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*The calendar is filling up for this year's camping season. I hope you find lots of teardrop and vintage trailer gatherings to fill your weekends with friends and fun. Remember to take pictures while you're out and about and send them, along with a short article, to us for inclusion in the newsletter.*

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 Marty will be updating us with information on ordering Badges and Banners soon.

*\*\* Recipes, Camp Craft ideas, and Gadgets, as well as ideas to make travel easier, all make great articles (and believe me, you don't want to trust me for recipes...)*

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## From the Editor

We appear to have survived the end of the Mayan calendar, and the 2013 camping season is on the horizon (*though not soon enough for me*). August is looking a little thin, though June is chock-full and July has choices that include Crossroads of America in Indiana and a new event in Sprague Washington. In the calendar section I have included some events from the Rolling Oldies Vintage Trailer group, so while there aren't any details here there are links to [ROVT](#) where you can get more information. I have heard a rumor that there may be a new event in August, and someone else told me that they may try to put together something informal in Leavenworth Washington also in August so stay tuned for those in the Spring and Summer editions.

With Marty and Katie's move to Arizona I have heard from a lot of people that they thought TOW would be over. We *are* changing, but Marty and Katie are still very involved and there are new people stepping up so the people that have shouldered the load of past events can take a more consulting role and have more time to enjoy our great group of friends.

I have also recently taken over the [teardroptrailers.org](http://teardroptrailers.org) website, and there will be some changes coming to that site as well, though if anyone out there would rather act as webmaster please let me know and I will gladly hand off or help. The events page is a little rocky right now, but expect to see updates in the next few weeks. I would like to add a scrolling album of people with their teardrops, please send pictures so I can include you and yours. Additionally I am considering adding some advertising, to help supplement the TOW budget, so send your thoughts on that as well!

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## Mid-Winter Pot Lucks

**SEATTLE, WA - Saturday, February 09, 2013** this year our Washington TOW Mid-Winter Potluck will be held on Saturday, February 9th. Ed Kelson extends the invitation to the get-together to be held in the private museum called "A Touch of Nostalgia". He is very excited to have everyone come and enjoy what they see every day. The museum, located in the South Seattle area, is in the building that's part of the business the Kelson family runs. Bring your favorite dish and don't forget to bring serving spoons. Dinner will be at 12:00 PM.

### DIRECTIONS

The address is 201 S. Austin St, Seattle, WA 98108. There are two large Texaco signs outside the building that stands tall in the air plus a sign that will say MID-WINTER POTLUCK. If lost getting there, you can call the shop phone at [206-762-2227](tel:206-762-2227).

FROM THE NORTH – Exit I-5 at #162 (Corson Ave) – Drive 0.8 miles until you come to Michigan St. – Turn Right onto Michigan and drive about one (1) mile until you get to WA-509 – Drive South on 509 a little bit and do a whoop-de-do up to the Right and back over the road to get onto WA-99S – Continue South another 0.3 miles until the traffic signal light at Holden – Turn Left and immediately turn left again on 2nd Ave – Go to the next street and turn Right onto Austin St – You will see the shop/museum on the right.

FROM THE SOUTH – Exit I-5 at #156 (Tukwila/W Marginal Way) – The highway turns into WA-99N – Drive a total of 5.2 miles until you come to a traffic signal light at Holden – Turn Right and immediately Left onto 2nd Ave and go to the next street and turn Right onto Austin St – You will see the shop/museum on the right. Contact [vintageracer@g.com](mailto:vintageracer@g.com) or [206-948-7840](tel:206-948-7840) for more information.

**ALBANY OR - Saturday, February 23, 2013** Gather at Noon and Eat at 1:00 PM.

As always we have room for you to park. See you there... Glenn & Laurie Anderson

### DIRECTIONS

To get there, exit # 233 off I-5 heading to US Hwy 20 West. Drive about 0.5 miles until you come to Waverly Drive. At that point, turn Left and go 1.2 miles until you come to Grand Prairie Rd. Turn Right. Go another 0.4 mile and turn Left onto Chicago. This street dead-ends into a cul-de-sac, so go to the end and look Right. You will see a barn in this mostly urban neighborhood. It's grey with white trim and a black roof. The barn address is 2656 Chicago St, Albany, Oregon. If you have any trouble finding it, the number at the barn is **541-967-3479**. Glenn's Cell is **541-619-2179**. They will send out a search party! Laurie would like a head count, so please give them a call or drop them an email if you plan to attend.

