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NEW MEMBERS

Uganec, Vic & Joanne are from Delta, BC and purchased their PW from Canadream.

Graduated from our 1990 Westfalia with only 70,000 miles. We owned it for 6 years and have lots of wonderful memories. We look forward to meeting and sharing new trips with the Pleasure Way Club. We are interested in traveling to the Baja, Mexico. Would love to hear from others who have made the trip.

Fisher, John & Joan join us from Ottawa, Ont. I know that is a long way from Western Canada, but they have never owned an RV or camped before so had lots of questions that hopefully I was able to answer for them. That is what happens when your name and email address is on the Pleasure-Way website. We were glad to be able to help them out. They will be traveling with their Newfoundland Water Rescue Dog TIIKA.

*My wife and I just inherited my Aunt's 2000 Pleasureway Excel TD. It's in great shape with just 5,030 miles on it. We have no experience in RVing. I've been interested in Camper-Vans ever since the Class-B's started to appear back in the 1990s. Now that I'm retired from the Navy, I have the time, and now the means to enjoy what seems to be a fun and interesting lifestyle. We are both from Newfoundland. We met at "Memorial University of Nfld" in our first week there, graduated 5 years later, got married, and left the next morning to drive to Chilliwack for Basic Officer Training (BOTC). The drive took us 12 days, but when I reported for BOTC, there was little doubt that **the honeymoon was over!!***

Munzer, Erich & Tamara Scott join us from Victoria, BC

We own a 2000 Excel RD Pleasure Way with all sorts of modifications Erich's made to suit our camping lifestyle. We travel with our four parrots, 2-person scooter (on the rack on the back), and 2 mountain bikes on the front. He hasn't figured out yet how to mount two kayaks without impairing the streamlined look of the van ;-). We're looking forward to reading your newsletters and meeting as many of you in the future as we can! We would definitely like to join and I already have a terrific idea for a campground rally (in Ainsworth Hotsprings) if anyone is interested in the coming years.

Boehm, Allan & Marilyn join us from Nipawin, Sask and are the first Pursuit owners to join the club.

We have traveled extensively throughout Canada and the USA but on a motorcycle. We just sold our Goldwing and trailer this summer, and we like to travel somewhere warm for two weeks in the winter. But we have decided to do something else. We are huge NASCAR fans so our first trip will be to Vegas in March for a race we will also go to the California race and the one on Phoenix, on the

same trip. We are supposed to be semi-retired but that is not working out at all. I renovate hotels for the Sandman hotel chain and they are extremely busy at this time, so travel time may be limited! We are both 60 years old been married for 41 years. We live in Nipawin, Sask. but are never home.

Aitchison, Barry & Marie join us from Coquitlam, BC

We have tried a 26' shortie Class A, a larger travel trailer and finally realized that the answer to our RV needs was a Class B 2008 Ford PW. It is perfect for our needs, self-contained, small enough to stop and explore where we want, and we do not have to pay for storage, like we had to, with the others. The bed is plenty big enough for my 6' frame and the bathroom is more than adequate. We have already taken it on its maiden journey to Canyonville, Oregon this August and also boondocked in Lincoln City, Ore. Look forward to many more excursions with our Pleasure Way.

Howlett, Don and Nancy join us from Parksville, BC

We retired here to Vancouver Island 21 years ago. We've done a lot of camping in the 52 years we've been married and have had a number of different vehicles and campers from tents to tent trailers to pickups with campers, but this unit is our first motorhome. We bought it from O'Connor in Chilliwack and it was on consignment there with 13000 Km on it. We just had it two days and decided to try it out so went to Alaska and back in a little over four weeks. We are quite happy with the performance so far. We hope to go south this winter (Mexico and Arizona).

Awnings

One of the discussions we had at the Rally in Oliver was about awnings. Someone noticed how their awning was attached with two brackets but each bracket only had one screw in it, while others had two screws.

Here is a story from Brian Nelson.

I had an adventure that might be worth sharing.

I was returning from a fantastic weekend on Hornby Island - driving through the downtown area of Nanaimo on the inside lane when I heard a huge crashing sound. I have one cabinet door that swings open if I don't push it firmly shut and everything flies out making a great noise, but this crash was much louder. I was able to pull into the London Drugs parking lot to investigate. Nothing wrong inside so I kind of figured it must have been something outside as I was passing. I got out, walked around the vehicle and just as I was about to decide I was losing my grasp on reality, I noticed that my awning was gone. Gone! It had, in fact, fallen off as I was driving. Imagine for a second the possibilities of that one! I was driving on a left inside side lane. If another car was on my right, it could have killed someone.

