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Chuck's Corner

Greetings fellow Airstreamers,

I am getting excited about our upcoming September rally at the Airstream Park. It has simply been too long not to be able to spend time with our membership. Our webmaster Chris Olsson has done a superb job in getting information published for this rally. Your executive team along with members from Airstream Park have carefully planned this rally so that we can follow all Covid-19 requirements. Remember to bring a mask. Please use the online reservation system and let us know you can come to the rally. I have a proposed plan for 2020/2021 in my mind which basically follows what I would have done this year. I will share this at the September rally. Looking forward to seeing you soon. Please register and come to our rally, if only for the Saturday installation at noon.

All of us have been painfully aware of the ill effects of Covid-19. As a club, we have volunteered our time and financial resources to support needs in crisis situations such as covid-19. My thought this year is to provide financial assistance of \$350.00 to the local food bank

Minnesota Unit Website

<https://minnesota.airstreamclub.net/>

Region 7 Website

<https://region7.airstreamclub.net/>

Minnesota Unit Facebook

WBCCI Minnesota Unit

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attached to Airstream Park. I will ask for membership approval of this donation at our rally. St Cloud does have immediate needs for food support for out of work people and young children.

Many thanks to those of you who continue to support club activities during the year. Our club is successful in large part because of our volunteers. For the official slate of officers for 20/21 we have an opening for 3rd Vice President. If this is a position you can fulfill, please consider jumping in and let me know. The water is fine, and you will be genuinely awarded for your efforts.

Enjoy this newsletter. Much thanks to Chris as our editor. Until September...

See you down the road

Chuck Dodd

President Minnesota Airstream Club

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2019 - 2020 MN Airstream Club Schedule

Event	Location	Dates	Host/Leader
ASZOOM	Zoom Online Meeting	May 28, 2020 5:00 PM	Chuck Dodd
	Minutes are on page 6 and our website.		
Tag Along Rally	Mississippi River Headwaters Sandy Lake	Aug 30 - Sep 3, 2020	
	See page 4 for more information.		
Fall Installation Rally	MN Airstream Park	Sep 11-13,2020	Brenda Schultz
	This rally is specifically designed to be simple due to the Coronavirus-19 Pandemic yet give people the opportunity to social distance. You will need to bring all your own beverages for happy hours, lunch, campfires and morning muffins, and a mask.		
	See page 5 for the flyer.		
Region 7 Rally	Rippling River Resort	Aug 19-24, 2021	Jane Carmichael Region 7 President
	See Region 7 Website for details (https://region7.airstreamclub.net/)		

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Tag Along Rally

Aug 30 - Sep 3, 2020

Mississippi River Headwaters - Sandy Lake Campground

Register for camping online at:

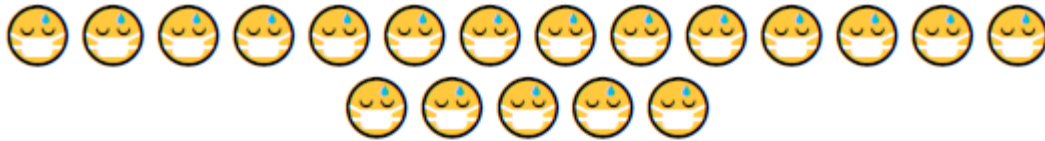
<https://www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/233620?q=Sandy%20Lake>

We are all in the North Loop.

Current sites are 36, 37, 38, 41, 43 & 45

A Tag Along rally is a simple get together for camping (with social distancing 😊) with no structured activities. Some of us got together and decided to go camping together, and we invite anyone in the club to join us. If you want to join us, register for a campsite at the link above. You will need to create a Recreation.gov account if you do not already have one. You do not need to stay the entire time. Come and spend as many nights as you want and can get a reservation for.

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Minnesota Fall Installation Rally!

(Come for the day ~12th, or camp for the weekend.)

