



2018 RV LEARNING WEEKEND

SEMINAR DESCRIPTIONS

Saturday, May 26th – 8:30 am – 10:00 am

Batteries 101 – Randy Anderson, Canadian Energy

This session will explain the different quality of batteries and how lead acid batteries work and the difference between 6 and 12 volt. What does the CCA & CA ratings and other ratings mean? Randy will cover electrolyte, plates, deep cycle and traction, series vs parallel within batteries. Knowing what factors that affect life of a battery and how to charge, maintain and the best ways to store your batteries will all be covered.

Hitched Up – Brad Shier, Standen's Ltd.

Join Brad as he presents a seminar designed to educate consumers on choosing the correct size and type of hitch, proper setup and adjustment of equalizer hitches. An overview of the various fifth wheel hitches and their advantages and disadvantages of the different ones on the market and how to select an electric brake controller will be discussed.

RV Solar 101 – Doug Grafton, Go Power!

In this session learn and understand the benefits of solar energy and information on Deep Cycle RV batteries (how to double the lifespan of your batteries!) for your RV. Basic solar operation and applications including sizing the proper system to meet your needs and describe daily RV power requirements. Find out how RV Solar kits will make boondocking a pleasurable experience.

RV Spring & Summer Preparation & Maintenance Tips – John Clarke, Two Guys RV Education

This session gets RV'ers started with the proper basic dumping procedures, right plumbing accessories, environmentally friendly tank treatments and general tank maintenance tips for trouble free operation. Also presented are DIY procedures on summerizing and sanitizing your tanks for a safe and trouble free RV experience. In addition, it covers finding dump stations anywhere in North America before your start your trip or while traveling.

Traffic Safety & The RV Community – Gordon Ellert, Safety Consultant

This session is your opportunity as an RV owner, to share your experiences and insights regarding traffic safety in Alberta. The RV Dealers Association and the Office of Traffic Safety, Alberta Transportation are interested in engaging with you to identify your traffic safety priorities and concerns; to gather your feedback on what you see out there. They would like to explore ideas for education and awareness opportunities moving forward. There will be interactive exercises including Fatal Vision Google demonstrations. This session will also include some information pertaining to the main causes of injuries and fatalities on our roads. Learn what we all can do to better protect ourselves, our units and make our roads safer for all of us.

Saturday, May 26th 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Ask A Certified RV Technician, BEGINNER LEVEL – Warren Thunstrom, SAIT School of Transportation, RV Technician Instructor – NEW FOR 2018

A certified RV Technician has a wealth of information about every type of RV and this seminar is designed for the newbie RV'er. You're totally new to the world of RVing and want to get ready to set out on one of your first trips. From

information on how to level your unit to understanding the basic operation of your plumbing and electrical systems, this is your opportunity to ask the Certified RV Technician.

If I Only Knew – A LADIES ONLY SESSION – Robin Bunker, SAIT School of Transportation, RV Technician Instructor – NEW FOR 2018

Ladies, do you sometimes feel you aren't listened to; or maybe you are cautious about asking questions in front of the others? As a SAIT instructor, Robin works with men and women and has a wealth of knowledge. This session is to assist women who RV by themselves, with other women or even with their husband. Robin will answer any questions you have related to understanding the operation of your RV; be it a camper, trailer, fifth wheel or motorhome. From electrical to plumbing or effectively operating components of your unit; Robin will give you the guidance you need. There is NO unimportant question. LADIES THIS SESSION IS FOR YOU.

Motorhome Towing Tips and Fundamentals – Alex Walker, Blue Ox

This is a session for those using or planning to use tow bars to tow a car behind their motor home. It includes safety tips, suggestions for equipment maintenance, and safety equipment choices. Specific focus is given to questions on towed vehicle braking, legal requirements, and a discussion regarding the various choices in braking systems.

