

# Capitol Reef—Thousand Lakes RV Park 2019

**Rally Dates**      **May 10—May 15,2019**

**Location**            **Thousand Lakes RV Park 1110 W. SR24 Torrey UT 84775 800-355-8995**  
**Website – [Thousand Lakes RV Park](#)**

**Wagon Masters**    **Ed & Christa Whitney ( ewhitney45@centurylink.net ;clwhitney47@yahoo.com )**

**Head Wranglers**   **Marsha & Alan Rose (amrose@me.com )**

## **Registration**

**Tally**                    **We have 26 rigs signed up for the rally with a total of 50 people**

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Good day everyone! Purpose of this note is to provide you all with an update on the Capitol Reef Rally.

Spoke with the park earlier today and Connie verified that you have all made your reservations, and they are looking forward to our rally. As a reminder sites 23-49 were reserved for the 4CU and can be viewed on the [site/park map](#). All sites are full hook up; # 23-39 have 30/50-amp service, site #30, & #40-49 have 30-amp service. There is a Group Shelter/Pavilion just South of these sites in the area referenced as the horseshoe pit on the site map. The Group Shelter has been reserved for our use from May 10<sup>th</sup> – May 14<sup>th</sup>. The shower facility and laundry are directly East of those sites. The park office has an extensive camp store inventory, gift shop, and you can get propane there as well, both 20- and 30-gallon tanks on an exchange basis. It is my understanding that you were provided your assigned site number when you made your reservations.

Sixteen rigs are attending both the Moab 3 and Capitol Reef Rallies. All have agreed to be part of a caravan that will leave the ACT Campground on May 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. Marsha and Alan Ross will be leading the caravan. It will take you approximately 3 hours to make the 158-mile drive from ACT to Thousand Lakes. Suggest you gas up your TV the day before so you do not have to fill up while in route.

1. Depart Mill Creek Dr toward US-191 - Go 0.2 miles (0min, 26sec)
2. Turn right onto US-191 - Go 34 miles (33min, 34sec)
3. Take ramp left and follow signs for I-70 West / US-191 West / US-6 West - Go 32.5 miles (28min, 3sec)
4. At exit 149, take ramp right for UT-24 West toward Hanksville - Go 0.4 miles (0min, 20sec)
5. Turn left onto UT-24 - Go 90.5 miles (87min, 28sec), Thousand Lakes is on the West side of Torrey.

Upon arrival at Thousand Lakes, park your rig at your assigned site and then proceed to the office to register, and pay your camping fees. We are doing this as a courtesy to the park so as to not overwhelm the parking area adjacent to the office. Note, you are entitled to a 10% group camping discount.

**Thousand Lakes RV Park** as you know is located in Torrey Utah a stone's throw from Capitol Reef NP. If you are unfamiliar with the area, I strongly suggest you follow the hyper link provided and review all of the information tabs on their website. Their services are extremely comprehensive and frankly it is one of the best RV Parks we have stayed at. This particular link takes you to the Area Guide tab for Thousand Lakes which can be a valuable resource for planning your schedule at the rally . Am also providing this

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[link](#) which contains information on local restaurants should you wish to try one for lunch or dinner during your stay.

Unfortunately, ☹️ I was unable to come to agreement on a menu and pricing for a catered meal provided by Torrey Grill & BBQ. Simply put the cost was too high and will just leave it at that.

