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As the November issue arrives, many of us are completing our Airstream camping season. Rigs in Canada and the northern portion of the U.S. are getting ready for winter storage. We look back on a busy season of travel, rallies, and caravans with fond memories. We hope each of you had a memorable camping season with Airstream friends.

However, many people living in the north travel south (called "snow birds") to places like Florida, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, and California and spend the winter in their Airstreams. I want to remind you to take a look at the Airstream calendar in the Blue Beret for the many rallies and events that are provided by our southern clubs/units. They occur all winter long.

In January, we will conduct our Mid-Winter IBT in Robertsedale, AL on January 21-25, 2019. Robertsedale is close to the Gulf Coast; therefore there is a lot to see and do in the area. The deadline for registration is December 15, 2018.

One last thing to consider – "Have I paid my dues for 2019?" If you have already renewed your membership, thank you. If not, the preferable way to pay is via the WBCCI website: [www.wbcci.org](http://www.wbcci.org). Click on the "Renew Online Today" button. This link will go directly to the renewal form. You will want to register/renew soon to make sure your name appears in the January 2019 WBCCI Membership Directory.

As this year comes to an end, Karen and I wish each of you to have a wonderful holiday season. We hope you all have time to enjoy the many blessings we have with families and friends.

Barry & Karen Bell

WBAC President & First Lady

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Teresa Taylor  
Chairman

Thank you to all who have renewed your membership; may the next year bring incredible memories and adventures. With so many rallies being planned by the local clubs, more National/Special Event Rallies and new Caravans on the books, this club will keep you camping all year long. The club likes to say "We do the planning, you have the adventure." To me this planning is such a value to belonging to this club. No more checking out every little detail of what you want to see, do, where you're going to stay, it's planned for you and you're camping like the locals.

The other benefit of membership is the friends you make as you travel with this Airstream family. Good friends that you see "down the road" on your travels. Glenn and I just finished hosting the Pendleton Round-up National Rally in September and spent a week with new friends from all over the United States and Canada. We reconnected with friends Caroline and Dale from Ohio that we met at a Region 4 Rally. So, on your travels check out rallies along your route, you'll have a great time, learn about the area and the saying "see you down the road" will become real.

If that renewal notice is still not sent in, do it now and join us for another year. If you know a member that you haven't seen at a rally or lunch for some time give them a call, see how they are doing, maybe ask why they haven't been to a rally. As one membership chair told me, she was calling members that she had not seen at a rally. This one member who had been a member

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Nancy Gore, #2914

Ever since I was a little girl, being outside has fed my soul. I spent every possible moment playing outside. Cold weather, hot weather, it didn't matter. What mattered was hearing the rustle of the leaves through the trees, feeling the warmth of the sun on my face, smelling the delicious scent of fresh cut grass, or watching birds splash in the birdbath. It's being outside that makes me feel at peace. This joy of being outside continues today as an adult, and I made an effort almost daily to escape from my suffocating, four-walled cubicle to get a breath of fresh air.

Unfortunately, I was born into a household in which I had a father who did not share my enthusiasm, and as a result, we never went camping. That all changed when my brother-in-law came on the scene over 30 years ago. Although I was born with spina bifida and use a wheelchair to get around, Dan understood my passion for being outside. He picked me up, threw me on his back, and carried me to the water to kayak where I just knew I had died and gone to heaven. Next thing I knew, I was with him and my sister tent camping in North

Carolina. Well, that was it campers. I was hooked.

A few years later, I met the man who would be my husband, and like Dan and like me, he was a lover all things of nature. When I met him, Mike was into rock climbing, caving, hiking, surfing, and anything he could find that would keep him outside. He gave up those things and replaced them with adventures we could share. We both became certified in scuba, bought kayaks, and a jet boat. But it wasn't enough. We wanted to be able to leave the shackles of indoor life, and we knew an Airstream was the next step. For almost ten years, we spent hours looking on Craig's List and EBay for the ideal Airstream. Mike was blessed with the ability to fix and build anything, so the plan originally was to find a fixer-upper and make it ours. The goal was for me to leave my corporate job, get my Master's in teaching, have summers off, and travel in our beautiful remodeled Airstream. I worked my plan, got the teaching job, and before my first summer off, I made the mistake of going to look at new models. Next thing you know, I'm buying a new Airstream off the lot; so much for the plan.

At this point, Mike and I had been together for over ten years, and he was already familiar with my capabilities and limitations. While I'm paralyzed from the waist down, I have the arms of a sumo wrestler and even at 60 years old I can still lift myself off the floor into the wheelchair. Unfortunately, I'm not anywhere near model thin (I was serious about the sumo wrestler analogy), so I'm capable of lifting a substantial amount of weight. All we needed was a few modifications, and we would be good to go.

We bought a 2007 model, a 23-footer with an L-shaped couch and no dinette, which gave me more room to negotiate. I don't take the wheelchair into the Airstream. It's crowded enough with the two of us and our 85-pound Weimaraner. Therefore, I needed to be able to have the room to pull myself up on the couch, onto the bed, and into the shower. That meant we needed to install a few grab bars in the bedroom and bathroom area. To get to the bed, the toilet or the shower from the floor was initially too high to maneuver. To rectify the issue, Mike built a platform that fits exactly in the space of the bed and the toilet





and the shower. This platform enabled me to lift myself into the shower or onto the bed. We then bought a shower chair to make the whole bedroom/bathroom area completely accessible for me. The platform presents a challenge for my six-foot tall husband when he needs to use the facilities, but being the wonderful man that he is, he deals with it.

In addition to the changes to the bedroom/bathroom area, we made a few changes to the kitchen area. Originally, the microwave was above the refrigerator, which doesn't even make sense to me if I was able to stand. We moved the microwave to under the sink instead. The kitchen sink cabinet was rounded, which was very cool looking but impractical because it encroached into my floor space. So we changed the cabinet to be a traditional flat surface. He then replaced all the original Formica tops with Corian. A few months ago, he remodeled again and took out the couch replacing it with some very cool aluminum chairs which helped me to see outside the windows better.

Then we went on to fix the outside of the trailer: Mike replaced the small grab bar on the outside of the trailer with an old refrigerator handle so that I had a more substantial grab bar to lift myself into the trailer. He then procured an extra door latch which he installed below the original door latch (which he kept in place for himself) which gave me the ability to get in the trailer when he was off socializing – a common occurrence. He did this while sitting in the

middle of a campsite at Top of Georgia, which left many fellow Airstreamers aghast that he was actually cutting into the door of the Airstream. With that, the process was complete and I could get into and around my Airstream without difficulty. Next, the issue of getting around campgrounds needed to be addressed.

One of the first matters I noticed was that most campgrounds we visited had gravel. Wheeling through gravel is to say the least, not easy – in spite of sumo wrestler arms. We happened upon a device that we now refer to as my 'big wheel' that basically attaches to the front of my chair and lifts up the front wheels which tend to get caught in the gravel. It makes wheeling through gravel almost a breeze. The next challenge was dealing with hills. My rotator cuffs were destroyed years ago, so wheeling up hills can be difficult. A year ago we came across a small motor that can be attached to the back of the wheelchair as needed to assist my wheeling up hills. Having solved the issues of maneuvering through campgrounds, I was ready for even more adventures.

When we first started camping, we typically visited Top of Georgia. There we became fast friends with Matt and Beth Hackney. Over time, we felt the urge to explore, not visit the same campground repeatedly. Ultimately, we were charter members of Southeastern Camping Unit that was started by the Hackneys and others, and our camping life really took off. Our unit has rallies at least monthly, and together we

traipse all over the southeast. One of the many things I love about our unit is that our members oftentimes think about me and my needs, and yet at the same time, never really think about me as disabled. They think about me as they plan activities. For example, on a trip to Savannah, Matt made sure the bike tour we took could accommodate a chair. My friends Robin and Bill arrived once to a rally before we did and noticed our campground site had stairs, so they immediately called us to see if we wanted to switch sites. When setting up reservations at a restaurant, my fellow campers will ask if the restaurant is accessible. Oftentimes we will pick a spot for us all to gather for meals or socializing, and my fellow campers always think about which campsite or area makes the most sense for us all. They will seek out the best spots for me to launch my kayak, and think nothing of hauling my wheelchair down stairs if need be.

Wanting to give back to the group that has enriched my life so greatly, I volunteered for and was elected to the office of secretary of our unit. Following that, I became vice president, and am now wrapping up my year as president. This past summer, we caravanned to Salem for the International Rally, after which Mike and I explored a bit of the northern most part of our country. It was a trip of a lifetime as we made new friends at Salem and then saw parts of the beautiful country of ours that were nothing short of breathtaking. In addition, it was my first time planning a caravan, and although our caravan







was small, it was a fabulous experience and I made new friends that I believe will be with us for years to come.

Looking back at the past decade of owning an Airstream, I had no idea that when I bought my Airstream that I was actually buying into a new lifestyle and a passel of friends for life. I know how blessed I am to have a husband who has designed the interior and exterior of our Airstream that allows me to live comfortably in it for weeks on end. Together we have traveled to all but a couple of states, so we have been from sea to shining sea, as far north as Glacier National Park and Acadia National, and as far south as Key West and the Grand Canyon. We have been face to face with deer, elk, manatee, bison, donkeys, alligator, sharks, barracuda,

turtles, sheep, antelope, a wolf, and even a bear. Well, technically we were in the safety of a car when we saw the bear and the wolf, but we were still face to face.

Strangers see me and the chair and they feel sorry for me. They have no idea I have been all over North America, including Canada and Mexico. I've also been throughout the Caribbean and parts of Europe. I've been on top of the world, and 130 feet below the surface of the ocean. More than the traveling, I have friends who consider me part of the group, not someone who is disabled or different in some way. I have been married for 22 years in a world where divorce is too common. After spending nearly 30 years in the corporate world, I now have a career teaching that I love.

Those who call me brave and courageous have it all wrong. It's my husband and my friends who are the strong ones. My husband makes sacrifices every day to make my life easier. My friends see me, not my chair. It's a beautiful life, and yet when I travel, I rarely see other campers in a chair.

For those who have had a stroke, or who are experiencing the challenges of aging and think their camping days are number, to them I say balderdash. With preplanning and creative thinking, many physical challenges can be overcome to allow one to continue to travel in the Airstream. It's well worth the effort.





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# Installing Big Red Numbers

## Big Red Numbers

Just a short history on your Big Red Numbers. During the early years of Caravanning with Wally Byam, he determined the need for numbers that the caravan leader could see at a glance. Thus the Big Red Numbers on the upper top front and back of the Airstream. As years passed, we have kept up the tradition. It's fun to blink your lights and wave as a member goes by on the road.



Many new members ask if they have to install their numbers on the Aluminum. The answer is No. We do ask you put your numbers on your Airstream to not only show you are a member and give history to your Airstream, but at rallies, for emergency purposes, the description "a silver Airstream" is no help, so we ask you have your numbers on your Airstream. Those Big Red Numbers are a pretty good security tattoo; we have members who have recovered their Airstream because of the Big Red Numbers. The real reason is from an owner who didn't want the Big Red Numbers on until she couldn't find her Airstream after Happy Hour; they're all silver!

Installing Wally Byam Airstream Club **Big Red Numbers** is a simple process. The Club sends your big red numbers on one sheet, pre-spaced and backed with transfer paper for an easy installation. Don't separate the transfer paper, numbers, and release liner until the instructions tell you. The Club recommends installation of your big red numbers as one sheet each, for front and rear of your Airstream. These instructions are for installation on a clean dry surface. You'll need the following tools and materials before you start:

1. small pan or pail with mild solution of water and dish soap
2. clean washing cloth and drying towel
3. blue tape 3/4" or 1" width
4. china marking pen (grease pencil)
5. sharp scissors
6. plastic squeegee or old credit card for working air bubbles from big red numbers



### 1. Your Big Red Numbers Arrive With Three Layers. Keep them together!

1. The top layer is transfer paper, which holds the letters in place for easy installation.
2. The middle layer is the big red numbers.
3. The bottom layer is the release liner which keeps the big red numbers from sticking until you're ready.



### 2. Prepare Your Big Red Numbers Set for Installation

Place the three layers on a clean, flat surface with the release liner facing down. Trim away excess transfer paper and release liner. You can leave about a 1/4 inch around the sides and bottom of graphic and one inch at the top. Mark the center point on the top edge of the transfer paper with a pen or china marker.



### 3. Prepare The Surface For Numbers Installation

Clean and dry the exterior surface well with mild dish soap and terry cloth, rubbing with the grain of the panel. A good clean surface is key to successful application of your big red numbers.





#### 4. Locating the Spot For Your Big Red Numbers

Measure your surface area and mark with a spot of blue tape at top or bottom edge the center point of desired location for installation. Place the big red numbers sheet against the surface, with the transfer paper facing you and the release liner facing the Airstream. Line up the center mark of the transfer paper and the marker you placed on the Airstream. Attach with blue tape your big red numbers sheet to the surface in the spot you want it to be in.



#### 5. Start Adhering the Transfer Paper and Numbers to Your Airstream

At each top corner, peel down the release liner from the transfer paper for the first inch or two all the way across. Gently and slowly pull away the transfer paper at a 45° angle to prevent stretching or tearing, while holding the transfer paper and big red numbers away from the Airstream.



#### 6. Pulling the Remaining Release Liner

Continue removing release liner an inch or two at a time while squeegeeing firmly and smoothly downward and outward from top and center of the new areas. The squeegee should stay in direct contact with the transfer paper to prevent air bubbles. Finally remove the release liner entirely and firmly squeegee the big red numbers through the transfer paper, being careful not to dent your Airstream nor tear the transfer paper.



#### 7. Final Step

When finished, very gently peel away the top layer of transfer paper at a 60° angle. Removing the transfer paper too quickly can lift the big red numbers and damage your installation of big red numbers on your Airstream. Congratulations. You did it!

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**Removing old numbers:** If your Airstream has old numbers to remove, a hair dryer will soften the adhesive and allow them to be peeled off. Don't get anxious, peel carefully, a needle nose pliers is useful to keep from burning your fingers. Aim the dryer right at the old number and try to get it off in one piece. When the numbers are removed, clean area with kerosene or WD-40, wash with soap and water, then dry.



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## The Saga of China Caravan #6 (Part 2) (as seen from the Caboose)

This month we continue along with WBCCI members Richard and Nancy Roeser #23556 as they complete the “trailer” portion of China Caravan C6, as recorded in Nancy’s diary.

### 10/10/1986 – Friday – Putien to Fuzhou

Almost 4 hours to go 61 miles. Traffic got heavy as we approached Fuzhou which is understandable since it is the capital for Fujian Province. In the afternoon we visited a lacquerware factory where we bought a box, napkin rings and chopsticks. We then visited a cork picture factory. Back to the trailer for dinner: ham and instant mashed potatoes. Never thought anything could taste as good as those instant potatoes did.

### 10/11/1986 – Saturday – Fuzhou

Drove to Drum Mountain to an old Buddhist Monastery. The temple was built about 500 B.C. There are rocks on Drum Mountain where people have carved initials and poems. Some inscriptions are 1000s of years old.

Our guide told us that during the time of the Red Guard (1966-76), monks were sent to work on farms and the monastery ceased to exist as such. He is now 30, but at 19 he was sent by the Red Guards to work in a very poor section of China. It was backbreaking work from sunup to sundown. When the Red Guard reign was over, some monks couldn’t return to the monastery because they had eaten meat or fish or had married. He also told us that in the 1940s life expectancy was 35-40, but is now 66 for men and 68 for women.



Nancy & Rich during the Caravan Banquet

After Drum Mountain, we drove to a stone, ivory, and longan tree carving factory. The products were very elaborate, but we didn’t buy anything.

### 10/12/1986 – Sunday – Fuzhou to Nanping

It took 10 hours to go 156 miles because we encountered many road obstacles, including drying rice; a road washout; and piles of tree stumps, logs, wood shavings, rocks, sand, and garden soil;

wrecked vehicles, water buffalo, pigs, chickens, and children playing. It was a beautiful, but tedious, ride thru the mountains. Traffic was light. Switchbacks were numerous. Bamboo trees dotted many a slope. The scenery reminded me of British Columbia and Alaska, but painfully manicured to produce rice and other crops. We were lucky to be seeing the rice harvest, but unlucky because most of the rice was drying on flat straw mats on the road. We are camped high on a hill overlooking Nanping and the river.

### 10/13/1986 – Monday – Nanping

Today we drove to a small village where we walked thru rice paddies to



Mountain Road in China

an uphill stone path. After an hour we came to two high arched stone bridges over a stream gorge that were built over 1200 years ago. We continued climbing and finally came to a lovely temple in a spectacular mountain setting. We were welcomed with firecrackers and hot tea – a beautiful touch! We rested in the coolness of the temple and had a vegetarian lunch. Our return walk went much quicker downhill.



### 10/14/1986 – Tuesday – Nanping to Wuyi

We were up at 5:00am for a boat trip down the Min River, but the river is too low due to a 3-month drought. We decided to head to the Wuyi Mountains a day early. The 108-mile drive was peaceful. Not much traffic, few road obstacles, and fine scenery. The road followed a tributary of the Min River. The leaves of some trees are turning yellow and remind me of fall in New England although the temperature is much hotter. We played cards in the evening.

### 10/15/1986 – Wednesday – Wuyi Mountains

We explored Heavenly Tour (Tianyou) Peak, a park in the Wuyi Mountains revered in China for its beauty. Rich and I climbed the steep 400 (or was it 900?) step stairway cut into the stone to the peak. 10 of our group made it.

Even with all the stresses, lack of accurate information, change of plans at the last minute, etc., we are thoroughly enjoying this trip. We continue to marvel at a people who, in comparison to U.S. standards, have so little, but are extremely hard working and happy. We wish the U.S. could have such strong family units with the joy this brings. We also wish we could relax as much in the U.S. about crime as we do here. We feel very safe from muggers, etc. It's almost non-existent. We've only encountered a panhandler once or twice.

