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August 2021 President's Report

Hello fellow Airstreamers.

As the heat of summer winds down (thankfully) your club has several activities planned for the remainder of the year. Alan and Jane Hvizdak have a great rally planned at Sneads Ferry September 9th - 12th. There may be spots still available in the campground. See their rally information in this newsletter.

Alumalina is a great Airstream gathering in Marion NC. October 21st -24th. This year you need to call Tom Johnson Camping Center to reserve your campsite. 877 958 4262. Our club is trying to get together in the HØ section. Please notify John Leake of your plans to attend. Email him at john@leakesantiques.com.

Make your plans to attend the Installation Rally November 4th - 7th in Wade NC. It's the last one this year. Hosts Robin and Bogdan Gieniewski and Karen and Andy Karaoke have a fun packed rally planned. Their information is later in this newsletter.

We just returned from the Summer Retreat Rally at the Falls Lake Recreation Area. We met Thursday afternoon and were greeted by Hosts Debbie and Todd Stroud. They prepared a very tasty dinner of pepperoni calzones, salad and an assortment of cooling sorbet. The rain held off and we enjoyed a leisurely evening.

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Friday morning we caravanned to Captive Air. Alexandra, Todd and Debbie's daughter, arranged a very informative tour and surprising demonstration of their venting and fire suppression systems. A large grease fire was started in a large restaurant hood vent and the suppression system quenched the flames in seconds using only soap and water. Captive Air has all types air venting and total air exchange systems. Friday evening several met for dinner at a local restaurant. Unfortunately the planned campfire was rained out.



Saturday morning we all met at Leslie and Steve Lovett's campsite for a Dutch oven cooking demonstration. Lunch was the very tasty food they prepared. Campfire lasagna and peach cobbler both prepared in their Dutch ovens. The Lovetts have a Dutch oven blog, give demonstrations and do competitive Dutch oven cooking. (Looks like we're going to invest in a Dutch oven.) Saturday evening we all met for a club dinner at Norse Brewing



Sunday morning we met for a breakfast of Shrimp & Grits, boiled eggs, muffins, juice and coffee.

Todd and Debbie host a rally every year for our club and they are always a treat. The food is always great and activities are fun and interesting. Thank you for supporting our club.

John Lloyd
President

Membership Report for August 2021

Amy Mount – Membership Chair
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Airstream Club International provided the following information this month regarding the 2022 Membership Renewal process. **PLEASE READ** the bulleted info below and email Amy Mount with any questions.

“For the majority of our Airstream Club members, the 2022 Membership Renewal season has started. Below are a few highlights to remember:

- **International Membership dues are \$75.00 a year. (Piedmont NC Club dues are \$15 a year.)**
- **The primary Airstream Club member MUST be logged in to the member-only portal to renew their membership online.**
- **Members with multiple Big Red Numbers (BRN) can renew their additional BRN in the member-only portal at the time of renewal.**
- **Airstream Headquarters has been notified to collect dues from Piedmont Club Affiliate members, too.**
- **All Lifetime members must go through the online renewal process.**
- **Headquarters will be notifying Airstream members it is time to renew by postcard, email and social media starting September 1st.**
- **Headquarters will notify Local Clubs if there is an issue contacting a Club member.**
- **The deadline for the Annual Printed Membership Directory is Dec. 31, 2021.**
- **The Annual Printed Membership Directory will be published in February 2022.”**

Please note: Our newest Piedmont NC Club members will pay their annual fees on their anniversary date of joining Airstream Club International.

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WELCOME our NEW Piedmont Club members:

Marcel & Brandi Hebert – They live in Locust, NC, which is east of Charlotte, but travel in their 1959 26-foot Overlander. Look for their Big Red Number – 08388!

Jerry & Jessica Smith – Their home is in Stokesdale, NC, which is northwest of Kernersville/Greensboro. Look for the Smiths in their new 2021 22-foot Bambi Sport, Big Red Number – 20703!

Amanda & Ray Nimocks – *Affiliate* members from Fayetteville, NC. Their primary Airstream Club is the *Carolinas* but hope to see them at many Piedmont Club rallies, too! The Nimocks camp in a 2021 30-foot Flying Cloud, Big Red Number – 04248.

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Are you interested in adding your photo to your contact information in the Airstream Club Membership Directory? Amanda Hughes, Membership Coordinator at Airstream Club International, has provided a step-by-step guide below to do just that!

- Once a member is logged in on the www.airstreamclub.org website, select the drop-down menu that is in the box that shows the member's name.
- Click on the *down* arrow and then select "Account Information."
- Look for the silhouette graphic and the words, "Profile Image" & "Remove."
- Click the "Remove" button.
- Then click the "Choose File" button & select the picture from your photos.
- Click on the "Upload" button under the picture.
- After your picture is uploaded, hit the "Save Profile" button.



I am a real person, your friendly Newsletter Editor.
Greg Ray

PIEDMONT NC AIRSTREAM CLUB SEPTEMBER RALLY

Hosts:

Alan & Jane Hvizdak
Cell number ó 910-508-3773
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Date:

September 9 ó 12, 2021

Location:

Seahaven Marine RV Park
148 Old Ferry Road
Sneads Ferry, NC

Website:

<https://www.seahavenmarinervpark.com>

Many amenities available including extra-large full hook-up camping sites with 50/30/20 amp!

Campground Phone Number:

910-333-5773

Please make reservation with the campground ASAP but no later than August 10th.
Be sure to ask for our Military/Group discount rate.

Campground is east of Jacksonville, NC and nestled at the cove of the New River right before crossing the bridge towards Camp Lejeune Marine Base.

