

# OREGON RV CAMPERS ASSOCIATION

## October 2025 Newsletter

### *"The Drifter"*



"Our mission is to promote in Oregon an RV/Camping organization that creates friendships and education for members as well as goodwill and charitable experiences in our communities."

**Check out our website: [camporca.org](http://camporca.org)**

Hello,

Happy Halloween and Happy Fall to all !! The weather has suddenly changed and it's almost time to get the fireplace lit for ambiance and warmth. We do love this time of year when the colors of red and orange are popping out on the trees, and we can finally get our sweatshirts out of the closet again.

We are going camping this coming week with our chapter, the Layovers. We will be at Barton Park for three nights, which is a grueling drive of seven minutes from our home. That won't even be enough time for the engine to warm up. Hahahaha! We're hoping that the weather is decent enough for us to get out and enjoy our time together. Hopefully I'll have some photos of our antics for next month's Drifter.

As our time as State Directors is coming to an end, we have been reflecting on all of the fun and cherished new friends we have made over the past four years. Planning and organizing the ORCA rally each year was a lot of fun, including making decorations and printing themed game materials for Trivia and Bunco. The Drifter was always a challenge, trying to find enough useful content, but we hope you've enjoyed it. In a way, we are going to miss being State Directors, but it's time to pass the torch to someone new who can introduce fresh ideas and continue the purpose of keeping us all together. If your chapter has not yet submitted your State Director nomination form to our Treasurer, please do so soon!

Barb & Bill Taylor

# ~ BOARD OF DIRECTORS ~

State Directors – Barb and Bill Taylor [ORCADirector@outlook.com](mailto:ORCADirector@outlook.com)  
Barb 503-810-7585 Bill 503-740-5147

State Secretary – Steve Moist  
Assistant Secretary/ State Rally Office Manager – Marion Gilkey  
State Treasurer – Connie Morrill  
State Photographer – Dee Veenendaal  
State Newsletter Editor/Publisher – Barb Taylor  
State Rally Ground Coordinator – Tom Gilkey  
State Sound Director – Tom Hansen  
State Chaplain – Clyde Ault  
Past State Directors – John and Holly Monahan  
State Historians – Don and Carol Nedrow  
State Webmaster – Gene Hancock

## Assistant Directors –

John and Holly Monahan ... The Westerners  
Howard and Connie Morrill ... Wy'East Pioneers  
Dale and Dee Veenendaal ... Southern Oregon & SW Valley Coasters  
Tom and Robyn Hansen ... Central Oregon  
Steve and Mabel Moist ... The Capital Gang

MAL (Members At Large) contact – Dee and Dale Veenendaal

Please contact State Director at [ORCADirector@outlook.com](mailto:ORCADirector@outlook.com) if you need to contact any of the Assistant Directors

My favorite outdoor activity is getting my  
Amazon packages at the door and bringing  
them in. 😊



# Chapter Campouts

We are publishing all chapter campout information that is shared with us for 2025. Often times, other chapter members may wish to join you, so this is why we list dates and locations. Once you have your campouts scheduled, please submit the information to [orcadirector@outlook.com](mailto:orcadirector@outlook.com) so that we can include you. This is an important aspect of our organization, so please send your schedule just as soon as possible. In addition, when your “tba’s” are filled in, please let us know so that we can update it.

## LAYOVERS    Contact Kathy 503-267-9081

FEBRUARY- Claim Jumper Clackamas Town Center at noon  
MARCH 12th- Old Spaghetti Factory, Clackamas Town Center 1 pm  
APRIL – ROUND UP 24-27  
MAY - Winchester Bay, arriving May 6th leaving on the 9th. Please call the Resort @ 541-271-0287  
JUNE –ORCA RALLY 25-29  
JULY - CROOKED RIVER 31- AUG 4  
AUGUST- POW WOW 21-24  
SEPTEMBER 15th-17<sup>th</sup> - Spirit Mountain Casino Campground  
OCTOBER 6th-9<sup>th</sup> – Barton Park  
NOVEMBER- tba  
DECEMBER – Date to be determined. Appetizer party at Bill & Barb Taylor’s, 1 – 4pm

## SPRUCE RUNNERS    Contact Don 503-702-5293

February 9<sup>th</sup> - Golden Valley Brewery & Restaurant Beaverton [off Hwy 26]  
March 6-9 - LL Stubb Stewart State Park, Buxton OR  
April 24-27 - Westerners Roundup, Olde Stone Village McMinnville OR off Hwy 18  
May 22-25 - Champoeg State Park group area - up to 10 RVs at no charge, Chapter pays for building?  
June 25-29 - ORCA State Rally, Rickreall  
July 10-13 - ~~Waterloo Linn County Park, 5 mile east of Lebanon~~ **CANCELED FOR THIS YEAR, HOPE FOR 2026**  
August 21-24 - Wy-East Pow Wow, Hood River Fair Grounds, Odell OR  
September 11-14 - ~~Wapiti RV Park, Lincoln City~~ **CANCELED DUE TO LACK OF SPACES AVAILABLE**  
October 9-12 - Blue OX RV Park, Albany OR  
November 1<sup>st</sup> - Buster’s BBQ, Tigard, OR **NOTE LOCATION CHANGE**  
December - Nothing, too close to Christmas