RV Appliance Maintenance I (Fridge and Stove) – KC Chavda, Two Guys RV Education

If you ever had the food spoilage or burners not lighting and you don't know what to look for? This session will help you to identify things you should know about your fridge and range/stove. It covers potential problems and tips to resolve them when you are far away from any assistance. If your appliance should fail, there are also things you can do to assist the technician in resolving the problem quickly.

RV Propane Systems – John Clarke, Two Guys RV Education

This session will provide safety related information regarding the handling and use of propane systems in your RV. It covers all the components, how they work, their life expectancy and information that everyone needs to ensure the safety of themselves and others. It's critical fuel used for cooking, heating your water and keeping you warm on those cool days.

Saturday, May 26th 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Customizing Your RV - Get More from RVing – John Clarke, Two Guys RV Education

This seminar assists you in taking your lifestyle with you when RVing. It includes practical modifications/ enhancements that can add fun and reduce stress no matter your camping choice - full hookup or dry camping. It introduces some common modifications that most DIY'ers can do or have a professional do it for you. We speak from experience as we have done all of these ourselves.

It's All about the Weight – Brad Shier, Standen's Ltd.

Knowing and understanding how much weight your unit can pull is critical. All new RV'ers should consider this course, even before buying a unit. Brad will explain the weight distribution and help you understand the difference from empty weight to full weight of a trailer or 5th wheel.

Looking To Buy A New Or Used RV – Don Lynn – Go Uncle Ben's RV – NEW FOR 2018

You haven't bought yet and not sure whether to buy new or used and what to get. Don will give you some practical advice on what you need to know before the big purchase. What vehicle is towing it or who is driving it, do you want/need all the bells and whistles or are you going to start basic. With an used RV unit, Don will share with you the things to watch out for too. This session is for the newbie or if you are in need of a change; and whether you will be an occasional RV'er or serious RV'er.

RV Appliance Maintenance II (Water Heater and Furnace) – KC Chavda, Two Guys RV Education

Have you had your water heater squeak or the furnace just blowing cold air on a cool fall day? Then join us as this session identifies things you should know about your water heater and furnace. It will help you in addressing potential problems and has tips to resolve them whether you are a DIY'er or someone who takes your RV to a dealer. Either way you will save money and time.

Trailer Towing Tips – Alex Walker, Blue Ox – NEW FOR 2018

Getting the proper tow vehicle! What equipment do you need? What kind of hitch do I need? What size trailer can I tow? Do I need a weight distributing hitch? How to hook up and unhook correctly? Do I need a brake system for what I am towing? How about sway control? This session will follow up will answer all of the questions and you will have time to ask your own questions.

Saturday, May 26th 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Ask A Certified RV Technician, ADVANCED LEVEL – Robin Bunker & Warren Thunstrom, SAIT School of Transportation, RV Technician Instructors

So now you are the experienced RV'er and yet you always need to know a little more. A certified RV Technician has a wealth of information. Here is your opportunity to ask those more in depth questions and get the answers you need. This is an open forum session where you bring the questions and the certified RV Technicians will provide you with everything you need to know.

Gentle Hatha Yoga With Andrea – Andrea DeJoung, Yoga with Andrea

This relaxation focused class moves slowly through basic poses and breathing techniques and finishes with guided relaxation. A great class for those who enjoy a slower pace, beginners or those with health concerns. Great for stress reduction! Poses can be modified for all levels of yogi's, so everyone is welcome including yoga in a chair if you have mobility issues. PLEASE BRING A TOWEL OR YOGA MAT OR CHAIR AND WEAR COMFORTABLE CLOTHING TO MOVE IN. This class will be outside on the grass weather permitting, otherwise inside the banquet tent.

Satellite Information For Your RV Experience – Mark Vulc, Mark's Satellite Service

Hear what's available today for your RV television needs. Learn how to stay up to date with your local news and happenings, no matter where you are across Canada and travelling across the United States. What's available and what will work best for your needs, you could be in a motorhome, fifth wheel or travel trailer. Receive any updated information on Wi-Fi and internet services that are available as well. You will get a chance to ask questions and leave with the knowledge you need to make a decision on what works best for your needs. Satellite systems will be available to be ordered on site at a discounted price.

