

Ultra Vans at Cannon Beach Rally

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% he Ernest Newhouse Award"

There have been questions regarding the procedures and selection of a person who should receive the Ernest Newhouse Award. The following was taken from our By-Laws Dated 2006 Appendix – J Paragraph 2 Procedures (5/93)(7/00)(8/05)

The award recognizes an Ultra Member who has contributed in an outstanding manner to the progress, enjoyment and general success of the Club and its activities, and meets the qualifications as stated in "B" below. (7/00)(8/05) Basis for selection will be the individual performance during the entire period of membership. Not limited to the previous year or any other shorter time period. To qualify for nomination of this award, the individual must have done four of the following six items:

- 1. Host at least one National Rally.
- 2 .Hold a Chair position of a committee.
- 3. Hold at least one term as a club officer, Tech. or other Club position.
- 4. Be a member of the Club for a minimum of two years.
- 5. Host at least two regional Rallies, or a second National Rally.
- 6. Accomplish outstanding or superior services to the Club.

A written, qualifying report will be sent to the President for each nominee for verification. The President will forward each qualified report to the editor for inclusion on the Ballot.

Members vote by ballot, preceding or during the National Rally. Nominations will be as specified in paragraph 2B above. Presentation of the award occurs at the National Rally. A tie vote selects the individual of longest Club membership. An individual may receive the award one time. The "Ernie Award" is the highest individual recognition that the Club offers. The Medallion will be worn at all Ultra Assemblies

### PREZ SEZ



#### LAST PREZ SEZ!!!!

The National Rally will be here before you know it. I hope a lot of you have made plans to attend. It looks like Terry & Linda have put together the makings of a good rally. Since we are unable to attend, we wish you cool

weather and a good rally.

This will be my last time to write the Prez sez article, I want to thank you all for making the last two years go by so quickly.

Jerry (& Mary Lou)

A Special Note from Your Editor.....It is more economical to receive your newsletter electronically now, so if there some of you out there who now have e mail & would like to receive your Whales on Wheels very fast (It takes 2 seconds to e mail it to you), please let me know and I will take you off of my Snail Mail list. You can e mail me at the address below.

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#### From Ed and June Lindsay:

Ed sold #407 to Ron and Susan Schemmer, 4973 Lanett Drive, Pensacola, FL 32526. We told them about our club. Ron owns Able Auto Repair in Pensacola a and also bought another Corvair parts car from Ed. As you can see in the pictures the Ultra just fit on his Rollback and he drove carefully from Milton to Pensacola by taking the back roads.

Turkelos Travels: From another car show last fall we were invited attend a VW club's annual show, which was this weekend. Most car shows in our area are for all makes and generally only have 30 or so cars. Most of the time, even less than that. We arrived about 20 minutes after they opened at 8AM. When I registered, we were number 39. When registration closed, there were over 100 registrations. I don't think I saw anything else that wasn't either VW bodied or VW powered except for small display of a couple vintage Jeeps and a few large military vehicles. But, then we are also only 10 miles from Ft. Benning, the largest infantry installation in the US. In the pictures, you can see us amongst a sea of VWs. Out of a 100 cars, the sponsoring club picked Turkel as their club's show choice. WOW, a VW club liked an Ultra Van better than any of the other VWs there. They made all of their trophies out of VW engine parts. Ours is a VW fan.



## ATI Northwest Art & Air Festival <u>2016</u> August 26th <u>Friday</u>, August 27th <u>Saturday</u> (The Car Show), and August 28th <u>Sunday</u>

### Arrive August 25 and Depart August 28, 2016

At the end of August every year, the city of Albany, Oregon puts on the "ATI Northwest Art & Air Festival". Hot Air Balloons, Craft and Food Vendors, Car Show, and Live Bands!

Last year we stayed at the RV Park adjacent to the festival. We entered our Ultra Van in the Saturday car show and won 1st Place in Orphan Class! We had such a great time, we went ahead and reserved 10 sites so our friends and fellow Ultra Vanners could come join in on the fun and enter the car show!

