



News

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Message from the President

Greetings fellow Cascaders,

The past 3 months have been a whirlwind of activity amongst those attending the May rally at Terry and Gloria Morris's property nestled in the mountains around Twisp, Washington, the Wine Country Rally in June put on by myself and Pattie Smith in Pasco and Prosser, Washington visiting wineries and sightseeing and the Steam Up Rally hosted by Jim Hupy the last week of July in Brooks, Oregon.



We reconnected with old friends, made new friends and sadly learned that Tim and Cass Jones will be moving to San Juan Capistrano, CA soon. We met new members Ken and Sue Neely from Wenatchee, Washington, Ken and Robyn Baranek also of Wenatchee and Fred Blaze (hope I spelled it right Fred) who just joined before Steam Up. Jim Kanomata, also a new member, attended Steam Up.

With time rolling by, it is necessary to begin finding new officers. Wayne Wright has graciously volunteered to become our treasurer, replacing Mary Gurtler who has held the job for 3 years and done a fantastic job. We still need to find a new secretary as Jackie Jones, also doing an outstanding job, has held this position for 3 years and is ready to pass it on to the next candidate. We need to accomplish this soon, so those of you out there please think over the possibility you would be a good secretary and join our Executive Committee for 2 years. We have a good time running the club and it can be rewarding as well.

I wish to Frank Tabor a speedy recovery from his surgery, we missed you guys and look forward to seeing you again soon.

We have the Central Oregon rolling rally coming in September hosted by Will and Janis Powers, so I am looking forward to exploring that region with all who attend.

May your summer end with Awesome weather, your health be great, and your coach stay running for each and every trip you begin.

Ron Smith

Rally In The Mountains

Nine coaches were greeted by beautiful blue Okanogan skies and green mountains. Jeff & Mary arrived 2 days early to help clear campsites, cut fire wood, and install a wood stove and windows in



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the Gazebo. Mary hauled load after load of cut branches to burn in the fire pit. Will Powers helped with the installation of the windows.



The first couple of days were pretty warm so we were grateful for all the shade trees. The nights were cool so the stove felt cozy at breakfast and dinner times.

The fellows enjoyed target shooting, working on coaches, talking shop around the campfire and a compressor rebuild tech seminar. The ladies went for walks, did crafts, read books and they must have done some cooking because the food was fabulous. Some of the group played badminton; some rode the four wheeler and scooter. Some played Mexican train Dominos, or other games.



Several coaches took sightseeing tours on the way, others were planning side trips on the way home. The goodbyes were teary eyed. A big thank you to everyone for all the help with meals and keeping the fires burning.

Submitted by: Terry & Gloria Morris

Attending the rally:

Jeff Fraisure & Mary Gurtler	Bill & Betty Hubler
Sandra Shull	Gordon & Lucie Seykora
Tony & Sandra Lammi	Tom & Sally Donovan
Will & Janis Powers	Tony Wright & Lynne Wilson
Terry & Gloria Morris	

Prosser Wine Rally

Ron Smith greeted everyone with GMC Cascaders wine glasses and bags as we arrived at the Preston Winery. After setting up we headed into the winery for tasting and visiting. We had an excellent BBQ dinner, followed by more tasting and visiting.





Friday morning we packed up and headed to Prosser. Many folks visited the local wineries along the way.. Once in Prosser there was ample opportunity to walk down to the other winery tasting rooms from the RV Park, or the local brew pubs, as well as the new distillery. Social hour meant more tasting as Ron Smith's shared some of his local favorite wines. A great potluck dinner followed, with more tall tales, and game playing.



Saturday we were on our own to visit wineries, or the local "Cool Desert Nights" car show in Prosser. Social hour consisted of , you guessed it, more wine tasting with folks sharing the wines they found throughout the day. A catered dinner followed by a raffle topped off the evening. Sunday morning breakfast was provided by the RV Park, after which a short business meeting followed. Every-



one packed up and made their way to their next destinations. A special thanks to Ron and Patti Smith for hosting a marvelous outing.

