

NORTHWESTERN BUS NUTS

July 2025

Words From Nut One.....Al Roeske

119 RVs gathered at the Expo Center in Albany, Oregon, June 18-22, for the FRVA Northwest Area Regional Rally. About 20% were towables.

NorthWestern BusNuts had 5 coaches in attendance. In addition to several sightseeing and shopping tours in the Albany area, there was an excellent selection of seminars, including several discussing current technology in Lithium batteries, charging systems, TV viewing, Cell phone streaming, CPR, and tires, among others. Another excellent Rally with quality vendors, good food, fun entertainment, and lots, and lots of gatherings with old friends.

If you are planning to attend the Rally in North Bend, July 17-20, be sure Dick Wright knows. He needs an accurate head count for reservations and meal planning. This is one of our few hosted rallies this year so please do what you can to help the hosts.

This is an Election year. Immediately following the evening meal on Friday in the Yert there will be a general meeting which will include the election of officers. If you are interested in running for office, know someone who is, or want to nominate someone, please contact Dick Wright or Patty Harper ASAP.

Thursday: Happy Hour 4:00 in the Yert, dinner on your own.

Friday: Board meeting 10:00 AM in the Yert, Happy Hour 4:00, Clam Chowder dinner in the Yert, General meeting.

Saturday: Happy Hour 4:00 in the Yert, dine out as a group. Those in attendance who are members in good standing, with dues current, will receive a cash meal subsidy.

Sunday: Coffee and doughnuts

DUES WERE DUE OCTOBER 1, 2024. SOME OF YOU HAVE NOT PAID!!! IT'S ONLY 20 BUCKS. SEND A CHECK TO MARSHA, PAYABLE TO NORTHWESTERN BUSNUTS.

RALLY PLAN 2025

JULY Dick has arranged for a coast rally at the casino in North Bend, July 17 – 20. Call the casino RV park to make your reservation. \$50 per day away from the water and the bayfront is \$60 per day.

Call (800) 953-4800. Call Casino Hotel Reservation Center. Inform them that you are attending Northwestern Bus Nuts RV Group, Booking ID 11444.

Please email dick@rioussa.com or call Dick Wright (541-953-4655) to let him know that you are attending. It's a great time for the Oregon Coast! Your Hosts: Tim & Linda Jones, Dick & Jeanne Wright.

Elections will be held at the July rally at the Casino, now renamed Ko-Kwel casino. Please contact Patty Harper or Dick Wright if interested in running for office. We Have Vacancies!!

AUGUST Rally at Hood River Fairgrounds August 26 – August 31. Let Al Roeske know if you are coming. You will then check in when you arrive at the fairgrounds and pay at that time.

SEPTEMBER Casey's Riverside RV Resort in Westfir. September 23 through 28. You can call now and book a site. Tell them you are with the BusNuts and they will try to keep us together. (541)782-1906. Please let Douglas Brown know when you sign up.

OCTOBER Doug has booked Silver Spur RV Park in Silverton, October 15 through 19. 503-873-2020. Please book early and let Doug know when you have signed up.

**NOTICE!!! Annual Dues were due October 1, 2024. Annual Dues are \$20.00. Mail your payment, made payable to NW BusNuts, to:
Marsha Lewis
89931 Rippling Way
Walterville, OR 97489**

Also, you need to maintain your membership in FRVA to be a BusNuts member.

NWBN Who's Who

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SECRETARY VACANT **New club Secretary needed!**

Marsha Lewis has more than served her time as acting Secretary and is no longer in that position. We need a new one! Somebody step up!

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EXECUTIVE BOARD Dick Wright, Mike Alonzo, Don Dennis,
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE Dick Wright, Patti Harper

WEBPAGE Member Greg Peyran is the NWBN Web Site Manager. The Web Site name is: NorthwesternBusNuts.com. Greg will gladly accept recent club photos to place on the site. His email address is: cobragp@msn.com

WORDS FROM THE EDITOR If you have something to share with the club, whether it be photos, 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 503-931-0190

Amazon pushes into RV territory with \$8 million, 200-site RV park

By [Russ and Tiña De Maris](#)

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Internet giant Amazon is getting into all kinds of markets. RVers have been closely watching the company's move to become an [internet satellite provider through Project Kuiper](#). Now Amazon is getting into the RV park business. Well, sort of. Hermiston, Oregon, will soon become the home of a new Amazon RV park.

Amazon RV park to benefit both the company, and the community

Company offspring Amazon Web Services wants to build a huge data center near Hermiston. While under construction, plenty of workers will need a place to stay. Amazon recognizes that a lot of the temporary construction workers move from job site to job site in RVs. Why not build an RV park as a spot for these folks to stay during the build?

Amazon's forte isn't the construction business, so the company approached Hermiston city officials and made them an offer they couldn't refuse. "Here," says Amazon. "We'll give you \$8 million, you build us an RV park on city land on or near the Eastern Oregon Trade & Event Center. Build 200 RV sites, you can keep 100 of them for yourself, and reserve the other half for us to rent from you." Nah, we don't think they used those exact words, but that's what it boiled down to.

City grabs the deal



Hermiston, Oregon's Riverfront Park MIM1765 on wikimedia.org

On Monday, May 11, the city council voted 6 to 1 to take the \$8 million and run. While [officially speaking](#), "The [other 100] remaining spaces will be available for events," Assistant City

Manager Mark Morgan told us the city has plans to rent those spaces out to RVers visiting the city at any time, not just during events.

Morgan told us that the city hopes to have the new “Amazon RV park” completed by the end of 2026. Amazon will dole out the \$8 million in four payments through the construction period.