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# *The DelMarVa Beacon*

*DelMarVa  
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*Club #026*

*Region 2*

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*Photo "Sunrise" by Doug West*

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TTFN.  
Art. "*

*President  
Art Potter*



## President Art's Message

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Well here it is another month gone and our Airstream is still looking sad, me too. Liz and I did get to spend one night camping on our return trip from picking up the trailer in Delaware. Guess that's better than zero days. I know that someday soon we will look to put this year behind us and get back to traveling when we want! My personal thanks to Katharine for organizing the July 4th weekend Rally, and now a September gathering at the Crisfield Legion! Already have 7 signed up, that is great! With the help of many new friends in the "hood" I was able to put up a shelter for the trailer. Glad to have a place to park it for now, but would much rather be on the road. Installation is still on for October 24 and we look forward to seeing you all there. TTFN. Art

### Editor's Notes -

Glenn Michael, Editor, Comments/Questions - 410-778-0062, [fastaperture@gmail.com](mailto:fastaperture@gmail.com)

August 2020 and the latest news is this pandemic isn't really calming down. On the contrary, it seems to be escalating again. The general consensus is that too many people are still congregating too much. From science guys, it is touted to be easily spread, particularly by close contact with other people. Trouble is, it has put the skids on our activities.

I have however, gone back to the Delmarva Beacon title. I think we are getting more comfortable to the 'new' norm.

As a sign that things are working out we have found ways to still have Rallies, while distancing to prevent the spread. This is evidenced by the July 4 weekend at Trap Pond, page 5. First Vice President Katharine Dowell and husband Second Vice President Andy Dowell hosted the Rally and there is a report with photos in this issue. Many kudos to Katharine and thank you for the coverage.

On the same trend of thought, Katharine has organized another Rally, this time at the Crisfield, MD American Legion Hall. Details are in an ad in this issue, page 11. The information was sent out via email prior to this issue due date in order that interest could be assessed and the sites booked at the Legion. Well, did that email ever get reaction? I sent it out about 8:30 Sunday morning and by 2 o'clock Katharine had seven (7) reservations. That has to be a new record in the response department. That location with the sites on shore looking out over the Chesapeake Bay is always a hit. The sunsets are usually gorgeous. It should be a wonderful time, and you can maintain distance, and wear masks as well. She originally had 12 sites reserved, so by the time you get this there might still be a site remaining. Don't delay. Distancing will be practiced.

A Rally still on our schedule is the Installation Rally to be held October 23, 24, 25 at the 4-H Park in Centreville, MD. Malcolm is still awaiting final confirmation on use of the facility. In the meantime, and on the hope that it will happen, there is a Coupon for the Installation Rally in this newsletter. Let's all hope that it is still a go.

The cover photo for this issue is by a friend, Doug West, whose is married to a student I had at KCHS. He gets out early and takes some nice shots. He is kind enough to allow me to use the photo. Thank you Doug.

The photo for the Anniversary/Birthday page is from a couple, Dave & Billie Roberts, from whom I have used other photos recently. They would be ideal Airstreamers. Dave has an MG and belongs to a brand club and this photo came from that club.

To end on a note of happiness, we have yet another two (2) new members. Their info is on page 13. Can't wait to meet them all at a Rally or Luncheon.

*Glenn Michael*





*Photo by MG Club Member via Dave & Billie Roberts*

**Anniversaries**

Bruce & Bonnie Purcell August 03  
 Will & Karen Kushto August 12

**Birthdays**

Chuck Helwig August 10  
 Claire Connelly Warden August 12  
 Dan McDougall August 17

***SUNSHINE NEWS- Mary Ann Parks, Chair. August, 2020***

As the days, weeks, and months pass, it is apparent that we will continue our “mask wearing and social distancing” for the foreseeable future! I am sure that we ALL feel like we have had “enough”, and it is time for “normal” life to return, but NOW is NOT the time to let our guard down. Instead, we can “think outside the box” for ways in which we can still enjoy our days, and our BLESSINGS! Practice that piano or other instrument you have always wanted to do, learn how to knit, crochet, sew or quilt. Learn how to cook a new “dish”, learn a new language, adopt a dog or cat, create scrapbooks for your favorite people, learn how to Rubber Stamp, just take a walk through your home a few times, learn new card games! These are just a few ideas for you to ponder! I have had the best time cleaning out my scrapbook room, and going through pictures and cards reflecting on precious times! I have a beautiful doll house that I am working on, making curtains and framing doors and windows.

Margaret Morris and I enjoyed a good “chat” a few days ago. She is doing well, staying busy creating her beautiful “hand stitched” cards. Her daughter, Kim, had been with her for a few weeks, and helped Margaret with some chores, including painting a bedroom! Margaret shared their “socially distant” visit with Fay and Phil Cruchley. Phil hopes to have his “long awaited” knee surgery soon. We wish him well.

We are all disappointed to have our Delmarva activities cancelled for the foreseeable future, but we need to stay SAFE! Les and I are staying pretty close to home, not even going down to our campground near Milton. But, we do have a screened porch at our home, so that has become our “happy place”. Hopefully, we all have our own “happy place”!

Blessings and prayers for good health and well being for ALL of our Delmarva members and friends!

