

The President's Month in Review

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A Madison Challenge...

With 717 registrations, each registered Member is encouraged to sign up at least one additional couple to come with them. Sign them up soon to ensure adequate preparations may be made for their arrival. In addition the promotional items on page 8 of the Madison Pre-Rally Booklet need to be emphasized. When we reach 1,515 registrations, rally attendees can expect a partial Rally Fee refund. So why not try?

Remind your Members, the deadline for 30-Amp electrical service is April 1 and only 4-weeks away. The 3-Amp Electrical service is provided at no additional cost, provides only enough power to keep batteries charged and possibly run a small fan or TV. It will not support a coffee pot, refrigerator, or other appliances.

ACTIONS COMPLETED...

President's Correspondence

| <u>Month</u> | <u>E - Mails</u> | | <u>News Letters</u> | |
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| | <u>In</u> | <u>Out</u> | <u>In</u> | <u>Out</u> |
| Dec | 267 | 96 | 48 | 5 |
| Jan | 315 | 106 | 50 | 3 |
| Feb | 259 | 202 | 38 | 5 |
| 3-Months | 841 | 404 | 136 | 13 |

2009 Madison Chairmen Needs...

| <u>#</u> | <u>Committee</u> |
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| 116 | Games, Outdoor |
| 239 | Region Officers' Spouse Workshop |
| 272 | Room Set-Up (Tables & Chairs) |
| New | Bicycle Excursions |
| New | Jam Sessions |

Statistics To-Date:

- Registrations – 717
- Airstreams – 690
- 30 Amp Power – 502 (70%)
- 3 Amp Power – 188
- Staying Off-Site – 27

RALLY COLORS: CORAL, BLACK & WHITE
RALLY THEME: "BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE"

MEMBER IDEAS to EVALUATE...

The following interesting question was asked by one of our Unit Presidents in regards to the upcoming Delegates Meeting. "Would it be possible to vote on the 'redefining of delegates' amendment first and if it passes, seat any delegates that might now qualify under the new rules?"

After much discussion, debate and evaluation by several individuals in the Club including Parliamentarians, Constitution & Bylaws Chairman, past Delegates Meeting Chairmen and Supervisors, the answer according to Roberts Rule of Order is that an amendment goes into effect immediately upon its adoption, unless the motion specifies another time to become effective. After which the Delegates may approve the seating of newly authorized and validated Delegates and Alternate Delegates.

The following concerns need to be considered:

1. The normal order of business for our Delegates Meeting is:

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- Approve last Delegates Meeting Minutes
- Officer Reports with Election of Officers
- New Business
- Adjournment

2. Changing the normal order of business may send a signal to the Membership and Delegates that the New Business item is scheduled out of sequence because it is going to pass, or fail, and could be considered favoritism or opposition to the motion, therefore should not be done. However, after the normal order of business is set, and the meeting is called to order, at the appropriate time, a Delegate may request a vote on modifying the order of business and if approved by a majority of the Delegates the order of business would be modified.

3. Changing of the Delegates Order of Business will set a new precedent for future requests that could have Delegates debating and jockeying various motions to be considered in a particular order to try and enhance their adoption or failure. This could develop into the Delegates spending more time in adjusting and debating the order of business for political reasons rather than debating the actual motions.

4. Should any motion change a Delegate's or Alternate Delegate's ability to vote during a meeting, that meeting would need to be recessed to permit Delegates and/or Alternate Delegates to be removed or added along with the need to verify and seat new ones. This would lengthen the time Delegates would be in a Delegates Meeting.

5. During a meeting, should an early motion be revisited and then overturned, which happened recently, the debate and discussion on votes taken could add more to the political debate of the placement of motions on the agenda and more time spent on the politics of the situation than on the actual motion itself.

Remember our Club is run by its Unit Members through their respective Unit Delegate. It is the Delegates that decide where, what, and how this Club proceeds. To intentionally enact a procedure that has a significant potential to bog down our current efficient Delegate process is not a wise business decision and is not in the best interest for our Club and its Members. Many Members like to remind us we are a Caravan and camping Club with goals of Fun, Fellowship, and Adventure. Therefore, to retain an efficient Delegates' Meeting in the handling required items and motions in our normal manner; as your International President, it is my position that for the benefit of all Members, Delegates and Alternate Delegates, no changes should be made to the current established Delegates Meeting Order of Business.