## THE WEEKENDERS    Contact Tim 630-551-5029

February - Lum Yuen Restaurant, Salem  
March 15 - Country Cottage Restaurant - at Woodburn Estates in Woodburn, 1 pm  
April 24-27 - Westerners Roundup, Olde Stone Village McMinnville OR off Hwy 18  
April 25, 26, 27 – Armitage Park Campground, Coburg  
May 15, 16, 17 - Stub Stuart State Park. You will need to make your reservations on November 15. We are trying for Dairy Creek Camp  
East spaces 80, 83, 85, 87, 67, 65, 63  
June 12-15 – Elkton RV Park They have reserved nine sites plus a park model. We will also get the gazebo. If you are going you need to call Elkton Rv Park and tell them they are under Colescotts and make your reservations. It’s 38.82 per night.  
June 25-29 - ORCA Rally in Rickreall  
July 17, 18, 19 – Richardson Park, Fern Ridge Reservoir  
August 21-24 - Wy-East Pow Wow, Hood River Fair Grounds, Odell OR  
August – Dates TBA, Milo McGiver park  
Sept 4-7 - Lake Merwin, Washington. This is a private park that has some sites for guests.  
October - tba  
November - tba  
December - tba

McKENZIE RIVER DRIFTERS    Contact Dee 541-913-6994

February – February 14, business meeting/lunch 2pm  
March – March 14, business meeting/lunch 2 pm  
April – April 24-27, Roundup at Olde Stone RV Resort  
May - May 5-9, campout with the Layovers, Winchester Bay RV Resort  
May – May 9-15, Annual Quilter’s campout, Woahink Lake RV Resort  
June – June 25-29, ORCA Rally, Rickreall  
July – July 31 thru August 4, Campout hosted by the Layovers, Crooked River Ranch  
August – August 21-24, PowWow Rally, Hood River Fairgrounds  
September – tba  
October – tba  
November – tba  
December - tba

WESTSIDE WANDERERS    Contact Dave 971-409-4721

April - April 20-24, Hee Hee Illahee RV Resort, Salem, OR  
April - April 24-27, McMinnville, OR  
May - May 12-16, Kampers West, Warrenton, OR  
June - June 15-19, Sunnyside Park, Linn County, Foster, OR  
June - June 25-29, ORCA Rally, Rickreall  
July - July 20-24, Timber Lake RV, Stevenson, WA  
August - August 16-20, River Mill RV Park, Estacada, OR  
August – August 21-24, PowWow Rally, Hood River Fairgrounds  
September – September 14-18, Heceta Beach RV Park, Florence, OR  
September – September 18-22, Netarts Bay Garden RV Park, Tillamook, OR  
October – October 19-23, Old Mill on the Bay, Garibaldi, OR  
November – November 16-20, Olde Stone RV Park, McMinnville, OR  
December – tba

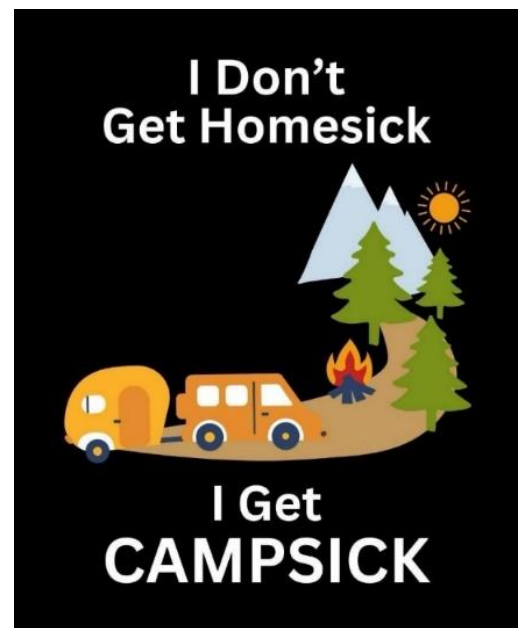
CASCADE CRUISERS    Contact Stan 503-364-6500

April - April 24-27, Round Up at Old Stone RV Resort - McMinnville  
May - May 20-24, Stargazers RV Resort - Goldendale, WA  
June - June 25-29, ORCA Rally - Polk County Fairgrounds - Rickreall, OR  
July - July 14-18, Netarts Bay Resort RV - Tillamook, OR  
Aug - August 21-24, Wy-East Pow Wow, Hood River Fair Grounds, Odell OR  
Sept - September 15-19, Bend/Sisters Garden RV Park - Sisters, OR  
Oct - October 16, Luncheon 11:30am at FJ Buffet, 11930 SE Division St STE A - Portland, OR  
Nov - November 20, Luncheon 11:30am TBA  
Dec - December 18, Luncheon 11:30am TBA

