

Committee Report A
Lewisburg, WV

BLUE BERET STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

To: President Jim Schwerdfeger, Members of the IBT
and my fellow Airstreamers

From: Cecelia Stansbury, Blue Beret Standing Committee Chairman

Date: June 24, 2016

Thank you Mr. President for the opportunity to continue to serve in this capacity. I have continued to review Newsletters from across the country and although some have interesting articles most are based on unit activities. I am looking forward to expanding the committee next year and finding people who are willing to write articles specifically for the Blue Beret and/or News & Views. Since reports are no longer being submitted for the IBT meeting immediately following the International Rally, the remainder of my report is focused on the renamed Publications Standing Committee.

Thank you to both the EC and IBT members for recognizing the need for an expansion of duties for the Blue Beret committee and the renaming of it to the Publications committee. Having the News & Views formally included in this Committee is a positive move forward. There is a need for both types of Publications. I look forward to working with the central office and my committee members in expanding and improving the Blue Beret publication.

My goal is to have articles included in both the Blue Beret and News & Views which will be helpful to new members of our great club in understanding what the club is all about. Many new members get involved with their local unit but have no idea about the larger organization and how it runs. We need to inform them of what is available beyond their local unit. This will aide in member retention and also increase involvement both at the Region and International levels, including Region Rallies, National and Special Event Rallies, and caravans.

A request has been made to our membership for volunteers to join this committee. I am hoping to have a positive update for you at the June meeting. Carolyn Beardshear has already volunteered to be a member of the committee to continue her work on the News & Views and I appreciate her willingness to help. Plans are being made for a brain storming session at the International rally to collect suggestions on what members want to see in their Publications. At that session, I am hoping to get volunteers for this committee and/or members willing to contribute interesting articles.

I look forward to an exciting year of expanding this newly structured committee.

Respectfully yours,

Cecelia Stansbury

TO: President, Jim Schwerdfeger, IBT Board and members of WBCCI
FROM: June Ryan, Budget Chairman
Date: June 2016

Another year is almost over. This will be my last report and David Thompson will be your new Budget Chairman.

Although we had expenses that went over the budget we also had more income to almost keep us in balance.

The Corporate sponsor's income and advertizing in the Blue Beret nearly offsets the difference in the two accounts. Of course, some pay annually and others pay quarterly making the income flexible.

Item # 560 the General Liability Insurance was up \$2,351. Plus item #571 was up for unreimbursed expenses such as membership packets, member's supplies, awards and lifetime expenses.

The International officers will probably spend the balance of their monies but the Region officers (as of May 1st) still have about \$27,000 in their regular budget. (Item #620) their regular budget is based on the number of Units in their Region to make visitations and Unit rally expenses. Item #630 is their travel money to attend Mid-winter IBT. This account has an unspent balance of about \$6,600.

On the bottom of the report it shows the cost of some of the items purchased through Headquarters. Window sign (\$37.50), Name Plate (\$9.98) Business cards with the WBCCI logo (\$41.30). These expenses are automatically taking out of the Officers expense account.

I want to wish the incoming Budget Chairman, David, the best in his new venture. I know he will enjoy working with the budgets. And I also want to thank my committee for their assistance; they are the International Treasurers for the last two years.

Respectively submitted
June Ryan, Chairman & members
Richard Turner
Adolf Knopp

May 1, 2016

IBT Meeting, June 2016
Lewisburg, WV

To: INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

From: CARAVAN COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, Chuck Kiple

Caravan Appreciation Dinner Scheduled: The annual no host Caravan Appreciation Dinner is scheduled for the evening of June 21, 2016. WBCCI members who have been involved in Unit, Region, or National Caravan activities during the year are recognized at the event. In addition, the support staff of the Caravan Committee is recognized for their service and contributions to the overall Caravan program.

National Caravan Leader and Committee Meeting Scheduled: A one-day discussion and training session for National Caravan Leaders and Caravan Committee members is scheduled for June 20, 2016. This meeting allows for the open exchange of ideas and the opportunity to ask questions and receive answers from some of the most experienced Caravan Leaders in WBCCI. A portion of the meeting is devoted to the training and utilization of the Caravan Website <http://wbccicaravan.wbcci.net>, which is a link on the Club's website. Each National Caravan Leader is instructed on how to customize and update the information on their individual caravan websites.

Introduction to Caravanning Seminar: The Introduction to Caravanning Seminar is being held on the afternoons of June 29, July 1 and 2, 2016. We continue to evaluate the annual seminar regularly in order to keep the seminar sessions informative but also to introduce new subjects to the ongoing program. We encourage you to promote this seminar not only as a tool to develop caravan leaders but also as an encouragement and familiarization for new members to the adventure of club caravans.

Numbered Caravans Scheduled: As of 5/1/2016: 3 numbered Unit Caravans and no numbered Region Caravan are active for 2016, In addition 12 National Caravans are active for 2016, 10 National Caravans for 2017 and 12 National Caravans for 2018 are under development. Lists of these Caravans are attached.

