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### 2022 Calendar

#### March 10-13, 2022

Odd-Fellows RV Park,  
Florence, Oregon

Hosts: Frank & Dana  
Suttell

#### May 5-8, 2022

Casey's-on-the-River,  
Westfir, Oregon

Contact: Floyd and Joyce  
Hensley

#### September 19-22, 2022

Lewis and Clark RV Park,  
Astoria, Oregon

Contact: Bev Carrick/Glenda  
Serex

#### November 23-27, 2022

Hee Hee Ilahee, Salem,  
Oregon

Contact: Terry Apple



## President's Corner

We hope this finds everyone well and in good spirits with Christmas coming soon and with the hope that everyone had a great Thanksgiving.

The coming season brings thoughts of a "new" year along with a hope for better things to come. With that new year we already have four rallies scheduled and hope to see you at one or more of them.

Thank you to everyone who attended the ZOOM meeting held in November during which we re-elected President, Vice-president and Treasurer and got a few plans in place for 2022.

Lastly, to our CC family, stay safe and enjoy the holidays.

Joyce



## Officer Contact List

Our Board of Directors is ready to help you at any time !!

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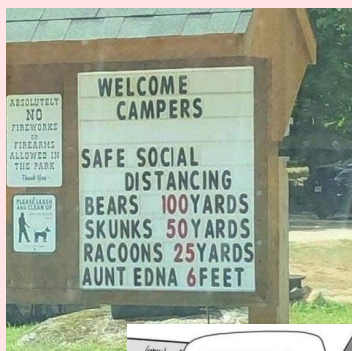
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# Chuckles



They say we can have gatherings with up to eight people without issues. I don't even know eight people without issues.



### Online Membership Photo Directory

Our Member's Directory is a convenient way to put faces with names of our membership. The Directory is available in the Members Only section of our website at: <https://www.nwccers.org/members-only>. Your password is your FMCA number including all capital letters (no spaces) and is case sensitive. You may also download a hard copy from the same area, or if you would like a color, hard copy mailed to you, use the Contact Us form on the web site to request a copy. Include your FMCA number in your request. (Our Directory is available only to current NWCC members.)

### NWCC Website and Facebook

**Website:** NWCC maintains a website at [nwccers.org](https://www.nwccers.org) with current chapter information, copies of the newsletters, rally information and registration as well as a Members Only section with club governing documents, a membership directory and other information. The webmaster contact is: [nwccwebmaster@nwccers.org](mailto:nwccwebmaster@nwccers.org)

**Facebook:** The FaceBook page for Northwest Country Coachers search is: **NorthWest Country Coachers Motor Coach Club**. Many of our members are already friends on this social media site. If you would like to be a part of our Facebook community, please "Like" or "Follow" us.

## A FEW "LINKS" FOR YOU

Interested in becoming a "park-host?"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G30ICZXE-rg>



Here are two articles for those who are planning to travel during the winter months.

[https://10 Winter Camping Items You Shouldn't Travel With-out \(rvlife.com\)](https://10 Winter Camping Items You Shouldn't Travel With-out (rvlife.com))

[https://RV Snowbirding: 10 Tips For Heading South This Winter \(rvlife.com\)](https://RV Snowbirding: 10 Tips For Heading South This Winter (rvlife.com))



[https://5 Unique Christmas Gift Ideas For RVers \(rvlife.com\)](https://5 Unique Christmas Gift Ideas For RVers (rvlife.com))



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HOLY COW!! Here's a good reason to store your rig at home!!

<https://youtu.be/95agV3YcGYQ>



Boy! Does this one ever raise a lot of questions...."Can't this guy read?" "How fast was this guy traveling to get THAT far under the bridge before stopping?" (Thank you, Don and Floyd!)

<https://youtu.be/mHaq15cWiSw>

## FYI

"More parts availability coming soon."

On a recent visit to Oregon Motorcoach Center, I had a conversation with an OMC shop Technician.