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## 2013 Event Details

### May 1-5, 2013 LakeHead, CALIFORNIA

**The 20th Dam Gathering of the Tears at Antlers Campground & RV Resort** on the banks of beautiful Lake Shasta in Far Northern California.



The Dam Gathering is the world's longest-running Teardrop Gathering! It is held in a beautifully wooded campground, and is attended by the nicest people you'll ever come across! The first three Dam Gatherings were held at a campground on the banks of the Sacramento River just below Shasta Dam (hence the name Dam Gathering), but we quickly outgrew that facility, and in 1997 we moved it to our "home" at Antlers. We typically have 70-80 teardrops and their owners attend, but last year we had 100! We're planning for considerably more for this special event, and so should you!

We welcome all Teardrop enthusiasts. If you do not have a Teardrop, by all means come anyway and camp in a tent or whatever you have... we'll have a space for you. If you're new to Tear dropping or intend to build one of your own, bring a camera or videocam and feast on all the ideas and innovations. "Other" tiny travel/camping trailers are always welcome, as well, but please understand & expect to be parked separately (and there's a whole other loop for full-size RVs).

Please come join us as we celebrate **20** Dam Good Years of Dam Good Times with Dam Good Friends! Along with our usual Friday Night Dutch Oven Sampler, Cast Iron Chef competition, Saturday's World-Famous Chili Feed & Pot Luck, and Dutch Raffle, we have many more activities and several surprises planned ... including Pinewood Teardrop Gravity Races (see the topic on it at the T&TTT Discussion Forum for all the details: <http://www.tnttt.com/viewtopic.php?f=2&t=52490> ), hay rides through the campground Friday afternoon & Saturday, live music, and the 5 Wide Club from the Cloverdale, CA, area will be **building a teardrop, start to finish, in four days** in their campsite! So, mark your calendars and put in for time off, 'cause this will be one Dam Big Celebration! General info is at [www.teardrops.net/damgathering.html](http://www.teardrops.net/damgathering.html) and registration forms are at [www.teardrops.net/20thDGRegistration.html](http://www.teardrops.net/20thDGRegistration.html) you can also e-mail [info@teardrops.net](mailto:info@teardrops.net) or call **530-242-6452** for more info. We'll look forward to seeing you there!

BTW - rumors still persist that this will be the **last** Dam Gathering! This is simply **NOT TRUE!** It's just that, starting with #21 in 2014, we're going to scale back the "production" side of things and we'll all just show up and have fun, without the whole registration process, T-shirts, and raffle. Our Dam Good Times with Dam Good People are going to keep rolling along as long as you want them to!

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## May 24-27, 2013 Stevenson, WASHINGTON



### Third Annual Gorge Gathering Memorial Day Weekend at the Fair Grounds

Hello Fellow Campers. It's a new year and once again we will be hosting "The Gorge Gathering" on Memorial Weekend. Last year was a lot of fun, relaxing and great time visiting with all! So far, everyone we have talked to said they are coming back. So here we go!! Like the past couple of years, it will be held at the Skamania County Fairgrounds just up river from the Bridge-of-the-Gods in Stevenson, Washington. This beautiful site provides a grassy campsite right in the heart of the Columbia River Gorge. Each unit has access to power (via extension cords) and centrally located water bibs. There are heated men & women's bathrooms with coin operated showers. The 6000 sq. ft. event hall is also heated and has a large kitchen and floor to ceiling glass "garage" doors that overlook the mountains. This gorgeous location offers much to explore including the close-by Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center, the Hood River Air and Auto Museum, the famous Skamania Lodge, and numerous Gorge waterfalls and trails. For more info on this locale, the folks at the fairgrounds will have us posted on their Skamania County web site. <http://www.skamaniacounty.org/facilities-rec/homepage/events/teardrop-trailers/>

### **Planned Events:**

This is our 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the Gorge Gathering and we hope to make it even better the 3<sup>rd</sup> time around!

Please join us for relaxing, visiting with fellow tear droppers, Tiny Travel Trailers and fun time!

New this year is a Friday night simple meal for those who come early & need a quick bite while setting up their camps sites. We have also added a Sunday evening event of a real old fashion Bingo game with some creative prizes for those who want to join in the fun.

