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All Members Please Note!

Just a reminder that we are now using an automated system to process renewal as well as new memberships. Please take the time to visit your Country Coach Club Web site at www.countrycoachclub.com and login to your account. To login, simply enter your eMail address as the user name and then enter your password. If you have forgotten your password or are new to the site, you will need a new password. Use the password reset link that you will find on the login page and you will be sent a new password.

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COUNTRY COACH INTERNATIONAL (CCI)

WHO ARE WE?

CCI is a non-profit organization, 501(c)(7), centered on Fun and Fellowship. The Club was founded in 1984 and is a Chapter of the Family Motorcoach Association (FMCA).

WHAT WE DO

The Purpose of the Country Coach Club is to: provide a community for all Country Coach motorcoach owners to exchange information, provide opportunities for fun and fellowship, support CCI and FMCA activities such as rallies and FMCA conventions, provide a common communication and resource link for CCI members and to help our fellow Country Coachers.

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2015 Fall Country Coach International (CCI) Rally Waterfalls, Wineries and Gorges - Watkins Glen, NY September 21-25, Watkins Glen, NY, KOA Campground

Registration for the Rally is open!

Registration is limited to 60, so get those registrations in NOW Our Area Hosts for this rally are the Country Coach Nor'Easters.

Located in the Finger Lakes Region of New York State, Watkins Glen is a centrally located area for touring. The Finger Lakes area is famous for its natural beauty (gorges and waterfalls), award-winning wineries, and great museums.

The town of Watkins Glen is located on the southern tip of Seneca Lake, the largest and the deepest of the Finger Lakes. Grand Prix auto racing was once held on the downtown streets and hills.



The Watkins Glen State Park gorge trail is a short to moderate hike through one of the prettiest gorges in the east, and you will not want to miss it. You will be in awe of the rock forma-



tions water has created and walk under one of the many waterfalls on the trail. An optional side trip to Ithaca will include more gorges and waterfalls, including the highest waterfall east of the Rockies.

Letchworth State Park, the Grand Canyon of the East, is another possible day trip. Drive along the gorge, stopping at numerous overlooks along the way.

The Finger Lakes climate is very conducive for the growing of grapes. Estate wineries dot the landscape.

We have arranged for small tour buses to take you to five of our local wineries, all located on the shores of Seneca Lake. Included will be lunch overlooking the lake and vineyards. If wine is your thing, you may want to visit additional wineries on

you own -- we can suggest our favorites.

The Corning Museum of Glass is the world's most comprehensive collection of all types of glass. You can watch glass makers and even make your own glass. An exciting new wing has been added. This is a great museum. Also in Corning is the Rockwell Museum of Art. The Glenn Curtiss Transpor-



tation Museum in Hammondsport (a quaint little town to explore at the south end of Keuka Lake) is another museum not to be missed. Curtiss was the first to put a motor on a bicycle and live to tell about it. He almost beat the Wright brothers as the first to fly. Also, check out the first "fifth-wheel" here. The National Soaring Museum in Big Flats offers glider rides.

See Need to Know Information on Next Page!

2015 Fall Country Coach International (CCI) Rally Waterfalls, Wineries and Gorges - Watkins Glen, NY Need to Know Information!

About the Registration Process

- After you Register with CCI, call the Watkins Glen KOA Registration Desk at (800) 562-7430.
- Ask for Cindy or Angela; be sure to tell them you are part of the CCI Group.
- Registrants do not have to put any deposit down. Having a current KOA membership card should result in a discount that may make having a current card a good buy, so consider that option.
- There is a block of sites set aside with all site options still available as of early July.
- Watkins Glen KOA is giving us their Economy Rate and different sites are different prices. An Economy Rate and 10% discount will be reflected on the bill as you check in.
- All sites have: (1) Many Pull Thru; (2) 50/30 Amps; (3) Full Hookups; (4) Free Wifi; (5) Paved Patio; (6) Gravel Site Pad; (7) Cable; (8) Pets Allowed.

