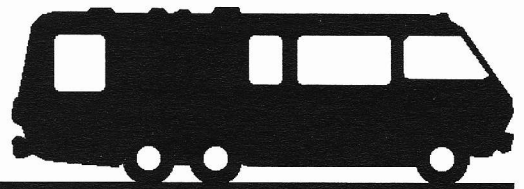


# GMC CASCADERS NEWS



November 2000

## Tokeland Where?

About a month ago, 35 GMC Cascader coaches rolled into Tokeland's Bayshore RV park for a weekend of fellowship, feasting, beach walking, crafts, seminar on gas tank construction and care and even prowling the casino.

It rained and the wind blew but the sun also peeked through at least once. Is it the remoteness, the weather, the tall trees or the owner-operated management? Whatever the reason Bayshore RV park is cozy. Our hosting group changed positions in a hurry when last minute family emergencies claimed both the Eberharts and the Frydenlunds. Lead hosts Terry and Gloria Morris found Baxters, MacKinnons, Tituses and others ready and willing to step in. We wish the best to our "fallen hosts" and their families.

Friday, Jack Titus took over parking assignments. Evening brought everyone through the gathering gloom to the club house for a potluck dinner. As we greeted each other, we welcomed several first-time-rally attendees to our midst including Toivo and Sandra Lammi who drove their SUV the short distance down the coast from



Photo by Fry

their home in Grayland. Other first timers were Fred and Linda Gehring, Jon and Ardyce Smith, Lee Childers and Doris, Jean Hoffman, Gary and Gloria Gibbs and Frank Sermonti. Several members drove in by car besides the Lammis: Ed and Louise Blaise, Neil and Nancy Sutherland and Frank Sermonti.

Saturday's breakfast was cleared away in time for two seminar sessions:



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Above—Weather cleared enough for walks on the beach. Members' dogs seemed most delighted with the outing. Left—Rally diners, including Neil and Nancy Sutherland who drove in their car; their coach is still being worked on in California.

## NEXT RALLY

DATES	LOCATION	SITE	HOSTS
Dec. 01-03	Cannon Bch, OR	Cannon Beach RV	Baxters, Diers, Jones, Ragsdales, & Frys

For information on more rallies, see back page.

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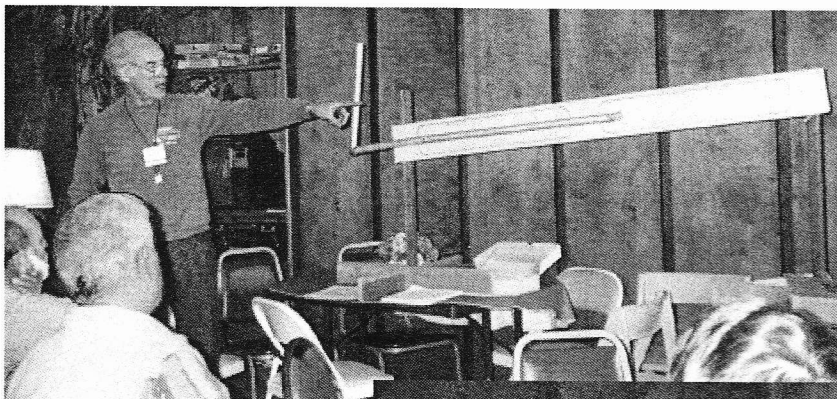
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A. – A technical seminar on the design, construction, care and maintenance of the GMC fuel tanks and related systems, and  
B. – A craft session for the distaff members that yielded either a

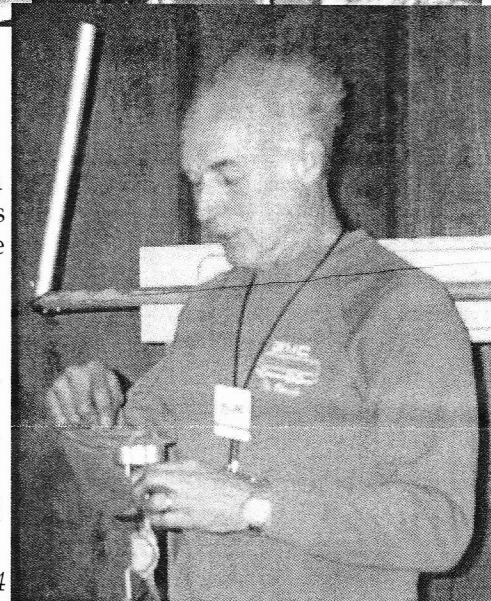


padding coat hanger or a crocheted hot pad.