### **GORGE GATHERING MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND MEALS & EVENTS**

#### **FRIDAY**

Registration - Handouts

Dinner: Coffee/Tea/Hot Chocolate & Soup\* \*first come first serve – limited amount of soup

EVENT: Welcome Gorge Gatherers! Meeting

#### **SATURDAY**

Breakfast: Cold Cereal, Fruit & toast

Lunch: On your own

Dinner: Hamburger & Chips

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Pot Luck Dessert: Bring your own to share  
 EVENT: Carnival Night Bring "white elephant" gift

## **SUNDAY**

Breakfast: Crescentwich (egg/bacon/cheese on crescent)  
 Lunch: On your own  
 Dinner: Baked potato bar with all the trimmings, hot dogs, chili & veggies  
 Dessert: Leftover from dessert night  
 EVENT: Old Fashion Bingo with prizes

Of course (Free Popcorn) will be available throughout the weekend in the event hall!

To register – go to the events page at [www.teardroptrailers.org](http://www.teardroptrailers.org).

The 4-day (3 night) weekend total fee for this year is \$75 per trailer, which covers the event expenses including **four** group meals, coffee, welcome packets, dash plaques, plus fairgrounds rent including the hall, campsite, power, water, garbage service, restrooms, and Insurance. This is a fairground rental package where we all share the group fee (not a per night fee like most campgrounds).

Don't miss this **FUN** weekend! Only registered units may attend—limited to 60 teardrops or vintage-type trailers, so register early. For questions (such as trailer style) contact Jim Bailey at [jcbailey@gorge.net](mailto:jcbailey@gorge.net) or call 509-427-5835 (home) or 541-400-0393 (cell). See you there!

## **June 7-9, 2013 Creswell, OREGON**

**Creswell Camp Out** the second weekend of June. The gates will be open on Thursday June 6th for those who wish to come early. No activities are planned for that day. Because of space, we are limiting the number of campers to 25, so signing up is necessary. Prior approval required for trailers other than teardrop trailers.

We will have a sale table again this year, so bring anything you wish to put on the table.

### **DIRECTIONS**

FROM THE SOUTH on I-5 take exit 188 (Hwy 58). Go east 5 miles and turn right on Enterprise Rd. (signs will be up) then go 3 miles.

FROM THE NORTH on I-5, take exit 182 turn right on Cloverdale, go 3 miles and turn right on Hendricks Rd. (signs will be up) Go 1 mile, turn left on Enterprise Rd, go 1 mile.

Contact Larry Boehme

541-895-2754

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## June 8-9, 2013 Unionville, NEVADA

**Twain and Tears.** The gathering will be at a small park on the grounds of a shack where Mark Twain lived while prospecting in the boomtown of Unionville. Unionville is a tiny hamlet boasting about 20 full time residents in the Buena Vista Canyon, about 20 miles off I-80 between Lovelock and Winnemucca. It is close to 150 miles from Reno. We will camp in a county park mid-village called "Moeha Walker Memorial Park."

The park is free, with water and porta-potty. No electricity or showers. Camping will be group informal and family style; this is not a campground but a park which we have permission to use. The canyon is about 500 feet higher in elevation than Lovelock, so a bit cooler, and it is quiet, quiet, quiet. There is only one road in and out. No cell phone coverage, although there are land lines so emergency service is available at a local home or the inn. Park will hold maybe 15-20 trailers maximum.

If you don't want to camp, but want to join us, there is my favorite bed & breakfast in the world here, Old Pioneer Garden. [Pioneer Garden](#). More about Unionville: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Unionville, Nevada](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Unionville,_Nevada)

Pictures: <http://www.ghosttowns.com/states/nv/unionville.html> ,

[http://www.flickr.com/photos/nevada\\_magazine/5658861943/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/nevada_magazine/5658861943/) and

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/kenlund/487196409/lightbox/>

**Directions:** To get to Unionville, take the Mill City/Unionville exit off Interstate 80 onto Nevada State Highway 400. Drive about 17 miles on paved road, look for the Unionville sign on your right as the highway turns into a well-graded gravel road. The village is located about three miles up the road into the canyon. Keep going until you spot the park on the right. There is only one road in and out of the village. PM on [tntt to nevadatear](http://tntt.to/nevadatear) or email [deborahpontius@gmail.com](mailto:deborahpontius@gmail.com)

