

RV Parking

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Finally, it does seem like spring is arriving in Ontario at last and not a moment too soon. When we started this journey our goal was always to go where the good weather is however, when we made that decision, we didn't take into account that we have a family to consider. So in that respect we aren't as independent as we like to think we are and we will end up in places with inclement weather from time to time but what better reason to be in the cold or rain than to be with family?

When we knew we were heading to the area for much of the summer, we scoped the area for appropriate RV parks and found a real lack of them. Despite it being known as "Lake Country" and a major tourist destination, there is a real shortage of quality "Big Rig" campgrounds here and after spending some time in the US that oversight is even more obvious. Granted, the winters here can prevent most places from being open year round, however a really nice park with large level concrete pads and full hook-ups somewhere just between Barrie and Orillia could do really well. Our choices are: Heidi's Campground on Hwy 11 near Orillia, which is in serious need of a major site clean-up, the Barrie KOA just off of Hwy 93 between Craighurst and Dalston, a beautiful facility though too far out of the way and expensive or the Hammock off of Rama Road which has a lot of permanent trailers and no sites with full sewage hook-ups.

Currently, we are fortunate enough to be settled on a beautiful waterfront property in Orillia from where we have easy access to Barrie, Orillia and Coldwater and it is also free (which is an added bonus) but we don't know how long we will be able to stay here. As we drive along Hwy 11, we look at places that would be perfect locations to open up a park and all kinds of business ideas come to mind, but this is not the area where we want to settle so we will just be content with wherever we end up this summer! Another picture of you-know-who!