# Rendezvous '22

Fortune Bay Resort Casino, Tower, MN



### DAILY EVENT PLANNER

Reference guide for all activities

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May 30, 2022

Boozhoo (Greetings/Welcome) Rendezvous '22 Attendees & InterMarque Council!

It is our pleasure to welcome your fine car clubs to the Lake Vermilion area and Fortune Bay Resort Casino! We have worked all winter and spring to ensure your group has an enjoyable stay while on our property and in the area.

It sounds like you have a full itinerary, and we are humbled that you are willing to help the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lake Vermilion. Through the sale of voting tickets, the children will have additional funding for this summer's programs.

Please reach out to our friendly staff for any needs that may arise during your visit!

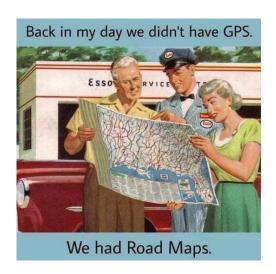
Thank you again for bringing the 30<sup>th</sup> Rendezvous to Fortune Bay Resort Casino—we are thrilled to have you as our guests!

Miigwech (Thank you)!

Sincerely,

Cathy Chavers Bois Forte Tribal Chairwoman 5344 Lakeshore Drive Nett Lake MN 55772 218-757-3261

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Welcome to Rendezvous '22!

The InterMarque Council of foreign car clubs welcomes you to the Fortune Bay Resort Casino for a weekend of events designed for seeing old friends and meeting new ones. I especially want to thank the Bois Forte Band of Chippewa for their support and generosity in helping us with this event.

No event like this can happen without support from our industry partners. We are especially pleased <u>Morrie's Auto</u> <u>Group</u> and their two specialty dealerships, <u>Mercedes - Benz</u> of Maplewood, MN and <u>Jaguar Land Rover</u> of Richfield, MN elected to be our Gold Sponsor.

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This is the 30th annual meeting of the Rendezvous event. As we all know, we have been shut out by COVID for a couple of years and also for a hotel fire that canceled one event.

Rendezvous was started in 1991 by the Thunder Bay Sports Car club. That Rendezvous had 29 cars registered and was held in a newly remodeled hotel. A rain deluge complicated the weekend. Most of the participants spent the time indoors with beers and music. Everyone came out of it with a lot of good memories, though.

Rendezvous '22 has many activities planned and no one should be bored even if it does rain. The campus of Fortune Bay Resort Casino sits on the shores of Lake Vermillion. The lake is exquisite and has 313 miles of shoreline with 365 islands.

This EVENT PLANNER is designed after the American Automobile Association's "TripTic" and is your daily reference to all activities, and *it is advisable to keep it with you at all times*. You will need it for the Poker Run on Friday. The **SUMAC ROOM**, on the first floor, will be the hub of the InterMarque for our activities.

**FRIDAY:** To start off the weekend, we have a <u>POKER RUN</u> (aka <u>PR</u>) organized to give you a tour of Tower, Ely, and the surrounding area. As part of the Poker Run, you will be able to enjoy the countryside and many of its popular attractions along the way. You will have lunch at the iconic Grand Ely Lodge (PR Stop #5).

After the Poker Run, you may wish to join us at the hotel for dinner, as they hold a fish fry every Friday night. After dinner the night will culminate in the casino with a CAN-AM Poker Playoff game for the top three PR hands from Canada and the US. The Casino will be supplying prizes for those top players.

**SATURDAY AM:** In the parking lot, the Minnesota Triumph Club will set up a valve cover racetrack in the morning for racing. At the Marina, a Pontoon rental is a relaxing time on the water or the rental is great for fishing. Golfing at The Wilderness is another great opportunity to see the area from a different perspective. Reservations are mandatory.

At 1 PM, the Rendezvous '22 Benefit Car Show starts. The show is open to the public. The show will feature a Bluegrass band as well as Food Trucks. Everyone attending the show will get a chance to vote for the best cars. Voting will be done by buying tickets from the Boys and Girls Club of Lake Vermillion and placing the tickets into containers assigned to each car. Please encourage all show attendees and owners to be generous in buying voting tickets, as 100% of the money goes to support the Boys and Girls Club of Lake Vermillion programming.

<u>Saturday Evening is the Awards Banquet</u>. Our guest, Mark Brandow, will speak about his vintage racing experiences and will have some good stories to tell you.

