

NEWSLETTER
JULY, 1993

GMC CASCADERS

CANADIAN RALLY JUNE 19-23, 1993

A note from host Denny Allen stated it was a super rally with sunshine 4 out of the 5 days. "Yes, I'll do it again!" he said in his letter. "I enjoyed arranging and leading everyone through this rally. I didn't know this was the Cascaders first moving rally. Everyone followed their instructions and got to the right place at the end of the day."

A report on the rally was submitted by roving reporters Elaine Fry, Ruth Diers and Becky Ragsdale. It follows.

We had a SUPER rally, with the most thorough directions and suggestions for side tours we have ever had! Denny and Fran Allen, with the help of Bill and Nina Ritchie, did a great job executing this first ever traveling rally. Twenty-nine coaches arrived on Vancouver Island at various times and places. Many enjoyed the sights of Victoria and surrounding places of interest first, then gathered together on the 19th at Sidney where we all enjoyed an excellent potluck dinner.

Sunday Morning, everyone enjoyed the lovely scenic drive to Chemainus to view the murals painted throughout the city. On Monday, some chose to play golf and others went on the boat cruise from Cowichan Bay to Salt Spring Island with lunch at the historic Vesuvius Inn. The evening dinner and entertainment at the Brenton Golf Clubhouse were excellent. Tuesday, we headed for Parksville, enjoying the sights along the way (one was Bungee Jump; Walt Krebs almost tried it when he learned it was free for those over 65). After Parksville, many returned home, while others ventured on, spending many days exploring more of the scenic island.

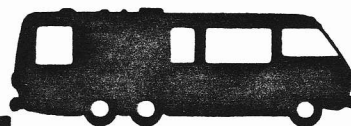
We were informed that enroute to the rally four of our members received framed awards for their outstanding contribution to polluting RV parks and public view points by accidental or careless dumping of their holding tanks. They were also given a white hat showing they are "Dump Tube Novices" and are required to wear their hats and display their award in the windshield while emptying their holding tanks. Should any other Cascader member spot these individuals dumping without displaying their credentials they should be admonished and reminded of their roll in keeping the environment as clean as possible. Check them out, their initials are: D.P., G.P., G.S., and G.D.

FIRST TIMERS: Jake & Dini Spelt joined us for the potluck dinner with their daughter Angelee.

GUESTS: Chuck and Ramona Davenport from Concord, CA (Ramona played the ukelele at Calgary for the new Cascader song, "Oh Lord It's Hard to be Humble When You Own a GMC Motorhome"), which Don Perry composed; also Harriet Brown, Fran Allens mother; and Denny Allens' parents.

Happy 70th Birthday to Doug Cook! and Joe & Jenny Baker celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary! at this rally.

Many thanks go to Doug & Elaine Cook, Millie Mainwood, Ed & Hedy Ulmer, and Al & Kathy Hamilton for their assistance on this rally. A job well done!



Those attending the rally were:

Allen, Denny & Fran
Baker, Joe & Jenny
Baxter, George & Carol
Bell, Andy & Paula Richmond
Bovee, Alan & Margaret
Braden, Bob & Pat
Cook, Doug & Elaine
Davenport, Chuck & Ramona
DeLapp, Dave & Pat
Diers, Glen & Ruth
Fry, Bob & Elaine
Hall, Cecil & Elaine
Hamilton, Al & Kathy
Krebs, Walt & Jerry
Mast, Jack & Doris
Mainwood, Millie

Perry, Don & Luana
Pryde, Gerry & Phyllis
Ragsdale, Ken & Becky
Reed, Ed & Mary
Ritchie, Bill & Nina
Smith, Cliff & Rosemary
Smith, Greg & Sherry
Sunderland, Bud & Joy
Swanson, Ted & Jane
Teeuw, Kryn & Patti
Ulmer, Ed & Hedy
Westphal, Carl & Pearl
Wilson, Daryl & Mary
Wilson, Ken & Jean

FMCA NW REGIONAL RALLY REPORT--May 28-31, 1993

Thanks to Becky and Ken Ragsdale for organizing our chapters contribution of help to this rally held in Puyallup. They and their helpers served 1300 people ice cream and strawberries in 2 hours time! Becky said it was Fun! Thanks to all the helpers, who were:

George & Carol Baxter
Clarence & Elsie Estridge
Gordon & Carol Frydenlund
Dave & Virginia LaFond
Gerry & Phyllis Pryde
Ed & Mary Reed
Bud & Joy Sunderland
Ken & Jean Wilson

Earl & Marley Becker
Bob & Elaine Fry
Bill & Priscilla Hardin
Jack & Doris Mast
Ken & Becky Ragsdale
Jim & Sheryl Scolman
Daryl & Mary Wilson

Also thanks goes to Earl Becker, Ken Ragsdale and Gordon Frydenlund for their help with Security. Glen & Ruth Diers provided door prizes from our chapter. Thanks everyone for all the help!