RALLY SCHEDULE:**September 9th**

Arrive at campground
Supper provided by Hosts

September 10th

Visit Karen Beasley Sea Turtle Rescue & Hospital
302 Tortuga Lane
Surf City, NC

September 11th

Your pick of activities ó
Hang out in the campground
Fish off a pier
Head to the beach
Play pickle ball at a nearby county park
Visit Lejeune Memorial Park & Garden in Jacksonville
Enjoy being by the water with friends

September 12th

Breakfast provided by hosts -- you supply your own coffee & mug!
Depart for home

**PIEDMONT AIRSTREAM CLUB
VETERANS DAY AND INSTALLATION RALLY**

November 4-7, 2021

Fayetteville RV Resort & Cottages
6250 Wade-Stedman Road, Wade, NC
910-484-5500

HOSTS: Bogdan & Robin Gieniewski and Andy & Karen Karakos

Come join the Piedmont Airstream Club to salute our Veterans in the most patriotic town in North Carolina! In Fayetteville, Veterans Day is every Day and every Veteran is honored for their service and sacrifice to keep our Freedom Free. This will also be our Installation Rally to gather and celebrate.

The centerpiece of this event is the Veterans Day Parade in downtown Fayetteville on Saturday morning. It was cancelled last year, so hopefully this year we will wave flags and cheer as the parade passes by.

When making reservations at Fayetteville RV Resort, please specify that you are with the Piedmont Airstream Club for our discounted rally rate and to camp with the group. The Rally Coordinator is Rachel. *The campground will not hold our sites after September 18* (45 days before the event).

Since this will be a weekend to celebrate our Veterans, we encourage participants to decorate accordingly

Please RSVP to Robin Gieniewski. robin.gieniewski@gmail.com or call/text 910-322-9615.

Tentative Agenda:

Thursday ó Check In

5:00 Happy Hour at Event Center

6:00 Italian night dinner and movie at Event Center ó provided by hosts

Friday ó

Activities to be announced

Options are tour and walk at the Cape Fear Botanical Garden, golfing, shooting at Gieniewski Farm. There also may be activities at the Segra Stadium and downtown that have not yet been announced.

1:00 Lunch at Huske Hardware Restaurant and Brewery

5:00 Happy Hour at host site

Dinner on your own ó or bring your own dinner to host site.

Campfire at host site

-or-

Buddy ó the Buddy Holly Story at Cape Fear Regional Theatre (if enough interest, will attempt group tickets ó and we can have an early dinner at Huske Hardware before the show.)

Saturday ó

Breakfast on own or in Event Center (compliments of campground)

Fayetteville Veterans Day Parade

Lunch on own

5:00 Happy Hour at Event Center

6:00 Eastern NC Barbecue dinner

Installation of Officers Ceremony

Campfire at host site

Sundayó

Breakfast at Host Site

Depart

Hosts:

Robin Gieniewski ó 910-322-9615

Andy Karakos ó 910-964-3737

Other local attractions:

Cape Fear Botanical Garden ó Founded in 1989, the Cape Fear Botanical Garden is a natural beauty situated on an impressive 80 acres nestled between the Cape Fear River and Cross Creekó just two miles from downtown Fayetteville. Adult tours can also be arranged.

Segra Stadium ó Segra Stadium, a new \$40 million baseball stadium in Fayetteville, North Carolina, is the home of the Fayetteville Woodpeckers, a Minor League Baseball team playing in the Carolina League. The ballpark accommodates about 5,290 spectators for in-season baseball games, and possibly more during special events happening year-round. The stadium will feature real turf grass and the largest digital video board in the Big South Conference, measuring 75 feet in width. A variety of viewing options await: regular seats, picnic style relaxation on the left outfield berm, and even a section of rocking chairs past the center outfield wall.

Cape Fear Regional Theatre ó During our rally, the CFRT is scheduled to perform -Buddy--The Buddy Holly Storyø Tickets are not yet on sale, so if there is enough interest, we can arrange a block of seats for Friday night. *“Before the Beatles, there was Buddy Holly and the Crickets. It’s the 1950’s and a young man from Texas with big glasses and an even bigger dream is catapulting to the top of the Rock and Roll charts. With classic songs like “Peggy Sue,” and “That’ll Be The Day,” along with “La Bamba,” this high octane musical is a celebration of a man whose music and values were ahead of his time.”*

CFRT features a three-story complex with a 300-seat main stage and contracts actors, writers, and designers from throughout the country.

US Army Airborne & Special Operations Museum - The United States Army Airborne and Special Operations Museum recounts the actions of heroic Soldiers from the early days of the Parachute Test Platoon in 1940, to the ongoing Global War on Terrorism. The museum preserves the extraordinary feats performed by the United States Armyø Airborne and the Special Operations Forces, all who jump from the sky, into battle. Come see what brings out the best in Americaø sons and daughters. Our museum is a source of pride to all those who served, or now serve, in the United States Army Airborne and Special Operations units.

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2021 Rally Sites:
January 18-22 Mid Winter IBT Sarasota FL
February Winter Luncheon (not scheduled at this time)
March 18-21 KOA Lumberton NC Host Bill and Shelly Townsend (Details to follow)
April 20-25 Region 3 Rally North Florida Fairgrounds, Tallahassee FL Club Caravan to Rally!
May 13-16 Mayo Park, 1013 Nealø Store Road, Roxboro, NC Host John and Nancy Becker, john.becker@me.com Reservations 336-597-7806
June (Host Needed)
July 16-24 International Meeting Wilson County Expo Center, Lebanon, TN
August Host Todd and Debbie Stroud
September 9-12 Seahaven Marina RV Park 148 Old Ferry Road Sneads Ferry NC Host Alan and Jane Hvizdak
October 21-24:Alumalina, Tom Johnsonø Camping World, Marion, NC
November 4-7 Installation Rally Hosts Robin and Bogdan Gieniewski: Karen and Andy Karakos