There are only 4 sites left, if you'd like to join us, call The **Blue Ox RV park (800) 336-2881.** Mention "Mello" and tell them you're with the <u>Ultra Van Motor Coach Club</u>. They're wonderful there and will tell you all you need to know.

Checking into the **Blue Ox RV Park** on Thursday allows you can get up early on Friday and enjoy the hot air balloons lifting off first thing Friday morning.

<u>Please note: I did set it up for checking in on Thursday August 25th and checking out on</u> <u>Sunday August 28th.</u> If these dates won't work for you...you can arrange for other dates when you make your reservation.

For more information you can go into the ATI Northwest Art & Air Festival web site: http://nwartandair.org/

We'll get Festival information out as we get closer to the date. Hope to see you there! Patty & Jerry Mello (541)-926-2631





# Oltra Van 2016 National Rally Tombstone, Arizona - October 2-8, 2016

The town has wheelchairs on request. Dogs are welcome with watering stations throughout town. Request permission from individual establishments for pets to enter.

Hosted by Terry & Linda Porter and Chuck & Cyndie Hanson

At the Tombstone RV Park & Campground http://www.tombstonervparkandcampground.com



\* Large level pull thru sites \* \* Tent sites and Playground \*

- \* Picnic tables and grills \*
  - \* Campfire rings \*
- \* Extra clean restrooms and hot showers \*

\* Camping cabins and Cowboy suites \*

- \* Laundry facilities and Pool \*
- \* Family friendly atmosphere \*
- \* Complete area information \* \* Ice, Propane and Wifi \* \* Shuttle to Tombstone for our overnight guests \*

You are welcome to stay at TLC if you need to come early or stay late.

## <u>Very Tentative</u> Schedule for Tombstone (times and activities subject to change)

First Day: Registering, getting reacquainted, and catching up with news. Pick up Welcome bags from the City of Tombstone. Activities, tours and more found in the brochures provided. 5:00 Dinner for all furnished by the Hosts Movie "Tombstone" in meeting room

#### Second Day:

9:00 Coffee, tea or hot chocolate, pastries.

10:00 Board of Directors Meeting.

10:30 Regional Meetings (East and West).

11:00 General Meeting (For Everyone).

12:00 Tourist stuff, (group or individual tour in Tombstone, shopping, lunch on your own or in Tombstone) transportation provided.

5:00 Tech session – Terry Porter on the Tiara Ultra Van.

6:30 Yankee Swap.

7:00 Campfire gathering, grill available for burger, dogs or what have you.

#### Third Day:

9:00 Coffee, tea or hot chocolate, pastries.

10:00 Coach hopping.

Optional, (depends on how many riders) variable, beginning 11:00am to 2pm Horseback Trail Ride with or without lunch at Tombstone Monument Ranch

Morning, as desired: Tourist stuff, (group or individual tour in Tombstone, shopping, lunch on your own or in Tombstone) transportation provided.

5:00 Pot luck and Campfire gathering, grill available for burger, dogs or what have you.

#### Fourth Day:

9:00 Coffee, tea or hot chocolate, pastries.
Morning, as desired: Tourist stuff, (group or individual tour in Tombstone, shopping, lunch on your own or in Tombstone) transportation provided.
5:00 Banquet at the Longhorn Saloon. Campfire gathering afterward.
ALL RALLY MEETINGS COMPLETED. WE HOPE YOU STAY FOR MORE FUN!

#### Fifth Day:

9:00 Coffee, tea or hot chocolate, pastries. Goodbye for those leaving.Morning, as desired: Tourist stuff, (group or individual tour in Tombstone, shopping, lunch on your own or in Tombstone) transportation provided.Just ask if there's something you want to do.

7:00 Campfire gathering, grill available for burger, dogs or what have you.

#### SiXth Day:

9:00 Coffee, tea or hot chocolate, pastries. Goodbye for those leaving. THE SEVENTH DAY IS FREE AT THE RV PARK SO BE WELCOME TO STAY ONE MORE DAY!