Denny Allen explained gas tank anatomy using an innovative visual aid of his own design. By tipping the horizontal bar representing the tilt of the coach (above) we were able to see the effect on the two tanks. This information affects filling as well as consumption of fuel.

Margaret Bovee stepped in to lead the craft session

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Above—Denny Allen demonstrates, part-in-hand, the inner workings of the fuel supply system.

Left—Margaret Bovee helps Dorothy Slater, alias Minnie Mouse, with her padded coat hanger project



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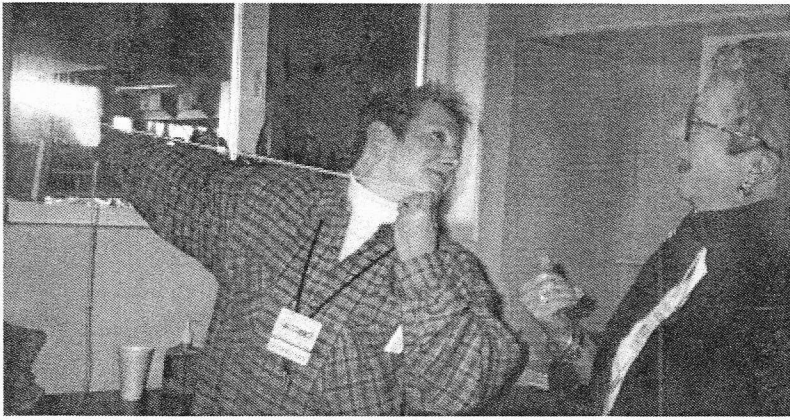
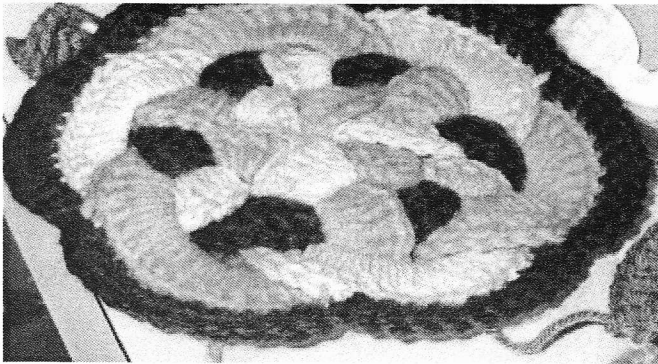


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Above—Margaret's crocheted hot pad; the finished product.  
Middle left and upper left—Measuring a yard of yarn is a real stretch for Elaine Fry and Cass Jones!

Top right—Margaret's paper pattern reveals the complexity of the hot pad design.

Middle right—Helen Hove, center, and Carol Baxter get some advice from the expert.

Lower right—To everyone's delight, Dorothy and Neil Slater reminded us of our proximity to Halloween by showing up in costume. Dorothy came as Minnie Mouse, Neil in a towering, headless getup complete with his skull under his arm and black flowing cape. Thanks, Slaters... we were impressed!

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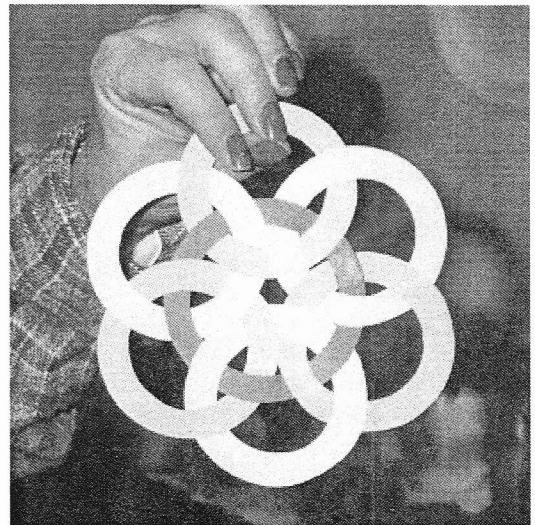