Non-Numbered Caravans: In the usual course of the Committee's function we continually provide advice, assistance and information to the numerous non-numbered caravans that run throughout the year by WBCCI at both the unit and region levels.

Caravan Arrivals at Lewisburg, WV: As of May 01, 2016, 14 Caravans have been assigned an arrival time at Lewisburg, WV.

Caravan Website: The control of internet domain names for Airstream Caravan and Airstream Caravans,.com, .net and .org are being continued by the Caravan Committee since original registration in 2011.

Caravan Handbook: In accordance with Bylaws and Policy Article III, Section 1, Policy (c) the Caravan Committee is charged with updating and re-publishing the Caravan Handbook every five years. This was accomplished as required and copies of the 2015 edition are available in print on the Club Website and the National Caravan Website.

**NATIONAL CARAVANS
2016- 2017-2018**

2016

N-45-A	NOR' X NOR'EAST	Walbridge
N-45-B	TASTE OF THE BLUE RIDGE	Matkovich
N-45-C	ALYESKA, THE GREAT LAND	Johnjullio
N-45-E	SOUTHEAST COAST SPECTACULAR	Carnien
N-45-F	SPRINGTIME IN KENTUCKY	Wilson
N-45-G	FLORIDA FANTASY	Skipper
N-45-H	SOUTHWEST ADVENTURE	Thompson
N-45-I	GONE TO TEXAS	Snow/Kindle
N-45-K	GEORGIA PLANTATION AND MORE	Montague
N-45-L	CAJUN COUNTRY	Boudreaux
N-45-M	AMERICAN REVOLUTION IN THE NORTHERN COLONIES CARAVAN	Jones
N-45-N	ORES, SHORES, WATER AND LIGHTS EAST	DeLeeuw

2017

N-46-A	GOLF – N- AROUND	Skipper/Blanchard
N-46-B	CANADIAN ROCKY MOUNTAINS	Leach
N-46-D1	VIKING TRAIL CARAVAN	
N-46-E	SPINDLETOP	Kindle/Snow
N-46-F	NOR BY NOR'EAST	Walbridge/Lake
N-46-G	SW ADVENTURE	Montague/Thompson
N-46-H	CAJUN COUNTRY CARAVAN	Boudreaux
N-46-I	GEORGIA PLANTATIONS AND MORE	Anderson
N-46-J	TASTE OF THE BLUE RIDGE	Blanchard
N-46-K	CIVIL WAR PART 1 ALONG THE MISSISSIPPI	Spilman

2018

N-47-A	CAJUN COUNTRY CARAVAN	Boudreaux
N-47-B	ALYESKA, THE GREAT LAND	Johnjulio
N-47-C	GEORGIA PLANTATIONS AND MORE	Anderson
N-47-D	AMERICAN REVOLUTION IN THE NORTHERN COLONIES CARAVAN	Jones
N-47-E	THE VIKING TRAIL	
N-47-F	SPRINGTIME IN KENTUCKY	
N-47-G	FLORIDA FANTASY	Skipper
N-47-H	GONE TO TEXAS	Snow
N-47-I	SOUTHWEST ADVENTURE	Thompson/Montague
N-47-J	ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH USA	Heist
N-47-K	NOR BY NOR'EAST	Lake
N-47-L	SOUTHEAST SPECTACULAR	Carnien

UNIT CARAVANS 2016

- U-420 Door County Wisconsin – Again!
Greater St. Louis Missouri
Ed Knerschild and Ray & Jo Ann Kolley
September 14 -23, 2016
- U-421 THLU Balloon Fiesta Caravan
Texas Highland Lakes Unit
Harvey Craig
Sept 23 – Oct 08, 2016
- U422 Small Towns of Central British Columbia
British Columbia Unit
Marilyn and Gene Van Iderstine
Aug 29 – Sept. 17, 2016

Electronic Communication Committee (ECC) Report for Summer IBT 2016
May 1st, 2016

The ECC is as busy as ever. We continue to have a long list of projects to help improve the club for our members. We see nothing but increasing usage of technology by the members, and what was once “nice” to have is now a requirement.

Recent accomplishments:

- Revised the distribution of the Digital Membership Directory. Due to the changes made at the Winter IBT we revised our distribution method from a token-based system to directly emailing the directory to the member. This system is less confusing and no additional steps are required for the member.
- Continued publication of the electronic newsletter “News & Views,” which is emailed to all WBCCI members with email addresses on file.
- Applied updates to the club’s main website: wbcci.org
- Applied updates and updated plugins on the Units’ websites: wbcci.net
- As of this report 132 members registered for the Lewisburg Rally online. We predict this will continue to grow as more members prefer this method versus mailing checks.
- Consolidation of the domain names the club currently has registered to a single domain registry service, to simplify billing and renewals in the future.
- Moved the hosting of wbcci.org to a new hosting provider. The new provider has proven more reliable, email is more reliable, service is better-performing and cheaper.

Richard Girard, our IBT liaison, requested our committee to work on a few projects.

