

Chief Toke's Joke...



Driving rain, breath-taking gales and rising water engulfed our February rally at Tokeland, WA. Toke's Point which reaches south into Willapa Bay once served the Shoalwater Bay Indians as a summer home. Settlers moved in around 1860, first to harvest oysters, then to run timber operations, cranberry bogs, dairies, canneries and a hotel. Today, an RV park takes the south-westerly storms head on. Last month, the spirit of Chief Toke may have chuckled over GMC Cascaders seeking recreation amid horizontal rain and gale-force elements.

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March/April Rally at Newport, Weather or Not!

March came in like a lamb. Will it go out like a lion? Cascaders will head for Pacific Shores RV at Newport to find out. From March 31 to April 2, we'll test the weather and start April off right. Hosted by your hard working (!?) executive board, we'll gather Friday night for hearty hors d'oeuvres followed by a dessert provided by your hosts. Saturday features sourdough hotcake breakfast, technical seminars for pilots and co-pilots, lunch on your own followed by time for

shopping and games of skill and chance. We'll go to Gracie's at Smuggler's Cove for dinner and lively music. Sunday offers continental breakfast and our exciting business meeting before hit-the-road time. Registration closed on March 15th. We are limited to 40 coaches due to the size of the lodge.

Cascaders wishing to come early or stay late should make their own arrangements with the Pacific Shores staff at 1-800-666-6313 or 503-265-3750. See special NOTE—p 5

Rally Schedule 1995

DATES	LOCATION	SITE	HOSTS
Mar/Apr 31-2	Newport, OR	Pacific Shores RV Park	Your Executive Board
6/14-18/95	Coeur d'Alene, ID	Coeur d'Alene RV	Lennertsons and Prestons
8/16-20/95	Wallowa, OR	Wallowa Lake State Park	Millers et al

Additional rallies are scheduled throughout 1995; watch for details in future issues.



No-class Blue Grass musicians brightened our evening with considerable talent and a wide variety of selections.

Our hosts, the Scolmans and Frydenlunds, were ready for Cascaders AND the weather. Tokeland RV resort provided three... yes, three... entrées for our rally—chili on Friday, roast turkey on Saturday and spaghetti on Sunday. Supplemented by potluck and Scolman/Frydenlund specials, we ate like royalty. Topped off with a sumptuous breakfast at the historic Tokeland Hotel, our rally became as memorable for food as for weather. We welcomed four couples who were new members or guests. Gordon & Lora Childs, long lost members who have owned an "off brand coach" for some time, returned as GMC owners again. A winter-storm rally is a great opportunity to gather round the wood stove and share the warmth.

Entertainment took the form of a paper-casting activity led by Pris Hardin on Saturday morning and a rousing display of talent on Saturday evening by the No-Class Blue Grass band. After Sunday breakfast at the Tokeland Inn, Carol Baxter presided over our business meeting. The rest of the day and Monday morning were ours for swapping stories and munching on delicious leftovers.

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Several dozen paper-cast medallions went home from the rally. The park's crackling wood stove offered an ideal spot to dry the moist paper pulp fast. Dazzling white designs then pulled free from the molds.



Paper casting photos by Carol Baxter

For paper casters seeking sources of supply for stamps or linter paper, the following address and phone numbers may be helpful:
Rycraft, Inc., 4205 SW 53rd St., Corvallis, OR 97333
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The historic Tokeland Hotel enjoys a resurgence of usefulness. Antiques fill the lobby including the elaborate pump organ at the left.



Minutes—2/19/95—Bay Shore RV, Tokeland, WA

Opening—Carol Baxter, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

Our rally hosts, Scolmans and Frydenlunds, received enthusiastic appreciation for an outstanding rally.

The members greeted new members and those attending a rally for the first time: Bill and Mary Lou Foote, Doug & Midge Moore, Jim & Linda Rosenburgh, Malcolm & Judy Russell. Gordon & Lora Childs, charter members of the club, were welcomed back after an absence during which they owned a non-GMC coach.