After lunch we went to a 2500-acre Oolong Tea Plantation. Most of the processed tea is exported, 80% to Japan and the rest to various countries around the world, including the USA. How the tea is processed is kept a secret so that the Chinese can stay competitive in the marketplace, so we couldn't see anything but the tea bushes – processing and adding aromatics was out! Tea is picked in the spring season, so that was out too.

### 10/16/1986 – Thursday – Wuyi Mountains

A bus took us to a small village for a bamboo raft trip. There was much confusion and loading and unloading of passengers. The eventual story was that some Chinese VIPs had paid more than us so they got the first rafts. And this in supposedly equalitarian China! One learns patience, humility, and flexibility in China. Anyway, very shortly we



Porta Potti Parade

were underway floating down the Nine Twist Stream sitting in bamboo armchairs on bamboo rafts. Two men used poles to direct the rafts downstream.

### 10/17/1986 – Friday – Wuyi Mountains

During the night we had a wee rainstorm. It was the first patter of raindrops this trip and the first sunless morning in 4 weeks! Our guide says the lack of rain is very unusual. Today is free time, "gas up", "Porta Potti Parade". Our Airstreams are each equipped with a Porta Potti rather than a traditional holding tank, a good idea because China has no RV dump stations.

After lunch Rich and I walked about ½ mile to see a bridge being built "by hand". Then we visited a paper making operation with Al and Mildred Frosch. Bamboo is ground by stone hammers run by eccentric wheels. The pulp is put in bins where a worker dips a screen, pulls it out, empties the screen and repeats the steps. Following this we visited a business where people were weaving baskets out of bamboo strips.

Back at camp, our guide changed the tires on our trailer from 4 ply to 10 ply in anticipation of rough roads tomorrow.

### 10/18/1986 – Saturday – Wuyi to Gutian

We left Wuyi in a hard rain that soon stopped. We drove along a river, crossed over a bridge and picked up a dirt road out of town. Around and around the mountains we went, up and down into valleys and along streams. We were in the misty clouds at one point. We arrived in Gutian after a 137-mile drive. Very tired at the end of a long, hard ride. Tomorrow is our last trailer driving day. Thank heavens!

### 10/19/1986 – Sunday – Gutian to Fuzhou

Left town and climbed into the mountains, round and round, up and down we go. At one point we hit very dense fog. We inched along keeping the lights of the trailer in front of us in view. In a rocky construction zone two trailers had flats. The rest of the trip was eventless. In total, Rich drove 1500 miles with no accidents, though



Fixing a flat in the Fog



some near misses! He deserves a medal! No one would ever believe the trauma of driving a trailer over Chinese roads.

#### 10/20/1986 – Monday – Fuzhou

A cloudy, humid, breezy day, but no stagnant air like last time we were in Fuzhou. The air pollution really got to me then.

We drove to the zoo for an interesting panda performance. The panda played basketball, balanced and caught rings, rode a bike, etc. Back home for lunch, suitcase packing, and trailer clean-up. 39 primary (grades 1-5) children came to camp to entertain us with singing, dancing, and musical instrument playing. After they entertained us, we sang “Old McDonald’s Farm” and “Jingle Bells” to them. The children then divided into 10 groups and each couple took a group thru their trailer where balloons, candy, and favors were given out. Our group was a 7-year-old girl, two 10-year-old girls, and a 10-year-old boy. After taking the kids thru the trailer, they were excited to talk to their friends in another Suburban over the CB radio in our Suburban!

After a Chinese dinner at a hotel we were invited by one of our guides to visit his in-law’s apartment. It was on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor, reachable only by stairs and had a sitting room, kitchen, cooking room, and 3 bedrooms. I saw a small refrigerator, black & white 15” TV and a portable stereo radio. The windows had no screens and mosquito netting hung over the beds. The sitting room furniture was bamboo and beds were fiber mats on wood frames. The bedrooms and sitting room had linoleum on the floor. The rest was concrete.

Our guide told us there is an electricity shortage – 2 days a week there is no electricity from 7am – 6pm. He also said that Chinese who work as English-speaking guides are the best paid workers in China.

#### 10/21/1986 – Tuesday – Fuzhou

Cleared out of the trailer and into an “OK” hotel. Then we had a bus tour that stopped at an open-air market overlooked by a huge statue of Chairman Mao. Our guide said, “What irony, Mao was very opposed to capitalism and here many years later it flourishes at his feet.”

According to our guide some marriages are arranged in the cities. Dowries are paid in rural areas, but not urban areas. One child per

couple means free medical care and low tuition for primary and middle school. More than 1 child means no free medical, higher fees for school, and a “fine”. Universities are free. Primary teachers are the lowest paid, university professors the highest. There is compulsory education in the cities (in Fujian Province), but not in rural areas. There aren’t many schools in rural areas because the distances are great, and teachers don’t want to work in remote areas. No opium smoking because it would probably

bring a life sentence in prison. Goods in the “free market” supposedly come mostly from Taiwan and Hong Kong, “exchanged” on fishing vessels.

Back to the hotel for our banquet. The Banyan City Restaurant was almost dark when we arrived, a consequence of power rationing, but three Coleman lanterns lit our way. A bit of information: All Chinese banquets are 12 courses. The last one is something sweet – a sweet soup.



The Children that visited the Roeser’s Trailer

#### 10/22/1986 – Wednesday – Fuzhou to Shanghai

A morning bus tour visited a park where 32 boys were practicing Kung Fu. Caught another bus to the Fuzhou Airport for our flight to Shanghai. Boarded at 2:00pm and by 3:15pm we were on the ground in Shanghai. Now here’s a city I could love. Cool weather, clean, very western, cosmopolitan. The Queen of England visited Shanghai a few days ago, so we think the city of 12 million has been “spruced up” for her.

This concludes the “trailing” portion of the Roeser’s China Caravan, though they did continue on to see other parts of China by train and plane before returning home. If you enjoyed reading about their trip to China, please drop a line to Rich and Nancy and tell them so. They’ll appreciate it.

#### Another China Caravan Correction:

In the June 2018 article, current members #13255 Wes and Annette King were accidentally not listed as China Caravan participants because they were inadvertently left out of the 2018 Membership Directory. Wes and Annette were the leaders for China Caravan C8 and are still active in the Washington Unit! Together with the correction in the last issue, this brings the total number of current member China Caravan participants to 6!





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The Airstream Tech Help Group has been established to provide assistance to the membership experiencing technical problems. We will respond directly to you in response to your email describing a problem. Examples of questions, modifications or upgrades that might be of interest to members will be published in the Blue Beret. We hope you will find this service of value in the care and feeding of your Airstream.

**WINTERIZING.** This item has been written about by various authors over the years. This is a compilation that includes the items to be considered when winterizing your trailer or motorhome. You may note some duplication – this should add clarity and emphasis as to what to do and how to do it.

Winterizing is not only important but a necessity. If you are in an area that freezes, you will almost certainly blow up a water pipe, water pump and/or a fixture if you do not do this properly. If you are unlucky, you might even have a pipe blow that is under the belly skin that will require drilling rivets to remove large sections of the aluminum at great expense.

**First** - To be most effective you should have a hot water heater bypass kit installed so that you can bypass the water heater tank. Otherwise, you will need six or seven gallons of antifreeze to fill the tank, so you can fill the hot water lines. With a tank bypass, you will only need about one gallon of antifreeze. In the summer just run clean water through everything and you are ready to go. **HINT** - Make a sign "Heater Bypass Valves," indicate the direction the three valves should be turned to enable or disable the

bypass and tape it over the switch. In bypass the cold-in valve should be closed, the hot-out valve should be closed, and the by-pass valve (the one in the middle) should be open.

1. Drain and flush your black water tank.
2. Drain and flush your grey water tank.
3. Drain and flush your fresh water tank.
4. Drain and flush hot water heater. Reinstall drain plug.
5. If you have low point drain lines under your trailer/coach:
  - Open the hot and cold faucets in your trailer/coach.
  - Uncap the low point drain lines under the trailer/coach - let water drain completely.
  - Recap/close the drain lines.
  - Close the hot and cold faucets.
  - Remove any water filter cartridge, if applicable.

Note: The above items need to be completed before winterizing with compressed air or antifreeze.

#### 6. Winterize by blowing out water lines with air pressure – compressed air method:

- Screw on compressed air adaptor into the city water connection.
- Apply compressed air, keeping pressure between 50 - 60 psi.
- Open each faucet one at a time to force water out of lines.
- Depress toilet valve. Depress toilet hand spray, if applicable.
- Depending on your unit, you may have an ice maker, washing machine, etc. The lines to these appliances will also need to be drained and blown out (consult owner's manual).
- If you have an exterior shower, be sure to blow compressed air through this.
- If you have a black tank flush, be sure to blow compressed air in this fitting.
- Purge the water pump by turning it on and allowing air pressure to clear any water that may be trapped in the pump itself.
- Remove the compressed air adaptor from the city water connection.
- Add one cup of antifreeze to all sink drains, and, to the toilet.



Summary: You can use an air compressor to blow the water out of all the lines. We recommend about 50 to 60 psi and a clamp on air fitting. You can obtain a male-water-hose connector to air-valve-hook-up. Hook up the air hose and open at least one faucet before you turn on the compressor. Make sure that there is always one open faucet. We recommend you start with the hot water heater; after it is blown out, shut off the compressor, turn off the heater bypass valves and close the heater clean out valve. Then open the bathroom hot water outlet and turn on the compressor. Make sure you open each individual outlet, including the spray hoses and water filter outlets, and allow them to completely drain. You should also blow out your external filter system and all the hoses that have been used. Throw out your old water filters and add antifreeze to each sink, shower and toilet drain to protect them. This approach is the fastest and if done correctly, will completely protect your water lines, fixtures and appliances. Be sure you have removed all the water from the water pump.

#### 7. Winterizing using antifreeze:

- Use RV non-toxic antifreeze only. You will need approximately one to two gallons.
- Make sure the water pump is off and faucets are closed.
- Close the water heater bypass valve if applicable.
- Purchase an antifreeze 'T' kit to install on the inlet side of the water pump connection. This will allow you to pump the antifreeze from the jug into the water system.
- Switch on the water pump. It will start to pump the antifreeze through the water lines
- Open each hot and cold faucet lines one at a time until you see the noticeable red color of the antifreeze flowing from each valve.

- Open the toilet valve and the shower valve until antifreeze flows through.
- Add one cup of antifreeze to all sink drains, and to the toilet.
- Shut off the antifreeze 'T' valve installed near the water pump.

Summary: Using a special valve and hose input, pump non-toxic antifreeze through your water pump to all outlets in the RV. You turn on the pump and open each individual faucet one at a time until pure antifreeze is coming out. This includes the toilet valve, its spray hose, the kitchen spray hose and any external faucets. You must do this for both the cold and hot water outlets. Then some antifreeze should be poured into each drain and the toilet to keep them from freezing. Open the hot water heater drain and fresh water tank valves and leave them open during winter storage. Also leave all faucet valves open.

NOTE: Blowing out the lines and then pumping antifreeze through all parts of the system is the safest approach but may be considered overkill if you have a trailer, depending upon where you live. However, if you have a motor home with an Aqua-hot heater, fridge with icemaker, washer/dryer, dishwasher etc. you need to pump antifreeze to make sure all these units are thoroughly winterized. Check each appliance instruction manual for winterizing recommendations.

#### 8. Winterizing an Alde system:

Drain all the water from the WATER system. It takes a while, especially from the 2.5 gallon hot water tank. **Do not touch the actual Alde glycol system.** You will need about three to four gallons of RV anti-freeze.

Close all valves and put 50 - 60# of air pressure into the lines. Then one by one open faucets and blow them out, including the low point drains and the drain for the Alde hot water jacket, which is a flip valve – that may be located under the front dinette end cap.

Install an antifreeze 'T' kit just before the water pump. You may need additional clear 1/4" line if the supplied line with the winterizing kit is not long enough. Put the valve in the winterizing mode and turn on the fresh water pump and start pumping RV anti-freeze through the system. Open faucets/sprayers one at a time, including the hot water jacket and the outside shower and the toilet to make sure the anti-freeze is through the system. Once done, drain the whole system and capture the anti-freeze by draining it from the low points and back into the gallon jugs. Blow out the lines again to get as much of the antifreeze out as you can. Clean up all the residual anti-freeze, pour some of the captured antifreeze down the drains and the rest into the gray and black holding tanks.

This whole process takes just about an hour. This method drains the antifreeze used for purging the water lines and the hot water jacket and reuses it in the drains and in the gray and black holding tanks. You could also just leave the antifreeze in place for the winter and purge the lines with water in the spring. Add one cup of antifreeze to all sink drains, and to the toilet. Shut off the 'T' valve when done.

#### Winter storage for your Airstream

Here are some quick tips that you may want to consider:

- Wash and wax your Airstream (this will give you an opportunity to inspect for any areas in need of attention).
- Make a list of any items that you may find during your inspection that need to be repaired but that you feel can wait until spring. Place inside unit where you will find the list next spring.



- Inspect the roof of your Airstream, check all vents, skylights and covers for any cracks or to make sure the covers are not missing; this can prevent damage from leaks over the winter.
- Correct any areas where the sealer appears to be degrading or fill any visible voids.
- Store your Airstream inside a building whenever possible (an environmentally controlled building would be best). Don't store under trees or where there are weeds or tall grass. Airstream does not recommend using a cover for trailers because it can leave marks in the finish due to the cover moving when windy.
- Park your Airstream on a concrete pad or a level area. If you are parking on bare ground, put something between the tires and the ground.
- Check the tire pressure; fill the tires to the maximum sidewall cold pressure while being stored.
- If your Airstream is being stored outside cover your tires to prevent damage caused by UV rays.
- Charge lead acid batteries to full charge. A weak battery can freeze and damage the case or reduce battery life.
- You may want to disconnect the batteries and remove them from your Airstream; you can keep them charged up by using a battery maintainer. If you leave the batteries in the RV, you should activate the converter at least once a month to keep batteries charged. With the proper converter (three to four stage) you can just plug your unit into shore power and forget it.
- Drain all water lines and water systems including any holding tanks and the water heater. Also drain any water filters you may have in the system; don't forget your exterior faucets or outside shower.
- Winterize your Airstream by blowing out the water system with compressed air and putting anti-freeze in all traps and toilet or pumping anti-freeze through the complete plumbing system.
- Lubricate hinges, awning brackets, step hinge points (this should help prevent rust and corrosion during storage period).
- Clean and apply a lubricant to all gaskets to keep them pliable over the winter. (We have recommended 303 Aerospace Rubber Seal Protectant in the past.)
- The vent for the range hood should be latched using the travel lock clips.
- Clean the interior of your Airstream, as well as range/oven, microwave. Also clean out refrigerator and leave doors open several inches to prevent mildew.
- Remove all non-sealed food from the RV so you are not encouraging any winter guests.
- You may also want to install some moisture control in your Airstream, such as Damp-Rid or No-Damp dehumidifiers. If you have shore power available use a 1500 watt electric heater set at about 40 degrees F and open anything inside that you can to allow the warm air to reach all areas.
- If you have a motorhome, check all fluid levels; change the oil; check anti-freeze (cooling system and windshield washer) and filters prior to storage.
- Make a point to start your motorhome and generator each month. It is suggested running both at least 15 to 30 minutes at a time monthly. This will allow for circulation of the engine fluids as well as testing of the batteries if you do not remove them for the winter.
- You may also want to add a fuel stabilizer to keep your gasoline or diesel fuel from becoming stale, or to remove moisture.

WINTER HINTS: If you are closing the door of your RV for a winter layover period, don't walk away satisfied that all will instantly return to full operation when you are ready to go. After you complete the winterization basics with water

systems, etc., it is time to consider other items that also need attention. Walk around your rig and squirt a few drops of WD-40 onto every door and cabinet hinge inside and outside your RV. Take the time to lay on a cloth full of furniture preservative on all wood surfaces inside to maintain those surfaces and to prevent "brittleness" and surface stain. Don't forget to lubricate your outside folding entrance steps. Turn all gas (propane) valves OFF. Cover all tires with wheel covers to protect against freezing dry rot and sun damage. In the case of motorhomes, fill the gas tank and add a few doses of gasoline preservative to maintain the chemical balance of the fuel in the tank (refer to preservative can label for dose requirements - available at auto supply stores). Lubricate both ends of your hitches whether you tow a trailer or automobile. Spray an antibacterial deodorizer into your grey-wash water drain hose and into its storage tube. Take the time to run a cloth containing rubber gasket preservative over your outside window gaskets to preclude winter dryness and summer leaks. (We have recommended 303 Aerospace Rubber Seal Protectant in the past.) Don't forget the vent gaskets and include the Fantastic vent gasket if installed. After checking your propane valve(s) for OFF, open all your range burners (stove) to drain off the trapped gases (do the same for refrigerator valve) as it assures easier relighting when needed. Leave open all water faucets to vent out during nonuse periods. Periodically recharge your rig's batteries to maintain the wet cells and prevent sulfation and costly battery replacements. Lube your battery terminals to prevent rust coating. Your attention to the above items can make your return to the road much easier.

Thank you all for participating in the technical process by writing in with your questions and suggestions. We wish you all a happy and joyous holiday season. Happy New Year! See you, **safely**, down the road.



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# Doswell, Virginia

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Hello, Airstreamers of WBCCI! Greetings from the Commonwealth of Virginia, site of the 2019 WBCCI International Rally, to be held July 21-27 near Doswell. You may be wondering why we don't call it the "State" of Virginia. That's because Virginia, nicknamed the "Old Dominion," is one of four states that officially calls itself a Commonwealth (the three others: Kentucky, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania). What's the difference? None, really. A Commonwealth is just another name for a unified territory, democratically governed by the people. But regardless of what you call it, Virginia is a special place...nearly 43,000 square miles of scenic beauty, history, proud traditions and diversity, not to mention the well known fact that "Virginia is for Lovers."

