



It's a First!

Cascaders Rally at the Land Yacht Harbor!

For those of you who were not there, you missed the opportunity to see what someone's vision of the future held. Back in the 60's when Olympia WA was little more than the Capitol and a cluster of government buildings, a group of individuals struck out and bought some 200 acres in the middle of nowhere, just outside Olympia and stated, "we will build it here!" What they built was a clubhouse that can seat 500 for dinner, has full commercial kitchens, recreation facilities where pool and ping pong can be played and parking for over 200 RV's. That group of visionaries established a place where they could park and play in the great Northwest. What is a Land Yacht you ask? A classic aluminum trailer, brassy and sassy known as an Airstream! Here you will find not only a home away from home but a



Nice to see our name in print!

village of Airstreams. When Cascaders leave their classics, and do a stroll around the area, they find about a 150 homes and bungalows, each with space for their owner's Airstream. Yes, you have to own an Airstream to live there. I talked to an older gentleman who lived in one of the bungalows, and he proudly filled me in on this huge clubhouse. He said it was hard for their club to come up with the initial money for everything, and with



Impressive line of classics



Our Rally home in Olympia, WA

volunteer help, they built their clubhouse for \$42,000 in the 60's.

I met Del Huffman, who assisted us with arrangements, and he informed us that the Land Yacht Harbor has recently opened up to outside groups and is undergoing planning for update at the site. If your group is looking for a site they should contact Del at delh20@yahoo.com for additional information. I am sure over the next five years we will once again visit the Harbor to have another rally!

For being a "no host" Cascader rally, the event was guided by the Morris's, who made many trips up the ladder of their GMC, unpacking the goodies needed to hold a successful event. Now I am not sure of the facts here, but it seems Gloria and Terry have hosted or volunteered their help to people who have hosted to take on the winter rally for some years. *cntd. on pg 3*



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GMC motor home owners from the following states and provinces are eligible to join GMC Cascaders: Alaska, Alberta, British Columbia, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Yukon Territory. Contact any officer for information.



Nancy: Get off my feet!
Mike: Where are they!



Snooker Ransom going for the kill!



Looks like serious issues to me!



Nancy's "Craft Talk" hardly working!



Carol Ransom: It was easy!



Denny's "GMC talk" hardly working!

Northwest Area FMCA Rally Scheduled for June 9th, 10th, and 11th, 2005

For all you folks who are not going to join the DA Canadian Rally, scheduled for the same time slot, jump in your classic and head on down to the FMCA Northwest Rally to be held at the Linn County Fair and Expo Center in Albany, OR. Registration is due by 5/13/05 and you can get additional information by logging on to:

<http://www.fmca.com/areas/northwh>
<http://www.fmcanw.org/> Because of our own rally, we will not be helping out as a club by supplying volunteers, as is our usual practice. If you are planning to go, please volunteer to assist by contacting: Judy Keppler. Phone 503-531-8795 or 503-939-8711 or email: judyronk@coho.net

Cascaders Rally– continued

It's one of the toughest as many of our members are nestled down south in the heat! Our hat is off to these folks for a job well done.

We had a good group who provided an outstanding array of excellent food for our February rally. Of

course, if you rushed through the buffet offerings, you may have missed the Angel food cake, made from scratch, by Joyce Evans, or the "kill for" meat balls in a barbecue sauce pounded into shape by the tender hands of Bernie Roach. The

bottom line is that when we have our Cascaders do pot luck, we dine out on some of the best food on earth! While you would think that 50 people would swim in a meeting room of 500, that was not the case. The space provided many venues for pool playing, looking over the Cascader catalogs of pictures, crafts, dancing, and of course our GMC talks. Some of our members took advantage of the pool tables, especially Gene Ransom, who was cleaning people's clocks all evening! On Friday night, the domino tables were busy under the watchful eyes of Terry & Gloria Morris.

On Saturday morning our own Denny Allen hosted the men's "GMC talk" session that is always a good draw, with

members talking problems and others sharing solutions for problems. The busy tables however were with the women's craft emporium, where Nancy Pellegrino, walked members through the creation of miniature bird cages using whisks (the things you beat eggs with). As usual Nancy's creativity came through again with the hot glue, ribbons and eggs needed to create an activity for the Easter season.