We hope you will have enjoyed yourself for the whole weekend. As they say at the Indianapolis 500, "Ladies and Gentlemen Start Your Engines"

John Engstrom Rendezvous '22 Chair



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### THURSDAY, JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup>

Sumac Room 1st Floor, Hotel

#### 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Meet and greet your fellow owners

Obtain your Event Planner and Poker Run envelope
Check your Rendezvous '22 registration
Ask questions

### Conventions/abbreviations used in this planner:

aka - Also known as

SR - State route designation (blue square sign)

CR - County road designation (white rectangle sign)
Saint Louis County (StL CR);
Lake County (L CR)

PR - Poker Run



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# FRIDAY, JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup>

POKER RUN (aka PR) to Tower, Ely and environs.

Overview of the day:

**7:00 AM - 9:00 AM** Breakfast, on Fortune Bay campus

or at The Good Ol' Days Bar & Grill

next door to PR Stop #1. A great

'50 - '60's breakfast stop!

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM Begin Poker Run at Starter Table

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM Lunch is pay as you go at Ely Lodge

PR Stop #5

**5:00 PM** Finish PR and turn in Envelope

**5:30 PM - 7:30 PM** Fish Fry Dinner, Sunset Steakhouse

Reservations required.

8:00 PM - 12:30 PM Poker Run CAN/AM Playoff,

The Ballroom

### **POKER RUN Rules**

Cautions, Warnings, Etiquette

This will be a five-card stud poker game. Reference the PR envelope for poker ascension hands we will use. You will stop at seven locations where you will enter the establishment and find our **Rendezvous '22 Bird House** that contains 2 decks of shuffled cards. *The Bird House will be placed in a recognizable place in the main room, lobby, or kiosk of the designated Stop.* Open the door, on the House's right side, and randomly select a card and place it into your signed envelope. *DO NOT return a card for another and thereby potentially enhance your poker hand chances.* 

At Stop #7 you will get your last card at the hotel front lobby desk and place it into the nearby basket. Failure to turn in at least 5 PR cards will disqualify you from the CAN / AM PR Playoff.

InterMarque will notify you by telephone or by word of mouth if you are in the top three Canadian or USA hands. You and the five other play-off winners will meet at 8 PM in the Woodlands Ballroom where you will play for real prizes. DO NOT be late if you are selected. Others may be selected if you are not there by 8 PM.



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### **POKER RUN Instructions**

Cautions, Warnings, Etiquette

THIS IS NOT a timed event. We do ask that you turn in your PR envelope by 5 PM at stop #7. It is imperative all state and local driving laws are adhered to, as the InterMarque Council is not responsible for any incidents emanating from your participating in this Poker Run.

You must read the instructions carefully as there are two (2) places where you must stop safely and turn around. The first is Fernberg Road (aka LCR 18) ends at a canoe drop off and cul-de-sac. The second road is Echo Trail (aka StLCR 116) as it turns into a gravel-logging road which can be dangerous to travel upon.

Watch your <u>miles traveled</u> on these roads to avoid problems. You must be very attentive to avoid potential hazards that include animals!

# POKER RUN Starts Here

### **7:00 – 9:00 AM Main Parking lot**

Assemble your touring group in the main parking lot then proceed bumper to bumper to the **starters table** located at the **Bois Forte Road** entrance to the Resort Casino.

- ☑ Do you have your PR envelope?
- ☑ Fill out the PR envelope with your name/car/mobile #
- ☑ Line up to leave and take your queue from the starter

### **Instructions to Start:**

- At the Resort Entrance, Turn right onto Bois Forte Road
- Travel <u>.2 miles</u> to Lake Vermillion Reservation Road, Turn **Right** and travel <u>1.7 miles</u> to **StL County Road** 77 (aka Angus Road).
- You will come to a 'T" and turn left, east, on State Highway 169 (aka SH 1).
- Travel **4.6 miles** to ...

# **Bob's Standard Service Poker Run Stop #1**

306 Main Street (aka SH 169, SH 1), Tower, MN

Go inside and get a playing card located in the Bird House located on the front desk. Gas up with non-oxygenated high test or what ever you use. Bob has a towing service we hope you do not need to use.

OPTION!!! Stop here and have breakfast next door at **The Good ol' Days Bar & Grill**, 316 Main Street, Tower, MN. They are geared up for us. Enjoy a good old bar with pictures of James Dean and Marilyn Monroe etc.