OMC is in the process of establishing a Fiberglass Shop with the goal of producing Fiberglass replacement coach parts, like storage bay doors.

There will not be any front or rear Caps produced. Those Molds were too Big for the planned shop space. Those cap Molds were destroyed.

Lee Casebeer"

We've had no rallies this year (or last), so your editor would like to have some stories and/or pictures of what you (our family of Country Coachers) have been or, even better, ARE doing as we continue our individual journeys. If you've found it interesting, entertaining, or informative, please share it with the rest of us.

Please use WORD and/or jpeg (our publishing program doesn't "like" pdf files) for your missives. And, thank you to all who have been such loyal contributors as we've made our way through the pandemic.

Glenda





# Out and About with NorthWest Country Coachers

## **GOOD NEWS!**

We have more tentative dates in place for 2022. **Please put them on your calendars.** If one or more of these events would interest you, please let the “organizers” know so that we can keep them “on-the-books” and plan accordingly. And, if you’d like to help with the details... just get in touch with the “organizers.” **ALL** will be low-key and won’t require a lot of elaborate planning, so join the fun, and if you are so inclined, offer help and/or ideas!



May 5-8 at Casey's.....Floyd and Joyce Hensley

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.More information to follow. This is a change of date for what has been an annual **Fall** “rally” for several years.



September 19-22.....BevCarrick/Glenda Serex



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This event replaces the one in 2021 that had to be canceled because of Oregon’s state mandates. There are 10 sites reserved with a “closing date” of September 1<sup>st</sup>. If this is an event that interests you, please make your reservations for a site at the park before September 1<sup>st</sup>. It will require a telephone call to (503)931-5066 and a credit card number that won’t be used for anything other than to hold your site. Payment will be by cash or check upon your arrival in September. More information will be forthcoming in a future newsletter.



November 23-27.....Terry [Apple--awptyper@gmail.com](mailto:Apple--awptyper@gmail.com)



# ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES



**NorthWest Country Coachers Annual Meeting** via Zoom November 6, 2021.

The Zoom meeting was called to order by Vice President Floyd Hensley at 2:10 p.m.

**Attendance:** 12 Coaches (Gable, Schleuse, Harris, Hensley, Carrick, Beck, Gorton, Serex, Apple, Payne, Allison/McHugh, Suttell)

**Minutes:** The minutes of the October 10, 2020, meeting were approved as read.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Sibylle Beck reported that our membership is 49 coaches, down from 55 last year. The checkbook balance is \$5,648.57, with the only expenses for the year being \$532.89 for our website. There were no rally expenses, and there is \$219 in deposits for future rallies. We normally pay \$400 to the FMCA National Director to cover travel expenses, but Barb Schleuse declined payment this year. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

**FMCA National Director:** Don Schleuse reported that FMCA dues have been reduced to \$50. There is a new National Treasurer who seems to be very conscientious and efficient. The new President and Board are working together much better, and membership is on the positive side. Don's terms will expire after the August 2022 rally. Upcoming rallies are: March 20-26, 2022, Tucson, Arizona August 24-27, 2022, Lincoln, Nebraska June 22-26, 2022, Coos Bay, Oregon

**New Business:** Richard Beck moved to eliminate dues for one year to all members of record on November 6, 2021. Following discussion, the motion was carried.

