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THE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Roadtrek International is starting the New Year in Indio, California at the FMCA Western Area Convention January 9th. We hope to win another trophy with our Chapter’s entry for “Arabian Knights. If you are attending make sure you registered with both parts. 1. FMCA for the Convention. 2. Roadtrek rally leaders Pat Yacklon and Sue Hankins, for the Roadtrek part, (see more within this newsletter.)

Is anyone planning to attend FMCA 110th International Convention? 1. Please get registered with FMCA. 2. Please, contact: our Roadtrek National Director, Dave Bennett geodaveksdu67@gmail.com He needs your e-mail, cell phone #, your names, Roadtrek type and FMCA # to give the parking chief, so you can all park together.

SAVE THE DATES for our Chapter Business Meeting and rally in Colorado on JULY 20th -24th. (More information in newsletter)

Since this is our 1st Newsletter for 2025, there have been recent changes that you might have missed in past Newsletters that might be important to you.

1. The FMCA Assist benefit has new phone numbers. Past year phone numbers should be updated on cell phone contacts and medical information you carry in your Roadtrek, etc. FMCA Assist numbers are: Canada/US toll free (844)289-3442 and International (443)901-4691
2. A new benefit called GROUPER may help you pay your FMCA dues. (See more on FMCA website under Members Benefits.)
3. FMCA dues increased to \$99. Per year.
4. Roadtrek International Chapter By-Laws changed, and we now have a category of membership called “Alumni”. It allows members who have sold their Roadtrek and do not own another RV, to remain members with all benefits. (but are not allowed to hold office)
5. We are now developing a new relationship with our manufacturer.

KEEP ON TREKING
CHRIS OBERHOFFER, ROADTREK INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

2025 ROADTREK INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER MEETING

Get your camping reservations now before we fill up.

JULY 20-24 2025

ROADTREK INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER MEETING

“Rocky Mountain High 2025 ”

Region 9 hosted a chapter rally in Tucson 2022 and here we go again. No one can remember the last time we had a rally in the State of Colorado but now we are having our Chapter Rally in the Presidents home state.

Details at the moment:

“Riverview” campground is nestled next to the Big Thompson River, 10 minutes from Loveland, Colorado. It is about a mile above sea level. We will be located in a circle section near the river and next to the recreational hall. When you call the office for reservation please identify yourself as a Roadtrek International Member for the rally July 20th to 24th. At this time you could opt to spend a little more \$ and be on the river near our circle however you can see the river on the bridge as you cross it entering the camp. There is also a walking trail.

If you want to get an entry time reserved to go into Rocky Mountain National Park and drive even higher, (like 11,000 feet above sea level) You might want to reserve Thur. night also. High Altitudes may not be an option for those with heart or breathing issues.

Get your reservation and start planning the rest of your vacation. There are plenty of places to visit in Southern Colorado following I-25 and about 1 hour North on I-25 is Frontier Days in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

RIVERVIEW RV Park & Campground

www.riverviewrv.com

970.667.9910 Or 800.447.9910

Prices for everything keep climbing higher and it gets increasingly difficult to have a cheap rally or meet up in a lot of States and Provinces. I am working hard at getting the best deals on everything pertaining to the rally. The estimated rally fee will be close to past costs and announced later. Since campgrounds fill up fast you have the opportunity to get your reservations now. I promise we will have a great time when it comes to having fun, learning new things, and greeting our fellow and new members.

Chris Oberhoffer

Important Message from the Chapter Secretary

At the end of December 2024, the Roadtrek Chapter membership for many of you will expire. The recent email you received had your expiration date at the top of the email.

When renewing **please** use the online form. <https://www.roadtrekchapter.org/> and click the Red button on the right that says “Join or Renew”.

Complete the form, indicate that this is a renewal and how many years you wish to pay. If there is a problem, a message will be displayed providing an explanation.

We use PayPal to process credit card payments as this is the most cost-effective option available to us. **You do not need to create a PayPal account.** We have had thousands of successful payments received.

When you click the link, and the form is filled out correctly, it will take you to the PayPal site. You may pay as a guest with your credit card. **However**, if you have a PayPal account, then you will need to log on with your PayPal user ID and password.

Caution, you may have inadvertently created an account in the past. If this happened, then you will need to “recover” your password. You **cannot** pay as a guest if an account exists with the email address you are using.