While in Doswell, you will meet many Airstreamers who know the territory. Your "local hosts" are the members of the WBCCI's Region 3 clubs in Virginia: Northern Virginia (NORVA) #110, Virginia #109, Tidewater #111, and Shenandoah Valley #149. While the names of these four clubs are geographic, their memberships are not; each club includes members who live in various places throughout the Commonwealth. So, if you have any questions about traveling around Virginia, be sure to chat with one of the "locals" at the hospitality table set up in the Rally ("Farm Bureau") pavilion.

For RVers on America's Interstate highways, Virginia conveniently sits smack in the middle of the east coast, halfway between Maine and Florida. When you take your Airstream into Virginia, you enter a veritable hub of American history, arguably unmatched by any other state. Eight American presidents called Virginia home, including founding fathers: Washington, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe. Along the James River near the Virginia coast, the first English-speaking colony in America was established (Jamestown: 1607), and within the state's borders are a great number of Civil War battlefields where epic campaigns were fought (Peninsula, Manassas, Chancellorsville, Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania, Wilderness, Petersburg, Richmond, Valley, and others). Throughout its 175 miles - south to north, and 425 miles - west to east, there are many things to see

and do that will amaze you, entertain you, and teach you what you didn't even know you didn't know.

Beginning with this one, a series of articles about Virginia points of interest and attractions will appear in the Blue Beret in the months leading up to the International Rally. Nearby places and more distant destinations will be covered, so that you might consider touring in the days prior to, during, and after the International Rally. We will talk about what you can see by driving in each of five compass-point directions from Doswell: north, south, northeast, southeast, and west. The articles will provide capsule summaries of what's where, website addresses, GPS coordinates, Interstate exit numbers, one-way mileage and approximate driving times. But if touring on your own does not appeal to you, we will also provide details about several, organized, Airstream group tours being offered during Rally Week.

In this first of six articles, let's discover what there is to see and do within a 35-mile radius (40 minutes or less average driving time) of the International Rally venue, The Meadow Event Park. Also, see the chart on Page 37.

\$ Secretariat Tour - You are already here at The Meadow Event Park! Learn the full story of the most famous racehorse in history, born and raised on this site. On a tram tour, you will visit the farm's mansion, and see photos and videos about the great horse and his achievements.

\$ Kings Dominion - Roller coasters, other thrill rides, food, and shows at a major amusement theme park, just a couple of miles from our Rally site.

\$ Do a "Patrick Henry Tour" - Get to know one of Virginia's most beloved patriots. See nearby "Scotchtown" (his home from 1771-1778), have lunch at his father-in-law's Hanover Tavern, then drive 26 miles into Richmond to visit St. John's Church, site of Henry's famous "Give me Liberty or Give me Death" speech (March 1775) encouraging the American Revolution.



Patrick Henry's Scotchtown



Downtown Fredericksburg, VA

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## 62<sup>nd</sup> Wally Byam Airstream Club INTERNATIONAL RALLY July 20-27, 2019 🐾 Doswell, Virginia

# REGISTRATION

**Rally Fees** – \$265.00 for an RV On-Site with 30amp electric, water and pump outs; \$110.00 for each Adult (18+); \$40.00 for each Youth 13-17; Free for Children (12 & Under). There will be two (2) other camping options: #1 – **Solar Area** (no generators permitted) and #2 – **Generator Area** where usage will be allowed between the hours of 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. All options include water and pump outs. Lifetime Member Discount \$20.00 (limit 1 per registration).

**Handicapped Parking** – Special parking, if requested, is near the central rally area for members with a doctor-approved state/government issued permit on file with the Corporate Manager of WBCCI prior to arriving at the rally site.

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Child (12 & Under)	Enter number		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
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Generator Camping Discount	Yes = 1 No = 0		\$ -50.00	\$
Lifetime Member Discount	Limit 1		\$- 20.00	\$
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Monument Avenue, Richmond, VA

\$ While in Richmond, tour the glorious state Capitol Building (designed by Thomas Jefferson), see the “White House of the Confederacy” and Civil War Museum, take a walk in beautiful Hollywood Cemetery (an arboretum where two U.S. presidents are buried) then drive down the famous Monument Avenue, to see its beautiful homes and several plazas featuring majestic monuments to Confederate war heroes (as well as an imposing statue of hometown tennis great, Arthur Ashe). Richmond also features a noteworthy Museum of Fine Arts and the Virginia Science Museum. The affluent suburb of “Short Pump,” 16 miles northwest of downtown, has a collection of great stores and restaurants for shopping and fine dining.

\$ Drive 37 miles north to the City of Fredericksburg, stop at the city's Visitor Center for a map to take a walking tour of its historic downtown. Visit the nearby boyhood home of George Washington and the house where his mother, Mary Washington, lived when he was our first president. Her grave is there, too. Tour four Civil War battlefields in this area after visiting the National Park Service Battlefield Visitor Center: Fredericksburg (December 1862), Chancellorsville (April-May 1863), Wilderness and Spotsylvania Courthouse (both May 1864).

In next month's Blue Beret: What to see and do driving westward from The Meadow Event Park.



Monroe's  
Grave,  
Hollywood  
Cemetery

## Combined Choral and Band Concert at International!

Airstream traditions continue! Your Airstream International Chorus and Band need YOU!

We are planning a joint concert for the Doswell International in Virginia. To make that happen, we need choristers and band instrumentalists to contact us by March 1<sup>st</sup> with your commitment to join the fun.

Rehearsals will take place July 15-19, 2019, so **you** get Early Parking and prime locations. Chorus Conductor Bob Hawkins and Band Conductor Greg Heuer need to hear from you via email so we can select great music. No auditions; all experience levels welcome!

If you're already registered or thinking about coming, drop us a quick note to get on the Communication List. Heuer will coordinate the sign up list. Email to him - [gheuer@umich.edu](mailto:gheuer@umich.edu).

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net/](https://doswell.wbcci.net/)





Points of Interest Within 40 miles of The Meadow Event Park	Distance (miles, direction, drive time)	Website	GPS Coordinates
<b>Secretariat Race Horse Tour</b> at The Meadow Event Park 13191 Dawn Rd., Doswell, VA 23047	0	<a href="http://www.meadoweventpark.com">www.meadoweventpark.com</a>	37.85209N -77.42445W
<b>King's Dominion Theme Park</b> 16000 Theme Park Way Doswell, VA 23047 804-876-5000	2.0 west 4 min.	<a href="http://www.kingsdominion.com">www.kingsdominion.com</a>	37.84676N -77.44776W
<b>Scotchtown, Patrick Henry's Home</b> 16120 Chiswell Lane, Beaverdam, Virginia 23015 804-648-1889	12.0 west 20 min.	<a href="http://www.preservationvirginia.org">www.preservationvirginia.org</a>	37.84407N -77.58740W
<b>Hanover Tavern (1733)</b> 13181 Hanover Courthouse Rd. Hanover, VA 23069 804-537-5050	8.2 southeast 10 min	<a href="http://www.hanovertavern.org">www.hanovertavern.org</a>	37.76244N -77.36730W
<b>St. John's Church</b> ("Liberty or Death") 2401 E. Broad Street Richmond VA 23223 804-648-5015	26.3 south 29 min.	<a href="http://www.historicstjohnschurch.org">www.historicstjohnschurch.org</a>	37.53192N -77.41943W
<b>Virginia State Capitol Building</b> 9th & Grace Streets Richmond, VA 23219 (804) 698-1788	25.7 south 30 min.	<a href="https://virginiacapitol.gov/">https://virginiacapitol.gov/</a>	37.53953N -77.43391W
<b>Monument Avenue</b> , Richmond, VA Drive its length to see beautiful homes and monuments to the Confederacy	24.9 south 28 min.	<a href="https://www.nps.gov/nr/Travel/richmond/MonumentAveHD.html">https://www.nps.gov/nr/Travel/richmond/MonumentAveHD.html</a>	37.55361N -77.45975W
<b>Hollywood Cemetery</b> 412 South Cherry Street Richmond, VA 23220 804-648-8501	25.2 south 30 min.	<a href="http://www.hollywoodcemetery.org">www.hollywoodcemetery.org</a>	37.54045N -77.45292W
<b>White House of the Confederacy - American Civil War Museum</b> 1201 E Clay Street Richmond, VA 23219 804-649-1861	25.4 south 30 min.	<a href="https://acwm.org/">https://acwm.org/</a>	37.54097N -77.42961W
<b>City of Fredericksburg:</b> Martha Washington's home 4 Civil War Battlefields Ferry Farm (Washington's Boyhood home) City Visitor Center: 706 Caroline Street 706 Caroline St, Fredericksburg, VA 540-373-1776	37.0 north 35 min	<a href="https://www.visitfred.com/">https://www.visitfred.com/</a>	38.30082N -77.45792W



## 2019 Caravans More Than Six Weeks

Joan Anderson, Caravan Promotions

There are Airstreamers who are free to travel for unlimited miles and have unlimited time. For those, the following caravans are offered - these will run for more than six weeks!

### Southwest Adventure 49 Nights 12 Stops

Dates: August 20 - October 8, 2019

Leaders: Gary & RoseMarie Anderson #9181, Winston & Carol Montague #807

Cell phones: 850-896-0567 & 850-866-7658, 850-491-7444 & 850-212-3726

E-Mail: [gary.rosemarie@gmail.com](mailto:gary.rosemarie@gmail.com)

Kitty Fee (estimated): w/2: \$4700, w/1: \$3700, guest: \$1400 Deposit: \$300

Payment Dates: 2/1/2019 - \$2200 4/1/2019 - \$2200

Cancellation Fee: \$50 before 2/1/2019 plus non-refundable deposit, leaders' discretion after 2/1/2019



August, September and October capture the awesome beauty of the fall landscapes of the Southwest region of the United States. The caravan begins in Albuquerque, NM, then discovers Santa Fe by trolley and onto Taos.

What is to be found around the corner in the Four-Corners region of Colorado, Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico, that other tourists may not see? This caravan visits Indian pueblos and reservations in order to help you learn about the cultures from native guides.

The grandeur of the scenery will amaze as you ride a narrow-gauge train up to Silverton, Colorado, hike to the "Palace" in Mesa Verde, or truck into Monument Valley. Moab, Utah provides gorgeous views in the surrounding national parks of Arches and Canyonlands and excitement with "slick-rock jeep riding." Whether using a camera at Capitol Reef National Park, or riding a mule into Bryce Canyon, or seeing the "Narrows" at Zion, the

parks will captivate your interests and your cameras. After Zion National Park and visiting the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, there will be four days beside Lake Powell enjoying a boat trip on the lake, a Colorado River raft float trip, and a walk through a photogenic slot canyon. Our final stops will take us back into New Mexico to explore Gallup, and then the finale at the Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque – where there will be a chance to ride in a hot air balloon!

Don't forget your America the Beautiful Senior passes (formerly the Golden Age Pass) (to save you money in the National Parks) and your National Park Passport book for stamps! We will be visiting Mesa Verde, Arches, Canyonlands, Capitol Reef, Bryce Canyon, Zion, and the Grand Canyon North Rim.

Come prepared to have fun with your fellow caravanners!

### Viking Trail – (Standby Only) 52 Nights 17 Stops

Dates: Mid July – early September 2019

Leaders: Murray and Pat Leggatt #11489

Email: [ps67.fcas@gmail.com](mailto:ps67.fcas@gmail.com)

Kitty Fee w/2: \$7000 Canadian Dollars w/1: \$6300 Canadian Dollars Guest: \$1000 Canadian Dollars

Deposit: \$500 Canadian Dollars

All payments to be made in Canadian dollars.

Payment Date: 1st deposit - once caravan position offered, 2nd due about Nov 1, 2018

Date Balance Due: about Feb 1, 2019

Cancellation Fee: \$50 Canadian Dollars, Leaders' discretion after Jan 1, 2019

The Newfoundland caravan is starting just over the Maine border, at St Andrews by the Sea, and then will work its way to the Cape Breton ferry to spend approximately 45 days in Newfoundland. See the tidal bore,





a Bay of Fundy phenomenon and visit the first settlements inhabited by Europeans in North America while immersing yourself in a culture which developed isolated because of its rugged terrain. Our focus will be on enjoying the wonderful people who live on the island and all they have to offer.

Unique geologic features abound as well as puffins, moose, and salmon jumping in unspoiled nature. Kiss a cod! Plan on lots of good food and music from the communities we visit.

Trips include whale, iceberg and fjord boat tours, visiting a Viking village, zip lining over falls, and seeing historic sites that capture this island's stories. You will feel you've gone back to a better time. Make the trip yours with opportunities for breathtaking hikes and beach combing, cod and salmon fishing opportunities, day trips to Labrador and Fogo Island. So much to see and we will do our best to make it amazing! Get away from it all and join us. We would love to have you!

Note: Your rig should be in good working order and equipped to handle Airstreaming travel maintenance in more remote areas. Although we will plan most stops for hookups, be prepared to manage without for a few days. 50 amp is not always available. You may appreciate having a CB, warm clothes, binoculars to see the whales and dolphins and if you enjoy fishing, think about bringing your equipment. Be prepared to get wet, walk and drive in rugged terrain, and check websites for typical weather so you can plan accordingly.

Do not be put off by the Standby Only note. People drop out for various reasons and those on the standby list might be able to get in on the fun! Standby lists alert the caravan committee that many people are interested in taking that particular caravan. Plans then can be formulated to accommodate interested Airstreamers in the future!

## Classic Airstream Club

Pat Shaw, President

At the time of this writing, the CAC website was still "Under Construction". Be patient; it will be completed soon. Remember, if you own a classic-styled, iconic aluminum Airstream trailer, YOU may be a member of CAC. This includes all sizes and models from a Bambi to a 34 footer. Membership fee is only \$10. Applications will soon be available on the website.

Happy Thanksgiving! We are now in full swing of our fall season, and many of us are sadly tucking our Airstreams away until next spring. But... here's the good news. This is the perfect time to begin thinking and planning a CAC caravan. Ten to twelve day caravans are in demand. Perhaps you have some interesting sites to visit in your area that we would enjoy touring. Or, you might have an exciting festival nearby filled with adventure for us to experience. If you are considering a caravan in the future, please let me know ([theshaws1@gmail.com](mailto:theshaws1@gmail.com)).

CAC wishes you a Happy Thanksgiving filled with joy.





# Airstreams on Mainstreet

**Havana, Florida  
April 4 - 7, 2019**

Jay Thompson

## What's Happening?

Downtown Havana will be open for Airstream parking. At this boondocking rally, generators are permitted 7:30 AM-7:00 PM. Arrive with a full fresh water tank and empty grey and black tanks. There is no rally fee and parking is free. A full schedule of activities is planned. We want you to patronize the local restaurants for your meals. Havana Mainstreet and the merchants are providing rally entertainment and music.

## About Havana... Florida

Havana's historic downtown was built to service the Shade Tobacco industry that flourished from the late 1800's until 1970. Foreign competition soon dominated that industry and eventually Havana's shade tobacco era came to an end. Downtown became a ghost town with many closed storefronts, neglected and unoccupied buildings.

Beginning in the early 1980's, the downtown was revived with the advent of some young entrepreneurs that started up the antique business. Their success grew and with it many new businesses opened, including

restaurants, boutiques, galleries and furniture stores. For the next 25 years, the downtown area thrived. Then came the great recession of 2008 and, like much of the country, downtown Havana was dealt a devastating blow to its economy. Businesses closed, buildings were vacated and the luster of this beautiful small town was severely tarnished.

Fortunately, a small core of businesses survived and are now coming back. Havana Main Street was launched in May of 2017 to assist in the revitalization of the downtown area and preservation of the historic foundation that we inherited. Come visit. The feel of this historic town will enrapture you.

Meet the business owners. Almost all are family owned and operated. They know what personal service means. Wander around the many shops and restaurants residing in 50-100 year old buildings. It is like taking a step back in time. Hope to see you soon. (Taken from HavanaMainstreet.com)

Sign up soon as only 50-60 rigs will be accepted.

To register for the rally, copy and paste the following URL to your browser. Complete the registration form and click "Submit" to send it to Jay Thompson, rally registrar.

<https://form.jotform.com/81989177648176>





# REGION 1

J. Rick Cipot, Contributing Editor  
<http://region1.wbcci.net>

Yes, every year about this time we say "I can't believe how fast the year has gone". And then here we are, that time of year again. Now that we all have our year-end reports into Jackson Center, have our officers in place and a good rally schedule in the works for next year, perhaps we should give thanks for another great year of traveling, camping and good times with all of our Airstream Club friends. I know that Sandi and I had a great year with our club and Oz even made a few new friends along the way.

How does this all work? How is it that year after year we have great events to attend, new friends to be made and adventures around each corner? How is it that we can travel five hundred miles with twenty fellow Airstream owners, not get lost, have a wonderful place to camp for the night and feed our brains and our tummies at the same time? How is it that we can gather with folks from all four corners, coast to coast, border to border and all have so much in common? The answer is quite easy, WBCCI Airstream Club. If it were not for our wonderful club, imagine where you would be. Imagine all the places you would not have seen. Imagine all of the wonderful people you would not have met. What if Wally decided to focus on food trucks and not camping trailers? Hey, don't get me wrong, I love to cook and eat but not for a line of strangers banging on my window on some sidewalk. So, how does this all work?

First and foremost, a gathering of likeminded individuals who have an interest in travel, adventure and friendship is how it all starts. Of course the common denominator is the aluminum, our wonderful Airstreams. The bond grows a little more each time we gather as we find the adventure down the road is always better when you share it with others. An additional ingredient to the success of our club is the common need for knowing how to fix things. I learned early on, if you see someone with a tool box follow them. My thirst for knowledge about our wonderful Airstreams started well before we purchased one and not a year goes by when I don't expand that knowledge. Twenty years ago I could care less how many amps you might be able to squeeze out of a flexible solar collector. Back then a pig tail was something you found on a pig and a tongue was something in the butchers cooler that I had no interest in. Not today! Then there is the almighty Happy Hour – the perfect forum for exchanging repair stories, upgrades, woes and quick fixes. And yes, the exchange of recipes for that delightful salmon dip Betty placed on the table.

