

**Woodburn Rally, Portland-Woodburn RV Park, Woodburn, OR
April 15-17, 2022**

Wagon Master June Willoughby coordinated our reservations and deposits with the Portland Woodburn RV Park located in Woodburn, OR, just 20 miles south of Portland. The hospitality of the RV park was outstanding. They were so accommodating of all of our needs and requests! The full kitchen was an added plus!

Most of our attendees arrived on Thursday afternoon and in our first 24 hours we experienced a variety of weather from driving rain to hail and freezing temperatures. The weather couldn't dampen our fun over the weekend. Hosts Deandra Wallace and Susan Bookout delivered welcome bags to everyone containing plastic eggs filled with chocolates and beautifully decorated spring cookies handmade by Deandra. One golden egg was randomly placed in one of the bags. Liz Wharton found the golden egg in her bag and received playful prizes.



Our weekend activities began Friday afternoon with a group of nine traveling to the Wooden Shoe Tulip Farm to tour the 60 acres of row upon row of colorful tulips. The group bought carload tickets online. It was a gorgeous sunny day as the rain held off until evening.





We officially opened the rally with a finger food pitch in and social time. We were joined by 8 musicians from The Cheers ukulele players from Salem, Oregon, just 20 miles from our rally. The group is facilitated by RVW lifetime member Char Norby of Salem. Char noted that she had facilitated seven of the early national RVW rallies. We all enjoyed the Cowboy sing along.



We kicked off a weekend long raffle ticket sale for chances to win a quilt made and donated by member Joan Lease. The quilt was a gorgeous mountain scene and was won by ORVW members Linda Waterman and Tully Strong of Coos Bay. Ticket sales totaled \$135. Joan also donated a quilt this weekend to the Oregon Women in the Trades celebration in Portland!



Saturday morning started with a continental breakfast and conversation about afternoon plans. ORVW member, Liz Sumner gave a presentation on fire safety for RVer's and general safety while RVing. Liz brought her rubber mallet and demonstrated how to check your fire extinguisher for clumping powder chemicals.



Members spent the afternoon visiting the Oregon Gardens at Silverton and the nearby Woodburn Outlet Mall just across the street from the RV park.

Since this was Easter weekend and many restaurants would be closed on Easter Sunday, the group decided to have dinner out Saturday night and hold our pot luck pitch in on Sunday evening. We had a fun time at the Country Cottage Restaurant at the Woodburn Estates and Golf Club, a 55+ community. We ended the evening with square nine cards and other games.



Sunday members finished entering their guesses of how many foil wrapped chocolate eggs were in the quart jar. A scavenger hunt started on Friday and members turned in their completed lists on Sunday afternoon.

Host Deandra Wallace prepared a spiral cut ham for our Sunday evening Easter dinner and members added their side dishes for a wonderful meal.

Winner of the chocolate egg count was Kathy Johnson who guessed the exact number of 101. Four teams submitted their scavenger hunt lists and all were awarded prizes. ORVW President Michelle Pelkey found the most items, followed by teams of Paulette

Beliveau and June Willoughby, Jordy Jordan and Liz Wharton, and Joan Lease and Kathy Johnson.

Throughout the weekend we had multiple day attendees including Liz Sumner and prospective new member Pat, Lynda McCord, Lynne Hansen, Diane Card and Holly Files. And our Vice President Mo (Maureen) Swerdlik arrived every morning and stayed with us until the last card game concluded! What a dedicated member!

