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The Chatter

13th Annual Golf Cart Rodeo

My good friend Rick LeVally approached me in 2013 with an idea to host a Golf Cart Rodeo at the campground. Rick had been a gear head his whole life. He started with souping-up riding lawn mowers as a kid, to being inducted into the Kil-Kare Hall of Fame in 2016. When a guy with that resume wants to race golf carts, you support it.

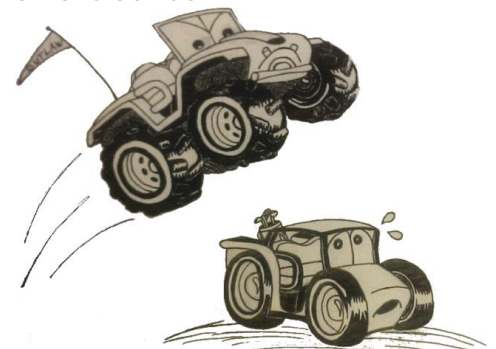
The first year we teamed with Mitchells Golf Carts just north of Huber Heights. Terry and Debby set up a vendor booth, Rick and Deb handled the registration, and I ran the clock. That was the year we met our good friends from Odd Powers Racing, Troy, Jamie and their crew (pictured below). Since Rick has semi-retired from golf cart racing, Troy and I have been organizing the Rodeo. I handle logistics/operations and Troy takes care of trophies and is our main rules and class official. Rick still helps on the track; you just can't keep him away from racing.

The events for the Rodeo consist of a morning Show-N-Shine, followed by drag racing. After lunch, we will compete in the figure 8 and obstacle course events. These events are set up for all golf carts. You don't need a souped-up cart or any fancy add-ons to win. We separate the carts into classes so you will be racing other carts like yours. Cart classes separate stock from modified carts, lifted from non-lifted, and gas from electric. Did I forget to mention that if you have a gas cart you are welcome to bring it on Rodeo weekend? Bring any cart you can to the Rodeo. You can sign up for all or just one of the events and have a great time.

Tony's Subs and Ullery's Ice Cream will be set up for the weekend and later in the evening, after the Rodeo we will award trophies and have a great time as I transform into Bark Bobber, game show host extraordinaire.

Meet me at the north end of the pull track at 10am on August 29th to get this show started. The cost is \$10/event. Driving participants must have a valid drivers license and signed waiver (available at registration) to compete. Get your buggies washed, get your helmet dusted off, and get ready for a fast and fun time at Poor Farmer's. **Let's Go Racin'!**

August 29th, 2026
10am Pull Track



August Events



August 15th

2pm

Amy's Fun Photo Frolic! Take your camera/phone and find that Kodak moment.

4pm

Soda Pop BINGO! \$.50/card (10 player minimum)

6pm

Campfire Cooking Carry-in! Bring a dish made over the campfire and your table service.

7pm

KUW Wrestling at the Coachman Shelter!

9:30pm

Light Parade! Get those golf cart batteries charged and the LEDs shining.



August 29th

10am

11th Annual Golf Cart Rodeo Meet at the Pull Track for a full day of golf cart shenanigans. \$10/event.

7pm

Game Show Night! Join us for some old school game show fun. Mike transforms into Bark Bobber, your friendly game show host who loves to give away prizes.

Miami County Fair Dates: August 14th - 20th



Site #316 Dan & Pam Hart

Site of the Month

The August Site of the Month goes to Site #316, Dan & Pam Hart. After just taking this site over this year, the Harts have worked extra hard to make their campsite comfortable and clean, despite having flood damage from Memorial Weekend.

This site reminds me of what you might see at a high-end RV resort in Palm Springs. Dan has constructed a very well put together firepit that is ready to go at a moment's notice. His edges are crisp and everything has its perfect place. Thank you to Dan and Pam for creating a campsite that is both contemporary and comfortable, thus adding to the overall beauty of Poor Farmer's. The Harts will be awarded a \$50 gift certificate as thanks for all your hard work. I hope you have many years of fun and relaxation at site #316.



Christmas in July

In 1933, Fannie Holt, a campground owner in South Carolina held the first Christmas in July as a way of boosting campground activity. They decorated a Christmas tree, sang carols, exchanged gifts and even had a visit from Santa. That sounds eerily similar to the Christmas in July that Poor Farmer's just hosted... and a Merry Christmas in July it was. We started the celebration with a traditional Christmas Dinner. On the menu were ham, green beans, scalloped potatoes, a dinner roll and cookies. Thanks to Judy and Patty for preparing the meal and to all those who helped serve. Thanks also to those who donated to help cover the cost of the food.

After dinner, we enjoyed the reading of *The Night Before Christmas* by Grandma Georgia. Then came the Christmas carols. I will admit the kids knew more songs than I did. It didn't take many songs to entice jolly St. Nick to show up with gifts for all the little boys and girls.

