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Canadian Northern Lights RV Chapter

It's been many months since we were able to 'rally, no thanks to the CoronaVirus pandemic. Thankfully, vaccines are now available, and at this writing, many of us would have had the opportunity to receive our first jab! That should afford us some protection against the virus and the fast-spreading variants; with good luck, and good management we may yet be able to finally see the end of this curse!!

With that in mind, the Canadian Northern Lights executive are tentatively planning to host a May rally in Carberry. If circumstances permit, and this will largely depend on the Public Health orders in effect at the time, we will have a 'scaled down' version of our typical rally.

We may be required to use our recently acquired tents for shelter, and we definitely will not be having a catered meal or entertainment. Likely, most meals will be "on our own". We will hopefully be able to see our club members in person!

Watch your emails towards end of April for particulars, and hopefully we will be able to this happen!

Presidents Message

Happy Spring to all our members: As spring is upon us, it is time to look forward to our first rally on May 28-29 & 30 in Carberry. Hopefully everyone got through all the shut downs and remain healthy. The next step is the vaccination which is going well and will allow us once again to meet as a group with proper precautions such as spacing, masks etc. The executive will be hosting the rally. At this time we are not sure if the hall will allow us the proper spacing but we will have our 2 tents to set up for open air spacing. A decision was made to hold our elections in the fall of 2021 to allow more time to recruit members for these positions. This will be one of our topics at the meeting. (please bring your suggestions with you for input) We are not sure if the Border will be open at this time for our U.S. members to join us. Time will tell. As we get closer to our rally we will try and keep everyone up to date. If you plan on attending please give us a heads-up to allow us time to work out spacing.

Look forward to seeing you soon!

from Ralph, Ruth and Sophie

2021 The Year of the Jab

Covid 19 Covid 19 Covid 19.....soon will be a distant memory....

The vaccine rollout is proceeding and at this point, almost all of our members will have had an opportunity to get “the jab”, should they choose . That should afford us some protection against catching the bug. Second doses are still a bit away, as the rollout tries to inoculate as many Canucks with first shot as possible.

In the meantime, as Prez Ralph mentioned, the CNL executive are planning to host the first rally of the year at Carberry Agricultural Grounds towards the end of May. This will likely be a rally with limited activities, but we will hopefully be able to gather and visit.....it’s been too long!!

Watch your emails for further info!

FMCA Regional Rallies and Conventions

MidWest Area Rally Aug 17-20,2021 Manchester, Iowa

104th International Convention March 23-26, Tucson Arizona

Canadian Northern Lights Rally Schedule 2021

CNL Spring Rally

Carberry Ag Grounds

May 28-30, 2021

If you are interested in hosting a rally, please contact a member of the Executive.

We are always looking for hosts/venues.

Vice President's Ramblings

Happy Spring to all!

An early start to spring after an extraordinarily mild winter stumbled a bit when an April snowstorm dumped much needed precipitation . Nonetheless, the calendar says spring! And it's time to go RVing!! As Ralph mentioned, our current executive has agreed to continue in their respective offices until Fall of 2021, when election of officers will occur for a one year term. In Fall of 2022, we will return to the 2 year cycle , and elect officers for a 2 year term.

Looking forward to seeing you in Carberry!

-Mark

Secretary's Comments

Happy Spring from your club Secretary. Hope all is well with you and your families during these challenging times. Ernie & I are certainly looking forward to the possibility of getting together this year.

If you have any changes with your address, phone, e-mail etc, please let me know. If you know of anyone in the club who is not well, has a special birthday or anniversary or just even needs a thinking of your card, please let me know that as well and I will send one out. I don't know anything unless you tell me so please feel free to speak up.

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Treasurers Comments

Bank Balance as of April 5,2021 \$1,817.55

\$0.00 Outstanding and Zero deposits.

Future: Trailer Insurance due in June of 2021—Notification not yet received as of this writing.

Census: No changes since 2020, with the exception of the addition of one yearto all membership expirations for Canadian Northern Lights memberships.

Jeri Morrow

National Directors Notes

Hope this finds everyone healthy during these uncertain times. We know we all have a renewed desire to return to enjoying everyone's company, travelling, socializing and attending all of the FMCA and Canadian Northern Lights events. Our newsletter will keep you advised to the availability of these events.

The FMCA 103rd International Convention will be in Gillette, date July 7-10, 2021 . At the time of this writing, we have no Official notification if the Canada/USA border will be open. As this is a voting Governing Board meeting, we thank John Meier of the Ramblin Nodaks to be our representative at this voting time. Please check the FMCA website to review the two proposals to amend the National Bylaws.

This is an election year for National President, National Senior V-P, National Secretary and National Treasurer. I have submitted our ballot for Dennis Fox F444718 for the MidWest Area—National Vice President.

Please keep in mind the MidWest Area Rally in Manchester, IA—August 17-20,2021.

The next International Convention will be the 104th, March 23-26,2022 in Tucson, AZ Warm times next winter.

Who is ready for that? Yesss!!

I would like to thank everyone, past and present members for their support for myself as your National Director over many years for the Canadian Northern Lights. The family and I have enjoyed meeting all of you, attending and reporting from the National Conventions.

I will step down from that position effective this fall. I urge members to consider this great position and be able to enjoy, volunteer and representing the Canadian Northern Lights.

Yours truly and happy, safe travels. Stay safe, stay home, and stay connected.

John D Morrow, National Director

Our Chapter exists to promote social, recreational, and informational exchange activities which provide for the enjoyment and pleasurable use of family member recreational vehicles (RVs). We like to get together in small towns, visit their local restaurants, tour their facilities to gather information, and even love to visit their yard sales and flea markets. We have members from all of Manitoba, Saskatchewan as well as some from our sister group in the US called "The Ramblin Nodaks." Our dues are minimal per year, but you must be a member in good standing with FMCA to join. We try to get together several times each summer. Most are "hosted" with organized tours, entertainment, games, etc. Some are "not hosted," just a casual weekend with a great group of friends. Either way, you are welcome to try us out, participate in what you choose or do your own thing. No worries, no stress, just a casual get together.

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Editorial

Time to blow the dust off the RV! Well, almost...

Not much in this newsletter this time, as not much has been happening with CNL since last year.

Light at the end of the tunnel though!! Spring Rally at Carberry, if you feel comfortable in joining us there. We will be 'social distancing' and following all Covid protocols, so it will be a different rally, for sure!

Take care, stay safe!

Mark Morgan, Editor

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