Now, what does all of this wonderful reflection have to do with our club? Everything. Without our club none of the before mentioned would ever happen, it is that simple. So how does our club work? With volunteers. Without rally hosts, caravan leaders and club officers I would probably be

reading a book or watching the evening news right now. What would you be doing right now if you were not a member of the Airstream Club? With so much to offer and with so many taking advantage of all the wonderful things our club offers why is it that we have a lack of members in many regions to fill the officer positions of our clubs? Speaking as someone who knows, there is no pain, nothing embarrassing, doesn't really cost you anything, nothing damaging to your character, and really not too much different from what you are already doing in your club, having a good time. What it comes right down to is that without our officers we have no club.

The very first section of the Blue Beret I go to when it is published is the new member section. First I count the number of pages and then I actually read each one. More than once I have come across someone I had met along the way. How exciting. Possibly someone who stopped me at a campground to ask about Airstreams or someone whose path I crossed at Camping World. I do remember a family I chatted with at a gas station a few years back; I gave them a few Airstream Life magazines and we exchanged cards. They are now Airstream owners and belong to a club outside of our region and we are looking forward to seeing them at International some year. Yes, all because we belong to the WBCCI Airstream Club.

I always fly my Past President Flag because I am proud to have served our club and I continue to do so. Sandi and I always ready for the next Airstream adventure and all the fun we have along the way. I am happy that I became involved and rose through the ranks of our club. I learned a bit along the way and made a difference as each and every volunteer does. That is what keeps our clubs going year to year, volunteers. No you are not filling sandbags or knocking on doors, your offering to give a little bit of your time to the club you love and enjoy so much. It's quite simple, raise your hand and become the person who wants to give a little back in return for all of the great adventures we have shared so far and for all of those that we are going to create tomorrow.

# REGION 2

Debbie Hammer, Contributing Editor  
<http://region2.wbcci.net>

Welcome to November! This time of year is the unofficial end of the trailering season for most of us in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic states.

In September Mark and I returned from the first run of the New York (State) State of Mind Caravan, the first caravan in a long while to focus solely on and be held solely in Region 2. It was very interesting researching the places to visit and reliving our early memories of traveling around New York State. And what fun it has been and what wonderful people we have



met when we were on the caravan itself. Twenty five days seemed way too short to see all that NYS has to offer!

When we see folks on other caravans, we are sure that they are not doing the things we are doing and they are certainly not doing it for such a wonderful price. Airstream Caravans are a great financial value as well – compared to other caravans. As we voice our thanks for many things this Thanksgiving, let's remember the excellent caravans that are the heart of the Airstream experience.

And let's also remember that Region 2 does not have anyone in the Presidential "pipeline" after Rich Short assumes the presidency in July of 2019. If no one volunteers, the Region runs the risk of being absorbed into another Region.

No one wants this to happen! But it can and it will!

So please, after you read this article, sit for a moment and ask yourself if you can rise to the occasion – if you can be part of the solution.

## REGION 3

Joan Anderson, Contributing Editor  
<http://region3.wbcci.net>

If you are really thankful, what do you do? You share!

W. Clement Stone, philanthropist

As November and Thanksgiving approach, it is time to reflect on those blessings that we are most grateful for: our family and friends, our homes and neighbors, our town and our country. As Airstreamers, we are grateful for our Airstream friends, our units, our region and WBAC (Wally Byam Airstream Club) and all the joys that they bring into our camping experiences – rallies, caravans, courtesy parking, bloggers and Internet pages!

As members of Region 3, we can be grateful for many Airstream friendly parks that are relatively close to home and have attractive parking rates for Airstreamers!

Florida – Land Yacht Harbor, Melbourne, FL

Mystic Springs Cove Park, McDavid, FL

Paradise Park, Punta Gorda, FL

Georgia – Top of Georgia Airstream Park, Helen, GA

Tennessee – Tennessee Cumberland Plateau Campground, Crossville, TN

Virginia – Virginia Highland Haven Airstream Park, Copper Hill, VA

These Region 3 Airstreamers are thankful for Airstream friendly parks and would like to share their thoughts:

William and Betty Patton (Virginia): Smith Mountain Lake, VA; Claytor Lake, VA; Paradise Park, Punta Gorda, FL; Cool Breeze Campground, Galax, VA

Tim Johnson (Georgia): Top of Georgia, GA; Mystic Springs, Pensacola, FL; Land Yacht Harbor, Melbourne, FL

Jan Werner (Florida Treasure Coast): Top of Georgia, GA

Gene and Sarah Patch (Florida Airstream Club): The only one we have stayed in thus far is Top of Georgia. We stayed there the second day after purchasing the Airstream and we loved it. Went back a month later for a second visit.

Babs Kall (Georgia): Top of Georgia, GA; Highland Haven, VA

George D. James III (Western North Carolina): Top of Georgia, GA; Palmetto Cove (prior to 2017), SC; Paradise Park, FL

Anne Seslar (Carolinas Unit of North Carolina): Highland Haven, VA

## REGION 4

Susan Stigleman, Contributing Editor  
<http://region4.wbcci.net>

In Region 4's neck of the woods, we have installed our new officers and we're looking forward to all that the upcoming year has to offer. New Unit Presidents make certain you have filled out and returned the New Officers Reporting Form and send in your Activities Schedule so it may be included in the Blue Beret. Once again thank you to all that have volunteered to be unit officers.

Our silver beauties are preparing for a long winter's nap here in Region 4. Or perhaps you are planning to escape the cold and explore warmer and sunnier spots. You may want to consider the Mid-Winter IBT, in Robertsedale, Alabama on January 21-25, 2019.

Have you signed up for the Region 4 Rally? You will want to soon, sites are limited. "Lake Erie Shores and More" will be held in Oak Harbor, Ohio at the Ottawa County Fairgrounds May 15-19, 2019. Contact Don Hetzler [pophetzler@hotmail.com](mailto:pophetzler@hotmail.com) or visit [www.region4.wbcci.net](http://www.region4.wbcci.net) for more details and to sign up. We hope to see you there.

Your Region 4 Officers would like to wish the members a season of joy-filled moments!



Until next time, safe travels!

Save the Date:

January 21-25, 2019 Mid-Winter IBT Robertsedale, AL

May 15-19, 2019 Region 4 Rally Oak Harbor, OH

July 20-27, 2019 International Rally Doswell, VA

## REGION 5

Bob Whitesell, Contributing Editor  
<http://region5.wbcci.net>

### Report from the President

Greetings to all members of Region 5 and hope you are all enjoying the fall weather. We just returned home to a rainy Chicago last night after spending the last 6 days in beautiful and sunny Springfield, Illinois. This was the location for our Region 5 Rally. We camped in very nice sites at the Illinois State Fairgrounds. Though attendance was somewhat low, we had a fantastic Rally. The attractions in and around Springfield that most of us visited included: The Lincoln Museum and Library, Lincoln's tomb, The Illinois State Museum, The Old Capital, The New Capital, The Supreme Court House, Frank Lloyd Wrights' Dana Thomas Home, Salem Sites, The Illinois Military Museum and many others. The weather was perfect, warm sunny days and cool nights. We enjoyed daily Happy Hours and made good use of our large club grill. Chris and Nancy Seplak handled the flag/opening ceremony on Wednesday afternoon followed by an ice cream social. Our annual business meeting was held at Maldener's Restaurant Saturday night and was attended by all members. Overall, the Rally was a great time. The 2019 Region 5 Rally will be held September 18-22, so put it on your calendar. The location will be announced at a later date.

Get out there and enjoy the rest of your unit activities. The Northern Illinois unit only has one event left for this year and then it will be time to winterize the rig.

I am still looking for volunteers for Region 5. Specifically we need a 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and a newsletter editor so please contact me if this is a position you would consider. Remember that this club is run by volunteers and we need your help to keep things running smoothly.

Thanks all and keep safe.

Bob and Sandy

## REGION 6

Mark Magie, Contributing Editor  
<http://region6.wbcci.net>

The members of Region 6 are keeping the WBCCI family on the East Coast, and the Region 3 area, in our thoughts and prayers as they clean up from damage caused by high winds and rains from Hurricane Florence, and put their lives back in order.

The Region 6 Rally in Lebanon, TN last month was "Fall Fun in Lebanon" and it lived up to its name! Tours during the rally included the Hermitage, Belle Meade Mansion, Belmont Mansion and the Country Music Hall of Fame. Those attending were entertained by a repeat performance from ventriloquist David Turner and his troupe of dummies including Tad Short, and recording artist Johnny Carver who originally recorded "Yellow Ribbon" and had five top ten songs and 36-charted singles. The 2019 Region 6 Rally is October 10-14 in Muscle Shoals, AL.

For many Region 6 members, November is a favorite camping time because of the beautiful autumn colors and cool temperatures. For others, it is a time to begin winterizing their rigs. Thoughts of Christmas approaching and club and unit holiday gatherings fill our minds. Many units will be gathering to exchange gifts or donate to needy elderly and children, and those in hospitals.

Also around the region, the Arkansas Razorback Airstream Club gathered at the Buffalo National River (the first river in the United States to receive a National designation) November 1-4 at Buffalo Point Campground. Dutch oven cooking was the focus at the rally.

The Louisiana Airstream Club members will hold their "Angels on the Bluff Rally" November 8-11 at Riverview RV Park in Vidalia, LA. Angels on the Bluff is an elaborate presentation at the Natchez City Cemetery with selected gravesites featured. The Club's final rally of 2018 will be a Christmas Rally, November 19-December 2, at Dellanera RV Park in Galveston, TX.

The Mississippi Airstream Club will hold its Christmas Rally, November 28-December 1 at the Central Hills Baptist Assembly in West, MS.

The Nashville Music City Airstream Club will hold its "Fun in the Fall Rally" November 16-18 at Montgomery Bell State Park in Burns, TN.

Safe travels during the upcoming holidays.



## REGION 7

Don Thomson, Contributing Editor  
<http://region7.wbcci.net>

Good morning Region 7 Airstreamers and all. Region 7 just completed the Heritage Days Rally in West Fargo, ND. It was a great history lesson on the early agriculture of the Red River Valley of the North. The rally reports were good.

Now on to the next big event in Region 7. Folkorama 2019 to be held in Winnipeg Manitoba Canada August 6- 13, 2019. This is subject to change but seems real firm. You will have time for a nice trip from the International in Virginia, past the great lakes to Winnipeg. Time to get your passports out and dust them off. It is the only WBCCI Special Event Rally to be held in Canada in 2019. This is a really big deal in Canada as it is the 50th Anniversary of this event. Folkorama is the largest folk festival held in Canada. Folkorama extends over a 2 week period where well over 40 different ethnic groups display their ethnic history. They have over 20 venues presented the first week, change over the weekend, and over 20 different venues present the second week. It does not matter what your ethnic background is there is sure to be a venue for you. We expect to see 3 shows the first week and 3 different shows the second week. We get let off at the door and go right in and sit down - no long lines. The pass we get for you will allow you to go to as many additional presentations as you desire. The presenters take a few days off and immediately start to get ready for next year. These are really class acts. We have been informed that this event is getting lots of press in Canada and often sells out early.

We are now off to the Minnesota and Wisconsin installation rallies. We also have a couple of gallons of RV antifreeze real handy. Where did summer go. As always - be safe.

## REGION 8

Beth McCall, Contributing Editor  
<http://region8.wbcci.net>

Well, here we are again - at that time of the year where some of us are winterizing our rigs for storage, and some of us are planning our routes to go south. Here in the central plains, the Farmers' Almanac predicts one lousy winter. Gosh, I can hardly wait.

Our fall rallies are over; new officers have been installed and unit goals have been made for the new year. I'm sure we will see more unit name changes come up at the Mid-Winter IBT. Three of the Region 8 units did

that last year and more changes are in the works for this year. It's great to see these changes throughout the club. I think new Airstream owners are able to determine which unit they want to belong to when the name of the unit reflects more precisely its location.

We thank all of those members who have stepped forward and volunteered to be an officer or committee chairman or webmaster or a host for a luncheon or a rally. Let's support these good folks by our attendance and participation in the upcoming activities.

As for your region presidency, the winter months are just as busy as the rest of the year, as they plan the spring rally. The Region 8 "A Capital Experience" will be in Topeka, Kansas, at the end of April. Many tours of the area are being planned, including a guided tour of the newly refurbished Capitol Building. Museums of all kinds are on the agenda; from Brown vs The Board of Education to Evel Knievel! Of course, good food and fun times are always on the agenda. There will be much more information available in the next couple months. Hope to see you there!

Be safe and warm Region 8!

## REGION 9

Bill Kindle, Contributing Editor  
<http://region9.wbcci.net>

When you read this, most of our Region 9 units will have installed their new officers. All will have been installed in the next few weeks. It is good to see that most Region 9 units have a full slate of officers and planned activities for 2019.

The activity planning for our Region 9 rally is underway. Our rally is coming together and will be a lot of fun. Get your cowboy duds ready and plan to join us in Bandera. If I have not confirmed with you those that served as a rally chair for different events, I will contact you in the next few months.

I'm sure you know by now that our Region Membership Chair is leaving our Region. They will be moving to North Carolina to be closer to family. Rae has done a great job with our membership chair responsibilities. Dorma Kindle will fill in temporarily until we can find someone to take over this chair. Thanks Rae for your dedication to Region 9 and all the hats you and Ron have worn.

We are open to suggestions for the location of our Region 9 rally for 2020. It sounds like a long way off but time goes by quickly any more, and 2020 needs to be announced during the 2019 region rally. I am looking for an area that has an activity going on that would supplement our region rally activities. Let me know if you have any suggestions.



I hope to visit several unit rallies during the next year. It is interesting to see each unit's way of conducting a rally plus the campgrounds they are using. Camping areas run from National Grasslands with few if any hookups to urban camping in the case of our Texas Country Air Rally. We are fortunate that for the most part we have year round camping in Texas.

That's all I have for now. See you down the road.

## REGION 10

Carol Ortiz, Contributing Editor  
<http://region10.wbcci.net>

Well, the beautiful Northwest summer has come to an end. It is definitely fall. The rains have begun and the leaves are turning colors. However, as I am writing this, the news is full of the rains as a part of Hurricane Florence. Our hearts go out to all those experiencing the flooding and horrible damage. We have nothing to complain about. In fact November is the month of the USA Thanksgiving. Indeed, there is much for which we can be thankful.

Region 10 Units are beginning to think about winterizing or escaping to the south (Southern CA, Arizona and our Treasurer goes to Texas). Montana and Alberta/Saskatchewan have had their last rally for the year. They are looking forward to a winter luncheon, if the snow doesn't interfere.

Idaho members will meet on November 10 for their Harvest Dinner. It will be held at Louie's Pizza & Italian Restaurant at 6 PM in Meridian, ID. The Usselmans and Settles are the co-hosts. I just have one question for them: How do you harvest pizzas?

Except for Breakfast at Ricky's in South Surrey every Tuesday at 9 AM (check with Tom Akam if you plan to come), the British Columbia Airstream Club has finished their rallies for the year. However, several of their members plan to caravan to Mexico, leaving January 18 and not returning until March 20. Caravan leaders are Michel & Ellen Bourassa. Wow, does their itinerary sound fun and they will really be going south!

The Oregon Airstream Club has finished their rallies for the year, however, you can meet for breakfast on the first Saturday of each month at the Old Market Pub & Brewery in Portland at 9 AM. Bill Leppo is the host.

Finally, the Washington Unit is planning a Thanksgiving dinner on November 17 and a Christmas Rally, December 14-15. Both will be held at the Washington Land Yacht Harbor. In January, date and place TBD, the members will be enjoying a winter luncheon. Stay tuned to the Unit newsletter for details.

Well, that is a wrap for Region 10, except to say, that I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner and that December will have lots of Holiday cheer with families (including your Airstream family!) Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah!

## REGION 11

Robert Doster, Contributing Editor  
<http://region11.wbcci.net>

The Denco Unit will be meeting at Cinzzetti's Reno Room in Northglenn, Colorado. Northglenn is on I-25 north of Denver.

The New Mexico Unit is having their Installation Rally on November 8-11 at the Coronado Campground near Bernalillo. It is located just fifteen miles north of Albuquerque on highway 550. The campsite edges the Rio Grande on the west with views of the Sandia Mountains on the east. Numerous historical and geologic attractions are in this unique area. All region 11 Units are welcome to come camping and enjoy a special area that many have passed on their way to some other destination.

On November 21-25, the Four Corners Unit is hosting a Buddy Rally in the Caballo Lake State Park. This campground along the Rio Grand River has a covered main shelter with power and mini shelters with 30amp power and water throughout the campground. Located near Truth or Consequences on US 25, the site provides stunning views, great camping accommodations and easy access.

On the same date as the Four Corners Unit Caballo Lake Rally in New Mexico, the Four Corners Unit is having a Rally in Arizona at the Riverside Lake Pleasant Regional Park in the Coyote Group Area. While the Rally is limited to 15 rigs, it is a great place to celebrate Thanksgiving on the shore of Lake Pleasant. It is located a few miles west of I-17 and north of Phoenix. Bring bikes, kayaks, fishing poles and sides for the turkey feast.

## REGION 12

Robert Stansbury, Contributing Editor  
<http://region12.wbcci.net>

Hello, California and Nevada Airstreamers. Well it's November and I hope you have all renewed your membership and are looking forward to all the activities that will take place in 2019.

By now, all the clubs in WBCCI should have elected your new slate of officers for next year. The Officer Reporting Form should have been sent



in to the Central Office. If you have any questions about this information, check with your club president.