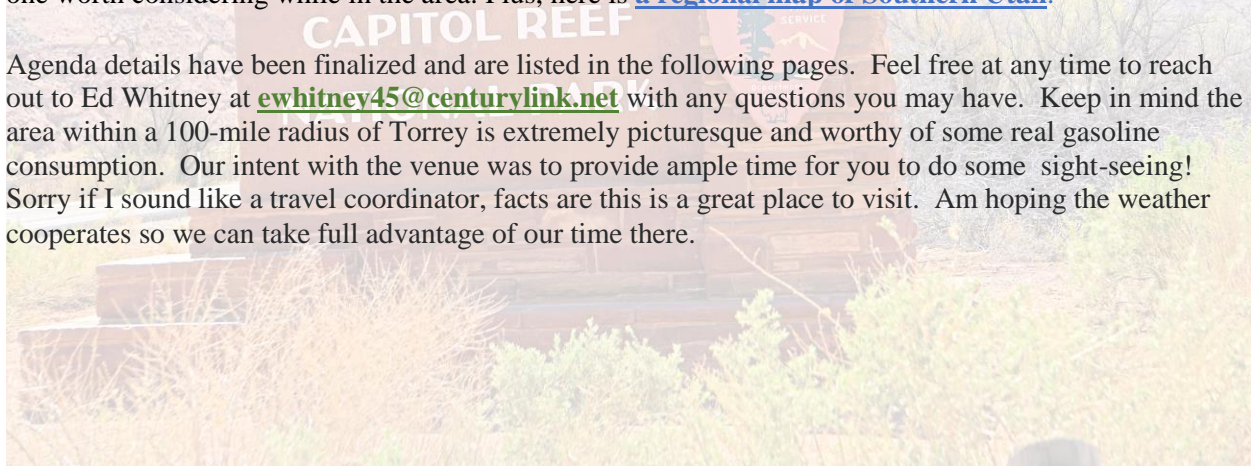
As a reminder, your Wagon Master, & Head Wranglers were/are asking for a call out for volunteers to:

- Donate a bottle of **wine, vodka or tequila** to share for happy hour libations in lieu of a snack, sweets, or appetizer on Friday. This will become '**bar stock**' for the remainder of the rally. Traditionally, while alcohol is common and totally acceptable at 4CU rallies, the unit cannot provide alcohol as a matter of potential liability. Consequently, any alcohol made available to attendees must be privately donated rather than provided by the 4CU. (see daily agenda for more details) Please let me know directly if you plan on donating a bottle of wine, vodka, or tequila via a separate email.

Also, response for sign up during registration to bring firewood, start/manage campfires, assist with breakfast duties, group shelter clean up after social events was outstanding. I will send another update identifying who was tapped for what, and when.

For first timers or folks who have not visited Southern UT in a while recommend you watch [this Sean & Kristy Michael](#) YouTube Video. Warning it is a 25-minute video but well worth the time. If you are coming from the South or west, the road between Bryce and Torrey is [Route 12](#). It is a magical drive and one worth considering while in the area. Plus, here is [a regional map of Southern Utah](#).

Agenda details have been finalized and are listed in the following pages. Feel free at any time to reach out to Ed Whitney at [ewhitney45@centurylink.net](mailto:ewhitney45@centurylink.net) with any questions you may have. Keep in mind the area within a 100-mile radius of Torrey is extremely picturesque and worthy of some real gasoline consumption. Our intent with the venue was to provide ample time for you to do some sight-seeing! Sorry if I sound like a travel coordinator, facts are this is a great place to visit. Am hoping the weather cooperates so we can take full advantage of our time there.



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*The rally as planned will start on:*

## Friday May 10<sup>th</sup>

- Rally Begins – A caravan is planned for those attending both Moab 3 and Capitol Reef Rallies. The Ross's will be leading the caravan with a tentative departure time of 10:00 AM. Upon arrival at Thousand Lakes please proceed directly to your assigned camp site, park your rig and then return to the office for check in. This is a courtesy to the RV Park to reduce congestion in front of their office
- Complete setting up camp, rest, look up your old friends or make new ones, and prepare for the remainder of the rally
- 5:00 PM: Happy Hour and Munching time at the Group Shelter. Please bring a hearty appetizer to share along with table service and beverage of choice. The hosts are asking that a few members bring a bottle of wine, vodka or tequila to share in lieu of an appetizer. <sup>1</sup> The donations will be used to “stock” the bar for this and subsequent Happy Hours. Bloody, Virgin Mary, and Margarita fixings will be available and provided by the 4CU 😊
- Evening, following Happy Hour:
  - Fire Circle based on weather and group interest

## Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>

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- 8:00 -9:30 AM: Continental Breakfast at the Group Shelter. Coffee, Juice, toasted bagels, along with butter, cream cheese, preserves and jelly. **SOS** will also be provided as a special entrée! 😊 Yum.....
  - Open Day for Sightseeing
    - There are a number of Capitol Reef Ranger led activities with details and schedules available at the Capitol Reef Visitors' Center
    - When visiting Capitol Reef NP be sure to stop at the Gifford House and have a piece of pie made with locally grown fruit from the NP's Fruita Orchard
  - 5:00 PM: Happy Hour at the Group Shelter. Wine, Bloody Mary and Margarita Bar will be open
  - 6:00 PM Dinner; Yummy, **Home-Made Stew** provided by the 4CU. Please bring your favorite desert to share along with table service and beverage of choice
  - Evening, following Happy Hour:
    - Games; **Bingo**, something new and exciting
    - Fire Circle based on weather and group interest

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<sup>1</sup> This theme will be repeated at subsequent Happy Hours throughout the rally. Hopefully the hour will truly be happy.