So at that moment, what do you do? I now know my awning was gone. Do you drive back and see if anyone is dead or head for the hills? I went back- thinking this is hundreds and hundreds of dollars and indeed, I did find it in a pile at the side of the road. Someone had stopped and pushed it onto the sidewalk. Not an easy thing to rewind. Both ends were smashed and the awning was unfurled but I eventually rewound it and got it safely inside and beat it out of there. ICBC covered the mishap except my deductible. It is now replaced and all is well a few months later but I am still very uncertain now whenever I see other awnings. This was an after market install. I found out that

everything was done wrong. The clips were the wrong ones being way too light and not enough of them. How they were mounted was incorrect and the screws were not tightly fastened. It was an accident waiting to happen and it did- fortunately with nobody hurt. That took a bit of shine off of my summer camping but a major wake up call.

From Rosemarie - I asked PW about the installation of awnings and this is Phil's response.
Greetings from Saskatoon:

"When Pleasure-Way installs the awning at the factory there may be only one machine bolt with a lock nut at the bottom of the bracket. However the awning is hung on the top lip of the bracket and silicone to the bracket before the lower machine bolt and lock nut are put into place. To remove the awning from the bracket you have to remove the machine bolt with the lock nut and cut the silicone to allow the awning to rotate and lift off the top lip of the brackets. In some cases we have bent the awning case when cutting the silicone." Phil Nickel for Pleasure-Way

Oliver Rally

I thought I would give you an update on the three members we had at the Rally who, while there, had their homes flooded in High River, Alberta.

Really nice to hear from you. We are doing okay, still waiting for insurance companies to get their act together and get construction started on our home. It has been 3 months now and we finally have our house completely dried out. We have had bad restoration crews that didn't do the job properly. Finally got one that did the job for us. We probably won't get in until January or February which sure seems like a long time away. Both of our floors were flooded so nothing left on the main floor. Oh, well it will all come together; we just have to keep positive. Summer came and went for us; hopefully we can go south for a couple of months. Thanks so much for thinking of us.

Shirley and Norm Sutor

Hi Rosemarie and George,

Yes, I am back in my home. Shirley and Norm are still out, they had a real mess on their main floor as well as the basement. I had 7 1/2 ft of water in the basement. I stayed in the PW throughout, until I could get into the main floor. Still dealing with insurance claims and who is going to cover what. The decay smell is still strong, but the "feed-lot" smell is less. If anyone ever says s--- doesn't stink they should have shovelled what we did out of the yards, basements and driveways. I also had to buy a new vehicle, the wheel wells were covered, and the electrical system compromised.

Now to see who gets to do the re-build, when and the cost. This would not be the recommended way to downsize! I am hoping the insulation and vapour barrier can be done before Christmas; perhaps more can be done because there is drywall coming into the area.

PW is winterized and will head for storage in the next 2 weeks. I did make it to Skagway and Whitehorse – 5700 kms in the month. Awesome trip and all went well. I still would like to go bass fishing.

I was able to save several large quilts - pressure washed and washed x 2 with good results. The wedding quilt was delivered, and the kids thought it was great. The latest term is "flood brain" so the logistics and thought process are a bit scrambled at times. I sure have not thought about sewing yet.

It is a big weekend here, a show and shine x 1200 registered vehicles and an International balloon festival, timed event etc. I am off to take in the festivities, which we all need. Anything positive is worth its weight in gold right now.

Take care. Thanks for thinking of me. Regards, Bev Zielke

TRAVELS From the Members

A Wild West Tour - John (and usually Carol), 'Prisila', 2007 Ford Excel TS

A friend of mine who lives in Seattle, had never been east of Spokane so I took him on a tour of places that Carol and I have been to a few times.

Our first stop was Jim and Mary's RV Park in Missoula, MT. This is a very nice park on the west side of Missoula. The next day we headed east to Custer Battlefield. If you haven't stopped here, it is a moving experience and shouldn't be missed. We spent that night in Sheridan, WY at Peter D's RV park. Peter has a nice vegetable garden in the middle of the park and gives away to guests most of what he grows. Unfortunately, the day before we arrived he had given away the last of the tomatoes but had a few squash left. Since my feelings toward squash are similar to Carol's are toward kidney, liver, and stuffed sheep's heart, I declined. But he tipped us off about a great restaurant in Sheridan.....the Wyoming Chop and Rib house, which I think is part of a limited chain in that area. Excellent food, friendly staff and fellow diners. On the drinks menu are two marguerita's and both have the notation, 'limit is two per person'. The girl behind the bar explained that they consist of three shots of tequila and one of Everclear. For those who have never tried Everclear, it is 190 proof grain alcohol!! I had a beer.