- Research and recommend a Calendaring system for both the Blue Beret and online usage. Work on this project has been slow, but continues.
- Make the website more mobile device friendly. As people shift from computers to mobile devices the website needs to be useable on those devices. We are looking at using a new Theme for the website that supports mobile devices better.

Continuing projects:

- Increase the efficiency and productivity of the office staff by smarter use of technology and eliminating redundancy and reliance on paper.
- Implement better reporting of data for use at the International Rallies, leading to simplification of parking and registration processes.
- Create automatic renewal notices sent to all members, directly from the membership database.
- Develop a method for members to search online for available membership numbers.
- Make continued improvements to the membership database. Jim Cooper (Denco Unit) has a list of tasks from Lori and works with her directly.
- Working with the Historical Committee to help with digitally preserving the history of the club.
- Establish a Technology Service Desk at the Lewisburg Rally to help our members with technology issues.

Our continued work with the office staff in Jackson Center is a joy and a pleasure. We work daily with the office staff on various issues. They truly care about the members, and they strive to make them happy and fulfil their requests.

The ECC is always looking for members who have the time and talent. We are looking for members who have FileMaker, Wordpress and Joomla experience. Interested members should email ecc@wbcci.net for details or questions.

Respectfully submitted,
The Electronic Communications Committee

Damon Beals #4827, Chairperson

Carolyn Beardshear #7982

David Boyd #15566

Jim Cooper #1967

Tim Kendziorski #17330

Eric McHenry #2242

Debbie Wood #4822

Electronic Communication Committee (ECC) Data Base Report for Summer IBT 2016
Jim Cooper, DB developer
May 1st, 2016

ECC DB Report,

My work for the ECC has been entirely FileMaker databases:

- WBCCI_DB, the db purchased from Excelisys, has required occasional changes to its capability as requested by the Office. These efforts always involve 80% of the time learning how something was done, then 20% making the modification.
- Lewisburg Rally database was implemented from scratch this last year. It completely replaces the Rally portion of the WBCCI_DB. It draws membership data from the WBCCI_DB, and then provides all features necessary to manage registration, committees, early parking, and parking at the Rally. It will easily accommodate future Rallies. This was done to avoid the support complexity of the WBCCI_DB, and meet the needs of the Office staff. Lori says, "It has saved a ton of time."
- The Digital Directory has required some modification to meet needs, and had some problems with the opt-out process. The next issue will require only a few mouse clicks to produce.
- Excelisys was employed to develop a sample database to accept dues payments, and to function online through any web browser. The Vintage Airstream Club paid for this development. The database provides a demonstration of FileMaker implemented online across multiple platforms. It should lead to members being able to modify their own information online, and the Escanaba Rally having real-time database access on I pads as examples.
- A prototype db was developed to manage Region and Unit data for the websites.
- A prototype db was developed to manage WBCCI numbers.

In general, 80% of my time has gone into the Lewisburg database.

2016 ECC Goals as they apply to my work, in order:

1. Roll the Lewisburg database into Escanaba.
2. Upgrade FileMaker to FMP14 on the server.
3. Make databases operational on the server (DD, Escanaba, and others)
4. Implement online databases (Member Profile data, and Escanaba)
5. Implement Region/Unit information db
6. Implement WBCCI # db
7. Develop prototype History db (member caravans, offices help, etc)
8. Remove all Rally functions and data from the WBCCI_DB

ECC suggested general goals

- Document processes so that the Office can perform. Distribution of the DD can be done, and common website updates should be included also.
- Develop processes to facilitate the Office and Units working together.

General observation: the WBCCI operations are becoming very technology oriented, and the ECC is making much of the change happen. It appears to be free to the club. ECC goals/projects should have a value attached to them along with long-term support costs. The club should have a more active role in prioritizing. As an example, were I not doing it, it would cost \$150/hour to pay for database development and support. This includes support after I retire.

Respectfully submitted,
The Electronic Communications Committee
Jim Cooper #1967



the AIRSTREAM RV Association

Committee Report G

Lewisburg , West Virginia

June 24, 2016

To: Jim Schwerdfeger, WBCCI International President
International Board of Trustees Members

From: Barry Heckenswiler, Chairman Ethics & Grievance

Date: April 28, 2016, for 2016 International Board of Trustees Seminar/Meeting.

No grievances are pending before the Ethics & Grievance Committee at this time.

I want to thank President, Jim Schwerdfeger for the opportunity to serve as Chairman of the Ethics & Grievance Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barry Heckenswiler

Barry Heckenswiler, Chairman

Chuck Kiple, Member

Wilson Yerk, Member

Date: May 10, 2016

To: WBCCI Board of Directors

From: Linda G. Amme
Family and Youth Standing Committee

Plans are underway to provide an active program for the Youth/Teens attending the rally this year. Not only will there be trips, fun activities on campus, but the participation in rally activities such as the art show, the hobby show, and the dog show are encouraged. The collection of money for Common Cents and the collection of stuffed animals will be supported. The youth/teens will also be encouraged to help with the tab sorting.