## Ultra Class Want Ads

WANTED: I need an original steering column for UV 222. A mid-eighties olds column has been installed in our coach and I don't like it. If not mistaken, the original column would have been a Ross steering unit. Please contact me at bojogray@primus.ca or johngray063@yahoo.com 905 449 9858. I have a US postal box so shipping should not be an issue. John Gray, Oshawa, Ontario

For Sale: Reprinted Ryerson Ultra Van Manual I now have the Ryerson Ultra Van Service/Repair manual and a CD version of it available. Prices: Manual only \$50.ea. (Mailed in USA.) Manual only \$70.ea. (Mailed to Canada.) CD only \$17. (Mailed in USA.) CD only \$22. (Mailed to Canada.) CD mailed with manual \$15. (To all.) Make check to: Eric Kirven. Mail to: 3585 Cerritos Ave., Long Beach, CA 90807

## $\odot$ $\odot$ $\odot$ $\odot$ **ULTRA MERCHANDISE**

CUTE Miniature Cloisonné Ultra pins \$5.00 each NEW Cloisonné Ultra earring set \$7.00 NEW Cloisonné Ultra pendants (chain not included) \$3.50 NEW Ultra coffee mugs \$8.00 Club badges. 1st one free at rally or \$5.00 replacement "Corvair Powered" bumper stickers \$3 or 2 for \$5 DVD of Ultra Archives \$5.00 DVD Ultra Coach Owners Manual by Len & Edy Ryerson \$5.00 VIN # plates (blank . you provide coach #) \$3.00 A few T-shirts from past rallies @ \$5.00 Booklet % From Covered Wagon to Ultra Van+\$5.00

3 ½+X 4 ½+Stitched patches w/ Ultra on US map & flag \$3.00

Tech tips, sets 1 or 2 (\$13 + \$2 shipping each mailed)

Window decals: UVMCC with Ultra \$1.00 Postcards and notecards @ various prices

Call or e-mail about these items...

OR BETTER YET, SHOW UP AT A RALLY! Merchandise Chairman - Patty Mello 541-926-2631 nanapatty1951

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For Sale: Reprinted Ryerson Ultra Van Manual

I now have the Ryerson Ultra Van Service/Repair manual and a CD version of it available.





## **Report for Western Ultra Van Rally**

**By Carl Jones** 

## Oh, What a Time We Had!

The 2016 Ultra Van Western Rally was held in Cannon Beach, Oregon May 23-27. Six Ultra Vans, 3 SOBs and three Day Trippers attended.

The Ultra Vans included; Dan Jessen and Sally Nelson - UV 215, Jerry and Patty Mello - UV 333, Howard and Bonnie Joseph – UV 392, Carl and Fran Jones – UV 400, Doug and Meg Bell - UV 404, Ron and Evelyn Adams – UV 499.









Others in attendance with their rigs included; Gale and Gretchen in a rented RV since theirs was still under repair, Lou and Shelly Young in their Dolphin LX and their friends Dave and Beverly Ensley towing a fifth wheel and former/future UV owner Graham and Nancy Dell came in their <u>T@DA</u>. The <u>T@DA</u> is to RVing what a tiny home is to home owning.



Pfueller's rented palace



Young's Dolphin



Ensley's fifth wheel



Dell's T@DA

Matt Lackey, owner of UV 335 (which is currently being rehabbed) came for Wednesday and stayed for dinner. Deryk and Shannon Peters owners of UV 411 stopped by for a while on Thursday but had to return home the same day. All tolled we had 23 people show up for the Rally at one time or another. We also had a former UV owner show up after the Rally, Dave Bettini, former owner of UV 479, was only able to stop by on Friday, unfortunately everyone had already pulled out and headed home. As he said on his facebook post, "A day late, and a dollar short"!



No Picture as David Bettini arrived after we left

Deryk & Shannon Peters



Now that you know who attended, let me say again <u>*What a time we had!*</u> We started our 2016 Rally on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> with everyone arriving without incident. We kicked off the festivities with a great Lasagna Dinner supplied by Co-Hosts Gale and Gretchen Pfueller, yummmmm! Each attendee Ultra Van and SOB received an Ultra Van in a Bottle in their welcome package. We were all in 60s dress and listening to rock and roll music.