In very **rare cases** some people have trouble getting PayPal to work. PayPal uses sophisticated algorithms to detect fraud. Sometimes the system gets a false positive for fraud. The system won't say why, it just won't work. In the end it may be easier to just send a check.

If you must pay by check, complete the form, click the pay by check button and send the secretary a check. Please include your FMCA number on the check.

Thanks for your help and cooperation.

FMCA dues are due on the anniversary of the date you joined FMCA. You must be current with your FMCA dues to remain a member of Roadtrek International. FMCA sends me a report every month on who has not paid.

Phyllis Slaughter

Secretary, Roadtrek International

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Procedure for becoming an alumni member

ARTICLE

Written by Phyllis Slaughter Secretary, Roadtrek International

Alumni members are current and prior members of RTI and FMCA who no longer own an RV.

To become an alumni member, contact the secretary of RTI (sec@roadtrekchapter.org) and let her know you want to change your membership category. She will let you know if your membership to Roadtrek International has expired. If it has expired, then you will go on to <https://www.roadtrekchapter.org/> and select the red button on the right and renew. Under application Information (new member, renewal, or alumni) select alumni. Please verify that you are current in FMCA before renewing.

FMCA members: New phone numbers for “Assist”

ATTENTION for paid FMCA members: **New phone numbers for “Assist”** Your dues still includes “Assist” under a different Insurance company with **different phone numbers**. Benefits stay the same.

For Medical referrals, evacuation, repatriation, vehicle return, or other services please contact our travel assistance provider.

New phone numbers: (844) 289-3442 Toll free USA and Canada
(443) 901-4691 International calls

You will need to download your new “Assist card”. You can go to FMCA web and click on members benefit and click on Assist. You could also **“Google” Global Emergency Assistance Services for FMCA members**.

Or use this new “Assist card” which had been downloaded from FMCA web.

Global Emergency Services

Call if you require medical assistance and:

- are traveling 75 miles away from your permanent residence,
- are in another country, or
- if your permanent primary residence is your recreational vehicle.

Toll Free: 844-289-3442 Collect: 443-901-4691

Policy #: SPR5618652024

Policyholder: Family Motor Coach Association, Inc.

Attention: Medical & Travel Assist branded services are provided by the designated Assistance Company. This card is not a medical insurance card nor a guarantee of coverage. All services must be arranged or provided by the Assistance Company. No claims for reimbursement will be accepted, unless pre-approved by Arch Insurance.



Services are provided by third parties not affiliated with Arch Insurance or its affiliates. To the extent these services or any advance payments are not included in the FMCA program, covered persons will be responsible for payment. Insurance policy issued to FMCA is underwritten by Arch Insurance Company, NAIC #11150, a member company of Arch Insurance Group Inc. All products may not be available in all states. Coverage is subject to the language of the policies as actually issued. Please refer to the policy for details.

For emergency or life-threatening situations, please contact your local emergency service or proceed to the nearest hospital.

FMCA 34th WESTERN AREA RALLY IN INDIO

EVENT DESCRIPTION

REGION 9 FMCA 34th WESTERN AREA RALLY IN INDIO

Indio California

JANUARY 9-12, 2025

INDIO is back! This is a big Rally with 3 nights of great evening entertainment, vendors, seminars and RV displays provided by FMCA. Our Roadtrek group will all park together in a separate area, the Red Lot, with a covered pavilion near showers and restrooms. And if you don't want to cook, for a small fee we will provide 4 catered dinners and 2 continental breakfasts. FMCA provides coffee and donuts every morning. The theme is "ARABIAN NIGHTS" and we participate in a fun parade in costumes through the grounds with trophies being given. Last time our enthusiastic Roadtrek group won for the most participation. So, start thinking of ideas and costumes and join us for a fun Rally.

*****REGISTRATION REQUIRES TWO PARTS*****

1. REGISTER WITH FMCA WESTERN AREA RALLY "ARABIAN NIGHTS"

Register at fmca.com. Under EVENTS, click on REGISTRATION. You can register online, print the registration form (next page) and mail it, or call FMCA. The form is also in the FAMILY RVing Magazine.

- a) **PAY FMCA for dry camping, and indicate if you want electricity (an additional fee)**
- b) Indicate that you are with the **ROADTREK GROUP**

2. REGISTER FOR THE ROADTREK RALLY

Fill out the **EVENT REGISTRATION FORM IN THE BACK OF THE RTI ROADTREK NEWSLETTER** (that you receive by email).