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- Head East (a right turn from the gas station) on SH 169 (aka Main Street, SH 1).
- Travel 1.1 miles to the eastern outskirts of the town of Soudan. Turn left and follow Main Street, as it turns off of SH 169.
- Travel <u>.3 mile</u> and take McKinley Park Road to the left. Look for the *red fire sign* 1302 having traveled <u>200 feet</u> and IMMEDIATELY turn right to the Soudan Underground Mine Summer Surface Tour Entrance. The entrance road is an unnamed service road and it goes up <u>.2 mile</u> up hill to

# Soudan Underground Mine State Park Poker Run Stop #2

1302 McKinley Park Road, Soudan, MN

- Obtain a card at the Bird House located *on* the *outdoor information kiosk* (*billboard*) between the parking lot and the white Engine House. Take a guided surface tour or ...
- Return down the unnamed service road to McKinley Park
  Road and turn left, travel 200 feet to Main Street and turn
  right and go .3 mile to SH 169. Turn left (east) and travel
  18.7 miles to ...

# North American Bear Center Poker Run Stop #3

1912 W Hwy 169, Ely, MN

Visit the bears and obtain a card in the Bird House on the front museum desk. Take a guided tour with Spencer Peter, Biologist, or ... precede out the parking lot and ...

• Turn **right** on to **SH 169** (aka East Sheridan Street) through the town of **Ely** and travel **2.9 miles** to ...

### International Wolf Center Poker Run Stop #4

1396 E. Hwy 169, Ely, MN

Visit with the wolves and obtain a card in the Bird House at the front desk. Maddy Witt, Educational guide

- Note: There are **no** gas stations on this leg of your trip
- Out of the Wolf Center return to **SH 169** (aka East Sheridan Street) and turn **right** heading east.
- Caution! SH 169 ends and the road becomes Fernberg Road (aka Lake County Road LCR 18).



- Travel <u>18.8 miles</u> to the road's end at Lake One Canoe Portage. A SLOW DOWN sign is located at <u>18.5 miles</u>. At the portage, rest-room facilities are available as well as parking. Follow the road through the parking lots and ...
- Return on Fernberg Road (aka LCR) 18 and travel <u>18.7</u> miles as Fernberg / LCR 18 turns back into SR 169. Turn right at Grant-McMahan Blvd (aka StLCR 88). Travel <u>.5</u> miles to a left turn on North Pioneer Road. Take North Pioneer Road 1.6 miles to ...

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM LUNCH at ...

# **Grand Ely Lodge Poker Run Stop #5**

400 North Pioneer Road, Ely, MN

Obtain a card in the Bird House at the front desk then proceed to the Ridgeview Banquet Room for lunch.

Select the lunch buffet that was prepared exclusively for the Rendezvous '22 group, or order from the standard menu. Enjoy the veranda, and then resume your run.

- Out of the Grand Ely Lodge parking lot, turn **left** on **North Pioneer Road**.
- Travel back <u>1.6 miles</u> to Grand-McMahon Blvd. Turn left and travel <u>1.6 miles</u>. Turn right onto StLCR 116 (aka Echo Trail). Echo Trail becomes undulating and twisting; there are homes and blind spots along the road. Be prepared to stop to avoid animals or oncoming vehicles.



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- Travel <u>9.7 miles</u> on Echo Trail. A "Pavement Ends" sign appears at *the* <u>9.3<sup>rd</sup> mile</u>, *you must* <u>slow down</u>, as you will need <u>to turn around before</u> you hit the gravel logging road extension of Echo Trail which is located at the <u>9.7 mile</u> distance. Return and retrace your drive <u>9.7 miles</u> on Echo Trail.
- At the end of Echo Trail (aka StLCR 116), turn left on Grant-McMahon Blvd (aka StLCR 88), and travel 2.2 miles to SR 169. Turn right going west through Ely. Continuing on SH 169 (aka SH 1), travel 28 miles through Ely and Tower to StLCR 77 (aka Angus Road). Turn right on Lake Vermillion Reservation Road and Travel 1.7 miles and turn left on Bois Forte Road. Travel 8 miles to ...

# **Bois Forte Heritage Center Poker Run Stop #6**

1500 Bois Forte Road

Obtain a card in the Bird House at the front desk. Take a Chippewa heritage guided tour with Kyle Littlewolf. The museum store offers excellent items to remember this trip.

Resume your run. Return to the Fortune Bay Resort Casino on Bois Forte Road. Park your car and get your last card!



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# **Bois Forte Resort Casino Poker Run Stop #7**

Proceed to the hotel lobby front desk.

Obtain a card in the Bird House. Seal your envelope and check to see your name, hotel room number and telephone number is on the back of the envelope. Place the envelope in the basket beside the birdhouse. InterMarque will contact Playoff contestants.

