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Brrr . . . Feb. Cold

We're all sitting in the kitchen planning for summer fun

... I'm pleased to report both Cole and Nancy are going a lot better. I hope all the rest of you are staying healthy and WARM.

Using the JotForm is working! Thanks so much.

You will (and must) notice the registration method for our Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club events has evolved into a digital form. We create JotForm links for you to use. We Really Need You To Use Them for registrations. They tell the leaders who is coming and take care of finances when \$\$\$ are involved.

You can still RSVP for the Valentine Party, register for the March "Itchin' To Hitch" Rally, check in for the Camp and Ride Rally. Call for the Summer Spirit Rally (see the notice later in the newsletter).

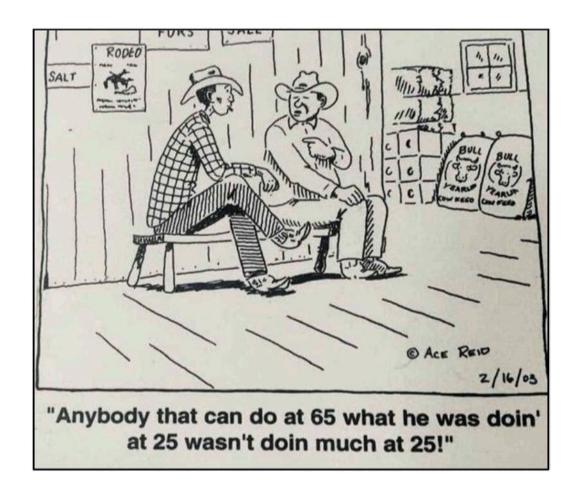
The BEST news is we have friends from other Clubs coming, too!

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President's Corner

Our Membership Map





FuturePlanning

An Overview of Fun, Fellowship, and Learning

February 12

Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club annual Valentine Lunch - County Seat Restaurant & Gathering Place - 3883 Old Buckingham Rd, Powhatan, VA

March 18-20

"Itchin' to Hitch" Club Rally - Pocahontas State Park, Chesterfield, VA - Ken Tarrant, Wagonmaster

April 6-9

Region 3 Rally - Georgia Mountain Fair Grounds, Hiawassee, GA.

April 22-24

NORVA Maintenance Rally - Doswell, VA.

April 29- May 1

Camp & Ride Ranch Rally - Fort Valley, VA Trail rides, cast iron cooking, and more.

June 9-11

Catch the Summer Spirit Rally -Shenandoah Acres, Stuarts Draft, VA

Adult Summer Camp - Frontier Museum Tour - Dinner in Staunton!

July 23-29

International Rally - Fryeburg, Maine

Just about 750-800 miles up the coast to the western edge of Maine. Make a trip of it - cooler weather likely.

August 7-13

86th Annual Old Time Fiddlers Convention - Cool Breeze Campground, Galax, VA.

September 22-24

Annual Commonwealth Rally - Virginia Club in charge - Waynesboro 340 North Campground.

October 7-9

Virginia Piedmont Rally - Paradise Lake Family Campground (the one in Spout Spring, VA - not the other one)

October 26-30

Alumalina, Marion, NC - John Leake

November 11-13

9th Annual Grand Finale Rally - Camp Hatteras - Rodanthe, NC

December 10

Winter Holiday Luncheon = TBD



February 12 - 1:00 to 2:30 PM

Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club Valentine Lunch Party

County Seat Restaurant & Gathering Place



We are a GO! for this fun luncheon. Bob and Lisa Sachs have arranged for us all to gather at the County Seat, 3883 Old Buckingham Road - Powhatan, VA at 1:00 PM.

We are trying a new reservation technology. Will you please click the link below to tell us you're coming (if you haven't done so already)!! We have about 20 signed up so far, and there is always room for more >> click below.

Click here to reserve.

April 6-9 - Region 3 Rally Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds 1311 Music Hall Rd. Hiawassee, GA, 30546



This rally fills fast. If you like a spot on the "good" side of the highway, you need to register NOW. Follow the link below to the Airstream Club Site to reserve.

https://airstreamclub.org/2022-region-3-rally

Itchin' to Hitch Rally March 18-20

Pocahontas State Park, Chesterfield Virginia - **ONLY FOUR SPOTS LEFT!** https://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state-parks/pocahontas



Pocahontas State Park - We have to release our reservations on March 1, 2022. Sign Up.

Just 20 miles from Richmond, Pocahontas offers boating, picnicking, camping, camping cabins, 90-plus miles of trails, and nature and history programs. The Civilian Conservation Corps Museum, dedicated to Depression-era workers who helped build the state park system, is one of a handful in the nation. We will TRY to reserve extra spots if this Rally sells out. Get on the Wait List TODAY by clicking below. Full refund if you're not selected.

Weather

Daily high temperatures increase by 9°F, from 56°F to 65°F, rarely falling below 41°F or exceeding 79°F.

Daily low temperatures increase by 7°F, from 35°F to 42°F, rarely falling below 23°F or exceeding 56°F.

<u>10 sites reserved</u>—all 30/50 amp—all back-in gravel pads—water and electric—dump station. \$35/night plus tax and transaction fee---\$79.20/ two nights. *Campsites at this park fill up quickly so make your reservations soon!!!*

<u>Contact Ken Tarrant for reservations</u>—804-357-9977 or <u>kentarrant@comcast.net</u> RALLY FEE \$120, includes Camping - CLICK HERE TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY.