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM WITH A CHECK FOR \$50 PER PERSON (cost of meals)

PAYABLE TO:

**PAT YACKLON
821 W. CLARION DR
TORRANCE, CA 90502**

PLEASE WRITE ON YOUR CHECK OR FORM IF YOU HAVE REQUESTED ELECTRICITY

Any questions? Call or text Pat Yacklon or Sue Hankins at

modelababe@dslextreme.com

Cell phone: 310-357-5233

Arabian Nights



34th Annual Western Area Rally January 9-12, 2025

Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival • Indio, California

Highlights: 4 Nights of Camping • 3 Nights of Entertainment • 2 Ice Cream Socials • Parade
Ladies' Luncheon • 1st Time Attendee Orientation* • Bingo • Pet Extravaganza • Commercial Exhibits
New/Used Display RVs • Chapter Fair • Seminars & Crafts • Coffee & Goodies Served Each Morning

General Information: Early Arrival Area opens Sunday, Jan. 5 (Fee Payable On-site)

Exhibit Hours: Display RVs Open Thur., 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. /
ALL Commercial Exhibits Open Fri. - Sun., 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Private Golf Cart Rental Available: Call Elec Cart Sales for reservations, Mary Rasada 562-244-1001

Directions: I-10 to Monroe. Monroe south 3 miles to 48th. Left ½ mile to Arabia Street.
Left on Arabia to the arrival area on the right. Arrive with waste tanks empty and water tank full.

*Orientation will be Thursday afternoon at 1:00 p.m.

Western Area Rally Registration Form

Permanent changes to membership files cannot be made from this form.

Member Number:	Last Name:	Pilot:	Co-Pilot:
Address:		City:	State/Province: Zip/Postal Code:
E-mail:		Telephone:	Cell Phone:
RV Make:	RV License:	RV Length:	<input type="radio"/> First Time at a Western Area Rally
1. Guest/Child's Name/Age:		2. Guest/Child's Name/Age:	
		Disabled Parking? (see below) <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	

Registration Category	Pre-Reg ²	On-Site	Qty.	Total	Parking Information
RV with 2 Adults - Dry Camping	\$ 250	\$ 260		\$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electric Parking - 30 amps or 50 amps • Generator Hours - 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. • Disabled Parking - Reserved for those with proof of qualifying medical needs. State-issued placard must be visible. • Early-Arrival Fee - \$30 per night payable on-site, cash or check only
RV with 1 Adult - Dry Camping	\$ 230	\$ 240		\$	
Additional Fee for 30-Amp Electric	\$ 175	\$ 185		\$	
Additional Fee for 50-Amp Electric	\$ 295	\$ 305		\$	
RV with 2 Adults - 24-Hour Generator	\$ 250	\$ 260		\$	
Each Additional Occupant	\$ 20	\$ 30		\$	
Passport for 1 Adult ¹	\$ 80	\$ 90		\$	
Children Under 13	FREE	FREE		FREE	
Ladies' Luncheon	\$ 18	\$ 18		\$	
Day Passes Avail. Fri, Sat. & Sun. \$10/day/person	On-Site	On-Site	-	On-Site	
				Total	\$

¹ No RV parking; includes exhibits, entertainment, seminars, socials, and Coffee Hour.
² Rally materials to be picked up at Will Call upon arrival.

Payment Information
We Accept Check, Mo, or Zelle
Phone: (559) 240-6038
Go to www.indiorally.com for detailed payment information.

Would you like to Volunteer?
 Yes. If interested, please contact Carole Hazeltine at (916) 838-7200 or dickhazeltine@yahoo.com

Rally Contacts		
WMHA President/ Rally Master James McDaniel (925) 818-7718 jmcdan2296@sbcglobal.net	Parking Chief Andy Balogh (503) 530-0166 akcbalogh@gmail.com	Seminars & Crafts Marla & Warren James (925) 212-4450 indiorseminars@gmail.com
WMHA Sr. VP/ Co-Rally Master Rick Ammerman (951) 538-6435 ricks94@yahoo.com	Groups & Caravans Willie Warren (510) 418-3262 willywarren178@comcast.net	Commercial Exhibits Greg O'Neal (714) 336-1923 westindiorallyvendors@gmail.com
Cancellation Policy		
Refunds will be made only upon written request (quillingranny70@gmail.com) and badges and confirmation materials are returned to WMHA before any refund is issued. Cancellations made by December 8, 2024, will receive a full refund minus a \$25 handling fee. Cancellations made after December 8, 2024, but before January 8, 2025, will receive a full refund minus a \$50 handling fee. No refunds for electric after December 8, 2024. Absolutely no refunds after January 8, 2025.		