After another wonderful Saturday evening "pot luck", members stretched their muscles in anticipation of the ballroom dancing! Rod Price, Mr. Twinkle Toes, guided a good size group through the fundamentals of dancing, a sport I was never good at, however, even I was impressed with the way I could glide along and look good!

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Settling into a great "pot Luck" dinner



Six new recruits for the chorus line!



Lela McBee supervising the craft line

Cascader Craft Makers In Session



Jackie Freemire "I got it"



DA Tours: It's Not The First, And Hopefully Not The Last!

There is only one person that I know of who has been on every Denny Allen rally, and that's Denny Allen. This June, the sixth DA rally will begin at Creston and end in Osoyoos, BC.

For those who are keeping track, the first rally was in 1993, when Cascaders toured Vancouver Island. The second DA rally was Oliver BC, to Harrison Hot Springs BC, in 1994. In 1996, another DA rally left Chilliwack BC, and ended up in Barkerville BC, with a sequel at the Williams Lake Stampede. Again in 1998, the DA rally took Cascaders to Vancouver Island with another sequel to the Sunshine Coast. Our first experience with a DA rally was in 2001, when a DA rally Left Cranbrook BC, and ended up in Edmonton, Alberta,

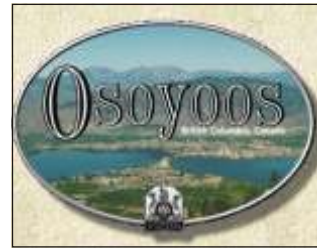


with a sequel by Carol and Frank Grey.

Each time Denny drives the route, selects the overnight sites, makes reservation arrangements, and does it without a volunteer crew!

The club is grateful to have all this talent shared with members, and we are indebted to Denny for his time and effort on our behalf.

This next DA rally will start in Creston BC on June 5th, 2005. We start with a tour of the Kokanee Brewery, a brand I got to know well in my earlier years! From Creston we travel north along Kootenay Lake to Crawford Bay for our first overnight. On June 6th, we take a free ferry ride across Kootenay Lake and carry on north to Mirror Lake near Kaslo,



BC for our 2nd overnight. On the third day we cross over a low mountain pass to



New Denver, BC and we can tour the interpretation center which describes the relocation of Japanese people during the Second World War. Turning south, we continue to Castlegar, BC where we will overnight at a "dry camp" and probably have a Doukhobor (Russian) dinner at their cultural center. Day four is another short drive day over a mountain pass, a sawmill tour if you want or play a round of golf across the highway from our RV park in Midway, BC. The final leg of the tour takes us to Osoyoos, BC where the GMC Western States Rally was held in 2003. It's time for Cascaders to get their maps out and plot the route; it is another DA rally you will not want to miss!

Cascaders Rally at the Land Yacht Harbor - continued

However, true to color, Rod never asked me to be his partner, always choosing Gloria Morris, who could actually keep up to his magic shoes.

One of the nice moments at our rallies is when other family and friends join us or drop by for a visit.

We got to know Gene & Carol Ransom's son Darren, and a couple from Vancouver dropped by to find out what the Cascaders were all about. Of course, we provided the paperwork for these potential newbies and I am sure we will see them as new members soon! Also dropping by was Mack Kreizenbeck from Caldwell, Idaho. Mack is a new member, and has just confirmed

plans for a rally at a new park in Idaho. Many of the seasoned Cascaders got to meet again with Pearl Westphal, who was in the area and registered for the rally. Some years ago, Pearl was an active Cascader, but the coach was sold, and her energies were directed to other matters. Also visiting was Warren Steinman from California. He is a member of the 49ers, and is relocating to Idaho. Warren has stories that would keep any Cascader captivated, as he relates the number of engines he has replaced in his GMC. Right now, Warren's

GMC is in the gentle hands of Bill Hubler, as they try to troubleshoot, once and for all, the problem with Warren's current engine.



GMC Talk, A bit more serious!

A Bit Of History Goes A Long Way!

