



#### February 2022

### MAAC President's Message



Wayne Berkebile, MAAC President

January 2022 has been a quiet month. It has been too cold to do much except look out the window at the snow or wonder if we're about to run out of heating oil. But I have found time to continue planning for the events we are contemplating for later this year.

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Ingrid and I plan on attending the

Maintenance Rally sponsored by the Delmarva Club in late April in Centerville, MD. We attended last year and it turned out to be a wonderful, educational experience. We made friends with some Delmarva members, met some new MAAC members, and renewed our acquaintance older MAAC members. At the same time, we learned how to better care for our trailer. I almost always forget to check the air pressure in my spare tires, but at this

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Articles submitted for publishing must be sent to the newsletter editor by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding rally they make sure that you don't neglect that, or any other, important act. I hope to see some of our members at this rally. Details will be listed in a forthcoming newsletter.

T sent an email to the Executive Director of the Maryland Wine Association asking for his assistance in putting together a tour of select Maryland wineries later this summer. I have not yet had a reply to my email but I hope to hear something Т soon. proposed that we visit 4 or 5 MD wineries over the course of a week. Members could visit just one or two wineries in their local area or take the whole week to visit all the wineries on

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#### MAAC President's Message, continued

the itinerary. The winery would allow us to stay overnight on their property and, in return, we would purchase their wine and sample other amenities they might have to offer. I had hoped we could schedule wineries going from Eastern MD to Western MD that are a few hours apart. I will let you know how this effort pans out.

In last month's *Caravanner* I mentioned that my plan to have the Hoe Down Rally, scheduled for June 11, in Bedford, PA, catered by a barbecue purveyor had broken down. I decided that instead of having a catered dinner, we can ask each rally goer to bring a dish and our club would provide fried chicken and ham barbecue sandwiches. Otherwise, our plan remains the same: to camp at nearby Shawnee State Park and then drive the few miles to the Hoe Down site for an evening of square dancing. We will be providing a registration form and let you know the rally fee in next month's *Caravanner*. I hope many members and their families will attend this event because Shawnee is a wonderful park and square dancing can be a lot of fun, especially if you have no idea how to do it!

Stay warm!

Wayne Berkebile, President

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### Welcome NEW Members



*Herry and Cindy Binnendijk* from Denton, MD and their 2022 25 ft. Flying Cloud

Welcome and we hope to meet you in person soon!





### Region 2 News



RJ Marquette Region 2 President

First, an update on the Region 2 rally: The contract has been signed, and we're getting the pieces in place. We're reaching out to various clubs and members who have offered assistance to help with the planning. I still hope to have registration open by late January or early February, and I'll notify the club presidents and newsletter editors when it is ready.

Unfortunately, a snow storm canceled my trip to the mid-winter IBT meeting in Savannah, but I was able to participate virtually. The risks of traveling in winter!

There were three motions that required debate. The first was about restructuring the Executive Committee (EC), the second was simplifying the process for constitutional changes and disconnecting the delegate voting from the International Rally (thus allowing it to be held when it's needed), and the third was about allowing local clubs, rally hosts, etc. to set guidelines for COVID-19 vaccination status.

The restructuring proposal would change our EC to work like many other organizations, both nonprofit and corporate. WBCCI members would vote for 7 director positions, then the IBT would vote for a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer from the directors. The directors would have two year terms, staggered so that we would elect 3 one year and 4 the next. There would be no change to the Regional Officer roles; they would still be elected and serve as we do now.

All of the comments I've heard on this have been positive; in fact, the only concern I've heard is that we are moving quickly on it, which I also expressed when I first heard the proposal in December. However, I'm now convinced the proposal has been fleshed out sufficiently, and there is no benefit in holding off until next year, and that this is a good change for the club. More information will be forthcoming in the Blue Beret and the club website, then it will be voted upon at the delegates meeting in Maine.

The second motion simplifies the process for submitting and ratifying an amendment to the club's constitution, and decouples the delegates meeting from the International Rally. These are good changes that will reduce the number of meetings held at International, while making the club more flexible. If approved by the delegates in Maine, changes to the club constitution will require at least 2/3rds of the members to approve it, as long as at least 20% of the members have voted.

The final motion, by far the most controversial, would have allowed clubs, caravan hosts, rally hosts, and people in similar positions to set a COVID-19 policy for events beyond what the local, state, provincial, and federal governments require. This motion



was narrowly defeated - the vote was 9 to 8. So, the current policy remains in effect - WBCCI events must follow local guidelines and cannot impose additional guidelines beyond those. I'm hoping that we're nearing the end of having to worry about COVID-19 at all.

The new Grapes and Grains Intra-club and the Future Streamers Intra-Club both received permanent charters. The Grapes and Grains Intra-club is intended for people to share their interest in wine, brandy, spirits, and beers. The Future Streamers Intra-Club is a club designed to keep our youth involved in Airstream activities.

