

Square Wheels Newsletter (Dated: August 21, 2022)

It seems like a long time since we got to see our extended Square Wheels camping group- it sure has been a hot time in the old town tonight, right? It felt like a family reunion to me.

We had 11 rigs- a smallish group for us due to last minute illnesses. You know who you are and we miss you bunches when you can't make it. We also miss our friends who are off in other states right now. It is one more reason to be grateful when the weather gets cooler and folks come back home.

Debbie Cassidy got us off to a great start on Friday with the first planned sewing project- 4 participants created really cute casserole holders. I definitely admire people who have that skill because I sure don't! We played games Saturday morning and one of our activities was an introduction to Egyptian Rat Screw. Ron Imus and Bill Chesnut pooled their efforts and we had a great campfire after the Friday night dancing- too much lightning to do it again on Saturday.

Bill Chesnut and Ann Hadsall led our square and round dancers with beautiful music. We had two squares for most tips. On Saturday, Bill Cassidy and Mark Fetzer both did tandem calling with Bill Chesnut- it was a hoot to see them play off each other! Susan Snider tricked some of the audience when she told everyone to shut their eyes while she played a song that Mark and Ann danced to (maybe a bolero?) which was gorgeous. Some folks actually did keep their eyes closed but I immediately cheated and it was worth it! We are always a well dressed crew for our Saturday night dance, but I have to call out Carol Casto's very pretty dress- I loved it.

Bill and Carolyn Dees came up from their home further South and Carolyn won our Friday night 50-50. On Saturday night I teased her about her win saying it was my turn to win next. She replied to me that she would cheer for me if I won but that she would cheer louder if she won herself..... and she did it again! That girl needs to buy lottery tickets!

18 of us got together for Saturday afternoon dinner at Cedar River Seafood in Starke- it was yummy and they gave us the entire back room. A cool thing was that every male in the room was a veteran of our armed services- that is a true indication of our ages- thank God for all of our service members and pausing to remember those who did not make it back from Viet Nam.

We met a new couple who will be joining our group, Emmy and Wendell who square danced in the past and enjoy camping. I will learn their last names before the next newsletter. Dale Fredrickson and Pat Everett surprised us with a visit Saturday- yay! George and Alicia did the same thing on Friday night- double yay!

The KOA campground in Starke did not support our group with adequate room and had competing activities which kept us from even using the main rec room hall on

Saturday night. I guess it was better that we had a small group or we would have not had room for the dancers. It will not be on our calendar next year.

Our September campout will be at a new campground for us. It is in Summerfield BUT it is not at Southern Oaks- repeat Not. Instead, we are checking out SunKissed RV Resort 14339 South US Highway 441. Their phone number is 352-480-5000. It is on the West side of 441, south of Camping World. Make your own reservations, and the rally rate is \$37 per night. I hope we will be eating at St Johns Seafood again, but no confirmation yet on this.

Hope everyone gets better soon! Martha and Bob we missed you when you had to leave early.