December 15 is the deadline for all clubs to report what activities will be held in the next year. This is so the information for your club will be accurate as it appears in the Blue Beret magazine over the upcoming year. The way WBCCI functions as an organization is valuable for all of us to know, as we may find ourselves in a leadership role sometime in the future.

Elections for your Region Officers will be held in the beginning months of 2019 and whoever is elected will be installed at the International Rally in Virginia. Anyone can run for President, 1<sup>st</sup> VP or 2<sup>nd</sup> VP of the region. These offices currently have a time period of 2 years each. I certainly enjoyed my tenure as President. Our Region had a big impact on WBCCI during that period.

Let's keep our three marquee events in mind that R12 sponsors. The Rose Parade Rally that is held every year in December. The Region Rally held every year in October. The next Cali Rally will be held in the Spring of 2020. I hope to see you at all these events as we travel down the road.

## EUROPE

Ian Jamieson, Contributing Editor  
<http://europe.wbcci.net>

Things are cooling off now and we hear less of members travelling around Europe. Children are back at school but there are still weekend trips being taken to enjoy the autumn (fall) landscapes.

The rally in the north of England organized by one of the new dealerships was well attended by members and the connections between the English dealers and WBCCI Europe looks set to develop further.

Work is ongoing to set dates for the 2019 rallies and it is hoped we will see more next year, see them happening in more countries and create more arrangements to help US/Canadian members attend. We have yet to see rallies in the Netherlands, Norway, Belgium and Italy to name a few possibilities. Rallies don't happen by magic or even activity by board members. Each has its organiser so we are inviting more members to look at the possibilities in their country. And, of course, as I write this, there is still time to meet up in 2018.

Member numbers continue to increase. Next year will be bigger than ever starting with our base of over 100 Airstreams.



## In Memoriam

The officers and members of Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. express their sympathy to the families and friends of these departed members.

Fowler, James (064-NH) .....	#10236
Hanson, Thomas (162-WV).....	#3423
McCarty, Darren (062-NE) .....	#3115
Longworth, Richard (041-IN) .....	#16744
Nixon, Cynthia (150-SC).....	#19480
Penrod, Bob (049-KY).....	#10201
Rose, Jean (000-FL).....	#2158
Selle, Richard (038-IL) .....	#4321





# From the Vice President of Sales



**Lenny Razo**

Greetings from your extended family here in Jackson Center, OH! I hope everyone is ready for the holiday season to begin with family and friends.

We have been very busy again this month here in Ohio. The new production facility is definitely underway with a lot of dirt being moved. Although a lot of work has been done the last 60 days, we have run into a few delays due to some soil issues and dealing with more rain than we normally see in the fall. I hope to get some good pictures over the next few weeks to share with all of you of the progress. Even with the delays, there is still a lot of excitement building around the new facility.

We recently launched a new 25FB Globetrotter into the marketplace. After the release of the 27-foot Globetrotter Travel Trailer last year, one of the most common requests has been a smaller floor plan that maintains the Globetrotter's contemporary aesthetic.

With the same modern touches and European-inspired interiors, the new 25-foot Globetrotter answers that call. The Globetrotter's crisp modern lines, luxurious finishes, and a light-filled interior are still there - just in a smaller package.



Finally, we are excited to report record sales for the Pomona Show this past October. Our exclusive dealer did a great job on displaying and representing our Airstream brand at the show.

Each year around the holidays, I am reminded of the many blessings I have in both my personal and business life. The one thing I am so thankful for are great customers like each of you. The passion you each share for our brand and company is amazing and much appreciated. On behalf of 1000 hard working families here in Jackson Center, Ohio, I would like to thank you from the bottom of our collective hearts for your business. It means the absolute world to all of us and our families!

Happy Airstreaming -





Rick March, General Manager  
Customer Relations Group

Greetings! As I write this article in early October, I am sure a number of you have already finalized your travel plans to head south to warmer weather for the winter. Hopefully someday I will be included in this number but for now I have to stay here in Ohio and just hope for a mild winter.

I received an email recently (Thank You Mr. Jackson) asking me to cover the down and dirty topic of dump valves. What do I do when one of my valves always leak when I take the cap off? I will try to explain the process here.

### Dump Valves Leaking in the closed Position

The black and grey tank dump valves are blade style valves that require you to pull a handle to open the blade assembly and dump the specific tank. When closed the blade presses in to a rubber gasket sealing the contents in the tank. We hear from time to time from customers that when in the closed position and removing the seal cap, they always get a small puddle of liquid that spills out. In most cases the reason for this is that solids, debris, or toilet paper did not get completely cleaned out during the dump process. Then when they close the blade valve the debris gets forced into the gasket not allowing it to completely seal. This is why it is recommended to use your black tank flush every time you dump your tanks if your trailer is equipped.



Leaking Dump Valve Assembly

In most cases owners believe the valve itself is bad and needs replaced when this happens. The correct answer is the valves can be rebuilt rather than replacing them, meaning that you don't have to cut the PVC piping to rebuild them. It will take a little effort to cut a hole in the tank pan for access but once you have the access, it will be easier the next time the valves need attention. Follow the steps below to repair.

### Step 1

There are many different designs to the dump valves depending on the size of the trailer and the floor plan. I picked one of the more common types for the pictures I will share. The first step is to study the dump valve location and determine the correct spot to drill an access hole to get you started. Remember all tanks are set in the tank pan with ½ inch of foam insulation so you always have a space to drill but be careful not to go too far. With a small flashlight you can usually see into the cutout area around the dump valve handle to visually see the plumbing behind the tank pan (picture below). Once you have drilled your starting hole, you will need a good pair of tin snips to cut the entire access. What you are wanting to gain access to are the large hose clamps that are holding the plumbing into the tank. The access hole will usually measure about 2ft. X 2ft. to gain access to both the black and grey plumbing hose clamps. After the hose clamps are loosened, you can remove the black and grey dump valve pull handles and then remove the complete assembly out of the access hole you cut. This will allow you to rebuild the valves on a bench or table. Below is a picture of a typical tank and dump valve assembly so you can see the middle is the best place to start your access point.





Shine a flashlight in this area to see the dump valve plumbing



Thetford Valve



Valterra Valve



Typical Tank and Dump Valve Assembly Layout



Thetford Repair Package  
009872



Valterra Repair Package  
601607-101

Once you have the screws removed, the valve will come apart into two sections. You will need to remove all gaskets and clean thoroughly. Usually warm soapy water will work fine for cleaning.

Once it is clean you can install the new gaskets from your repair kit and reinstall the screws to put the valves back together.

## Step 2

Now that you have the plumbing assembly out from the trailer and on the bench, you will need to remove the screws that hold the valves together. Airstream has used two different styles of valves through the years, Thetford and Valterra. The easiest way to tell which style you have is by color. The Thetford valves are white and the Valterra is black. Thetford was the valve used on all Classic models while Valterra was used on Safari, Sport, and Flying Cloud. A few years ago Airstream switched completely to the Valterra brand. The Thetford repair kit works for both grey and black valves while Valterra makes a separate kit for each style of valve. Once you have determined which style of valve you have, make sure your gasket repair kit matches the brand. Below are pictures of the two styles of valves, screw removal points, and the repair kit for them.

## Step 3

Now you can reinstall the dump assembly back in to the tanks and tighten the hose clamps to keep them in place. When I reinstall the assembly I apply Adseal sealant (Part Number 365330-01) to the fitting before pressing it into the tank. Similar to the picture below. This will allow it to slide in to the tank area and keep liquids sealed in.





Sealant Applied to Fitting

Now it is time to make a patch to cover the access hole we cut in the tank pan at the beginning. I use sheet aluminum and make the patch one inch larger all the way around so I have plenty of room to fasten it in place. Pictured below. Use 3/8 inch sheet metal screws to fasten the patch to the tank pan.



Bottom View of Tank Pan with Patch

I would love to hear from you and if you have a suggestion or topic you would like to see covered in a future article or have a question, just drop me a line at [rmarch@airstream.com](mailto:rmarch@airstream.com).

Have a great month!



1965 Globetrotter belonging to Bette Crelly, #1735, and 1965 Safara belong to Shirley Bollinger & John Lopez, #3547, in the Santa Cruz Redwoods - submitted by Shirley Bollinger, #3547



Our 2003 Land Yacht motorhome at Rocky Point Resort on Upper Klamath Lake near Klamath Falls, Oregon - submitted by Linda Maddox, #7831



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## International Rally

2019  
Jan 21-25 IBT Rally, Robertsedale, Alabama  
Jul 20-27 2019 International Rally, Doswell, Virginia

## National / Special Event Rallies

Dec 28-  
Jan 1, 2019 Rose Parade Rally, Pasadena, CA  
Jan 3-6 Canopener 2019, Santa Rosa Beach, FL  
Apr 4-7 Airstreams on Mainstreet in Havana, FL  
Aug 4-10 Galax Old Fiddlers Convention, Galax, VA

## National Caravans

2019					
Mar 5-20	N-48-D	STANDBY ONLY Cajun Country - Leaders: Schwarz/Gardner Ph. 630-561-1703			
Mar 26-Apr 11	N-48-E	STANDBY ONLY Cajun Country - Leaders: Schwarz/Gardner Ph. 630-561-1703			
Apr 2-May 9	N-48-C	American Civil War - Part III, War in Virginia - Leaders: Spillman/Racavich Ph. 225-405-4057			
Apr 10-May 20	N-48-A	American Revolution - Southern Campaign - Leaders: Jones Ph. 703-780-6597			
Apr 25-May 15	N-48-G	Springtime in Kentucky - Leaders: Weisenberger Ph. 859-653-5519	Jul 10 - Aug 31	N-48-N	STANDBY ONLY Viking Trail - Leaders: Leggatt email: <a href="mailto:ps67.fcas@gmail.com">ps67.fcas@gmail.com</a>
May 21-Jun 14	N-48-K	STANDBY ONLY Taste of the Blue Ridge - Leaders: Combs Ph. 336-558-5532	Aug 20-Oct 8	N-48-F	Southwest Adventure - Leaders: Anderson/Montague Ph. 850-896-0567
May 22-Jun 15	N-48-J	Springtime in the Rockies - Leaders: Heist/Hewins Ph. 402-304-1843	Sep 7-21	N-48-P	Ores, Shores, Waters, and Lights - East - Leaders: DeLeeuw Ph. 517-250-5060
Jun 21-Jul 10	N-48-M	STANDBY ONLY Canadian Rocky Mountain - Leaders: Collinson Ph. 416-232-2882	Sep 26- est Oct 27	N-48-S	Sho-Me the Ozarks - Leaders: Garrett Ph. 417-293-2487
Jul 10-Aug 19	N-48-L	Nor' by Nor'East - Leaders: Lake Ph. 781-837-2539	Oct 1-Nov 2	N-48-O	Southeast Coast - Leaders: Bacon Ph. 423-775-4237





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## REGION 1 Activities

Region 1 Website: <http://region1.wbcci.net>

Cape Cod Massachusetts Airstream Club - [www.capecod.wbcci.net](http://www.capecod.wbcci.net)

Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club - <http://connecticut.wbcci.net>

Dec 2 Holiday Luncheon, Gelston House, East Haddam, CT, Joyce Rousseau 203-264-5372

New England Airstream Club - <http://newengland.wbcci.net>

Nov 2-4 Echo Lake Rally, Cannon Mtn, Franconia, NH, Duesel/Baillargeon 508-485-2087, email: [erduesel@verizon.net](mailto:erduesel@verizon.net)

Northeast Mountaineers Airstream Club - <http://nemountaineers.wbcci.net>

Quebec Canada Unit - <http://unitquebec.wbcci.net>

Nov 24 Holiday Brunch, Maman Fournier, 3125 Boulevard des recollets, Trois-Rivieres, QC, Helen Blais & Jean-Claude Chardola 450-472-6152 / 514-758-0668, email: [blais256@hotmail.com](mailto:blais256@hotmail.com)

## REGION 2 Activities

Region 2 Website: <http://region2.wbcci.net>

Al-Mon-O Pennsylvania Unit - <http://al-mon-o.wbcci.net>

Central Maryland Unit - <http://centralmarylandunit166.wbcci.net>

Central Pennsylvania Unit - <http://centralpenn.wbcci.net>

Delaware Valley New Jersey Unit - <http://dvnju.wbcci.net>

Delmarva Unit - <http://rehobothboardwalk.com/wbdelmarva>

Hudson-Mohawk New York Unit - <http://hudmo.wbcci.net>

Keystone Pennsylvania Unit - <http://keystone.wbcci.net>

Nov 3 Fall Luncheon Noon, Plumsteadville Inn, 5902 Easton Rd, Pipersville, PA, Barb Hillegass 610-573-8037, email: [guageguy2@gmail.com](mailto:guageguy2@gmail.com)  
Dec 15 Holiday Luncheon Noon, Spinnerstown Inn, 2195 Spinnerstown Rd, Spinnerstown, PA, Barb Hillegass 610-573-8037, email: [guageguy2@gmail.com](mailto:guageguy2@gmail.com)

Metropolitan New York Airstream Club - <http://metrony.covvo.com>

Mid-Atlantic Unit - <http://midatlantic.wbcci.net>

New Jersey Unit - <https://sites.google.com/site/njunitoriginal>

New York Finger Lakes Unit - <http://nyfingerlakes.wbcci.net>

Ontario Canada Unit - <http://ontarioairstream.wbcci.net>

Penn-Lehigh Unit - <http://penn-lehigh.wbcci.net>

Pennsylvania Unit - [www.pennsylvaniaunit.wbcci.net](http://www.pennsylvaniaunit.wbcci.net)

Washington DC Unit - <http://wdcu.wbcci.net>

Watchung New Jersey Airstream Club - [www.watchungunit.org](http://www.watchungunit.org)

Nov 11 Luncheon 11:30 AM, Chimney Rock Inn, 41 Rte 31N, Flemington, NJ, Michael Koczwar 609-915-9834, email: [alofus1989@gmail.com](mailto:alofus1989@gmail.com)  
Dec 8 Installation Luncheon 11:30 AM, Paulo's Bar & Rest, 2341 Plainfield Ave S, Plainfield, NJ, Steven Tancer 551-206-4521, email: [steventancer@gmail.com](mailto:steventancer@gmail.com)

## REGION 3 Activities

Region 3 Website: <http://region3.wbcci.net>

2019

Jan 3-6 Canopener 2019 Rally, Santa Rosa Beach, FL  
Apr 4-7 Airstreams on Mainstreet, Havana, FL  
Apr 24-28 Region 3 Rally, Marion, NC  
Aug 4-10 Galax Old Fiddlers Convention, Galax, VA

Big Bend Florida Airstream Club - <http://bigbendflorida.wbcci.net>

Nov 16-18 Installation Rally, Sugarmill RV Park, 4857 McMillan Rd, Ochlocknee, GA, Tom Beyer, email: [bucklake@hotmail.com](mailto:bucklake@hotmail.com)

Carolinas Unit of North Carolina - <http://carolinasncc.wbcci.net>

Nov 1-4 Myrtle Beach Rally, Ocean Lakes Family CG, 6001 S Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach, SC, Rocky Johnson 336-971-0971, email: [rjohnson153@triad.rr.com](mailto:rjohnson153@triad.rr.com)

Coastal Georgia Airstream Club - <http://coastalgeorgia.wbcci.net>

Florida Airstream Club - <http://floridaunit027.wbcci.net>

Nov 8-11 Rock Crusher Rally, Rock Crusher RV Park, 237 S Rock Crusher Rd, Crystal River, FL, Gerald or Meriam Reed 239-825-3620, email: [meriam@reeddesignbuild.com](mailto:meriam@reeddesignbuild.com)

Nov 28-Dec 2 Ft. Christmas Volunteer Rally, 1300 Fort Christmas Rd, Christmas, FL, Frank Carson 321-704-2568, email: [fc23343@aol.com](mailto:fc23343@aol.com)

Florida Springs Airstream Club - <http://floridasprings.wbcci.net>

Florida Suncoast Airstream Club - <http://suncoast.wbcci.net>

Florida Treasure Coast Airstream Club - <http://ftcu.wbcci.net>

Georgia Unit - <http://topofgeorgia.wbcci.net>

Northern Virginia Airstream Club - <http://northva.wbcci.net>

Nov 1-4 Oyster Festival Rally, 200 block of Waverly Rd, Urbanna, VA, Lew Brodsky 703-441-0122, email: [lbrodsky@cox.net](mailto:lbrodsky@cox.net)  
Dec 8 Holiday Get-together 1 PM, Jones Home, Alexandria, VA, Ed Jones 703-475-0573, email: [thunderhorse@yahoo.com](mailto:thunderhorse@yahoo.com)

Palmetto State Airstream Club - <http://palmettostate.wbcci.net>

Nov 9-11 Thanksgiving Rally, Palmetto Cove RV Park, 521 Table Rock Rd, Cleveland, SC, Bob Wilson 864-918-2430, email: [bobwilson616@gmail.com](mailto:bobwilson616@gmail.com)

Piedmont North Carolina Unit - <http://piedmontunit.wbcci.net>

Nov 8-11 Installation Rally, Raleigh Oaks RV Resort & Cottages, 527 US Hwy 701 S, Four Oaks, NC, Todd/Debbie Stroud 919-491-3905, email: [goodfoodlady@gmail.com](mailto:goodfoodlady@gmail.com)

Shenandoah Valley of Virginia Unit - <http://shenandoahvalleyofva.wbcci.net>



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#### South Carolina Coastal Unit - <http://sccu.wbcci.net>

- Nov 2-4 Back to Nature Rally, Tanner's Wigwam, Hemingway, SC, Parniece Dawson 843-259-1937, email: [dawsonpt@gmail.com](mailto:dawsonpt@gmail.com)  
 Dec 4-7 Pre-Christmas Rally, Huntington Beach SP, Murrel's Inlet, SC, Parniece Dawson 843-259-1937, email: [dawsonpt@gmail.com](mailto:dawsonpt@gmail.com)  
 Dec 7-9 Annual Christmas at the Beach Rally, Ocean Lakes CG, Myrtle Beach, SC, Parniece Dawson 843-259-1937, email: [dawsonpt@gmail.com](mailto:dawsonpt@gmail.com)