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Will McLean Music Festival

EVENT DESCRIPTION

REGION 5 Will McLean Music Festival

Florida Sand Music Ranch, Brooksville, Florida

March 7-9, 2025

If you like Folk Music, you can join us at the Will McLean Music Festival,

March 7-9-2025 at, Florida Sand Music Ranch, Brooksville, FL. Early bird ticket sales open Fees and cost available in January.

Go to the web site **Will McLean Foundation** to learn all you need to know about the festival. Please order tickets online. The campground has Water, Electric, Dump & Showers. **We will meet at the campground on Wednesday, March 5th to make sure we get a site close together.** The camping is first come you cannot reserve a site before you come to the festival. The entertainers camp with us and they jam days before the festival. Location for the Social hours, 4-6pm Wednesday and Thursday will be determined on arrival. **Credit cards are accepted for camping and registration.**

Hillsborough River State Park R&R

EVENT DESCRIPTION

REGION 5 Hillsborough River State Park R&R

Hillsborough River State Park, Florida

April 8-10, 2025, 3 nights

By Al & Martha Salerno

First night Potluck, second night a Wiener roast. Campfire fire every night with storytelling.

Come visit a breathtaking oasis of natural and historical significance. Stroll along the river rapids, enjoy camping, explore historic structures, share a picnic or view scenic landscapes.

Hillsborough River State Park provides many opportunities for outdoor recreation. From fishing in the Hillsborough River to hiking or biking on the trails or picnicking under pavilions built in the 1930s, there is something for everyone here.

Besides enjoying a living history lesson, visitors can view Class II River rapids, which are rare in Florida, and canoe or kayak along the scenic Hillsborough River.

DON'T WAIT TO RESERVE YOUR SITE NOW! Florida State Parks fill up fast.

Al & Martha Salerno are in site 54

After you reserve your site email Al Salerno alsalerno111@gmail.com with your name, site, cell number and if it is your first Roadtrek event.

Rock and Roll into Little Rock

EVENT DESCRIPTION

REGION 7 Rock and Roll into Little Rock

Downtown Riverside RV Park, Little Rock, Arkansas

April 28-May 2

By Phyllis Slaughter and Ken Diabold

This campground has the best location to tour Little Rock. It is centrally located along the river and within walking distance (if you choose to walk) of several attractions, restaurants, and the Metro Streetcar.

We will start the rally with a Potluck dinner, followed by a local historian who will talk about the history and significance of the area. Each morning, we will meet for a continental breakfast before going on our morning excursions. The excursions include a guided tour of the Arkansas Inland Marine Museum, guided tour of the Old Mill (a historic re-creation of an 1880's water-powered grist mill used in the opening scenes of the classic movie "Gone With The Wind."), riding the trolley and stopping along the way at the Arkansas Historic Museum and have lunch (on your own). There will be free time to chose visiting the Clinton Presidential Center (that is just across a pedestrian bridge), the Old State House, Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts, other places, or just relax.

Every afternoon we will have a social hour, followed by a meal, then a tech talk or playing games with prizes.

The Rally begins with check-in Monday afternoon and ends after breakfast on Friday.

Sign up by first calling the campground: **Downtown Riverside RV Park (501)340-5312. Tell them you are with the Roadtrek Rally. Make your reservations. They have set aside sites for us to be together.**

Then go to <http://region7rally.org/> and register by April 13, 2025. Then send a check for \$85 per person made out to Phyllis Slaughter and send it to: Phyllis Slaughter 407 Palomar Lane Richardson, TX 75081.

The fee includes 4 continental breakfasts, 3 evening meals (plus the potluck), some tours and admission.

For further information go to <http://region7rally.org/>

Annual Meet Up

EVENT DESCRIPTION

REGION 8 Annual Meet Up

**Vancouver Island at Sooke River Campground, BC,
Canada**

May 22-25

By Teri Rostberg

Make reservations at <https://sookecampground.com> for May 22-May 25. Don't forget it is a ferry ride unless you live on the island of course. That week is between a Canadian holiday Victoria Day and Memorial Day so the ferry can get busy. I will probably take the BC ferry between Swartz Bay near Sydney to Vancouver BC (**Tsawwassen**) one direction. You can also take the Black Ball ferry from Port Angeles WA to Victoria.

