

Guidelines for Hosting a BOCI Mini-Rally

This information was gathered from members who have hosted mini-rallies in the past and will be revised as we receive more input. Who can organize a mini-rally? YOU CAN! Any member can start the ball rolling by locating a campground and gathering basic information. If you have questions contact Bob Kohler our Mini-rally and Caravan Advisor at robtkoh@att.net

GENERAL INFORMATION

- What is a mini-rally? It is a small informal gathering, usually two to three days in duration and generally consists of **no more than five to fifteen rigs** of BOCI members for a fun get together. Bigfoot owners who are not members are welcome to attend since it is also a good venue to introduce prospective members to the club.
- ***Please note that it is not a Club sponsored Rally and as such soliciting donations for raffle prizes in the Club's name is not appropriate.***
- ***Keep it simple.*** Don't try to have too many activities planned. Plan one activity or two, such as a potluck dinner, and have fun.
- This is a good way to get to know your BOCI neighbors. Suggested activities include participating in a potluck supper, visiting local sites together, and sharing stories of travels around a campfire.
- The main points are: pick a location, choose a campground, select dates, and set a limit on number of participants based on campground setup.

STEP ONE

- Select a location and camping facilities. It is a good idea to personally check out the area to avoid surprises.

STEP TWO

- Plan a date, consider a combination of weekdays and a week end so non retirees can attend contact the chosen location and reserve sufficient spaces, at least 10.

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- Talk to the RV Park about obtaining rally rates and preferred sites that are together for your group. Identify a single point of contact for you to deal with at the campground. Stay in touch with that contact so you know who has signed up for the mini-rally.
- Look for potential gathering areas, shaded if necessary, or fire pits. Review the availability and possible cost for a heated/air conditioned meeting room of sufficient size for games or potlucks.
- Is reliable Wi-Fi available?
- Does the park require the Host to pay and seek reimbursement from guests or prefer that the guests make their own reservations?

STEP THREE

- Explore area attractions and available services. Gather written materials about area attractions, restaurants, and services to provide to your guests so they can choose what they would most like to do while in the area. Your chosen RV Park and Visitor Centers are great resources.

STEP FOUR

- Coordinate your mini-rally with Bob Kohler (Mini-rally and Caravan Advisor at robtkoh@att.net).
- Provide a written notice of your mini-rally to Jim Thurman (Website Chair at jimthurman@att.net) for posting on the BOCI website.
- Provide a write up about your plans to Julia Laney (Membership Chair at boci.laney@gmail.com) who will then send out an email blast about your upcoming mini-rally to all members (including complimentary members).

- **STEP FIVE**

- Communicate with your attendees.

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- It is recommended that you find out if each attendee will be bringing a vehicle with which they might be willing to assist in transporting others without “towed” to off-site dinners or area attractions. If you are short of vehicles, provide rental car information.

STEP SIX

- Have fun and enjoy the company of your fellow Bigfoot owners!