## June 21-23, 2013 Chiloquin, OREGON

**TearJerkers' Jefferson State Chapter's Summer Solstice Gathering** at Collier Memorial State Park Campgrounds, 30 mi. north of Klamath Falls, OR, on Hwy 97, we will be centering in the tent sites in the middle of Loop A (non-reservable, first-come, first-claimed). Tour the Park's Logging Museum, walk the many trails, fish the Williamson River or Spring Creek, and/or take a ride on the Klamath & Western Scale Model Railroad just south of the Park on Saturday ( <http://www.knwrr.org/index.html> ). Crater Lake and Fort Klamath are nearby, as well as many other scenic opportunities. Or, you can just kick back and hang out in the campgrounds! E-mail [kayperkay@msn.com](mailto:kayperkay@msn.com) for more info about the gathering. Park info at [http://www.oregonstateparks.org/park\\_228.php](http://www.oregonstateparks.org/park_228.php)

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## June 21-23, 2013 Tillamook, OREGON

### Tillamook County Rodeo Weekend Gathering

Plan on a gathering at the coast June 21, 22, 23 2013. Same weekend as the Tillamook County Rodeo and June Dairy Parade. Also, if anyone is interested, it would be fun if we entered in the parade too. Show the county "our stuff"! More info, contact information, to come!

Contact:

Randy and Riki Gottier

503.842.5609

[rikigottier@yahoo.com](mailto:rikigottier@yahoo.com)

## July 3-7, 2013 Marblemount, WASHINGTON

**Vintage Trailer Gathering** You are invited to this third annual event held at Alpine RV Park, 60751 State Route 20, Marblemount, WA 98267 (Located between Mile post 107 and 108 outside of Marblemount)

**What to expect:** This is a campground nestled among the foothills of the Cascades. It is about an hour drive over the north Cascade Pass to the wonderful tourist town of Winthrop. If anyone is interested in carpooling over the pass, information will be available. Newhalem, a wonderful company-owned town is just up the road, and the Buffalo Restaurant offers wonderful meals in Marblemount. There is the Skagit River boat launch in town at Marblemount (over the bridge) and many hiking trails.

<http://www.seattle.gov/light/tours/skagit/> (tours to the dam need reservations)

<http://www.seattle.gov/light/printdocs/Newhalem.pdf> (walking tour of Newhalem)

Along the way up or back, there is a honey stand and a wine tasting farm, and Cascadian Farms has wonderful ice cream worth stopping for. If there is no fire burn ban going on, there will be a fire going for roasting marshmallows and conversation. Sunday morning, there is a church in Marblemount if anyone would like to attend. Starting at 1:00 pm on Sunday, we will have a swap meet going on in the RV park. Bring anything you might like to sell or trade. There are showers (no cost), restrooms, and a laundry room (washer and dryers).

You must call or e-mail for reservations as there is limited space, [jra@cnw.com](mailto:jra@cnw.com) or (928) 505-2730. After May 15, 2012 call (360) 595-2611.

Cost \$15.00 a night for hook ups and \$10.00 for no hook ups, dry camping. There may be discounts for longer stays.

Some of the events in the works are Dutch oven cooking, a BBQ, scavenger hunt, old car rally to Newhalem, game day/night, book trade, swap meet, pot luck dinner, movie night. Participate in all, some, or none - your choice.

Camp Hosts

Cherri and Mike Aiken

(360) 595-2611, Park Number (360) 873-9002

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## July 5-7, 2013 Sprague, WASHINGTON

### Hay Days in Sprague

**Friday Night:** There will be an Ice Cream Cruise and meet and greet

**Saturday:** Sprague Parade, Car Show, Tear Drop showing, Hot air balloon rides, and much more. They would like one or more of the Trailers to be in the Parade if possible. There will also be a poker walk through the little town as well as vendors. Spaghetti feed or some type of dinner Saturday night, then Fireworks to close out the night.

**Sunday:** TBD

Deposits have to be made on the power a head of time, so we will know how many need power. Camping is \$15 without power and \$20 with power, first come first serve with power. A hay ride type trailer will be provided to get everyone back and forth to all of the happenings.