The Vancouver Island Roadtrek Community Facebook page is a good place to ask questions of the locals and organizers of the event Barb and Michelle.

Waterton Gathering

EVENT DESCRIPTION

REGION 8 Waterton Gathering

Waterton National Park in Alberta, Canada.

June 16-20

By Rhonda van Heyst

Mark June 16 to 20th, 2025 for the next Waterton Gathering at Waterton National Park in Alberta, Canada. This iconic Canadian National Park is one of the jewels of the Rocky Mountains and these dates are the peak of the wildflower blooming. There are over 175 species of wildflowers in this Park, 20 unique to Waterton earning it the title of "Wildflower Capital of Canada". In addition to amazing hiking and biking trails there is horseback riding, the beautiful boat trip to Goat Haunt, Montana. Townsite Campground is right in town so walking to shopping, restaurants and museums is close by.

This gathering is quite unstructured, there will be coffee on in the morning and a pot luck supper. Otherwise we are all free to plan, explore and join in on what others have planned.

To book go to the Parks Canada camping reservation page but be aware it fills up fast! <https://parks.canada.ca/voyage-travel/reserve/instructions> has information on how to book a site. Bookings open January 22 at 8 am Mountain Time. We aim to book in the G loop but the campground is not huge so if anyone is another loop they will not miss out on the fun.

Any question? Contact me, Rhonda van Heyst at vanheyst@gmail.com. Also check out our Facebook group Can/Am Trekkers

R&R at Paynes Prairie State Park

EVENT DESCRIPTION

REGION 5 R&R at Paynes Prairie State Park

Micanopy, Florida

Oct 21-24, 2025 (3 nights)

By Ramona Enger

Region 5 will host an R&R Rally at Paynes Prairie State Park near Gainesville FL for three (3) nights Oct 21st to 24th 2025. This is R&R and something we do often so we will plan the same agenda with a BYOB wine & appetizer the first night, group luncheon on your own Wednesday at the Yearling and end Thursday night with a pizza night. Make your reservation **now as** the Florida State Parks are difficult to get into. You may reserve by calling 800-326-3521 or online

at: <https://reserve.floridastateparks.org>

After you get your site number please contact with the site and cell number.

Ramona Enger ramonaenger@gmail.com

REGION 1 NOTES

REGION 1 MID-SOUTHEAST U.S.

Membership: 75

Includes the states of AL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, & VA.

VPs:

Woodie and Beth McCormack

1001 Sam Gibbs Road, Union Grove, AL 35175-8883,
(256) 586-6830, vett67@ymail.com

Mary Scott

503 Ragan Rd, Oriental, NC 28571-9649
(423) 335-3403, jjmscott20@yahoo.com

REGION 2 NOTES

REGION 2 NORTHEAST U.S.

Membership: 40

Includes the states of CT, ME, MA, NH, NY, RI, & VT.

VPs:

Roland E. Lussier

121 Prospect Street, Manville, RI 02838
(401) 651-2205, roland.lussier@verizon.net

REGION 3 NOTES

REGION 3 EASTERN CANADA



Membership: 26

Includes the provinces of NB, NL, NS, ON, PE & QC.

VP: POSITION IS VACANT

Note from Chris Oberhoffer:

Did you know that region 3 only has 26 members? What a great opportunity we have to get new members.

We are also looking for 2 new Vice Presidents for our region to keep us informed and keep our purpose alive. (As president, I can only do so much and having vice presidents in each region just helps share the load. I am only 21 hours drive from Ontario so consider helping me out.)

Chris Oberhoffer, President of Roadtrek International Chapter of FMCA.

REGION 4 NOTES

REGION 4 CENTRAL EASTERN U.S.

Membership: 65

Includes the states of DE, DC, IN, MD, NJ, OH, PA, & WV.

VP:

David Bennett

**9590A Wilkshire Blvd, NE, Bolivar, OH 44612-8474,
(330)204-8876, geodaveksu67@gmail.com**

**VP: POSITION IS VACANT: PLEASE LET RONDA DEEL OR ME
KNOW IF YOU WANT TO VOLUNTEER**

A new year and new adventures await all of us!

As your National Director to FMCA, I voted for the 2025-2027 five members of Nomination Committee. The Nominating Committee Elect shall assume its duties upon conclusion of the Annual Membership Meeting scheduled for Gillette, Wyoming, on July 19, 2025.