**Elections:** The following slate of officers were unanimously elected for 2-year terms: President Joyce Hensley Vice President Floyd Hensley Treasurer Sibylle Beck

**Upcoming Rallies:** March 10-13, 2022, Florence, Oregon Dana will contact the Oddfellows RV Park to see what their restrictions are for this rally. Suggestions were made for places to hold future rallies. Bev Carrick will contact Lewis & Clark RV Park in Astoria and try to set up a rally for August 2022. Floyd will arrange for a rally at Casey's in Westfir for May 2022. Other suggestions were made for possible rally sites, but members would need to volunteer to host. Some suggestions were: Blue Ox RV Park, Albany; Midway RV Park, Centralia; Osprey Point; Lakeside; Emigrant Lake, Ashland; Seven Feathers RV Park, Canyonville; Bay Point Landing, Coos Bay. Terry Apple said she is willing to host if a rally if it is held near her home. Otherwise, she will be happy to help with registrations, computer work, or whatever else she can do remotely. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bev Carrick Secretary

# IN THE NEWS

*Hi Glenda,  
Pretty serious flooding when you have to bring out the Coast Guard to rescue campers? One would not want to be parked near the park's high water mark.  
Cheers,  
Herb*

## **NEWS from November floods in Neskowin, Oregon**

**U.S. Coast Guard crews helped rescue 20 people and three dogs Friday trapped by floodwaters in the Neskowin Creek RV Resort just off Highway 101 in Tillamook County, Oregon. High water blocked the one road in and out of the park. By 2 p.m., the Coast Guard said its crews rescued 12 people and three dogs, some by helicopter. Other agencies assisted another eight people. Officials say a mudslide remains a threat.**



Thanks for this one Floyd! It's a great reminder that our coaches have a similar "profile," so a high wind is definitely not a "friend" to Country Coachers

A trucker lived to tell the tale after tipping onto a railing and nearly falling off of a bridge in Washington state (Deception Pass) during high winds on Monday.





## A Journey with Surprises

As the summer was coming to a close, our anticipation grew. This Fall's road-trip to Indianapolis Motor Speedway was eagerly planned and we were ready to begin. The first leg would be a 7-day, 2,130-mile trip to the venue. The plan included friends & family visits along the way with my partner, Karen. Then 7 nights of dry camping at the race-track & a 7 night return. The 600 watts of solar panels & sunny days would provide power to operate the residential refrigerator. Still running the "Genset" an hour morning & night would be required to maintain the deep-cycle house batteries adequately charged.

This was the second time in 3 years that the **Sports Car Club of America** held their weeklong championship races on the two and a half mile Indy road-course. Over 900 competitors from all over the U.S. would be competing for 26 national amateur road racing championships. The cars ranged from strictly regulated street cars with safety items; roll cages, fire suits, arm & neck restrains, & helmets, to fully configured racing machines.

In 40+ years of being a **SCCA** member, this would be Lee's 10<sup>th</sup> year of attending this annual event since his 2005 retirement. In Lee's opinion, he has the best view of the races as a Flagging & Communicator (**F&C**) volunteer at one of the many flag stations situated around a twisty road racecourse. On a road course configuration, the command/control center cannot see the entire course. The **F&C** people keep the command center informed of what is happening during the race. If there is a need for emergency vehicles the **F&C** people can request assistance. At the same time the **F&C** people communicate with drivers with a series of flags that have specific meanings.

With the coach fully stocked, we headed east. Our first **SURPRISE** was that we were not achieving the travel arrival times displayed on the GPS navigator. Lee finally realized the travel times shown on the GPS are based on travel at the legal speed limits, which, in many mid-west states, is 80 mph. Our coach's best fuel consumption is at 65 mph. So, we were being passed by everything from 80,000 lb., 18 wheelers to aging gray haired ladies in VW Beetles.

The next **SURPRISE** was the coach needed 10 oz. of engine coolant every 500 miles. Investigation discovered a leak in the Hurricane hydronic heating furnace. Repair shop wait times were many weeks out so, the furnace coolant flow got by-passed. Now the main coach heat source would be the overhead heat pumps, when plugged into shore power or running the "Genset." We also had a small oil heater to take the chill off the Midwest fall nights. Our 7 nights in Indianapolis were warm enough that no heater was needed.



After a fun filled, hectic week of race activities which involved getting up at 6:00 AM for 7:00 AM crew meeting, being on the track from 8 to 6, joining everyone for an evening "social" and then heading for bed to do it all again the next day.



