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Newsletter Editor is Liz Kirk.

Next deadline is Feb. 10th

See page 8 for update on Membership Directory distribution.

The President's Corner

I can't believe it is the first newsletter of the 2022 season. The first outing will be the slopes and trails of Bristol Mountain on Feb 5, 2022. Dick and Cora Saxton are the people to contact for more information about the event (585-519-2321 or saxtonrq@aol.com). Equipment rental is not included in the price.

Pricing information for non-season ticket holders:

- 8 hr. pass \$68.00
- 4 hr. pass \$64.00

The first rally of 2022 is June 9-12 at Watkins Glen State Park in the Mohawk camping area. We have reserved 20 electric sites. John and Cathy Andersen are the point of contact for this rally (see more information below). They have already checked out the camping area and there are a plethora of activities/sights to see/explore during the weekend.

Important notice to NY Finger Lakes Airstream membersPlease read..... Online Registration Procedure for NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club Rallies

Starting in 2022 we are introducing online rally registration using JotForm, an electronic form submission for rallies and events. JotForm is very easy to complete, and rally hosts are notified immediately when a registration has been submitted. The registration submission "holds your place" but does not guarantee a camping site until payment has been received. *You will still need to send a check* to the individual identified on the rally registration. He/she must receive the payment payment within 7 business days to hold a site for you.

During this transition, as in the past, traditional registration forms will still be available and published in the Grapevine. Traditional registration forms will not be available through the Airstream Club International (ACI) website.

There are two paths you can use for online electronic registration:

1. The monthly Grapevine will publish a direct link to the JotForm website registration.

OR

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OR

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The President's Corner continued.....

2. Via the Airstream Club International (ACI) website portal. All rally and registration information can be found on the ACI website. This also allows other Airstreamers the opportunity to register for rallies if they are in the area and wish to attend our event.

Because Watkins Glen, Sampson, and Letchworth are State Parks, we must return unreserved campsites 3 weeks prior to each event to allow them time to rent the site(s) through ReserveAmerica. Therefore, online reservations and payment must to be sent to the host or assigned individual before the deadline.

Each rally host will be your point of contact. They are in charge of the event, i.e., theme, structure, events, etc. If you feel inclined to reach out and help them, please do so. As always, we are only as strong as our volunteers.

We have reserved 19-20 sites at each of the 3 State Park rallies. All sites have electric. Registration for each rally is on a first-come basis. Once all sites are filled, you will need to go through ReserveAmerica to make a reservation.

Once at the park, you will need to check in at the park office. At that point, the park office will provide you with your site information.

In 2022 we will continue to only accept checks for rally fees. All checks will be payable to New York Finger Lakes Airstream Club. *You will still need to send your check* to the individual identified on your registration form. Currently, we are not *taking electronic Payments* for our Unit Rallies.

Registration is now open for the following dates for rallies:

- NYFLAC Rally June 9-12 Watkins Glen State Park. On pages 6-8 John and Cathy Andersen have shared a peek into what activities they have planned.
- International July 23-29 Fryeburg, Maine

We will be offering registration for our future rallies as information becomes available.

Gary Russo, President



NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club 2022 Activities

All activities are subject to change.
Please refer to upcoming issues of The Grapevine Newsletter for current activities. You can also find activities listed on our website.

Reservations are not yet open for Sampson or Letchworth State Park rallies. Once the hosts have determined their agenda, costs, etc. we will open up the registration process. You may contact the rally host and inform them of your interest but you will not be fully registered until the registration form and fees have been received.

Saturday, Feb. 5, 2022	A Day of Snow at Bristol Mountain Host: Dick Saxton
TBD - Sat., Mar. 19th or 26th	Wagner's Winery/Brewery Host: Gary Russo
May 19th-22nd	Region 2 2022 Rally Delaware State Fairground Harrington, Delaware
June 9th-12th REGISTRATION IS OPEN SEE PAGES 6 & 8 of this edition	Watkins Glen State Park Watkins Glen, NY Hosts: John & Cathy Andersen
June 23rd—26th	Sampson State Park Romulus, NY Host: Gary Russo Co-hosts: Jim & KC Gillio
July 1st—5th	Zoar Valley July 4th Bash Hosts: Dawn and Boyd Wible
July 23rd-30th	65th Annual WBCCI International Rally Fryeburg, Maine
September 8th-11th	Letchworth State Park Castile, NY Hosts: Dick & Cora Saxton

Suzanne's Sunshine Corner

Happy New Year Everyone!