Sometime in future we will be getting a new logo to go with the new name "Family RV Association".

Here are some of the travels and rallies that we are scheduling for the year:

March 12-15, 2025, the 110th FRVA International Convention and Expo Perry, GA; July 16-19, 2025, the 111th FRVA International Convention and Expo Gillette, WY; July 20-24, 2025, Roadtrek International Chapter Meeting, Loveland, CO.

Please let Christen Oberhoffer and/or Dave Bennett know if you are planning to attend the Perry, GA rally so we can all park together.

And, don't forget that Terry Whitesell is going to host Awesome Autumn XIII. Details of these rallies will be posted in future RTI Newsletters.

Happy trails to you, until we meet again,

Dave Bennett

REGION 5 NOTES

REGION 5 FLORIDA

Membership: 58

VPs:

**Ramona Fulton-Enger,
770 Kingfish Ct, Punta Gorda FL 33950,
941-456-9238, ramonaenger@gmail.com**

Florida needs some one to step up and become a VP Please contact
Ramona Enger ramonaenger@gmail.com

Will McLean Music Festival March 7-9-2025

Hillsborough State Park Meet UP April 8-10,2025

R&R at Paynes Prairie State Park Oct 21-24-2025

Thanks to the many Roadtrek members that have volunteered to organize rallies in our region, however, we still need more volunteers to help with rallies. Please email me and say that you want to Volunteer. Ramona Enger ramonaenger@gmail.com We will work with you to make sure you have lots of support.

REGION 6 NOTES

REGION 6 NORTH CENTRAL U.S.

Membership: 59

Includes the states of IL, IA, MI, MN, NE, ND, SD & WI.

VPs:

David & Karen McGivern

203576 County Road T, Marshfield, WI 54449-5263

(715) 305-9408, witraveler@gmail.com

Happy New Year! We hope that 2025 finds you in good health and looking forward to a season of travel.

For most of us in the northern regions, our Roadtreks are packed away “all snug in their beds” dreaming of roads yet to be traveled. For those who may be in the Southeast in March, you might want to attend the FMCA Spring Convention March 12-15 in Perry, GA (See details in the FMCA magazine or on their web site.)

Mark your calendars for the FMCA Summer Convention scheduled for Gillette, WY July 16-19. The Roadtrek Chapter Rally and meeting will follow July 20-24 near Loveland, CO. This would be a great opportunity to attend two rallies on one trip. Watch the FMCA and Roadtrek International sites for details.

Also plan to attend the FMCA Midwest Rally June 17-21 in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. Once again, we are hoping to have a Roadtrek group at this rally. Watch future newsletters for details. Be sure to check the Roadtrek web site and newsletters for other rallies planned for 2025.

If you would like to see more Roadtrek rallies in our region, think about an area, campground or event that fellow Roadtrekers might enjoy. Your rally can feature a special place or event such as a festival - or it can be a relaxing few days to share the company of fellow Roadtrekers. You have probably noticed that campground reservations are filling earlier than in the past. Now is the time to start planning. As the old year ends and we start anew, we thank the members who hosted rallies; worked on the newsletter, web site and cyber rally; took leadership roles and helped in many other ways to make this a great organization. We want to especially thank Gill and Nancy Emmert for all their efforts on behalf of Roadtrek International and wish them well.

Wishing all of you health, happiness and safe travels in 2025!

Karen and Dave McGivern

REGION 7 NOTES

REGION 7 SOUTH CENTRAL U.S.

Membership: 40

Includes the states of AR, KS, LA, MO, OK & TX.

VPs:

John & Phyllis Slaughter

407 Palomar Lane, Richardson, TX 75081-4414,

(972) 644-9716, phyllis@pochiro.com or john@pochiro.com

Myrna Rueff

12175 Shawnee Hills Rd., Rolla, MO. 65401,

(573) 465-8058, mlrueff@icloud.com

Save the date. Region 7 is hosting a rally Monday, April 28 to Friday, May 2, 2025. at Downtown Riverside Park.

Look for more details in the upcoming rally section of this newsletter.

We would like to have a fall 2025 rally in Region 7, also. We are always looking for new places to go and help plan rallies at those places. If you have a location in mind for a rally or R&R, contact the region VP's and we will facilitate getting it going. We need ideas and volunteers to help plan. Please volunteer! Your region VP's are experienced at rally planning and executing them but need you to help find a location and help to plan activities.

