

# TARHEEL TRAVELER

NEWSLETTER OF THE CAROLINAS AIRSTREAM CLUB  
THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CLUB IN WBCCI FORMED IN 1960

## Upcoming Events

### 2021

Ocean Lakes Myrtle Beach Rally November 4-7  
Holiday Luncheon December 4

### 2022

James Island Rally March 17-20  
Tanglewood Park Rally April 7-10  
Shining in Shelby May 5-8  
Savannah Georgia Rally May 12-15  
Grumpy Bear Bryson City Aug. 11-14  
Myrtle Beach Rally Nov. 10-13

## PRESIDENTS CORNER

BRUCE THOMPSON #5027

Hi Streamers! Hope everyone is doing well & having fun. We're here on the Outer Banks at the Sanctuary Vineyards rally with 15 other couples & having a blast. Three years ago, the owner installed twelve 30-amp power posts specifically for this club, and we've been coming back ever since. The location is so convenient to several seafood restaurants & a brewery within walking distance. Greg & Lynne Wilson always do a wonderful job hosting. They are very familiar with the local cuisine and always do a terrific job showing off the local attractions.

Did I mention that we just got back from the Smidge of the Blue Ridge Caravan? Seems like we were packing for it when I submitted my September article for the newsletter. Well, it was fantastic! We went white-water rafting, zip lining, and biking down the Virginia Creeper Trail – all that in 10 days of camping at 3 great campgrounds and cruising the Blue Ridge Parkway. In addition, horseback riding was also included but we opted out of that excursion to do some exploring. We were honored to have two of the best caravan leaders that any group could have – Ray & Carol Combs, who worked closely with the campgrounds and event

centers so everything turned out perfectly choreographed - it was amazing! Also, to top it all, we met a bunch of new Airstreamers and made new friends. We highly recommend this caravan. (I'm composing my article from a tablet, because I forgot to bring my laptop to this rally – so you may see a few typos unless our editor catches them first.) What's next?

Alumalina is coming up next weekend! We have at least 10 members going, so we'll be well-represented there. If you've never been to [a John Leake's Alumalina](https://airstreamclub.org/2020-alumalina), you're in for a real treat. There are usually more than 200 rigs at Tom Johnson's Camping World in Marion NC, and the agenda is always packed. It's not too late to register. Lastly, there's our season finale at Ocean Lakes. At last count, we were at 112 people registered - our largest crowd yet. We'll have games, flea market, open house, seminars, and door prizes. It is too late for this one but keep calling- there's always cancelations.

Got to close now. You guys stay safe out there!  
Happy Camping,  
~ Bruce T, P

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### 2021 RALLIES

BRUCE BODENSTEIN #8168, 1ST VP

Greetings campers,

Claire and I are on our way to the Outer Banks for our next to last rally of the season. The only one we have missed in 2021 was the urban rally in Shelby. Since our own town of York, SC, hosted "Silver in the City", we felt like we should attend that one instead.

Do we plan to attend most club rallies each year? Not positive, but we may. Since 2020 was my year (as 2<sup>nd</sup> VP) to pick the 2021 club rallies, it seemed to be a good idea to attend them, and host occasionally, which we did.

As the presumed club Prez in 2022, I guess I better show up at most of the rallies next year as well. However, we are not hosting as I'll be busy otherwise, so be on notice.

Ricky and Joan Wilcox have a fantastic lineup for us in 2022 so get on the website and pick a few to attend. Ricky is on the lookout for hosts also (which is not a big deal btw) so sign up for that too and make it your rally. We had at least 3 new rally host teams this year, and I predict that they will want to do it again soon. Attending monthly rallies has been a great way to get to know folks in our club.

Ocean Lakes is on for November and is always a fantastic way to end the camping season. We will see you there.

Oh, and don't forget our Holiday Luncheon at the K&W Cafeteria in Winston Salem on Dec 4<sup>th</sup>. If you plan to be there and haven't already, please RSVP me at [brucebodenstein@gmail.com](mailto:brucebodenstein@gmail.com). Text or phone to 704 277 2018 works as well. Go to our website for all details.

See you at the next rally.

~Bruce B, 1<sup>st</sup> VP

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### 2022 RALLIES

RICKY WILCOX #5016 2ND VP

Hello guys,

I'm writing this month from the OBX Rally, which is the first Rally my wife Joan and I have attended since I was hospitalized with COVID. I'm doing much better now and wanted to tell everyone thank you from the bottom of my heart for all the prayers, calls, and texts. I'm very blessed to still be here, and I cherish life even more now than ever. Enough about me let's talk about our Rallies for 2022.

We officially have a full calendar for 2022 and I look forward to seeing everyone down the road at some point in the next year. We have some new ones as well as revisiting some from the past. The ones we're revisiting I received lots of positive feedback and thought everyone would enjoy going again. They should all be on the website soon. Safe travels everyone.

Thanks,

~Ricky, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP





ELAINE MYERS #16767

Hello everyone,

Here are a few updates on our fellow club members.

Arnold Flowers (#04416) will be having knee surgery October 28. Prayers and good wishes are appreciated. He and Gloria will miss a few camping trips this year. Maybe we'll see you at the December Luncheon, Arnold!

In addition, keep Ginger Ealy in your prayers. Bob shared that she will also be going in for surgery on her leg.



All of us with pets grieve with several members who had to say fond farewells to their feline family members - Phil, Jill and Jesse Wilson (#4823) to 18-year-old Aesche, and

Cherylanne Weaver (#9883) to her companion Girlie Girl.

Karen and Dave Corbett plan to break ground in Arizona this winter heading to their new retirement home in Topeka, Kansas. This is Dave's hometown and a spot that Dave has always wanted to retire to. Lucky for us they will be four days closer to all of us in North Carolina.

