## Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. President's Monthly News

## August - September, 2010

The following represents current information of general interest to the WBCCI membership.

I receive many unit newsletters each week. Most recent newsletters make reference to the 53rd International Convention/Rally at the Cam-Plex in Gillette, WY. I'd like to share comments from the most recent Alberta -Saskatchewan Unit Newsletter President's Corner:

- · One of the most enjoyable International rallies I've been to
- · The rally encouraged and allowed time to spend visiting
- · Enjoyed Leadership Skills Workshops more than I expected
- · Opening ceremonies flowed and took less than an hour
- · Less regimented and more casual atmosphere, from parking to meetings
- · 3 nights of professional entertainment, which was top notch

The consensus is that Tom and Norma Collier, and all the volunteer workers, deserve a lot of credit for a superrally at Gillette!

## Membership and Finances. That's where our priority is.

Two things for Membership this month. Don McKelvay, Membership Chairman, has established three goals for us. By June 1, 2011:

- · Increase Club membership by 300, compared to June 1, 2010
- · Each Region increase total members
- · Each Unit retain all those new members who joined in 2010

Second, Frank and Joan Carson's photo is on the cover of the September Blue Beret. Frank is the recipient ofthe WBCCI Founders Award. He has recruited 100 members! Congratulations, Frank!

Bob Moss, WBCCI Treasurer, has completed Year End Financial Statements. In his August 11, 2010 letter, he states, "The good news is that the Club performed much better than was budgeted for the year ended June 30. The budget called for a loss of \$76,671. The Club actually achieved Net Income of \$33,973. This Net Income is the result of Net Income from the Gillette Rally of \$86,876 and a Club operations loss of \$52,903. When the Club operation loss is deducted from the rally income, the result is Net Income of \$33,973 to the Club." Your Region Presidents have the complete report, should you want more detail.

Region Presidents - I ask that you obtain an extra Region flag to be flown during the 54th International Convention/Rally at the DuQuoin State Fairgrounds "Magic Mile" racetrack. It so happens that there are already 14 flag poles ready for use - U.S., Canadian, and the 12 Region flags will fit perfectly. This is your initial notice. It should be quite a sight to see all those flags flying in the Grandstand area. Thanks in advance for your help. I had heard that Pilot had purchased Flying J. In yesterday's mail, a letter explained the changes. There now are more than 550 (250 Flying J and 300 Pilot) locations. For the time being, continue to use your same loyalty card.

Pilot has plans to expand RV services. Beginning September 1, fuel discounts are:

- · 3 cents off per gallon of diesel (initially only available in RV lanes)
- · 2 cents off per gallon of gasoline (available only at travel centers with RV lanes
- · 10 cents off per gallon of propane
- · Discounts apply to a maximum of 300 gallons of diesel and 100 gallons of gasoline per month
- · Due to certain state regulations, there are no fuel discounts in Wisconsin and New Jersey

For details, go to www.pilotflyingj.com

Safe Travels!
Norm Beu,
President