Our Region 7 VP's have taken on other duties. We are all staying on as Region 7 VP's, for now. However, if someone in Region 7 would like to step up and volunteer to be VP, please contact the Nominating Committee Chair, Ronda Deel at rondadeel@gmail.com

There have been some fun rallies in Region7 in the past. Go to <http://region7rally.org/> and check out the pictures and stories of some of those rallies.

REGION 8 NOTES

REGION 8 NW US; WESTERN CANADA & ALASKA.

Membership: 43

Includes AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY & the provinces of AB, BC, MB, NT, NU, SK, & YK.

VPs:

Terry & Carol Ryan

**4442 Honeymoon Bay Rd, Greenbank, WA 98253-6322,
(360) 320-0036, ryans@whidbey.net**

Teri Rostberg

**2481 Anderson Lake Rd Lot 307 Chimacum, WA, 98325,
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We have 3 meetups on the calendar for this year

One the end of May on Vancouver Island at Sooke River Campground Make reservations at <https://sookecampground.com> May 22-May 25 Don't forget it is a ferry ride unless you live on the island of course. That week is between a Canadian holiday Victoria Day and Memorial Day so the ferry can get busy. I will probably take the BC ferry between Swartz Bay near Sydney to Vancouver BC (**Tsawwassen**) one direction. You can also take the Black Ball ferry from Port Angeles WA to Victoria. The Vancouver Island Roadtrek Community Facebook page is a good place to ask questions of the locals and organizers of the event Barb and Michelle.

The second meetup is at Bayview Campground August 24, 25, 26, 27, with checkout on the 28th. Book as many days as you like! Reservations can be made t <https://washington.goingtocamp.com> For more information look at the Great Pacific NW Roadtrek Gathering facebook page

June 16-20 Waterton National Park

To book go to the Parks Canada camping reservation page but be aware it fills up fast! <https://parks.canada.ca/voyage-travel/reserve/instructions> has Information on how to book a site. Bookings open January 22 at 8 am Mountain Time. We aim to book in the G loop but the campground is not huge so if anyone is another loop they will not miss out on the fun. Any question? Contact Rhonda van Heyst at vanheyst@gmail.com. Also check out our Facebook group Can/Am Trekkers

Thank you
Teri Rostberg

REGION 9 NOTES

REGION 9 SOUTHWEST U.S.

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Includes the states of AZ, CA, CO, HI, NV, NM & UT.

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Don't forget there is a Roadtrek rally within the Western Area FMCA rally in Indio January 9-12,2025. Also Region 9 is hosting the Chapter Meeting in Loveland, Colorado July 20th -24th and Colorado Campgrounds fill up fast. The details are in the Event Description Section of this newsletter.

Chris Oberhoffer

Roadtrek/FMCA Rally Calendar 2025

Rally Dates	Region	Rally Location	Rally Name	Rally Leader
January 9-12	Region 9/FMCA	Indio California	FMCA 34th WESTERN AREA RALLY IN INDIO	Pat Yacklon & Sue Hankins
March 7-9	Region 5	Brooksville Florida	Will McLean Music Festival	
April 8-10	Region 5	Hillsborough River State Park, Florida	Hillsborough River State Park R&R	Al & Martha Salerno
April 28-May 2	Region 7	Little Rock, Arkansas	Rock and Roll into Little Rock	Phyllis Slaughter and Ken Diabold
May 22-25	Region 8	Vancouver Island, BC, Canada	Annual Meeting Up	Teri Rostberg
June 16-20	Region 8	Waterton National Park, Alberta, Canada	Waterton Gathering	Rhonda van Heyst
July 20-24	Region 9	Loveland, Colorado	ROADTREK INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER MEETING	Obey & Chris Oberhoffer
October 21-24	Region 5	Micanopy Florida	R&R at Paynes Prairie State Park	Ramona Enger
January 9-12	FMCA	Indio California	Western Area Rally	FMCA
March 12-15	FMCA	Perry Georgia	110th International Convention & RV Expo	FMCA
June 4-7	FMCA	Allegan Michigan	Great Lakes Area Rally	FMCA
June 17-21	FMCA	Elkhorn Wisconsin	Midwest Area Rally	FMCA
June 18-22	FMCA	Albany Oregon	Northwest Area Rally	FMCA
July 16-19	FMCA	Gillette Wyoming	111th International Convention & RV Expo	FMCA
September 24-27	FMCA	Mineola Texas	South Central Area Rally	FMCA
October 8-11	FMCA	Essex Junction Vermont	Northeast Area Rally	FMCA
November 4-8	FMCA	Myrtle Beach South Carolina	Eastern Area Rally	FMCA

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Moderators@RTI.groups.io
(Include your name, FMCA # & email address)

The contact person for Solos:
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In Memory Of

If you learn of the death of a Roadtrek Chapter member, please contact the Editor or Chapter Secretary. We never like to receive this news, but neither do we want to ignore the loss of a member.