WHEW! Hopefully you have a great trip and learned a bit about the local culture. Factoid: Tower has the MN State record at -60F. Enjoy the pool and spa after the run.

#### 5:30 – 7:30 PM Dinner

Hotel Sunset Steakhouse. Reservations required. Join in at the Friday fish fry.

# 8 PM – 12:30 AM CAN /AM POKER RUN PLAYOFF

Hotel Ballroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

The top 3 Canadian and top 3 USA Poker Run hands will play for the top prizes provided by Fortune Bay Resort Casino.



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# **SATURDAY, JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup>**

Fortune Bay Resort Casino Campus

### Overview of the day:

AM: Valve Cover Race, Golf, and Fishing/Boating

PM: Benefit Car Show, Banquet

- 9:00 AM Breakfast, Gold Mine Grill
- 7:00 AM Golf, Fishing/Boating
  The Golf starters house is west of the Casino/Hotel. Plenty
  of water hazards to unnerve the better golfer who 'goes for
  the pin'! The Marina is located downhill to the east of the
  hotel. Ten-person limit per pontoon boat. There are 4 boats.
- 10:00 AM Valve Cover Racing
   Upper Parking lot on campus
   Look for the Triumph Club and you will find the starting ramp for this favorite activity of owners who have too many valve covers.

   Lunch on your own, Food trucks will be available on

Lunch on your own. Food trucks will be available on campus.

- 12:30 PM Line up your cars, either on the lower parking lot or, weather permitting, on the lawn facing the Marina on the east side of the hotel.
- 1:00 PM 4:00 PM Lake Vermillion Boys & Girls Club Benefit Car Show

At the show tent table, please obtain a container and label it with your name and car ID. Place the can in front of your car. The youngsters of the boys and girls club will collect the cans and tally the votes.

# Food trucks and cash bars are available during the show.

# PERFORMING TODAY: Jason Streitz and The Long Odds

With a foundation in bluegrass, country, and folk, the band has its origins in Minneapolis. They are working on their second album.

**Members:** Jason Streitz, Guitar / Vocals; Missy Heinlein. Keyboard / Vocals; Jimmy Rogers, Bass; Jonas Lader, Drums / Vocals; Tim Heinlein, Guitar.







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• **6:00 PM** Banquet - The Woodlands Ballroom. On the 2nd floor of the Hotel.

### Agenda:

- ★ No Host Cocktails
- ★ Silent Auction
- ★ Welcome John Engstrom
- **★** Dinner
- ★ Guest Speaker Mark Brandow
- **★** Awards
  - Valve Cover Todd B.
  - Car Show John E.
- ★ Next Year John E.

### **SUNDAY JUNE 12TH**

Fortune Bay Resort Casino Campus

### Overview of the day:

- 9 AM Farewell Breakfast, TBA
  - Another round of golf, fishing or head home.

# **About Bois Forte Campus**

### **Campus**

Fortune Bay Resort Casino offers year-round fun, including a bevy of lake activities such as pontoon rentals, boat rentals, complimentary non-motorized rentals for our guests. We are home to 'The Wilderness' at Fortune Bay golf course, Bois Forte Cultural Center and Museum, RV Park and a 173 smoke-free resort that includes an expansive indoor pool, outdoor sundeck, indoor Jacuzzi, kiddie pool, sauna, and small workout center. Fortune Bay also boasts two floors of gaming, including blackjack and all of the latest in slots entertainment. Stop by our North Star Bar to socialize with your friends or catch live music in the North Star Lounge or Sunset Patio in the summer.

### Dining\*\*

FB offers a variety of venues for food and refreshment.

Gold Mine Grill - The Grill is the perfect dining option for a quick bite with a large breakfast, lunch and dinner menu featuring hot or cold sandwiches, fresh salads, roasted chicken and house-made pizza. This venue opens on the <u>firs</u>t floor at 9:00 AM

\*\*Friday AM – Suggested option for the early Poker Run entrants: The Good Ol' Days Bar & Grill, 316 Main Street, Tower, MN. Next building over from Poker Run Stop #1, eclectic is the word we'll use for this local establishment. We asked co-owner, Carol Semo to dress up as her signature Marilyn Monroe impersonation. The décor is full of 50's memorabilia including a pool table and Randy Semo on the grill. Get a great start for the day then grab high-test gas and a Poker Run card next door at the gas station. *This venue opens at 6:00 AM Friday*.