If possible, a meeting will be held with young families to determine what concerns they have as members of WBCCI. I will also be available to any of the seminars where information can be given to help rallies and activities to be directed to the younger members of our membership.

I intend to give reports during the year to include ideas and suggestions that will help all members of WBCCI have a feeling of wanting to participate in this great club. I am always available to assist any club or Region who need ideas and suggestions to build better relations with the families.

I look forward to the change of dates for next year. I have had several families state that this will be more convenient for them with the school schedules. Thank you for taking this into consideration and I hope that this trend will continue as this is something that has been suggested by this committee for some time.

We will be selecting a child to receive the proceeds of the Common Cents once I arrive. We will be honoring Charlie Kennedy who recently passed as well as his granddaughter who was instrumental in starting Common Cents back in Huntsville, Alabama. We hope to continue this program for many years to come.

Remember that the young families are the future of our club and we need to promote activities that will keep them interested and wanting to come.

Committee Report I – Historical Committee
IBT Meeting, July 2016
Lewisburg, WV

To: President Jim Schwerdfeger and Members of the IBT

From: Joe Peplinski, WBCCI Historical Committee Chairman

Date: May 1, 2016

Since my last report, I have continued to write and solicit historical articles for the Blue Beret, WBCCI News & Views email newsletter, and the VAC email newsletter. I have researched historical background for questions facing the club such as whether 1946-49 Curtis Wright travel trailers should qualify for WBCCI membership. I have researched and answered a variety of questions for club members and non-members, many of which were received via the WBCCI Main Office or the Caravan Committee website, and most of which sought to uncover the history of an old Airstream trailer.

My plan for the Historical Committee is continuing to be refined. This year's goals include:

- Better organization of the historical materials in the WBCCI Archives, including the creation of a catalog or index so that we have a record of those materials and can locate items of interest.
- Digitization of the first two or three 16mm films (of the many in the WBCCI archives) so that these unique items can be better preserved, backed up, and shared with club members. The films to be digitized first will be selected based upon film content and condition, with the most deteriorated films having priority. Once in a digital format, snippets could be used for WBCCI promotional materials and complete or edited copies might be made available to club members at a nominal fee to help recoup digitization costs. The assistance of the ECC or other experts within WBCCI would be sought for any editing of digitized films.
- Submission of a budget request to cover the estimated costs for digitization of two or three films and purchase of archival quality storage materials for paper items as necessary.
- Continued submission of and solicitation for articles of historical interest for WBCCI publications.

Efforts to begin digitization of paper items in the WBCCI Archives is part of the future plan, but cannot begin until we have an index of materials in the archives and can develop a plan for how to identify and store the digital copies in a logical and easy to access way. This activity will not begin this year, but I will solicit the assistance of the ECC and other WBCCI members when we get ready to begin this process.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Peplinski #6768
Chairman, WBCCI Historical Committee

International Rally IBT Meeting, May 24, 2016, Lewisburg, WV

TO: International Board of Trustees

FROM: IR Site Selection Committee

The International Rally Site Selection Committee is continuing the effort to establish a database of suitable sites across the US and Canada that may be drawn from when selecting a location for the International Rallies. We have solicited information from Region Officers and have identified approximately two dozen sites that are viable, at least a few in all geographical areas. We are working with the International Officers who were searching for suitable locations.

It is the nature of this Chairmanship that it be a one year term. I would like to encourage the committee to make an active effort to keep our database current and improve it where possible. I also think we could have been more active in encouraging new officers to use the service we provide.

I would like to thank the committee members, Jerry Collins, Matt Hackney and Don McKelvey for their help in this process. I would also like to thank International President, Jim Schwerdfeger, for the opportunity to serve.

Joe Perryman

Committee Chair

INTERNATIONL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

To: President Jim Schwerdfeger, Members of the IBT and members of WBCCI

From: Louise Humble, International Relations Chairman

The Wally Byam Caravan Club, International is truly an International club as we continue to expand our membership to various foreign countries. Since our midwinter IBT meeting in January of this year, the WBCCI unit located in Europe has expanded to 43 (forty-three) members. 49% (forty-nine percent) of the members live in England but each of the following countries is represented by one or more members: Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Irish Republic, Netherlands, Northern Ireland, Norway and Switzerland. This unit has also had its flag approved and it is ready for their first official rally which will come at the end of July, 2016. Their corresponding secretary, Ian Jamison, proudly reported to me that there are two Americans coming to that rally in addition to many of the unit members.

Through contacts provided by Lori Plummer, I was able to make contact with an importer of vintage Airstreams living in New Zealand. We exchanged several emails and even though he was not interested in becoming a member or sponsoring a unit, he graciously granted permission for my letter of welcome to New Zealand Airstream owners to be posted on his web site. No response has been received at this time.

I have had some brief communication with the office of the dealer at Airstream Australia. The emails have been rather tentative, but I shall endeavor to keep that line of communication open.