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<http://www.roadtrek.com/locators/>

If you have a Roadtrek for sale email webadmin@roadtrekchapter.org. Your ad will be displayed on the website which will be viewed by RTI Members and non RTI members.

New phone numbers for "Assist"
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(844) 289-3442 (Toll-free USA & Canada)
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➔ CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF ROADTREK MOTORHOMES

FMCA's Roadtrek International chapter joined the festivities for the manufacturer's milestone event.

By Chris Oberhoffer, F389540



↑ Roadtrek International members helped commemorate Roadtrek's golden anniversary.

Last summer, RVers who own Roadtrek Class B motorhomes, including those who belong to FMCA's Roadtrek International chapter, were on hand for a special rally to recognize the brand's 50th anniversary.

The celebration took place August 13 through 15, 2024, at beautiful Guelph Lake in Ontario, Canada, with approximately 200 Roadtrek owners attending.

On the first night, the Roadtrek International chapter sponsored a pizza social, where we handed out brochures and provided a short presentation to inform attendees about FMCA and our chapter. With such a group of Roadtrek owners, we hope to increase membership in the association as well as in our chapter.

The second day included touring the Roadtrek factory, listening to seminars related to our Roadtrek motorhomes, playing lawn games, and checking out the latest Roadtrek models. A contest for best Roadtrek and best modifications also took place. That night at the Grand Celebration, guest speaker Jeff Hanemaayer — son of Roadtrek founder Jac Hanemaayer — shared some history about the birth of the company. We also enjoyed a delicious anniversary dinner, a prize giveaway, and live entertainment. A special surprise for our chapter was when the band performed our Roadtrek International song, "Three Little Windows."

For more information about the Roadtrek International chapter, visit roadtrekchapter.org.

Information for our members who have older Roadtreks:

Here is the information I was referring to with regards to Parts.

<https://www.mobiliferv.ca/roadtrekparts@mobilife.on.ca>
From <<https://www.mobiliferv.ca/>>

519-653-5788

866-653-5886

And

Van.Life Van.Life

<https://van.life/>

314 Lakeside Dr 120 s Rankin St

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GMC motorhome parts and Publication.
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Roadtrek Event Registration Form **

**Register with form below or print the online version found at
<http://www.roadtrekchapter.org/uploads/Regional-Rally-Registration-Form.pdf>
and send to Rally Leader with required fees
or online at www.fmca.com

ROADTREK EVENT REGISTRATION FORM

Rally Name: _____ Rally Date: _____

Number of persons attending: _____ Rally fee enclosed: \$ _____

Last name _____ First name _____

2nd attending last name _____ First name _____

3rd attending last name _____ First name _____

(PLEASE PRINT NAMES AS DESIRED ON NAME BADGE)

Street _____

City _____ State/Province _____ ZIP/PC _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ Check# _____

Roadtrek model & year _____ License # _____

FMCA # _____

Is this your first Roadtrek Rally? ___ Yes ___ No

Do you have Chapter badges? ___ Yes ___ No

Are you bringing pets? ___ Yes ___ No

Comments / Special needs

Roadtrek International Chapter, FMCA

CANDIDATE CONSENT FORM

I/We _____ (and) _____ do agree to allow my/our name(s) to be placed in nomination for the position of _____

In accordance with the Roadtrek International Chapter Bylaws. I/We agree that I/we have read the published job description for this position (if one is available) and, if elected or appointed (*circle one*), will fulfill the duties of the position to the best of my/our abilities during the term of office from _____ until _____.

Signature 1 _____ date signed _____

Signature 2 _____ date signed _____

FMCA # _____

Please print out and sign the Candidate Consent Form and return it to the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee by mail or e-mail (after scanning the signed form) at one of the addresses given below. Thank you for participating in our Chapter elections.

Sincerely,

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This form has link at https://roadtrekchapter.com/documents/rti_consent_form.pdf

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