When: September 11th-13th

Where: Minnesota Airstream Park
8795 82nd St.
Clear Lake, MN 55319

 **Costs:** Pines Rally Sites \$21.48 (incl. tax)/night
(electric and water)
\$5.00 Rally Fee

Registration at~

<https://minnesota.airstreamclub.net/events/2020-fall-rally/>

Or send information and check (made out to **WBCCI MN UNIT**) to:

Craig McHenry
9880 5th Street Ln N
Lake Elmo, MN 55042

Events

Friday: 4:30 Happy Hour
Campfire

Saturday: 11:30 lunch
(hot dogs, chips, cookie)
Followed by Installation meeting
Campfire

Sunday: Morning muffins

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This is specifically designed to be simple due to the Coronavirus-19 Pandemic yet give people the opportunity to social distance. You will need to bring all your own beverages for happy hours, lunch, campfires and morning muffins, and a mask.

Mail-in Registration

Name(s): _____

Campsite: Yes _____ No _____ Number of nights: _____

Rally Fee: \$5/person _____

Total Included: _____

Please Return by September 1st.

You may also register online here:

<https://minnesota.airstreamclub.net/events/2020-fall-rally/>

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Business Meeting of MN Airstream Club/MN unit of WBCCI

5/28/18

Meeting held via Zoom with 10 members attending.

Meeting called to order by Club President Chuck Dodd at 5:16PM

Introduction of new 2nd VP Kevin Garrett made by President. Kevin was voted in via email by the unanimous consent of the Executive Board after he volunteered for the position following the resignation of 1st VP Terry Pflighaar. (Per Constitution, Brenda Schultz automatically moves up to 1st VP position.)

Roll call of Executive Board completed as follows by Recording Secretary, Kay Olsson.

Present: President Chuck Dodd

2nd VP Kevin Garrett

Treasurer Craig McHenry

Immediate Past President Kay Olsson

Correspondence Secretary Joy Dodd

Trustee Chris Olsson

Trustee Kathy Yanke

Absent: 1st VP Brenda Schultz

Trustee Judd Beattie

Trustee Sharon Ramler

3rd VP position open

Quorum declared by Recording Secretary.

Presentation by President made of the 3 proposed amendments to the International Constitution as presented in the May issue of the Blue Beret and opened to the group for discussion. There were no objections made by the group to passing of the amendments.

A motion was made by Pete Yanke to make President Chuck Dodd delegate for the International Delegates Meeting, amended by Chris Olsson that the club be represented by the President or his choice of substitute, seconded by Dan Johnson. Motion passed unanimously. Chuck announced that Kay Olsson will be the delegate due to his unavailability for the Delegates Meeting on June 24th, 2020. Voting will be completed on-line by delegates by June 15th, and results announced at the Delegates Meeting held via Zoom.

Other business:

Potential new logo for MN Club brought up and discussed. There is a potential new logo that was discussed at the Fall 2019 Business meeting and tabled until President could look further into it. Kay Olsson explained that we have no current "approved" logo meaning it has not gone through the official approval of the International Club. In order to have an official logo, the

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logo first needs to be voted in by the MN Club, then sent to Region 7 for approval. If approved, Region 7 would then forward the application to International for approval. It was decided that Chris Olsson, newsletter editor, will place the potential new logo on the next newsletter (in July) to acquaint the members with it. (See the logo on the cover page - ed.)

President Chuck Dodd asked for a brief Treasurer's report given by Craig McHenry:

Checking: \$7316.23

Savings: \$2342.22

Total: \$9658.45

Membership report by Diana McHenry: 98 members and 10 associates currently. Our membership has remained stable for the past several years, those dropping out due to age/sale of their Airstreams offset by new members.

A Motion was made by Treasurer Craig McHenry that Pete Yanke become his backup for treasurer as previous backup is no longer a member. Seconded by Dan Johnson. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned by President Chuck Dodd at 5:43PM.

Minutes approved by email vote of the Executive Committee on July 3, 2020.

Submitted by Kay Olsson, Recording Secretary, MN Airstream Club

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IBT Summary

As designated delegate for the Minnesota Airstream Club, I attended the IBT Zoom meeting on 6/24/2020. Election of officers for 2020-21 had already been completed by online ballot between June 1 - 15. This was a change from usual procedure due to Covid 19 and cancellation of our 2020 International Rally. It was quite simple to complete and submit. All three amendments to the International Constitution were ratified also per the same process. Results were announced at the IBT.

