



# *January 2022*

## *DelMarVa Beacon*



*First Snow by Katharine Dowell*

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## President's Message



*President Andy Dowell and Newsletter Editor Katharine pose at Frank Lloyd Wright's Martin House, Buffalo, NY in November.*

Happy New Year!

Let's all hope the New Year is better, safer and healthier than the last one.

I hope your holidays were enjoyable. Ours were. Our kids stayed with us for a little while, we had a wonderful early Christmas and a quiet New Year's Eve. There hasn't been much club activity over the holidays, understandably.

What are your Airstreaming plans for this year? Maybe a trip or two to go see relatives or friends? A distant National Park or Forest? A state you haven't visited yet? A caravan perhaps?

Katharine and I are starting to plan our trip out to join with a Caravan. We are also on a quest to visit all of famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright's houses, so "while we're in the neighborhood", we'll venture from Albuquerque to Scottsdale, Arizona, to visit Taliesin West, his winter home and school from 1937 to 1959. On top of that, we want to visit all of the National Parks - at least all of the Parks in the

continental US - we have a few stamps in our National Park Passport already, we may add a few more on this trip. And I am setting out to walk to the highest peak in each state, so we're planning detours to the highest peaks in Arkansas, Missouri, Louisiana, Mississippi and Oklahoma while we're in the vicinity. I think the trip is now around 7,000 miles...wow!

See you down the road!

--Andy Dowell

## **Editor's Notes**

Our Delmarva Club membership now in early January after year end renewals stands at 43 member units. In the last year, the Club welcomed 22 new members and 5 new Associate members. As usually happens, last year a number of former members did transfer Clubs, and/or sell their Airstreams or simply decide not to renew.

This month I included a list of events throughout Region 2. Our President, Andy is looking to create one or more joint rallies with nearby Clubs. However, as Airstream Club members, we are usually able to join in other Club's events nationwide and in Canada if there is space. We booked our site to attend the November Keystone rally at Trap Pond. So many possibilities! Especially if you are traveling -- and see events that line up with your availability. See the list below and contact them for more information and to participate.

I would like to send out an updated 2022 Member Directory -- For the use of Club members only. New members or associates, especially, please submit a picture, preferably with your Airstream if you want to be included. I'll need your input by January 28.

**And... New Editor needed!** My last newsletter will be the issue for April 2022. Due to our travel plans this year, it will be impractical to produce a newsletter from on the road so I'm handing off the baton. I will be available in April to work with the new editor for May's issue to get you up to speed. This is a fun job and the newsletter can be any style, content, etc. The main function is to provide the Club calendar and any announcements. The rest is up to you!

-Katharine Dowell

## Welcome New Members!

Joined since our last newsletter:

**Bridget and Lisa Beebe; BRN 06055** 2018 Bambi 16 ft.

- [bridgettpa@gmail.com](mailto:bridgettpa@gmail.com) and [l.girl7@yahoo.com](mailto:l.girl7@yahoo.com)
- Lewes, DE
- Bridget and Lisa transferred from Hudson Mohawk and have been Club members since 12/28/2017.

**Dawn and Ernie Anderson; BRN 12416** 2021 Model Classic 33

- [bpddawn15@gmail.com](mailto:bpddawn15@gmail.com) and [bpdernie@gmail.com](mailto:bpdernie@gmail.com)
- Selbyville, DE
- Dawn and Ernie transferred from Washington DC and have been Airstream Club members since 10/9/2019.