**2026 May Fun Run (3 Weeks) to Southern Idaho**

79ers – Contact Karl 503-333-8936

Jan - Jan 9 Lunch meeting Elmers  
Feb - Feb No Meeting  
Mar - March 20-23 Hee Hee Illahee Salem, OR  
April - April 10-13 Cannon Beach  
April - April 24-27 Westerners Roundup  
May - May 19-22 Cascade Meadows RV Resort LaPine OR  
June - June 5-8 Silver Cove RV Silver Lake WA  
June - June 23-25 Neskowin RV  
June – June 25-29 ORCA Rally - Polk County Fairgrounds - Rickreall, OR  
July - July 6-10 Winchester Bay  
Aug - Aug 17-20 Peach Beach Host: Murray  
Aug - August 21-24, Wy-East Pow Wow, Hood River Fair Grounds, Odell OR  
Sept - Sept 11-13 Elk Meadows RV Trout Lake WA  
Oct - Oct 16-18 Netarts Bay RV Tillamook OR



# REMINDER TO SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION FORMS TO CONNIE MORRILL, STATE TREASURER!

## ATTENTION ORCA MEMBERS!

The time has come and Barb & Bill Taylor's 4-year term as ORCA State Directors will soon be ending.

We will need to select a new State Director to take over in 2026.

Election Procedures of State Director:

- a. State Director Nomination Forms must be emailed to each Chapter President by September 30th and returned to the State Treasurer emailed no later than October 15th. Any nominations received after that date are null and void. Each Chapter is allowed to nominate up to three people.
- b. The State Treasurer will contact each nominee to see if they will accept the nomination. If yes, then a Qualifications Form will be sent to them and required to be completed. It will need to be returned by October 30th.
- c. The Nomination Announcement will be made through the November Drifter and an announcement sent to the Chapter Presidents by sending the nominee's completed qualifications form to them. The Official Ballot will also be sent at the same time by the Treasurer. All returned ballots need to be postmarked no later than November 30th. Any ballots posted after that date will be considered null and void.
- d. Tallying of the ballots will be done by the State Treasurer. An announcement will be made to the present State Director and the Executive Board and then sent to the Chapter Presidents. The new State Director will be introduced through The Drifter and confirmed at the next State Committee meeting.
- e. If the nominee for State Director is unopposed up to two weeks before the scheduled time for the State Treasurer to send ballots to the Chapter Presidents, the State Treasurer will call the election satisfied. That nominee will automatically be designated the next State Director. Notification of that decision will go out to the Chapter Presidents.
- f. The State Director is elected and takes office on the even numbered year for a two-year term (beginning January 1, 2026).

**Dee Veenendaal's name will be added to the nomination form. She has voiced an interest in becoming State Director.**



# HALLOWEEN CAMPING IDEAS



Wrap trees in toilet paper or gauze to make mummies and add a couple of skeletons around your campfire. Spider webs are always fun, and don't forget to have a few treats ready in your RV in case kids are in the campground. The Dollar Store or other discount stores will have cute décor to put inside your RV for fun and to highlight your festive side. Candles with Halloween or Fall scents are always nice to set the mood but keep an eye on them when they're lit. Use small, real pumpkins on counters in the kitchen and bath, and a cute ghost or bat decorative pillow on your living room couch or bed is a nice touch. Halloween clings can be used on mirrors, and spider webs and plastic spiders are cute in corners or lightly attached to knick-knacks.



# HALLOWEEN PARTY

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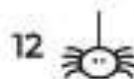
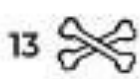
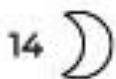
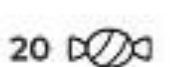
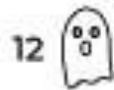
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# I SPY HALLOWEEN





~ MEMORIAL NOTIFICATION FORM ~

NAME OF DECEASED: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_

CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF DEATH: \_\_\_\_\_

\* We welcome a solo photo of the deceased and a short obituary for The Drifter

SEND FORM TO: DEE VEENENDAAL, OREGON RV CAMPERS ASSOCIATION

38452 JASPER-LOWELL RD., FALL CREEK, OR 97438 541-913-6994

Or email: ORCADirector@outlook.com

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~ NEW CHAPTER MEMBER FORM ~

CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_

NEW MEMBER NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL (member 1): \_\_\_\_\_

CELL (member 2): \_\_\_\_\_

REFERRED TO CHAPTER BY: \_\_\_\_\_

SEND FORM TO: DEE VEENENDAAL, OREGON RV CAMPERS ASSOCIATION

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Or email: ORCADirector@outlook.com

If there is anything your chapter would like to include in  
The Drifter, our cut-off day each month is the 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Articles/news/pictures received after this date will be included  
in the following months' newsletter. Thank you !!

Don't Miss the  
**DEADLINE!**

If zombies ever attack, just go to Costco.  
There are cement walls, years' worth of food,  
alcohol, and tons of supplies.  
And best of all, zombies can't get in without a  
Costco membership card!