Wilderness Grill - From romantic dinners to special events, The Wilderness Grill offers a wide array of signature entrées, homemade desserts, and beverages guaranteed to make any occasion special. The grill is located in The Wilderness Clubhouse across the parking lot behind the casino. This venue is open from 11:00 AM.

Sunset Steakhouse - The award-winning culinary staff invites you to try some of the best steaks in the Northland featuring tender steaks, seafood, mouth-watering appetizers, and fine wine. Call <u>218-753-7885</u> for your reservations. This venue opens at 4:00 PM.

#### **Amenities**

Indoor pool and fitness – located on the ---- floor. With windows on three sides and an outdoor deck, you can sit back and relax no matter what time of year it is. For your workout variety, we have a treadmill, recumbent bike, upright bike, and a cross-trainer. Once you have had your fill of exercise, you can take a sauna, relax in the hot tub or cool down in the pool. We also have a wading pool for the little ones. This venue is open from  $6:00 \ AM - 10:00 \ PM$ 

Lake Vermillion - Explore nearly 40,000 acres of water and make the catch of the day on Lake Vermilion. #20 miles of shoreline and 365 islands, this lake is open 24 hours a day.

The Wilderness Golf Course—what can we say? The Wilderness at Fortune Bay is a golf experience not to be missed. Set among the majestic pines and dramatic rock outcroppings on the shores of Lake Vermilion, The Wilderness is a true golfer's dream. Featured amenities include fine dining in The Wilderness Grill, full-service Pro Shop, complete practice facilities and state-of-the-art GPS systems on all carts. The accolades are as interesting as the course: The Mobile Golfer's

Top 50 Golf Courses you Can Play in America – Golf News Network (#1 in the country). Best Courses You Can Play - Golfweek 2019 (#2 in Minnesota). Best in State - Golf Digest 2019 (#10 overall, #3 public). America's 100 Greatest You Can Play - Golf Digest 2019 (#72). Best Resort Courses - Golfweek 2019 (#65).



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To learn more and get a quote, visit our website heacockclassic.com or contact us via email at <a href="mailto:info@heacockclassic.com">info@heacockclassic.com</a> or phone at 800.678.5173.

### **Emergency Information**

### **Contact Numbers:**

<b>Fortune Bay Resort Casino Hotel</b>	800-992-7529
<b>Fortune Bay Resort Golf Course</b>	218-753-8917
Fortune Bay Marina	218-753-7875

### **Emergency Numbers:**

### • Bois Forte Medical & Dental Clinics:

1613 Farm Rd S, Tower, MN 55790 (218) 753-2182 (at Resort entrance, turn left on Lake Vermillion Reservation Road then right on Farm Rd.)

### • Non-Oxy & High Test Gasoline:

Bob's Standard Service, 306 Main Street, Tower, MN

### • Towing & Flatbed Assistance Ely - Winton, MN:

Tony's Towing and Service, Jake Mathers - Owner, 1222 Winton Road, Ely-Winton, MN. 218-365-4473. Jake has indicated he will rent out a service bay and tools if an owner wishes to make any corrections to their car.

### • Towing & Flatbed Assistance Tower, MN:

Bob's Standard Service, Bob Reichensperger - Owner, 306 Main Street, Tower, MN. 218-753-2125; 218-290-1372

### **Tour Information**

Optional Tours: (Reservations are strongly encouraged)
Most tours are scheduled and are narrated by tour guides; ask
at the front desks about <u>self-guided tours</u>.

### • Soudan Underground Mine State Park:

Off E. Hwy 169, Tower, MN 218-300-7000 www.mndnr.gov/VermillionSoudan Mineshaft tours are *canceled* until 2023. Visitors to Soudan Underground Mine State Park can learn about the rich history of Minnesota's first iron ore mine. The new surface tour is 1.5-hours. It covers the mine complex while highlighting the variety of buildings and equipment used and the role the surface facilities played in mining operations. Tour from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost \$5 per adult. Tour groups are limited to 10 people.

#### • North American Bear Center:

1912 W. Hwy 169, Ely, MN 218-365-7879 www.bear.org Scott Edgett, Director; Spencer Peter, Tour Guide.

#### • International Wolf Center:

1396 E. Hwy 169, Ely, MN. 218-365-4695 www.wolf.org Christa Harrington, Director; Maddy Witt, Education Coordinator; 1 hour guided tour

#### • Bois Forte Heritage Center:

1500 Bois Forte Road, Fortune Bay Resort Casino Campus. 218-753-6017 www.boisfortecenter.com. Kyle Littlewolf, Tour Guide, 1 hour guided tour