Submitted by: Tony Wright

Attending the Rally:

Ken & Robyn Baranek	Joe & Jeannie Hensley	Sandy Schull
Terry & Joann Boyd	Paul Hoge & Sandy Brooks	Ron Smith & Pattie Smith
Larry & Gaynor Calhoun	Chuck & Pat Horn	Wayne & Sandy Wright
D.J. & Barbie Eberhart	Fred & Ruth Leitch	Tony Wright & Lynne Wilson
Donald & Mary Gibson	Ken & Sue Neely	
Bill & Peggy Guise	Dick & Isola Olsen	

GMC CASCADERS RALLY MINUTES

LOCATION: PROSSER, WA.

June 26, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 1000 by President, Ron Smith.

Presidents Message: Ron questioned all present if they had a good time? A round of applause was given in response. Everyone had a great time.

Hosts / Helpers: Ron & Pattie Smith put a great rally together.

New Members/First Rally: Ken and Sue Neely. We welcome you to our club.

Secretary Report: Jackie Jones was not present. A report was given to Ron by Jackie. We presently have 133 memberships. The rosters were sent out to all members at the beginning of July. Membership renewals will be sent out in late August to early September. Please be prompt with your dues. Membership renewals are due October 1st.

Treasurer Report: Mary Gurtler was not present. A report was given to Ron by Mary. We have \$7558.01 in the Treasury account, with \$750.00 out in a rally deposit for Prosser.

First Vice President Report: (Historian) Tony Wright sent out a get well card to Paul Jones, foot surgery.

Second Vice President Report: (Wagon Master) Sharon Cummins was not present. Ron gave a report on the upcoming rallies. For further updates and information on club gatherings and upcoming rallies please check the website.

Webmaster Report: Tony Wright is continually updating the website. Please make sure to check the website often for news and updates. <http://www.gmc-cascaders.com/>.

Western States: D.J. Eberhart gave a report for GMC Western States. The fall rally will be in Palm Desert, CA, Emerald Desert RV Resort. It will be held October 1st through October 5th, 2011. D.J. indicated that Western States have very good tech sessions and good vendors that are present at their rallies.

GMC International: No representative present. The fall rally will be at the Elkhart Fairgrounds in Goshen, Indiana. It will be on September 9 - 14, 2011. Please check the GMC International website for more information.

FMCA: No representative was present. For information and updates please check their website: <http://www.fmca.com/>.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ron asked for volunteers to step forward to replace the Secretary and Treasurer positions. Barbie Eberhart mentioned that a nominating committee needs to be elected. Ron indicated that this would be done at the next rally in Oregon, in July.

Lynne Wilson has bought about \$950 in merchandise of vests and sweatshirts so please support our club with your purchase of Cascaders gear. We have also picked up a few bolo ties if you need a new one for your badge. If so, contact Lynne.

Pattie Smith brought up that today is Ruth Leitch's birthday. Happy Birthday Ruth!

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

Ron Smith adjourned the meeting at 1030.

1st motion: Don Gibson
 2nd motion: Barbie Eberhart

Minutes taken by Pattie Smith for Jackie Jones
 Minutes written up and submitted by Jaclyn Jones ~ Secretary

MEETING ATTENDEES:

Ken & Robyn Baranek	Joe & Jeannie Hensley	Sandy Schull
Terry & Joann Boyd	Paul Hoge & Sandy Brooks	Ron Smith & Pattie Smith
Larry Calhoun	Chuck & Pat Horn	Wayne & Sandy Wright
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2011 GREAT OREGON STEAM-UP RALLY

Salem was the destination of 23 excited machine-oriented guys and their mates for the 41st Annual Great Oregon Steam-Up. We were greeted by host Jim Hupy on Friday July 29, 2011 and shown where to park on the big open field designated for RV's. The weather was a perfect 85-degrees and sunny, with a nice breeze during the hot spells. The event didn't begin until 7 a.m. on Saturday, but several eager-beavers walked the displays and reported back the extent of the exhibits and flea market tables.