Gary and I hope you and yours had a wonderful and healthy Christmas. We decided to start the New Year with a walk along the chilly shores of Lake Ontario. The weather cooperated so we were able to make our way to the end of the pier without getting sprayed with cold water.

Because of the latest virus, we were unable to see Gary's daughter, her husband, and little Sasha (who isn't so little anymore!). We did Facetime though. Isn't Facetime the greatest when you live many miles apart?



Happy birthday to:

Paula Babcock January 12
James Babcock January 12
Jill Freidmutter January 12
Dawn Wible January 13

My list is missing lots of birthdays and anniversaries! We love celebrating our members' special occasions! If your birthday or anniversary was missed, let me know so that I can update my list (Suzanne.Russo21@yahoo.com).

Well, it looks like winter has finally arrived. Right now, it's like the song says, "snowin' and blowin' up bushels of fun". We're all getting ready for some skiing at Bristol Mountain. Whether you're coming to ski or just sip hot chocolate, we're looking forward to seeing you on February 5!

Until next time, best wishes for good health and safe travels!

2021 Year End Treasurers Report

Submitted by Edward (Ted) Smith, Treasurer

INCOME—\$2,513.88		EXPENSES- \$ 2,422.67	
Dues received	\$ 955.00	Dues to WBCCI	\$ 225.00
Sampson Rally	\$ 923.00	Sampson Rally	\$ 1,165.00
Owego Rally	\$ 635.88	Owego Rally	\$ 625.00
		Sept. Rally (badges & pavilion fee)	\$ 232.21
		Past Presidents Flag	\$ 120.12
		Postage	\$ 55.34
TOTAL INCOME	\$2,513.88	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,422.67

Jan. 1, 2021 - Check Book Balance: \$7,969.03

Jan. 1, 2022 - Check Book Balance: \$8,050.24

As of Jan. 1, 2022 we have 65 WBCCI members including 3 life, 5 affiliate, and 2 club only members, 16 new members joined or transferred during 2021. 8 members were lost due to moving or sold their trailers. 7 individuals chose not to renew their membership in 2022.

Region 2 News

RJ Marquette, Region 2 President

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 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.

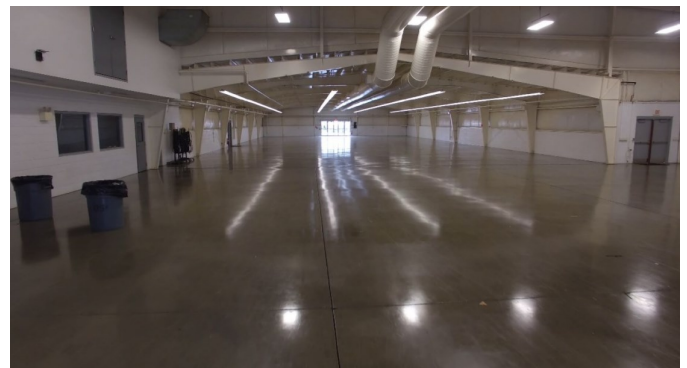
Region 2 Second Vice President Patti Galupo and I visited the fairgrounds today (12/27), and we're impressed. They have a great setup that will make it easy for everyone to get parked, whether you arrive alone or in a caravan, with ample staging room even if a bunch of people arrive at once.

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.

See you next year!

RJ Marquette, Region 2 [President](#)



Bits & Pieces

OUR NEW WEBSITE IS UP AND ACTIVE!

Our new club website can be found at:

<https://airstreamclub.org/new-york-finger-lakes>

The website contains rally information, past copies of the Grapevine, photos, and our officers. You can search for events hosted by Region 2, other clubs, along with caravan opportunities.

In the future you will be able to register for our events directly through the website.

You may have one **BRN** but each family member has their own access and log in. I encourage everyone to log into their account at: <https://airstreamclub.org/> to update your member profile.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Pulling together the membership directory is the next item on my list of things to get done!!