**Ralph Weis and Peggy Lee; BRN 19933** 2018 Classic 30

- [Ralphweis@gmail.com](mailto:Ralphweis@gmail.com) and [peggylee.de@gmail.com](mailto:peggylee.de@gmail.com)
- Millsboro, DE

## 2022 Club Calendar

Month	Date(s)	Location	Host(s)/sites	Event
April	8-10	Centreville 4H, MD	Delmarva Club joint with MD/ PA Clubs	Maintenance Rally
May	19-22	Delaware State Fairground, Harrington, DE	Region 2 WBCCI	Region 2 Rally
June	TBD			
July	23-29	Fryeburg, ME	WBCCI	International Rally
August	TBD			
September	9-11 Tentative	Crisfield American Legion, MD	Roger Sansom	Rally

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October	TBD	TBD	Delmarva Club	Installation Meeting/Rally

## Region 2 Activities in 2022

Members, you may attend any rally in any region. Visit <https://airstreamclub.org/events> for a full list and/or map. Listed below are some of the Region 2 upcoming events from other Club's newsletters.

### Dates: April 22 - 24, 2022

Sponsor: Central PA

Type of Event: Volunteer Rally

Location: Gifford Pinchot State Park, Lewisberry, PA

Event Contact: Karl Schubert, [karlschubert1985@gmail.com](mailto:karlschubert1985@gmail.com)

### April 28-May 1, 2022

Sponsor: Washington DC Unit (WDCU)

Type of Event: Rally

Location: Outlanders River Camp- Luray, VA

Event Contact: CKR — Hosts: Joy & Bruce Spahr, [spahr5@att.net](mailto:spahr5@att.net) -

### Dates: May 12 – 15, 2022

Sponsor: Hudson-Mohawk Airstream Club

Type of Event: Buddy Rally

Location: Wellesley Island State Park, Fineview, NY

Person to Contact: Eric & Diane Bergquist, [riprapmeadows@earthlink.net](mailto:riprapmeadows@earthlink.net)

### Dates: May 13 - 16, 2022

Co-Sponsors: Central PA, Keystone, & Penn-Lehigh Airstream Clubs

Type of Event: Lums Pond Airstream Spring Opener

Location: Lums Pond State Park, Bear, DE

Event Contact: Carey Boland, [careyboland@gmail.com](mailto:careyboland@gmail.com)

### Dates: May 15-19, 2022

Sponsor: Keystone Airstream Club

Type of Event: Keystone Stay in Delaware

Location: Delaware Seashore State Park

Person to Contact: Kathleen Quin

### Dates: May 19 - 22, 2022

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Sponsor: Region 2

Type of Event: Region 2 Rally

Location: Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, DE

Event Contact: RJ Marquette, [rjm1@yahoo.com](mailto:rjm1@yahoo.com)

Dates: June 9 – 12, 2022

Sponsor: NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club

Type of Event: Rally

Location: Watkins Glen State Park, Watkins Glen, NY

Dates: June 16-19, 2022

Sponsor: WDCU

Type of Event: Lancaster Rally

Location: Lancaster/New Holland KOA, Lancaster, PA

Person to Contact: Julie & Bill Graham [Graham739@comcast.net](mailto:Graham739@comcast.net)

Dates: June 23 – 26, 2022

Sponsor: NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club

Type of Event: Rally

Location: Sampson State Park, Romulus, NY

Dates: July 1 – 5, 2022

Sponsor: NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club

Type of Event: Zoar Valley July 4th Bash

Dates: July 17-21, 2022

Sponsor: WDCU

Type of Event: Back to the White's – (Previously known as Pre-International Rally)

Location: The Beach Camping Area, North Conway, NH

Person to Contact: — Hosts: Linda & Wayne Moore, [lindamoorenh@yahoo.com](mailto:lindamoorenh@yahoo.com)

Dates: July 23 - 29, 2022

Sponsor: WBAC

Type of Event: 65th International WBCCI Rally

Location: Fryeburg, ME

Email: [rally@airstreamclub.org](mailto:rally@airstreamclub.org)

Dates: August 5-7, 2022

Sponsor: Keystone Airstream Club

Type of Event: Woodsmen Show

Rally Location: Cherry Springs State Park, Coudersport, PA

Person to Contact: Jody Dietz

Dates: August 11 - 14 , 2022

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Sponsor: Hudson-Mohawk Airstream Club

Type of Event: Rally

Location: Sampson State Park, Romulus, NY

Person to Contact: John & Wendy Vettovalli [wendymv1@yahoo.com](mailto:wendymv1@yahoo.com) 518-848-8023

Dates Aug. 19 – 21, 2022

Sponsor: Al-Mon-O Airstream Club

Type of Event: Al-Mon-O August Bluegrass Rally

Location: Laurel Hill State Park, Somerset, PA.