Please pre-register with Debbie Anderson: 509- 928-4028 or [grandmalady2@gmail.com](mailto:grandmalady2@gmail.com)

## July 12-14, 2013 Ocean City, WASHINGTON

**Ocean tears 2013** Ocean City state park. This is a no host event; you make your own reservations. Just come out to the beach and have fun with other teardrop and vintage camp trailer folks. On Saturday evening we get together and have a potluck dinner. Don't forget to bring your kite. Last year the weather and company was great! We made our reservations in loop 4 sites 166 & 168. Try and get a site close by. **BOOK YOUR SITE EARLY!!!** They fill up fast. The link is for Washington state park page. Go to Ocean city state park and then make reservations. <https://secure.camis.com/WA/Home.aspx>

Any questions, contact

Steve Gaydos: [sggaydos@charter.net](mailto:sggaydos@charter.net) -or- Kevin Nickel: [knickel@hotmail.com](mailto:knickel@hotmail.com)

## July 19 - 21 Applegate, OREGON

**Moon Over Applegate,** Hart-tish Campground. Watch the full moon rise over the mountains! Fishing for trout and bass in the reservoir. Trailhead for a 7-mile trail, which circles around Collins Mountain, passing several old mines, an abandoned miner's cabin, and a Sasquatch trap. Contact information to follow.

### **DIRECTIONS**

From Jacksonville, go 7 miles south on OR 238, then 16 miles south on to Upper Applegate Road.





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## Jul 25 – 28, 2013 Spencer, INDIANA

Crossroads of America 2013 Gathering McCormick's Creek State Park

<http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2978.htm> Reservations to be made by the campers on line at <http://indianastateparks.reserveamerica.com/> Campers are to reserve their personal

site using the "Reserve America" link above. You should get your site reserved as soon as possible since the park will fill up fast. **Reservations are available six months in advance.** If you plan to attend there will be constant updates regarding the earliest possible reservation dates, this will be important if we intend to fill the park with Tearjerkers for the CRA 2013 event. T-shirt orders and breakfast orders can be made by contacting Kurt at [mustang@indy.rr.com](mailto:mustang@indy.rr.com) or by calling 765-661-2779. Main reservations to be in Loop "A" - sites #4 - #126 (overflow sites in Loop "B") This is one of the biggest gatherings in the USA.

## August 2 – 4, Brooks, Oregon

Antique Powerland Teardrop Display and Campout This is the third annual Antique Powerland Steamup. Teardroppers have been invited to display their trailers for spectators to view. In exchange, we get two free passes to Powerland to camp on the campus of the Northwest Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum. The Steamup is attended by thousands of spectators who wander the grounds enjoying demonstrations and displays of 15 separate vintage-type museums. It's a great show!!

Requirements are for all modern-era vehicles to park off the campus. Just teardrop shaped trailers/vehicles are going to be displayed. Vintage tow rigs can be parked next to their trailers. Those wishing to just display their trailers on Saturday get free admission as long as they arrive before 9:00 AM and stay until 3:00 in the afternoon. Our display is limited to only vintage designed teardrop trailers.

Camping is considered "dry" with power for medical purposes only.

Contact: Marty & Katie Boehme [teardrops@bctonline.com](mailto:teardrops@bctonline.com)

## August 30– September 1, Tacoma, WASHINGTON

Teardrops at LeMay LeMay Marymount Campus

The LeMay Family Collection of cars is currently a treasure hidden in buildings all over Pierce County, WA. The main collection can be found at the Marymount Campus and in the buildings around Nancy LeMay's home. Once a year the public has the opportunity to wander through the collection and see what is stored away most of the year. This year's event is being held on August 31st. There have been lots of changes since the early days. This event is always brings us together for great fun! Last year's flashlight campfire was extra special with music and laughs late into the night. Come and join us!

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This event has provides TOW members with an opportunity to contribute to the community by showing our trailers and by providing volunteers for the annual Open House fundraiser for the LeMay Museum. Volunteers are given access to the displays, a shirt, hat, and lunch and dinner on Saturday. This year the volunteer shifts are a standard 4 hours that the LeMay uses for all events though out the year. Volunteering is not mandatory at the event. You can also just come join us as part of the Teardrop display and campout. We just ask that you pay the \$10 entrance fee per person or even better become a member of the museum.

Our campsite and display of teardrops will be gathering on August30th beginning at 1pm and will disband on September 1st at the LeMay's Marymount Campus in the Spanaway area south of Tacoma.

