



Fall 2025 Newsletter

Well, it has been a most spectacular year so far. Travelling in an RV (especially a Pleasureway) has never been better.

The weather, well as quirky as it was, proved to be quite acceptable. Yes, some of us could have had more sun and warmth, but hey we worked with what we had.

And it indeed was a lovely warm for a while. Maybe too warm! Unfortunately, so dry we had to switch to propane fires pits.

There were a lot of changes for the club including a change in club lead, change in club membership management, plus a new <a href="mailto:ema

We have also created an advisory group that will help provide additional guidance to the club (more about that in the newsletter).

And rightly so. Our numbers are growing. We have 30 new members and a total of 300members right now and a record setting 56 units attending the last rally.

So, we need to work on innovative ways to inject more variety, and enjoyment into the next rally.

Speaking of which, the rally venue in 2025 was a great success. And next year we will be trying to outdo this year.

Ideas and volunteers for that rally are more than welcome.

Also, the date, time and place have been set for the <u>South Island</u> <u>Christmas party</u>. Read on and be sure to visit our <u>Website</u> or <u>Facebook</u> group to find out more details.

This newsletter is just the tip of the iceberg. So read on and discover what is happening within the club.

Enjoy reading the fall newsletter!

Lloyd & Betsy

What's New!

New Member Welcome

People Changes

2025 Salmon Point Rally

New Club Online Presence

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Call Out for other Rallies

Call Out for Event Volunteers

Call Out for RV Travel Stories

New Members Welcome

We've received a lot of requests from new owners wanting to join our club! Please welcome:



Sylvie Hutchinson	Carol Langenberger	Connie Poppino and Lee Woytkiw
Sidney, BC	Indian Head, Saskatchewan	Calgary, Alberta
Kim and Craig Paterson	Anthea Banks	Beth Garrish
Victoria, BC	Cobble Hill, BC	Oliver BC
Brian and Carol Costello	Alden and Laurie Foraie	Ron and Karen Denslow
Courtney, BC	Saskatchewan	Summerland, BC
Kathy and Roland Breer	Shirley Sirkia	Rob & Lisa Hoban
Saskatoon, Alberta	North Cowichan, BC	Ladysmith, BC
Jennifer Enta & Chet Chan	Colleen & Mike Bodell	Bill & Kathy Soule
Calgary, Alberta	Bend, Oregon	Guelph, Ontario
Oliver & Glenys Bussler	Bill & Shelley Dayman	Brian & Carol O'Bryne
Gabriola Island, BC	Estevan, Saskatchewan	Prince George, BC
Penelope Semrau & Barb Boyer	Mariange Beaudry & Margo Waichari	Kim & Rick Hawley
Cayucos, California	Cobble Hill, BC	Sooke, BC
Doris and Calvin Stubbs	Dawn and Gilles Chappellaz	Liana Cole
Comox, BC	St.Claude, Manitoba	Powell River, BC
Joe Morrison	Denise Brethour	Laurel and Dave McCloy
Comox Valley, BC	North Saanich, B.C.	Saanichton, B.C.
Laurel and Dave	Ratha Racford	Lyall & Deb Alore
Saanichton, B.C.		
Peter & Deborah Kehler		

If we have missed you or misspelled your name, we sincerely apologize. So many changes going on. Regardless, we are all look forward to seeing you all at the next year's rally on Vancouver Island or possibly another yet-to-be held rally elsewhere in the club's region.

Ever thought where our members hail from? Maybe who was the farthest or how many are from Vancouver Island? Well, if you said Australia for the furthest, you would have won a prize. And if you said 108 for Island, you would have also been right. Here is the breakdown:



Out of the 302 members total from 26 different locals, 246 are from Western Canada. But we certainly don't restrict others from outside that region to join or attend the rally. PLEASE DO!

People Changes



Bob Black, and Barry and Becky Lowe have passed on the torch for the next rally.

We want to thank them both for all the time and hard work they put into the club and the planning of all those rallies.

I have volunteered to assume lead for the club from Bob for the next rally. And Betsy has volunteered to lead with membership and the newsletter. Both Betsy and I will work hard to make sure next year's rally a super one as well. Quite a learning curve!

Happily, Bob, Barry and Becky will continue to provide input into future rally events. They will be part of a new advisory group that will comment on/vet ideas related to such things as club identity, presence, location changes, rally agendas/activities, online services (web/FB), etc. Other group members are Laura Patterson (website), Julie Eustace (rally events), Betsy Waddington (membership), and me.

