

## Heceta Beach, October 18-20

ORVW had its last rally of the season in October. Even with the National convention being the same month, 21 members in 15 rigs attended including 2 members from Washington and 1 from British Columbia, Canada, and 2 local ORVW members attended as day guests. Friday opened with the usual "Finger Food" buffet and introductions. Members who'd attended the convention gave a short report and they were proud to say that the ORVW "Rig Parking Attendants" got wonderful reviews and comments. After sunset, members returned to the common room for games.

The hosts, Paulette and Mary, had prepared for changeable weather and scheduled a sunset campfire on the beach and indoor tournaments of scrabble and Wii bowling but Mother Nature provided wonderful daytime weather and many opted to soak up some sunshine with walks on the beach or just circle sitting on the lawn with knitting needles and chit chat.

On Saturday some members went to the casino for a few hours, many went to the beach again. The sunshine was just too wonderful and could not be wasted. We held our pot luck Saturday dinner with meatball stew being provided by the hosts and too many scrumptious dishes to name. That evening the beach campfire was changed to a campfire circle in the park due to the wind and Marty provided the fixings for s'mores.

Sunday dawned a little cooler and gray clouds threatened rain. A few attendees were checking out but, knowing it was the last rally of the year, were reluctant to leave. The many that remained went to the Bridgewater Restaurant for dinner on the recommendation of our local members and that was a good decision. The ambience, the service and, most importantly, the food, were wonderful!

Sad goodbye hugs were plentiful on Monday morning as everyone pulled up levelers, pulled out plugs, dumped tanks and pulled out waving and saying "see you back here in March".

Paulette Beliveau