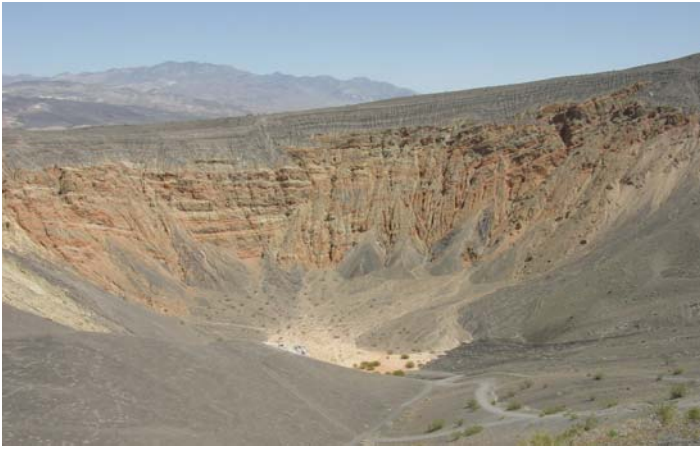
Nice Place, Huh!



Furnace Creek Campground (a little drier)



Scotty's Castle



Ubehebe Crater



Castle Courtyard



Castle Front



Castle Tower



Natural Bridge



Furnace Creek Sunset



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284 Feet Below Sea Level



Final Dinner (Note Barry's empty chair)