Who are all those folks bent over the tables at the recent Olympia rally? Packed in the Club trailer, is a



George, Terry & Denny checking out Cathy's album

lot of history about the Cascaders, and at the Olympia rally all the photo books were pulled from the trailer and displayed. For most, it was the first time they had seen many of the albums, and it was the first time that the latest three books were introduced. Cathy Cupples has volunteered as our historian for the past few years. She has been the collector, and has put

together three new volumes of photos and notes covering Cascader rallies. This past summer Cathy turned the books over to Bill Guise, and I am happy to report there are now 7 large albums

so there must be some others not in the collection. The hunt is on, if you happen to have an album, the club would like to collect it and keep it for all to enjoy. As you can see by the photos, many members were having a good time looking back!

A special thanks to Cathy Cupples for the time and effort provided in collecting the last three albums and telling many Cascader rally stories.



Ernie telling Denny & Laurie about his new Chrysler 300

providing the story of who the Cascaders are, and more important, what they looked like 14 years ago! The albums go back to about 1989,



Eldon, Fran, Carol & Maurrie checking out the flicks!

MacKinnon's Canby Rally Creates Opportunity for Complete Makeover!

Mark your calendars and get your registration in for what will be an opportunity for a makeover you will not forget! This next rally, to be held in Oregon between Portland and Salem, has all the makings of providing you with the tools to make over both your garden and your GMC! Friday evening you get to dine on that great Cascader 'pot luck' food and then on Saturday, it's the 21st Annual Spring Garden Fair at the Clackamas County Fairgrounds. As part of the package,

there are free tree seedlings and seed packets, free pH soil testing, 50 Master gardeners, and a chance to visit with over 170 vendors who have everything you need for that house makeover! Hanging baskets, bedding plants, annuals and perennials, vegetables and herbs, shrubs and trees, garden ornaments and tools will all be available. Bring your wagon, wheelbarrow, or old bags and take advantage of this outstanding event.

On Sunday, the makeover continues with a field trip to Elaine Fry's garden of GMC parts where you can watch Elaine meander down to the barn in her 57 Chevrolet golf cart. There is a sea of parts and fittings for your GMC. It's a world of opportunity, finding that jewel you have always wanted for your unit. There are body panels; hulks of units, rear ends, engines, tools, windows, furniture, and a covey of must-have parts!

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Photos

Thanks for the pictures and keep sending them to: bguise1@qwest.net. Please select the higher quality 1280 x 950 setting on your digital camera and when sending the photo via email, it's best not to choose to reduce the size of the photo.

I appreciate those who took pictures and sent them to me for con-

sideration in the Newsletter. I have been doing a printout of each picture received and adding them to the summary for the rally. Eventually, the Vice President (Larry Calhoun) will reassume the task of club historian and get these pictures into new albums. Our thanks go out to the Guises and Swansons for the pictures in this issue.



Ted & Jane Swanson

GMC's For Sale: Northwest

Complete listing, along with pictures and detailed information is available on the Cascaders WEB site:
<http://www.cascaders.org/>

1978 26' Royale, \$39,900 Al & Janet Kruebbe: 360-681-0768
penmort@olypen.com

1977 26' Eleganza II, \$20,000 Randy: 360-939-0636, Stanwood, WA ,

1977 26' XPB \$25,000 John & Lauree Miller: Milton Freewater, OR. 541-938-5981

1978 26' Royale, \$15,000 Jack Titus, Jansound@rockisland.com

1977 26' Royale, \$26,000 Jim Aucutt, Coeur d'Alene, ID 208-765-4075

1978 26' Royale, Eugene, OR \$39,950 Karl Cunningham 541-463-0637
kmcunningham@webtv.net

1977 28' Kingsley Stretch \$30,000, West Linn, OR. Ted Debauw 503-656-9946

1976 26' Eleganza II \$22,000, Clarkston WA. Jean Gwynn cjgwynn@amerion.com

Morris Rally Report Event Calendar as of 3/24/05



Dates	Location	Site	Hosts
April 29,30,1	Canby, OR	Riverside RV Park	Dan & Mable MacKinnon
June 5,11	Creston BC (Canadian Rolling Rally)		Denny & Fran Allen
August 5,6	Grayland, WA		Toivo & Sandra Lammi
Sept 30,1,2	Caldwell ID	Ambassador RV Resort	Mack & Linda Kreizenbeck
Dec. 2,3,4	Anacortes, WA	Fidalgo Bay Resort	Ken & Jean Wilson