There are many things that are undergoing change, and broader input would help ensure we are doing the right things for the right reason. We are looking to inject energy, and ability to better connect and engage club members as well as bringing in more openness, ideas and vibrancy to the club and its activities. It's about getting input, and vetting ideas that may normally not be considered, and bring them out into the open for discussion.

If you have ideas that you would like to pass on to this group, you are free to contact us through Contact Us | Western Canada Pleasure-Way RV Club on the club website, or directly through Club email.

The 2025 Rally at Salmon Point

The 2025 rally was a fantastic success and the best attended rally to date with 55 units attending! What made it that way was not just the terrific venue, but a great bunch of volunteers, the Pleasureway company, Sunwest RV and the Salmon Point staff. Many thanks to them all. Volunteers stepped up to provide members with some excellent sessions.



Many thanks for helping make the rally such a success.

Without these volunteers the rally wouldn't have been the success it was.

So big thanks go out to:

- Gina Atkinson who organized a "What Pleasureway Means to You" session. There were smiles and laughter all around.
- Doris and Calvin Stubbs who hosted a most enjoyable trivia night. Please come back again!
- Julie Eustace who organized and led a Guess Who Game. Wow, some real surprises there!
- Leah Bradford who setup a book exchange for the lit lovers.
- Barry Lowe who led a goodly number of people for a sultry walk along the Salmon Point Trail. Hope you all saw the lone bagpiper who was playing by the ocean shore!
- To all those that set up "Swap Meet" signs so others looking for some camping gems could make a deal.

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But it did not stop there. Pleasureway helped support our club in a big way during the rally as Grant Walters and Ryan Scriven came from PW HQ in Saskatoon.



- Pleasureway put on a nice spread for the Meet and Greet evening.
- Ryan and Grant answered many questions about our current PWs and what might be coming next.
- They had a Tips and tricks session.
- Ryan took the time to go around to member's campers to answer specific questions about their rig.

But it did not stop there again. Sunwest RV in Courtenay hosted an ice cream social and brought out a new 2025 Pleasure-Way Plateau XLRB for everyone to see. What a unit! And Sunwest treated us to an ice cream evening on Thursday! Yum!

But it did not even stop there.
Salmon Point provided a quick and easy registration and even supplied heaters for the cooler outdoors night activities!

They even escorted units to their site and helped them back in!

There were many things to experience around the resort. That included the pool and hot tub, the nearby restaurant, and the fact we



had an eagle nest over in a nearby tree for all day entertainment!

Check out all the photos at the new club website!

Many New Ways to Connect to the Club and Its Activities

Talk about changes! We have been working hard to reimagine our club website and build out a Facebook Group so that we can all connect easier with each other.

New Website

The old website has been decommissioned and a brand new site has been developed by Laura Patterson.

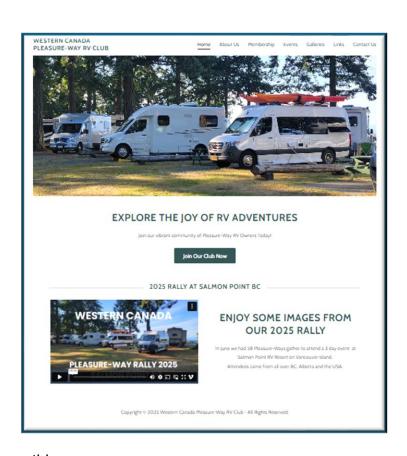
Thanks go out to Laura for the super new look and feel. And it is beautiful! Navigation is easier, we can load up more photos, well you'll just have to look and see for yourself.

There you will find many things including <u>Events</u> descriptions, including information on the next rally, <u>picture galleries</u>, useful links and more.

And, of course, you will also find links to this and upcoming newsletters.

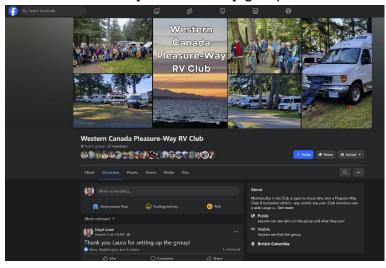
Oh yes, you can share the website with anyone. There is no requirement to be a rally participant or club member to see the content. But joining the club will get you a quarterly poweletter so that you do not mis

quarterly newsletter so that you do not miss anything.



New Facebook Group

A new Rally Facebook Group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/wcpwrv has also been created. Yes, there are many Pleasureway groups, so what is this one all about?



If you have a question about any of the club rallies, desire to connect with members who participated in a club rally, share your stories, post your favourite picture, or organize your own local campouts, then this is the place to go.

