



# COMINGS 'n GOINGS

Quarterly Publication of the GMC Heritage Cruisers

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## ***In Memory***

*Two long time members passed away since the last newsletter was mailed.*

*Jan Gsell died on 10 June after a long illness with cancer. They were very active in the Chapter until recently. She continued working right up until Mother's Day. Please accept our condolences Jim and to your family also.*

*Kay Beardwood died suddenly on 29 June following an operation a few days earlier. We were very sorry to hear such sad news, George.*

## ***This 'n That***

*Steve Crutcher is at home and recovering well from hip surgery that he had to be subjected to in early July. You'll be climbing on the roof of your coach again in no time, Steve!!!*

## ***New Members***

*The first new members of this year joined at the May rally. Ross & Marylyn Birch of Honey Harbour, Ontario attended the rally and were members before the weekend was*

*over!!! Hope you both enjoy the Chapter and its activities.*

*The Schons, Ed & Elisabeth, of Etobicoke, Ontario, Joined us in early June. They are planning to make the September rally their first and plan to go to the GMCMI in October.*

*Bert & Lorna Lyddiatt of St Agatha, Ontario joined in mid-June and Harold MacQueen of Brighton, Ontario joined the end of June. Welcome to the Chapter and hope to see you at a rally soon.*

## ***2004 Rallies So Far***

*Three rallies in this season are behind us and the attendees reported having excellent times from all the hard work and organization put in by the rallymasters and their assistant hosts.*

*Eric & Verna Stovold set us up at the KOA at Cookstown in a great May rally where over 30 coaches attended. Bob & Judy Patterson worked hard at the rally and their daughter organized a driving rodeo for the*



ladies that was as much fun as educational.

In June, Nick & Barb Lavigne, assisted by the Evans hosted everyone at Sherkson Shores for the second time. Again over 30 coaches attended. It was a fun rally in a great setting.

July saw the gathering of the GMC HC in Monazuma, NY at the call of Richard & Jean Palmer. Again we were in a beautiful setting in the rolling, green hills of New York. A visit to a new mall with a Bass Pro store, wine tasting, bon fires, and good food kept us busy and having a good time all weekend.



**The proud winners of the "Tacky Night" contest – 28 May. They hope you don't recognize them!!!!!!!**

### **Remainder of 2004 Rally Schedule from the VP Wagonmaster**

13-15 August – Flamborough Race Track  
Hamilton, Ont  
Longmans

10-12 Sep – Peterborough, Ont -  
Wilkins & George Beardwood

**The rally information and registration form is enclosed. They need a return by 20 August. Don't be late!!!!**

3-9 Oct – GMCMI Convention  
Marion, NC

**Indicate on the GMCMI Registration Form if you wish to be parked with the Heritage Cruisers.**

### **Email Addresses**

The email addresses of the Kennedys, the Hartmans, and the Gimmisons have not worked for the last few Chapter emails that have been sent. Please let me know if it has changed or is incorrect on the membership list.

The following email addresses have changed: Doug & Libby Hammond – <jdouglashammond@aol.com > and Richard & Jean Palmer – <rj77gmc@localnet.com>.

### **Chapter Election 2004**

Currently there are no vacancies in any of the Chapter officer positions and all holding office were elected or re-elected in 2003 for two years. The 2004 Nominating Committee will not be putting forward anyone for election unless a vacancy occurs.

### **Heritage Air Group Air Show**

This year's Air Show was 9-11 July. Fred & Eunie Ely reported that the Heritage Cruiser volunteers did a great job again and helped make the weekend a success. An estimated 20,000 attended with excellent show weather conditions.

### **GMC Sunshine Statesmen Invitation**

The President of the Sunshine Statesmen, David Greenberg, extended an invitation to GMCers to join them at their rallies in Florida between September 2004 and May 2005. The rallies are being held at: Homosassa Springs – September; Salt Springs – October; Fort Pierce – November; December – SS members only; Tampa East – January; Brooksville – February; Ocala – March; Daytona North – April; and, Panacea – May. The details are on their website [www.GMCSS.com](http://www.GMCSS.com).

### **Our Website**

This is a reminder that our Chapter Website is on the Net and can only be added to and kept current with our input. Everyone's pictures of coaches, rallies, and other Heritage Cruiser memorabilia has been appreciated by the Web Master, Chuck Camroux. If you have any ideas or comments, email Chuck at <camroux@gmccoach.com>.

### **GMC Heritage Cruisers Cocktail Munchies & Potluck Goodies Book**

We are still in need of some of those great recipes for the Goodies Book!! Send them to Lena Longman by email or by snail mail so we can get the book to the printers!!!!