The return trip started well with a relaxing night on the banks of the Mississippi River watching freight barges on the river. Then there were two nights spent at the farm of Minnesota friends for visit and to watch the corn & soybean harvesting. Another pleasant **SURPRISE** was Lee's adventure as a farmhand. After a quick orientation on farm tractor operations, the friend trusted Lee with hauling grain wagons to the nearby storage elevator.



Our next stop was a visit with an Air Force Buddy in Lincoln, Nebraska, where he and Lee enjoyed reminiscing about some of the craziest memories of their time together in Spain. The next leg of the trip moved us further west on I-80 toward Cheyenne. In dozens of past travels on I-80, a visit to Cheyenne had never happened. This time, it was fortunate that it did. Upon returning from a walk around town, **SURPRISE!** We noticed a large pool of engine coolant under the coach. We quickly located a nearby service shop and to our further **SURPRISE**, within 3 hours after our arrival the coach was in the shop getting a diagnosis.



The radiator had a pinhole in it. Another local shop qualified to do the repairs did not have an opening until late November, but there was a shop 60 miles south in Loveland, Colorado, which could further diagnosis the problem in a week. The Big question, how do we get there?? The Cheyenne shop technician suggested putting a tablespoon of Black Pepper in the coolant. We did that & went to a nearby RV park to spend the night while testing the Black Pepper theory. Sure enough, the leak had stopped. Off to Loveland we went to stay for the weeklong wait. The Loveland shop could not find the radiator leak though the tech saw signs of where it had been leaking. The timeframe to get the radiator out & repaired was 3 to 4 weeks. So, we decided to add some more coolant to stop the leak and return to Oregon, where the coach had an appointment in Junction City to have the radiator (and many other items on the almost 200,000-mile coach) fixed. The radiator has not leaked a drop of coolant since the addition of the Cheyenne black pepper.





And here is one last parting **SURPRISE** that we discovered during the previous **SURPRISE**. There is a highly recognized RV repair shop in Frederick, Colorado, north of Denver. Their name is TransWest and are known for their quality motor coach repairs. But.... they do not work on coaches over 10 years old!!! So that eliminated our 2001 Intrigue. The owner of Stan's Automotive Repair in Loveland, where the second diagnosis was done, said that this age limit is becoming more prevalent in the RV repair industry. Oh, I did forget to mention that Stan's shop rate is twice the industry standard!! And why, you ask? **SURPRISE!!!** It is because they can!! Stan's has long wait times & many coaches sitting around needing service.

**Happy & Safe Travels,**

**Lee Casebeer**, 2001, 36 ft. Intrigue, approaching 200k miles of Happy Travels!

<https://www.transwest.com/rv/service/>



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## Winter Rally

March 10-13, 2022

Jessie T Jones Odd Fellows RV Park

4906 S Jetty Road, Florence, OR

If you want to break up your winter blues, join us at Jessie T Jones Odd Fellows RV Park in Florence, OR, in March. This park is on the Oregon Coast Dunes. You can relax with good friends and explore the area.

Frank and Dana Suttell will be hosting for this rally and it will be a "Feed Your Friends" event. The plan is to pair members up to cook one of the meals. Just come and enjoy good company, puzzles, conversation and, weather permitting, some area touring. See the rally form in the newsletter as well as online.



You need to register with the Club for the rally. The Park will collect your camping fees. If you pay with cash or check they request exact payment in an envelope when you arrive. If you would like to use a charge card, please call them 72 hours before to make the transaction. The nightly rate is \$40.00, including all taxes. There is also a refundable deposit (\$5) for the gate key. Please bring cash (\$5) for that deposit. The park is in the trees, so please indicate if you have [satellite](#) TV so they can get you located in a satellite friendly site. The rally fee will be \$10.00 for members and \$20.00 for non-members. Once we have our final numbers, we will pair coaches up and you will be able to prepare whatever you want. Last year we had a fun and eclectic menu.

