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2020

Cape Cod Massachusetts Airstream Club

The President's Message



RJ Dominic

Tye and I were talking today; figuring out or September schedule. We have lots of things going on and I said, "Well at least we have some time before September gets here". He responded, "Buddy, September is around the corner". I did a double take at my calendar! Dang, where has the summer gone to; especially August! Days usually fly by when travelling a lot, but I am not really doing any of that this year. Time flies when you are always busy!

As many of you know the Flea Market Finds Rally has been cancelled. The Brimfield Flea Market was still being held but Massachusetts has implemented new standards on campgrounds which did affect the Brimfield Campground. Therefore, we could not be accommodated. We will have our fall business meeting via Zoom, and you will be notified of when it will be held.

Tye, and myself are working with the Country Village Campground for the Columbus Day / Canadian Thanksgiving Day Rally. We continue to monitor Vermont's guidelines for campgrounds and group gatherings. We will keep you posted on happenings there.

Tidbits of information from headquarters:

The [Club Store](#) has been launched with the link to our Lands' End club clothing store front. We still have items to add, but it is a start. The Heritage logo is in the process of being added to our logo library. Check it out!

We have started accepting membership renewals for 2021. You can do your renewal by clicking on this link: <https://airstreamclub.org/current-members/membership-renewal>

The 3-part form that used to be sent out will no longer be used. You can renew online, or print out the form and mail to Trevor, or headquarters with your check. Dottie will be updating the website, and adding the affiliate member form also.

Here is the link for the 2021 International Board of Trustees Mid-Winter Meeting. Arrival date is Monday, January 18th, and departure is Friday, January 22nd.

I hope that everyone has a safe and healthy month.

Technical Coordinator Position - by Lucy Roche

CCMAC is searching for a volunteer to help take some of the workload off of RJ, Dottie, and Eddie. We need someone with communications and media knowledge and have a basic understanding of Zoom, Mailchimp and SurveyMonkey. We will be creating a position called Technology Coordinator.

You will have a great support system with the three of them. You will be working with the CCMAC Executive Committee, along with membership and other areas.

This pandemic has thrown everyone into uncharted territory. Social distancing has changed the way we are doing our business and socialization.

Our electronic media is now becoming the norm. We are learning as we go. If anyone has an interest in volunteering for this position, please reach out to RJ. We would love to hear from you.

We will also have a social hour in the near future. It will be good to have a little wine and just sit back and enjoy the company. We are very interested in making sure everyone is coping with things well and observing social distancing.

Pre Holiday Luncheon Update

Larry Lamontagne is in talks with the owner of the Fins and Tales restaurant where we have our Pre Holiday Luncheon in November.

All these situations are fluid at this time, but we will try to keep you updated as to what is happening.

Zoom Happy Hours

If anyone is interested in hosting a Zoom Happy Hour, please give me a call or email me. I would be more than happy to set you up and give you instructions on how to run the Happy Hour.

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Member Birthdays July/August/Sept

July

Janine Colcord 7/2
Ted Price 7/3
Cecile Lemaire 7/6
Marie West 7/13
Gregory Desnoyers 7/22
Lois Price 7/26
Kathy Fuller 7/29
Jim Colcord 7/31

August

Vernon Rail 8/2
J. Rick Cipot 8/6
Rose Tavares 8/21
Trevor Lake 8/27

September

Sandie St. Laurent 9/1
Sandi O'Connor 9/13
Bob Scott 9/26
Steven Grant 9/29

Member Anniversaries July/August/Sept

August

Steve & Kay Chop, Jr. 8/2
Jerry & Diane Jackson 8/10

September

Bob & Ruth Scott 9/3
Ken & Liz Ackerman 9/7

Region 1 News

By Bard Fuller

Doug Hart is doing preliminary work in establishing a 2021 boondocking caravan through Vermont. This will be open to all our Region 1 local club members.