#### South Florida Airstream Club - <http://southflorida.wbcci.net>

- Jan 8-13 Experiencing the Mennonite Community Rally, Sarasota FG, 3000 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota, FL, Donna Laurie 954-798-2676, email: [donna@ajlaurie.com](mailto:donna@ajlaurie.com)

#### Southeastern Camping Unit - <http://secamping.wbcci.net>

- Nov 2-4 Big Pig Jig Rally, Georgia Veterans SP, 2459 US 280, Cordele, GA, Matt Hackney 706-830-8039, email: [mhackney7@comcast.net](mailto:mhackney7@comcast.net)  
 Dec 12-16 Jingle Farm Rally, Land-O-Lakes, FL, Lisa Forsyth 402-306-0497, email: [liforsyth2000@gmail.com](mailto:liforsyth2000@gmail.com)

#### Tidewater Virginia Unit - [www.tidewater.wbcci.net](http://www.tidewater.wbcci.net)

- Nov 1-4 Urbanna Oyster Festival, hosted by Northern VA Unit, Tom Carmichael 804-245-1710, email: [tomc@sportsimageinc.com](mailto:tomc@sportsimageinc.com)

#### Virginia Unit - <http://virginia.wbcci.net>

#### Western North Carolina Unit - <http://wncc.wbcci.net>

## REGION 4 Activities

Region 4 Website: <http://region4.wbcci.net>

- 2019  
 May 15-19 Region 4 Rally, Oak Harbor, OH

#### Akron Ohio Unit - <https://akronohio.wbcci.net>

- Nov 10 Thanksgiving Luncheon 11:30 AM, Santosuosos Pizza Pasta Vino, 3725 Medina Rd, Medina, OH, Glenn & Helen Patsch 330-721-9817, email: [p38lightning@zoominternet.net](mailto:p38lightning@zoominternet.net)  
 Dec 8 Christmas Luncheon 11:30 AM, RoseVilla Rest, 368 Portage Lakes Dr, Akron, OH, Gary & Pat Auman 330-696-8203, email: [jauman2346@aol.com](mailto:jauman2346@aol.com)

#### Appalachian Unit of West Virginia - <http://wv.wbcci.net>

#### Cincinnati Ohio Unit - <http://cincinnati.wbcci.net>

- Nov 3 Fall Harvest Brunch 10 AM, Golden Corral Rest, 3350 Village Dr, Middletown, OH, I-75, exit 32, Mark Kennedy 937-609-9415, email: [rmkennedy6@yahoo.com](mailto:rmkennedy6@yahoo.com)  
 Dec 9 Christmas Party 12:30 PM, Manor House Rest, Maple Knoll Village, 600 Maple Trace, Springdale, OH, Mark Kennedy 937-609-9415, email: [rmkennedy6@yahoo.com](mailto:rmkennedy6@yahoo.com)

#### Columbus Ohio Unit - email: [vicki5413@gmail.com](mailto:vicki5413@gmail.com)

#### Mahoning Valley Ohio Unit - [www.mvou.wbcci.net](http://www.mvou.wbcci.net)

- Nov 10 Luncheon 1 PM, Salsitas, 5495 Clarkins Dr, Youngstown, OH, .5 mi. N of Rt 46 exit from I-80/I-76, Bob & Eileen White, email: [bewhite@ameritech.net](mailto:bewhite@ameritech.net)  
 Dec 1 Luncheon 1 PM, Mary Yoder's Amish Kitchen, 14743 N State St, Middlefield, OH, approx 1 mi. N of center of Middlefield on Old State Rd (608), Dave & Nancy Brett, email: [dbrett@zoominternet.net](mailto:dbrett@zoominternet.net)

#### Miami Valley Unit of Ohio - <http://miamivalleyohio.wbcci.net>

- Nov 7 Breakfast 9 AM, Fairborn Family Diner & Rest, 419 N Broad St, Fairborn, OH, Dan Eagle 937-654-6582, email: [daneagle321@yahoo.com](mailto:daneagle321@yahoo.com)  
 Dec 5 Breakfast 9 AM, Fairborn Family Diner & Rest, 419 N Broad St, Fairborn, OH, Dan Eagle 937-654-6582, email: [daneagle321@yahoo.com](mailto:daneagle321@yahoo.com)

#### Mohican Valley Ohio Airstream Club - <http://mohicanvalleyohio.wbcci.net/>

#### Northern Ohio Virtual Airstream Unit - <https://sites.google.com/view/campnova>

#### Southeastern Michigan Airstream Club - <http://metrodetroitunit137.wbcci.net>

#### The Western Reserve Camping Unit - [www.westernreserve.wbcci.net](http://www.westernreserve.wbcci.net)

## REGION 5 Activities

Region 5 Website: <http://region5.wbcci.net>

#### Central Indiana Airstream Club - [www.centralind.wbcci.net](http://www.centralind.wbcci.net)

- Nov 3 Luncheon 11 AM, MCL Township Line, 2370 W 86th St, Indianapolis, IN, Chris Dillow 770-713-7060, email: [cdillow@me.com](mailto:cdillow@me.com)  
 Dec 1 Luncheon 11 AM, MCL Township Line, 2370 W 86th St, Indianapolis, IN, Chris Dillow 770-713-7060, email: [cdillow@me.com](mailto:cdillow@me.com)

#### Indiana Airstream Club - <http://indiana.wbcci.net>

- 1st Mon each month except December: Dinner 5 PM, Ponderosa Rest., 5009 S Scatterfield Rd., Anderson, IN, Richard Parrish 765-378-7560, email: [rparrish1932@icloud.com](mailto:rparrish1932@icloud.com)  
 1st Thurs each month except December: Dinner 6 PM, Sara's Family Rest., 5792 Coventry Ln, Fort Wayne, IN, Chris Seplak 260-409-4750, email: [mama.pyrobear21@gmail.com](mailto:mama.pyrobear21@gmail.com)

#### Kentucky Airstream Club - <http://kentucky.wbcci.net>

- Dec 8 Christmas Banquet 12:30 PM, Woodford Inn, 140 Park St, Versailles, KY, David Peyton 606-495-7238, email: [dpeyton@mrtc.com](mailto:dpeyton@mrtc.com)

#### Northern Illinois Airstream Club - <http://northernillinois.wbcci.net>

#### Southern Indiana Unit - <http://southind.wbcci.net>

#### WBCCI Illinois Lincolnland Airstream Club - <http://lincolnland.wbcci.net>

## REGION 6 Activities

Region 6 Website: <http://region6.wbcci.net>

#### Alabama Unit - <http://alabama.wbcci.net/>

- 2nd Mon each month: Dinner 6 PM, Montgomery, AL area, call for directions, Paul Aehnlich 334-277-9647, email: [pca2@charter.net](mailto:pca2@charter.net)  
 TBA each month: Luncheon North Alabama, Andrea Patterson 256-679-7039, email: [andreasnote@knology.net](mailto:andreasnote@knology.net)  
 TBA each month: Birmingham area luncheon/dinner, John Burton 205-631-2895, email: [jburtan1601@gmail.com](mailto:jburtan1601@gmail.com)



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#### Arkansas Razorback Airstream Club - <http://arkansasrazorback.wbcci.net/>

Nov 8-11 Buffalo River Rally, Buffalo Point CG, Yellville, AR, Jason Landrum, email: [jdlandrum@mac.com](mailto:jdlandrum@mac.com)

#### East Tennessee Airstream Club - <http://airetn.org>

Nov 10 Luncheon Noon, Sullivans Fine Foods, 7545 S Northshore Dr, Knoxville, TN, Nancy Moschler 865-622-3709, email: [nancymoschler@comcast.net](mailto:nancymoschler@comcast.net)

#### Greater New Orleans Airstream Club - <http://gnola.wbcci.net/>

#### Louisiana Airstream Club - <http://louisiana.wbcci.net/>

Nov 8-11 Angels on the Bluff Rally, Natchez City Cemetery, Riverview RV Park 318-336-1400, 100 Riverview Pkwy, Vidalia, LA, Billy Guidry, email: [billygb@hotmail.com](mailto:billygb@hotmail.com)

Nov 29-Dec 1 Dickens Christmas Rally, Dellanera RV Park, 409-797-5102, 10901 Termini-San Luis Pass Rd, Galveston, TX, Diane Morrill 225-328-4721 / Gerald Peltier 504-388-5537

#### Mississippi Airstream Club - <http://mississippiairstream.wbcci.net>

Nov 28-Dec 1 Christmas Rally, Central Hills Baptist Retreat, 6377 Attala Rd 4227, West, MS, J.C. Prather 662-210-0458, email: [mspa3@netscape.net](mailto:mspa3@netscape.net)

#### Music City Airstream Club - <http://nashville.wbcci.net/>

#### Pensacola Florida Unit - <http://pensacolaflorida.wbcci.net/>

#### Tennessee Unit - <http://tennessee.wbcci.net>

#### West Tennessee Airstream Club - <http://memphis.wbcci.net>

Nov 9-11 Fall Thanksgiving Rally, Hernando Point CG, Hernando, MS, take I-55 (MS) to exit 271/MS 306 W, turn R onto Hwy 51 N, go 3 mi., turn L at Wheeler Rd, go about 5 mi. following signs to CG, Jessie & Cathy Vest 901-337-3733, email: [vestcathy@gmail.com](mailto:vestcathy@gmail.com)

## REGION 7 Activities

Region 7 Website: <http://region7.wbcci.net>

#### Minnesota Airstream Club - <http://minnesota.wbcci.net>

#### North Dakota Peace Garden Unit - [www.nodak.wbcci.net](http://www.nodak.wbcci.net)

#### Wisconsin Unit - <http://wisc.wbcci.net>

Nov 2-4 Birthday Bash & Luncheon, Potawatomi SP, Door County, WI, Ed & Sandy Emerick, email: [edward.emerick@gmail.com](mailto:edward.emerick@gmail.com) / [semerick4425@gmail.com](mailto:semerick4425@gmail.com)

## REGION 8 Activities

Region 8 Website:

<http://region8.wbcci.net>

#### Greater St. Louis Airstream Club - <http://gslunit.wbcci.net>

Dec 1 Gift of Giving Holiday Luncheon 11:30 AM (bring a wrapped child's toy), Sybill's Rest, 1100 N Jefferson, St. James, MO, Jane Elgin Bartlett 573-578-0435, email: [elginmj@gmail.com](mailto:elginmj@gmail.com)

#### Iowa Unit - <http://iowaunit.wbcci.net>

Nov-Apr 1st Thurs each month: Brunch 10:30 AM, Golden Corral Rest., 1868 N. Power Rd., Mesa, AZ, Doris Jean Cabalka 480-216-8096, email: [cdjcabalka@juno.com](mailto:cdjcabalka@juno.com)

#### Kansas City Missouri Unit - <http://kansascityunit.wbcci.net>

Nov 3 Luncheon 11:30 AM, Olive Garden, 6750 W 95th St, Overland Park, KS, Anna Janesko 816-820-3071, email: [66204annajean@gmail.com](mailto:66204annajean@gmail.com)  
Dec 1 Christmas Luncheon 11:30 AM, June's Northland, 614 Pottawatomie St, Leavenworth, KS, Debra Doll 913-219-4317, email: [dpdoll01@att.net](mailto:dpdoll01@att.net)

#### Missouri Greater Ozark Unit - <http://mogreaterozarkunit.wbcci.net>

Dec 1 Christmas Luncheon 11 AM, Pitch Pizza & Pub, 2924 E Sunshine St, Springfield, MO (Southern Hills Shopping Center), Joyce Allen 417-499-8097, email: [mijo151740@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mijo151740@sbcglobal.net)

#### Nebraska Airstream Club - <http://nebraskaunit.wbcci.net>

2nd Mon each month: Luncheon 11:45 AM, Parker's Smokehouse, 16880 Hwy. 6, Ashland, NE, corner of Hwy 6 & 63, James Wright 402-419-1112, email: [james@justwrightsharpening.com](mailto:james@justwrightsharpening.com)

#### North Iowa Airstream Club - <http://northiowaunit.wbcci.net>

Dec 1 Luncheon 11:30 AM, St. Ave Cafe, 1312 S Story St, Boone, IA, Fred Marcalus 515-310-2816, email: [marcrxia@globalccs.net](mailto:marcrxia@globalccs.net)

## REGION 9 Activities

Region 9 Website: <http://www.region9.wbcci.net>

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May 6-11 Region 9 Rally, Bandera, TX

#### East Texas Lakes Unit

Nov 2-4 Rally, Garner SP 830-232-6132, 234 R.R. 1050, Concan, TX, Isaac Holmes 214-592-3109

Dec 1 Luncheon 11:30 AM, El Conquistador Rest, 1516 Old Brandon Rd, Hillsboro, TX, Isaac Holmes 214-592-3109 / Wanda Sumner 254-221-0504

Dec 7-9 Christmas Rally, Tyler SP 903-597-5338, 789 Park Rd 16, Tyler, TX, decorate your RV - get one night free parking, Isaac Holmes 214-592-3109

#### Greater Houston Airstream Club - <http://GHAC155.wbcci.net>

Nov 8-11 Ready-Set-Gobble! Rally, Crockett Family Resort, 75 Dogwood Lane W, Crockett, TX, Jerry & Tracey Calvert 832-549-5042, email: [jerry.tracey.1933@gmail.com](mailto:jerry.tracey.1933@gmail.com)

Dec 6-9 Christmas & Officer Installation Rally, Coushatta Recreation Ranch, 812 Nelius Rd, Belleville, TX, Red & Nancy Childers 361-983-2937, email: [reds@tisd.net](mailto:reds@tisd.net)

#### Heart of Texas Camping Unit - <http://hotc.wbcci.net>

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#### North Texas Unit - <http://ntxu.wbcci.net>

Nov 8-11 Installation Rally, NTAC, Hillsboro, TX, Stephen Woodward 972-896-4592, email: [swood24078@aol.com](mailto:swood24078@aol.com)

Dec 8 Luncheon, Spring Creek BBQ, Burleson, TX, Stephen Woodward 972-896-4592, email: [swood24078@aol.com](mailto:swood24078@aol.com)

#### Oklahoma Unit - <http://oklahoma.wbcci.net>

Oct 10-14 Fall Oklaluma Rally, Sequoyah SP, 17131 Park 10, Choctaw CG, Hulbert, OK, Larry Walters, email: [walcous@gmail.com](mailto:walcous@gmail.com)



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#### Texas Alamo Unit - <http://texasalamo.wbcci.net>

Nov 21-25 Thanksgiving/Christmas Rally, Johnson Creek RV Resort & Park, 4279 Junction Hwy, Ingram, TX, Cathy Willis 210-744-4555, email: [capwillis@yahoo.com](mailto:capwillis@yahoo.com)

#### Texas Gulf Coast Unit - [www.texasairstreamharbor.com](http://www.texasairstreamharbor.com)

Nov 9-11 All American Rally, TAHI, 714 Angelina, Zavalla, TX, Pam Pearson 409-679-0220, email: [ppear1224@yahoo.com](mailto:ppear1224@yahoo.com)  
Dec 14-16 A New Slate Rally, TAHI, 714 Angelina, Zavalla, TX, Pam Pearson 409-679-0220, email: [ppear1224@yahoo.com](mailto:ppear1224@yahoo.com)

#### Texas Highland Lakes Unit - <http://thlu.org>

Nov 8-11 Installation Rally/Wie geht's? Alles gut!, Fredericksburg RV Park, Fredericksburg, TX [www.fbgrvpark.net](http://www.fbgrvpark.net), Ed Addicks 979-251-0602, email: [edward.addicks@gmail.com](mailto:edward.addicks@gmail.com)

#### Texas Hill Country Unit - <http://thcu.wbcci.net>

Nov 7-11 Thanksgiving/Installation Rally, Travelers World, 2617 Roosevelt Ave, San Antonio, TX, Shannon Wylie 210-323-1742, email: [shannonwylie248@hotmail.com](mailto:shannonwylie248@hotmail.com)

#### Texas Plains Airstream Club

<http://www.texasplains.wbcci.net>

1st Sat each month: TBA, Betty Jay Foley 806-687-5921, email: [bettyjayfoley@gmail.com](mailto:bettyjayfoley@gmail.com)  
1st Sat each month: Dinner 6 PM, El Patron Rest., 3401-I-40 W, Amarillo, TX, Dick Lanham 806-674-9849, email: [sdlanham@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sdlanham@sbcglobal.net)

Dec 8 Christmas Luncheon & Officer Installation, Saltgrass Steak House, 8300-140, Amarillo, TX, Jan Thompson 806-681-8270

## REGION 10 Activities

Region 10 Website: [www.region10.wbcci.net](http://www.region10.wbcci.net)

#### Alberta-Saskatchewan Unit - <http://albertasaskatchewan.wbcci.net>

#### British Columbia Airstream Club - [www.airstreambc.com](http://www.airstreambc.com)

Every Tuesday: Breakfast 9 AM, Ricky's Country Rest, 2160 King George Blvd, South Surrey, BC, Tom Akam 604-538-4149

Dec 2 Christmas Party, 5 PM, Pat Quinn's Rest., 5133 Springs Blvd, Tsawwassen, BC, J. Christenson 604-809-9321, J. Tuason 604-868-7551

Jan 12 Traveland Airstream Dealer Luncheon, 9 AM Exec Mtg, 11 AM Gen Mtg, Langley Bypass, Langley, BC, Tom Akam 604-538-4149

