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## VICTORIAN FERNDALE

Getting all set to wave goodbye to San Francisco, we readied the motorhome, and found to our dismay that the motorhome battery had shuffled off to heaven, or wherever batteries go when they die!

Lucky that there was a Kragen Auto Parts store across the street from the RV park, we were able to remedy the situation in about an hour. North on Hwy 101 the traffic was terrible. All along the highway, were signs saying a special event 60 miles ahead, and warning traffic congestion. Whatever, we were just going to stay at a State Park anyway! When we approached Piercy, CA we discovered that a Reggae Concert was in progress and there must have been 100,000 people attending. They were camped all over the banks and meadows of the EEL River, and when we went to the State Park down the road, they just laughed at us!

Changing our plans, we headed for Ferndale and the Fairgrounds. As luck would have it, after a 300 mile drive, there was a Fair next weekend, and all the sites were reserved! We did get a space in the parking lot and got the last electric and water hook-up, for two days.

There are many pretty Victorian style homes in this city. We spent the day exploring the Eureka area.



The valley area is home to dairy herds, dairies, and cheese processing plants.

We went to the Loleta cheese factory and almost had dinner, eating all the different kind of cheese samples. Tomorrow we make the drive to Brookings, OR, home of the famous Slug Races!

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