RJ Dominic is staying current on the International website development. He will be very helpful to all our local clubs once the region activity page gets migrated over to the new database. Once up and running, Dottie, Glen and others will have easy access to post and make alterations to all our local activities. These will then have national exposure. The new website is already very helpful to Trevor, our Treasurer, as the renewal process has been more automated.

Concerning the 2021 Region Rally, I am having to rethink the whole gathering on how to meet the changing stipulations, make our members safe while reuniting after 2 years of missing this wonderful bonding experience amidst the changing reality of this COVID virus. I recently met with the Hebron fairground management, at the fairgrounds, to further discuss all of the concerns that are in front of us at this time. Tentatively, I am holding the dates of June 11-14, 2021 for this long-awaited rally. ~

**Opening for a 2nd VP
By Dottie Walbridge**

At the installation rally this fall, Lucy Roche, will move up to 1st VP. RJ will be President of the CCMAC for one more year. We would like to thank Lucy for volunteering for this position. We will now need someone to volunteer for the 2nd VP position.

Being a 2nd V.P. is a great way to learn a lot about the workings of the Club and our Cape Cod Unit and have a fun time doing it.

As the 2nd VP you will attend all Spring and Fall Business Meetings and Executive Board Meetings of the unit. You will also assist the President and 1st VP if needed and assume the duties of the President or the 1st VP in their absence. You will be asked to perform any duties assigned by the Executive Board.

Please be assured that we will not let you fend for yourself. There are many members who have held these positions before and they will be more than happy to help you in any way they can. What better way to make new friends, learn about the WBCCI and enjoy the camaraderie of the WBCCI family.

I remember when I became a 2nd VP. I thought I'd never be able to do the job correctly even though I had hosted rallies, helped with parking, attended Internationals and hosted luncheons.

It was so much fun and everyone was so helpful. My year went by pretty fast and I

enjoyed every minute of it.

As I look back now over the past 25 year, I enjoyed every Officer position I held. The WBCCI had become a way of life and not just belonging to a Club. I made many lifelong friends from all over the country and you will too.



Airstream For Sale

Rose Tavares is selling her Airstream. It is in excellent condition and has only been owned by the Tavareses.

It is a 2007, 25 ft, Classic 75th Anniversary Edition. Hensley hitch, awnings all around, twin beds.

\$45,000 or best offer

For more Info: Please call:

Sharon: 508-789-4066 or

E-mail: Ss_harbourgirl@yahoo.com

Susan: 310-339-6113 or

E-mail: kcsuki@yahoo.com



**Constitution & By Laws Committee Needed
By RJ Dominic**

Right now I am the Constitution & By Laws Chairperson. I would love to have some members come forward and volunteer to form a Committee to help me with the Constitution & By Laws changes. There will be many more changes in the future as this will be an ongoing process to keep the C&BL updated.

The "Model" for the new changes in the C&BL is posted on our CCMAC website. As you can see the Model is in a much more simple format.

Since I am wearing many hats; as CCMAC President, Region 1 2nd VP, and helping out at the International level, it is extremely important to keep the CCMAC C&BL as up-to-date as possible.

I would really appreciate it if some members would come forward to help myself and Lucy as she works her way up to President.

To see the "Model" click on the link below:

[Constitution & By Laws Model](#)

Two Year Directors Needed

At the upcoming Fall Business Meeting and Installation, we will be needing two members of the CCMAC to come forward and volunteer as Directors for the next two years.

Being a Director is an Officer position and you will be asked to attend as many business meetings as you can. Directors can be asked by the President to chair or be a member of a committee. You may also be asked to take on a special assignment by the President. You might also be asked to host or co-host an upcoming rally or a luncheon.

If you have any additional questions regarding the Directors' positions, please contact Gale Lake at 781-837-2539. Gale will be more than happy to mentor you in this position..

If you need any additional information on any of these positions, please contact either Lucy: 413-717-2061 or myself RJ Dominic: 914-204-6190

**Beware of Scams
By Lori Plummer**

I have received numerous emails from concerned members that they have been receiving emails requesting gift cards. These emails are scams. Unfortunately, these scammers are taking advantage of the world's current situation. There is not much we can do except stay alert and pay attention to the details in these emails.