Without going into detail, in the following days we visited Devil's Tower in Wyoming....'Close Encounters of the Third Kind'. My friend said he could make that out of mashed potatoes. (You would have to have seen the movie.) Then on to Deadwood, SD where we spent the night at an excellent campground, Fish and Fry Campground, about 5 miles out of town. We visited the former gold mine in Lead, SD where they are now conducting scientific research into dark matter in the 8000 foot deep tunnels. (It would seem to me that all matter is dark at that depth.)

Next was Mt. Rushmore and the Sitting Bull monument site then through Custer State Park to see buffalo and prairie dogs. We then headed westward across Wyoming to Grand Teton park, spending the night in Douglas, WY at another excellent RV park, Douglas KOA. Just outside of the Tetons we saw a line of cars parked beside the road and joined them to see three Grizzly bears foraging about 30 yards off the road. Rather than spending the night in the Tetons we took the short drive north to Yellowstone. Since it was getting late, we drove through the park to the west entrance and stayed the night in the town of West Yellowstone at the Grizzly RV Park, another worthwhile park. The next day we toured the park but all campgrounds were full so we headed out the north exit through the town of Gardiner. On the way we ran into a traffic jam of buffalo, all walking along in the traffic lane.

Our last night was spent back in Missoula, although Jim and Mary's was full so we stayed at a KOA, which was fair but not great. Anyway, my friend had a quick 7 days, tour but one that exposed him to many great sights and provided him with many great photo ops.

We covered around 2800 miles and stayed mainly in parks with hook-ups since the weather was hot and we needed to run the A/C most nights. We had good weather except in West Yellowstone where we had thunder, lightning and heavy rain for the evening. (Luckily we found a nice pub where it was not raining inside.) Prisila ran well, even over a couple of passes which were close to 10,000 feet high.

European Adventure - Bob & Kareen Dunlop

We just got back from a Trafalgar Bus tour of Europe. Starting In Oslo, Norway; Copenhagen, Denmark; Stockholm, Sweden; Helsinki, Finland; St.Petersburg, Russia; Novgorod & Moscow, Russia; Minsk, Belarus; Warsaw, Poland and flew home from Berlin, Germany. We saw a few RVs on the highways there, but not a lot of signs indicating campgrounds. Some RVs on the road were just pulled off to the side of the highway and seemed to be camping right there. We did catch sight of one at our petro stop and thought you might like to see one. This was the typical looking RVs we saw, mostly in the Scandinavian countries, but this shot was in Poland near the German border as the road side sign shows. We stopped at this stop for W.C. break at McDonald's that was closed due to a water shortage. So we continued on for another hour to the next McDonald's, that are quite frequent in Europe as well. Enjoyed all the sights and memories will be with us for a long time.

Washington State Island Hopping Jim Dickson and Maureen Campbell

It has been a number of years since Maureen and I toured the San Juan Islands of Washington State in our PW. We remembered the rolling hills and the winding country roads leading us from one seaside village to the other. There are hundreds of small islands in Juan de Fuca Strait (now called the Salish Sea) that are wedged between Vancouver Island (where we live) and Washington State mainland. In the 19th century both Canada and USA laid claim to the islands and both the British army and American army had camps on San Juan Island to support their territorial rights. These camps are now maintained and are tourist attractions. The British withdrew after an international arbitration board gave the islands to America. In return, America gave up claim to the land below the 49th parallel on Vancouver Island.

Several of the islands are large enough to be serviced by Washington State ferries. A ferry leaves Sidney on Vancouver Island twice a day in the summer with one of the stops being to Friday Harbor on San Juan Island. From there an inter-island ferry runs between Orcas, Shaw and Lopez islands. You can travel between these four islands free of charge for the rest of your life if you wish. Friday Harbor can also be reached from Anacortes WA (which is on Fidalgo Island but is connected by bridge to the mainland.)

We asked George and Rosemarie Bull (our club President) to join us for the adventure. They live in Chilliwack BC and were able to take the ferry from Anacortes to Friday Harbor to meet up with us and begin the island hopping. We both have Ford Excels (ours is a 2002 Ford and Bulls' is a 2007 Ford) which is a good thing because many of the island state parks do not have many camping sites which can accommodate large units as they tend to cater to tenters and bike tours. San Juan Island does not have a State Park but there is a community campground on the shore.