I have also contacted various members of the Australia WBCCI unit offering help and suggestions for getting the minimum requirements met to maintain an authorized unit but have not received a reply as of the writing of this report.

In communicating with the individuals from the different countries, I would point out to the IBT that unless services and benefits are offered that are helpful to our foreign members, we will see little growth in that arena. In addition, retention could easily become a problem within our newly formed foreign unit.

I want to thank President Jim Schwerdfeger for the opportunity to serve as chairman of the International Relations Committee.

Respectfully submitted

Louise Humble

Louise Humble
Chair

TO: Jim Schwerdfeger
International President

FROM: Richard Jirus
Legislative Chair

RE: 2016 Summer Legislative Report

It is amazing to me to see and read of all the new technologies the federal and state legislatures are using to make highway travel easier and safer for Airstreamers, and other users of public roads. New automatic braking in several cars, not including tow vehicles yet, possible solar heated roadways, and even bridges built off-site to make road closures shorter leave me wondering what else is in the future to make our form of leisure easier, and safer. And I just read that a fleet of driverless trucks crossed Europe to Rotterdam without any incident Can tow vehicles be far behind?

The state of Washington has built and is using the world's longest floating bridge. Yes, I said floating bridge. It is 1.5 miles long and connects people in the Seattle area to jobs, schools, and business. The bridge is used by cars, trucks, bicycles and even pedestrians, while relieving traffic congestion in the area

This is the year that the National Park System is 100 years old. If you watch any television you know this. We have posted on the WBCCI website parks which days are free to commemorate the anniversary. A big thank you to the media committee for this posting. We have traveled with several national caravans to many of the parks shown, and this has brought back many pleasant memories.

The Tarkata air bags used by many auto manufacturers has been in the news recently. The problem is the explosive nature of the bag, and that pieces of metal become shrapnel causing injuries. To learn if your vehicle is included in the recall, you need your vin number. Then proceed to www.safercar.gov. If your vin is included, you need to make arrangements with your auto dealer to get it replaced.

IBT Meeting at Lewisburg WV, June 24, 2016

To: INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

From: LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, Jim Cocke

Committee Members: Don Hetzler; Jim Johnson; Joanne Miller; Jay Thompson

Ex Officio Members: Barry Bell; Lori Plummer; Jim Schwerdfeger; Richard Girard; Mona Heath

Members of this committee are dedicated to long range improvements that will:

1. Increase value of membership for Airstream owners;
2. Enhance the ability of the club to attract and retain new members; and
3. Improve club operations and governance.

The Long Range Planning Committee has met every two weeks for at least an hour. Agenda is based upon follow-up for goals and assignments from the prior meeting. The committee has experienced 100% member attendance at all but two meetings.

A hallmark of the committee's intent and work is obtaining information from a wide cross-section of the Club's membership. The LRP committee has encouraged our business partners to communicate and develop goals. The committee thanks Lori Plummer, Corporate Manager and Damon Beals, Chairman of Electronic Communications Committee for helping identify numerous one- to two-year goals. The committee hosts a panel discussion at this International Rally for members interested in learning from, and contributing to, the committee's work. The committee is actively searching for members experienced and interested in developing a survey of membership for 2017.

Thanks also to the ECC for arranging a secure electronic document management system for the committee. This provides for document development, sharing, and updating while maintaining history and security of the committee's work product. Thanks to Marque Mooney and Matt Hackney for working with the committee in improving the National Rally program. This change extends to members more access to National Rallies by allowing more rallies to qualify for the program.

I appreciate the great opportunity and experience I've enjoyed as the committee's first chairperson. The committee's membership is dedicated, brilliant, ambitious, and experienced. We couldn't have had a better or harder working group of people. The committee has made good progress, has a firm foundation and sound practices. I wish the committee and the new Chairperson interesting meetings, exciting ideas, and ambitious goals as they work together to develop a roadmap for this great Club.

"When people start to think that what they did in the past is perhaps even better than what they do now, they should stop." [Karl Lagerfeld, Fashion Designer, NY Times interview, 03 Mar 2015]

Marketing Committee Report International, Lewisburg, WV

Date: May, 2016

To: President, Jim Schwerdfeger- International Board of Trustees -WBCCI Members
IBT- Lewisburg, WV

From: Fred Richardson, Chairman Marketing Committee

Subject: Resignation of Marketing Committee Chair

I wish to thank the President and Executive Board for asking me to serve as Marketing Chairman for the past several years. The Marketing Committee has attained its original goals as set forth in my first report of 2009. This is notice that I will no longer serve in this capacity after June, 2016. I will be available to assist and discuss any ideas prepared by the new Marketing plan to make a smooth transition. It is my hope that you will also continue to utilize the current avenues of marketing, including web ads, blueberetonline, Social media (Facebook and Twitter) to promote increasing the membership and providing information about our club that promotes Fun, Fellowship and Adventure.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Richardson, Chairman
WBCCI # 5195

