

# NORTHWESTERN BUS NUTS

June 3, 2023

## WORDS FROM NUT ONE AL ROESKE

NEARLY PERFECT WEATHER WITH PLENTY OF SUNSHINE, CATCHING UP WITH OLD FRIENDS, EXPLORING NEW PLACES, REMEMBERING HOW TO GET THE COACH SYSTEMS TO WORK, COWGIRLS AND HORSES EVERYWHERE. THE 2023 RALLY SEASON OPENED MAY 11<sup>TH</sup> WITH SEVEN COACHES AT THE DESCHUTES COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS AND EXPO CENTER IN REDMOND, OREGON.

LOCAL RESIDENT AND LONG, LONG TIME BUSNUT MARY LOU DICKEY JOINED US TWICE FOR DINNER. AS USUAL, THE NINETY-SOMETHING WAS QUICK WITH JOKES AND WITTY STORIES. SHE'S A LITTLE SLOWER ON HER FEET, BUT STILL DRIVES HERSELF AROUND AND CLAIMS SHE CAN STILL DRIVE AT NIGHT!

WE SHARED THE VENUE WITH THE FINALISTS OF THE OREGON STATE HIGH SCHOOL EQUESTRIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS. THE DEDICATION, DISCIPLINE AND RESPONSIBILITY DEMONSTRATED BY THESE YOUNG PEOPLE AS THEY CARED FOR AND PUT THEIR HORSES THROUGH COMPLEX ROUTINES WAS TRULY REFRESHING TO SEE AT A TIME WHEN MANY TEENS SEEM TO BE FOCUSED ONLY ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

**MISSING WAS THE STRUCTURE, ORGANIZED  
EVENTS AND MEALS TYPICALLY COORDINATED BY  
RALLY HOSTS.**

**“NEVER LET THE FEAR OF STRIKING OUT KEEP  
YOU FROM PLAYING THE GAME.”      BABE RUTH**

## **NWBN RALLY HOST INCENTIVE**

**EFFECTIVE**

**IMMEDIATELY**

**MEMBERS WHO HOST A  
RALLY WILL ATTEND THAT  
RALLY AT NO CHARGE**

**INCLUDES PARKING AND CLUB-  
PURCHASED FOOD.**

**UP TO TWO MEMBER COUPLES PER  
RALLY.**

**MUST BE PRE-APPROVED BY THE  
BOARD.**

**NO LIMIT ON NUMBER OF RALLIES  
HOSTED.**

**AS RALLY HOST YOU MAY OR MAY NOT BE INVOLVED IN SELECTING THE LOCATION FOR THE RALLY. MOST HOSTS CHOOSE A RALLY CLOSE TO HOME WHERE THE AREA IS FAMILIAR. BUT YOU WILL ALWAYS BE THE POINT OF CONTACT BETWEEN THE CLUB AND THE VENUE. IT IS YOUR OPTION WHAT ACTIVITIES AND MEALS ARE SCHEDULED AND WHEN / WHERE. MAKE THE SCHEDULE AS SIMPLE OR AS CHALLENGING AS YOU WANT. YOU ARE LIMITED ONLY BY YOUR DESIRES, ENERGY, EXPERIENCE AND IMAGINATION. HOSTS ARE REIMBURSED FOR ALL AUTHORIZED EXPENSES. **WE CURRENTLY NEED HOSTS FOR THE SCHEDULED RALLIES IN PENDLETON, OR (JULY) AND PROSSER, WA (OCTOBER). CONTACT AL ROESKE FOR DETAILS.****

## **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!

### **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

## 2023 RALLIES

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

## 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.

Douglas Brown [dbtrooper@juno.com](mailto:dbtrooper@juno.com) 503-931-0190

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

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**NOMINATING COMMITTEE Dick Wright, Patti Harper**

# **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](http://www.fmca.com), (800)543-3622, (800)543-4717**

**Tell them you are arriving with the Northwestern Bus Nuts**

**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 6<sup>th</sup>. 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](mailto:Candle100@comcast.net) You will be notified when gathering and parking details are available.**

# PENDLETON RALLY

## JULY 20-23

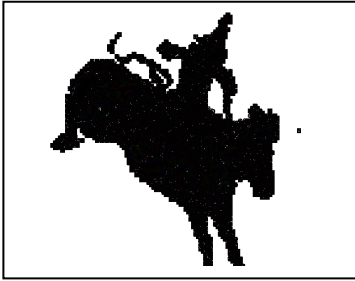
### WILDHORSE RESORT & CASINO RV PARK

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](mailto: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 6<sup>TH</sup>.**



# WAGONS HO FOR GILLETTE

August 20 - 26, 2023



Contact person: Al  
0767 •

FMCA's 107<sup>th</sup>  
International Convention  
CAMPLEX  
Gillette, Wvoming

Zimmerman • 971-645-  
zimmeralz@gmail.com

## **SUGGESTED CAMPGROUND**

Buffalo KOA, Buffalo, WY

Make reservations through KOA online or call 307-684-5423 or 800-562-1902

## **Other area campgrounds**

- Deer Park Campground                      307-684-5722
- Indian Campground & RV Park      307-684-9601

## **MEETING PLACE FOR CARAVAN TO GILLETTE    Monday, August 21, 2023**

**Buffalo KOA                      Time to be Determined    Details to follow**

Buffalo to the CAMPLEX in Gillette is about 72 miles or about 1 hour 20 minutes

**Once you decide to attend the FMCA convention in Gillette, send contact info and campground to Al Zimmerman. Caravan roster will be formed.**

**Register for Gillette - registration is open.** Suggest signing up for 30 amp electric as a group electric hookups will go fast once registration open. Most of NW are signing up for 30 amp electric. Dry camping is OK since WY does not have the Midwest humidity. Registrations is opening 4/5/2021 says Cincinnati.

## **FMCA CONVENTION & NW AREA**

- Monday afternoon – NW Area Caucus Meeting
- Tuesday – National Directors Briefing • First Timers Meeting
- Wednesday – Governing Board Meeting • Election of officers
- Thursday – Opening Ceremonies
- Saturday – NW Area Gathering

This is a very important convention with key issues to be discussed in the Governing Board meeting and officers to be elected for the next two years. The course of FMCA may be decided at this meeting.



**Be sure to have water on board and your tanks empty.**

**RSVP to Al Zimmerman so we have some idea of how many coaches may be traveling together.** zimmeralz@gmail.com

**TO: ALL NORTHWEST AREA PRESIDENTS & SECRETARIES:**

Please pass this information along to your chapter membership for their information in the event they are attending the Gillette convention. Thank you.

Attached is information regarding a caravan being organized by Al Zimmerman, National Director for the NW Trek chapter. Joining this caravan will allow Northwest Area members attending the Gillette convention to travel together to the Gillette Convention Complex. By arriving as a caravan, NWA members will be parked together in the same area.

**OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

**MONDAY, August 21, 2023 - 4:00pm Seminar Room 9**

**Northwest Area Caucis** to discuss the voting process, candidates, and voting on various proposals.

**WEDNESDAY, August 23, 2023 - Heritage Center**

**7:30am - 9:00am - Delegates check**

**9:00am - Governing Board Meeting**

**THURSDAY, August 24, 2023 4:00pm Seminar Room 9**

**NWA Gathering** To meet other NWA members, visit and discuss the Gillette Rally. Refreshments will be served.

We look forward to seeing you in Gillette.

Dennis Martin  
NWA President