Here are more excellent examples:

#### **Pineapple Cheese Ball (Serves 15)**

1 tsp crushed garlic  
1/4 cup finely chopped onion  
2 x 227g (8 Oz) packages of cream cheese  
1/4 cup finely chopped green pepper - I use less  
1 x 8 oz can of drained crushed pineapple  
1/2 tsp salt  
1 cup finely chopped pecans

Mix all ingredients together except half the chopped pecans & chill.

Roll into one large ball or three small ones and roll ball(s) on remainder of pecans to coat ball(s).  
Serve with a variety of crackers, melba toast, etc

*Nancy Berry*

#### **OMELET IN A BAG**

Eggs (2 or 3 for each omelet)  
ziplock freezer bags  
cheese (shredded), ham, peppers (any ingredients you want that would go in an omelet).  
Pot of boiling water  
Mix eggs in a small bowl, pour into freezer bag.  
Add any ingredients you want and as much as you want.  
Close bag, mix ingredients.  
Open bag enough to release excess air.  
Close bag  
Drop bag into boiling water and boil approx. 15-18 minutes for 2 eggs, a little longer for 3 eggs.  
You can tell by looking at them if they are done. If they are still watered, boil a little longer.

*Peggy Colf*

### **Classifieds**

For Sale: 1977 Royale 26' Rear bath, outstanding condition with Alcoas and new Zip Dee awning, day/night shades, all options, walnut interior, 27,000 original miles, superb buy. \$30,000US - Jay Barrett 585-670-9236 or tiquers@frontiernet.net.

For Sale: 1973 Canyon Lands, 26' Mechanics rebuilt, seven new radial tires, new interior including corian countertop, designer cooktop, microwave, day/night shades, carpeting, and cushions; Formica on cabinets and fridge, KYB shocks, greaseable front hubs, pod, awning, and

step. \$15,500 US (reduced) – Jay Barrett after 8:00 pm – 585-670-9236.

*For Sale:* 1975 GMC Glenbrook, 26 ft, transmission & engine in good condition, stored indoors in winter, new carpet and curtains, Alex Birch screen door, fold-up step, new windshields, 6 ft storage pod, microwave. In exceptionally good condition. \$17,500 US – 905-892-6117

*For Sale:* 1974 Canyon Lands, 26'-3, 76K original miles, Original white exterior, dinette benches have been replaced with swivel reclining chairs. Refrigerator, A/C, front brakes, levelling valves & tires replaced in recent years. Coach not used for last two years. Rebuilt 455 engine at approximately 66K miles. Reduced to \$11,900 US OBO - Dick Bushnell - 585-624-4613.

*For Sale:* Buzzbox (converter) good condition – replaced with inverter. \$25 US – Bob Morris – 607-756-9888

*Free:* Engine air filter housing, engine water pump (needs seals), starter (needs rebuilding), Guske window shade – dark blue, assorted TV antennas, assorted 12 volt interior lights. Bob Morris – 607-756-9888

Listing of GMC-related items for sale is available to HC members and will only appear for two issues unless otherwise arranged.

## **Tech Talk**

### **Squirting Fuel (Continued) by Al Hamilton**

*This is the follow-up and final report on an article that Fred Ely, VP Tech, ask me to put on paper about installing a throttle body fuel injection system on the coach.*

**Will it run???????** Yes it did and very well with about 2000 miles on it so far. The end result has been fast starting, quick warm-ups, a smooth running engine, slight increase in gas mileage, a more responsive engine, etc. etc. However, all is not perfect yet. There is a slight hesitation off idle and an unevenness at very low speed. Turbo City, the seller of my system, feels that a correction to the computer chip or PROM should solve the problem. Part of the reprogramming may be necessary because the coach has the equivlant of a 3.70:1 final drive ratio and Turbo City basis their chips on the original 3.07:1 ratio. They feel it is an easy fix in any event. I'll have it done in the fall when the coach is unused for a couple of months.

Now that it is behind me, it was worth the cost and work!!!! Yes it was! I learned a lot, have a better running engine and a coach that is more enjoyable to drive. The change is even greater than I expected.

## **Electric Wiper Kit Information**

Information, photos, and the detailed instructions on the GMC Electric Wiper Adapter Kit, that was so well presented at the May Rally, can be seen at <http://www.bdub.net/kenhenderson>.

### **Liability Disclaimer**

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## **FALL NEWSLETTER**

Submissions for the Fall 2004 Edition of the "Comings 'n Goings" are due by 15

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