Attendees at the rally included:

Allen, Denny & Fran	Ireland, Dave & Linda
Baxter, Carol & George	Kershaw, Chet & Karen
Bell, Andy & Paula	Lennartson, John &
Richmond	Virginia
Blaise, Ed & Louise	Moore, Doug & Midge
Boyd, Terry & Joanne	Morris, Terry & Gloria
Childs, Gordon & Lora	Olsen, Ed & Thelma
Diers, Ruth & Glenn	Perry, Don & Luana
Estridge, Clarence & Elsie	Pryde, Gerry & Anne
Foote, Bill & Mary	Paulsen
Frydenlund, Gordon &	Rosenburgh, Jim & Linda
Carol	Sawtell, Joe & Yvonne
Groth, Ray & Bev	Scolman, James & Sheryl
Hardin, Pris & Bill	Smith, Cliff & Rosemary
Hart, Betty & Marvin	Sunderland, Bud & Joy
Johnson	Sutherland, Neil &
Hastie, Ernest & Nellie	Nancy
Hove, Carl & Helen	Turner, Norm & Betty

Secretary's Report—Minutes of the December 4, 1994 meeting were approved as published by Pris Hardin in the newsletter: Moved by Baxter, G (M); seconded by Sawtell, J (S) and passed unanimously (P).

Treasurer's Report—Ruth Diers reported a total of 159 members and a treasury balance of \$3,707.01.

Wagon Master's Report (2nd VP)—Glenn Deirs reviewed upcoming rallies as follows:

3/31–4/2/95 Newport, OR Pacific Shores RV
Hosts: The Executive Board

6/14–18/95 Coeur d'Alene, ID Coeur d'Alene RV
Hosts: Lennertsons and Prestons

8/16–20/95 Wallowa, OR Wallowa Lk. St. Park
Hosts: Millers et al

October Location, site, and hosts needed

First Vice President's Report—Carol Baxter reported two deaths among our membership. She has sent condolences to the families of Paul Richardson and Dick Friedli. Get well messages have gone to Cathy Cupples who is recovering from surgery.

FMCA Representative Report—Cliff Smith reminded us of the FMCA rallies at Las Cruces, NM—Mar 9–11 and Minot, ND—Aug. 15–17. FMCA NW meets at Salem, OR, May 26–29. Western States will hold a spring rally at Gilroy, CA, April 26–30.

Old Business—

Pris Hardin announced that colored, laminated name signs for member coaches could be made for about \$2.00 each. It was decided that the club would purchase one for each member (MSP—G. Pryde, B. Hardin)

The FileMakerPro and PostScript interpreter software and H-P ink jet printer authorized at last meeting have been purchased. Pris Hardin reported that all components are working fine.

The group asked Glenn Diers to add one of our GMC Cascader flags to the Tokeland RV park's collection of mementos left by other groups who have camped at the park.

New Business—

- We heard a proposal for a new article in the newsletter. Cascaders spending extended periods away from their homes may wish to list their temporary addresses with an invitation to fellow club members to contact them when they are in the area. The next

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newsletter will offer the option to test club response.

- During a visit to the Elegant Cruisers' Rose Bowl rally, Luana Perry noticed a sheet of local emergency numbers and qualified CPR rally attendees posted in a prominent location. Luana recommended that we follow that procedure in our club.
- Perrys enthusiastically endorsed the Elegant Cruisers' Rose Bowl rally (a 17-year tradition) and passed on their open invitation to GMC Cascaders to register for future Rose Bowl rallies. Last year's total cost per coach was \$275.00—a great deal, say Don and Luana.

Adjournment—10:40 a.m.

On the Road Again

- **FOR SALE**—1976 26' GMC Glenbook. Very good condition. Asking \$25,000. Ray Dapp, 3112 SW 300th Pl, Federal Way, WA 98023 • 206-838-3112
- **FOR SALE**—1978 Birchaven Classic. Restored "Jimmy" 23'; side-bath, rear bdrm. Restored interior; 455 CID engine; new or rebuilt compressor, fuel system, manifolds, water pump, Onan gen., batt.(3), alternator. \$23,000 Walt & Liz Ovens Call 206-223-1122 day • 206-286-9048 eves
- **RADIAL WHEELS**— for your GMC. Used – \$50.00. Bead-blasted and painted inside and out – \$75. Two reconditioned wheels with 9:50 R16 51t Bridgestone tires mounted 80% rubber – \$250/pr. These make excellent front-wheel drivers. Also, 4 steel-spoke wheels, no hub caps required, reconditioned, painted – \$60 ea. Don Persinger, Leaburg, OR • 503-896-3306
- **NEW HOLDING TANK**—Bought from Cinnabar for '77 Kingsley. Discovered we could repair existing tank; new one needs owner. Call Bill & Pris Hardin • 503-752-3811
- A warm note arrived from Kathy and Al Hamilton in January. They have moved to Ontario, Canada, and regretfully leave the club. They'll be joining two (2) GMC clubs in the east. They send best wishes to everyone and "couldn't have had a better introduction to the GMC family than the Cascaders (provided)."
- **SIGNS REQUEST**—Nick names, anyone? Cascaders wishing to have their names printed on the new coach signs in any form other than that appearing on our membership list should contact Pris Hardin IMMEDIATELY. Call her at: 1-503-752-3811 • Fax: 1-503-757-8011 • Internet: prisbill@Peak.org

How about a Sunbird Register?