Tentative Program (All Items Subject to Change)		
Monday Sept. 21	 Registration Welcome Meetings Social Hour Catered Dinner Entertainment 	
Tuesday Sept. 22	 Catered Breakfast Board Tour Busses to take you to five local wineries Luncheon at Ginny Lee Cafe' Social Hour Announcements 	
Wednesday Sept. 23	 Catered Breakfast Your Day to Tour. Try Day Trips trips to: (1) Ithaca with gorges and the highest waterfall east of the Rockies; (2) Letchworth State Park, the Grand Canyon of the East; (3) The Glenn Curtiss Transportation Museum in Hammondsport. Social Hour Catered Dinner 	
Thursday Sept. 24	 Catered Breakfast Club Business Meetings Tour The Corning Museum of Glass, the world's most comprehensive collection of all types of glass. You can watch glass makers and even make your own glass. Also in Corning is the Rockwell Museum of Art. Social Hour Catered Dinner 	
Friday Sept. 25	Continental BreakfastGoodbyes to All	
Registra	ation Information (Use Registration Form on Next Page)	

Waterfalls, Wineries and Gorges - Watkins Glen, NY
otry Coach RALLY REGISTRATION FORM

If paying by check, fill out on your computer, print & mail. Go to CCI Website to Register and pay by Credit Card or Paypal

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Your Rally Fee covers all rally expenses Once you register for the rally & receiv Be sure to tell them you are with the Co	s except the campg e a confirmation fr	om CCI, contact the	n you pay directly to the				
Watkins Glen/Corning KOA; 1710 State Route 414 (GPS address 1710 KOA Dr) Watkins Glen, NY 14891 Website: http://koa.com/campgrounds/watkins-glen/Reservations: (800) 562-7430; Information: (607) 535-7404							
Your Rally Fee							
Registrants - Place Total Number Attending Below Member(s) of CCI or other Coun- try Coach Club, plus Guest(s), plus	\$125 for each	(Credit Card or	If Registering after Aug. 31st add late Registration Surcharge of \$15	TOTAL CHARGING OR ENCLOSED			

FINAL DEADLINE TO REGISTER August 31, 2015

Registrant

Only at Website

for each Registrant

*Registration limited to 60 coaches, registered by date on form and payment received. Additional registrations will be placed on a waiting list for any cancellations that may occur.

* Cancellations will incur deductions for non refundable items (credit card fees, and any other prepaid fees). Refunds are by check only. *

Email confirmations and updated information will be sent to Registered attendees prior to Rally.

Payment Options

To Charge, CCI accepts: Visa, M/C, Disc; Register online at Website: www.countrycoachclub.com/

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FROM your PRESIDENT by Lee Zaborowski

As I write you the Club is in the midst of the Shipshewana, IN, rally.

Some of us arrived a couple of days prior to the

Some of us arrived a couple of days prior to the rally to set-up for the rally and were immersed in a sequence of heavy thunderstorms. I'm happy to report that the rain ended the day before the rally started, leaving us with a week long series of sunny days, mostly in the 70's and low 80's. Nice! The Rally is off to a great start. We'll have more to report about it in the August eNews.

I hope you noted the two custom Crew Neck shirts on the cover, one for Shipshewana and the other for Watkins Glen. Everyone registered for Shipshewana were given a Member Benefit gift shirt from the Club! We'll be doing the same for Watkins Glen. Just another reason you should register for that upcoming rally. By the way, the Watkins Glen sites are already 50% reserved!

Speaking of Member Benefits, check out Page 23 of this eNews to learn all about the Member Recruiting and Rally Attendance Awards Program. Time for you to start earning CCI Bucks! You'll find the New Member Application forms by clicking on the Member Services Tab in the Club Website. This is the first of three new Member Benefit Programs, with the other two to roll out in coming months. Keep you eyes open for them.

You'll also want to check out the tentative CCI Schedule of Rallies for 2016 on Page 20... mark your calendar.

Mike Sowers, our VP Membership, has been doing some data mining of our Wild Apricot Website databases. Here's what he's come up with so far:

Current Dues Paid Memberships - 367 Top 3 Member Coach Models -

Intrigue - 170

Allure - 147

Magna - 140

Top Coach Lengths -

40 foot - 223

45 foot - 123

42 foot - 116

36 foot - 97

States with Largest Memberships

California - 156

Florida - 104

Texas - 54

Arizona - 50

Years with Largest Number of New Members

2013 - 41

2006 - 30

2005 - 29

It appears some of these numbers include some lapsed members, but the relationships should hold. Interesting stuff.

