





## We've Come A Long Way... From Covered Wagons To Luxury Motorhomes

Camping and recreational vehicles aren't new.

Pioneers of early America made long harrowing treks across this vast continent to establish wealth and new homes in the west.

The covered wagon was yesterday's recreational vehicle, though, if we were to question those founding fathers they would not view that journey as recreational.

Henry Ford used his invention to travel the United States in caravan-style with Thomas Edison. President Harding, John Burroughs and Harvey Firestone.

Today's camper hasn't changed much from those pioneers but it's certainly gotten more confusing. A recreational vehicle can be considered any mode of transportation used for recreational purposes. That includes motorcycles, boats, airplanes, camping vehicles, etc.

The list is endless. These vehicles shown in this edition are the camping vehicle and the motorcycle.

Camping trailers are often confused with travel trailers, motor homes with mini-homes, and so on.



Early Recreational Vehicles



ON ONE OF HENRY FORD'S early camping trips, this group posed for the photographer. They are from left, Harvey Firestone, Jr., Harvey Firestone, Thomas Edison, John Burroughs, J. R. Watt, Henry Ford, Chauncey Hakes and Samuel Ott.