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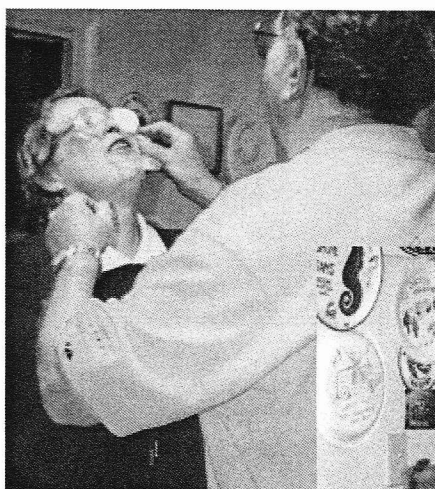
for the distaff side of the coach families. Crammed into the clubhouse kitchen, the tiny space hummed with chatter and eager questions. Soon hot pads and colorful coat hangers began to take shape under the skilled guidance of Margaret Bovee.

Saturday afternoon, Cascaders explored, visited, "casinoed" and generally kicked back. In the clubhouse kitchen, the aroma of the three large turkeys tantalized all who stayed in there. Soon, the campground staff, lead by Mrs. Tice, were fixing all the remaining menu items and Cascader "volunteers" turned to the task of carving turkeys (*right*).

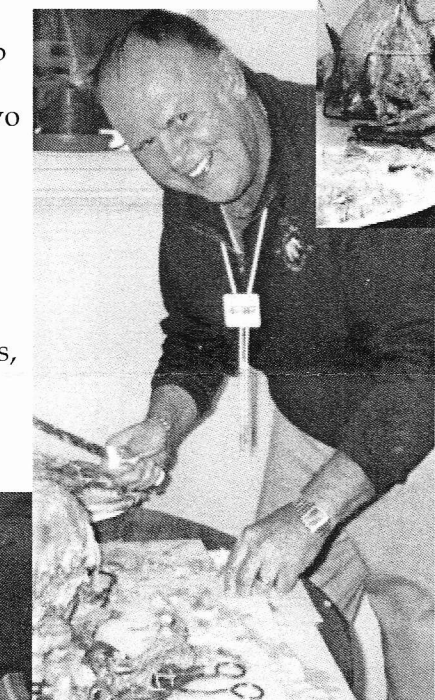
As with every turkey dinner at Bayshore, there was lots of good food and enthusiastic feasting... thanks, Tices and Cascader carvers.

Alan and Margaret Bovee had planned to keep their 60th wedding anniversary quiet. Our hosts planned otherwise. They surprised them with two beautiful sheet cakes and warm congratulations. How often do we get that excuse for dessert? Along with the good cake, there were stories of Bovee's many contributions to the club, and of Alan's dumper incident during the 1996 Alaska trip.

Bingo time followed with the usual foolishness, prizes and surprises. Gloria Morris called the numbers in a strong clear voice that held up marvelously for most of the play. And the num-