"We act as though comfort and luxury were the chief requirements of life, when all that we need to make us really happy is something to be passionate about." ~ Charles Kingsley  
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## MEMBERSHIP

DALE DOWLER #1972, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR  
Our newest members (details in Evernote):

- Cynthia Salzhauer from Oxford, NC, and her 2020 19' Interstate 19
- Jim & Stephanie Minter from Chapel Hill, NC, and their 2021 23' Globetrotter
- Richard & Jan Mumford from Livingston, TX, and their 2018 30' International Serenity
- Oliver Stoutner from Lexington, NC, and his 1960 22' Land Yacht Safari
- Anthony & Kari Seagraves from Waynesville, NC, and their 2022 23' Flying Cloud
- David and Denise Lorenz from Southern Shores, NC, and their 2011 25' Flying Cloud
- Kirk and Minette Johnson from Hendersonville, NC, and their 2017 25' Flying Cloud

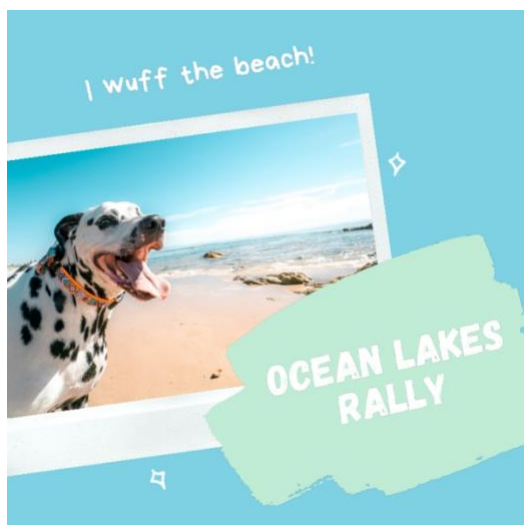


Below is a link to a video to walk you through the online membership renewal process.

Renew your membership by December 31st to be included in the 2022 Membership Directory!

Life members: please also go through the renewal process to confirm contact information and renew any local/affiliate club membership.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X2Wyibmerk8&t=138s>



## THINGS TO BRING TO THE OCEAN LAKES RALLY BINGO!

This is an opportunity to “regift” those wonderful items you have two of, or just don’t need and would like to share with others. Also, craft items or a bottle of your favorite wine is always welcome. We’ll use these items as prizes for bingo and join in the excitement of sharing these wonderful prizes. Flea Market!

We will do a repeat of our very successful beach rally flea market on Saturday morning from 10:00 - 12:00. Bring camping items, crafts, etc. that you think our fellow campers may be interested in purchasing. We’ll display items for sale on tables in the rec center.

Don’t forget, we will have some very nice door prizes to draw for after the meeting Saturday night. Email Phil Drake with any questions about either of these activities.

Find the agenda at this [link](#).

## Ocean Lakes Cancellation Policy

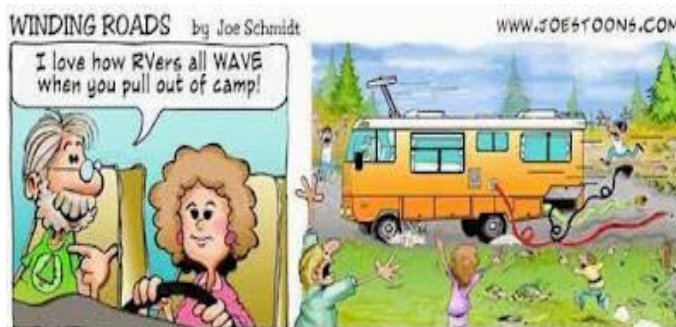
Marilyn Hughes #1944

Ocean Lakes cancellation fee was \$25.00 if cancelled 14 or more days in advance of the event, and one night's deposit anything less than 14 days. For our November 4-7 rally, that would be October 20th to cancel. So, if you need to cancel (and we hope you won't!), you still have a few days to cancel and only forfeit \$25.00 instead of the 1st night's fee.

Call 877-510-1413

After you call Ocean Lakes, remember to go to <https://form.jotform.com/202704756191152> to cancel with the club host. While everyone has already been refunded due to the food being cancelled, there is still a waiting list for folks that want to come anyway.

Marilyn





**“OH, THE PLACES YOU WILL GO!”  
MEMBERS TRAVELS**



***Falls Lake***  
Kathy and Duffy Tucker



***Albuquerque Balloon Fest***  
Steve and Jan Thompson



***Jekyll Island***

Wayne Clark & Bob Hoffman took The Chang Tin Pony trailer to Jekyll Island, GA, joining the Florida Airstream Club as affiliate members, and Hilton Head Island, SC, last month. Bob's parents (Kathy & Tim) joined the excursion, and it was their first time in an Airstream and a rally.

**Did You Know That  
A Person Uses  
Up To 14 Muscles  
When Opening  
A Bottle Of Wine?  
Fitness Is  
My Passion...**



Maureen & Warren Smathers are happy to announce their return to active fulltime Airstream travel in their new rig, "Claire Marshall II", a 2003 Airstream Land Yacht 396XL.

### "SMIDGE OF THE BLUE RIDGE"



Let us spotlight your travels. Send pictures to [021newslettereditor@wbcci.net](mailto:021newslettereditor@wbcci.net)

## DECEMBER HOLIDAY LUNCHEON!

Saturday, December 4th, 2021. 11:30 am

K&W Cafeteria

3300 Healy Drive

Winston Salem, NC.

RSVP [brucebodenstein@gmail.com](mailto:brucebodenstein@gmail.com) or text 704-277-2018.