#### Idaho Airstream Club - <http://idahounit.wbcci.net>

#### Montana Airstream Club

<http://www.montanaairstreamclub.com>

#### Oregon Airstream Club - [www.oregonunit.wbcci.net](http://www.oregonunit.wbcci.net)

#### Washington Unit - <http://washingtonunit.wbcci.net>

Dec 14-16 Christmas Rally, WLYH, 9101 Steilacoom Rd S.E., Olympia, WA, Darlene Leslie 360-459-8749, email: [gar-dar@hotmail.com](mailto:gar-dar@hotmail.com)

## REGION 11 Activities

Region 11 Website: <http://region11.wbcci.net>

#### Arizona Airstream Club - <http://azairstream.com>

#### Denver Colorado Unit - [www.denco.wbcci.net](http://www.denco.wbcci.net)

Nov 10 Luncheon 11 AM, Cinzetti's Rest., 281 W 104th Ave, Northglenn, CO, Tamara Phalen 303-941-8701, email: [tam.phalen@gmail.com](mailto:tam.phalen@gmail.com)  
Dec 1 Luncheon 11 AM, Holiday Luncheon, Mt. Vernon Canyon Club, 24933 Club House Circle, Golden, CO, Shari Davis 303-733-2044, email: [shari@insideout-design.net](mailto:shari@insideout-design.net)

#### Four Corners Unit - <http://fourcornersunit.com/>

Nov 21-25 Thanksgiving Buddy Rally-NM Edition, Caballo Lake SP, NM-Riverside CG Group Site, East off I-25 (exit 63) S of Truth or Consequences, NM, Maria Beck & Lynn Eubank, email: [maria\\_l\\_beck@yahoo.com](mailto:maria_l_beck@yahoo.com)

Nov 21-25 Thanksgiving Buddy Rally-AZ Edition, Lake Pleasant of Maricopa Co Regional Parks, Coyote Camp Group Area (Dry Camping), Approx. 15 mi. W of I-10 on Rte 74, then N on North Castle Hot Springs Rd., Ken Johansen & Suzanne Duke, email: [kenjohansen@outlook.com](mailto:kenjohansen@outlook.com)

Dec 28-Jan 2 New Year's Rally, Picacho Peak SP, AZ, Quail Group Area (Dry Camping), W off I-10 near Eloy, AZ (between Phoenix & Tucson), Louis Hall & Sergio Quiros, email: [lhall15690@aol.com](mailto:lhall15690@aol.com)

#### New Mexico Unit - <http://newmexico.wbcci.net>

#### Utah's Wasatch Airstream Club - <http://utahwasatchairstreamclub.wbcci.net>

#### Wyoming Unit - <http://wyoming.wbcci.net>

## REGION 12 Activities

Region 12 Website: <http://region12.wbcci.net>

Dec 28-Jan 1, 2019 Annual Rose Parade Special Event Rally, Pasadena, CA  
Oct 9-13 Region 12 Rally, Bakersfield, CA

#### Central Coast California Unit - [www.centralcoastairstream.wbcci.net](http://www.centralcoastairstream.wbcci.net)

Nov 16-18 Chula Vista Rally, San Diego KOA, 111 N 2nd Ave, Chula Vista, CA, Jot & Linda Hollenbeck 310-544-1705, email: [pvjot@me.com](mailto:pvjot@me.com)

Dec 7-9 Pismo Sands Rally, Pismo Sands RV Park, 2220 Cienaga St, Oceano, CA, Judy & Walt Bremer 805-543-9633, email: [jbremmer@mac.com](mailto:jbremmer@mac.com)

#### El Camino Real Airstream Club - <http://elcaminoreal.wbcci.net>

Nov 14-17 Past Presidents Rally, Guajome Reg. Park, 3000 Guajome Lake Rd, Oceanside, CA, Mary Tico 760-518-3674, email: [mkaytico@gmail.com](mailto:mkaytico@gmail.com)  
Nov 28-Dec 1 Installation Rally, Palm Desert, CA, Kathy Green 760-525-1903, email: [tkgreen2@gmail.com](mailto:tkgreen2@gmail.com)

#### Golden West California Unit - <http://goldenwest.wbcci.net>

#### Greater Bay Area Airstream Club - <http://greaterbayarea.wbcci.net>

#### Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club

[www.greaterlosangelesairstreamclub.wbcci.net](http://www.greaterlosangelesairstreamclub.wbcci.net)



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**Lake Tahoe Airstream Club - <http://laketahoe.wbcci.net/>**

Nov 9-11 Rally, Jackson Rancheria RV Park, 12224 New York Ranch Rd, Jackson, CA, Kathy Hampel 925-640-0404, email: [mycashew2001@yahoo.com](mailto:mycashew2001@yahoo.com)

**Las Vegas Airstream Club - <http://nevada.wbcci.net>**

**Northern California Airstream Club - <http://norcal.wbcci.net>**

Nov 7-11 Buddy Rally, Sugar Barge RV Resort & Marina, Bethel Island, CA, Pat Lazzereschi 209-712-5884, email: [plazzereschi@gmail.com](mailto:plazzereschi@gmail.com)

Nov 28-Dec 2 Rally, Jackson Rancheria RV Park, Jackson, CA, Pat Lazzereschi 209-712-5884, email: [plazzereschi@gmail.com](mailto:plazzereschi@gmail.com)

**San Diego California Unit - [www.airstreamsandiego.com](http://www.airstreamsandiego.com)**

Nov 15-17 Rally, Pala Casino RV Resort, 11042 Hwy 76, Pala, CA, Daniel Smith 858-699-7803, email: [dipperhd@hotmail.com](mailto:dipperhd@hotmail.com)

Dec 7-8 Christmas/Induction Rally, Chula Vista RV Resort, 460 Sandpiper Way, Chula Vista, CA, Daniel Smith 858-699-7803, email: [dipperhd@hotmail.com](mailto:dipperhd@hotmail.com)

**Sierra Nevada Unit - <http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu>**

Nov 17 Luncheon 11:30 AM, Plaza Hotel, 801 S Carson St, Carson St, NV, Gail Williams 951-552-4801, email: [snu157@wbcci.net](mailto:snu157@wbcci.net)

**South Coast California Unit - <http://southcoastcal.wbcci.net>**

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4/2-5/9/2019

**START: CHESTERFIELD, VA STOP: NEWPORT NEWS, VA**

The third and last part of our American Civil War Caravan series focuses primarily on, and thus assumes the title of, the "War in Virginia", as nearly 50% of the war's battles were fought and often refought in Virginia. We'll tour the battlefields and/or National Military Parks at Petersburg, Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania, Chancellorsville, Bull Run/Manassas, Gettysburg, Antietam and New Market. Among other things, we'll enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride around Lexington, and visit VMI. We will also visit Appomattox where Lee surrendered and Fort Monroe where Jefferson Davis was imprisoned. Tour beautiful plantations and historic homes, visit fascinating museums, and lovely cemeteries and churches including Old Blandford Church in Petersburg that houses 15 priceless Tiffany windows. Our caravan will also savor delectable cookouts, lunches and dinners; some in historic sites. Join us as we visit the places memorialized during the perpetually intriguing chapter of our history known as the Civil War. Leaders: Dale & Kathy Spillman, WBCCI #15880, Ph. Dale 225-405-4057, Kathy 225-933-6289, Email: [Lau15880@yahoo.com](mailto:Lau15880@yahoo.com) Address: 16573 Tiger Bend Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70817. Co-Leaders: Bill & Beth Racavich, WBCCI #7777. Maximum RV Units W/Leaders: 26, Total Number of Nights: 37, Number of Stops: 9, Kitty Fee w/2: TBD, Kitty Fee w/1: TBD, Guest: TBD, Deposit: \$350, Balance Due: TBD, Cancellation: Full refund before 10/1/2018; Until 1/1/2019 Leader's discretion after.

## STANDBY ONLY

### N-48-D CAJUN COUNTRY

3/5-20/2019

**START: BREAUX BRIDGE, LA STOP: LAFAYETTE, LA**

On the Cajun Caravan you will experience Cajun culture and hospitality at its roots. Enjoy dining on jambalaya, crawfish pie, gumbo, and all the other dishes that make Cajun cuisine popular. Travel through the Cypress swamps, rice fields and crawfish farms of south Louisiana. Dance the

"Cajun Two Step" at world famous "Fred's Lounge" in Mamou. Tap your feet while swaying to the music at Savoie's Music Store's Saturday morning jam session. Enjoy "Rendezvous des Cajuns" performance at the historic Liberty Theatre in the heart of Cajun Country. These plus many other adventures will help you understand the meaning of the Cajun phrase, "laissez le bon temps rouler", let the good times roll. Take a boat ride through a cypress swamp to watch alligators and bald eagles in their natural habitat. Tour the oldest operating rice mill in the United States. Visit Avery Island, home of Tabasco Sauce, and a beautiful Jungle Gardens Park. Ride with a Crawfish farmer on his unique harvesting boat while he brings in his daily catch. Ride a bus to Baton Rouge for a tour of the Governors Mansion and the tallest state capital building in the United States. Visit Evangeline Oak on the Bayou Teche, where in Longfellow's poem, Evangeline waited for her Gabriel. Beaucoup fun, food and adventure, packed into 16 days of excitement awaits you on the Cajun Country Caravan. Leaders: Peter & Judy Schwarz, WBCCI #2009, Cell Ph: Peter 630-561-1703; Judy 630-699-9676, Email: Peter [as.skydeck@gmail.com](mailto:as.skydeck@gmail.com); Judy [jascombe@gmail.com](mailto:jascombe@gmail.com) Mailing Address: 151 Rainbow Drive, #151, Livingston TX 77399; Co-Leaders: Gene & Charlene Gardner, WBCCI #2393. Maximum RV/Units with Leader & Co-leader: 27, Total Number of Nights: 16, Number of Stops: 5, Kitty Fee w/2: \$1,500, Kitty Fee w/1: \$1,158, Guest: \$500. Deposit Amount: \$200, Dates of Payments: 1) Deposit by May 1, 2) Final by December 1. Cancellation Fee: \$50 before 12/1/18; Leaders Discretion after 12/1/18.

## STANDBY ONLY

### N-48-E CAJUN COUNTRY

3/26-4/11/2019

**START: BREAUX BRIDGE, LA STOP: LAFAYETTE, LA**

On the Cajun Caravan you will experience Cajun culture and hospitality at its roots. Enjoy dining on jambalaya, crawfish pie, gumbo, and all the other dishes that make Cajun cuisine popular. Travel through the Cypress swamps, rice fields and crawfish farms of south Louisiana. Dance the "Cajun Two Step" at world famous "Fred's Lounge" in Mamou. Tap your feet while swaying to the music at Savoie's Music Store's Saturday morning jam session. Enjoy "Rendezvous des Cajuns" performance at the historic Liberty Theatre in the heart of Cajun Country. These plus many other adventures will help you understand the meaning of the Cajun phrase, "laissez le bon temps rouler", let the good times roll. Take a boat ride through a cypress swamp to watch alligators and bald eagles in their natural habitat. Tour the oldest operating rice mill in the United States. Visit Avery Island, home of Tabasco Sauce, and a beautiful Jungle Gardens Park. Ride with a Crawfish farmer on his unique harvesting boat while he brings in his daily catch. Ride a bus to Baton Rouge for a tour of the Governors Mansion and the tallest state capital building in the United States. Visit Evangeline Oak on the Bayou Teche, where in Longfellow's poem, Evangeline waited for her Gabriel. Beaucoup fun, food and adventure, packed into 16 days of excitement awaits you on the Cajun Country Caravan. Leaders: Peter & Judy Schwarz, WBCCI #2009, Cell Ph: Peter 630-561-1703; Judy 630-699-9676, Email: Peter [as.skydeck@gmail.com](mailto:as.skydeck@gmail.com); Judy [jascombe@gmail.com](mailto:jascombe@gmail.com) Mailing Address: 151 Rainbow Drive, #151, Livingston TX 77399; Co-Leaders: Gene & Charlene Gardner, WBCCI #2393. Maximum RV/Units with Leader & Co-leader: 27, Total Number of Nights: 16, Number of Stops: 5, Kitty Fee w/2: \$1,500, Kitty Fee w/1: \$1,158, Guest: \$500. Deposit Amount: \$200, Dates of Payments: 1) Deposit by 6/1/18, 2) Final by 1/1/19. Cancellation Fee: \$50 before 1/1/19; Leaders Discretion after 1/1/19.

## N-48-F SOUTHWEST ADVENTURE

8/20-10/8/2019

**START: ALBUQUERQUE, NM STOP: ALBUQUERQUE, NM**

The 2019 Southwest Adventure Caravan will be in August, September, and October capturing the awesome beauty of the fall landscapes. Beginning in Albuquerque, NM, we will visit the Turquoise Museum, the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center and savor local cuisine. What is around the bend in the Four-Corners region of Colorado, Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico, other tourists may not see. We visit Indian pueblos and reservations to learn about their cultures from native guides. The grandeur of the scenery will amaze you as we ride a narrow gauge train up to Silverton, CO; hike to the "Palace" in Mesa Verde, or truck into Monument Valley. Moab, UT, provides gorgeous views in the surrounding National Parks and excitement with "slick-rock jeep riding." Whether using a camera at Capitol Reef



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National Park or riding a mule into Bryce Canyon, seeing the "Narrows" at Zion, the parks will captivate you. After seeing Zion National Park and the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, we'll spend four days beside Lake Powell enjoying a boat trip on the lake, a Colorado River raft float trip and a walk through a slot canyon. Our final stops will take us back into New Mexico to explore Gallup and then the finale at the Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque. We will have a chance to ride in a hot air balloon. America the Beautiful Senior passes (formerly the Golden Age Pass) will save you money in the National Parks we visit at Mesa Verde, Arches, Canyonlands, Capitol Reef, Bryce Canyon, Zion and the Grand Canyon North Rim. Come prepared to have fun with your fellow caravanners! Co-Leaders: Gary & RoseMarie Anderson, WBCCI #9181, Ph. 850-896-0567 & 850-866-7658 (cells), email: [gary.rosemarie@gmail.com](mailto:gary.rosemarie@gmail.com), Address: 2800 W. 30th Court, Panama City, FL 32405 and Winston & Carol Montague, WBCCI #807, Ph. 850-878-1281 (H), 850-491-7444 & 850-212-3726 (cells), email: [wmontague@embarqmail.com](mailto:wmontague@embarqmail.com) Address: 3958 Meandering Lane, Tallahassee, FL 32308, Maximum RV units w/leaders: 30 rigs. Total Number of Nights: 49, Number of Stops: 12. Estimated Kitty Fee w/2: \$4,700; w/1: \$3,700, Guest \$1,400. Deposit: \$300. Payment Dates: 2/1/19 \$2,200, 4/1/19 \$2,200. Cancellation Fee: \$50 before 2/1/19 plus non-refundable deposits. Leaders' discretion after 2/1/19.

## **N-48-G SPRINGTIME IN KENTUCKY 4/25-5/15/2019**

**START: BOWLING GREEN, KY STOP: RENFRO VALLEY, KY**

Come join us as you show you our beautiful state of Kentucky and its diversity.

- From the Corvette factory to the beautiful handmade crafts of Berea.
- From backroads to rowing hills and small towns.
- From legendary horse tracks to a retirement farm for thoroughbred horses.
- From distilleries to a family flour mill.
- From historic old homes to the simplicity of Loretta Lynn's Butcher Hollow.
- From a train ride in coal country to a paddle boat luncheon cruise up the river.

Come join us during Kentucky Derby week and feel the excitement of the 145th 2019 race. "The Greatest Two Minutes in Sports". Ladies bring your derby hat (the bigger the better). Hear the music, taste the food, meet the people and enjoy the 15th State of the Union. Leaders: Karl & Cindy Weisenberger, WBCCI #1885, Cell Ph. 859-653-5519, Email: [springtimeinky@yahoo.com](mailto:springtimeinky@yahoo.com) Mailing address: 999 Riverwatch Dr., Villa Hills KY 41017, Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 25, Total Number of Nights: 21, Number of Stops: 6. Total Cost \$2,750, Kitty Fee w/2: \$2,750, Kitty Fee w/1: TBD, Guest: TBD, Deposit Amount: \$250. Date first Payment: 5/20/18 of \$1,250, Date Balance Due: 11/30/18 \$1,250. Cancellation Fee: \$50, Leaders discretion TBD.

## **N-48-J SPRINGTIME IN THE ROCKIES 5/22-6/15/2019**

**START: ESTES PARK, CO STOP: GARDINER, MT**  
Come share in the adventure of traveling through some of the most spectacular scenery in the world, from the beauty of the Rocky Mountain National Park, to the colors of the Garden of the Gods, to the Black Canyon of the Gunnison, to the Colorado Monument/Grand Mesa, to a Dinosaur bone dig, to Flaming Gorge vistas, to the majestic Grand Teton Mountains and finally the incredible wild life/geysers of Yellowstone. Be prepared for vistas that will take your breath away, literally. We'll travel at some of the highest elevations possible in North America. Stops in order are Estes Park, Manitou Springs, Gunnison, Grand Junction, Dinosaur NM, Flaming Gorge, Colter Bay Grand Teton and Yellowstone NP. Because of the time of year, we could possibly run into snow at any location throughout the caravan with evening temperatures possibly in the lower 30's. The snow usually doesn't stick around long since daytime temperatures typically range in the 60's to 70's. We will attempt to find campgrounds with full service hookups or at minimum 30 Amp electrical services due to the cold evenings. However, we are planning two (2) days of dry camping close to the Dinosaur National Monument, one of the warmer locations. Good vehicle/trailer maintenance and appropriate accessories will be important due to our planned mountain traversing routes and high elevation camp sites. The route will require driving long distances with steep mountain-

ous grades, many switchbacks and high altitudes. Some roads have no guardrails. Your familiarity with your rig and your ability to control it under these driving conditions is critical. This caravan should not be the place to learn. Campgrounds will range in altitudes from 5,000 ft. to close to 8,000 ft. in elevation and with mountain passes and self-guided auto tours as high as 12,000 ft. ANYONE with health issues affected by high altitude should think twice and check with their health care provider before joining this caravan. In order to gain the most from this caravan, hiking some distances (one to three miles round trip) may be required. If we haven't scared you off, come join us for a beautiful Springtime in Rocky Mountains adventure in 2019. This caravan will end at Gardiner MT, North entrance of Yellowstone NP on Saturday June 15, 2019. Leaders: Bob & Sue Heist, WBCCI #16401, Home Ph. 402-304-1843, Cell Ph. 402-968-0823, Email: [bobsueheist@gmail.com](mailto:bobsueheist@gmail.com) Mailing address: 6401 Rainier Dr, Lincoln, NE 68510; Co-Leaders: Doug & Amanda Hewins, WBCCI #2184, Cell Ph. 941-229-30702, Email: [doughewins@gmail.com](mailto:doughewins@gmail.com) Mailing Address: 6652 Primrose Dr. Unit E, USAF Academy, CO 80840. Maximum RV Units/With Leaders: 25 Total With Leaders, Total Number of Nights: 25, Number of Stops: 8. Total Cost: \$3,000, Kitty Fee w/2: \$3,000, Kitty Fee w/1: \$2,500, Guest: TBD, Deposit Amount: \$400 Due with Application, Dates of Payments (if applicable): 1/2 of remainder by 5/1/18, Date Balance Due: 12/1/18. Cancellation Fee: \$50 plus any non-refundable deposit prior to 1/1/19. Leaders discretion after (date) 3/1/19.

