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# Alabama Airstream Club Newsletter

# June, 2021

#### President's Message

It seems that the Covid season is waning and campers are filling up the campgrounds, which is good and bad. Good because people are getting back out on the road and bad because all the campgrounds are full or almost full.

I know there are members in our club out on caravans and some are just out exploring on their own. I wish them safe and fun journeys. Just an observation to pass along to all of us. There is definitely a surge in NEW campers going to campgrounds and other places to get away for a vacation or just the weekend. A lot of these people have NEVER been camping so they do not know the "IN'S and OUT'S" of camp etiquette.

This leads to my thought of how to help them help you! This is the challenge to step out of your COMFORT ZONE and go next door or down a few sites and be a good neighbor. Ask if you could lend a hand setting up or offer to take their trash because you are going. WE should try our best to be good stewards of trying to share our experiences with them in the hope that the things we share are for helping them ENJOY CAMPING and understanding why we have been doing what we do for soooooo many years!

Summer is here, so get out there and do something this season that you have put off doing, and I don't mean washing the car: but go on that hike back in the woods and find the hidden lake or camp with NO HOOKUPS for the weekend, or go to a State you have not been to and explore the sites. These times can be challenging and then again I like to think maybe it can be an opportunity to get to STRETCH ourselves!

Okay, next up is the International Rally in Lebanon, TN July 16-24! Hope to see you there. Be safe and see you down the road.

Tony Olm

President AAC

# **New Members**

Welcome to these new members that have joined the Alabama Airstream Club. We hope to see you soon at an upcoming event.



American Living History Event

# After Action Report

Despite the fuel shortage, everything went very well. The weather was picture-perfect, warm days and cool night. Our host campground was Holiday Travel RV Park located in Rossville, GA. The campground was nice and accommodating; we had private use of the clubhouse where the ladies did a good job of decorating with American Flags and red, white, and blue. We enjoyed some of our meals there, played games, worked puzzles, and visited.

Those in attendance, were John L. & Judy Burton, Jim & Therese Colby, John & Carol Rylee, Tony & Barbara Olm, Russ & PJ Pry, last but not least, our new members from Virginia, Michael & Linda Haygood who now live in Huntsville, AL.

Thursday afternoon the girls when shopping at the nearby antiques stores. The boys played a game of chipping the golf ball in the horseshoe sand pit. The loser had to furnish the next round of refreshments I will not mention the loser's name, but Tony and I won. Friday, we toured the Chickamauga Battlefield Visitor's Center. The park ranger, Will, gave us a great guided tour of the battlefield. Saturday, we enjoyed a pancake breakfast that the men cooked. Then, it was off to Resaca, GA, to see the battle of Resaca. There were between 4 and 5 hundred reenactor's that participated in the event. Seeing both army's marching to the beat of the drums was very moving. The battle scenario gave you a good idea of how the armies fought.

Sunday was a free day. The group met again at 4 PM at the North Georgia Winery for a free wine tasting and the ladies were treated to a delicious piece of chocolate to go with the wine.

See you down the road.

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John L. Burton

### **Area Meetings**

#### North Alabama Area

Submitted by Doreen Fulcher

The North Alabama Airstream Club met at Ro's Grille, Athens, AL for lunch on Tuesday, June 15 with Doreen and Lee Fulcher hosting the event. Twelve Airstreamers and two guests attended. We spent the next two hours catching up, enjoying a delightful lunch and discussing the upcoming International and Fiddlers' Rallies! Everyone wore their badges!! The next North Alabama Airstream Club gathering will be in August and will be hosted by Russ and PJ Pry. Keep a lookout for an email from the Prys! Safe Travels and See you Down the Road! — Doreen

> Montgomery Area Submitted by John Rylee

The Montgomery Area group met for dinner on June 14 at the Olive Garden restaurant in Montgomery. This was our first dinner meeting since the start of the Covid pandemic and those of us in attendance were so glad to be meeting again. Several of our group were traveling but we had a great meal and conversation. Attending were our hosts, Paul & Flip Aehnlich, Spencer Bach, Steve & Becky Padgett, John & Carol Rylee, and Lamar & Becky Smith. The next meeting will be July 12, place TBA.

### **Upcoming Events**

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### **International Rally**

July 11-24, 2021 Lebanon, TN

# **Athens Old Time Fiddlers**

### Special Event Rally

Sep 27 - Oct 3, 2021 Athens, AL (See below)

### **Region 6 Rally**

Oct 7-11, 2021 Foley, AL See you down the road

John Rylee, Editor



### Athens Old Time Fiddlers National Rally

Athens, Alabama September 28 - October 3, 2021 By Russ Pry

Rally in Athens, Alabama for the 2021 Tennessee Valley Old **Time Fiddlers Convention**. Early parking for the volunteers available on September 27. The Airstream rally starts on September 28 with welcome dinner. Upon arrival, sign up for tours to area destinations. A free concert opens the convention on September 30. The \$55/person rally fee includes two-day convention entrance fee, and two evenings of featured performances by headliner entertainers. Competitions include playing instruments, singing and dancing. Craft and food concessions are found throughout campus. Exclusive WBAC parking includes 20 AMP power, water and one (1) pump out for \$25/night located within 3/10 mile of the main venue. Parking reservations requires four (4) night minimum. Rally attendees are also welcome to stay at nearby RV Parks with full hook ups. Rally reservations and deposits are required by August 15. Visit http://region6.airstreamclub.net for Airstream Rally updates. Visit http://www.tvotfc.org/ for convention information and schedule updates. All rally attendees are encouraged to bring their musical instruments. Jam sessions planned at the WBAC camp site and/or the Domino room at Athens - Limestone County Visitors Center.

#### ATHENS OLD TIME FIDDLERS RALLY Includes Tennessee Valley Old Time Fiddlers Convention Athens, Alabama September 28 - October 3, 2021

Last Name		
First Name(s)		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Email		
WBCCI #		
Club # (no names or abbreviations)		-
Rally Fee:Per adult # x \$55 = \$_		
Per child # x \$30 = \$_		
Softball Field WBAC		
Camping per night # x \$25 = \$ (4 night minimum ) Total: \$_		

Checks payable to: Alabama Airstream Fiddlers Rally

Send registration & check to: Mike Hamilton, Treasurer 3106 Quail Run, Opelika, AL 36801 Receipt acknowledged via email

Address questions and comments to: Rally Chairman, Russ Pry, email: athensairstreamrally@gmail.com

All rally related correspondence is electronic.