

## ORVW at North Lake Resort

Sept 8-12, 2022

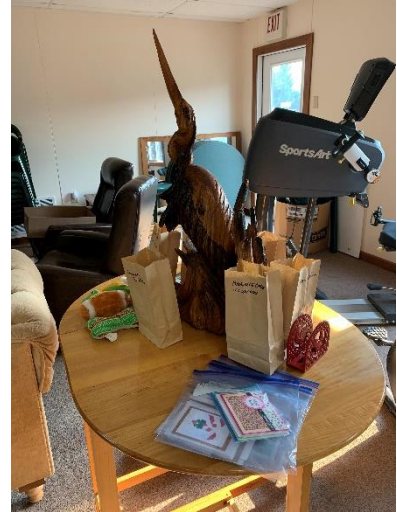
Hosts June Willoughby, Charlotte Frye, Sharon Moores and Paulette Beliveau

Thursday and Friday were sunny but quite hot as around 38 gals in 26 rigs arrived for a weekend of fun. The park owners apologized for not having better ventilation in the clubhouse but we made the best of it with some extra fans that they brought in for us. Nothing keeps us from our evening games of Square 9!

Friday afternoon we set up the ladder golf set and cornhole toss for practice. Because of the heat, no one was very interested in it that afternoon



with the tournament not scheduled to start until Saturday afternoon. Ladies were also dropping off items for our Penny Auction that was due to begin on Saturday morning. Everyone received a pack of 10 slips for free and if they wanted more, they were \$1.00 a pack. They wrote their names on the papers and dropped them in bags accompanying all the donated items. The chain saw heron got the most slips of paper.



Things officially started Friday evening with our usual finger-food potluck, beginning bidding on the penny auction and dog walking and games. Friday night, as we were playing cards, we were visited by a little bat who flew into the clubhouse and took up residence in a corner above a restroom. Several gals were apprehensive, but we left her alone and she stayed put. When we closed up for the night, we turned the lights off and gave her poke with a broom handle and she took off out the door she had come in through.



Saturday morning dawned much cooler and everyone breathed a sigh of relief. The continental breakfast consisted of coffee or tea, English muffins and bagels with cream cheese, butter, peanut butter or peach jam. There were also hard-boiled eggs, mandarin oranges and yummy breakfast oat bars, pumpkin and banana bread baked by Sharon Moores. Sharon also served some

regular canned peaches and pickled peaches – a new treat for many of us. No one went away hungry, that's for sure.

Breakfast was followed by our annual meeting where Paulette Beliveau was elected President and Joan Lease was elected Treasurer for the next two years. Their terms will begin on January 1<sup>st</sup>. June Willoughby gave the Treasurer's report through 8/31 and discussion ensued on how much to donate to National next year in the process of passing the 2023 budget. It was decided to double our previous donation to help out National due to the lean years they have suffered with the pandemic and no



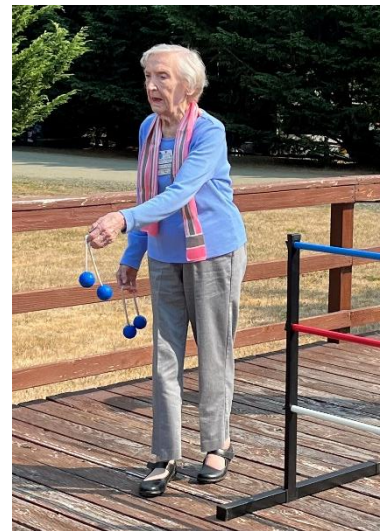
conventions. Helen Bressler showed us the completed basket that will be auctioned off at the National Convention next month. We do a really good job! And we got to see the beautiful quilt that Joan Lease and Paulette Beliveau made to go with the basket.

At the end of the meeting, Michelle shared with us the various committees that will be needed for the National Convention which will be held in Salem next year. We all need to pitch in to make this convention a success.

Then it was time for fun! Bidding began on the various treasures that were donated and gals signed up for the tournaments which this year added a ring toss game (and it's harder than it looks!). Practice began after the meeting

and the actual tournament started at 1:00. A lot of gals came to cheer the contestants on and we were thrilled to have "Mom" Lindegren throw some balls in a round of ladder golf at 101 years old!

Because the same teams were participating in multiple events, we had plenty of time to chat and enjoy the lovely day as they moved from one station to another. One team dominated, winning two of the three events but another team, the one that won the other event, gave them a run for their money every single time.



Saturday evening, we had our usual potluck with plenty of good food and conversation. We also drew the winners of the various "prizes" for the penny auction with some surprises and lots of laughs. Items that had no bidders were left out for grabs the next morning. And at the request of one of our members, June showed a video she had scheduled for Sunday that she made of 11 years' worth of Oregon Women RVers photos that she created with added music. The end of it had a video of a 2012 performance of "This Land is Your Land" that we submitted for a national sing-a-long on Earth Day that year. Many of the women in it have passed away, moved away or



stopped RVing for a variety of reasons. A few tears were shed by everyone there, remembering the good times of years passed.



Sunday morning breakfast we had “omelets in a bag” along with our goodies from the previous day. Everyone, who wanted to, put together their own omelet with eggs, bacon bits, ham, red and green peppers, onion and mushrooms in a freezer plastic bag. Then they placed them in a pot of boiling water for about 7 minutes and voila! They had a round tube of omelet that fit nicely into a soft tortilla or just on a plate. At the end of breakfast, the video was played a second time for those that wished to see it again.

The rest of the afternoon was free time. Some of the gals drove into Coos Bay for the Salmon Festival at the Mill Casino. Others just enjoyed visiting with one another until dinner at Lakeside Lodge.

After dinner we awarded the prizes for the tournaments – big expensive ones on the hosts’ part -straight from the Dollar Store. 😊 The winners were Diane Card and Kathy Johnson for Ladder Golf and Jeanette Haller and Patti Knight for both Corn Hole and Ring Toss.



And of course, Sunday evening, like all the others, was taken up with a round of Square Nine, our absolute favorite card game.

Monday morning a few of the gals stopped in at the club house to help us eat up the bagels and English muffins. Then we finished packing up and headed home until our next rally in Newport.





Salmon Festival Tees