

THE WALLY BYAM AIRSTREAM CLUB
NORTHERN VIRGINIA AIRSTREAM CLUB
CONSTITUTION

Article I

NAME

This organization is a chartered Club of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and shall be known as the Northern Virginia Airstream Club of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc.

Article II

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this non-profit organization shall be:

- To furnish encouragement and assistance in the development of the Club and thus afford fraternization for recreational vehicle owners.
- To encourage safe driving and assist in improving the general welfare of the recreational vehicle public through assistance and active participation of all its members in building a strong organization for the betterment of good will toward recreational vehicle travel.
- To coordinate with and participate in the interests and activities of the International Club and the Regions.
- To cooperate with other organizations and units or clubs within our sphere which are seeking to elevate the standards and ethics of the various groups.
- To disseminate information of an advisory and educational nature of value to its members and the public.
- To study, advise, and recommend legislation in the interest of the recreational vehicle public and oppose all legislation discriminatory and injurious to the recreational vehicle public.
- To encourage government and private agencies to provide more and better recreational vehicle parks and facilities.

Article III

MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS

Section 1. An adult who owns a hard-sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc., shall be eligible for membership.

Section 2. There are two classes of membership in this Club: Regular Members and Affiliate Members.

Section 3. An applicant for membership in this Club must submit an application in writing and, upon the payment of International and Club dues, shall be a Regular Member of this Club.

Section 4. Regular Members who have sold their recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc., may, upon request, retain their membership as Regular Members of this Club pursuant to the provisions of ARTICLE VI, Sec. 2 of the International Constitution. Such Regular Members shall possess all the rights and privileges of the International Club, including full voting rights in all elections and on all issues and questions.

Section 5. Regular Members of another Unit or Club may become Affiliate members in this Club by an application to the Membership Committee and upon acceptance shall possess all the rights and privileges of the Club except:

- The right to hold office in the Club.

- The right to vote in the selection or election of officers in the Club, Region or International or on any amendment to the Club or the International Constitution.
- The right to vote on the dissolution of the Club, consolidation of the Club with one or more units or clubs, or the merger of the Club with another Unit or Club.

Section 6. Applicants for Affiliate membership in this Club must submit dues and join the International Club through another duly chartered Unit or Club.

Section 7. Failure to pay either International or Club dues will automatically terminate membership in the Club.

Section 8. A co-owner, defined as one of two WBCCI members who own a single Airstream recreational vehicle and where each pays International and Club dues, shall be deemed to include the spouses or partners of each co-owner. Each shall have all the rights and privileges of membership, including voting.

Article IV

OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

Section 1. The Club Officers are President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Newsletter Editor, Treasurer, Webmaster, Legislative Director, and Membership Director. Only Regular Members who have been members of this Club for at least six months are eligible to serve as officers.

Section 2. The officers shall be elected, installed, and assume their offices at the annual business meeting normally held in September or October for a term of one year or until a successor is elected; but in no case shall an officer be eligible to serve more than two consecutive years in the same office except for the Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Webmaster, Legislative Director, and Membership Director provided said officers are duly nominated and elected for each term of office.

Section 3. In the event of the death, advancement, resignation, or the inability to fulfill the duties of the office of the President or First Vice President, the next ranking Vice President shall succeed to that office. The resulting vacancy in the office of the Second Vice President may remain unfilled if less than six months of the term of office remains. If more than six months of the term of office remains, a new Second Vice President shall be elected and installed at a business meeting of the Club called for that purpose. A President or Vice President who succeeds to an office pursuant to the provisions of this section, and who holds that office for more than six months, shall be deemed to have served one term in that office. A President or Vice President who succeeds to office pursuant to the provisions of this section and who holds that office for less than six months may be elected to that same office for a full term. Vacancies which occur in the offices of Newsletter Editor, Secretary, Treasurer, Webmaster, Legislative Director, and Membership Director shall be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

Article V

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The Executive Board shall consist of all the officers plus the immediate Past President.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall be the administrative body of the Club, define the policies of and have full administrative authority in all matters pertaining to the Club, and shall exercise general control and supervision of all officers and committees.

Section 3. The President or any two members of the Board may call a business meeting of the Executive Board at any time deemed necessary.

Section 4. A quorum of the Executive Board shall consist of a majority of its members.

Article VI

CLUB BUSINESS MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual business meeting of the Club shall be held during the month of September or October. Additional business meetings may be held during any rally of the Club, and also may be called at any time by a majority vote of the Executive Board. The date, time, location, and purpose of all Club business meetings shall be announced to the members in writing or electronic devices at least fifteen days prior to the meeting. A quorum for conducting business at any business meeting shall be not less than ten percent of the membership.

Section 2. All Regular Members, including spouse or partner, voting at the annual or additional business meetings of this organization, and each such membership, identified by the International Club membership number, shall be considered one vote. Co-owners, including spouse or partner, who each pay International and Club dues to this Club as provided for in Article III, Section 8 shall each have one vote.

Section 3. When a vote of the full membership is desired on any question, the Executive Board may authorize a mail ballot or e-mail ballot (provided the requirements for e-mail use, as set forth in Article VIII, Section 2, have been met). The newsletter shall discuss the issue, put the question and provide a ballot to be marked and returned to the Club President by each voting member. The Club President, in the company of at least one other officer, shall tally the votes and keep the results confidential until announcing them in the next newsletter. When a mail ballot or e-mail ballot is used to obtain a vote on an issue, no other method of voting shall be permitted on that same issue.

Article VII

BYLAWS

Bylaws consistent with this Constitution and with the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., embodying additional provisions for the government of the Club may be adopted by the Executive Board.

Article VIII

AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be submitted to the Executive Board in writing. The Executive Board shall submit all such amendments to the members for their consideration.

Section 2. Any article or section of this Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members voting at a business meeting of the Club or a special meeting called for that purpose. In either case, a notice containing the proposed amendment or amendments has been mailed first-class or by e-mail (to those members who have agreed to be so notified and who have filed a current e-mail address with the Secretary of this Club) to each member of the Club at least fifteen days prior to such a meeting.

Section 3. All amendments to this Constitution shall become effective upon adoption.

This Constitution, as last amended, was adopted and effective on March 27, 2021, at Powhatan, VA.