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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

President's Message for December 2024

It is a cool rainy Thanksgiving Morning here in Southside Virginia as this message is being prepared. Brenda has been busy preparing food for the Holiday. We travel to Waynesboro, VA after lunch today. We have many things and reasons to be Thankful on this day which is a favorite Holiday for many people.

November was quite an adventure for me. I was on a 42ft trawler yacht for two weeks bringing it from Essex Connecticut to Norfolk Virginia. Weather-wise, November is not the best time to move a small craft along the Atlantic Coast.

I am pleased that seven (7) CV Members have already made reservations for GEAR 2025 at Ocean Lakes Campground in Myrtle Beach, SC in November 2025. Information about GEAR 2025 Rally and making reservations was covered in the President's Message last month. Gary Lyons has been officially named EAMA President.

Last month I stated that "Volunteer" Activity Cart Drivers would not be needed for GEAR 2025 because Ocean Lakes has rental golf carts. That statement is rescinded. Rally Master David Fowler contacted me and asked if I would Chair the Activity Carts for GEAR 2025. There are no details at this time except that the carts carry four people and are electric.

Please see two pages in this Newsletter about CV June Rally 2025 which will be at Clemmer's residence and Rudd Creek Campground, Boydton, VA. Reservations may be made online six months in advance.

May you, your Family, and Friends be blessed this Holiday and through the Christmas Holidays. Safe travels to all of you as snow-birders head south for a few months.

Looking forward to more CV Rallies ??? in 2025, recruiting new CV Members, and seeing you down the road in 2025.

Jerry

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Rally Schedule

2024

Dec. TBD

2025

JAN. TBD

FEB. TBD

MAR. TBD

APR. TBD

Madison Vines RV Resort. Madison County, VA.

Hosts: Kanes

MAY 7-10

Cross Winds Family Campground, Linwood, NC.

Host: Coopers

JUNE 16-19

Rudd's Creek Campground

Host: Clemmer



Campsite at Rudds Creek Campground, Buggs Island/Kerr Lake, from the Internet

Colonial Virginians Bugg's Island Rally
Monday June 16, 2025 to Thursday June 19, 2025 (three nights)
Hosts Jerry & Brenda Clemmer & TBD ?

In my younger years my vision was that Bugg's Island Lake and Kerr Lake were two separate lakes. In my high school years, a trip to Bugg's Island Lake revealed to me that when the lake was being developed the law-makers in Virginia and North Carolina could not agree on a name for the lake. Virginia named the lake "Bugg's Island" because of an island in the Roanoke River which is to this day, just below the dam. North Carolina on the other-hand, named the lake Kerr Lake (pronounced "car") in honor of a government official named John H. Kerr. There is another small reservoir in western North Carolina with the same name.

Please see the site map of Rudds Creek Campground (on Bugg's Island Lake) on the following page. There are many good sites, however, the area most suited to larger RVs is the last loop, farthest from the Campground entrance. The last loop has sites 53E through 100E. All are nice sites with water and 30 or 50 amps. There is a dump station. The section was recently walked and the following sites are recommended:

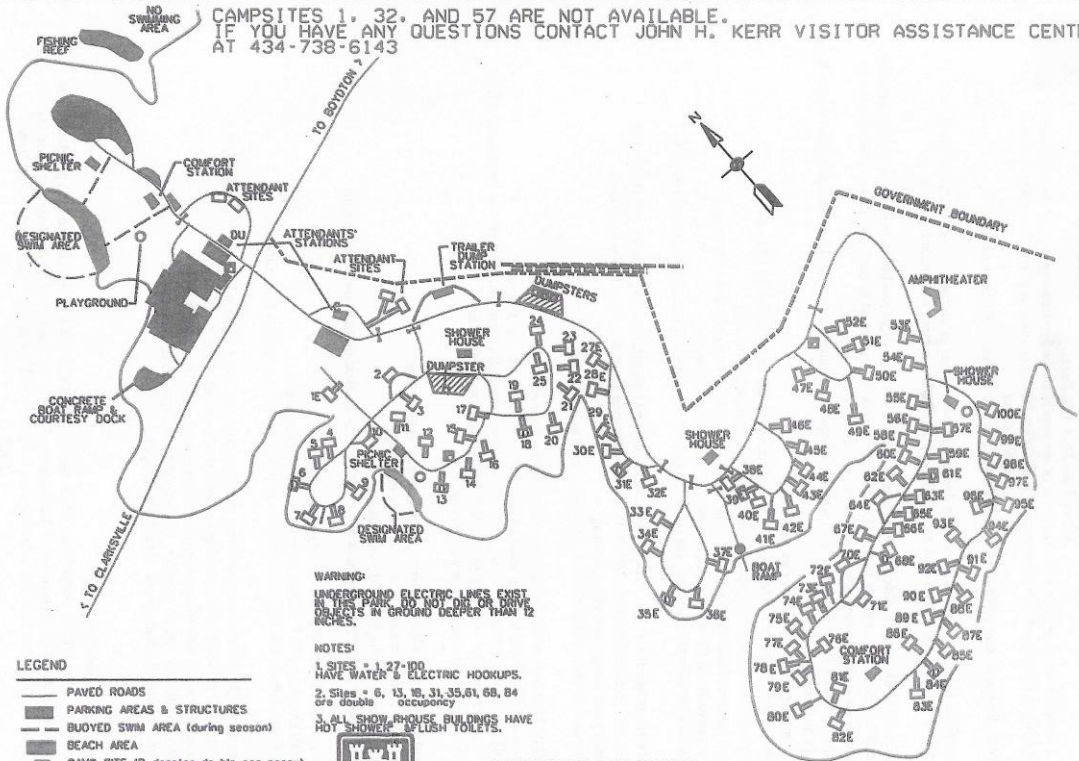
56E, 60E, 61E, 63E, 66E, 67E, 71E, 73E*, 75E*, 77E* 78E*, 79E*, 80E*, 85E*, 86E, 88E*, 89E, 90E, 94E, 91E*, 95E*, and 96E. The * indicates the 10 best sites.

It appears to me that reservations for CV June 2025 Rally can be made after December 16, 2024 at 10:00 am or later. The website is "Recreation.gov" ----- "Rudds Creek Rec. AR., John H. Kerr Dam and Reservoir" or "Campsites for Rudds Creek Rec. AR., John H. Kerr Dam".

This is being sent at this time due to the "Army Core of Engineers" reservation system which has some flaws.

Meals and other activities will be held at our home about 2 miles from Rudds Creek Campground entrance. More information will be provided in future Newsletters.

CAMP SITES 1, 32, AND 57 ARE NOT AVAILABLE.
 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT JOHN H. KERR VISITOR ASSISTANCE CENTER
 AT 434-738-6143



WARNING:
 UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC LINES EXIST
 IN THIS PARK. DO NOT DIG OR BURY
 OBJECTS IN GROUND DEEPER THAN 12
 INCHES.

NOTES:
 1. SITES = 1, 27-100
 HAVE WATER & ELECTRIC HOOKUPS.
 2. Sites = 6, 13, 18, 31, 35, 61, 68, 84
 are double occupancy.
 3. ALL SHOW HOUSE BUILDINGS HAVE
 HOT SHOWERS & FLUSH TOILETS.

- LEGEND**
- PAVED ROADS
 - ▭ PARKING AREAS & STRUCTURES
 - - - BUDDY SWIM AREA (during season)
 - BEACH AREA
 - CAMP SITE (D denotes double occupancy)
(E denotes water & electric)
 - TOILET
 - GATE
 - PLAYGROUND



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 of Engineers
 Wilmington District

RESERVATIONS - 1-877-444-6777 or
www.recreation.gov

ATTENDANT STATION - C (434) 738-6827
 DU (434) 738-6830

JOHN H. KERR DAM & RESERVOIR
 Rudds Creek Park
 (SITES 1 - 100)

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You must maintain your membership in FMCA in order to be a member of the Colonial Virginians.

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