# **April 2023 Wagon Tracks**

# Twentieth Century Wagontrainers, A Chapter of FMCA

https://tcw20cent.homestead.com

2023 TCW Schedule						
Start Day	Dates	Rally Name	Location	Host	Co-host	Sponsor
Thursday	April 27-30	Lancaster	Gordonville, PA	Lydia & Joe Veri	Mary & Bill Burdge	TCW
Thursday	May 11-14	Fort Valley	Fort Valley, VA	Matt & Ellen Hoelzel	Needed	TCW
Thursday	June 1-4	Miller Air Park	Berkeley Township, NJ	Rich Russo	Frank Winter	TCW
Thursday	June 8-11	Seaside #1	Seaside Heights, NJ (Bay Front Piers and Park)	Nick & Naomi Theisz	Helen Caserta/John Reynolds	TCW/Jersey Gems/Knot for Buses Only
Thurs	August 3-5	Northeast Area Rally	Herkimer, NY	FMCA	FMCA	FMCA
Wednesday	August 23- 26	FMCA Convention	Gillette, WY	FMCA	FMCA	FMCA
Thurs	September 7- 10	Seaside #2	Seaside Heights, NJ (Bay Front Piers and Park)	Mary & Bill Burdge	Lydia & Joe Veri	TCW
Wednesday	Oct 4-7	GEAR	Lewisburg, WV	FMCA	FMCA	FMCA

## **TCW President's Letter**

## **Matt Hoelzel**

Hello TCW members. Hope y'all are dusting off the steering wheel and checking the oil of your coaches. Trailer owners', check the air in your tires. It's time to hit the road. And yes, I know the gas prices are heading up again, but hopefully that doesn't stop you from hitting the road. Ellen and I left our beautiful home in SC to prepare and host the first rally of 2023. We were so happy to invite our friends/members to

our pretty winter get away location. Everything went fantastic. See write up. We are now back home and looking forward to hitting the road again to head north for the Lancaster Pa rally.

A business meeting is scheduled for Saturday morning at Country Acres. For those who are not able to attend in person, take

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advantage of plugging in via your phone. It is an election year again. I ask that you search your heart to participate in the actions of the Executive Board if and when an opening occurs for various positions. At Lancaster, I will also be looking for 3 members to be on the nominating committee. Please step up so TCW can continue to exist.

I look forward to meeting the new members that have come on board the last few months. New members are sooo much needed. New blood, new ideas, and yes, new volunteers. Come out and support our hosts and co-hosts that have put together and organized our rally's. No rally's? No TCW! Until we see others again, be safe, drive safe, and remember.....

It's All About Fun, Matt Hoelzel (President)

Rally VP Rich Russo

The 2023 season is here and I hope to see you at a rally soon. The next rally is Lancaster which is also the business meeting. Our schedule is still bare and we need more people to step up and help. If anyone knows of a place to go, let me know and I'll help you get started. If you hold a rally one year you aren't obligated to do so again, but most people find it easier as they tend to keep being involved.

## **Sunshine VP Report and Other News**

#### **Helen Caserta**

Its so good to know we are all doing well and so no get well cards were sent since our last newsletter. I did send Bob (and Eileen) Tittel a sympathy card in February on the passing of Bob's brother.

Spring is almost here - our first rally is the last weekend of April and John and I are looking forward to seeing everyone there!

As always, call me, or email me if you know of anyone that needs a card & kind word from TCW.

# Silver Palms RV Resort Okeechobee Rally Wrapup

The first rally of the 2023 season happened in nice warm Okeechobee Florida in March. The location was the beautiful Silver Palms RV Resort. Attendees enjoyed full hookups, warm weather, and even

entertainment at the pool. We enjoyed a cold beverage from



the pool bar while working on our spring tan. It was great to see Tom and Carol Hornor who came a long way to enjoy this rally. Ok fine, two (2) hours, but still had a fantastic time. John Reynolds and

Helen Caserta arrived also for this Monday to Thurs rally with departure on a Friday.

