



GMC CASCADER RALLY MINUTES

LOCATION: Cannon Beach, Oregon December 07, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 0915 by the President, Lawrie Paradis.

Hosts / Helpers: Lawrie thanked everyone on the board for hosting and putting together a great rally. Everyone had a great time and the weather was wonderful.

New Members/First Rally: Lawrie welcomed new members, John and Leah Behan.

Visitors: Joan Hawkinson (Mary Gibson's sister) and Lou (Michael Cummins mother). Also welcomed guest were Vess, Michelle and Cyrus Fitz. They showed up with their GMC motor home at the RV Park and were surprised to see our group present. Several people shared their knowledge and encouraged their involvement in our club.

Secretary Report: Jackie Jones read the minutes from the previous meeting. Jackie requested approval of the previous minutes as published and corrected. The minutes were approved by George Baxter moved 1st, Jerry Work moved 2nd. The minutes were accepted. We have 138 memberships presently, 24 memberships not paid as of this date.

Treasurer Report: Mary Gurtler reported that we now have all chapter funds in one account with Bank of America. The present amount in the account is \$8,951.79. Out in deposits is \$659.40. Membership renewal dues continue to come in.

First Vice President Report: (Historian) Mary Gibson requested if anyone would please let her know of any member's illnesses, surgeries, etc. Get wells were or will be sent to Frank Taber, Walt Ovens, Terry Morris, Elaine Fry and Ken & Jean Wilson.

Second Vice President Report: (Wagon Master) Virginia Paradis talked about the upcoming rallies for 2009. The following are the scheduled rallies at this time:

DATE	LOCATION	RALLYMASTER(S)
February 13, 14, 15, 2009	Vancouver RV Park Vancouver, WA.	The Price's
April 24, 25, 26, 2009 ? or 1 st weekend in May?	White Rock, B.C. Canada	The Jacobson's
June 12, 13, 14, 2009	Deming Logging Show Burlington, WA.	The Paradis
September 11, 12, 13, 2009 ?	Two Rivers Casino Roosevelt Lake, WA.	The Olson's
October 2009	Eagle Tree RV Park Poulsbo, WA.	Mary Gibson Mary Gurtler Jackie Jones
December 4, 5, 6, 2009	Christmas Rally, T.B.D.	The Executive Board
October, 2010	Balloon Festival Prosser, WA.	The Eberhart's

Rod Price discussed the February rally in Vancouver in February. He stated that there will be three seminars for all members attending. #1 - use of the internet (providing WiFi is available at

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the RV park), #2 - interior renovations of the coach, #3 - how to host a rally. Also suggested, and a possible seminar, will be GMC Cascader's, the historical aspect. Thursday arrivals will enjoy a potluck for supper.

Webmaster Report: Tony Wright discussed the major changes that have taken place with the GMC Cascader website. The website now has a new look with more links and information. There will also be an addition of more merchandise on the link with pictures of some items taken at this rally that will be posted. Also links to other clubs will be added and in the future, presently in the works, is a GMC Cascader bulletin board. This will be an area, by invitation only, for all members to communicate with each other and to post information. Tony stated he received the input from the GMC Cascader's questionnaire that was sent out to the membership and he will be looking into members suggestions.

Western States: Sharon Work gave a report about the upcoming Western States rallies. April 22 – 27, 2009, will be in Palm Desert, CA. (Emerald Desert RV Resort). October 16 – 21, 2009, will be in Hemet, CA. (Golden Village Palms). Sharon reported that Western States are looking at places to hold future rallies and would like to consider areas available outside of California. If you have any ideas please let her know.

GMC International: George Baxter reported that the next GMC International spring rally will be in Dothan, Alabama, March 22 – 27, 2009. The fall rally will be Pueblo, Colorado, September 20 – 25, 2009. He encouraged attendance to this rally as it not being too far to consider going.

FMCA: Jerry Work reported about improvements and changes that are taking place in the organization. The Northwest and National organization has new leadership. He also encouraged others to attend FMCA conventions, stating that the average age of a coach that attend the conventions is 10 years old. Also FMCA is our liability insurance for the club and MedEx is a great benefit offered through FMCA. He stated that the GMC motor home is the largest single group in FMCA. The FMCA Northwest Rally will be June 4-7, 2009, in Albany, Oregon.

Old Business: Jackie Jones read through the results of the GMC Cascader's questionnaire that was sent to the membership. The results hold a lot of valuable information and input from the members of the club. Approximately 60 people (almost ½ the membership) responded and Jackie thanked everyone for completing and sending back their questionnaires. The results are now available on the GMC Cascader website and the questionnaire results were also sent out to members without email.

New Business: A member brought up a question about the chapter First Aid kit and the location of it? The Paradis' currently have it in their coach. A member question was brought up, "what coach will we store or utilize the defibrillator, if and when we purchase one"? This is an ongoing discussion, concerning the use and the purchase of one. A show of hands from members present was requested of who has current First Aid/CPR certification. Approximately 10 people raised their hands.

A discussion was held about the GMC Cascader trailer, what we want to do with it and where do we want to store it. It was stated, that it has become a hassle to bring the trailer to rallies and that most items are brought in someone's coach instead. Jerry Work suggested and put a motion on

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the table that we, #1, offer it for sale to the membership, #2, if not bought by a member, sell or donate it, then #3, just do away with it. Carol Baxter 2nd the motion. Members approved.

A suggestion was put forth to perhaps put on a bumper box on a coach to carry the items to a rally. Terry Skinner stated he would look at what it would take to do this.

Bill Guise discussed the blacklist. He reminded everyone that it is name the blacklist as the list was first put together by some by the name of Roger Black. He reported that he is working with Bill Massey on the national Black List and attempting to update it. He said their will be a link in the future through our website. An interest form was given to members who would like to sign up to be on the list.

A suggestion was put forth about a new coffee pot for the club. This was tabled for further discussion.

Terry Skinner stated that an inventory of Denny Allen's estate of his GMC parts has been done and that they are looking at selling the inventory of items in one big lot. Terry raised the request, if any members are interested in going together in a consortium in placing a bid on the inventory. If you would like more information concerning this project, please contact him.

Lawrie Pardis adjourned the meeting at 1050.

1st motion: George Baxter

2nd motion: Jerry Work

Minutes submitted by: Jaclyn Jones ~ Secretary

ATTENDEES:

George & Carol Baxter	Carl & Helen Hove
John & Leah Behan	Paul & Jackie Jones
Michael Cummins	Tony & Sandra Lammi
D.J. & Barbie Eberhart	Don & Joni McKeta
Vess & Michelle Fitz	Terry & Gloria Morris
Jeff Fraisure & Mary Gurtler	Lawrie & Virginia Paradis
Ted & Jackie Freemire	Rod & Maurrie Price
Don & Mary Gibson	Noble Warrant & Sharon Cummins
John & Vera Gruenwald	Jerry & Sharon Work
Bill & Peggy Guise	Tony Wright & Lynne Wilson