Our winter rallies have always been fun, laid back events. This is the club's third time to visit this area and we are looking forward to our return. It's a great area to explore. We hope you will be able to join us.

Frank and Dana Suttell

Hosts



**Winter Rally**  
**March 10-13, 2022**  
**Jessie T Jones Odd Fellows RV Park**  
**4906 S Jetty RD Florence, OR**

Name (s)\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_

[Phone](#)\_\_\_\_\_

Coach Length\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Slides\_\_\_\_\_

Satellite TV\_\_\_\_\_

Pets\_\_\_\_\_

There is no Camping Fee deposit, you will pay the park when you arrive. The Rally Fee is \$10.00 for this rally. Non-Member fee \$20.00

Arrive\_\_\_\_\_Depart\_\_\_\_\_

Send Rally fee check to:

Sybille Beck,

Treasurer, Northwest Country Coachers

4485 River Road S, Salem OR 97302-9744

We will make the reservation at the park for you.

See you there!



# ***NorthWest Country Coachers***

An FMCA Chapter, Chartered September 29, 2007 As a Local Northwest area Country Coach Owner's Club.

## **Membership Application**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Referred By: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver Name \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Pilot Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: (MM/DD) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: (MM/DD) \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary: (MM/DD) \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:**

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phones: Home ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Driver Cell ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Pilot Cell: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Residence Address, if different than mailing:**

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**More Information:**

FMCA # (Enter 'Applied' if applying concurrently) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Country Coach Information:**

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Coach # \_\_\_\_\_

## NWCC Directory for CC Service and Parts

The following companies have been submitted to this directory by our club members. They have been found to be knowledgeable and

Company	Contact	Service
<b>Amazing Creations</b> <a href="https://www.amazingcreationsrv.com">https://www.amazingcreationsrv.com</a>	Scott Adams 1220 Ivy Street Junction City, OR 541-998-1126	Custom cabinets, flooring and general remodeling/upgrades  Amazingcreations1@yahoo.com
<b>Bend RV Repair</b> <a href="https://bendrvrepair.com/">https://bendrvrepair.com/</a>	Jeff Spear 62980 Boyd Acres Rd. Unit A-2 Bend, Oregon 97701, 541-388-5448	Complete RV Repair  Referred: Lee Casebeer & Tom Lowery
<b>Brazel's Performance</b> <a href="https://brazelsrv.com">https://brazelsrv.com</a>	Alan Sanders 3912 Harrison Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531 877-786-1576 Referred by Russell Warren	Alignment, suspension, maintenance, dynamometer, electrical & mechanical repairs shop—50-amp sites and dump
<b>Carrier &amp; Son's RV Service Center</b> Facebook: @Carrier RV Service	Tom & Teresa Carrier 29525 Airport Rd., Eugene, OR 97402 Off: 541-461-1673; Fax 541-461-1674 Referred by: Terry and Les Apple	Skilled service craftsmen are able to handle most of your RV service needs from the smallest job to a major structural rebuild job.
<b>Coach Masters of Bend</b>	Blake 20472 Brandis Ct., Bend, OR 97701 541-330-6863 Coachmasters@bendcable.com	Parts, Service, Repair  coachmasters@bendcable.com
<b>Coach Solutions</b>	3451 Kendra St, Eugene, OR 97404 541-514-9000 Brian Van de Walker	House and Chassis Electrical; Audio/Video, including RTI Remotes. Local service & Fly-in Anywhere USA
<b>Dave Root RV Glass Repair</b> <a href="http://www.daverootrvglassrepair.com/">www.daverootrvglassrepair.com/</a>	Dave Root, Bend, OR 541-280-3612	Reseals, Thermo-Pane windows, all RV side windows
<b>Davis Cabinets</b> <a href="http://www.daviscabinets.com">www.daviscabinets.com</a>	150 E 10 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Junction City, OR 97448 541-998-8778, Shaun Davis	Interior upgrades, cabinetry, window shades
<b>Guaranty RV Center **</b> <a href="http://www.guarantyrv.com">www.guarantyrv.com</a>	So Hwy 99, Junction City, OR 877-463-0067 NWCC exclusive sales dealer NWCC \$25 discount on retail service	Service, Parts, Body Shop and RV Sales
<b>Kaiser Brake and Alignment</b> <a href="http://kaiserbrakealignment.com">kaiserbrakealignment.com</a>	265 Taylor St., Eugene, OR 97402 541-344-5887	Alignment, brakes, tires
<b>K&amp;M Mobile R.V. Repair LLC</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/kmmobilervrepair">https://www.facebook.com/kmmobilervrepair</a>	Kevin Waite (Former Country Coach Service Tech. & Owner) 95430 Noraton Rd., Junction City, OR 97448 541-953-6162 (Cell)	Mobile Repairs, Technical Support  Country Coach Parts kvn.wt.7629@gmail.com
<b>Kustom Coach Works</b>	Bobby Vodden	Custom audio/video installations