In other news, as of right now, there are 829 campers registered for International in Maine. Also, the club has 7,339 active memberships as of January 20; we haven't seen numbers this high since about 2001. Welcome to everyone who has joined us recently!

Karen Fisher is looking for members for the Lifetime Membership Fund Standing Committee, as well as the WBCCI Foundation. Please contact me or Karen if you are interested in either one. Also, Region 2 webmaster Lawrence Northway has stepped down after years of service (Thank you, Lawrence!), so I am looking for a new volunteer to take on that role.

Thanks! -RJ Marquette BRN #13270, rjm1@yahoo.com

February Birthdays



8 Ralph Forrester 14 Luke Brennecke



## Member News

Thanks to everyone who has renewed, and for anyone who hasn't done that yet, you can renew online at <u>Airstreamclub.org</u>.

Here's a Washington DC Unit rally that sounds fantastic:

#### A Taste of Virginia's Eastern Shore Sept 15–18, 2022

We attended a rally sponsored by WDCU last Fall and had great fun. The online description: "Come join us on Virginia's eastern shore and explore all the activities that the Chesapeake Bay has to offer. The campground is strategically located to the Chincoteague and Assateague National Seashore, Tangier Island, NASA Wallops Island Flight Center and much more. Tall Pines Campground was an Airstream Park in the 70's-so it's only natural to check it out!"

Here are Patti's instructions to book your campsite:

"Now, the details. Even with the group rate- it's not cheap- but I promise- it'll be worth it. I secured 20 sites- all pull through, in the SHADE- with full hook ups. There's a twonight minimum stay- \$44 per night on weekdays- \$64 per night on weekends- in addition, there is a resort fee of \$9.99 per night and applicable taxes. Feel free to come early or stay late- This block of reservations includes 2 days pre and 2 days post at the group rate.

Reservations are now being accepted- with a cutoff date of August 1, 2022. Contact Kim Scott, sales manager, at 410-213-1900 Ext. 1146 or by email- <u>kscott@bwdc.com</u> and say you are with the Washington DC Unit. Kim will explain the cancellation policy and will answer all of your questions. I've been working with her for the last couple of months and she's fabulous to deal with.

Kindly email me (Patti) at <u>pgalupo@icloud.com</u> once you've booked. We'll determine the rally fee and agenda as it gets closer."

The following online article may be of interest to you. Maybe we bought too soon?

<u>This Airstream Camper Concept Uses Electric</u> <u>Motors to Reverse on Its Own</u> By James Gilboy

thedrive.com/news/43934/this-airstream-camper-concept-useselectric-motors-to-reverse-on-its-own



# Region 2 Activities

See a complete list online: https://airstreamclub.org/events (some events may not be posted yet.) Note: \_You may attend any rally in any region and are not limited to Region 2 rallies

Dates: Sponsor: Type of Event: Location: April 8–10 DelMarVa Airstream Club Maintenance Rally Queen Anne County 4H Park, Centreville, MD



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Dates: Sponsor: Type of Event: Location: Contact: April 22 - 24 Central Penn Airstream Club <u>Keystone PA Spring Rally</u> Beacon Hill Campground, Intercourse, PA, 17534 Jody Dietz

April 28 – May 1 Washington DC Unit CKR Outlanders River Camp, Luray, VA Joy & Bruce Spahr spahr5@att.net

May 13 - 16 Central PA, Keystone and Penn-Lehigh Airstream Clubs 2022 Lums Pond Airstream Spring Opener Lums Pond State Park, Bear, DE Carey Boland, <u>careyboland@gmail.com</u>

May 12 - 15 Hudson-Mohawk Airstream Club 71 Hudson Mohawk Rally Wellesley Island State Park, Fineview, NY Eric & Diane Bergquist, <u>riprapmeadows@earthlink.net</u>

May 15-19 Keystone Airstream Club <u>Keystone PA Delaware Beach Rally 2022</u> Delaware Seashore State Park, south shore campground Rick Pitts r\_pitts@verizon.net

