

Wally Byam Caravan Club International



Region 4

Appalachian Unit of West Virginia Airstream Club

Newsletter: September 20, 2020

Greetings. This year has produced less news than previous years because most rallies have been canceled and many Airstream Club members have been unusually stationary.

To date there has been no reports of Covid infections among our unit members. And our club took extra precautions at the recent Pipestem rally. Dubbed "Social Distancing C19 Rally" Shelba Tucker and Wayne Barth applied safe guidelines to the event by asserting social distancing and masks for everyone. Debbie May, Ron Preast and JJ Johnjulio facilitated cooking and serving. Breakfasts and dinners were pleasant socializing get-togethers because meals were cooked and served by appointed persons wearing gloves and we made our way single file through the serving canopy. Stress free.



Pipestem Resort has many amenities to choose from including tram rides, bicycle riding and hiking. Excursions to the near-by towns of Athens, Princeton and Hinton were enjoyed. Both sun and rain made an appearance! We had camp fire in the evenings and Shelba awarded door prizes every day. Some she made herself. A very big thank you to Shelba and Wayne for this camping opportunity.

Our **next rally** is Thursday, October 1 – Sunday October 4, 2020 at

YOKUM'S VACATIONLAND CAMPGROUND

24570 Mountaineer Dr

Seneca Rocks WV 26884





Attending the rally were:

Erna and Alfred Akers	Lewisburg, WV
Wayne Barth	Princeton, WV
Ann and Ron Cannon	Cumming, GA
Karen Fisher and Wally Kimmel	Oxford, MI
Kathy and Fred Kiehl	Arkon, OH
Marge and Jim Kubalic	Mercer, PA
Sandy and JJ Johnjulio	Tidioute, PA
Debbie May	Lerona, WV
Carmel and Guy Porter	Charleston, WV
Carole and Ken Rehm	Shinnston, WV
Marie and Richard Rose	Barboursville, WV
Shelba Tucker and Ron Preat	Elkview, WV

We also conducted a Club business meeting during the rally where we discussed changes in our Club constitution to coincide with the International constitution. There were no objections to the changes. The renaming of our local club was discussed. New names considered were *Appalachian Airstream Club of West Virginia*, *Airstream Club of West Virginia*, and *West Virginia Airstream Club*. Feedback that I have received since the rally suggest that most members are leaning toward *West Virginia Airstream Club* as the favored club name. We also discussed updating our club flag with something reflecting the state of West Virginia. General consensus is that using the New River Gorge Bridge with mountains, cardinals and rhododendron would be attractive. An Airstream travel trailer would be crossing the bridge and our new name would parallel the roadway. I will be querying club members about their final name preference soon.



It was time to elect officers for our Club. Having the required quorum, nominations and discussions were performed. Votes were cast verbally and in the presence of all rally attendees. We were fortunate that Karen Fisher, Region 4 President, attended our rally and agreed to conduct our officer inductions on short notice. I felt it prudent to fast track the ceremony considering travel uncertainty in our area.

These are our officers for the 2021-2022 term:

President: Shelba Tucker	WBCCI #: 8200
1st VP: Alfred Akers	WBCCI #: 24901
2nd VP: Ken Rehm	WBCCI #: 10250
Corr. Sec.: Alfred Akers	WBCCI #: 24901
Rec. Sec.: Alfred Akers	WBCCI #: 24901
Treasurer: Debbie May	WBCCI #: 4446
2nd Treasure Richard Rose	WBCCI #: 4531
3rd Treasure Erna Akers	WBCCI #: 24901
Membership: Wayne Barth	WBCCI #: 5411
Newsletter: Alfred Akers	WBCCI #: 24901
Webmaster: Shelba Tucker	WBCCI #: 8200
Director: Carmel Porter	WBCCI #: 1457
Director: Wayne Barth	WBCCI #: 5411
Director: Don Preast	WBCCI #: 8200

Congratulations to these officers. And this is the first WBCCI office held by Ken and Richard. The Club truly appreciates your service. All terms will begin on November 01, 2020.



We remembered those that we lost this year.

Treasurer and former First Lady, Carroll Barth held several offices with our club and was a large contributor to the persona that our club presented on all levels. She was usually one of the first to arrive and ready to make visitors comfortable at her campsite. She set the standard by example. The class, beauty and keen sense of humor that Carroll brought to all occasions will be missed by all that knew her. We shared memories with Wayne and will surely share many more.



Rich Work was a club member for many years and held several club offices during his Airstream journeys. As Web Master he chronicled our rallies in photos. Rallies that Rich sponsored were consistently well planned and coordinated, with many options; enough to cover multiple rallies. Rich was a laid-back fellow that was always interested in what you have to say. Always willing to help, he availed himself to volunteer work both in and outside the club. With Sandy by his side you could find him camping almost anytime of the year. We will remember Rich fondly.



All our best,
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