The report from International headquarters included an announcement of the change in badges of members. There are 3 logos now that can be ordered for new badges: 2 use the classic Wally Byam picture but the wording has been adjusted for current times, and the 3rd has the new Airstream Club logo on it. These can be ordered by logging in to the International Club website and accessing the Club store.

Committee reports included:

Caravans: 17 cancelled this year. 3 are still scheduled for October. All money was returned if the Club cancelled the event.

Also, the Club Caravan handbook is in the process of being updated and will be in digital format when completed.

Bylaws amendments included:

Delegates voting in the future will vote number of members for or against a proposal based on voting within the Club prior to the IBT. Language was adjusted to specify that members must be polled for voting purposes. Members at large will be able to vote by mail or email prior to the IBT if they request from International. (Members at large have not had a vote in the past.)

Language of the Club emblems/logos that local clubs can use was clarified.

Dues for International and subsequent inclusion in the Club Directory was changed from November 30 to December 31.

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There were also several amendments to clarify wording of articles without changing the article itself.

The meeting is on the WBCCI.org website and can be read in it's entirety, or watched as video is available.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kay Olsson

(it was a very "dry" meeting)

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Welcome New MN Airstream Club Members

Diane Bhatia & Jeremi Hanson # 30195 - Minneapolis, MN

Brian Brown & Kellie Davies # 9903 - St. Louis Park, MN

Larry & Robin Smith # 23721 - Elko New Market, MN

Scott & Mona King # 7852 - Ham Lake, MN

Lisa & Duane Bourman # 19810 - Bovey, MN

Wes Kramer # 7456 - Stillwater, MN

Greg & Carol Hanson # 14784 - Princeton, MN

Please extend a warm welcome to our new members when you see them!



If you were wondering...

Got a question about the Wally Byam Airstream Club (aka, WBAC or WBCCI) or the MN Airstream Club? Wondering who you can talk to? These wonderful people are more than happy to hear from you and help answer your questions. Please feel free to email them. Your question may be forwarded to and answered by another member on the MN Airstream Club.

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I am always looking for articles to include in the newsletter. Any topic is welcome, and pictures are always great!

For example, what modifications have you made or had done to your Airstream? Something simple like installing an extra shelf, replacing furniture with something that works better for you, etc.

Please email me any articles or ideas you have.

If you have recipes to share, please email to me and I will include in upcoming newsletters. It does not need to be a food recipe.

Years ago, we were given a recipe booklet by Kay's mom. Her parents were at the 1983 International Rally in Duluth, and one of the things they brought home was this recipe booklet.

Following are two more recipe's from this booklet.

WBCCI
26th Annual
International
Air Stream Rally



Duluth Arena Auditorium
June 29th and 30th, 1983
Compliments of Minnesota Power

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Hot Shrimp Dip

1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese	1 tsp. lemon juice
2 T. milk	1/4 tsp. salt
2 green onions, thinly sliced, (tops included)	Dash pepper
	Dash tabasco sauce
1 T. chopped pimiento	1 can (4-1/2 oz.) small shrimp, drained
1 tsp. prepared horseradish	Assorted crackers or vegetables

Microwave (full power) cream cheese in glass bowl 1/2 to 1 minute or until softened. Blend in milk until smooth. Stir in remaining ingredients except crackers. Microwave (full power), uncovered, 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 minutes or until hot, stirring once. Serve warm with favorite crackers or raw vegetables.

About 1-3/4 Cups

Croutons

2 cups bread cubes, with crusts removed	1/2 tsp. paprika
2 T. butter or margarine, melted	1/2 tsp. onion salt or cheese flavor salt

Mix together all ingredients in 2-quart utility dish, stirring to coat bread with other ingredients. Heat in microwave (full power) for 3 to 4 minutes or until croutons are dry. Stir once during heating. Croutons will become crisper as they cool.

Yield: 1-1/2 Cups

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Pizza on a Cracker

36 melba toast rounds or dry 1 can (6-oz.) tomato paste
crisp crackers 3 oz. pepperoni, thinly sliced
3/4 cup shredded mozzarella 1 tsp. basil
cheese

Place 12 crackers on uncoated paper plate.

Spread 1/2 teaspoon tomato paste on each cracker. Top each with 1 slice pepperoni, 1 teaspoon shredded cheese; sprinkle with basil.

