

ORVW - The Mill Casino RVW Rally  
July 14-18, 2022  
By Rose Mullgrav

The Mill Casino Rally was held in beautiful North Bend from July 14 through July 18, 2022, hosted by first timers Rose Mullgrav and Kathy Sheats from the US Virgin Islands. The RV Park is large and situated by the Coos Bay. Roughly 27 members participated, a very good turnout. We were somewhat scattered about, however clustered in groups. That was ok as we got lots of steps and exercise. The yurt served as our meeting place.



Thursday was an open day so arriving members had an opportunity to settle in, rest, and go to the casino.

Friday, a group of five golfing members headed to Sunset Golf Course for a round of twelve holes. The group played a scramble format, where everyone hits and we take the best, or furthest ball. Very proud to announce, that as a team, we parred the course. Thanks Patti Knight, Jeanette Haller, Kathy Johnson, Kathy Sheats and Rose Mullgrav.

Later that evening was the meet and greet which led to recognizing a first timer, Deane Bishop, from Newport, OR.



Jeanette Haller and Patti Knight



Rose, Jeanette, Kathy Johnson, Kathy Sheats, Patti Knight

Saturday's breakfast was well attended. Kathy Sheats provided an overview of the weekend and an update on Martha Lindgren, who was unable to attend the rally due to a medical issue. Following breakfast, a Chapter business meeting was held, led by President Michelle Pelkey. Members were excited to learn that the Annual RVW Convention for 2023 will be held in Salem. Michelle spoke about various committees that will need volunteers, particularly from the Oregon Chapter.

After a short break, an optional session was held to introduce members to geocaching by Kathy Sheats, including a brief description of what geocaching is, the types of caches, how it all got started (in Oregon!) and how geocaching can help you get to know an area better, getting some exercise in the process. After the class, the participants went outside to find a simulated geocache hidden in the RV park. After gaining some experience with how to use the geocaching app, the new geocachers were ready to go out and search. Following a lunch break, Kathy led eight members out to caches in the area. The event was great fun for the participants, Diane Card, Helen Bressler, Marjo Sankey, Jeanette Haller, Patti Knight, Jeannie Gatlin, Deane Bishop and Rose Mullgrav. Thanks Kathy!!



Searching



I found it!



Look what I found!



Learning how to use the geocache app



Membership Meeting



Geocaching 101

While one group geocached, others opted to attend the Oregon Coast Musical Festival kick-off event in Mingus Park. The Coos Bay concert band performed. It's made up of members from the local community.

Sunday Deane Bishop's RV was christened. She had been wanting to RV for years when a friend asked her what she was waiting for. She realized that she shouldn't wait any longer and purchased her new RV. She hasn't settled on a name yet, but for that day, she chose LIL (Leaning into Life). Members loved that name and what it said about her new adventures.

After the christening, Deanne drew the winning raffle ticket for the beautiful quilt made by Joan Lease and Paulette Beliveau. Dorothy "DD" Detering was the lucky winner.



Deane Bishop's RV Christening



Quilt Raffle Winner "DD" Dorothy Detering



Quilt Makers Paulette and Joan