Here are some things to remember and pass on to other members:

Always look at the actual email address and not the name. This is typically the first clue along with:

- Odd URLs
- Our Club does NOT request gift cards.
- Misspellings or poorly written emails
- The message creates a sense of urgency
- Make sure your security software is up to date
- Never open an attachment or follow a link from one of these emails.

These are just a few tips. There is more information out there to learn how to protect yourself. If you do receive one of these emails, block the sender.

Be safe and have a great day

The following is a list of the remaining rallies in Region 1 from the Charter Oak, New England and Cape Cod Units. Please be advised that these rallies and rendezvous are subject to change in this time of the COVID virus. We will keep you as updated as possible as to the status of these rallies.

Date	Location	Rally Name	Contact	Local Club
August 12-16	Barnardston, MA	Wine Tasting Rally	Wiley Downing	COCAC
Sept. 11-13	New Paltz, NY	Fall Basics Rendezvous	Russ Fuller	COCAC
Sept 24-27	Seranac Lake, NY	Fall Foliage Rally		NEAC
Oct. 2-4	Lisbon, CT	Pumpkin n Spice Rally	Kathy Fuller	COCAC
Oct. 10-12	Leicester, VT	Columbus Day & Canadian Thanksgiving Rally	RJ Dominic & Eddie Carll	CCMAC
Oct. 30—Nov 2	Franconia, NH	Echo Lake Rendezvous	Earl Duesel	NEAC

Dad's Attic Treasures By Bard Fuller

Growing up in a house with a full attic and parents that were quintessential WBCCI members leads to a WHOLE LOT of long-lost memories. I recently found a facsimile of a tombstone up in



Bard Fuller cleaning his Dad's attic

the rafters. Now, a bit of history is needed to set the stage for this cemetery icon.

During the 1950's toilets were first offered in Airstream trailers as an option. The "International" series often denoted trailers that boasted deluxe trim and provided a self-contained camper complete with toilet and black water tank. Along with



The Fuller's Gopher Hole

this came the need to dump the black water. Rumors were that the first self-contained trailers out west used prairie dog and gopher holes to dispose of their liquid waste. The "gopher hole" phrase was brought into the 1960's to reference the man-made holes for the purpose of receiving sewage.

Early rallies, and in particular the International rallies, were most often in farmers' fields. These fields had no electric, water or sewer connections. Part of the Welcoming Committee at these large rallies was the presence of a farm tractor with an imposing 18" wide auger. After the parkers got you into a specific spot you were asked how many were camping in your trailer. For us, the Fuller family, the answer was "Five. Two parents and 3 kids." This would mean we would get 5 interconnecting holes just behind the trailer bumper. Our sewage drain hose was placed into the hole and covered by a metal sheet and then the excess dirt was piled high over the hole.

To add a bit of pizzazz to these mounds of dirt all members were encouraged to decorate them. Many were adorned with potted plants or plastic flowers others were of dioramas depicting campground settings or an excavation site using toy Tonka trucks. For my parents, it was a portrayal of a cemetery plot featuring a grave stone, white picket fence and two potted plants. The tombstone read "Here Lies Our Remains".

A past time at the 1964 International Rally was for members to take an evening stroll behind all the trailers to see the innovative gopher hole

decorations. Due to the



Bard's dad John with The Gopher Award

popularity of these highly decorated sewer sites came the advent of the "Gopher Awards". These trophies soon evolved to recognize high achievement for many activities at International Rallies. There was no higher honor than the Gopher Award for the most elegant/comical sewage site.

Although my dad did not win an award in 1964 he did win one at the Bloomsburg, PA Airstream Company Rally in 1966. It had been proudly displayed in his living room for the past 50 years of his life. All visitors received an enthusiastic explanation of his most treasured award.

Dad's attic once again preserved another long-lost custom of the early days of WBCCI that brought back fond memories.