Dates:	May 19 – 22
Sponsor:	Region 2 WBCCI
Type of Event:	Region 2/Vintage Airstream Club Joint Rally
Location:	Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, DE 🛛 😽 🏹 🛛 🛶
Contact:	RJ Marquette, rjm1@yahoo.com
Dates:	May 26 - May 20
Sponsor:	<b>May 26 – May 30</b> Ontario Canada Airstream Club
Type of Event:	Ontario Canada Airstream Club Spring Rally
Location:	Kingston, Ontario
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Dates:	June 9 - 12
Sponsor:	NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club
Type of Event:	Rally
Location:	Watkins Glen State Park, Watkins Glen, NY
Dates:	June 11-12
Sponsor:	Mid-Atlantic Airstream Club
Type of Event:	Hoedown Rally
Location:	Hoedown Rally Shawnee State Park near Bedford, PA Wayne Berkebile
Contact:	
Email: Phone:	berkendorff48@gmail.com
Phone.	(301) 253-4288
Dates:	June 16 - 19
Sponsor:	Washington DC Unit
Type of Event:	Lancaster Rally
Location:	Lancaster/New Holland KOA, Lancaster, PA
Contact:	Julie & Bill Graham, <u>Graham739@comcast.net</u>
Dates:	June 23 - 26
Sponsor:	NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club
Type of Event:	Rally
Location:	Sampson State Park, Romulus, NY
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Dates: Sponsor:	July 1 - 5 NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club
Type of Event:	Zoar Valley July 4 <sup>th</sup> Bash
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Dates: Sponsor: Type of Event: Location: July 17 - 21 Washington DC Unit Back to the White's The Beach Camping Area, North Conway, NH Linda & Wayne Moore, lindamoorenh@yahoo.com

Kathleen Quinn & Sue Dietz, kathleenquinn56@icloud.co

July 22 - 24 Keystone Airstream Club Keystone PA Close to Home Rally French Creek State Park, 843 Park Rd., Elverson, PA, 19520

July 23 - 29 WBCCI <u>65<sup>th</sup> International Rally</u> Fryeburg, ME rally@airstreamclub.org



August 4 – August 8 Ontario Canada Airstream Club Ontario Canada Airstream Club Summer Rendezvous Norwood Fairgrounds, Norwood, Ontario

August 5-7 Keystone Airstream Club Woodsmen Show Rally Cherry Springs State Park, Coudersport, PA Jody Dietz

August 11 - 14 Hudson-Mohawk Airstream Club <u>71 Hudson Mohawk Rally</u> Sampson State Park, Romulus, NY John & Wendy Vettovalli <u>wendymv1@yahoo.com</u> 518-848-8023

Aug. 18 – Sept. 23 Ontario Canada Airstream Club Region 2 Maritime Caravan Cape Breton to PEI Dates: Sponsor: Type of Event: Location: Dates:

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August 25 - 28 Washington D.C. Unit August Rally Floyd Family Campground, Floyd, VA Pete Daniel (call Christian 540-251-2250 for reservations)

Sept. 1 Ontario Canada Airstream Club Ontario Canada Airstream Club Fall Rally Centre Wellington Sportsplex, Fergus, Ontario

September 6 - 11 Airstream Alumapalooza 12 Airstream Factory, Jackson Center, OH Alumapalooza.com

Sept. 8 – 11 NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club Rally Letchworth State Park, Castile, NY

September 8 - 11 Central Penn Airstream Club Fall Rally Shawnee State Park, PA

Sept. 9-11 Keystone Airstream Club Made in PA Rally York, PA Sharon & Wayne Fitzgerald



Dates:	September 9 - 11
Sponsor:	Hudson-Mohawk Airstream Club
Type of Event:	Installation Rally at North Pole Resort
Location:	100 Acre Woods Campground, North Pole Resort, Wilmington, NY
Contact:	Bill Levy & Cindy Davis <u>cindydavis@aol.com</u> 845-235-9473
Dates:	September 15 - 18
Sponsor:	Washington DC Unit
Type of Event:	A Taste of Virginia's Eastern Shore
Location:	Temperanceville, VA. <u>tallpinesharbor.com</u>
	Kim Scott, sales manager, at 410-213-1900 Extension 1146 or
Contact:	<u>kscott@bwdc.com</u>
	Patti Galupo <u>pgalupo@icloud.com</u>
Dates:	September 29 – October 2
Sponsor:	Hudson-Mohawk Airstream Club
Type of Event:	71 Hudson-Mohawk Rally Sea-Vu Campground
Location:	Sea-Vu Campground Wells, Maine
Contact:	Bill & Barbara Schultz Hudsonmohawknews@gmail.com
Dates:	October 13 - 16
Sponsor:	Washington DC Unit
Type of Event:	Installation Rally
Location:	Lums Pond State Park, Bear, DE
Contact:	Sonia & Jerry McConnell, jerryjmcconnell@gmail.com
Dates:	October 13 - 17
Sponsor:	Central PA
Type of Event:	Volunteer Rally
Location:	Apple Festival at Little Buffalo State Park, PA
Contact:	
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Sponsor:	Keystone Airstream Club Rack to Nature Season Finale Pally
Type of Event:	Back to Nature Season Finale Rally
Location:	Trap Pond State Park, Laurel, DE

#### **2022InternationalRally** FRYEBURG, MAINE: JULY 23RD TO JULY 29TH 65th International Rally



https://airstreamclub.org/fryeburg

Sign up now for the FRYEBURG MAINE event! Six days of fun, friendship, and all things Airstream at the 65th Airstream Club International Rally.

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.