Two dinners were prepared by our local chef from Silver

Palms. One meal was

fried chicken with potato salad and cole slaw. An ice cream dessert was supplied by Tom and Carol. Thank you. Breakfasts were prepared by the host which included pancakes/bacon, Taylor ham, eggs, cheese, on a roll, and then cheese omelettes with hash browns to complete the three breakfasts. To change things up a bit, we all went to the Specked Perch for perfect steak meals. Happy hours each day were spent relaxing under the tiki hut with ceiling fans going to enjoy a cooler temp. Hope to see more of our snowbird members next year.



Country Acres Campground Rally, 20 Leven Road, Gordonville, PA 17529 866-675-4745 (Rally is past the registration date, but placed in newsletter for reference.)

We have reserved 10 sites for the Lancaster rally. Rally dates are Thursday April 27th - April 30th, however, you may choose to arrive earlier and/or stay later. The rate is \$57.50 for Sunday through Thursday and \$63.00 for Friday and Saturday. Please send your deposit (\$ 57.50) to Country Acres by March 15th. Also, please let Lydia (lydiaveri27@gmail.com) know when you make your reservation.

Directions from New Jersey: Take I 276 NJ Tpke West. Take Exit 326 for I-76 E toward Valley Forge/US 202/I-476/Philadelphia. Continue onto I-76 E. Take Exit 328 A for US-202 S/US-422 W/Swedesford Rd toward W Chester/Pottstown. Keep left at the fork, follow signs for US 202 S. Merge onto US 202 S. Take US-30 W exit toward Downingtown/Coatesville. Continue onto U.S. 30 W. Follow US 30 W. Turn right onto Leven Rd. Slight left to stay on Leven Rd. For landmarks from Route 30 the turn onto Leven Rd. is less than 1 mile from the Revere Tavern. While traveling on Rte. 30 you'll pass the Revere Tavern. Address is 20 Leven Rd., Gordonville, PA 17529. If you see Motel 6, you've gone too far.

#### **THURSDAY**

5:00PM Happy Hour. Please bring your own beverage and a light snack to share. This is a good night to go out to dinner as there are many fine restaurants in the area.

# **FRIDAY**

8:30 AM Pancakes and sausage. Bring a beverage and a chair. 5:00PM Zook's famous (and delicious) chicken pot pies. Please bring a side dish to share.

#### SATURDAY

9:30 AM TCW Annual Meeting 5:00PM Covered Dish.

#### SUNDAY

Continental Breakfast at 8:30. Checkout is 2 PM There will be a nominal fee for the cost of the food.

Fort Valley Ranch and Campground Fort Valley VA May 11 - 14, 2023 Host - Matt and Ellen Hoelzel (Rally is past the registration date, but placed in newsletter for reference. Call campground for availability)

https://www.fortvalleystable.com/ 299 S. Fort Valley Rd., Fort Valley, VA

Attention, Attention, new rally, new location, fun, fun, fun. May 11th to the 14, 2023, at Fort Valley Ranch Campground near beautiful Shenandoah National Forest in Fort Valley, Virginia. Search the name to find out some information on the area. Cost for the campground will be \$40 per night for 2 nights and \$35 for the third night for \$115. Arrive on a Thurs and depart Sunday. Cost for the rally/food has not been determined. PLEASE call the campground at 540-933-6633 by Jan 30th, earlier would be better, and tell them you are with TCW to make the reservation. After making the reservation, please call me, the host, at 908-421-3090 to let me know that you are attending. If you desire to stay longer, or come earlier, do not he sitate to ask.

The area is only minutes away Luray Caverns, wineries and a zoo. The campground offers trail rides for the adventurous person. We will have water and electric with a dump station near the exit. There are specific directions to get to the campground instead of following GPS. Upon making your reservation, you will receive a confirmation email that will give you those directions. Looking forward to some fun.

