

NEWS DRIFTS



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Happy 2017 Everyone!

Well winter is over (cross fingers and knock wood!) and it is time for us to remove our slumbering beasts from hibernation, and for our snowbird friends to get ready for the drive north, and get back to this side of the wall (oops ... border).

The first event planned for the year is in Trochu in June. Please let Lane Kellam know **ASAP** if you plan on attending so she can arrange the booking (*see page 2*).

Your News Drifts publishers will be heading south in June to the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta Georgia, seeing some of the wonders of the world on the way (ie: Gillette Wyoming in your rear view mirror), and seeking some "Pappy Van Winkle 23 Year Old" bourbon while in Kentucky. If ever found, the latter may cost more than all the diesel used on the trip ... a one ounce serving costing enough to almost fill our tank!

Remember, while the club has at this point scheduled only 3 fixed events, be free spirits and send out an invite to all who can come on short notice to some fun spot for a weekend, or perhaps take advantage of the low occupancy in many parks mid week. The goal, as always, is to have a fun and relaxing rally season, and once you get an idea out there, likely others will step up to join in and to give a hand.

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*Just what the club needs! ??
A portable propane or firewood heated hot tub!*

Annual Dues

Have you paid your 2017 dues?

It's just \$20 per year ... consider paying for more than one year at a time to make things easier!

Send your cheque to our Treasurer, Anne Davidson now to ensure you get newsletters, rally sign-ups, and all other info during the year.

2017 Events

June 16 - 18

Trochu Campground (at the golf course)

- some sites with water & 30amp power, and overflow sites with no services
- golf course
- RV dump in town at the UFA

*Organizers / Hosts:
Ron & Lane Kellam*

August 10 - 13

Nanton Campground

- campsites along the creek
- dry camping

*Organizers / Hosts:
open*

September 7 - 10

Centennial Campground, Claresholm

- water, 30 amp, shelter, dump, washrooms, showers
- **Annual General Meeting**
- **Election of President, Treasurer and National Director for 2018/19**

*Organizers / Hosts:
open*

Note: Based on attendance in 2016, and the comments received at the Nanton Rally meeting, there are only 3 core rallies being organized for summer 2017.

However, the hope is that there will be some impromptu 'last minute' rallies proposed by members. Have an idea for a rally? or going on a short jaunt somewhere? ... just send out a notice to the membership (Stephen & Anne can help with the mail-out). Choose a date and location, and any members interested in attending would get on board. Likely all would book their own sites at the chosen venue, and the attendees can develop an activity and meal plan on the fly.

June Rally at Trochu

The June Rally at Trochu is planned for the weekend of Friday June 16th to Sunday June 18th.

Cost for the Rally: approximately \$100

Proposed plans for the Rally are:

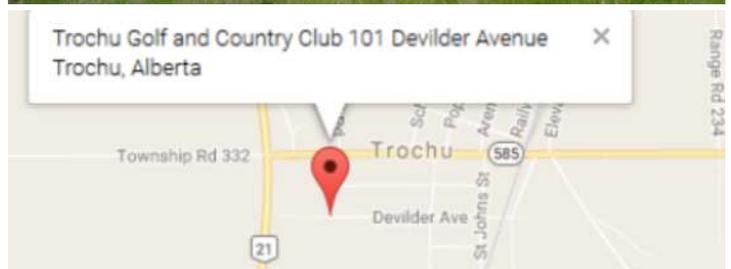
- Everyone to bring something on Friday night
- Steak dinner at the club house on Saturday night
- Everyone supply their own breakfast, or go out for breakfast

The campground is in a delightful location overlooking the Trochu Golf and Country Club.

Lane and Ron want to proceed with the booking and planning ... providing there is interest from the group.

Please let them know as soon as possible if you are planning to attend, or going to try to plan to attend.

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General Info

Southern Alberta Drifters is a registered chapter of the Family Motor Coach Association. Membership is open to any FMCA member in good standing.

All cheques, and registration, and sign-up forms, should be sent to our Treasurer: Anne Davidson 501 High View Point NW High River, AB T1V 1P1

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