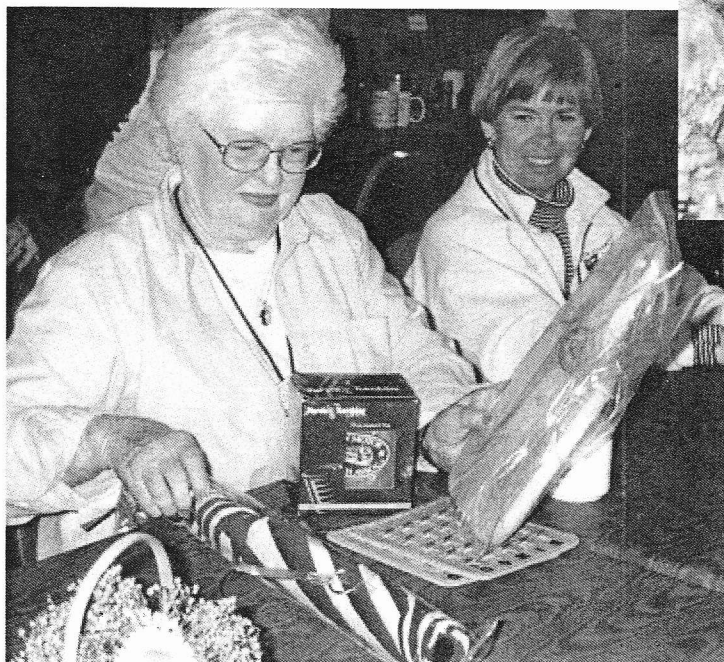


*Right—Turkey carving WAS a hot job. Mildred Titus pauses for Jack to wipe away the perspiration. Below—George Baxter shyly hides behind a pillar while carving!*



*Left—Here we have yet another photo of Walt Ovens helping with the food. Does the man never rest?... or does he just like to get into the newsletter?*

*Below—Gloria Morris keeps a close eye on all players as well as the numbers she has called!*



bers brought many winners. That kept Terry busy delivering the goods. There would have been more winners but Maurrie Price (*left*) seemed to have some sort of special connections!



As for door prizes, we were gifted, once more, by the FMCA prize department. There was "loot" for several Cascaders. Lester Wold took the grand door prize... a gas-fired portable barbecue!

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Sunday breakfast found the club split between two sites; our full quota of 50 dined at the historic Tokeland Hotel. The remainder dined very well, if less historically, at the club house under the skilled spatula of Terry Morris and volunteers.

The business meeting followed... has there ever been an organization that has as much fun as we do at a business meeting? The sun came out just beautifully for the group picture following the meeting and we went our separate ways.

Many thanks go to Terry and Gloria Morris and to all who pitched in to make the rally a super success.

Photo by Diers



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*Above—Once more, our first aid equipment stood at the ready in President Allen's coach. Once more, we didn't need it... thank goodness.*

*Left—Saturday afternoon provided time for visiting and general hanging out.*



Photo by Diers

*Above—SOME Cascaders breakfasted in class at the historic Tokeland hotel.*



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*Left—With good will and good food, the rest of us broke our fast at the Bayshore Park clubhouse... nobody starved!*

## Cascaders Shine at GMC Motorhomes International

The September convention brought 190 GMCMI coaches or membership units to the Mt. Hood RV Village. High fuel prices were blamed for the smaller-than-usual attendance. Cascaders made up 58 of the 190 membership units in attendance.

Many members drove 2700 miles or more to reach the Northwest. They praised the beautiful park, the spectacular scenery, and the good fellowship of the members.

Technical seminars drew high attendance; both technical and nontechnical seminars were in such demand, that many GMCMIer's complained about not having enough time to participate in more of them.

The spring Convention of GMCMI will be at The Oasis in Las Vegas, Nevada, April 1-7, 2001.

## MINUTES—10/29/00, Bayshore RV Park

**President's Message**—President Denny Allen called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. in the meeting room at Bayshore RV Park, Tokeland, WA on Sunday, October 29, 2000. Denny began by thanking our rally hosts: Terry and Gloria Morris along with Dan and Mable MacKinnon and Jack and Mildred Titus who pitched in when Morris needed help. Denny welcomed first-time-rally attendees Fred & Linda Gehring, Jon & Ardyce Smith, Lee Childers & Doris, Jean Hoffman, Gary & Gloria Gibbs and Frank Sermonti. Guests attending: John & Pearl Ermy.