***Mary Ann Parks***

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## *With the New Name, Comes a Fantastic New Website*

**Check out the new website!!!**

<https://airstreamclub.org/>

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President.....Art Potter  
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### ***Region 2 Officers 2020 - 2021***

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### ***WBCCI Officers 2020 - 2021***

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Eric McHenry - Second Vice President #153  
Per Hamnqvist - Third Vice President #154  
Beth Hackney - Treasurer #3518  
Judy Bechthold - Recording Secretary #349)  
Lori Plummer - Corporate Director  
Mona Heath - Past President #152

## Trap Pond Rally July 4 Weekend – small, but mighty!

Over the 4<sup>th</sup>, the Club hosted a social --but physically distanced, Buddy Rally. Three member trailers were in residence, with several buddies in a tent and Class C, plus a nonmember Airstream. The weather was typical July --hot, but fortunately no storms. Members at the event included Andy and Katharine Dowell, Ashley and Mark Hitzig and Chris Clauson, and David Ziara. Celeste Sansom and son Nate stopped by to visit as well.



*Attendees*



*Guys demonstrating proper distancing*



Activities included kayaking, bicycling, outdoor cast iron cooking and feasting, relaxing and reading, --and doing nothing at all. On Sunday afternoon, our friends from Salisbury stopped by for dinner and joined Andy in playing some traditional Irish music to everyone's enjoyment!

*Music*



Andy on the Trap Pond water trail





On the evening of the 4<sup>th</sup>, two pots of peach cobbler were cooked in cast iron over the fire. Not bad for novices! Ice cream was available to cool the warm gooey peach goodness. There was enough to share with rally attendees --plus several other lucky campsite neighbors. Sparklers and glow sticks lit up the night.

*Cobbler almost empty*



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***NEW RALLY ON THE CALENDAR  
CRISFIELD  
AMERICAN LEGION POST 16  
SEPTEMBER 9 -13***



***126 Lorrie Quinn Drive, Crisfield, MD 21817  
410-968-2415***



**12 Water & Electric sites with dump station  
\$35 per night, payable at check in.  
Check in 1 pm Friday.  
Sunday departure whenever.**

Here is a link to a drone video of the site-

<https://youtu.be/R-1QXoDCapk>

Many of you have been to this location and found it to be a wonderful location for a Rally.

Contact the hosts to make reservations  
by August 1.

No specific coupon required.

To keep it simple, just use Katharine as contact.

***Katharine 410-212-2125,***

[\*\*\*mom2jaydee@gmail.com\*\*\*](mailto:mom2jaydee@gmail.com)



*Top two photos by Malcolm Comstock and bottom photo by Claire Connelly Warden, all taken at the Rally in 2018*

**Delmarva Airstream Club #026**  
**Installation Rally 2020**  
**October 23, 24, 25 at 4-H Park, Centreville, MD**

Come for the Rally and Camp, or  
Come to the Unit Business Meeting and Dinner on Saturday

**Tentative Schedule**

**Thursday 22nd** early arrival after 12 o'clock. Activities and meals on your own.  
Extra night fee \$20, when you arrive.

**Friday 23rd** - arrive after 12 o'clock  
5:00 - 5:30 "Happy Hour"  
5:30 Dinner on your own

**Saturday 24th** - Explore the area  
4:00 Unit Meeting, followed by Installation of Officers Ceremony  
5:30 - 6:30 Installation Dinner, followed by new President Katharine Dowell  
presentation of Activity schedule for the next year  
Topped off with Dessert

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**Installation Rally Coupon 2020**

**Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_ **WBCCI #** \_\_\_\_\_

Camping: Thursday \_\_\_ Friday \_\_\_ Saturday \_\_\_

Not Camping, but coming for Saturday dinner and/or meeting  
at \$5.00 per person for Saturday Dinner.

**Rally Fee \$50** for two nights, includes two breakfasts, and Sat. Dinner

**Make Checks payable to - Delmarva Unit WBCCI**  
**And mail by Oct. 15, 2020 to Malcolm Comstock**  
**570 Banning Road**  
**Camden-Wyoming, DE 19934**

Malcolm contact info - [malvermont63@yahoo.com](mailto:malvermont63@yahoo.com) 302-724-0654

# Welcome New Members

**Michael & Mei-Ling Cosgrove #30201**  
116 Sorell Circle,  
Smyrna, DE 19977  
2020 Globetrotter, 27'  
m.cosgrove@gmail.com  
nainaicos@gmail.com

**Jessiah Peters & Mike Conklin #11157**  
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Salisbury, MD 21804  
2005 Safari  
saltyjessich@gmail.com  
lonewolfmotorworks@gmail.com

*Looking forward to meeting you and having you meet the Members - Soon!*

## **2019 - 2020 Delmarva Airstream Club Schedule** **Art Potter - President**

**Although somewhat decimated, it's not over yet. Keep hopes up!**

<b>July 18</b>	<b>Annual Unit Picnic</b> Officially Canceled.
<b>September 11 - 13</b>	<b>Crisfield, MD - American Legion 16</b> Hosts 1st VP Katharine Dowell & 2nd VP Andy Dowell Details on page 12
<b>October 23-25</b>	<b>Unit Installation Rally, 4-H Park Centreville, MD</b> Hosts - Art & Liz Potter 302-236-8830 Coupon page 13

## **Note from Region President Richard Short** **On International Rally - 2021**

Hello Airstreamers

This is a reminder that registration for the 64th WBCCI International Rally, to be held in Lebanon, TN July 17-24, 2021, is set to open on August 5th.

The Registration link located here  
<https://airstreamclub.org/lebanon> is not active yet.

Please advise your club members to keep an eye on the link in the upcoming days, to be sure they reserve a spot as soon as Registration opens. If I hear anything or receive any additional info from HQ prior, I will pass it on. I believe HQ will be making an announcement and I'm sure there will be info in the upcoming new edition of the *Blue Beret*.

I just wanted to get this reminder to you, perhaps in time for inclusion in your newsletters.

I hope you are all doing well. Kathi joins me in sending best regards to all.

**Rich**

**#1512**