Microwave at High 30 to 60 seconds, or until cheese is melted, rotating plate 1/4 turn after 20 seconds. Repeat with remaining ingredients.

Makes 36

Chicken Bits

4 chicken breasts, boned and 1/2 cup grated Parmesan or
skinned Romano cheese
1-1/2 cups Pepperidge Farm 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
Herb Stuffing Mix 1/2 cup, or more, melted
3 T. minced parsley butter

Cut chicken breasts into bite-sized pieces. In medium-sized mixing bowl, combine stuffing mix, parsley, cheese and garlic powder. Mix well. Roll chicken pieces in melted butter. Press into stuffing mixture until all sides are coated well. Place on lightly greased baking sheet. Bake at 350° for 10 minutes, or until lightly browned.

Makes 6 to 8 Servings

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Newsletter Editor Ramblings

Last month, I started a series of articles about Little Girl and our refurbishment of her. For those of you that don't know, Little Girl is our 1972 31 ft Sovereign that we completely gutted and rebuilt over the course of several years.

But I'm going to take a break from her refurb and report on her dent.

Last Fall, while pulling her out of her shelter on our way to the Fall rally, it was pouring rain, and I clipped the end post of the shelter and put a nice dent in the aft starboard panel.

Well, the weather finally got warm, and the sun was shining on her (to warm up the aluminum skin), so we decided it was time to try out my new tool and see if we could get the dent out.



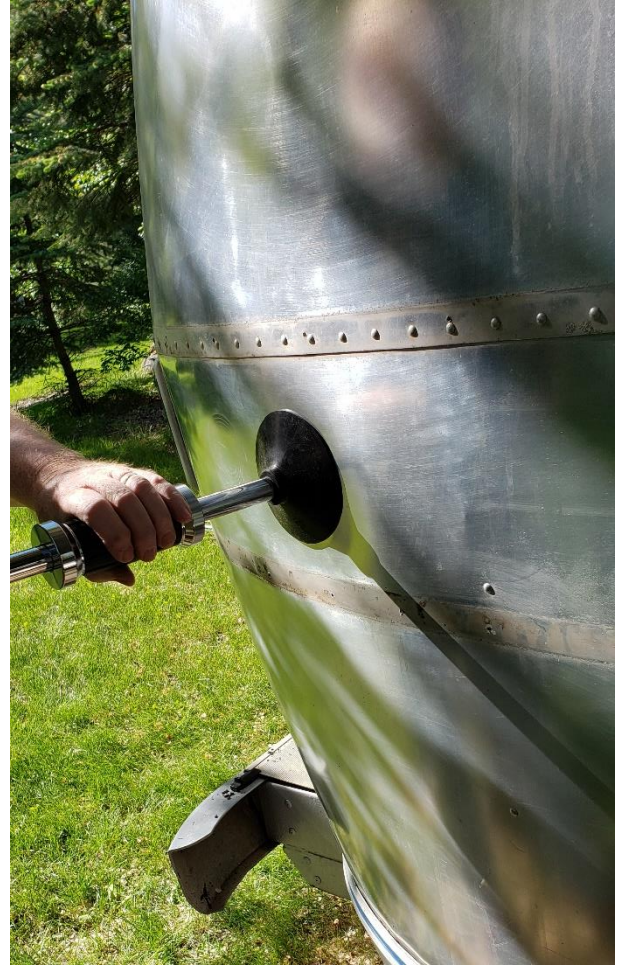
So, we removed the trim pieces (lots of rivets to drill out). I got out my new pneumatic dent puller, fired up the air compressor, hooked the dent puller up to the air compressor, put it on the dent, drew a vacuum with the air compressor which suctioned to the trailer quite well, and tried a small sample pull to see how hard it was going to be to remove the dent.

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This is the result of the small sample pull.

The dent popped out with hardly any pulling at all! It was in fact, very anti-climactic. But, very pleasing.

Below are two more pics with the trim put back on. There is still a shadow of a crease from the dent, but we are quite happy with how well it turned out.



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In the next newsletter, I'll get back to her refurbishment.

Please keep Marlene Anderson and Joy Dodd in your thoughts and prayers.

This newsletter almost didn't make it out in July due to a few unforeseen circumstances. But, I made it!! 😊

Until next time, safe travels.

Chris

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