September 9-11 Days 1,2,3

On San Juan Island we stayed at a private facility called Lakedale Resort. It is mainly a lodge and cabins but has a lot of tent sites and about 6 RV sites with power and water. The sites were expensive \$45 per night for unserviced tent sites and \$65 for a serviced site. Rosemarie noticed a September discount of 30% off for a 3 night stay so we took advantage. San Juan Island was very expensive for camping, gas and food. The weather was fantastic and actually hot for the three days we were on this island. Some of the things we did and saw on San Juan Island were:

- Roche Harbor marina. We had a very nice lunch here and toured the marina which was home to some very large yachts.
- Lime Kiln Park – a great place to see pods of killer whales (Orcas) up close. The whales usually arrive after 1:00 pm each day. Take your binoculars and prepare to spend \$10 for a day pass or \$30 for an annual pass. All state parks have this pass requirement and can be purchased on line or at the park. You are not able to purchase the annual pass at all parks.
- San Juan County Park (campsites). We did not stay here but it looked like a favourite as it was located on the ocean with unbelievable views of the marine life. Mostly for kayakers and bikers.
- Friday Harbor town. We stocked up on our groceries here as we were not allowed to bring too many food items across the border.

It was nice to head back to our camp at night as we had set up a screened room/bug tent and were able to eat outside and sit and play games in the evening without being bothered by the wasps.

Sept 12 Day 4

Took ferry to Orcas Island. This island is quite different in landscape than San Juan Island in that it is mainly trees with a smattering of farms in the middle. The ferry lands at one end of this horseshoe shaped island and Moran State Park where we planned on staying was at the other end so we took a driving tour along the way. There was a campground at a place called West Bay Resort. Was nothing out of the ordinary but very pricy for what you got. It was \$38 for a site and \$7 for our dog. That's a dollar a pound! Needless to say, we did not stay.

The tallest land mass in the islands (Mt. Constitution) is in the state park and we drove up to the top to enjoy a beautiful view of Washington state, Vancouver Island and all the smaller islands. The windy road is nicely paved but I wouldn't want to drive a RV larger than ours up it. Trailers? Forget it! The sites at Moran State Park were \$23 a night (no services), well treed and can get pretty mucky in the rain. Fortunately it was sunny and warm during our stay. We picnicked at Rosario Resort – a mansion converted into a hotel and restaurant.

Sept 13-14 Days 5,6

Caught the 08:50 ferry to Anacortes. We had planned on going to Lopez Island but people we met on Orcas Island said the campgrounds were fully booked for the weekend. A short sprint across Fidalgo Island took us to Whidbey Island, which also is connected by bridge. We headed for and pulled into the Windjammer Community Campground in Oak Harbor. This place was full because

there was a 3 day dog agility show being held in the park and most of the contestants travel by RV. We managed to get 2 overflow tent sites for \$12 a night. Now we're talking! Again, thank goodness for our "smaller" units because there wasn't much room for longer units.

Enjoyed the entertainment that the dogs put on, did some shopping, and visited the farmers market in Coupeville. The weather turned cooler. A lot of fog and clouds.

Sept 15 Day 7

We headed south down Whidbey Island to the seaside village of Langley. This is a wonderful little town with quaint shops and galleries that were closed as it was Sunday. Took the ferry from Clinton to Mukilteo on the Washington mainland, just near Boeing field. I am sure a lot of Boeing workers live on Whidbey Island and commute because the ferry runs every half hour.

We headed north on I-5 and found the Tulalip Casino. We planned on spending the night there in the RV parking lot (no services). Next door is the Seattle Premium Outlet shops and Cabelas. This took the whole day. We enjoyed a thunder and lightning show for a few hours in the evening and had dinner in the casino.

Sept 16 Day 8

Started off cloudy and rainy. We took a left off I-5 and went to Camano Island which is connected by a bridge. Not really sure why it is called an island because the bridge went over a skinny little river. Camano Island is a rural, well treed island that appears to be a nice sleepy place to retire to. The State Park is nice and has some nice campsites on the ocean.

At Rosemarie's suggestion we decided to take a chance and head to Concrete, WA to Raser State Park. What a pleasant surprise this park was. In the middle of nowhere. Seems to cater to hikers and fishers. The washrooms were clean and we got side by side sites with power and water. Sites were \$28. Send George \$5 and he will tell you which shower works without having to put in money.