UPCOMING RALLIES

AUGUST 6-8 : As I write this newsletter, the August rally in Sutherlin, Oregon is in the sign-up phase. Hosts are Ken & Deon Madison and Walt & Jerry Krebs. You should all have received your registration notices.

SEPTEMBER 15-19, Pendleton, Oregon: Registrations should be in by this time. But hosts John & Lauree Miller just wrote a note to say they have a couple tickets left for the rodeo and Happy Canyon show. Contact them if you have had last minute changes and can come. (503-938-5981).

DECEMBER 3-5, Westport, WA--Hosts: Bob and Pat Braden

Our Wagonmaster, Earl Becker, writes the following:

Dear Fellow Cascaders:

Our calendar for 1993 rallies is almost complete. We still need co-hosts and greeters for the December rally. Please volunteer your services if you have not helped on a rally in the last year. You will find it rewarding making friends with the people you will be working with.

1994 will be our next project and I would like to get dates and places for most of the year established. Then we can fill in the names of hosts, co-hosts, and greeters who live in the general area of the rallies.

I would like some input on places where we can have the rallies, preferably a place that has not been used before.

The success of our rallies will depend on the support of all of our members. Please volunteer.

Sincerely,
Earl Becker, Wagonmaster 503-220-0570

SEE LAST PAGE FOR 1994 RALLY SCHEDULE WITH SUGGESTED DATES. PLEASE BRING WITH YOU TO THE AUG AND SEPT RALLYS

GMC TIPS Sent in by Jim Travis

EXHAUST SYSTEM: Your tail pipe has a sharp right angle. This restricts the exhaust flow. Have your muffler shop make you a tail pipe out of 3" pipe. This will increase your air flow through the right angle turn. Also ask him to bend the pipe carefully so that you don't get any crimps in the pipe.

SQUEAKS: As you drive down the highway have someone locate the squeaks and spray them with some silicone.

CARPET: Before you recarpet your motorhome attach 1/2" plywood around your seat pedestals. Round the corners and edges with a file. Now you can staple the carpet to the pedestals instead of gluing.

FOR SALE DEPARTMENT

Electronic Gauges With Alarm: Monitor your GMC Oil pressure, engine and transmission temperature and battery voltage. Moving LED's and Alarm. \$179.95 + \$5.00 S&H. Free "Digi Panel" brochure. Write Jim Travis, W. 1911 Courtland, Spokane, WA 99205 or call between 10 A.M. & 6 P.M. 509-325-5270 or after 9 P.M. 327-0314

Seven Chrome Wheels with 9.50 x 16.5 Michelin tires. \$1000.00 Call Andy Bell at 206-938-2355

1978 Royale; Rear twins, dry bath and all other goodies. New Zip-dee awnings; new paint job. \$27,500.00. Contact Rod Vosgien, 9482 Silvercreek Lane NW, Bremerton, WA 98310. Telephone: 206-692-2461

Health Forces Sale! 1975 GMC Glenbrook 26'; 455 c.i. 59K+ miles. Second owner. Clean, well-maintained, garaged, new air-heat, 3-way refrig, micro, new rear bed, custom paint, tinted windows, screen door, original upholstery, new carpet, color T.V., window blinds, front window cover, pod, 6 K.W. Onan, CB Radio, cruise control, wheel covers, etc. \$23,500. O.B.O. Contact Rene and Dick Friedli, 206-723-1369

1973 Sequoia 23' Side bath, 56K miles, Price: \$16,500. Contact: George Baxter at 206-463-9045.

Six Used 8.75 x 16.5 XCA D rated Michelin on Radial rated 16.5 in. GMC steel wheels. \$150.00 for all 6. Call Chuck Baker 503-244-5924

LOST AND FOUND DEPARTMENT

Someone who worked at the Puyallup rally left their red corduroy GMC Cascader hat (found on top of a stage-side tree in the pavillion). Contact Becky Ragsdale at 206-854-1642

1994 GMC Cascaders
Rally Schedule

February, 1994

Date: 11, 12, 13
Place:
Hosts:
Co-Hosts:
Greeters:

April, 1994

Date: 8, 9, 10
Place:
Hosts:
Co-Hosts:
Greeters:

May, 1994

Date: 6, 7, 8 (Mother's day weekend)
Place: Walla Walla, Washington
Hosts: Weil and Sharon Muxlow
Co-Hosts: John and Lauree Miller
Greeters:

June, 1994

Date: 19, 20, 21
Place:
Hosts:
Co-Hosts:
Greeters:

August, 1994

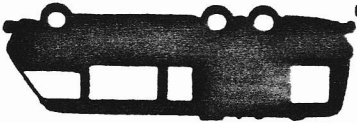
Date: 19, 20, 21
Place:
Hosts:
Co-Hosts:
Greeters:

October, 1994

Date: 14, 15, 16
Place:
Hosts:
Co-Hosts:
Greeters:

December, 1994

Date: 2, 3, 4
Place:
Hosts:
Co-Hosts:
Greeters:



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