During the past few months, your editor has become aware of nearly a dozen Cascader coaches staying in the southwest and Mexico for extended periods of time. By chance, we discovered some who are spending several weeks at the same site in Indio, CA; what a grand time we had! Now, we wonder if there would be any interest in a GMC News posting of when and where other Cascaders might be able to contact our "temporarily relocated" coaches.

Of course, there are concerns about protecting ourselves from scoundrels who might be delighted to learn when we are away from our homes in the Pacific Northwest. But, how about a listing of Locale and Time Period with a "clearinghouse Cascader" willing to receive calls to identify who is at a listed site and how to reach them? For instance, a GMC News item titled SUNBIRD REGISTER" might read:

AREA	DATES	# COACHES
Baja	12/4/95-3/15/95	1
Cochella Valley, CA	1/3/95-2/19/95	1
	1/12/95-2/6/95	2
San Diego	2/9/95-3/2/95	1
LA basin	1/8/95-2/28/95	1

If you are interested in this sort of service, either as one who may be passing through or as one who will be settling in and would like to hear from passing Cascaders, let Pris Hardin know. It is a bit late to run such a program for this season but we could get set to start up next fall.

Registration Pressures

Success has a down side. Our healthy membership of over 160 coaches and an increasingly hefty attendance at rallies means we are experiencing some difficulty finding full hook-ups and meeting rooms large enough for all. Limited hook-ups or meeting room capacities may force hosts to place a limit on rally size.

All hosts will state clearly the capacity of the rally site in the registration information. Members should register promptly as we will operate on a first-registered, first-served basis. Waiting lists may become standard procedure. Visitors from other FMCA clubs, slow-to-register Cascaders and drop-ins may experience difficulty with last minute or over-capacity accommodations.

You may enter your selection at ANY TIME during the greeting.

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FMCA Emergency Service

If you're going to take to the road and are planning an emergency, the cards above are for you. If you think there's a chance that some emergency might occur without advance planning, the cards above are for you. As a matter of fact, we could all benefit from clipping out the cards, folding them over to business-card size, and slipping a copy into the coach and one into each owner's wallet.

FMCA's emergency phone program is remarkably well explained on the two faces of the card. By leaving the 800-number with your significant relative and abiding by the limit on number of calls made, the system should provide a reassuring level of contact for those journeys during which you are not sure, from day to day where your loved ones can find you. Just call in daily to pick up your messages.

NOTE from Page one.—Bill Matherly of Pacific Shores groups planning assures us that Cascaders arranging for extra nights should identify themselves as such. They will, in turn, receive their extra nights for \$18.60 per night instead of the regular fee! Thank you, Pacific Shores!

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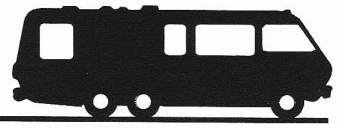
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Elegant Cruisers Come up Roses—by Luana Perry

Cascaders Clarence and Elsie Estridge and Don and Luana Perry attended the Elegant Cruisers, four-day Rose Bowl rally in Pasadena, CA, during the New Year's holiday. And what a rally it was!



For the past 17 years, the 'Cruisers have held this rally right next to the Rose Bowl and they are organized. Out of the group's Rally Chuck Wagon came barbecued steaks, chicken, and hamburger main dishes...even champagne for the New Year's eve party. Eastern Standard time was observed so the celebration took place at 9 p.m. PST; all of the attendees could get their beauty rest. Tickets to the Rose Parade were some of the best and the floats were magnificent. Without all of the support and cheering at the game from the Perrys, the Ducks would not have instilled fear into the No. 2 team in the nation for those first three quarters. The weather, too, was great until about 10 hours after the game... then, the skies opened up and torrential rains began.

The Estridges extended their trip to the south lands and the Perrys returned through the wind, snow, rain and antique stores to their grand babies in Medford.