Sept 17 Day 9

In Bellingham we left George and Rosemarie as they were heading back to Chilliwack and we had some shopping to do (cheese, cheese and more cheese) before heading to the border to take the ferry to Vancouver Island. We had a wonderful time and appreciated the company.

We had two great paved sites at Raser State Park, Wa. Put our tables together to play Sequence.

Eastern PW Rally I (Connie & Joe)

Just returned Friday from a 7500 km, 5 week trip to Hershey Pennsylvania to the eastern PleasureWay rally. There were 68 units assembled from mainly the eastern part of the USA but a couple from California and Washington. Phil and Grant were there from PW. Hershey is billed as the biggest RV show in the US. Of course we had to have a few Hershey chocolates as well. On the way back we stopped at the RV hall of fame in Elchart Indiana. Very interesting, but no PW's in there as yet. Now time to winterize and put away till next year. Regards to all.

Eastern PW Rally II (John and Joan Fisher, and "Tiika")

I've been meaning to write you. We had a great time in Hershey! The Pleasure-Way RV Club East (PWRVCE) had 74 PWs in the RV park. We pretty well took it over. Joan and I made lots of new friends there. They had a large white tent set up with tables and chairs set up for about 200 people. PW hosted a 'Wine and Cheese' on Thursday evening. There was a catered meal on Friday night, and a 'Pot-Luck' on Saturday.

Pleasure-Way had a couple of reps there. One, named Phil, gave a couple of great presentations and answered questions about PW RVs. We learned a lot from Phil.

People were very friendly. Especially the President, Bobbi Bergstrom and her husband, Harold. When they heard that we were newbees, they offered lots of good advice. In particular, they informed us about the air bag supports for the suspension at the rear axle. We didn't know anything about them. Harold told us where to find them, where to put air into them at the rear bumper, and how much air pressure needed (55psi). We blew them up before traveling back to Ottawa. That, plus the additional air pressure in all four tires, made an immense difference to our stability on the highway (60psi front and 80psi rear. This was endorsed by Phil). It was very noticeable! It also improved our gas mileage! We had a fabulous time at the rally and met some wonderful people!

On Saturday they had an "Open House". Bobbi gave people cut-out green frogs to hang on your antenna if you were 'open to visitors' who might want to see any modifications that you had done to your PW. This was a great opportunity to learn from these folks who had been RVing for years. They showed us mods that they had made and readily answered any questions that people came up with, regardless of it relating to their own mods.

The previous day, people had filled out slips of paper if they had a question or problem and would like a visit from Phil during the "Open House". All day Phil walked around the park with his toolkit and visited the campers on his list. For a while we joined the small group that were following him so as to learn about his solutions to the problems he was encountering. Phil is very knowledgeable, and was able to offer solutions to every problem presented to him while we were shadowing him. He's also a very nice guy.

We got back to Ottawa late September 15th, and left again on Thursday, 4 days later, for Guelph and the 'Newfoundland Dog Water Rescue Tests' which Tiika took part in. She has already passed the senior level for "Water Rescue Dog" in the U.S., now she's working on her Canadian Title. On Thursday night (3:00am) we smelled a skunk. Tiika was lying out by the camper door. I immediately opened the door and brought her inside, but, unbeknown to us until the morning, the skunk sprayed the whole side of our camper as soon as I shut the door!! We tried many things to get the stain of the skunk spray off - Lysol lemon wipes, WD-40, dish detergent, lemon juice, but we finally found a recipe on the internet of hydrogen peroxide, baking soda, and dish detergent which has removed all the stain so our beautiful camper is sparkling white again! It also took all the stain off our mat! We think the three of us no longer smell like a skunk, and the camper smells like vanilla extract now instead of skunk, thank heavens! All weekend at the water tests, people kept saying they smelled skunk. We would say, "Sorry, it's us!"

Just another story to add to our Pleasure-Way journal, I guess!

Off the Grid Camping - John & Kim

We first met our Pleasureway a year ago when her previous owners turned up on our doorstep and asked if they could camp for the night. Our doorstep (farm) is large, and they seemed like affable folks, so we agreed. Since then, those affable folks have not only returned on a number of occasions, but they wound up getting married at our farm this past summer!

Last winter when we were doing our annual review of “what shall we do with our lives?”, we decided that travelling across Canada, the Yukon and wherever would be a good idea. A Pleasureway seemed like it might be the perfect vehicle for trips like these. When our new friends advised us that they were upgrading to a new PW, we jumped at the chance to buy their '97 Excel.