We gathered for happy hour followed by a delicious potluck and lots of visiting. We had a great group of people: normal rally go-ers, infrequent rally go-ers, a guest who took an application, a guest who was inquiring about the group, a guest from a California club, guests of members, and Jim Kanomata (!) (even though he falls under the heading of a member).

Jim Hupy had arranged for all of us to have breakfast at vendors in the Steam-Up, so we were up at 7 a.m. and walked to the Kiwanis booth, then disbursed to the various exhibits, flea markets and swap meets. The Antique Powerland Association acreage was buzzing with activity: a huge swap meet, a steam-driven sawmill, a flour milling display, a



miniature steam logging train, narrow-gauge trains for the kids to ride, vintage autos and motorcycles, and displays of everything steam-driven (tractors, boat engines, trolley cars, fire engines) -- a true mecca for the mechanical! At 1:30 there was a parade of antique tractors, from Caterpillar to John Deere to Allis-Chalmers to Massey and names



that have long-since gone out of business, as well as a Stanley



steam car.

Also on Saturday, Jim Kanomata was kept busy diagnosing and tinkering with coach problems for members who asked.



Happy Hour was spent at various coach awning sites until we all boarded the people-mover at 6 p.m. for the ride to the Caterpillar museum for a fund-raising prime-rib dinner. During the short program about the museum three of our group won door prizes – Jackie Jones and Terry Morris received hats and Terry & Joanne Boyd won a model ‘big builder.’ Back at the RV sites we gathered for an interesting talk by Virginia Paradis about their July trip to the Arctic, accompanied by a DVD showing the ship, wild-

life (including polar bears), scenery and Zodiac landings. The weather in the Arctic appeared better than our wet western Oregon and Washington spring.

On Sunday morning we ate at the American Legion booth, followed by a presentation at the Northwest Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum. Back at the campsites we all gathered for a short business meeting, where President Ron Smith once again emphasized the need to fill the secretary and treasurer positions. After the meeting Wayne Wright volunteered to run for treasurer. Secretary anyone??? Some coaches headed out early, some stayed for another tour through the Steam-Up. Everyone agreed that it was great to stay right on the grounds of the event, allowing the freedom to walk back and forth at will. Thanks, Jim, for the great idea of a rally at Steam-Up and all the work you did to make it happen. And thanks to your sidekick-cutie Suzette who fulfilled her hostess duties with lots of friendly licks and wiggles.



Submitted by: Sharon Cummins

Attending the rally:

Terry & Joanne Boyd	Tim & Cass Jones	Dan & Carol Winchester
Ron & Linda Clark	Jim Kanomata	Jerry & Sharon Work
DJ & Barbie Eberhart	Terry & Gloria Morris	Wayne & Sandy Wright
Jeff Fraisure & Mary Gurtler	Lawrie & Virginia Paradis	Guests
Ronnie & Shirley Gabbard	Will & Janis Powers	George & Ruth Beckman
Don & Mary Gibson	Phil & Wendy Singleton	Hurchell & Linda Holmes
Bill & Better Hubler	Ron & Pattie Smith	Brahm Segal
Jim Hupy	Tom & Margie Thompson	Fred Blaser
Paul & Jackie Jones	Noble Warrant & Sharon Cummins	

GMC CASCADERS RALLY MINUTES

LOCATION: BROOKS, OREGON

July 31, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 1015 by President, Ron Smith.

Presidents Message: Ron thanked Jim Hupy for putting the rally together at the Salem Steam-Up. Everyone enjoyed seeing all the tractors (old and new), the farm equipment and the old machinery that was on display. The women enjoyed the venue swap meet with many good bargains to be had. Ron also thanked D.J. Eberhart for the GMC shirts that several members were wearing. And a thank you was given to Jim Kanomata for attending and answering several questions individuals had for him. We had approximately 23 coaches in attendance.