Take I-5 exit #127 Hwy 512 driving east towards Mt. Rainer. Drive about three miles, get off at Pacific Ave. Go south about three more miles to a major intersection with 152nd Street on the left and Military Road on the right. Turn left and go east a few blocks to the main Marymount entrance (look for a sign and address of 325). Turn left onto the main grounds and proceed left to our camping area.

Register as a volunteer with the LeMay Family Museum at Marymount website:

[www.lemaymarymount.org](http://www.lemaymarymount.org), on this on-line registration form indicate "TEARDROP GROUP" in the space asking for "Club Affiliation".

For camping register with **Pat and Jan Estes**; see the form on the TOW website ([www.teardroptrailers.org](http://www.teardroptrailers.org)), mail in the registration and \$10 camping fee by August 1st to Pat Estes, 13504 14th Ave. S, Tacoma, WA 98444.

Contact:

Pat and Jan Estes [opasgang@yahoo.com](mailto:opasgang@yahoo.com), [jln4deafkids@hotmail.com](mailto:jln4deafkids@hotmail.com)

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## September 27 – 28, Mulino, Oregon

Fall Brigade This year, the annual fall rally for teardrops and vintage TTTs will start September 28th. See the Event Page on the TOW website [www.teardroptrailers.org](http://www.teardroptrailers.org) for the registration form. A confirmation letter will be sent out that will give driving directions and outline activities. This gathering of our family of TOW friends wraps up the camping schedule for the year. It's held in a quaint vintage lodge heated by a fireplace. This site is located about 15 miles South of Oregon City (part of the greater Portland Metropolitan area). The Oregon City Elks Lodge owns this private, invite-only campground and charges \$15 per night. It's a "dry" camp with power for medical reasons available.

Contact: Marty and Katie Boehme [teardrops@bctonline.com](mailto:teardrops@bctonline.com)

## Great gadget

Tired of plastic bins? You know you have it somewhere, but which half-cracked one-trick pony is it in, and how far down in this mess could it possibly be, did I really put a measuring tape in here, whose idea was it to stick a roll of twine in with, well, everything?

Enter the Camp Chef Sherpa Camp table and Organizer. It takes up about the same amount of room as a large plastic bin, but has a roll out table top so you can use it as a table and the legs collapse for easy entry into the teardrop. One of the fabric bins has thermo lining so it is perfect for butter or produce, really anything that you don't want to freeze in the cooler, but could benefit from some light temperature control. I use one bin for things like kitchen goods and split up hardware (tent stakes, drop cord, bungees) in the others. 4.6 out of 5 stars on Amazon. Be careful with the price though, I have seen it at \$72 and \$235, obviously one is a decent buy and one is plain crazy.

### Product Features



- Versatile aluminum roll-top table
- 4 zippered compartments
- Side pouch for transportation of table top
- Telescoping aluminum legs
- Blue organizer is lined for use as cooler or sink
- Extendable legs are perfect for raising the table to a perfect cooking height.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KBo2HxsCw6E>

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## Camp Craft

Posted by Erica Lea Original post: <http://www.ericalea.com/2009/05/28/not-your-ordinary-knitted-dishcloth/>

I love hand knitted dishcloths. But I'm not a huge fan of the kind made from worsted weight cotton. Yes, they are better than store bought dishcloths, but they can get very bulky. I noticed a friend of mine knitting a dishcloth from a *single strand of crochet cotton*. Of course I had to try my hand at knitting some, and I was well rewarded. The scrubbing power was wonderful, and they were closer to the size of a store-bought dishcloth. But they took so long to knit. Then, at a friend's bridal shower, I was struck by a certain gift: dishcloths knitted from *two* strands of crochet cotton. Brilliant! So, I created this pattern. It knits up much quicker than using a single strand, but it still has that lovely scrubbing action! This pattern is a very good "mindless" knitting project. Grab yourself some crochet cotton and knitting needles, and take it wherever you go!

### Not Your Ordinary Knitted Dishcloth Pattern

#### Materials:

- 2 balls of size 10 crochet cotton in contrasting colors of choice
- 1 pair of straight knitting needles, US size 2 or 3, depending on how tightly you knit

#### Gauge:

Not critical

#### Directions:

Holding the 2 strands of crochet cotton together, cast on 3 stitches.