May the Wind Always be at Your Back

Lee



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Your Board

FROM the SECRETARY by Eric Arnold

Hello everyone! I hope all is well with you. Hopefully you are starting to make your way to Shipshewana, IN, for the "Step Back in Time" CCI rally



starting July 20th. It looks like we are going to have a great crowd with over 30 coaches registered. I can't wait to see everyone there.

Registration has started for the Watkins Glen Rally that is being held Sept. 21st through the 25th. There are already more than 20 coaches registered so spaces are filling up fast. My family and I have yet to visit the Finger Lakes region but understand that it is incredible and not to be missed! For those of you that will be attending the FMCA rally in Madison, WI, Country Coach International will be hosting a meet and greet Thursday, July 30th from 5:00 to 6:30 PM.

Please join us as we will get a short program from Lee Zaborowski and then stick around and socialize with current and hopefully some future members of Country Coach International.

Be safe and I hope to see you on the road! Eric Arnold

FROM the TREASURER: THE CCI BALANCE SHEET Kathe' Letulle

CCI BALANCE SHEET*

2015 June CCI OPERATING FUNDS			2015 June CCI RALLY ACCOUNT		
BEG BAL		\$56,563.08	BEG BAL		\$6,028.03
INFLOWS			INFLOWS		
Membership	\$1,100.00		Rally Registration	\$6,118.00	
		\$1,100.00			\$6,118.00
OUTFLOWS			OUTFLOWS		
PayPal Fees	\$(29.75)		PayPal Fees	\$(9.00)	
Wild Apricot Annual	\$(1,080.00)		15IN Host Site Fee	\$(269.64)	
Wild Apricot Annual	\$(1,080.00)		15IN Ovrpmt Refnd	\$(10.00)	
Online Quick Books	\$(26.95)				
Int'l Processing Fee	\$(43.20)				
		\$(2,259.90)			\$(288.64)
END BAL		\$55,403.18	END BAL		\$11,857.39

^{*}If you have questions about this Club's financial information, feel free to contact Kathe' Letulle, Club Treasurer via email at: <u>ccitreasurer@gmail.com</u>

Tech & Travel Tips #1

Winegard Rayzar Automatic TV Antenna

by George Harper

"Honey, let's update the coach TV antenna," I announced one morning.

"What's wrong with the one we have?" Irene asked.

"Well, you're right. The Winegard omnidirectional works pretty well," I replied.

"Then why do we need a new one?" Irene asked.

Desperate for a way out, I pulled a quote from my friend George Sanders, "An omnidirectional antenna is a no-directional antenna."

A technical quote from George Sanders was enough to cause Irene to take a different tack. "Your doctor doesn't want you on the roof of the coach," she said with an air of medical authority.

"Well, he's probably right, but I'm not ready to throw in the towel yet," I replied.

After a few days, FedEx delivered the Winegard Rayzar Automatic. I ordered white (it comes in black too).

Winegard's New Rayzar Automatic

George is right. An omnidirectional antenna is subject to more noise and is limited in range. The Rayzar Automatic is a new product and comes along soon after Winegard discontinued its motorized Sensar batwing directional antenna. The Rayzar Automatic is an elegant concept in that it encases a rotating directional antenna within a protected case in a package that is little bigger than my old Winegard omnidirectional antenna. So, the Rayzar is an automatic directional antenna without the need to drill a big hole in the roof for a ceiling crank, or raise and lower a batwing, plus it automatically finds stations and sets the antenna in the optimal direction.

The Install Plan

Before ordering I knew that the Rayzar's coax connector was mounted parallel to the roof. I thought I would simply loop the coax underneath the unit and down into the coach. Thus the antenna would sit on top of the cable entry point into the coach and provide protection like the pedestal mount on the old omnidirectional. However, when the Rayzar arrived I soon found out that it sits about 1/16th of an inch above the roof - too low for a cable to go under. I also knew that the cable entry connector was supposed to face aft, but now that the cable could not go directly underneath the unit I would have to move the antenna forward of the coach roof entry point, thus putting it too close to an A/C unit contrary to mounting instructions. The other option would be to mount the antenna behind the roof entry point and route coax on the roof around the antenna to reach the coax connector facing rearwards. I did not like either option, so I thought I might have to return it.