Dates: TBA, 2022

Sponsor: Central PA

Type of Event: Rally

Location: Jersey Shore Haven, NJ

Dates: September 8 - 11, 2022

Sponsor: Central PA

Type of Event: Fall Rally

Location: Shawnee State Park, PA

Dates: September 6 - 11, 2022

Type of Event: Alumapalooza 12

Location: Airstream Factory, Jackson Center, Ohio

Registration: [alumaevents.com](http://alumaevents.com)

Dates: Sept. 8 – 11, 2022

Sponsor: NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club

Type of Event: Rally

Location: Letchworth State Park, Castile, NY

September dates TBD

Sponsor: WDCU

Type of Event: A Taste of VA's Eastern Shore

Location: Tall Pines Harbor Campground, Temperanceville, VA

Person to Contact: Patti Galupo, [pgalupo@icloud.com](mailto:pgalupo@icloud.com)

Dates: Sept. 9-11, 2022

Sponsor: Keystone Airstream Club

Type of Event: Made in PA Rally

Location: York, PA

Person to Contact: Sharon & Wayne Fitzgerald

Dates: September 9 – 11, 2022

Sponsor: Hudson-Mohawk Airstream Club

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Type of Event: Installation Rally

Location: 100 Acre Woods Campground North Pole Resort Wilmington, NY

Person to Contact: Bill Levy & Cindy Davis [cindydavis@aol.com](mailto:cindydavis@aol.com) 845-235-9473

Dates: September 29 – October 2, 2022

Sponsor: Hudson-Mohawk Airstream Club

Type of Event: Fall Beach Rally

Location: Sea-Vu Campground Wells, Maine

Person to Contact: Bill & Barbara Schultz [Hudsonmohawknews@gmail.com](mailto:Hudsonmohawknews@gmail.com)

Dates: October 13 - 17, 2022

Sponsor: Central PA

Type of Event: Volunteer Rally

Location: Apple Festival at Little Buffalo State Park, PA

Dates: November 4-6, 2022

Sponsor: Keystone Airstream Club

Type of Event: Back to Nature Season Finale

Rally Location: Trap Pond State Park, Laurel, DE

## **Region 2 President, RJ Marquette's Message**

I hope everyone had a good Christmas holiday. We usually camp over Christmas, but this year we left the Airstream at home and stayed with a relative. I'm still not sure we made the right choice; I missed having my own bed that night! For us, our next trip is to Savannah, Georgia for the Mid-Winter IBT meeting (WBCCI's International Board of Trustees) in January.

Good news! The contract for the joint Region 2/Vintage Airstream Club Rally has been signed! May 19-22, Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington, Delaware. We hope to have registration in place in late January or early February after we figure out what the costs for everything are.

Region 2 Second Vice President Patti Galupo and I visited the fairgrounds today (12/27), and we're impressed. They have a great setup that will make it easy for everyone to get parked, whether you arrive alone or in a caravan, with ample staging room even if a bunch of people arrive at once.

All of the sites will have electric (30 amp) and water. There are a limited number of 50 amp sites available as well. Early arrivals and late departures are not a problem. There are two dump stations on site; we may also get a honey wagon if there is sufficient interest. We also have several options for handicap parking; for example, some spots are on pavement, if you would prefer that for mobility reasons.

The building we're renting offers ample space for meals, entertainment, meetings, presentations, and anything else we need to do. All the pieces are there for us to have a great event.

Region 2 webmaster Lawrence has announced his retirement from the world of WBCCI webmastering. Does anyone know of any volunteers who would be interested in taking over?

