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July Outing at Nancy Connor's and Jim Schols' Home July 8-10

Four rigs pulled into the Bow home of Nancy and Jim on Friday afternoon. What a wonderful setting for a fun week-end. We of course had happy hour while we got reacquainted with each other and then it was off to the Edison Inn for a wonderful dinner and of course more beer.

Saturday morning found the group off to the home of Tom and Cheryl Stewart in Bellingham to find treasures that they no longer needed because of course us women can never have enuf stuff. The boys spent a lot of time in Tom's garage drooling and left with some toys for there garages. Then back to Bow for happy hour and a wonderful potluck. The hosts provided salmon caught by Jim in Alaska and Nancy cooked up some oysters for those who would dare to eat them. After dinner we played LRC and the Mumaw's introduced a new game called Pass the Ace. We were a noisy bunch for sure.





Sunday morning found us all enjoying a delicious breakfast prepared by Nancy and Jim. Tom and Sharon brought out the bean bag baseball game and introduced it to our hosts. They both played like pros. Boys against girls and the boys didn't have a chance. Another one in the bucket for the girls!! Nothing new there!

We had wonderful weather the entire week-end and enjoyed sitting on the deck visiting. I think summer has finally arrived. A **BIG** thank you to Jim and Nancy for having us all! *Dianne Mumaw*



August Milestones

Birthdays:

- Mickie Ball – 21st*
- Mark Covey – 29th*
- Frank Kukuk – 10th*
- Margot Majewski – 9th*
- Douglas Mumaw – 10th*
- Karen Nardinger – 27th*
- Sue O'Brien – 4th*
- Vicki Perry – 24th*
- Jim Schols-14th*
- Gay Streets- 19th*
- Tom Sullivan – 11th*

Anniversaries:

- Archer- 31st*
- Bastys – 1st*
- Davenports – 12th*
- Hillstrom-20th*
- Hinds – 23rd*
- Paulson – 26th*
- Stern – 26th*
- Washburn – 31st*

2011 GNR Hillbilly Jamboree



Eight San Juanderer coaches drove to Forest city, Iowa to attend the 2011 Grand National Rally, joining up with six other Washington state coaches. Several coaches caravanned together from Washington, meeting many others in Sioux Falls to travel together to the rally grounds in Forest City.

The Ward's, Rodewald's, Kukuk's and Slye's spent six nights in Rapid City, SD and enjoyed sight-seeing in the area. They traveled the Needle's Highway and the Badlands by car, spent a day at Mt. Rushmore walking around the base, listened to the ranger talk and enjoyed a meal. They saw a huge buffalo herd at Custer State park. The cows and their calves sauntered down the road in front of traffic, causing a lengthy slowdown and a spectacular sight!

The Henderson's and the Nardinger's caravanned together, taking a different route through Wyoming, Colorado and Nebraska. They met up with the rest of the group in Sioux Falls. They went to Rocky Mountain National Park, in Colorado, driving to 11,000 feet by car. In Rawlins, Wyoming, Karen was walking her dogs at a campground when she saw a woman open her RV door and throw out some dry dog food to entice her 150+ pound pink pig down the steps of the doorway. She then hooked it up to a leash for a walk in the park.

The Everest's and the Loomis' each came on their own routes, one through Yellowstone and one visiting friends along the way in Nebraska.

The old timers helped the first timers choose pre rally events to attend. They went to the Amish tour, the quilt tour, the Norwegian Heritage Museum, and the Bily Clocks museum. Cheryl, Jodie and Karen took the women on wheels driving class and Karen learned new recipes at a cooking class in Forest city. The rally started on Sunday evening with the big news being the excessive heat with the heat index about 114 degrees! In spite of the hot sun and heat, several Washington attendees walked in with the state flag all wearing green shirts in honor of the Evergreen state.

The Washington state row decoration was a hillbilly “porch” which was prepared and assembled by group effort.



On Monday the San Juanderers were joined by several other Washingtonians and played Bean Bag Baseball in the sunshine and heat.



After three rounds, Washington won the National Bean Bag Championship beating Iowa, Tennessee and then finally Illinois

Our local chapter also won second place for our newsletter and our website. Thanks to Erik for submitting them to be judged.

The rally continued for the whole week with entertainment, seminars and activities. On Tuesday evening were the "row parties". The San Juanderers, with help from other Washingtonians, prepared three roaster pans of their famous clam chowder which is a big hit every year. After the rally, folks left, some continuing on east and some headed home. *Mary Everest*

JULY 2011 MEETING MINUTES

President Erik Ward called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM on July 17th at GNR in Forest City, Iowa. There were eight San Juanderer coaches at the Rally with thirteen members in attendance at the meeting.

Presidents Report:

Erik Ward thanked everyone for coming. He spoke about the Presidents' Meeting that he attended earlier at GNR. Bob Olson was moved up to the Chairman position and got his first motorhome. They spoke about Winnebago acquiring Sunnybrook Trailers and that they are quality units. They will have the "W" on the side. Earlier the chapter presidents had been asked to check with their members about having the Sunnybrook owners at the rallies. Our group thought it was a good idea.