Those who join the Group can use it to share information about their units and themselves. It can be used to make connections, plan local Campouts, share

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travel stories and pictures, and ask the group questions. Note that full access to post to the group will only be possible if you join.

We do not want to compete with the other groups that share tips, tricks and problem solutions. But if you want to post them on a rally site because you want to share them with the club, that's ok. Rather we are trying to create an experience focused on the club, its members and its rallies.

We will also be adding content as well, like our newsletter which will be homed on our website www.wcpwrv.ca. The Facebook Group will have up to date rally news, plus links to other information that is published on the new website.

"Joining and having notifications on will ensure that you get that information about the club and the rally quickly and directly."

The Club will still use its email to send out notifications as many may not have a Facebook account. If you are concerned about Group privacy and abuse, Al autoscreening is on. This blocks any spam or anyone trying to advertise.

The Group Admin will be watching carefully. FB standard kindness rules are already in place for posts. We can add any other rules in simple format, that we feel are necessary. A moderator will check with our membership list to ensure that the content focussed on Pleasureway and our rallies, and boot out any nasty trolls.

New Email

As you will have noticed, there is a new email account called <u>WCPWRV@outlook.com</u> instead of PWWCanada@gmail.com.



You should use this new way as your way to contact us. You should also use it instead of wcpwrvweb@gmail.com for website related email.

The new service provider facilitates easier email and contact management and club content storage.

If you no longer wish to get these emails, let us know at WCPWRV@outlook.com.

Events & Campouts:

We are excited that the next rally is set for Salmon Point next year and that Christmas Luncheon plans are underway.

Things are still yet to be finalized for the Christmas luncheons, so for now check out below for known details. Emails will go out as dates and locations get finalized.

Camp-out 2026:

Salmon Point Resort located near Campbell River will indeed be the location for our next rally., June 9-11, 2026. Reservations are open.

"Call Salmon Point directly for a reservation"

The RV Park is offering the club a discount so be sure to mention the club when you register. Contact the park 1-866-246-6605 to reserve.

Salmon Point has blocked 44 sites for us to start. Sites mainly have 30-amp service. Some have 50-amp service. All have two water hookups and one sewer.

Christmas Luncheons:

The Vancouver Island luncheon are north and south with the split somewhere around Duncan.

South Island:

When: December 2nd at 11:30AM

Where: Six Mile Pub, 494 Island Highway, Victoria, BC

RSVP: wcpwrv@outlook.com no later than 31 Oct and include the name(s) of

attendees. 50 seats have been reserved.

Theme: Secret Santa Gift Exchange. Each attendee is asked to please bring a wrapped gift if they wish to take part in our fun-filled gift exchange. As an example, it could be an inexpensive and/or recycled RV related gift. Who knows what fun things we'll come up with.

Billing: As this will be a large group, please note that a gratuity fee will be automatically incorporated into your bill.

North Island:

When: December TBD Where: TBD

Contact: Jennifer Davidson/Peter Kendell

Other luncheons in BC or Alberta or Saskatchewan?

Remember

to

Book Ahead!

Other Campouts Callout

In the past, members have organized campouts in the BC Interior and in Alberta, as well as on Vancouver Island. Check out their pictures in the <u>Galleries</u> section of the new website.

Examples are Shuswap Falls, Torrington, Armstrong, Bow Rivers Edge, Enderby, Oliver, and Powell River. We are quite open for others to organize another rally. Anywhere.

If you require assistance, you can use the new Facebook Group to help organize, and we would be more than happy to place any meeting information on the new website of course.



If anyone is interested in organizing an event or camp-out, please contact Betsy via wcpwrv@outlook.com to have any information included in the website and next newsletter.

Callout for Volunteers

Got an idea for an event that we could include in the next Vancouver Island rally? Perhaps you may even want to organize an event?

We had a super event schedule at the 2025 Salmon Point rally. We are looking to repeat some. But we are also interested in holding some new ones as well.



Travel Photos & RV Adventures

We would love to receive short stories and a photo or two to include on our website. We can inspire each other and share areas and "things to see" others might not have heard about.

Please submit your adventures to wcpwrv@outlook.com for publication! Or post them in the new club Facebook page. Again, don't be shy!



As a final note we will be publishing the next newsletter in the spring of 2026. In the meantime you will received emails to provide information on social events being held, like the Christmas luncheons, and information for the next rally. You can also go to the Western Canada Pleasureway Club website to catch up on things.

Well, that's it for now. Hope you all managed to get out camping and explore the new areas during the summer.

We'll send out another email once we get more detail on the Christmas luncheons.

Happy Camping! Lloyd & Betsy The eagle that was nesting right over the campsite for some!