I spoke to Winegard technical support and they said they wanted the coax to face aft to protect it from the wind, but it would work just as well facing forward. However, I would have to understand that the antenna location depicted on the LED control panel would be swapped 180 degrees. The top of the control panel, intended to represent the front of the coach, would now be the rear. That was OK with me, so I proceeded with installation.

There were two issues with the install. First, Winegard supplied no weather boots for the coax cable and connectors like they do with their directional bat wing antennas – a bigger concern now that the cable entry point on the Rayzar would be facing forward. Secondly, although Winegard provided an aluminum cover plate in the horse shoe shape of their bat wing antennas, no such hardware was provided if upgrading from a Winegard omnidirectional antenna with a round pedestal mount like I had. I wound up cutting the horse shoe base plate to suite my needs.

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I did not want the coax routed unprotected on the roof, so the only way forward for me was to custom fabricate a weather protection sys-



tem for the cabling and connectors. I jokingly call this system the heavy armor option. As illustrated in the pictures, I adapted a ½ inch plastic conduit body I got at Home Depot for \$2.50. It had the "L" shaped entry and exit shape I needed, plus it had a water-proof access lid. I put a 90 degree F connector on the vertical coax cable coming out of



the roof and then connected the conduit box to the antenna with a thick, stiff piece of ½ inch ID X ¾ inch OD plastic tubing I got at Ace Hardware for \$.99/foot. I drilled three screw holes in the bottom of the conduit box to attach it to the roof. Before sealing the plastic tubing to the conduit box

and antenna with clear silicone caulk and putting the lid on the conduit box, I sprayed all metal coax connections with WD-40 to prevent rust.

The control panel install is pretty straight forward. Its coax leads are simply placed inline in the antenna coax from the roof to the A/V switchbox. I have a Winegard switchbox with a 12V antenna boost switch. I cut the power and ground wires to the boost switch and connected them directly to the Rayzar control panel as it requires its own independent 12V power supply. The 12V power supply not only boosts the antenna signal, but runs the rotator motor as well...all this @ 0.5 amps delivered through the coax cable.



How it Works

As seen in the photo to the left the control panel has an on/off switch and a search switch. Below that it has a circular array of LED's. First, the unit is turned on, and then the search button is pressed. The antenna then begins to rotate stopping at 16 different locations to scan for channels. A red LED illuminates on the control panel in the position where channels are found. The center display shows the number of channels found. The antenna, represented by a green LED, stops at the position where the most channels are found. You would then put your TV through a channel search. Pressing the scan button again will move the antenna to the position of the

next largest number of channels found. The memorized channels and their location stay in memory until the unit is turned off. If there is any noise in a channel, manual rotation buttons can be pressed to fine tune a channel.

Directional verses Omnidirectional

I had some questions and curiosities about the Rayzar, so I contacted J.D. Hoffman, Winegard's product manager for over-the-air TV antennas. I quizzed him about directional verses omnidirectional. He stated right off the bat that the directional antennas have a longer range than omnidirectional. He said a variety of conditions from the weather to station power to terrain can effect antenna performance, but that he would estimate that I might expect a range for my old omnidirectional antenna to be about 25-30 miles, whereas the Rayzar directional might receive stations 45-50 miles away.

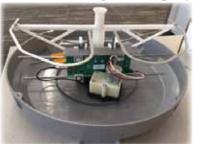
I was really curious what was inside the case of the Rayzar. Instructions caution against removing the case, and I learned from Mr. Hoffman it is because the case holds the internal antenna in place. He sent me some photos of the Rayzar with the case lid off. I am quite impressed with what I see inside.

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RZ Auto (Courtesy JD Hoffman, Winegard Company)



Circuit Board (Courtesy JD Hoffman, Winegard Company)



Old Omni



In the first photo on the left above (from foreground to background) we see a UHF director element (shaped like an "H"), UHF reflector elements (look like radiating rods), the driven UHF element (looks like parallel rods), and finally the VHF elements (two loops). In the second photo from the left you can also see the motor with red and white wires, the black sprocket at the base that engages the motor and rotates the antenna elements, and the green circuit board that amplifies the signal and controls the motor. In contrast, the photo on the right shows the simple stationary design of my old Winegard omnidirectional albeit with rusted elements.

