



August 2018 Newsletter

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Region 3, Unit 161

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Presidents Corner:

I bring you greeting from the hot and muggy city of Lumberton, NC. Well, it is not really hot and muggy today, but that is only thanks to a cold front that past through giving us a couple of days break from the almost daily showers and high temps. Really am enjoying the respite and getting some extra yard work done.

This is the time of year when we need to think about club officers and chairpersons for next year. Our elections will be held at the October rally. There are many opportunities to be of service to and enjoy the fellowship of the club even if you cannot be at every rally. The officers, obviously, have to be elected. The committee chairs are appointed. The majority of the jobs do not require much work on a routine basis. Spreading the work among many hands insures no one is over burdened. The Membership Directory contains our Constitution and Bylaws, which list the responsibilities of every position. The directory also lists the current occupants of the positions. The bylaws give our Immediate Past President (IPP) the Chairmanship of the Nominating Committee. Please look over the positions and see if there is an elected position you would like to take on. Get in touch with Jim Hamernick (jhamernick@hammar.com) if you would like to fill an elected position. If Jim contacts you for a position, please step up and help the club. If everyone does a little, no one is over burdened. Thanks to all for stepping up!

I understand all who went to our August club event (The Old Tyme Fiddlers Convention in Galax, VA) had a great time Unfortunately Shelley and I were on our way back from The Landmarks West Caravan and were could not make the Airstream appear in two places at once. A big thanks to The Lackermans for coordinating this event.

John and Nancy Becker will host our September Rally at Lake Mayo. They have several great things planned and will be getting out the details soon. Good food is high on their priority list in addition to interesting local attractions.

Hope to see you there.

SEE YOU DOWN THE ROAD!!

Bill



August Birthdays

Bob Bennett
David Funaro
Dee Lloyd
Robert Marks
Bud Moore
Donna Moore
Amy Monut
Karen Newton
Richard Paschall
John Pennington
Kelly Radford
Tom Rydzewski
Gail Tucker
Martha Wrenn



Anniversaries

Albee
Barefoot
Becker
Leake
McCoy
Moore
Mount
Paschall

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR AUGUST 2018

It is that time of the year to start thinking about renewing your membership for 2019. If you have not renewed your WBCCI and Piedmont Unit #161 membership for the coming year, please do so. You must renew your membership before November 30 in order for your information to appear in the membership directory. If you would like, you can renew online at WBCCI.org, select the Join tab, and charge your dues to your credit card. Of course, you can still complete a hard copy of the membership form, and send your dues check to Stedman Brown.

We have no new members for the month of August. As of 08/23/18 we have 78 regular members and 4 affiliate members.

Donna Moore, Membership Chairperson

Our August Rally was held in Galax, Va. at Cool Breeze CG in conjunction with the Region 3 for Fiddlers Convention.

Our unit attendees were:

Bob and Marge Bennett,

Bob and Amy Olson,

Doug and Beth Whitley,

Dana and Donna Edwards,

And Bernie and Ann Lackmann.

On Sunday evening we had a social with rally info and music by the Loose Strings.

Monday morning was free time and at 12:30 we had a get together at Cumberland Knob on the Blue Ridge Parkway but the watermelon feast was moved to the CG meeting due to a Thunderstorm. Delicious watermelon. At 3:00 this afternoon we met at the Rex Theater downtown Galax for a great performance by Carson Peters and his band. Wow. We later enjoyed the kids night at Felts field.

Tuesday morning the ladies headed to Galax for their tea and lunch. At 1:00 we all attended opening ceremony at the Blue Ridge Parkway Music Center and music by Wayne Henderson, Helen White and Herb Stone always-great music. Tonight it was back to Felts field for more music.

Wednesday we all headed to Hillsville, Va. Courthouse to watch a performance by local actors of the Allen Tragedy at the courthouse. We later had an excellent luncheon at the Carter House hosted by the Carter Ladies. At 4:00 we were all back at the CG more music and a social before heading back to Felts field for more great music.