And thus began our Pleasureway journey.

We're “off the grid” campers, preferring to be unplugged in a remote campground near a lake full of fish to being hooked up in a commercial campground near a bunch of people full of fish. Although we now know where the water and electrical hookups are located on our van, we've never actually used them. In fact, we've now deleted the TV, VCR, and the microwave in favour of some extra space for towels, wine, and food storage.

Yet to make the “big trips”, our farm is listed for sale and we have travel on our agenda as soon as we can get to it. Meanwhile, we had a great time this year beginning in April in Osoyoos, the PW rally in Oliver, the Ashnola, trips to Okanagan North & South on Okanagan lake (9K from home!!) Shuswap lake, Roots & Blues festival, a beautiful trip through the Duffy Lake road to Vancouver (Skihist campground is fantastic - stay in #36) and more.....we're still camping. In fact, once we winterize the water system, the plan is to take our PW cross-country skiing, to provide our own toasty little apres ski lodging.

We enjoy the PW forum and find it a helpful solution to some of the little eccentricities that our van has, and meeting a bunch of owners at the Oliver Rally was lots of fun. With only 134K on our van, we're looking forward to having lots more enjoyment from what Kim calls her \$20,000 toilet! We love our PW.



John & Kim @ Haynes Point, April 2013

Fidalgo Bay - Jeff & Hilary Shardelow

The first week of July we spent at Departure Bay Provincial Park in Washington. If you like trees, this is the park to camp in. Adequate facilities, with water and electricity. Lots of trails and a beautiful beach a short distance from the campground. During the day we took our campervan and parked it right near the beach and enjoyed the days on the beach with the luxury of the Pleasure-Way facilities on hand.

We then moved on to Fidalgo Bay RV park. Less trees, but lovely campsites. We were fortunate enough to be right on the ocean. Magnificent view right from our van. This RV Park has a wonderful clubhouse for the use of all the campers at no extra charge. I have attached some photos of the clubhouse (in and outside views), as we thought it would be a great place to have a Pleasure-Way rally someday. This park is more pricey than the Provincial park, but the facilities are definitely worth the extra cost. There are flat walking and biking paths running through this campsite and leading all the way to Anacortes. About a 45 minute bike ride.

Rally 2014 Planning

(I realize this is a little early, but we would just like to have a few numbers.)

Fred Baxter volunteered to host a rally in Alberta for 2014. Being as a lot of member's travel during the summer it was decided that either late August or early September would be the best time frame. I sent out an email to the members asking who would be interested and the ones that I heard back from the majority thought early Sept would be best for them. Being as we have some members from Vancouver Island who have expressed they would be planning on attending I feel we should give them the opportunity to take the ferry on free senior days which would be Tuesday Sept 2nd and then getting to Alberta on the Thursday. So I think we should consider having the rally from Thursday Sept 4, 5 & 6th or the following week from Wednesday Sept 10, 11 & 12th. The idea was to have the rally in Alberta so more member's east of BC could attend. Hopefully, we hear from more members who have never attended a rally. So far they are all ones who have previously attended. Once you have been to a rally, it seems those members are all anxious to meet up with others they have met before. So maybe by next Sept we will have more new members express their desire to come. Some members may tie a few days at Enchant in with an extended trip to the Rockies or Yellowstone.

Fred has been to the Municipal Park in Enchant, Alberta with the Good Sam Club and it has a really good clubhouse, which is nice to have in case of inclement weather. Enchant is north of Lethbridge AB off Hwy 25. He said it is large enough to play games in and hold our Meet & Greet and potluck. Other things we can do, would be a book exchange, a silent auction on items we no longer use that have to do with Rving; an ice cream social or maybe others have ideas. There is a baseball diamond there and a museum in the small town. I think there is a small golf course nearby also.

We can reserve the group camping area which should hold 15 PW's and if there is more than that, they may have to camp in the regular campsites. The cost that was calculated out for the group area

was done for 10 units and worked out to \$75 for three nights. That included the cost of the building which is \$100 a day. If some have to camp in the regular sites we will have to figure out the cost for everyone for the building rental. At first we thought we would have to ask for an up front registration fee, but now we think that won't be required. We had 26 units at the Oliver event this year, let's see if we can beat that.

If you click on the address below it will give you an idea as to what the campground is like and the location.

<http://www.campscout.com/campground/AB0282/>