#### *Begin increasing:*

Row 1: knit.

Row 2: knit 1, yarn over, knit to end of row.

Repeat row 2 until you have 77 stitches, or until desired size is obtained.

#### *Begin decreasing:*

Next row: knit 2 together, yarn over, knit 2 together, knit to end of row.

Repeat this row until there are 4 stitches remaining.

Next row: knit 2 together, bind off all stitches.

#### *Finishing:*

Weave in all loose ends. Wash before first use.

Thank you Erica Lea for this idea

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## CAMPER'S BREAKFAST HASH RECIPE



Prep/Total Time: 25 min. Yield: 8 Servings

From: [tasteofhome.com/Recipes/Camper-s-Breakfast-Hash](http://tasteofhome.com/Recipes/Camper-s-Breakfast-Hash)

### Ingredients

- 1/4 cup *butter, cubed*
- 2 packages (20 ounces each) *refrigerated shredded hash brown potatoes*
- 1 package (7 ounces) *brown-and-serve sausage links, cut into 1/2-inch pieces*
- 1/4 cup *chopped onion*
- 1/4 cup *chopped green pepper*
- 12 *eggs, lightly beaten*
- *Salt and pepper to taste*
- 1 cup (4 ounces) *shredded cheddar cheese*

### Directions

- In a large skillet, melt butter. Add the potatoes, sausage, onion and green pepper. Cook, uncovered, over medium heat for 10-15 minutes or until potatoes are lightly browned, turning once
- Push potato mixture to the sides of pan. Pour eggs into center of pan. Cook and stir over medium heat until eggs are completely set. Season with salt and pepper. Reduce heat; stir eggs into potato mixture. Top with cheese; cover and cook for 1-2 minutes or until cheese is melted

**Nutritional Facts:** 1 serving (1 cup) equals 376 calories, 27 g fat (12 g saturated fat), 364 mg cholesterol, 520 mg sodium, 17 g carbohydrate, 1 g fiber, 18 g protein

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## 2013 Event Calendar

\*ROVT Event: please see <http://www.rovt.org/events.htm> for more information

DATE	EVENT	INFO	HOST
Feb 9, 2013 Seattle, Washington	<u>Mid-Winter Pot Luck</u>	A chance to reconnect and get ready for the season in South Seattle	Ed Kelson <a href="mailto:vintageracer@g.com">vintageracer@g.com</a> or <a href="tel:206-948-7840">206-948-7840</a>
Feb 23, 2013 Albany, Oregon	<u>Mid-Winter Pot Luck</u>	A chance to reconnect and get ready for the season in Albany	Glenn & Laurie Anderson 541-967-3479 Glenn's Cell 541-619-2179
May 1-5, 2013 LakeHead, California	<u>The 20th Dam Gathering of the Tears</u>	A Perennial Favorite	<a href="http://www.teardrops.net/damgathering.html">www.teardrops.net/damgathering.html</a> and registration forms are at <a href="http://www.teardrops.net/20thDGRegistration.html">www.teardrops.net/20thDGRegistration.html</a>
*May 17-19, 2013	<u>3rd Annual Mclver Park Rally</u>	3rd Annual event at Mclver park. Open house Saturday afternoon. SOLD OUT - contact Julie to be added to the waitlist	Julie & Patrick Flavin <a href="mailto:julieflavin1@gmail.com">julieflavin1@gmail.com</a>
May 24-27, 2013 Stevenson, Washington	<u>Gorge Gathering</u>	A Great Way to kick off the Summer!	Jim & Joyce Bailey 509-427-5835 <a href="mailto:jcbailey@gorge.net">jcbailey@gorge.net</a>
June 7-9, 2013 Creswell, Oregon	<u>Creswell Campout</u>	A good time with good friends	Larry Boehme 541-895-2754 <a href="mailto:larrycadt@yahoo.com">larrycadt@yahoo.com</a>
June 8-9, 2013 Unionville, Nevada	<u>Twain and Tears</u>	Family Style event	Pm on <a href="http://tntt.com">tntt</a> to nevadatear or email to <a href="mailto:deborahpontius@gmail.com">deborahpontius@gmail.com</a>
June 21-23, 2013 Chiloquin, Oregon	<u>Summer Solstice Gathering</u>	The Jefferson State TearJerker's June event	E-mail <a href="mailto:kayperkay@msn.com">kayperkay@msn.com</a> for more info about the gathering. Park info at <a href="http://www.oregonstateparks.org/park_228.php">http://www.oregonstateparks.org/park_228.php</a>
June 21-23, 2013 Tillamook, Oregon	<u>Tillamook Rodeo Weekend Gathering</u>	More details to follow, think about showing the county your "rig" by participating in the parade	Randy and Riki Gottier 503.842.5609 <a href="mailto:rikigottier@yahoo.com">rikigottier@yahoo.com</a>
*June 21-23, 2013	<u>RiverBend Annual Rally</u>	7th Annual Rally! Held at RiverBendPark in Sweet Home, OR All sites are currently filled, but names are being added to the waiting list. Contact Jerry to get on the list	Jerry Kwiatkowski <a href="mailto:jerry@rovt.org">jerry@rovt.org</a>