It is going to look quite a bit different this year as we are going to try something new. If all goes well, you will be receiving updated membership directories throughout 2022 as our membership evolves.

My goal is to get the directory out to everyone by the end of January.

YOU MAY NOW REGISTER FOR RALLIES ONLINE

Starting **RIGHT NOW** you may register online for the Watkins Glen Rally using the following link:

<https://form.jotform.com/002newslettereditor/watkins-glen-rally-2022>

This link takes you directly to an online form containing the exact same information as found in the traditional registration form found on page 8 of this issue. It is **SO EASY!!** The hosts will be notified of your registration **IMMEDIATELY**. But don't forget to send the check right away to secure your spot. All sites are on a first come, first-serve basis.



Woo Hoo!! Time to Talk About our 1st 2022 Rally

We begin the year with plans for our spring rally! John and Cathy Andersen will be your hosts. Reserve your spot now for the NY Finger Lakes Airstream Clubs' Watkins Glen Rally, June 9-12, 2022.

Watkins Glen State Park itself is a beautiful destination and the campground is adjacent. We have a group of spacious, wooded sites reserved in Mohawk Village, with electricity and nearby shared water hookups (bring your hose.)

The Watkins Glen Gorge Trail is filled with natural beauty. Sculpted rocks, plants and waterfalls await as you make your way through the stone pathways and stairs. We are planning a Friday group hike into the Gorge so bring hiking shoes, a light jacket and snacks.

In addition to the waterfalls in the gorge, this area of the Finger Lakes is filled with sights and flavors to explore. It's home to the Watkins Glen International Speedway. The history of aviation is on display at the Curtiss Museum. The Catharine Valley Swamp Trail is great for longer hikes and bike rides. There's lots of shopping at the Windmill in Penn Yan on Saturdays. Corning Glass Works is an easy day trip. And, of course, there are restaurants and cheese caves and a chocolate trail and wineries and breweries, oh my!

We'll all have stories to share at our evening gatherings. And on Saturday, we have something groovy – a Psychedelic 60's Party. Bring your best tie-dye and love beads, baby! We'll spin the tunes from the Summer of Love as we share games and drinks by the campfire.

Preliminary schedule:

Thursday	5 pm	Happy Hour and Introductions
	7 pm	Campfire Meet-up
Friday	8-9 am	Coffee and Breakfast Together
	10 am	Group Hike to the Gorge or Daytime activities on your
	5 pm	Happy Hour
	7 pm	Campfire Meet-up
Saturday	8 am	Coffee Hour
		Daytime activities on your own
	6 pm	Psychedelic 60's Party!
Sunday	8 am	Coffee Hour and Goodbyes

The cost for the three-night stay is \$91.25, plus \$10 per person rally fee. Check-in starts June 9 at 3 pm. Checkout on June 12 is 11 am.

We have a limit of 20 campsites. Please complete the registration form and mail your payment today!

Watkins Glen State Park Rally REGISTRATION FORM New York Finger Lakes Airstream Club

Location: Watkins Glen State Park, 1009 N. Franklin St., 14891

Dates: June 9-12, 2022

Cost: \$91.25, plus \$10 per person rally fee

Check-in: Any time after 3:00 pm on June 9

Departure: By 11:00 am on June 12

Limit: 20 Trailers

Additional Information:

- ⇒ All sites are in the Mohawk Village loop with electric, and nearby water (bring your hose.)
- ⇒ Rally fee covers Friday group breakfast, morning coffee each day, and Saturday night Psychedelic 60's party.
- ⇒ We will follow all current COVID protocols in effect at the time of the rally.
- ⇒ Link to park map WatkinsGlenSP@parks.ny.gov

Please complete the following information:

Name(s): _____

WBCCI# _____ **Trailer length** _____

Address: _____ **Zip Code** _____

Phone/Cell# _____

Pets: _____ no, _____ yes (you must bring a current rabies certificate)

Campsite: \$91.25 **Number of people in party X \$10 = \$** _____ (Rally fee)

Total Fees Paid = \$ _____

Mail coupon and check payable to WBCCI-NYFLU by **May 19, 2022** to:
John Andersen, 235 Imperial Circle, Rochester, NY 14617

Questions: Contact your hosts John or Cathy Andersen at cathy.noagenda@gmail.com