Thursday morning we all headed to Wayne Henderson workshop and museum. Wayne explained his technique on making his famous guitars. He also showed us his vault where he has an impressive guitar collection. Many of us then went to Shatley Springs for delicious lunch before heading back to the CG for more music. Tonight it was back to Felts field for the Banjo and Guitar competition.

Friday morning there was a walking tour of downtown Galax. There was also a golf outing at the Galax town course. At 2:30 there was an Ice cream social and at 4:30 we caravanned to Crossroads for delicious BBQ dinner and closing ceremony for the rally. It was then off to Felts field for the Bluegrass and Old time band competition.

Sat. morning was a free morning and many of us when to a nearby restaurant for our free breakfast. At 4:00 we had music at the CG and the headed to Felts field for more band Competition

During the rally John and Joyce Plaxco of the Carolinas Unit decided to change their WBCCI membership to our unit.

This was another great rally with lots of activities and great music at the CG and at Felts field.

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2018 Rally Sites:	
Jan 8-12	Midwinter IBT , Sarasota County Fairgrounds 3000 Ringling Blvd, Sarasota FL region3registrar@gmail.com (for reservation and registration)
Feb 3	Luncheon/Tour , NC Museum of Art, 2110 Blue Ridge Rd, Raleigh Hosts: Lance & Shirley Perryman 970-420-0063 (registration)
Mar 15-18	Maintenance Rally , Lumberton/I-95 KOA, 465 Kenric Dr., Lumberton NC 800-562-0845 (reservation) Hosts: Bill & Shelley Townsend 910-734-5940 (registration) Townsend email: wctownsend48@gmail.com
Apr 25-29	Region 3 Rally , Ocean Lakes Family CG 6001 S. Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach SC 877-510-1413 (reservations) region3registrar@gmail.com (registration only)
May 10-13	Rally Twin Lakes RV & Camping Resort 1618 Memory Lane, Chocowinity, NC 27817 Reservations 1-877-570-2267 Hosts: Dick & Becky Martin 919-637-6883 (registration only) Martin email: beckywmartin@earthlink.net
Jun 7-10	June Rally Charlotte/Ft. Mill KOA 940 Gold Hill Rd., Ft. Mill, SC 888-562-4430 (reservations) Hosts: Chris & Shirley Brown 704-526-6348 (registration only) Brown email: chris@affordablesweep.com
Jun 23-30 61st WBCCI International Rally, Salem OR	
Jul 12-15	Buddy Rally at Mayberry Campground, 114 Bunker Rd., Mt. Airy NC 336-789-6199 (reservations) Hosts: Paschalls (919-614-7415) and Bizon/Broom (704-502-3399) afo6@att.net or gailebroom@aol.com (registration only)
Aug 5-12	Galax Old Fiddler's Convention Region 3 Rally Cool Breeze CG, 2330 Edmonds Rd, Galax, VA 866-342-0300 Hosts: Bernie and Ann Lackmann 919-740-1711 (information)
Sep 13-16	Rally at Mayo Lake 336-597-7806 (reservations) 1013 Neal's Store Rd., Roxboro NC Hosts: John & Nancy Becker 336-322-0109 (registration only) nsbecker@me.com
Oct 18-21	Carolina Balloon Festival Rally Iredell County Fairgrounds, 630 Mains St. Troutman, NC Reserve by mailing \$30 check by Jul 18 to Jim Head, Mgr, Iredell County Fairgrounds, P.O. Box 1434, Stateville, NC 28687, note Piedmont NC Unit on check Hosts: Bud and Donna Moore (336)-707-3740 (registration/Information) Moore email: dmoore6326@gmail.com
Nov 8-11	Installation Rally , Raleigh Oaks Resort & CG 527 US Hwy 701 S, Four Oaks NC 919-934-3181 (reservations) Hosts: Todd & Debbie Stroud 919-963-6953 (registration only) goodfoodlady@gmail.com