Tank Treatments: What You Don't Know Can Hurt You – KC Chavda, Two Guys RV Education

What treatment is the right one for me? Are they environmentally safe for RVs, septic systems and sewage treatment plants? What about home brew treatments that get passed on at the campgrounds? This seminar will break down some of the myths and "green labeled" mumbo jumbo. It will show you how to read the labels and tell you what they mean. Please bring your tank treatment with you to the seminar.

Sunday, May 27th 8:30 am – 10:00 am

Goodyear RV & Truck Tires 101 – Keeping You Safer On The Road! – Christina Young, Goodyear Canada Inc. – NEW FOR 2018

Learn key information about RV & Truck tire load/inflation, tire wear, tire sizing, storage and more. This session will explain how to best take care of your tire investment, with the ultimate goal of keeping you safer on the road.

Light It Up With LED – Ken & Brenda Johnson, Techno Solve Inc. – NEW FOR 2018

Ken & Brenda will explain how LED lights work, the different grades and types of LED's.

Ever wonder which type to use for the appropriate application; for your RV, home, decks, etc.; Ken will guide you through the confusion. Trouble shooting for over/under driven, power surges, polarity and reverse wiring will also be covered.

RV Fall & Winter Preparation & Maintenance Tips – John Clarke, Two Guys RV Education

Taking proper precautions can avoid many water leaks encountered in camping freezing temperatures as well as winter storage. The seminar covers useful habits and correct DIY procedures to prepare your RV tanks for fall camping and steps to winterize your RV for trouble free operation next season. It also gives tips on winter camping. This is an ideal time to check out all the plumbing, water systems and exterior of the RV and to perform preventive maintenance if required.

Silent Power – Doug Grafton, Go Power!

Enjoy the benefits of AC power with no hook-ups. Sizing & types of inverters that will work with your coach and the operation of RV Power Inverters will be covered.

Travelling To Northern BC & Yukon – KC Chavda, 2 Guys RV Education – NEW FOR 2018

Learn why the Northern BC & Yukon should be in your travel plans not just on your wish list. Based on a recent RV trip you can gain expert advice from fellow RV'ers as travel tips and must see attractions are shared. This seminar covers what to see and do on the ALCAN highway, Klondike Highway, Top of the World Highway and Stewart-Cassair Highway.

Sunday, May 27th 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Let's Cook Outdoors – Michael Short, Let's Go Outdoors – NEW FOR 2018

Want to cook more than a hotdog or a s'more? Do you want to experience outdoor cooking; both over an open fire or a portable grill? Bring your appetite to this session as Michael shows you how to truly enjoy outdoor cooking and make an entire meal over an open fire. Michael also focuses on cooking wild game. PLEASE NOTE: If there are fire bans in place, cooking will only be available on portable grills.

Parking Your RV – John Clarke, Two Guys RV Education

Having trouble parking your RV at the campground? This seminar shows handy pointers for the driver as well as the spotter to make parking an RV a breeze. This is a 2 part session. There is a 40 (45 min) in class session covering the basics such as driver setup, proper rig setup and common signals for driver and spotter. There is an optional practical session where you will have a chance to practice with your RV setup after Brunch on Sunday where you and your spotter will work together under supervision. Check for details at the main tent.

RV Solar 101/ Silent Power – Doug Grafton, Go Power!

This session doubles up the individual sessions to understand the benefits of solar energy and information on Deep Cycle RV batteries (how to double the lifespan of your batteries!) and how to enjoy the benefits of AC power with no hook-ups. Basic solar operation and applications and sizing and types of inverters that will work for your unit will be covered.

Understanding Basic RV Electrical Systems – Don Lynn, Certified RV Technician, GO Uncle Ben's RV & Marine

Don will provide basic information and fundamentals of the electrical makeup of an RV, from battery installation to GFCI circuits and LED lighting to installing satellite in your RV. This is the opportunity to have some of those questions you have regarding electrical answered by a certified RV technician.