A Live Test

I live 55 air miles NW of downtown Atlanta, GA. I drove the coach to the top of a hill in my neighborhood twice, once before the antenna was permanently mounted and once afterwards. The first time I don't think I knew enough about how to scan for channels. However, the antenna did find a station in Alabama to the SW that is 63 miles away and one to the SE that is 64 miles away. I was impressed with that. I found three channels, some with sub channels.

On the second try, I found some new stations in the NW, NE, and SE quadrants. These channels

ranged from 30-54 miles away. I found six channels many with sub channels. Although some channels with strong signals came in with the antenna in different positions, there were some channels that would come in only if the antenna was pointed directly at them. I was pleased to see the Rayzar demonstrate its directional capabilities. It is somewhat of a mystery why I got different results on different attempts in the same location, but time of day and atmospheric conditions can affect TV signals. The photo below shows the different stations I received on both attempts and their directions.



Stations received (Courtesy FCC)

I should note that the website www.tvfool.com is a great resource in finding channels in your area. The website http://transition.fcc.gov/mb/engineering/dtvmaps/ is also excellent. These resources are how I found the call signs of the channels, their location, direction, and distance from my coach location. They are a good tool for finding out what kind of antenna you need at a particular permanent address too. Some antenna manufacturers of mobile and home antennas have a link to TV Fool, and then show you, based on your results, what antenna to buy. These websites are frequently used by "cable cutters –" folks who want to ditch their cable TV provider and go over the air.

My Take

I regret that I did not take the time and effort to test the old omnidirectional antenna under the same conditions as the Rayzar, but it looks like the Rayzar Automatic is doing a good job of finding and bringing in channels that are in different directions, some near the 70 mile line of sight limit imposed by the curvature of the earth, so what more could someone ask? It also clearly demonstrated its directional capabilities. Not only that, but it looks good on the roof and sounds cool going through its motorized search routine.

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Factory-authorized repairs as well as RV renovations are offered at this Indiana facility.

Elkhart, Indiana, considered by many to be the hub of the RV world, is home to a company that performs the entire gamut of motorhome renovations and general service work. Master Tech RV, an FMCA commercial member (C11553), operates in a 20,000-plus-square-foot facility in this RV town.

Master Tech RV handles everything from interior to exterior renovations to general service work on seemingly any area of the motorhome, performed by master certified or certified technicians. Chassis lifts allow service techs easy access to a motorhome's underside so that compartment framing, leveling systems, and suspension components can be properly rebuilt, installed, or serviced. Master Tech is an Aqua-Hot authorized service center, providing service at every major RV rally. Work on Aqua-Hot hydronic heating systems is performed by factory-trained and industry-experienced technicians. Lifeline AGM battery installations; Bigfoot, Power Gear, Lippert, or HWH leveling systems; and generators all are part of the company's factory-authorized service repertoire. Many more brands the company is authorized to service are listed on its Web site, www.mastertechrv.com.

Master Tech RV was established by Timothy Klenk in 1997, although Tim's RV roots go back many years before that. When he was 16, his parents opened an RV dealership in Park Rapids, Minnesota. Tim's parents, Bob and Dodie, still own and operate a dealership in Walker, Minnesota.

Tim's wife, Kathy, was from Elkhart, Indiana. After moving there, Tim managed the service department at a large RV supercenter, and then was offered a position in RV manufacturing, where he oversaw the parts, customer service, and warranty departments as well as quality control. The final step was for Tim to go into business for himself.



Renovate, Upgrade

Many motorhome owners like their coach and want to keep it but also wish to update it with the latest accessories. RV furniture can show its age quickly. Master Tech is a dealer for Flexsteel, Villa, Superior, and Master Tech RV Service, Collision, And Renovations, Lambright furniture, and its showroom displays a wide selection. With the continual improvements in entertainment system technology, LED TV upgrades, Apple TV, and SilverLeaf installations and upgrades are other popular options. Master Tech employees also perform complete interior and exterior renovations, and company technicians have the experience and expertise to add aftermarket slideouts to a coach that does not have them.

