

Heartland Sam's Meeting Lovewell State Park, Webber, KS August 16, 2020

A fun time was had by all. We had 4 rigs that traveled on Thursday to Lovewell State Park by Webber, KS. Another rig came on Friday. On Friday afternoon we traveled to the Pawnee Indian Reservation Museum. Some members had been there before, but for those that had not, it was very interesting. So glad it was open since the virus numbers are high in Belleville which is not far from the museum. Everyone was hungry by the time we finished at the Museum so drove to Belleville to eat at the Los Primos restaurant stopping at the Highbanks Hall of Fame National Midget Auto Racing Museum, but because of the virus, it was not open. Friday evening brought some excitement as we were in a Server Weather Watch. Prediction was a tornado to the north and hail, wind and rain at the campground. We were on the lucky side of things as the campground only received some wind and small hail. But the farmers to the south and west of us (on the East edge of Mankato) were not so lucky. They received hail larger than softballs.



On Saturday we traveled to Superior, Nebraska to tour the Superior Estates Winery. We learned that there is so much work in keeping the winery running. The owner explained to us that



at the current time they were having problems with the racoons getting into their grapes. They were putting up electric fences to keep them out. A really nice place for large gatherings. On the return trip to the Lake, we all stopped by the Farmers Market that was on the way. After we ate, it was a fun time as some played a good game of Pegs and Jokers.



Sunday morning we ate a wonderful breakfast prepared by the Vonfeldts and had our first meeting since February due to the fact that we have been on "Pause". It was a short meeting just to keep everyone up-to-date before we all headed home. As we were driving, seeing all the bare fields that just 2 days earlier were lush with Soybeans and Sunflowers growing, was heartbreaking. The hail on Friday evening had totally mowed them off. So sad!

Thanks, Aneta Boyle
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