



# LAKE JAYCO JYPSIES



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## Michigan Hosts the 2012 Jayco International Rally



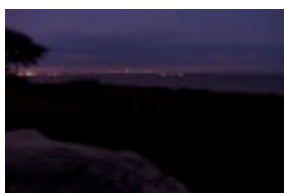
The 2012 Jayco International Rally was held at the Mackinaw Mill Creek Campground in Mackinaw City, Michigan.

The Jayco Jypsies, Flight #117, were represented by Garth & Kathy Burgon, Dick & Brenda Dunham, Ron & Bev Irwin and Samantha, Bob & Carol Oshnock, and Sue Wireman.

The Irwins were camping in Indian River at Burt Lake State Park. Garth & Kathy joined them on Saturday, while Sue Wireman came in on Sunday. We met up with Dick & Brenda on Monday at the rest stop north of IR and all arrived together at Mackinaw Mill Creek. After a rocky start, we got settled in to our campsites. Right on Lake Huron, with a full view of the Mackinac Bridge and Mackinac Island. It was so beautiful!!



This was the view from our campers!!!!!!!



Thankfully we were right on the Lake because we had an air conditioning issue.....and by issue I mean no air!!! So while everyone else was busy doing, well, what ever they were doing, I headed for the lake. It was a little difficult navigating the rocky shoreline but the water was wonderful and so refreshing.



Cooled off, I joined the others at registration. The rally building was a big ol' pole barn with, you guessed it, no air conditioning. It was really warm! We did our registration thing and headed back to the campers, and lake.....for me.

A fitness walk was offered every day at 7 am. I guess it was good....I don't usually even see 7 am let alone walk at 7 am! Quit laughing you guys!

Seminars, meetings and games were scheduled each day as well as Jayco Wearables for sale. A picture contest was available for voting. Crafts for adults as well as kids were offered. There was a Wii bowling tournament.

Garth and Kathy got to participate in the "First Timers Get Together" as this was their first International Rally. Monday evening activities included the opening ceremonies and introduction of the staff and vendors. An announcement was made of the location of next year's International.....Marion, North Carolina on August 5-9, 2013!! Mark your calendars.



The Welcome Hospitality/social hour was interesting. Each State offered samples of things made in their state. We had a table with apples and cherries as well as literature on Michigan's natural resources, beauty and recreational opportunities.

Other State offered wine, cheese, pretzels, chips, trail mix, candies, cranberry juice, bourbon balls, pop corn, fudge, Kool-aid, and crayons, among many other things. It was kind of an interesting, and educational event.



Tuesday morning's event was a catered breakfast by Chris Cakes. Chris makes pancakes (to set the record straight....they can't hold a candle to Brenda's pancakes) and flips them to you from across the room. Of course they don't all find their way to your plate. If they land on the floor you are offered a waffle (they step on it with waffle patterned shoes). The meal is rounded out with sausages, coffee, and orange drink! Entertaining!

After checking out some of the vendors, it was back in the lake for me. Before the evening entertainment, our club went to dinner in town at Darrows. The evening entertainment was the Denny Beach Band.

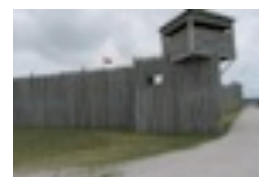
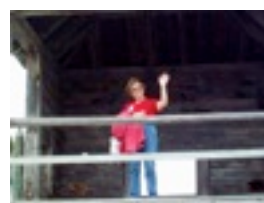


Wednesday's activities included a Red Hat/Greasy Hat luncheon. Sue hosted the Red Hat lunch. Heard a good time was had by all...I was in lake. Sue did such a good job, they nominated her for next year luncheon. Way to go Sue!

Unfortunately, Garth and Kathy had to head home Wednesday morning. Kathy wasn't feeling well and was getting worse. She was ultimately hospitalized with pneumonia. At last word things are not good. Prayers are desperately needed. We are all thinking of you and praying for you Kathy.

Before the evening activities, some of us went across the Mackinac Bridge to St. Ignas for a Clyde's Burger, fries and Coke! We stopped for smoked fish, but decided against Pasties.

They served Edy's ice cream in lots of flavors at the Ice cream social. Vanilla Bean, Chocolate, Peanut Butter Cup, Cookie Dough and Mint. Following ice cream was BINGO!



Sue participated in the Craft sale with her wood working wares Thursday morning. Afterwards Ron, Bev, Carol and Sue went to Fort Michilimackinac. We toured the different buildings of the fort and learned many things about the time and culture. An archeological dig in the center of the fort produced pieces of porcelain and bone as well as a much herald button and pocket knife. Some of the earlier "finds" are displayed at the fort as well as used to support the suspected way of life. We witnessed a musket firing, as well as cannon firing.

I got what I thought was a great picture of this Indian. Later Sue and Carol told me there was a better shot to be had!!!!!!



Sue twisted our arms and made us all stop at Darrows for a small lunch....consisting of pie and coffee.

Chicken, green beans, cheesy potatoes, and a salad bar made up the catered dinner as well as rolls and drinks. The closing ceremonies consisted of awards and prize presentations, acknowledgements and the presentation of “JJ”. Then they had a bon fire. Our group opted to go back to our Lake front sites to view the sunset behind the bridge. A wonderful end to a wonderful week.



## ...AND THEN IT WAS OVER!!



Special thanks to Bob Oshnock for the great pictures!!

## See you at Krystal Lake in August!!



## Happy Birthday

August 18th

Richard Rayburn



## Happy Anniversary

August 1st

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This is our 2012 Camping schedule. I have supplied the address, phone number and website for the campgrounds in addition to our camp site number if you wish to be as close together as possible. Please read all notes as they have special information you may need. Please check out websites for pricing, amenities and site maps. If you have any questions, please call Bev (248) 391-9809.

August 17, 18, 19

**\*\*no discounts**

Krystal Lake Campground

5475 Washburn Rd.

Vassar, MI 48768

(989) 843-0591

[www.krystallakecampground.com](http://www.krystallakecampground.com)

**Irwin site # 35**

September 20, 21, 22, 23

**\*note Thursday - Sunday**

**Friday AM Jiffy Plant tour**

**\*\* ask for Good Sams discount  
(10%)**

Greenwood Acres

2401 Hilton Rd.

Jackson, MI 49201

(517) 522-8600

[www.greenwoodacrescampground.com](http://www.greenwoodacrescampground.com)

**Irwin site # 73**

October 19, 20, 21

**\* we will have use of a  
building with fireplace!**

**\*\*Must send \$20.00 (one night)  
deposit with your name before  
10-1-12**

P.J. Family Campground - Stockbridge, MI

5250 Williamston Rd.

Stockbridge, MI 49285

(517) 565-3044

No site # Just register as Jayco Jypsies, we will all  
be together. (We are already registered)