## **STANDBY ONLY**

## **N-48-K TASTE OF THE BLUE RIDGE 5/21-6/14/2019**

**START: BRYSON CITY, NC STOP: GREENWOOD, VA**

Have you ever wanted to hike on the Appalachian Trail, fly through tree-tops on a zip line, tour gardens on a Segway, fly fish in rushing streams, go horseback riding on mountain trails, explore caves, bicycle (downhill) along an old railroad bed past waterfalls and scenic vistas, see Monticello and one of the oldest public universities in the US, whitewater raft the Nantahala Gorge, enjoy a world class spa, tour America's greatest "castle", and listen to true, old-time bluegrass music? Then bring your camera, binoculars, fishing gear, hiking poles, and - most importantly - sense of adventure and come vacation with us in the Blue Ridge Mountains! We will begin in Cherokee, NC, home of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation, then make our way to beautiful Asheville. From there we will boondock three nights at Linville Falls before coming back to civilization in funky Boone, NC. Next is Galax, VA for a bluegrass festival, and two more boondocking nights at Peaks of Otter. We will end our journey just outside the historic towns of Charlottesville and Staunton, Virginia for a total of 500 caravan miles. Leaders: Ray & Carol Combs, WBCCI #2994, Ph. 336-558-5532, Email: [raycombs100@gmail.com](mailto:raycombs100@gmail.com) Mailing Address: PO Box 753, Oak Ridge, NC 27310. Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 20, Total Number of Nights: 25, Number of Stops: 7. Kitty Fee w/2: \$3300, Kitty Fee w/1: \$2200, Guest: TBD. Deposit Amount: \$500 due 1/31/18, Dates of Payments: 7/31/18 \$1400, Date Balance Due: 12/31/18 \$1400. Cancellation Fee: \$50. Leaders discretion after 1/31/19.

## **N-48-L NOR' BY NOR'EAST**

**7/10-8/19/2019**

**START: ASHAWAY, RI, USA STOP: CORNWALL, PEI, CANADA**

The Nor' By Nor'east National Caravan will begin in southern New England and end in Prince Edward Island, Canada. We begin the caravan in RI and visit nearby Mystic Seaport, CT and Newport, RI. Plymouth, of course is steeped in history; the "Plimoth Plantation", Plymouth Rock, Mayflower II, Jenny Museum are among the places we'll visit. Boston's stop is a busy one with 2 days of bus rides from Topsfield into the Capitol. All those sites you've read about in history books will be part of our journey. JFK Library, Bunker Hill, Freedom Trail, Faneuil Hall, etc. are just part of what we'll see. Continuing up the coastline to an ocean-side campsite in Searsport, ME and then nearby Bar Harbor in Trenton will make you a firm believer that Maine is indeed, beautiful. We'll enjoy the Penobscot Marine Museum, Fort Knox and the Penobscot Narrows Observatory and a Food Channel approved "Down East Style Lobster Bake". We'll camp nearby FDR's retreat at Campobello Island in NB, Canada, enjoy "Tea With Eleanor" and then another campsite up the road in Moncton where we will visit Hopewell Cape and see the exaggerated tides of the Bay of Fundy. Nova



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Scotia's 3 stops include campsites that will be home bases so we can travel to Peggy's Cove, Halifax, Louisbourg, Baddeck and of course the Cabot Trail. We intend on being in NS for 11 days and we will see everything and continue to eat too! A short trip across to Prince Edward Island on a ferry and you will think you're in Heaven. We have plenty of time here for exploring and enjoying some entertainment in Charlottetown, the warm waters along some of the most beautiful beaches as well as seafood-PEI style. We will have our Farewell Banquet in Charlottetown. Leaders: Trevor & Gale Lake, WBCCI #4688, Ph. 781-837-2539 (H), Ph. 781-264-4550 (C), email: [trevorlake@verizon.net](mailto:trevorlake@verizon.net) Address: 315 Oak St. Marshfield, MA 02050. Maximum RV Units/With Leaders: 23, Total Number of Nights: 41, Number of Stops: 11. Kitty Fee w/2: \$3,900, Kitty Fee w/1: \$2,900, Guest: \$1,000. Deposit: \$200 with Application, Date Due: 2/1/19: \$800, Date Final Balance Due: 5/1/19. Cancellation Fee: \$100 after 2/1/19. Leaders' Discretion after 2/1/19.

## STANDBY ONLY

**N-48-M CANADIAN ROCKY MOUNTAIN  
START: DRUMHELLER, AB, CANADA**

**6/21-7/10/2019**

**STOP: COCHRANE, AB, CANADA**

Judy and Deane would love to vacation with you in some of our favorite places in the Canadian Rockies and Alberta prairies. Traveling through the backcountry, we will have some secluded dry camping, cookouts, and hiking. We will travel through the four contiguous National Rocky Mountain parks of Jasper, Banff, Yoho and Kootenay. We'll swim in the beautiful Fairmont Hot Springs. Over 100 glaciers line the spectacular Icefields Parkway where you will ride a snow coach on the Athabasca Glacier and experience the newly constructed glass-floored Skywalk. We'll cruise Malign Lake to Spirit Island in Jasper, ride the famous gondola on Sulphur Mountain, and dine at the historic Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel. We'll hike to the Tea House above Lake Louise, and photograph Takakkaw Falls. We'll ride a gondola to hike the upper meadows to see wildflowers at the Banff Sunshine ski resort. We'll stay at the historic Bar U Ranch in Alberta and attend the world renowned Calgary Stampede where we will see the rodeo, chuck wagon racing and the "greatest outdoor show on earth". Your camera, your adventurous spirit and your love of laughter are a must for this vacation! Leaders: Judy & Deane Collinson, WBCCI #1077, Deane Ph. 416-232-2882, Judy Ph. 416-559-5354, Email: [deane.collinson@rogers.com](mailto:deane.collinson@rogers.com), [judy.collinson@rogers.com](mailto:judy.collinson@rogers.com) Mailing address: 10 Strath Ave, Toronto, ON, Canada M8X 1P9. Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 20, Total Number of Nights: 19, Number of Stops: 8, Caravan distance: 900 miles/1450 km. Total Cost: \$3,200, Kitty Fee w/2: \$3,200, Kitty Fee w/1: TBD, Guest: TBD. Deposit Amount: \$1,000 11/10/18 (\$0 for standby), Dates of Payments \$1,000 1/5/19, Date Balance Due: \$1,200 3/1/19. Cancellation Fee: \$100 until 1/5/19. Leaders discretion after 1/5/19.

## STANDBY ONLY

**N-48-N VIKING TRAIL  
START: NORTH SYDNEY, NS, CANADA**

**7/10-8/31/2019**

**STOP: NORTH SYDNEY NS, CANADA**

The Newfoundland caravan is back! Starting near the Cape Breton ferry the caravan will spend over 50 days in Newfoundland. Visit the first settlements inhabited by Europeans in North America. Immerse yourself in a culture which developed isolated by its rugged terrain. Unique geologic features abound. See puffins, moose, and salmon jumping in unspoiled nature. Kiss a cod! Plan on lots of good food and music from the communities we visit. Trips including whale, iceberg and fjord boat tours, visit a Viking village, zip line over falls, and see historic sites that capture this island's stories. Our focus will be enjoying the wonderful people who live on the island and all they have to offer. You will feel you've gone back to a better time. Make the trip yours with opportunities for breathtaking hikes and beach combing, cod and salmon fishing opportunities, day trips to Labrador and Fogo Island. So much to see and we will do our best to make it amazing! Your rig should be in good working order and equipped to handle Airstreaming travel maintenance

in more remote areas. Although we will plan most stops for hookups, be prepared to manage without for a few days. 50 amp not always available. You may appreciate having a CB. Be prepared to learn a new dialect "Where ya 'longs to?" Be prepared to get wet, walk and drive in rugged terrain, find out why there is a place call 'Blow Me Down'. Weather can get cool. Check websites for typical weather so you can plan accordingly. Bring your binoculars so you can be the first one to see the whales and icebergs. If you enjoy fishing, think about bringing your equipment. Learn to love seafood. Leaders: Murray & Pat Leggatt, WBCCI #11489, Cell Ph. Canada 519-282-8257, USA 302-270-7618, Email: [ps67.fcas@gmail.com](mailto:ps67.fcas@gmail.com), Address: 1489 Glenora Drive, London, Ontario, Canada N5X 1V4 and Chuck & Maggie Helwig, WBCCI #2868, Email: [helwigcw@icloud.com](mailto:helwigcw@icloud.com). Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 30, Total Number of Nights: 53, Number of Stops: 17. Kitty Fee w/2: \$7,000 CAD, Kitty Fee w/1: \$6,300 CAD, Guest: additional \$1,000 CAD. Deposit Amount: \$700 CAD - payments to be made in Canadian dollars. Dates of Payments: 1st deposit once caravan position offered, 2nd payment 11/1/18, Date Balance Due: 2/1/19. Cancellation Fee: \$50 CAD plus any non-recoverable costs. Leaders discretion after: 1/1/19.

## N-48-O SOUTHEAST COAST

**10/1-11/2/2019**

**START LOCATION: BETHANY BEACH, DE**

**STOP LOCATION: JEKYLL ISLAND, GA**

If you love seafood and want to explore the historic southeast coast of the United States, come along with us. We'll visit a historic US Lifesaving Station (predecessor of the US Coast Guard) in Delaware, attend the Chincoteague Oyster Festival and see the ponies. We'll visit many museums, lighthouses and beaches. We will see many attractions that are missed by most travelers, including Morning Colors and graduation ceremonies at the US Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Parris Island, SC. The caravan will start at the Delaware Seashore State Park and proceeds through coastal Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina until its conclusion in the Georgia Sea Islands. So come immerse yourself in some of the culture and traditions of the Old South. The kitty fee includes campgrounds (most with full hookups), boat, carriage and bus tours, museum admission and many meals. Come join us on this adventure. Leaders: Stuart & Kathy Bacon, WBCCI #2059, Home Ph. 423-775-4237, Cell Ph. 423-618-1002, Email: [sec.caravan@gmail.com](mailto:sec.caravan@gmail.com) Mailing address: 356 Horseshoe Circle, Dayton, TN 37321. Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 22, Total Number of Nights: 32, Number of Stops: 10. Total Cost \$3,850, Kitty Fee w/2: \$3,850, Kitty Fee w/1: \$3,000, Guest: \$850, Deposit Amount: \$300. Dates of Payments (if applicable), Date Balance Due: 2 installments, #1 Due: 9/1/18 \$1,750, #2 Due: 6/1/19 \$1,750. Cancellation Fee: \$50 before 4/1/19, Leaders discretion after 4/1/19.

## N-48-P ORES, SHORES, WATERS, AND LIGHTS - EAST

**9/7-21/2019**

**START: MANISTIQUE, MI**

**STOP: ST. IGNACE, MI**

Short caravan; perfect for your summer vacation! Rendezvous for this caravan is on Saturday, September 7, 2019 at Manistique, MI. See the absolute best of the eastern end of Michigan's Upper Peninsula in just 15 days and 5 stops. Last night of the caravan and the closing banquet will be on Saturday, September 21, 2019, at St. Ignace, MI. Key activities/outings include: Ferry ride under the Mackinaw Bridge in route to a day on Mackinac Island, horse carriage tour of the Island, lunch at Grand Hotel, tours of lighthouses, a visit to Kitch-iti-kipi, a guided tour of Fayette Historic State Park, visits to numerous waterfalls, a boat tour of the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, tour of the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum at Whitefish Point, Tahquamenon Falls, Soo Locks boat tour, Oswald's Bear Ranch, and much more. Please send deposit, or questions, to Leaders: Chip & Lori DeLeeuw, WBCCI #2748, Ph. 517-250-5060, Email: [cdeleeuw@comcast.net](mailto:cdeleeuw@comcast.net), Address: 906 Wright Lane, Milan, MI 48160. Maximum RV Units/With Leaders: 17. Total Number of Nights: 15. Number of Stops: 5, Kitty Fee w/2: \$1,600, Kitty Fee w/1: \$1,200, Guest: \$500, Deposit \$200, Date Balance Due: 5/1/19, Cancellation Fee: \$50. Leaders discretion after 5/1/19.



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## N-48-S SHO-ME THE OZARKS

START: MOUNTAIN VIEW, AR

The region of America known as "The Ozarks" is a cultural and geographically distinct area of mountains, valleys and fresh water springs, rivers and lakes which centers in northern Arkansas and south Missouri. Although educationally and economically progressive, the people value and retain the influences of a pioneer heritage. The caravan leaders' families were original pioneer settlers who have lived in the same place over 170 years, going to the same school for seven generations....livestock traders, sheriffs, bootleggers, teachers, lawyers, judges, blacksmiths, merchants, laborers and village characters. You will meet, spend time with, and share stories with local folks. Beginning in the Ozarks Folk Center, you will travel through time and place with sites, events and food not to be missed.... concluding with a traditional riverbank fish fry. Great group meals are a priority, but no food committee. Expect pig roasts, church dinners on the grounds, Dutch oven cobblers, Amish feasts, ham and beans with

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STOP: VAN BUREN, MO

cornbread and much more. While some roads are narrow and twisty the daily trek distances will be short. Music will abound, from porch fiddles to an internationally famous vocal choir. Ranger Talk presenters are from a special roster of historians, locals, and conservationists. You will visit the number one new attraction in the US, Bass-Pro Shops and Aquarium, Laura Ingalls Wilder home and museum, the Daisy museum, Crystal Bridges Art Museum, Silver Dollar City international food, music and craft fair, and much more. See the magnificent fall scenery and nature's beauty. Leaders: Jack & Kay Garrett, WBCCI #4232, Cell Ph. Jack: 417-293-2487, Cell Ph. Kay: 417-293-7283, Email: [rjackgar@hotmail.com](mailto:rjackgar@hotmail.com), Mailing address: 10302 County Road 9030, West Plains, MO 65775. Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 25, Total Number of Nights: est. 32, Number of Stops: 10. Level of Exertion: Moderate, but very light/disabled options at most sites/events. Kitty Fee w/2: est. \$4000, Kitty Fee w/1: est. \$3450, Guest: TBD, Deposit Amount: \$400. Dates of Payments (if applicable): 1. TBD, 2. TBD. Cancellation Fee: TBD. Leaders discretion after (date)

## WBCCI / The Airstream Club International National Caravan Application (Please print clearly)

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_ Caravan # \_\_\_\_\_ Caravan Name \_\_\_\_\_

WBCCI# \_\_\_\_\_ # of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ # of Children \_\_\_\_\_ # of Pets \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Summer Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Winter Address (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Airstream: Trailer Motorhome Interstate/B-Van Length of Rig: \_\_\_\_\_

Ham # (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Handicapped: Y / N

Amount Enclosed: (US\$) \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: (Caravan Leader's Name) WBCCI Caravan (Caravan Name)**

**Example: Roy Rogers WBCCI Caravan Travels with Trigger**

**Mail to the Caravan Leader**



**43rd REGION 4 RALLY**  
**Lake Erie Islands Shores and More**  
**Ottawa County Fairgrounds**  
**7870 OH-163, Oak Harbor, OH**  
**May 15 - 19, 2019**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

WBCCI # \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Type RV TT MH Length \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Text: Y N

Email \_\_\_\_\_ # in Party \_\_\_\_\_

Handicapped Parking? Y N

Note: Registrations postmarked after Jan. 31, 2019 do not qualify for the discount. Incorrect payments received after this date will be returned to the member for correct payment. Refunds will be given only with Region 4 President approval. Refunds after March 1 will be limited to camping fees only at \$30 per night.

<b>Rally Fees:</b>	<b>Before 2/1/19</b>	<b>After 1/31/19</b>	
2 Persons	\$295	\$345	\$ _____
1 Person	\$225	\$275	\$ _____
Each Extra Adult/Child	\$ 70	\$100 x _____ =	\$ _____
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:			\$ _____

**4 nights of camping, water/electric, dump station**

**Activities: Campfire, entertainment, hobby show, karaoke, flea market, fellowship**

**Attractions: Lake Erie, fishing, Put-in-Bay, Kelly's Island, Toledo, Port Clinton**

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# Ettie's





# Field Rally in England

Photos submitted by Ian Jamieson, #24514



Ettie's  
Field





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Akron Ohio Unit on a Murder Mystery Train Ride in Titusville, PA - submitted by Betsy Ketchum, #1650



A peaceful night at Airstream Land Yacht Harbor, Melbourne, FL - submitted by Pat Shaw, #6318



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