# **NEWS DRIFTS**



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## May Rally @ Black Diamond

The annual Black Diamond spring rally is in the record books. This year we avoided rain, but the winds were very high. At one point we had to take down the shelter before it beat the upcoming Caravan participants to Saskatchewan!

The new "feather" banner was unveiled for promotional use at rallies. The wind was really whipping it around, but it does stand out.

We were joined by Ernie and Anna Gonzi, friends of Bob Bishop. They came down from Edmonton to check us out and signed up to join. Great to start the year off with new members. Welcome to the club Anna and Ernie!

On Saturday, a business meeting was held to review the status of events in 2022. Issues with the August Rally at RV There Yet? were raised and an alternative suggested. The alternative did not work out for 2022 (maybe it will be on the list for 2023). Subsequent communication with RV There Yet? resolved the issues, and the rally will be held there as scheduled. The minutes of the meeting can be found on our website.

The very sad news we received at the meeting was the departure of Ed and Lorna Bostock. They are selling their beautiful rig and will no longer be active members. They were a huge asset to the club, hosting rallies and making meals. They will be greatly missed, but we wish them well in their future pursuits.



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**Southern Alberta Drifters** is a registered chapter of the Family Motor Coach Association. Membership is open to any FMCA member in good standing.

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Upcoming 2022 Events		
June 9 - 12	Stirling Campground - followed by the Caravan to Swift Current <ul> <li>power &amp; water</li> </ul>	Organizers / Hosts: Bob & Cathy
July 14 - 16	Irricana Municipal Campground (Founders Park) <ul> <li>info to come</li> </ul>	Organizers / Hosts: Gerrit & Elsabé, & TBA
August 11 - 13	RV There Yet? Campground, Blackfalds <ul> <li>power &amp; water &amp; dump</li> </ul>	Organizers / Hosts: TBA
September 8 - 11	<ul> <li>Centennial Park Campground, Claresholm</li> <li>power &amp; water</li> <li>annual kite event, AGM, elections for Vice President &amp; Secretary</li> </ul>	Organizers / Hosts: Ron & Lane, TBA

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There was a tour of the Spirit Hills Winery. Unfortunately your reporter was not able to attend, but reports of a fun time and tasty wines were received.

The annual trailer clean up was done on Friday morning. It's nice to have it sorted out and ready for the season. Members found all sorts of items that they did not know or had forgotten we had in there!

There was also a card bingo game played in the Lions Club garage. Money and cards were exchanged, and the big winner will remain anonymous (as I forget who it was ... oops!)

With campfires every night, great food and stories, we all had a great time. Our sincere thanks to the joint hosts Ray and Rosemary and Carr and Carol for arranging the event.

Note: the 2023 event here will likely be scheduled a couple of weeks later to see if we can find warmer, dryer and less windy conditions!