Committee Report R
Lewisburg, West Virginia
June 24, 2016

TO: Jim Schwerdfeger, President, the 2015-2016 International Board of Trustees,
and WBCCI
FROM: Marque Mooney, Chairman, National/Special Event Standing Committee
DATE: June 24, 2016
SUBJECT: National/Special Event Standing Committee Report

1. There have been no National or Special Event Rallies to report for the period January 1 to June 1, 2016.
2. We are thrilled to welcome two new Special Event Rallies this year – the Rededication Ceremony/Monument of Peace and the Tall Ships Rallies. The following are the National and Special Event Rallies scheduled from June 2 to December 31, 2016:

Region	Rally	Type	Dates
7	Rededication Ceremony/Monument of Peace	Special Event	July 21-25
3	Galax Old Time Fiddlers Convention	Special Event	August 7-14
7	Tall Ships	Special Event	August 17-22
11	Yuma Old Threshers	Special Event	September 8-11
10	Pendleton Round-Up	National	September 12-16
11	Antelope	National	September 23-27
4	Swiss Festival	National	Sept 24-Oct 2
11	Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta	National	Sept 30-Oct 4
6	Storytelling Festival	Special Event	Oct 5-9
10	Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival	Special Event	Oct 15-23
12	Rose Parade	Special Event	Dec 28-Jan 1

I would like to encourage and welcome any Unit or Region considering holding a National or Special Event Rally to call or email me and let me see if I can help you get things started, maybe answer some questions or supply you some forms.

I would also like to remind all Rally Chairmen that you have 30 days from the end of your Rally to get your Rally Reports turned in to headquarters.

Thank you, President Schwerdfeger, for the privilege of serving WBCCI.

FINAL REPORT – July 5, 2016 IBT
Lewisburg, West Virginia

Publicity and Rally Promotion Standing Committee
John Frerking, Chairman

My thanks is extended to President Jim Schwerdferger for allowing me to fill this position during the past year.

Timely and informative articles were submitted to the Blue Beret in order to prepare people for the Lewisburg Rally and acquaint them with the surrounding area attractions.

Seventeen media outlets, including magazines, tourism departments, newspapers, local TV and radio stations, were contacted far enough in advance of the Rally to alert them to our International Rally and allow enough time for them to share the information in the community of Lewisburg and surrounding area. The following information was given:

- The WBBi International, its history, organization and activities
- A story on Airstream trailers, their history beginning in 1934, how the styling evolved, their aluminum skin, bullet shape, and different models
- A story on Wally Byam, lawyer by education and magazine publisher by profession, who built the first Airstream, founded the company and was instrumental in starting the Club that bears his name and has members in the U.S., Canada, Australia and Europe
- An additional sheet listing some of the community service programs we support on an ongoing basis

The media contacts were invited to visit the Rally location, talk to participants, get some pictures and do a story on the event.

My only suggestion is that the new International President appoint the new PR/Rally Promotion Chair as soon as possible since the Blue Beret has a six weeks in advance deadline for all publications. Consequently, the date for the August issue is June 15th. A suggestion has also been made that the August issue contain a summary of the Lewisburg Rally.

Again I am thankful for the opportunity to serve. It has been a great pleasure to help all appreciate a little more of the activities that our wonderful club offers.

Technical Committee Report for IBT Lewisburg, West Virginia

To: President Jim Schwerdfeger, Members of the IBT
and fellow Airstreamers

From: Dave Schumann, Technical Committee Chairman

Date: April 29, 2016

Thank you Mr. President for the opportunity to carry on with what Howard Leftkowitz had been developing over years.

The committee has continued with the Airstream Tech Support Group question and answer email hotline as well as continuing providing technical information for the Blue Beret articles. We are also adding additional information to WBCCI home page in the form of how to's and other information regarding taking care of your Airstream.

There are several seminars planned for the International Rally. I have been working with Airstream and they will be giving two seminars at the Rally this year in addition to the two that I am giving. I believe getting information from the factory is very beneficial for getting the latest suggestions and tips.

Wish list: In order to provide better information and support I would like to see a technical committee in every Region. It would be valuable in determining what types of information would be valuable and provide the foundation for seminars and presentations that could be used in local units.

I want to thank everyone at the Headquarters and committee members that have helped me get up to speed and for their patience.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the WBCCI.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Schumann, Chairman and Committee Members

To: President Jim Schwerdfeger
International Board of Trustees

From: Gail Harrower, Chair
Vern Zink, Don Thomson, Chris Wells, Linda Agre and Jerry Larson,
Committee Members

Subject: International Peace Garden Monument Project

"A PROMISE OF PEACE" Project

This special committee was approved at the International Board of Trustees (IBT) meeting in Hattiesberg, MS on January 13, 2012 to participate in the four year celebration since the War of 1812 between the nations of the United States of America and Canada by replacing - through monetary contributions and donations - a restoration or replacement WBCCI/Brandon sculpture that was placed in the International Peace Garden in 1975.

It is important to recognize those who made this project possible. A complete report, including the many individuals and organizations who assisted us in so many ways, donations received in memory of those who have passed away, donations "in kind", the major donors and all donors will be archived at the WBCCI Headquarters in Jackson Center, Ohio and at the International Peace Garden in Dunseith, North Dakota.

