

NORTHWESTERN BUS NUTS

May 6, 2023

Words from NUT ONE, Al Roeske

THERE ARE ONLY 3 SPACES LEFT FOR THE REDMOND RALLY. IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND, REGISTER NOW.

Several stories have come my way the past few weeks from members who brushed the dust off their rigs in anticipation of a new rally season only to find that some things that worked fine before have now malfunctioned. Windshield wipers screech across the glass, turn signals don't blink, the sewer hose leaks, the left front tire looks low and the whole rig looks like it leans to the right.

Issues like these are pretty routine from time to time, but let that rig sit idle for a few months to a year and the nightmares begin! To save yourself some grief, consider getting it out on the road once a month for a short jaunt. If that isn't possible, firing it up from time to time and checking basic systems can sometimes reveal issues while they are still only small problems.

I recall that one of our members who had the most pristine engine compartment I have ever seen, started his coach, brought it up to temperature and moved it back and forth a few feet every week without fail. A little much, maybe, but I don't remember ever hearing about him breaking down on the road. He also never drove over 55 mph, but that's another story. Do the thing you have to do, when you have to do it, whether you feel like it or not. anon

Words from Past President Gary Chatterton

On the day we left Indio I fueled up at Loves and I got some bad fuel that partially plugged my fuel filters. I was able to baby my bus to Bakersfield, California to Orange Grove RV Park. I contacted Isaiah Pollock who was available to pick up new fuel filters and come and install. (661) 599-0663 Bakersfield area. When I have work like this performed I pay in cash, no checks if possible. Do you have a referral? Let us know. One of our members might benefit.

From Acting Secretary, Marsha Lewis

I am the Treasurer and Temporary Acting Secretary. If anyone is interested in becoming Secretary for the Club, please let the officers know ASAP. I am giving notice and will be resigning as Acting Secretary in August 2023. I have been in this position for one year hoping that a member would consider stepping up and taking over.

I will continue to be Treasurer for another year or until July, 2024, assuming the approval of the Board.

Thanks,
Marsha Lewis

CLUB DUES

Marsha Lewis wants to remind the membership to send in their \$20 annual dues. Please make your checks payable to NW Bus Nuts. Send to Marsha Lewis, 89931 Rippling Way, Waterville, OR 97489. You can call or text Marsha at 541-601-2798.

Thanks!

2023 RALLIES

MAY	11-14	REDMOND, OR	EXPO CENTER RV PARK
JUN	7-11	ALBANY, OR	FMCA NW REGIONAL RALLY
JUL	20-23	PENDLETON, OR	WILDHORSE CASINO RV PARK
AUG	17-20	WESTFIR, OR	CASEYS RV PARK
SEP	14-17	NEWPORT, OR	PORT OF NEWPORT RV PARK
OCT	12-15	PROSSER, WA	WINE COUNTRY RV PARK (WEEKEND OF THE CRUSH)

WORDS FROM THE EDITOR

If you have something to share with the club, whether it be mechanical, electrical, or club matters, feel free to contact me and I will add it to the next issue. Also, I will happily accept suggestions for the newsletter. Email is my preferred method for these types of things.

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NOTE: Webmaster, Greg Peyran, is requesting pictures of people and their coaches for the webpage.

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REDMOND RALLY May 11-14
Deschutes County Fairgrounds Expo Center RV Park
3800 SW Airport Way, Redmond, Oregon 97756
Phone 541-585-1569
expo.deschutes.org/p/rv-park

From HWY 97 take exit 124 onto Airport Way. Cross the RR tracks and take first right onto 19th Street. RV park is at the end on the left. Check in at office first even if you have already been assigned a site.

You must register by phone. TELL THEM YOU ARE WITH THE BUSNUTS. Rates are approximately \$47 per night. You cannot register online. After you have registered, call, text, email Al Roeske (541)954-0676 candle100@comcast.net to confirm.

We only have 18 sites available. The RV park is sold out that weekend for the Oregon State High School State Equestrian Championships.

There are no designated hosts for this rally at this time. If you would like to host the rally or volunteer to help, call, text, email Al Roeske (541)954-0676 candle100@comcast.net.

There are no pre-planned meals or activities for this rally and no rally fees other than your site rent. Once we arrive we will attempt to locate suitable venues for some group meals, but otherwise all meals will be on your own or with your friends.

There should be plenty of activities, both on and off the fairgrounds and, weather permitting, lots of opportunities to mingle with old and new friends alike!

FMCA Northwest Area Rally

**JUNE 7-11 2023 Linn County Expo Center
3700 Knox Butte Rd E, Albany, Oregon 97322**

Register with FMCA www.fmca.com, (800)543-3622, (800)543-4717

Tell them you are arriving with the Northwestern BusNuts

We are making arrangements with the parking coordinator to gather at a site outside of the expo center so we can enter as a group and be parked as a group, possibly on the 6th. In the past this has been a dry camp situation and we expect the same this year so come in full and empty. (Full fuel, empty holding tanks).

Details of the gathering site and parking area have not been finalized. It is important that we have an accurate count for the parking crew.

After you have registered, call, text, or email Al Roeske (541)954-0676 Candle100@comcast.net You will be notified when gathering and parking details are available.

There is a letter attached to this email regarding doorprizes. Please review.

PENDLETON RALLY

JULY 20-23

WILDHORSE RESORT & CASINO RV PARK

46510 WILDHORSE BLVD, PENDLETON, OREGON 97801

I-84 EXIT 216. YOU MUST REGISTER BY PHONE. DO NOT REGISTER ON LINE. CALL (541) 278 2274. PRESS 1 FOR HOTEL AND RV PARK. GIVE THEM BOOKING ID #18810. RATES ARE \$47.70 PLUS TAX FOR THURSDAY, \$52.20 PLUS TAX FOR EACH NIGHT FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. WE HAVE 3 SPACES AVAILABLE FOR EARLY ARRIVAL ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 19 AND 3 SPACES AVAILABLE FOR LATE DEPARTURE ON MONDAY, JULY 24.

THIS IS A NO-HOST RALLY. THERE ARE NO FEES OTHER THAN YOUR RV PARKING AND NO MEALS OR EVENTS ARE PLANNED AT THIS TIME EXCEPT FOR A BOARD MEETING AND A GENERAL MEETING, TIMES TBA. PENDLETON HAS MANY EXCELLENT RESTAURANTS PLUS SEVERAL INTERESTING MUSEUMS AND HISTORICAL TOURS. PLENTY TO SEE AND DO AND WE WILL ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE GROUP MEALS AND ACTIVITIES PRIOR TO ARRIVAL.

AFTER YOU REGISTER PLEASE CALL / TEXT / EMAIL AL ROESKE (541) 954 0676 candle100@comcast.net. WE NEED TO KNOW NUMBERS TO EFFECTIVELY PLAN ACTIVITIES. WE HAVE 16 SPACES RESERVED. ALL UNUSED SPACES WILL AUTOMATICALLY REVERT TO THE RV PARK ON JULY 6TH.