Hosts / Helpers: Jim Hupy thanked everyone for attending and having a good time. The weather cooperated and everyone gave a round of applause for a great time.

New Members/First Rally: Fred Blaser, from Tillamook Oregon, attended as a guest and is looking to join. Also, Jim Kanomata joined us at this rally for the first time as a member of our club.

Secretary Report: Jackie Jones requested approval of the previous minutes from the Mossyrock, WA. rally, April 2011. She also requested approval for the minutes of the Prosser, WA. Rally, June 2011, as published. The minutes were approved: 1st motion – Terry Morris, 2nd motion – Jim Hupy. We presently have 134 memberships. Jackie stated membership renewal is approaching and will be sent out soon. Membership renewal is due October 1st, for the following year. She requested everyone to please be prompt with your payment to eliminate extra work, time and money involved in dealing with delinquent payments.

Treasurer Report: Mary Gurtler reported that we have \$8002.77 in the treasury account, with zero out in deposits. Jim Hupy was given special recognition for reconciling this rally before it even ended. Great job Jim!

First Vice President Report: (Historian) Tony Wright was not present. Jackie Jones reported that she knew Tony had sent a card to Frank Taber, who recently had back surgery.

Second Vice President Report: (Wagon Master) Sharon Cummins reported on upcoming and possible rallies in the future. Besides the rallies schedules this year, we are also looking at the following proposed rallies: July 2012, a Canadian rolling rally that Dwayne Jacobsen is putting on. In addition, a rally in the Port Townsend, WA. area and one in Pacific City, OR. is being looked at. In the year 2013, a rally in the Roseburg, Oregon area, then to the Southern Oregon, in the Ashland / Rogue River / Crater Lake area. For further updates and information on club gatherings and upcoming rallies please check the website.

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FMCA: Jerry Work reported on the upcoming governing meeting in Madison Wisconsin, August

10th. Jerry stated, Bill Tighe will be representing our interests at the meeting. The proposed budget will be discussed. The current issue of the FMCA magazine will include your insurance card. Please look for it. For further updates please check FMCA website: <http://www.fmca.com/>.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Phil Singleton talked about the process of obtaining a collector license plate for our GMC's.

Ron requested volunteers for a nominating committee for club officers. Nominations will take place at the next business meeting.

Ron Smith adjourned the meeting at 1100.

1st motion: Joanne Boyd

2nd motion: Terry Boyd

Minutes submitted by: Jaclyn Jones ~ Secretary

MEETING ATTENDEES:

Terry & Joanne Boyd	Paul & Jackie Jones	Paul & Wendy Singleton	
Ron & Linda Clark	Tim & Cass Jones	Ron & Pattie Smith	
Jeff Fraisure & Mary Gurtler	Jim Kanomata	Tom & Marge Thompson	
Ronnie & Shirley Gabbard	Terry & Gloria Morris	Noble Warrant & Sharon Cummins	
Don & Mary Gibson	Lawrie & Virginia Paradis	Jerry & Sharon Work	
Jim Hupy	Will Powers	Wayne & Sandy Wright	

Rally Event Calendar

Date (s)	Location	Rally Master
September 6-10, 2011	Rolling Rally Central Oregon	Will & Janis Powers
December 1-4, 2011	Christmas Rally—Cedars RV Park, Ferndale, WA	Lawrie & Virginia Paradis Ken & Jean Wilson John & Vera Gruenwald
August 3-6, 2012	White Rock, BC Canada	Dwayne & Sharon Jacobson
Start August 7, 2012	Sea to Sea Canada Rolling Rally	Dwayne & Sharon Jacobson

Photos

Many thanks to the folks that sent in their rally photos. Did you know more photos from the rallies are available on the website? If you have rally photos you would like to share send them to web-master@gmc-cascaders.com , and they will be made available on the website. http://www.gmc-cascaders.com/rally_photos.htm

GMC Motorhomes and Parts for sale can be found on the GMC Cascaders website: http://www.gmc-cascaders.com/for_sale.htm

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