



“30 Years of Happy RV Travels”

Georgia Funseekers Newsletter

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Post FMCA Trip & April 2021



Greetings Funseekers:

FMCA's 102nd International Convention and RV Expo, March 10-13, 2021 in Perry, Georgia was well represented by the Georgia Funseekers. Scott and Clare Herrick and Brenda Hudson worked as “host”. National Director Jere Key, and Alternate National Director, Brenda Hudson and I attended the South East Area (SEA) meeting where committee reports were presented and new officers elected. Jere's report of the meeting was emailed to all members.

Attending the FMCA Convention were Billy and Catherine Bearden, Glenn and Bert Wilson, Hugh and Denise Mitchell, Harry and Gayna Joy, Jere and Marion Key, Bryan and Nina Douglas, Butch and Judith Cassady, Bob and Wendy Uhrig, Duane and Diane Amerson, Scott and Clare Herrick, Richard and Brenda Hutson and Raymond and Susan Baggarly.

The FMCA event was well attended. I read over 1,200 RVs were present and many of the seminars and entertainment venues were at capacity. The vendor exhibits were numerous with every imaginable product for RVs. Plus vendors with products or services that had nothing to do with RVs but interesting nonetheless. RV Manufacturers had display RVs on site for viewing. Oh boy, what wishing and dreams come from seeing the latest models. In addition to the Convention and Expo The Funseekers enjoyed a group dinner at Oil Lamp Restaurant on Wednesday evening. Covid19 social distance and mask procedures were observed and I think everyone had a wonderful time.



Personally, it was a trying time for Susan and me. Late Thursday night I rushed Susan to the ER at The Perry Hospital with chest pains, headache and nausea. She had suffered a heart attack. The good news is she is doing very well now. Friday she was transported by ambulance to Piedmont Henry Hospital in Stockbridge where her cardiologist is located. A stint was inserted early Monday morning to solve a blockage problem. Other than a horrible headache after the procedure she is doing nicely.



Susan and I cannot express how grateful we are for all the prayers, calls, cards, e-mails, offers of help and assistance to get our RV loaded and back home. A call to FMCA Travel Assist will provide reimbursement for any out of pocket expenses. Also, they would have transported my RV back home, if necessary. Wonderful benefit included with our FMCA membership.



Your President is now on his soap box.

I have repeatedly asked someone to volunteer to be our 2022 VP/Wagon Master. The Wagon Master is responsible to search for suitable Rally locations, check it out, if possible, coordinate with RV Park Management, set dates and generally manage the process. Co-Wagon Masters are fine if you wish to share. Please consider and give me a call.

Membership: Referring your RV friends is a great way to find new members. We don't wish to get too large but certainly maintaining our current level is desirable. I would like to have a membership chair. FMCA sends a list of new FMCA members in Georgia each month. I have been remiss to work the list by sending an e-mail with a letter about Georgia Funseekers. Past President Ellen and I have had little response to our efforts but some effort should be made. A dedicated Membership Chair is the best solution. I just want to share some of the responsibility. Please let me know if you are interested.

And, we still need a Host or Co-Host for Asheville!

2021 Rally Schedule.



May 20-23, 2021: Emerald Coast RV Resort, **Panama City Beach, Florida.** A number of Funseekers have already registered as Emerald Coast held sites for only three weeks back in October when previous information was emailed. If you wish to register please call or email Raymond and I will forward you the information to directly contact the Resort to see what is available.

Soon we will request a head count, provide attendees with an agenda and provide rally fee information. You will receive specific instructions on where to mail your rally fee check. **Our Hosts, Joe and Jan Brannon and Hugh and Denise Mitchell** are preparing a low country boil one evening. I know from experience this will be a feast!



July 22-25, 2021: Asheville, NC. The Asheville East KOA, 2708 Hwy 70 E, Swannanoa, NC 28778. Phone: 828-686-3121. This is a popular location in July. **CALL NOW** if you plan to go. Holding Funseekers sites until **January 18th** and then released. Confirm Cancellation Policy when booking but my confirmation reads: "48 hours cancellation notice required to receive Deposit Refund minus a \$10.00 Cancellation fee". Mention you are with Funseekers Rally.
Need Host!

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September 23-26, 2021: Huntsville, AL. Parnell Creek RV Park, 115 Parnell Circle, Woodville, AL 35776. Phone 256-508-7308. Holding reservations for Funseekers up to three weeks prior to September 23rd then released. Mention you are with Funseekers Rally. **Host: Billy and Catherine Bearden.**

November 4-7, 2021: St. Augustine, FL. Compass RV Resort, 1505 State Road 207, St. Augustine, FL 32086. Scott has reserved 10 sites. Mention you are with Funseekers Rally. Discount available if we fill 10 sites. Host: **Bill and Ellen Guettler.**

IMPORTANT: For Reservations call 904-824-3574 and speak only to Barbara Slifer with Compass RV Resort. Barbara works Monday – Wednesday only. She handles reservations for Rallies. If you get a recording leave a message for Barbara and she will call you back.

At each rally Scott reserved 10 sites usually in a general area but not guaranteed. Hopefully, we will exceed 10 participants but if you wait too late to book the availability of sites may be gone or limited. You are responsible for reserving your site. Each rally participant is required to sign the FMCA Covid19 waiver. No exceptions. We will continue to practice Covid19 protection protocol. When you are booking reservations inquire about discounts like Good Sam or Veteran, if applicable.

RV Park Cancellation policy will vary. Be sure to confirm and understand the cancellation policy. Georgia Funseekers has no control over this.

Happy Travels!