The Gopher Award



The Flea Market Finds Rally

at the Village Green Campground, 228 Sturbridge Road, Brimfield Massachusetts

A Fall business meeting Rally for the
Cape Cod Massachusetts Airstream Club

September 4-7, 2020

Hosted by: Larry Lamontagne and RJ Dominic
Rally Fee is \$120.00 - Kitty Fee is \$30.00 per rig
Upon arrival check in with the camp store.

***Please have your registration in
Before August 24, 2020***

- Thursday Early arrival - \$40/per night
- Friday Parking - Meet and Greet
4:30 p.m. - Happy hour, dinner on your own
- Saturday 7:30 am - Breakfast, eggs to order, ham, toast and coffee
8:30 am - Very short business meeting, followed by enjoying the town wide flea market.
Lunch on your own and exploring the area.
4:30 pm - Happy hour followed by pot luck dinner. New officer installation during dessert.
- Sunday 7:30am Continental Breakfast - Bagels, muffins, coffee, tea
Spend your day at the Flea Market or touring the area.
- Monday Coffee - "See you down the road"
- Tuesday Late Departure - \$40/per night

CANCELLED

Flea Market Finds Rally

Cut off Date: August 24, 2020

Name: _____ Email: _____
 Address: _____
 City _____ State: _____ Zip _____
 Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
 WBCC#: _____ Rig Size: _____ Pets/Type: _____
 Early arrival : _____ Late Departure: _____ \$40.00 per night \$ _____

Camping: \$40.00 per night - 3 nights = \$120.00 Kitty Fee: \$30.00 per rig Total \$ _____

Make checks out to: Larry Lamontagne

Mail to: Larry Lamontagne, 108 Sandy Beach Road, Holland, MA 01521

Columbus Day & Canadian Thanksgiving National Event Rally

October 10th thru 13th, 2020

Country Village Campground
40 US Route 7, Leicester, VT 05733



Hosted by: RJ Dominic & Tye Mott
The Cape Cod Mass Airstream Club

For any questions please contact:
RJ Dominic at rjdominic@airstreamclub.net or Cell: 914-204-6190
or Tye Mott - Cell: 716-866-2503



Thursday, October 9	10:00am - Early Arrival 4:00pm - Happy hour and dinner on your own
Friday, October 10	8:00am - Breakfast 10:00am - Arrival to campground 4:00pm - Happy Hour, meet and greet, dinner on your own
Saturday, October 11	8:00am - Continental Breakfast 3:00pm - "Smoked" Turkey Thanksgiving Dinner with all the fixings. Please let RJ know what type of dish you would like to contribute. RJ will have a signup sheet. 5:00pm - Dessert happy hour. Bring your favorite dessert and fall beverage and enjoy the campfire.
Sunday, October 12	8:00am - Pot luck breakfast. 4:00pm - Wine and cheese happy hour. We will supply the cheeses, your bring your favorite bottle of wine or other beverages to share if you have a special appetizer bring that also. 5:30pm - Dinner on your own, there are great restaurants in the area or have an impromptu pot luck.
Monday, October 13	8:00am - Coffee Check out by noon today. NO LATE DEPARTURES



If there are dietary concerns, please call RJ ahead of time.

There are NO Full hookup sites, there is a dump station and a honey wagon at \$10 a pump out.

Columbus Day & Canadian Thanksgiving National Event Rally, October 10 to 13, 2020

Name: _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

WBCCI No: _____ Please note: This is a WBCCI National Rally and only units made by Airstream may participate.

Rig Size: _____ Plate Number & State: _____

Tow Vehicle Make: _____ Model: _____ Plate Number & State: _____

Rally Fees: \$170.00 - One person three night stay. \$185.00 - Two persons three night stay. Add'l nights ____ X \$35.00

Additional fee per person for more than two in a camper: \$35.00 Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make checks out to: Cape Cod Mass Unit Note in Memo on check: CDCTH

Please mail checks and this form to: Eddie Carll, P.O. Box 1811, Plymouth, MA 02362
or email: ecarl162@gmail.com



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To:

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by August 30th