Attending were:

Denny & Fran Allen	Bill & Pris Hardin
George & Carol Baxter	Carl & Helen Hove
Ed & Louise Blaise	Jean Hoffman
Alan & Margaret Bovee	Tim & Cass Jones
Terry & Joann Boyd	Steve & Sandy Kyle
Larry & Gaynor Calhoun	Steve & Deb Lester
Lee & Doris Childers and guests John & Pearl Ermy	Dan & Mable MacKinnon
Jack & Cathy Cupples	Terry and Gloria Morris
Glenn & Ruth Diers	Walt Ovens
Bob & Chris Dunlap	Rod & Maurrie Price
Eldon & Joyce Evans	Frank Sermonti
Bill & MaryLou Foote	Neil & Dorothy Slater
Bob & Elaine Fry	Jon & Ardyce Smith
Fred & Linda Gehring	Eugene & Dixie Snow
Gary & Gloria Gibbs	Neil & Nancy Sutherland
Bob & Lou Ann Golphenee	Ted & Jane Swanson
Larry & Betty Gordon	Jack & Mildred Titus
Ray & Bev Groth	Carl & Pearl Westphal
John & Vera Gruenewald	Ken & Jean Wilson
Ken & Pat Heuvel	Les & Bunny Wold

**Secretary's Report**—Secretary Cass Jones asked for corrections or additions to the minutes of the August 20, 2000, business meeting as published in the September 2000, newsletter. Motion to approve the minutes as published made by Larry Calhoun (M), seconded by Ken Wilson (S), motion passed (P).

**Treasurer's Report**—Treasurer Helen Hove reported a club balance of \$8,032.70. Current membership is 175. We have \$864.80 out for rallies and \$695 outstanding for hats, jackets & flags.

**First Vice President's Report**—Vice President Tim Jones reported sending Joanne Boyd a get well card and a sympathy card to Sheryl Scolman on Jim's passing.

**Second Vice President's (Wagonmaster) Report**—Terry Morris reported for club Wagonmaster DJ Eberhart the following upcoming rallies: December 1-3—Annual Christmas Party, RV Park at Cannon Beach,

OR. February 2001—somewhere on Washington coast. May 4-6, 2001—mini rolling rally going from Boardman, OR to Tygh Valley, OR. June 2001—rolling Canadian Rally, Denny Allen hosting. Rally will start in Cranbrook, BC, and end in Edmonton, AB. Frank and Carol Gray and Norm and Jean Engman are talking about doing a sequel option to Calgary. August 2001—Oregon Coast; October 2001—in planning stage; December 2001—planning stage; July 2002—Arlington Air Show.

Old Business

- Website—Rod Price reported no new development.
  - Club Secretary reported renewal notices had been sent and currently we have 175 members. However, 20 of those have not renewed and will be considered nonmembers as of the end of November. The club is required to make a membership report to FMCA by the end of December. Secretary Jones also reported 11 packets had been sent from contacts made at the Mt. Hood International rally and new members Gibbs, attending this rally, were from that group.
  - Newsletter deadline: November 12th. Pictures always needed for the newsletter. Please send them to Jack Cupples.
  - Western States—Carol Baxter reported no new dates have been set. March or April, 2001 rally will be either in California or Nevada.
  - GMC International—Outgoing representative George Baxter reported on the Mt. Hood International rally and thanked the attending Cascaders for their help and support. There were 59 Cascader coaches attending. Incoming representative Carol Baxter reported that during the Mt. Hood rally the Cascaders managed to surprise the Diers with a 59th anniversary party and not one of the 117 invitees leaked a word. Upcoming rallies: April 1-7, 2001—the Oasis RV Park, Las Vegas, NV. September 23-29, 2001—Niagra Falls area, Grand Isle, NY. Spring, 2002—East Texas. Fall, 2002—Wyoming or South Dakota. Spring, 2003—Alabama or Florida. Fall, 2003—Wisconsin or Michigan. Spring, 2004—Las Vegas or California. Fall, 2004—Kentucky or Tennessee.
  - FMCA—Representative Ken Wilson had no report.
- NEW BUSINESS—Elaine Fry initiated discussion regarding the large balance in the treasury. Pris Hardin reported the club was going to be ordering flags, decals, signs, software and there would also be website expenses that would be coming out of the treasury. Vice-President Jones also noted we had just completed renewals and that is why we have such a balance.
- VP Jones asked that first time rally attendees see him for their club photo.



- George Baxter reported he had photo copies of the Cascader attendees from the International rally.

Group photo will be taken right after meeting.