Secretary:

There was a motion to accept the previous minutes as published in the Whale's Tale; it was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Karen Nardinger reported the following amounts in the accounts;
Checking: \$ 2,187.29 (This amount will be reduced to pay for the merchandise that Ted has been selling.)

Charity: \$ 763.06

Membership/Savings: \$ 861.17

Karen requested that everyone be careful of spending additional money at outings that is not recouped at that outing. If possible, those in attendance should be the ones paying for the meals.

Membership: There were no changes in membership this month.

Sunshine: "Speedy Recovery" cards were sent to Gene Bastys, Dick Paulson and Sandy Bathurst.

Merchandise: Ted Hinds was not at the meeting but all agreed that he is doing a great job.

Charity: There was no report.

Newsletter:

Steve has a picture and story for the newsletter and Mary Everest is writing up a short story on GNR. We need to be aware of any items of interest to be added to the newsletter for this and future months.

Outing and Vice President's report: No items to report.

Ex-President's committee: There was no report.

Old Business: None was presented.

New Business:

Helen Hesketh asked Erik to pass on to our members the forms for the State Rally registration and the craft completion which will be sent in an email. The Evergreen Winnies are making a picture wall for State for the "Memories are Made of This" theme and are asking for pictures of past rallies to post to the wall. The Suncatchers have the parking assignment at the rally and do not have enough members attending to handle the task. We may be asked to help.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: Those celebrating in July were acknowledged.

Good of the Order:

The next business meeting will be held at the Anacortes Arts Festival in Oak Harbor.

There was a motion to adjourn; it was seconded and approved. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Rodewald, Secretary pro tem



North Whidbey Island Agenda August 5-7

If members have signed up for the outing but have not made a reservation with the park they need to do so asap!! We will need to release the sites if we do not need them.

- Thursday , Aug 4: 4:00 PM Happy Hour
Dinner on your own
- Friday, Aug 5: 4:00 PM Happy Hour
6:00 PM Hamburger BBQ, buns, meat,
cheese and condiments provided
Please bring a side dish or dessert and
own table service
Weather permitting...S'mores at the fire pit
- Saturday Aug. 6: Lots of things to do.....
Anacortes Arts Festival
Deception Pass Boat Tour (we can get a group
rate if several want to go)
Explore LaConner
4:30 pm: Business Meeting (this will be very brief!!)
Happy Hour

Dinner on your own.....
- Sunday Aug. 7: Rolls and juice in the rec room.....

2011 San Juanderers Outing Schedule

August 4-7, 2011

Anacortes Arts Festival: North Whidbey RV Park 565 W. Corner Bay Road, Oak Harbor, Wa. 98277
Telephone: 360-675-9597 (Must make your own Reservations)
Hosts: Ken and Eileen Barrett/ Jim Schols and Nancy Connor
Sign-Ups as of 6/21/11: Archer, Mumaw, Stapleton, Paulson, Hinds, Hillstrom, Stewart, Bathurst, Ronning, Majewski, Hoegemeyers, Williamson, Williamson, Barrett, Schols/Connor
Total: 15 Coaches

Sept. 15-18 , 2011

Washington State Rally, Lynden. Wa., (Whatcom County Fairgrounds)
Hosts: Wash-I-Bago State Club
Sign-Ups as of 6/21/11: Archer, Waldron, Henderson, Hinds, Rodewald, Schols/Conner, Jackson, Nardinger, Mumaw, Ward, Washburn, Hillstrom, Paulson, Ronning, Stapleton, Stern, King, Atkinson, Hoegemeyer, Slye, Bathurst, Ziegler, Phillips
Total: 23 Coaches

October 13-16, 2011

Olde Stone Village RV Park, 4155 Three Mile Rd. McMinneville, Or.

Telephone: 877-472-4315 (**Must make your own Reservations**)

Hosts: Erik and Jane Ward and Tom and Cheryl Rodewald

Sign-Ups as of 6/21/11: Ward, Loomis, Henderson, Nardinger, Cronin, Ronning, Rodewald, Hillstrom, Stapleton, Stern, Cox, Jackson, Morache, Ziegler, Phillips

Total: 15 Coaches

November 16, 2011

Luncheon: 11:00 A.M. Farmhouse Restaurant, 13724 La Conner Whitney Rd., Mount Vernon, Wa

Hosts: Dave & Joan Ronning

Sign Ups as of 6/21/11: Archer, Waldron, Loomis, Everest, Henderson, Hinds, Ronning, Nardinger, Cronin, Rodewald, Schreiner, Ward, Washburn, Hillstrom, Paulson, Stapleton, Stern, Cox, Atkinson, Ziegler, Basty, Phillips

Total: 44 Individuals

December 2 - 4, 2011

Fidalgo Bay RV Resort, 4701 Fidalgo Bay RD, Anacortes, WA. 98221

Annual Christmas Party

(800)727-5478.)

Must make your own reservations

Hosts: Club Officers.

Sign-Ups as of 6/21/11: Archer, Waldron, Loomis, Everest, Henderson, Hinds, Ronning, Nardinger, Cronin, Rodewald, Schreiner, Ward, Washburn, Hillstrom, Paulson, Stapleton, Stern, Cox, Atkinson, Basty(dinner only)

Total: 40 Individuals 19 Coaches

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