Project Committee:

The WBCCI committee who are WBCCI members have given their time, travels, and countless hours over the last four and one-half years to raise \$79,683.92 for the replacement monument.

Gail Harrower (Bruce) - WBCCI #4478 - Manitoba, Canada	Chairperson
Joan Lahr (Deceased) (Mike) - WBCCI #223 - Wisconsin, USA	Vice-Chairperson
Jerry Larson (Joan) - WBCCI #144 - Texas, now Arizona, USA	
Chris Wells (Bev) - WBCCI #7394 - Manitoba, Canada	
Linda Agre - WBCCI #5628 - Minnesota, USA	
Don Thomson (Lillian) - WBCCI #4304 - North Dakota, USA	
Vern Zink (Bev) - WBCCI #4114 - North Dakota, USA	

Donations:

WBCCI Members, Units, Regions, Intra Clubs and Corporate Sponsors	\$46,023.92
Airstream, Inc. & Dealers	\$ 2,500.00
Corporate Donations	\$17,900.00
Individual Donations	<u>\$13,260.00</u>
Total Donations	\$79,683.92

Artist and Sculptor:

Arthur H. Norby of New London, Minnesota, USA has provided confirmation on April 21, 2016 that the contract, dated October 2014 is complete. The sculpture has been delivered to the Peace Garden, and awaits installation. All obligations of the WBCCI have been met, no payments are outstanding. His obligations are also fulfilled since the sculpture has been delivered and accepted. His letter will be part of the archived records.

Presentation and Celebration:

The presentation and celebration of "A Promise of Peace" will be held during a Region 7 rally at the International Peace Garden from July 20 - 25, 2016. The ceremony will take place starting at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 24, 2016 with the presentation of the monument to the International Peace Garden by the WBCCI. An accord for the Promise Of Peace to be signed by the USA and Canadian government representatives to celebrate two-hundred years of peaceful co-existence of our two great nations, and to continue these achievements indefinitely. This is a very historic event for the WBCCI. All net proceeds from the rally will be donated to the Peace Garden for the maintenance of the monument.

Committee Status:

As this project now comes to an end and the committee's obligations are fulfilled, this special committee requests approval of the IBT to be relieved of their duties. A complete and final report will be provided to the IBT at its mid-winter board meeting in January 2017 by the chair of the committee which will then be archived at the WBCCI Headquarters in Jackson Center, Ohio and at the International Peace Garden in Dunseith, North Dakota. It has been our pleasure to serve on this committee.

Respectfully submitted,



Gail Harrower, chair

Wounded Warrior Project Final Report

To: President Jim Schwerdfeger, Members of the IBT and members of WBCCI

From: Janie Haddaway, Wounded Warrior Project Chairman

Mr. President, this is my final report. Our members continue to contribute as their families and love ones continue to serve our great country. Since April, 2015 to the present date our members have contributed \$7,856 that I have record of. I do know some units and individuals have sent their donations in and I have no record of these. Since WBCCI started contributing to this project in 2013 our members have donated over \$80,000.

I encourage each member to pray for and not forget our military personnel and their families.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our club.

Respectfully submitted,

Janie Haddaway

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WBCCI Free Wheelers Report
For the IBT
2015-2016

The Free Wheelers Intra Club is composed of single WBCCI members and has a current membership of 45. This figure includes 2 new members. Members attending the 2015 International Rally in Farmington, New Mexico, met for the annual meeting and luncheon. Other get-togethers are being planned around the 2016 International Rally in Lewisburg, West Virginia.

The Free Wheeler Newsletter is usually published four or more times a year, and contains reports and pictures of past activities, as well as information on future activities. The Membership Directory, published annually, contains contact information for each member, a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws, information about officers, region representatives, and dates for rallies and caravans.

Information about our intra-club can be found at <http://freewheelers.wbcci.net/>, a work in progress.

The fiscal year is July 1 to June 30. Dues are \$5 per year. Persons joining between January 1 and May 31 pay \$7.50, which entitles them to membership for the remainder of that year plus the following year.

Income since our last IBT report has been \$147.50. Outgo for the same period has been \$338.64. We have a balance on hand of \$3,082.39 as of April 30, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Carolyn Hoglin'.

Carolyn Hoglin, Treasurer
April 30, 2016

Vintage Airstream Club



To: Jim Schwerdfeger, WBCCI International President
International Board of Trustees
WBCCI members

From: Iain Cameron, VAC President

Date: June 24, 2016

Report of Vintage Airstream Club – July 2015 to June 2016

VAC Website www.vintageairstreamclub.com

Last July following the Farmington International Rally, the VAC launched its new website which uses Wordpress, the same content management system as units and regions under wbcci.net. It's much easier for volunteers to manage and helps align VAC operations with WBCCI. Volunteers can take on roles and carry out VAC activities with the support network of WBCCI and their local unit and region.