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<b>July 3-7, 2013</b> Marblemount, Washington	<u>Vintage Trailer Campout</u>	Third Annual	Mike & Cherri Aiken <a href="mailto:jra@cnw.com">jra@cnw.com</a>
<b>July 5-7, 2013</b> Sprague, Washington	<u>Hay days in Sprague</u>	First Annual	Debbie Anderson <a href="tel:509-928-4028">509-928-4028</a> <a href="mailto:grandmalady2@gmail.com">grandmalady2@gmail.com</a>
<b>July 12-14, 2013</b> Ocean City, Washington	<u>Ocean Tears</u>	Washington state park page- Ocean city state park <a href="https://secure.camis.com/WA/Home.aspx">https://secure.camis.com/WA/Home.aspx</a>	Steve Gaydos <a href="mailto:sggaydos@charter.net">sggaydos@charter.net</a> Kevin Nickel <a href="mailto:knickel@hotmail.com">knickel@hotmail.com</a>
<b>July 19-21, 2013</b> Applegate, Oregon	<u>Moon Over Applegate</u>	The parking lot with a million dollar view	Contact Information to follow
<b>Jul 25-28, 2013</b> Spencer, Indiana	<u>Crossroads of America 2013</u>	One of the biggest events in the country! Reservations @ <a href="http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2978.htm">http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2978.htm</a>	Kurt 765-661-2779 <a href="mailto:mustang@indy.rr.com">mustang@indy.rr.com</a>
<b>Aug 2-4, 2013</b> Brooks, Oregon	<u>Antique Powerland</u>	Held on the campus of the Northwest Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum	Marty & Katie Boehme <a href="mailto:teardrops@bctonline.com">teardrops@bctonline.com</a>
<b>Aug 30- Sept 1, 2013</b> Tacoma, Washington	<u>LeMay</u>	An annual event on the grounds of the LeMay Museum	Pat and Jan Estes registration form: <a href="http://www.teardroptrailers.org/LeMayRegistration.PDF">www.teardroptrailers.org/LeMayRegistration.PDF</a> Contact Information <a href="mailto:opasgang@yahoo.com">opasgang@yahoo.com</a> , <a href="mailto:jln4deafkids@hotmail.com">jln4deafkids@hotmail.com</a>
<b>*Sept 13-15, 2013</b>	<u>3rd Annual April South Beach Rally</u>	Relaxed event at South Beach State Park, Newport OR	Diana & Terry Lindsley <a href="mailto:diana@rovt.org">diana@rovt.org</a>
<b>Sept 27-28, 2013</b> Mulino, Oregon	<u>Fall Brigade</u>	Held at the Oregon City Elks Park	Marty & Katie Boehme <a href="mailto:teardrops@bctonline.com">teardrops@bctonline.com</a>
<b>*Oct 2013</b>	<u>1st Champoeq Park Rally</u>	Date & details still being determined Reservations can be made at <a href="http://www.reserveamerica.com">http://www.reserveamerica.com</a>	Ralph & Sherry Hall <a href="mailto:rsthall@juno.com">rsthall@juno.com</a>

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## Events still unconfirmed

Status	EVENT	Time Frame	Notes
Unconfirmed Date but will be in June	<u>Roslyn Teardrop Gathering</u>	June	There will be a get together, but Ed is still working on the dates
Unconfirmed	<u>Lynden</u>	September	Send any information that you have to <a href="mailto:towlinenewsletter@gmail.com">towlinenewsletter@gmail.com</a>