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## Family-Owner Pride RV Resort and Family Campground re-opens as Great Smoky Mountains National Park records record number of visitors post stay-at-home order in NC

Elated campers and vacationers got the news Saturday May 9th that the world's #1 tourist destination would open for the season after a nail-biting extended stay-at-home order was lifted in North Carolina. And the bags were packed and vehicles gassed-up...just like that.

At Pride RV Resort and Family Campground the staff cleaned and opened up the facilities. And cleaned again. Spring, is officially on.

"Having a five-star resort means that you're always at-the-ready. Everything is just so. The amenities work. The facilities are spic-and-span and the staff is at full attention to our guests every need." says Park Manager Jimmy Roberson.

With travel around the world restricted amongst fears of the Coronavirus, the immensely popular and always stunning Smokey Mountains so nearby are the obvious choice for getting out of the house and into the great outdoors. "At Pride, we hang our hat on our slogan—Nice. Next to Nature—it fits us to the tee." continues the affable Roberson. "You won't find a more pleasant respite from the ordinary day than here, on the banks of Jonatahan Creek, with the slow breeze going by. For accommodations you can choose a rustic, cozy cabin for two, a well-appointed park model with a full kitchen and living area—for those that don't RV. If you RV, we have your RV paradise waiting, too."

Maggie Valley is a virtual crossroads of the Smoky Mountain experience. The beautiful mountain town sits just off I-40, exit 20 in North Carolina. Here in Western North Carolina you'll find the world-famous Biltmore Estate in Asheville, NC—also one of the top brewery destinations in the US. Shortly up the road Waynesville has caught the eye of many with quaint rolling hills, beautiful hilltop villas and main street USA feels. And just 20 minutes down the road is the famed Cherokee—now a proud host of Hurray's Casino on the Indian reservation.

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A little further along brings you past scenic waterfalls and into the State of Tennessee and into the city of legendary Civil War battles and now the mountain playground of Gatlinburg. Chair lifts, a newly-opened mammoth suspension bridge, Ripley's aquarium and dozens of restaurants, theme parks and game rooms. Tennessee is also home to Pigeon Forge, national treasure Dolly Parton's theme park, with world-class roller coasters, amazing eateries, epic lodging and entertainment nothing short of Las Vegas. Just a few mile markers down the road lies Sevierville, the antique and flea market haven that draws legions of pickers and collectors every year.

With all of this excitement—some natural and always open—and others man-made opening now in stages, it's easy to see why Americans will flock to The Great Smoky Mountains this season now more than ever.

Robinson wants all to know “For sure, not every luxury that the virus has taken away will be functioning and open just yet. But blue skies, sparkling creeks, fishing, bon fires, scenic walks and safe socializing are right here at Pride RV Resort and Family Campground. We are happy to see our guests once again and we are WIDE OPEN.”

If you're going:

#### The Great Smoky Mountains National Park

The park is some 800+ square miles in western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee. It is home to some of the oldest mountains in the world. Many park destinations are free. For more information visit our favorite site, [www.friendsofthesmokies.org](http://www.friendsofthesmokies.org).

#### Pride RV Resort and Family Campground

Accepting reservations for cabins, park models, RV space and tent camping with power May-October and for new onsite apartments year-round. Call 1-800-926-8191 for reservations. For more information visit [www.PrideRVResort.com](http://www.PrideRVResort.com) or find Pride RV Resort and Family Campground on Facebook and Twitter.

Onsite opening updates to mark your calendar: Playground opens May 22nd. Pool opens June 1st.