

Earl's Diary - Saturday - July 20, 2013

Dear Loyal Readers,

The weather was cool and overcast this morning. They tell me that's typical of Oregon Coast climate. Oh yes, it's also over 100 degrees inland today! The big events for today are the trailer tour and the very large potluck dinner this evening.

I grabbed my camera and started out looking for all manner, makes, and sizes of molded fiberglass trailers. I found some very vintage ones, and some very new ones. They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so in the process of saving thousands of words on this diary page, I will let the pictures tell their own story.

I have already told you that there were 105 fiberglass trailers registered for the gathering. Some are big, some are very small.



The award for the smallest trailer goes to a couple from San Jose, CA. Their "Lil' Joe" is 12.5 feet in length. It seems to be just the right size for the two of them.

The most unusual looking

The most colorful



Compact Jr.



Scamp 16'



Vintage Burro



Vintage Fiberstream



Big Foot



Escape



Escape



Scamp 5er 19'
This trailer has had
considerable modifications



You mean you pull that
13' Scamp with this?



Trillium 5500



Another Big Foot



Casita



vintage Trail Mite



A vintage Burro that has been restored



Compact 2

Inside



Escape 5th wheel



This little vintage egg was a complete mess and now being completely restored using a few modern conveniences such as A/C.



A newer Trillium



Scamp 13'



Ooops!!! Who let that big stickie in?



The biggest “buzz” at this year’s gathering was the newest baby of Escape factory owners Reece and Tami.

This 21’ model shown is production model #2 and rolled out of the Escape factory in Chillwack, BC, this past Tuesday.



It was a long day’s trek around A, B, and C loops to catch most of the trailers. Following the trek it was time for the requisite group photo. I’m sure there were lots more people who didn’t make it on time. I’m not in this photo because I was snapping my own photos. That is my hat laying on the ground next to the empty spot in the front row on the right side.





More Food?



It's time for more food! The Saturday evening potluck always draws a big hungry crowd! The line seems to stretch on forever!



Not much left!



Patently waiting

I was shamelessly holding a sign that advertised our Northern California Gathering at Hat Creek Hereford Ranch, September 19-23. My philosophy is: When you have control of the microphone, take advantage of it!

After dinner it was my pleasure to award the trophies for the Golf Ball Horseshoe Tournament (Ladder Ball).



Bronze

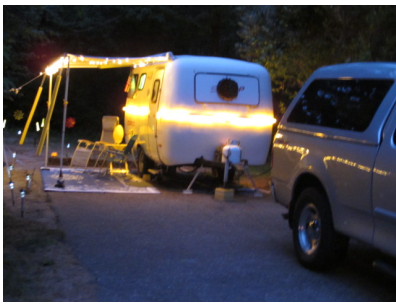


Silver

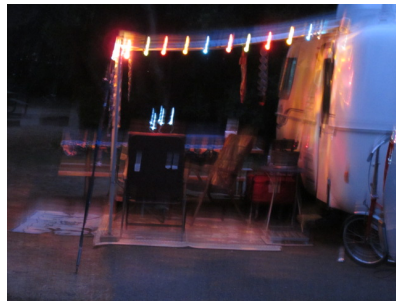


Gold

Oh dear, what did I say now????



Friday evening the gathering held a trailer lighting decoration contest. Here are a few examples. I must admit that I took these photos Saturday evening. Friday after the food gathering, I was a little chilly and took refuge in The Peanut with the heater on. No, that's not exactly right either. I forgot about the lighting contest!



Oh what a wonderful day! On my way to the library this afternoon, the spirit once again moved me and I turned into the Dairy Queen. The Choco-love Cherry Blizzard beckoned! "Come in, come in." How could I refuse such a forlorn plea?



This has been a rather fun filled busy day. I got to visit all manner of different egg trailers and visited with lots of friendly people. Many have their owners personal personality stamp on them. The oldest trailer was a 1971 Trail Mite. The newest was a 2013 Escape. It's been a fun filled 3 days. The Oregon Gathering is beginning to wind down with some travelers leaving for home tomorrow, others will be staying until Monday. Most will be gone by Tuesday. There will be a buffet brunch tomorrow morning for those staying. I am going to try a new recipe in my crock-pot. Will it turn out? I don't know. Either it will be delicious or completely non-edible! We'll see about that!

That was my day. Thanks for coming along with me. Bye for now - - Earl