#### Directions:

From Virginia Beach take I-64 West to highway 81 North, then take exit 279, follow signs for 675 east, then left on 11 (it may not be marked.. but it is the next intersection "T", then turn right on 675 east to go through Edinburgh Gap Road and at Kings Crossing, turn right and then take an IMMEDIATE right onto South Fort Valley Road (at the fork). Continue about 1.5 miles to driveway on right.

If coming from the north on I-81, take exit 279, follow signs for 675 east, then turn left. Turn left on 11 (it may not be marked.. but it is the next intersection "T", then turn right on 675 east to go through Edinburgh Gap Road and at Kings Crossing, turn right and then take an IMMEDIATE right onto South Fort Valley Road (at the fork). Continue about 1.5 miles to driveway on right.

# Miller Rally (39.932008, -74.296629)

# The rally at Miller Air Park will be June 1-4. Host Rich Russo and Co-hosted by Frank Winter.

The rally fee is \$50 for two people and \$25 single. This is dry camping so come with water and empty waste tanks. There's 20 amp electric available.

This will probably be the last time we will be able to go there due to the \$500 reservation fee starting next year.

If anyone needs to contact me use waz4144@aol.com. If you use Nancy's old email and phone number I will probably not get it for awhile.

I hope we get a good turnout for the final rally at this location.

Miller Air Park is located at 101 Airport Road, Bayville, New Jersey.







## Seaside Sunset Beach Rally #1

June 8-11, 2022 Seaside Bay beach, Seaside Heights, NJ Host Nick & Naomi Theisz Co-hosts Helen Caserta and John Reynolds

Arrive Thursday after 9:00AM

This rally is performed jointly with Knot for Busses Only and Jersey Gems. As always, bring your plates, utensils and beverages. Cost is \$75 per coach (Registration in newsletter).

Provided Meals:

Thursday - Pizza Dinner Friday - Breakfast sandwiches and Chicken Dinner Saturday - Breakfast Quiches and Waffles, Catered Dinner Sunday - Fruit and Bagels

This is dry camping so arrive with empty holding tanks and full water tank. Generator stacks are required!

If you want to park together then please arrive together.

If you need to run your generator outside to 7AM-11 PM hours let me know and we'll park you away from others

#### Register by May 24

DIRECTIONS: Garden State Parkway Exit 82 – Route 37 East. Follow Route 37 East all the way over the bay bridge. Once over the bridge, follow Route 35 North for Seaside Heights. On your left you will see the RV's parked in the lot. Get in the left lane and make a legal U-turn across from the Acme Supermarket. (N39°56.814, W74°4.731)

#### **TCW Badges**

To order TCW badges, you need to call Debbie of Lasered Effects at 732-377-9344 to order them. They are \$18 each. Shipping is extra and Debbie will determine the cost on shipping after getting your mailing address.

The company name is Lasered Effects, LLC 15 Hastings Court, Bridgewater, NJ 08807.

You need your name, hometown, state, and your FMCA number on your badge.

# **Editor's Comments**

**Dennis Lawyer** 

The next newsletter will be published around July 14, 2023.

When you send me pictures, please send the small data size if possible. Thank You. <a href="mailto:yorklawyer@comcast.net">yorklawyer@comcast.net</a>

# **TCW Annual Meeting**

The TCW Annual Meeting will be held Saturday, April 29 at 9:30 AM. If you are not going to Lancaster Rally, then you can call in by dialing 1-612-421-0942

# **Conference Code 267841**

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Is this your first TCW Rally? Y/N Do you need Handicap Parking? Y/N					
Total # of people in RV					
Do you need 24 hour generator? _					

# 20th Century Wagontrainers, Chapter of FMCA Membership Form

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The above info will be included in our annual	membership directe	ory sent to members only.			
Are you an FMCA member? Yes No	•	•			
Only those who are FMCA members in good	standing may belon	g to this chapter.			
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