A broad array of carpeting, hardwood, luxury polyurethane flooring, and stone and porcelain tile is available to allow customers numerous choices in flooring material. Master Tech operates its own cabinet shop and can manufacture cabinetry and raised-panel doors in any style or size to match a motorhome's existing cabinetry.

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Many RV owners are replacing their gas/electric RV refrigerators with larger, residential-style refrigerators; Master Tech has performed a number of those upgrades. Granite or Corian countertops are another popular renovation, as is replacement of the older, day-night shades with MCD shades. In fact, Master Tech is known as one of the top MCD dealers in the United States. Computer desks and LED interior lighting also are popular upgrades.

Master Tech's renovation capabilities do not stop with the interior. Satellite TV and Girard power awning installations also are often requested.

Master Tech technicians handle collision repairs, working with all insurance companies to expedite the repairs. They complete windshield replacements as well. Custom paint work also is offered; this applies to any RV, from an older motorhome with faded gel coat to a Prevost bus conversion. All paint work is done in a dedicated 40,000-square-foot facility. Delaminated fiberglass walls, thermochecked walls, fiberglass, and rubber roofs can be repaired, replaced, or upgraded. Stainless-steel rocker panels and trim can be installed. Most any type of exterior upgrade or repair lie within the company's capabilities.



Tim's personal upgrade project has been the complete renovation of a 1974 Winnebago Brave motorhome he named "Nelly." He began with a complete chassis restoration and then renovated and updated the interior. In fact, this likely is the only 1974 Winnebago in existence that has dual slideouts, which were added by Master Tech as part of the total renovation of the Brave's interior and exterior.

The exterior of this "eyebrow"—style motorhome now sports a shiny and sophisticated paint job, and Tim plans to drive the 40-year-old beauty to FMCA events and other groups' RV rallies.

Master Tech's success lies in its attitude toward complete customer satisfaction. All repairs are undertaken with the goal of finding and correcting the source of the

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CCI 2016 Rallies

Here is the TENTATIVE SCHEDULE.

CCI is in the early planning phase on next year's schedule, rally locations, and event themes. We are currently working with all three host sites. More information will be available in upcoming issues of the eNews.

February 8-12, 2016 Tampa, Florida LazyDays Tampa

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All Rallies

2015 - 2016 UPCOMING RALLIES

2015

July

July 29-Aug 1 FMCA's 92nd Family Reunion Madison, WI

August

August 17-21 Country Coach Friends Inc. Redmond, OR

September

September 21-25 Country Coach International Nor'easters are Co-Hosts Watkins Glen, NY

September 29 - October 3 FMCA Rocky Mountain Area Rally Farmington, NM

October

October 7-11 FMCA South Central Area Rally Conroe, TX October 15 - 18 FMCA Eastern Area Rally Asheville, NC

October 21-24 Country Cousins Charleston, SC

October 25 - 29 SWCCers Paso Robles, CA

November

November 25-29 Northwest Country Coachers Salem, OR

> 2016 January

January 6-10 FMCA Western Area Rally Indio, CA **February**

February 8-12 Country Coach International Tampa, FL

March

March 17-20 FMCA's 93rd Family Reunion Perry, GA

April

April 25-29 Country Coach International St. Louis, Missouri

October

October 6-11 Country Coach International Lexington, KY

"See Page 3 for all Country Coach Club websites and Club contact information.

If your Country Coach Club has an event scheduled that is not listed here, please contact the Club at **club@countrycoachclub.com** so we may include your event(s)."





















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- Independent Regional Country
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- CCI will often partner and do joint rallies with these Regional Clubs

SERVICES AND PARTS RESOURCES

- Member Discounts and Special Offers from over 40 Partners of CCI. Many are listed below on the next page.
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- 2. New Members must note the name of the referring (recruiting) member on the print application form or website online when applying.

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- 2. CCI Bucks from both the Recruiting and Rally Attendance programs will be credited to the CCI member's CCI Bucks account.
- 3. CCI Bucks can only be used for your upcoming dues payments or CCI Rally Fee credit and are nontransferable to other members.
- 4. If a CCI member becomes 3 months or more delinquent in their annual dues payment, their CCI Bucks Account will be voided and closed.
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