Adjournment (M/S/P) Bill Hardin / Carl Hove

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Cassandra Jones, Secretary.

## Cascader Email Directory

*Our GMC Cascader News Email Directory reports email addresses of newcomers on the internet and changes to existing email addresses. Please adjust your current roster to reflect the changes listed below.*

NOTE: We have an interesting problem developing. Several of our members are acquiring two (2) email addresses per household. It is tough trying to fit two email addresses onto our membership roster printout; therefore, we plan to publish the second email address just once in the newsletter. The roster will continue to show just one email address per coach. If you have a preference as to which address is to be your primary email address, please tell Cass.

### CHANGES!

Hardin, Pris & Bill ..... prisbill@earthlink.net  
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 Mast, Jack & Doris ..... dormast@netscape.net  
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### NEW ADDRESS!

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### PLEASE!!! PLEASE!!! PLEASE!!!

*If you would like to add yourself to the list or make a change in your existing listing, SEND YOUR INFORMATION TO BOTH:*

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*AND to:*  
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### Accessing GMC "Sister" Clubs?

Use email and the web as follows:

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 GMC M Internat. website ..... www.gmcmi.com  
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IN MEMORIAM

## Jim Scolman

Jim suffered a heart attack on September 2, 2000 and died on the eighth. He and Sheryl had recently moved to Twentynine Palms, CA. We will miss Jim.

Sheryl reports that she plans to maintain her membership in the club for the coming year. She writes, "Our memories of all of you are treasured and I hope our paths will cross again." Sheryl will stay in California to be closer to their family.

## Snowbird Snail Mail Policy

We regret that we cannot send mail directly to Cascaders at their winter addresses. Keeping track of just who hits the road when and when they return could create all manner of confusion. Please be patient with us, therefore, when your winter issues arrive slowly via your mail forwarding system. Thank you.

## ERRATA

In the last issue of the newsletter, the list of Cascaders attending the Fidalgo Bay rally omitted the drive-in members who arrived in their cars. Omitted were:

Ed and Louise Blaise  
 Elsie Estridge  
 Daryl and Mary Wilson  
 and Jerry and Pam Eerkes

Sorry, friends. I have added your names to the archived roster of attendees.

## Editor's Note:

We now have two or three interesting "travelogue" stories written by Cascaders about their individual wanderings in their GMC's. The stories are not only good reading but they contain some very useful ideas for trips that other members might take.

Since one of our stated goals is to foster the enjoyment of our GMC coaches, wouldn't it be fun to include these stories on our web site? Perhaps copies might be available at rallies for members who don't have access to the internet.

Let's discuss this at a future business meeting.

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### Cascader Party at Mt. Hood

The Cascaders, 117 strong, gathered in the large tent at GMC International at Mt. Hood on September 21st for a surprise party to celebrate the 59th wedding anniversary of Glenn and Ruth Diers.

Four large tables carried the food, and two tables sparkled with decorated cakes, flowers and balloons. The party has been referred to as the

"Miracle at Mt. Hood" based on the fact that 117 people kept quiet about it and Glenn and Ruth were totally surprised.

The Diers are long time, faithful members of the Cascaders and they both are past officers of the group. Everyone had a wonderful time planning the party and sharing this anniversary with Glenn and Ruth.

### RALLY SCHEDULE 2000-1

DATES	LOCATION	SITE	Hosts
<b>Cascaders</b>			
Dec. 1-3	Cannon Beach, OR	Cannon Beach RV	Baxters, Diers, Jones, Ragsdales, Frys
<b>Cascaders</b>			
Feb. 2001	Washington coast?	TBA	TBA
<b>Western States</b>			
March 18-23	Palm Desert, CA	Emerald Desert Resort	
<b>Cascaders</b>			
May 3/4-6	Boardman, OR	Rolling Rally	Hardins, Bovees, Millers
<b>Cascaders</b>			
Jun. 2001	BC (and Alberta?)	Rolling Rally <i>Details later</i>	Allens and Irelands

*We need rally hosts. Call DJ Eberhart and volunteer! ...fellow hosts will appear!*