Meaningful website content and up-to-date information are of key importance and helps with communication to members spread out across the country. Current VAC newsletter and details of upcoming VAC rallies are clearly shown on the website. VAC members can join or renew online through PayPal or by mail-in using a downloadable form. Contact information for all officers and volunteer positions are listed on the website. A resource library includes technical and historical information on vintage airstreams, all past newsletters and vintage advantage magazines, and the VAC constitution and bylaws.

Membership

As of May 1, 2016, total VAC membership is 431 current in dues paid, of which 377 are regular members and 54 are associate members (WBCCI members with Airstream under 25 years old).

Over the past year, we have been in discussion with WBCCI home office regarding inclusion of the VAC intra-club into the wbcci.org online join and renewal system. Similar to how units are handled, members would have the option to join or renew VAC membership. It would be a one-stop shop: join or renew WBCCI membership, select your unit, and choose your intra-club involvement (i.e. join or renew VAC membership).

Including intra-clubs into wbcci.org online join/renewal ensures that they are WBCCI members in good standing. That is, you cannot join VAC without becoming a WBCCI member. An online membership system handled at the international level by the home office makes it much easier to attract and retain members. It has many benefits to the organization and its members.

WBCCI home office has put this initiative on their list of items to move forward and there is an opportunity to implement it for the 2017 membership renewal this fall. It is an appropriate time to implement this initiative as only a small percentage of WBCCI members renew online.

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The number of members using the system is a manageable size to work with during implementation this initiative.

No issues have been raised that would cause concern by implementing a trial project with VAC intra-club added to wbcc.org join/renewal system. There are some details that need to be worked out regarding adjustment of anniversary renewal dates for current VAC members to re-align with fall annual dues date for general WBCCI membership.

At present VAC members renew exactly one year after join the intra-club. This anniversary date can happen at any time during the year, and causes great confusion with VAC members. They can't remember when it's time to renew their VAC membership. If we align VAC membership renewal with WBCCI annual due date, there will be better retention of VAC membership. As of May 1, 2016, there are 42 members past due, and 36 members expired (over six months past due). In effect, the VAC may not retain almost 20% of its membership. These members have not been included in the reported total membership of 431 current in dues paid.

VAC Officers and Volunteer Positions

The entire VAC Board was in attendance at last year's Farmington International Rally, and it was very good to be able to meet each other in person, work together, and enjoy the rally with all members. All positions are filled on the current VAC Board with the exception of 3rd vice president.

VAC Region representatives are an appointed position, and each WBCCI region continues to have a VAC representative with the exception of Regions 2 and 7. These two positions are available, and any member interested in taking on the position of region representative should contact the VAC Board.

No other volunteer positions on the VAC are vacant.

VAC Newsletter

A bi-monthly newsletter continues to be published at regular intervals: January, March, May, July, September, and November. The current newsletter is available on the VAC website and is distributed by email to all VAC members via Mail Chimp. All past newsletters remain available on the VAC website.

Emphasis over the past year was on developing the newsletter to include historical articles on vintage airstreams, rallies, caravans and the club. Joe Peplinski, VAC Historian, has written and contributed a number of articles specifically for the VAC newsletter.

VAC Rallies and Gatherings

Four of twelve regions continue to hold a regular VAC region rally. Regions 8 and 10 have an annual vintage rally, and Regions 11 and 12 hold a vintage rally on alternate years.

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Since last year's Farmington International Rally, the following VAC rallies and WBCCI rallies with vintage parking were held for VAC members:

- August 7 – 10, 2015: **VAC Region 10 Vintage Rally**, Wenatchee River County Park, Monitor WA
- September 14 – 20, 2015: **50th Annual Pendleton Round-up Rally**, Pendleton OR
- WBCCI Special Events Rally with vintage parking
- September 24 – 27, 2015: **VACmidwest Region 8 Vintage Rally**, Council Grove Lake KS
- October 29 – November 1, 2015: **VACwest Region 12 Vintage Rally**, Columbia CA
- June 9 – 12, 2016: **VACmidwest Region 8 Moonlight Serenade Rally**, Bedford IA
- June 20 – 26, 2016: **VAC Rendezvous** (pre-rally ahead of international rally), Beckley and Durbin WV

Following this year's Lewisburg International Rally, the following VAC rallies are scheduled:

- July 7 – 10, 2016: **Rocky Mountain Vintage Airstream Club (RMVAC) Rally**, Westcliffe CO
- July 15 – 18, 2016: **VAC Region 10 Vintage Rally**, Farragut State Park, Sandpoint ID
- September 15 – 18, 2016: **VACmidwest (Region 8) Autumn Built Like a Rock Rally**, Backbone State Park, Dundee IA

Financial Position

The VAC continues to be in a strong financial position. This allows funds to be available to support VAC region rallies and VAC activities at the international rally. The Vintage Advantage Magazine has not been published for a few years. There is enough material to publish a Vintage Advantage Magazine on an intermittent basis. However, it is expensive to publish and distribute the magazine to all VAC members and requires a significant volunteer effort.