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ANTICIPATING A GREAT RALLY - NEWPORT RALLY UPDATE!

by Danny & Marcie Quarisa and Derrel & Kathe Letulle, Co-Rally Masters

We're Full!

As we write this, 75 coaches converge on Pacific Shores RV Resort in Newport, Oregon. The group is a mix of members traveling from all over the US, plus a few members who own space at Pacific Shores.

In all, 20 states are represented, with California tops - sending 21 member coaches. Our champion travelers will arrive from Florida. Talk about FMCA Originals! Attending will be a member with an FMCA number just over 1,000 and another in the 3,000 group. We'll have 11 members with numbers under 100,000!

With a maintenance and seminar schedule that has eight sessions from which to choose, plus prizes and cash awards at the Rally raffle and drawings, and the silent auction, music, dancing and a 'Got Talent Show' . . . whew, it has to be a GREAT TIME!

If you're missing this great time you'd better start planning for the Jacksonville, FL Rally in March, 2011!

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Headed to the Rally!

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ELECTIONS FOR AREA FMCA PRESIDENTS

By Al Vormittag, National Director

On June 22, 2010 elections were held for Area Presidents. The following candidates won: Eastern Area - Otto Tew, Great Lakes Area - Jon Walker, International Area - Sonny Gillespie, Northwest Area - Andrew Belogh, Western Area - Bobby McDonald.



I was elected to the position of Senior Vice President in the INTO area under Sonny Gillespie. The next INTO area Rally will be May 11-14, 2011 at Elkhart County Fairgrounds in Goshen, IN. Hope to see some of you there.

Looking forward to seeing you all in Redmond Oregon at the FMCA National Convention Redmond Rocks on August 11-14, 2010; with the CATRV Club General Membership Meeting on Thursday August 12, 2010 at 5:30 in Seminar 6.

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TECH TIDBITS - YOUR CAT FUEL FILTERS

by Brett Wolfe, President Emeritus and Yahoo Discussion Group Moderator



In response to all the questions we've had at Rally Technical Seminars and on the Yahoo Discussion Group about fuel filters over the years I prepared a TechTidbits paper on the subject. The typical, proper fuel system/layout sequence is...

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Members are reminded that all Tech Tidbit topics can be found on the CAT RV Club website on the Tech Tidbits page or in the Files Section of the Yahoo Discussion Group site. For example, check these links for other online versions of this story: [Yahoo Discussion Group - Fuel System](#) or for additional information along with the Tidbits [CATRVClub website Tech Tips](#)

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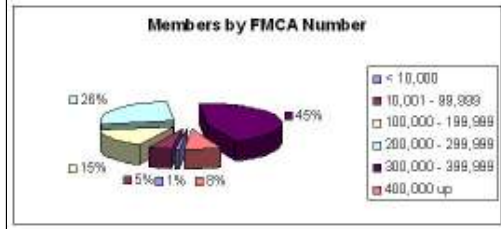
SOME INFORMATION ABOUT US

By Ken Carpenter, VP Membership

We all know that CAT RV Club Members come from all over the USA and Canada but it is interesting to see how many come from each Province or State. Some states and Provinces have a few members each while a few states have very many members. The Top Ten member States are, along with the number of members, are: 1 - California, 165; 2 - Florida, 109, 3 -

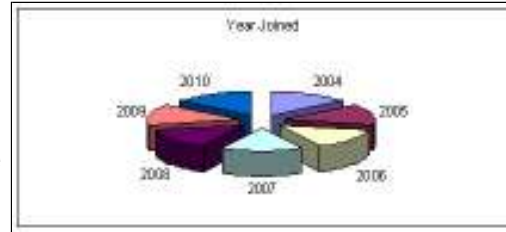


Texas, 99; 4 - Arizona, 52; 5 - Illinois, 45; 6 - Ohio, 41; 7 - Washington, 40;
8 - South Dakota, 35; 9 - Colorado, 31; and, Oregon, 30.



The Club has several FMCA Life Members, a few commercial members and a total of 9 members whose FMCA number is under 10,000. The Chart on the left shows the percentage by FMCA number range with about half of us having numbers below 300000 and the rest above.

The Club was Chartered in Albuquerque in 2004 with 390 members, 124 of whom are still hold active memberships. The Chart on the right shows the number of active members by the year they joined the Club.



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NEW CAT RV CLUB MEMBERS

Please join us in extending a warm Welcome to the following new Club members!

Name	City	State / Province
Jerry & Bonnie Barber	Santa Ynez	CA
Darrell & Mary Lou Bell	Placerville	CA
Damon & Betty Briggs	Humble	TX
Ron & Pat Brown	Middletown	PA
Arthur & Wille Calvert	San Diego	CA
Michael & Mary Frederick	Welch	MN
Lewis & Colleen Hodges	Florence	OR
Jim Makely	Stuart	FL
John & Janice Marsh	Sweeny	TX
Richard & Kim Mathews	Pasco	WA
Robert Wiedermann	Corpus Christi	TX

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TECH TIDBITS - COACH RIDE HEIGHT

by Brett Wolfe, President Emeritus and Yahoo Discussion Group Moderator



If ride height is too low or too high it can cause damage to the shocks. To learn about: (1) The Importance of Correct Ride Height, (2) Leaf Spring Suspension, (3) Torsilastic Suspension, and (4) Air Suspensions click on Read More below.

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BUTLER CATERPILLAR, RAPID CITY, SD

by Kathe Letulle, Treasurer

Our coach would not start on Thursday morning, July 8th, so we jumped the starter and made our way to Butler CAT. They have done service work on our coach one other time. Bruce said he could work us in about 1.5 hours later. As we were on our way to Oregon we said OK. But to our surprise, in 15 minutes he took the coach in for repair. \$234 later we had a new starter solenoid and the latest update on our CAT engine. We now do not smoke from the tail pipe and the fear of not starting the coach is spelled RELIEF.

Thank you Bruce and Butler CAT!

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DO YOU NEED TO CHANGE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION???

If you have changed your mailing address, email address, or cell phone, please do not forget to tell us about it. Let us know by sending an email to membership@catrvclub.org. Please include your FMCA number. Also, we can not share this information with FMCA, so let them know as well: <http://www.fmca.com>. In addition, any email address changes need to be submitted to iContact using the Manage Your Subscription link at the bottom of this page.

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