

August 8, 2008

We took a trip into Barrie and were fortunate enough to find the young lady who used to baby-sit our boys at her new home. We spent a very pleasant afternoon with Cathy



reminiscing about the old days and getting caught up on all the happenings since we last saw each other many, many years ago. Cathy is the Superintendent at an apartment complex near downtown Barrie where she lives with her husband and three cats.



Cathy planted all the flowers in these gardens and obviously has a very green thumb!

Received a call from Can Am when we got back to the campsite all the parts are finally in so we can go next week to get the rig fixed. Unfortunately that means that we will not be able to visit Barb and Dave, but we did find out that they will be in Phoenix in December, so we will get together then.

August 11, 2008

We left TOJOs campground and headed back south to London. Arrived at Can Am late in the afternoon and set up in the parking lot. This time we managed to get the rig parked where we could see the road (instead of the building) but shortly afterwards another rig parked right beside us and blocked the view. Oh well we are going to be moving out in the

morning as the rig will be in the shop for at least 2 days and we can't live in while they tear out the fridge the gray water tank.

August 12, 2008

We packed our bags and moved to Ron and Sandy's condo for a few days. They were very hospitable and treated us royally. They are not, however, well set up for dogs so Percy was not always happy spending much of his time in the garage. Mike thoroughly enjoyed playing golf with Ron and his buddies and Maureen got to visit with her Mom.

August 13, 2008

Bad News! Can Am says the repairs may take longer than anticipated. Might be fixed by Friday but could possibly be as long as Monday.

August 14, 2008

Mike went golfing again with Ron and Maureen went shopping with Sandy. In the evening we moved to the Quality Suite Hotel in south London. Closer to Can Am and pet friendly.

August 15, 2008

GOOD NEWS! All of the repairs have been completed (and tested) and we can finally hit the road again. Left Can Am around 2 PM and headed north east. Stopped overnight at the Nicolson Dam Campground near Alliston. Met some Albertans who are originally from Newfoundland who have moved west to find employment.

August 16, 2008

Headed out at 9:30 am and were soon enjoying the rocks and trees in the near north. Arrived at 5 Fish Resort (formally Martin's Camp) near Alban around 4 PM.



We had a choice of campsites. One on a hill near the road and another one down by the river. A bit more level and wonderful view but more difficult to get to. Once we figured out that Mike was trying to back down the wrong driveway, things got much easier and we settled in to enjoy the beauty of the French River.



This is the view from the back of our rig



We then drove up the road a few miles to Magy and Toms cottage where Magy treated us to dinner. After a tasty meal we had some time in the sauna followed by a cool dip in the river. Then Magy beat us at a game of Scrabble.

Percy was happy to see his friend Alaska again, but not so sure that the feeling was mutual.



August 17, 2008

We spent a pleasant afternoon sitting on the dock. Percy really enjoyed dipping his feet into the water. He also thought it was very good for drinking!



August 18, 2008



Magy and Mike
drove into
Sudbury.

Maureen and
Percy went for
a long walk
along the
river.

This is the
beach in front
of 5 Fish
Resort.

At each dock
Percy wanted to
check it out





As we rounded a bend in the road we could see our rig across the water

Percy wanted to chase every squirrel and chipmunk. He even tried to climb this tree to get one.



Almost home and Percy ran out of steam.
He lay down in the cool grass
and refused to budge until he had a bit of a rest.



As there was a thunderstorm brewing
we could not rest as long as he wanted to.



August 21, 2008



Morning view of
boats in French
River.

After five very
pleasant days at
the French River
we packed up and
left our pretty
campsite to travel
to Sudbury in
preparation for
the wedding.



Our new home is at Carol's Campground on Richard Lake. The site is close to the highway, so there is lots of traffic noise. Most of the sites are full, so we don't have much choice here, but at least it is close to Science North, the venue for the wedding on Saturday.





August 22, 2008

Did some shopping in Sudbury and washed the truck.