Fran Jones told us what it was like to live in Liverpool, England when the Beatles, Herman's Hermits, The Dave Clark Five and Jerry and the Pacemakers were just getting started and what it was like to go to the Cavern and how the aforementioned bands used to play during intermission while the named bands took a break.





Gretchen Pfueller and Carl Jones at the opening dinner in their 60s gear!



At the beach you can even get an Ultra Van in a bottle.

Fran Jones explains what it was like growing up in Liverpool, England in the 60s.

**Tuesday** began with a great continental breakfast and after breakfast a walk into Cannon Beach to visit the wonderful little beach shops and to, eventually, eat more food at lunch. Some of us walked back along the beach and looked at Cannon Beach's Haystack Rock, where Puffins come every year to breed and raise their young. After resting for a couple of hours, you guessed it, we gathered again to eat. This time Co-Hosts Carl and Fran Jones prepared bar-b-qued burgers, beans and coleslaw with pie and ice cream provided by Doug and Meg Bell. After dinner Jerry and Patty Mello enthralled us all with their cross country trip in Mini, UV 333. From Oregon to Maine and many places in between and then return to Oregon. National parks were highlights of their trip and visiting family and friends. They even stopped at such places as the Corn Palace, The Crazy Horse Memorial, Niagara Falls, Route 66, Utah's Bryce Canyon and many fine and fun restaurants.

Pictures on next page.





Fran Jones and Libby the Wonder Dog strolling near Haystack Rock

Jerry Mello telling about his cross country trip

**Wednesday** continued the fun with another great continental breakfast and a Tech Talk on fiberglass repair which wandering on to many other subjects on UV repair. This was followed by the Annual West Coast meeting where we chose Ron Adams as a Western Region Director, we also nominated Jerry Mello to become President of the UVMCC which will be confirmed at the October National Rally. After the meeting some of us went to Seaside, a town about 10 miles north of Cannon Beach and some of us went back to the beach and walked on the sand. With a free afternoon some shopped, some walked and I know one person who snoozed the afternoon away. Wednesday night saw us gathering for our annual pot luck dinner where we tried to eat ourselves silly, some succeeded. Thanks everyone for bringing great food and wonderful conversation. Oh, I almost forgot to mention the Yankee Swap Meet. It was your typical Yankee Swap Meet, a lot of oohing and ahhing, a lot of stealing and one or two people trying to hide the gift they didn't want to give up. There were several prized gifts, like the one in the Victoria Secret bag that Dan Jessen didn't want to give up, or the trailer bird house that went thru all of its steals and at the end of the night, the two cats in the hats. You had to be there to really enjoy this fun!





Dan Jessen looking over his first Yankee Swap Meet gift



Evelyn Adams extolling virtues of gift she wants to give away

Patty Mello says, "What will I do with this?"



Two Cats in Hats Jerry Mello and Graham Dell

**Thursday**. Another day, another continental breakfast, still good though! The conversation was still good as well. Late morning we are off to the Lewis and Clark National Park and Museum in Warrenton. This place is on the site of the terminus of the Lewis and Clark Expedition where they wintered over until Spring for the trip home. In the early afternoon we did our coach tours and allowed the other people in the RV Park to join in. After the coach tours we said farewell to Lou and Shelly and Dan and Sally as they were heading out a little early. For dinner we all went to Mo's Restaurant which is famous for their clam chowder. Several fish and shell fish gave their lives for us this night, for which we heartily thanked them.



Lewis & Clark National Park



Fort Clatsop where they spent winter



Coach tour discussions

**Friday** saw our farewell breakfast as those of us that were left caravanned to the Pig & Pancake and ate the last of the food in Cannon Beach, at least it felt like we had eaten all of their food during the week. By 10 AM we were all on our way home and thinking about the next time we would be getting together.



Pictured L to R; Jerry Mello, Gretchen Pfueller, Patty Mello (standing), Fran Jones, Carl Jones, Gale Pfueller, Meg Bell, Doug Bell, Howard Joseph and Bonnie Joseph.

#### Thus ends the Western Spring Rally and all of us remain Ultra Vanners for life!





# The Inside Story by Chuck & Cyndie Hanson







## 2016 UVMCC BALLOT

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