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## Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup>

- 8:00 -10:00 AM: **Mother's Day Brunch @ Group Shelter will be provided by the 4CU.**
  - Coffee, Juice, toasted bagels, along with butter, cream cheese, preserves and jelly
  - Assorted fresh fruit
  - Quiche
  - Lox and fixings
  - Egg Dish -surprise-
  - Mimosas'
- 10:00 AM Open Day for sight seeing
- 10:00 AM - ????: For those biking enthusiasts a 4CU Bike Outing will be led by Alan Rose. Fifteen people signed up for the outing, should be a real fun time <sup>2</sup>
- 6:00 PM: Happy hour at the Group Shelter. Wine, Bloody Mary and Margarita Bar will be open. Please bring an appetizer to share along with table service and beverage of choice
- Dinner on your own
- 7:30 PM: Evening, following Happy Hour:
  - Games; **Left, Center, Right**. Simple to learn and tons of fun. Price of playing 3- \$1 bills, more the merrier
  - Fire Circle based on weather and group interest

## Monday May 13<sup>th</sup>

Monday has been designated to be **Campground Adventures & the Best of the Best** theme day.

- 8:00 -9:30 AM: Continental Breakfast at the Group Shelter. Coffee, Juice, toasted bagels, along with butter, cream cheese, preserves and jelly
- Open Day for sight seeing
- 5:30 -6:00 PM: Happy ½ hour at the Group Shelter. Wine Bloody Mary and Margarita Bar will be open
- 6:00 PM Dinner provided by 4CU, a hearty **Pozole Rojo Soup<sup>3</sup>** will be served along with fixings. Please bring a dish that would complement the entrée
- 7:00 --???? PM **Campground Adventures & the Best or Worst of the Best**
  - Everyone has a camping story to tell. This is your opportunity to tell the group your best or worst adventure
  - Prizes will be awarded for best and worst camping adventure. Participants are welcome to provide either, or both
  - Michael Boekhoff, Vivian Firlein, John Holly, & Donna Pruett have graciously volunteered to judge the event. Marsha Rose will lurk in the wings, maintain decorum, and cast her vote only if a tie breaker is necessary. Michael and John will judge the female participants while Vivian and Donna will judge male participants 😊
- Evening Hours: Fire circle based on weather and group interest

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<sup>2</sup> Day of bike outing could vary, subject to weather conditions

<sup>3</sup> Pozole, which means "hominy", is a traditional soup or stew from Mexico. It is made from hominy, with meat, and can be seasoned and garnished with shredded lettuce, Chile peppers, onion, garlic, radishes, avocado, salsa or limes.

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## Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup>

- 8:00 -9:30 AM: Continental Breakfast at the Group Shelter. Coffee, Juice, toasted bagels along with butter, cream cheese, preserves and jelly
- Open day for sight seeing
- 5:30 PM: **Pot Luck- Happy Hour** and Munching time at the Group Shelter. Feel free to simply bring left overs along with your table service and beverage of choice. Wine Bloody Mary and Margarita Bar will be open assuming it has not been drained. Objective to prevent having to bring leftovers to your next stop or home
- Evening, following Happy Hour:
  - Fire circle based on weather and group interest

## Wednesday May 15<sup>th</sup>

- Rally ends, adios amigos, hope to see you on the road at one or more of 4CU's Rally's in 2019. As a thought; you may want to extend your stay in Southern Utah if your schedule can fit in a few more days. There are a number of National Monuments, State Parks, and best of all Zion and Bryce National Parks in South Eastern Utah
- Please provide your Wagon Master, and Wranglers with some feed back at the completion of the rally. Knowing what was liked or disliked will help us in planning for any subsequent rallies

