

Oregon RVing Women Rally
September 15 – 18, 2017
North Lake, OR

Once again, we returned to North Lake near Lakeside, Oregon for our Annual Meeting and monthly outing. Some folks arrived on Wednesday or Thursday with everyone else showing up at various times on Friday. We had 22 rigs and 32 ladies present along with a couple of daytime guests. Hosts for the weekend were Becky Steward, freshly returned from her summer in Florida, June Willoughby and Michele Pelkey.

The nights were chilly and small heaters were the order of the evening but the weather on Friday and Saturday was gorgeous after some morning fog lifted. Sunday afternoon brought the chance of rain, but with all the fires burning in Oregon, we were happy to have Mother Nature exert her influence with some blessed H2O.

Early arrivals had a chance to enjoy kayaking on the lake as well as sitting in the sun and practicing ladder golf for the upcoming tournament on Saturday.



Saturday morning, after breakfast, we had an apple tasting event to celebrate National Apple Day. We were surprised to learn there are over 200 varieties of apples from our hostess, Becky Steward. Many of us brought apples to sample and after we cut them up and put them out on plates, we went around tasting and put stickers on an entry sheet for the apples we liked best. Honey Crisp apples won the competition and the top three entries each received a prize for the apples they brought. We discovered that we had way too many apples left over and unfortunately didn't dare put them out for deer as there have been bears sighted in the area. A big bag of leftovers was gathered for apple sauce by one of our members.



This was followed by our annual meeting where we took care of club business including the Treasurer's report and budget for 2018, reports on sites for next year and elected our new Vice President, Gail Taylor, and reelected

our Secretary, Jeanette Haller. Thanks go to both ladies for their willingness to serve. We also had some RV tips and questions.



In the afternoon we participated in a single elimination ladder golf tournament. Eight teams signed up to compete and were cheered on with lots of hoots and hollers from the rest of the group. The ultimate winners were Pam Mayne and Janet Siegel who received some of the world's best cookies from a local Coos Bay shop and some tickets to a future movie at the Egyptian Theatre in Coos Bay.

Saturday evening we went to one of two restaurants, either Lakeshore Lodge in Lakeside or Ocean Garden in Reedsport.

Sunday morning after breakfast Becky Steward did a presentation of the App Allstays which she has successfully used traveling back and forth across country to locate RV parks on the fly. It does cost \$9.99, but she says it is well worth the expense if you do much RVing.

In the afternoon some of the ladies went into Coos Bay to check out the Annual Fun Festival as well as a local Quilt Show. Sunday evening we ended festivities with our potluck followed by more cards and games after the usual dog walking.

It did in fact rain quite hard on Sunday evening and some of us found our rigs surrounded in water as we retired for the evening, but by morning it had soaked into the parched ground.

As we all head home, we look forward to our last rally of the season at Heceta Beach in Florence.