Once Santa returned to his tropical vacation, everyone dispersed to decorate their golf carts for the Christmas Golf Cart Light Parade. We had a total of 15 golf carts and 2 bikes. It was tough to choose the best decorated site with all the great decorating we saw. Awards were given to Site #327 (Perm Camper) and Site #33 (Weekend Camper). Thanks again to all the elves that helped make this event fun and festive.



Krazyoke



September 5th is your last chance to score points at Krazyoke. For every song you sing you get one point. As of now, our Krazyoke leader is Lori Gross with 18 points. In the hunt is Tony Gross (13) and Brenda Comer (12). You can sing solo, do a duet, or with a group. Each time you're singing on stage, you get a point. The winner of this event will be awarded a \$100 Amazon gift card. I would like to thank Bill Miller, our Krazyoke host. He loves coming to Poor Farmer's to sing and play his harmonica. Join us Labor Day Weekend, Saturday the 5th at 7pm so we can finish what we started.



Sep 4th – 7th Labor Day Weekend

August 5th

- 8:30** **Shriner's Breakfast** Join us to raise money for the Shriners Hospital. Sign up in the camp store for Eggs, Ham and Toast. Donation only!
- 11am** **Redneck Games Redo!** Our second attempt at temperate weather.
- 1pm** **Dot Art Craft** Put on your paint shirt and enjoy this fun way to create.
- 3pm** **Crazy BINGO** \$.50/card (10 player minimum)
- 5:30pm** **Steak & Potato Dinner** Sign-up by August 22nd to lock in your spot.
\$20/plate donation
- 7pm** **Karaoke W/Bill Miller** Final chance to get points toward the Krazyoke Contest!

August 6th

- 2pm** **4-on-4 Volleyball Tournament.** Bring your team of four to the show. Prize for 1st place.
- 4pm** **Comedian / Ventriloquist Mike Hemmelgarn!**
- 7pm** **Hawaiian Luau!** Break out your coconuts! Music, drinks, food and more.
- 9:30pm** **Light parade!** Decorate your golf cart, bike or self and join us in illuminating the campground.

Fourth of July

For America's 250th birthday, Poor Farmer's campers baked in the sun while they played in the Redneck Games, Human Battleship, and sang Krazyoke.

Due to the small number of participants who were willing to endure the hot summer sun, we have scheduled a redo of the Redneck Games which will be on Labor Day Weekend, September 5th at 11am.

The Redneck Games played are a three-legged race, obstacle course, PVC javelin throw, seed spitting contest, toilet seat horseshoes, and a flip-flop can toss. Join us for some redneck fun. Pictured to the right is the winning team for our human battleship game. Participants sat on either side of a black curtain and blindly hurled water balloons across trying to knock out members of the other team. I think it was more fun to watch than play. Heather and Lisa dominated the three-legged race, but when it came to the javelin throw, Heather's unique underhand throwing style was ineffective, but extremely entertaining.

Thanks to all who came and participated in our 250-year red, white and blue celebration. I had a great time, and I just knew that our forefathers would have been proud. This is exactly what was on their mind when they established our free country. God Bless America!





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16th Annual Buckeye Woodcarver's Round-Up

The Buckeye Woodcarvers invaded Poor Farmer's with a cache of sharp objects. Thankfully, they didn't use their knives for anything but carving. I would like to congratulate Jim and Barb Foster on their record number of participants this year. After 16 years, this event just keeps getting better with every passing year.

I would like to thank our staff for the work they do to prepare for this fun event. Jimmy and Lynn had to relocate all their equipment, so the Woodcarvers had a suitable place to set up a carver shop and training center.

If you have any interest in woodcarving or just like playing with knives, contact the Buckeye Woodcarvers on Facebook or ask one of our staff and they will get your info to Barb and Jim.

The artistry that is demonstrated at this show is exceptional, whether the artist was working with a small knife, a Dremel, or a chainsaw, the masterpieces that came out of this show were amazing. The 2027 Round-Up dates are July 21st – 24th. Get signed up today!



Guess the Year

- Diana, Princess of Wales, dies in a car crash in a road tunnel in Paris
- Steve Irwin's "The Crocodile Hunter" debuts first season
- Google.com is registered as a domain name
- Final episode of the TV sitcom "Married... with Children" airs on Fox
- Women's National Basketball Association begins as NY Liberty beats LA Sparks
- "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone," the first book in J. K. Rowling's bestselling series, is published
- Animated TV sitcom "South Park" debuts on Comedy Central
- Thirty-nine bodies found in the Heaven's Gate cult suicides in Rancho Santa Fe, California

Answer:..... 1997