Also, the WBCCI Foundation is looking for a representative from our region. I know very little about the Foundation, so I'm afraid I won't be able to answer any questions, but I'm happy to put anyone who may be interested in contact with the coordinator.

See you next year!

—RJ

## Getting to Know Each Other

New and longtime members, we'd be glad to profile you as well. All it takes is answering some simple brief questions and sending a picture or pictures. Let me know!

### Member Profile: Christine Miller and Joseph Daniel; BRN 02611





**Where are you from originally?** I was born in Philadelphia and lived all my life in southern New Jersey.

**Where do you live now?** I live in my 2020 Airstream Interstate 19 4x4 full-time. I still maintain a NJ address.

**What kind of work do or did you do?** I'm a retired Health and Physical Education teacher of 30 years.

**How long married (if not single)?** I'm divorced after 28 years of marriage and enjoying traveling with my boyfriend Joe of 6 years.

**Is the Airstream your first RV?** No, this is not my first RV.

**How many Airstreams have you owned?** This is, however, my first Airstream RV

**Have you been camping/RVing long?** I have been camping and rving my entire life. My first trip was when I was eleven months old. My family traveled to Nova Scotia and I've been camping pretty much ever since. My family traveled to many historical locations including state and national parks when I was growing up. As an adult, I continued to travel in rv's with my three children exploring the entire country. We've traveled in just about every type of RV out there including: a tent, pop up tent camper, 23' travel trailer, 31' class C motor home, 40' Class A diesel RV, and now currently single, and living in a 19' van full-time.

**What prompted the purchase of an Airstream as opposed to something else?** After owning so many different brands of RV I knew what I didn't want, which lead me to what I did want and that was quality which I found in Airstream.

**Where have you traveled in your Airstream?** Due to Covid19 long distance travel has been on hold. I have, however, been as far north as Vermont and down the east coast to Myrtle Beach, S.C in the past year. I spent many weeks exploring the wonderful state parks in Delaware this winter, as they are open year round.

**Any favorite places?** One of my very favorite places is Shenandoah National Park which I plan to visit again. I am currently writing a children's book about this national park.

**Have you attended any major rallies, e.g., Regional, International? Any caravans?** Currently scheduled to attend my first local rally near Centreville, MD in April.

**What prompted you to get involved with Airstream Club?** I am interested in meeting like minded people who enjoy nature and travel. I am also a member of the Airstream Customer Council for 2021 and hope to contribute what I can to improve the airstream product by connecting with club members and learning about their experience.

**How long have you been a member?** This is my first year in the Wally Byam Club.

## 2022 International Rally



### **FRYEBURG, MAINE: JULY 23RD TO JULY 29TH** **65th International Rally**

Sign up now for the FRYEBURG MAINE event! Six days of fun, friendship, and all things Airstream at the 65th Airstream Club International Rally. Visit the website at <https://airstreamclub.org/fryeburg>.

There will be six days of fun-filled events, seminars, social gatherings, tours, food, and entertainment. Fryeburg is located between North Conway, New Hampshire, and Bridgton, Maine, on the west side of the state. Fryeburg also offers a variety of recreational opportunities. Including the White Mountains National Forest, the Saco River, and numerous ponds and lakes nearby. Other sites of interest include Jockey Cap Rock, Fryeburg Farm Museum, and the Fryeburg Historical Society and Museum.

Conway, New Hampshire is a short drive with outlet stores, many restaurants, museums, golf courses all with the friendliness of a small town. Fryeburg also offers restaurants and shopping opportunities that include farm stands with local produce and products, craft beers, wines, and locally made crafts.

### **DelMarVa Club Officers**

President.....Andy Dowell  
1st Vice President.....Ashley Hitzig  
2nd Vice President..... vacant  
Recording Secretary..... Betty Schwarz  
Treasurer.....Laurie Pullman  
Corresponding Secretary..... vacant  
Membership Chair.....Roger Sansom  
Webmaster....Andy Dowell  
Trustees.....  
Chuck Helwig  
Katharine Dowell  
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