Company	Contact	Service
Olstrom Custom Coach LLC	Eric @ 1-520-485-3750 Www.olstromcc.com	Based out of Tucson is mobile to anywhere for repairs
NEW		
<b>Oregon Motorcoach Center **</b>	29417 Airport Rd, Eugene, OR 97402 541-762-1505 Effective 01/03/2012: Current NWCC Badge gets 10% discount on Parts.* Bob Lee, Founder of OMC and NWCC Honorary Lifetime Member	*Present your NWCC badge for discount. You will need verification that your club dues are current. Interior restoration, modifications, remodel, service and parts Fax: 541-762-1509 www.oregonmotorcoachcenter.com
<b>Premier RV Services</b>	Gary - 541-554-3997 Office: 541-998-2640 325 E First Ave, Junction City, OR 97448	Sales - Service - Storage premierrvstorage@gmail.com Referred by: Brian & Kay Case, Bend
<b>RV Glass Solutions</b>	Eugene, OR 888-777-6778 Doug Rutherford – former CC Service Manager www.RVGlassExperts.com	Windshield replacement, glass and windows. Many CC windshields in stock. Call for a referral in your area.
<b>RV Service Pro</b> In the Puget Sound area	Mobile RV Service from Seattle to Olympia. Certified RV service and repair professionals for all your RV service and repairs 253-229-6209 www.rvservicepro.com	They do good work at fair prices. They overhauled my Aquahot for me. Recommended by Fred Dent
<b>Hitch Pro &amp; Tow</b>	4701 West 11th Avenue Eugene, OR 97402 (541) 434-2403 Ken Banyard, Sales Manager	Complete service for towed vehicles: base plate installation, wiring, tow bars, braking systems and advice. Recommended by Denny Huffman
<b>Silverleaf Electronics</b>	2472 SW Ferry St., Albany, OR 97322. 888-741-0259, 541-220-5494	Total Coach Monitoring System, Vehicle Monitoring System www.silverleafelectronics.com
<b>Specialty Crate, Inc</b> <b>Logistics Division</b>	41 North Danebo Ave. Eugene, OR 97402 Randy Stout 541-689-8840	Country Coach parts – chassis, body and house.
<b>Splendide (Westland Sales)</b>	15650 SE 102 <sup>nd</sup> Ave., Clackamas, OR 97015 503-655-2563	Washing machine repairs
<b>Specialty Marine and RV</b> 503-678-6501	Tom Dinsmore 20781 Olmstead Road NE Aurora, OR 97002	Diesel-powered coaches only Custom Accessories, Installations, Repairs and Services
<b>Washington Auto Carriage</b>	Terry Fout, General Manager 5301 E. Broadway, Spokane Valley, WA 99211	24 Hour Emergency Mobile Service: (509) 534-9358