Please help us manage these events by using the CLICK HERE links in the PDF. Contact the wagonmaster or Greg Heuer if you are having problems with the links. April 29-May 1 - Fort Valley Ranch Rally https://www.fortvalleystable.com/
299 S Fort Valley Rd.
Fort Valley, VA 22652 - (540) 933-6633

The Fort Valley Ranch and Stable is a rustic campground near Luray Caverns, Front Royal and historic Strasburg. Camping in the cleared forest, you walk over to the stable for your guided trail ride]\$45-60] though the scenic Blue Ridge. Explore the GW National Forest directly from the Campground. The rate is \$40/night and that is for 30 amp electricity and water. We will have several activities during the weekend and hope to have a group dinner in town on Saturday evening. Coming? Click on the link below. Only 15 sites available, first come first served. Nine (9) already taken.



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Update your wardrobe with Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club branded clothing from our Lands End Store. Also available are club flags, stickers, and magnetic truck signs.

Click the links below to be taken directly to the stores:

Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club Lands End Store

Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club JotForm Store



Catch the Summer Spirit!

June 9 - 11, 2022

Shenandoah Acres Family Campground 348 Lake Road Stuarts Draft, VA 24477 (888) 709-1172

https://www.shenandoahacresfamilycampground.com



Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club Adult Summer Camp in Stuarts Draft, Virginia.

Join us to explore nearby Shenandoah Valley attractions including:

The Cheese Shop

The Blue Ridge Tunnel

The Frontier Culture Museum - Friday, June 10 = 9:30 - 11:30

"Atlantic Migration & Westward Expansion"

Join us for a private tour of the Frontier Culture Museum as recent settlers highlight their journey to America - and talk about their experiences in this Great New Land.

The Augusta Farmers Market, Dinner in Staunton, and much more!

15 sites reserved (Electric/Water/Sewer)

Campers should contact the campground directly by April 1st to book – First Come, First Served. - (888) 709-1172, from their website shown above.

Let them know you are with the Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club!

Club Hosts: Beverly and Bob Bean

BeverlyBean@gmail.com

540-748-3551

Latitude: 37.9972 Longitude: -79.0266 coordinates in your GPS

Summer Caravan



2022 "Nuts For Ruts: Finding the Oregon Trail"

https://airstreamclub.org/nuts-ruts-finding-oregon-trail-caravan-d-2-2022

We had a total BLAST on this caravan last summer. Most of you know what a good



time caravans can be. If this is your FIRST caravan, you couldn't pick a better one. We have seven spots available on the 2nd Wagon Train. You will be leaving St. Joseph, MO, on August 25, and ending near Portland, OR, on September 29. Early FALL is the best time to be on the Trail.

We only take 20 "wagons" at a time. The total Kitty Fee is \$3,830/couple. This is a "journey" caravan. It makes 16 stops in the 34-35 days we are together. We visit

museums, historic forts, and the actual places the Pioneers walked during the great migration between 1841-1890. Your Kitty Fee covers *all* your camping fees, over a dozen great meals, entry to events and sights along the way, and all the FUN of finding the ruts left by the wagon trains of yore.

Click the hot link above to register. A deposit of \$750 will hold your spot. Join us!



NORVAMaineNews

NORVA running a Caravan to Maine

Your Editor has heard there might be room on the NORVA Caravan to Maine

It certainly looks like a grand adventure. Although the registration deadline has passed, the following pages are relayed from the NORVA news. Contact them directly to see if there are any spots available for Sister Club Members!



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NORVA Maine Coast Caravan

July 12 - 22, 2022

Please join us for an event-filled caravan to the scenic
Searsport/Camden area of the Maine seacoast.
You won't soon forget this one!!!



Caravan Leaders: Pete and Elizabeth West



We have planned a three-day trip up to Maine. We will begin the caravan at Promised Land State Park, located in the Poconos, Greentown, Pa. Then, we travel to Sturbridge Village, Mass., touring the 1800's Shaker Village. We'll stop for a quick visit at the *L.L. Bean* flagship store as we pass through Freeport, Maine. Next, we will make our way to Searsport Shores Campground, Searsport, Maine, located about 150 feet from Penobscot Bay. Using the Searsport Campground as our base for six days, we will take scheduled trips up and down the Maine coast in pursuit of the perfect lobster and clam chowder. Once the caravan is over, interested campers may then caravan with us 135 miles to the WBCCI International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine, or return home.





Searsport Shores Bayside Campground on the Penobscot Bay

The following events are included in the itinerary:

- A day trip to the Owls Head Transportation Museum and lighthouse, the fishing village of Tenants Harbor, and Port Clyde.
- A day trip to Camden and Rockport harbors, and a 40-mile view from the top of Mt. Battie.
- A four-hour sailing trip on a 60' sloop/schooner in the Penobscot Bay (see note below).
- A day trip to the Farnsworth Museum in Rockland to see the Andrew Wythe collection and eat lobster rolls by the lighthouse museum.
- A day trip to Fort Knox (1845) and the Bucksport Bridge Observation tower (420' – 360-degree view of Verona Island).
- A day trip to the Schoodic National Seashore Park, the beautiful but lesser-known part of the Acadia National Park.
- A day trip to Castine, Maine A beautiful 1800s seaport village occupied by four different countries from 1750 to 1820. We will visit a fine museum, the home of the Maine Maritime Academy and an 1812 British earthen fort.
- The Penobscot Marine Museum in historic Searsport (as time allows).



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Here are some additional details:

Utility Services: The Searsport Campground provides electricity and water hookups. They also have a honey wagon – you get one free pump-out during the week, and they have a dump station to use when you leave.

Pets: The Searsport Campground allows pets on leash. It does not allow pets to be left in campers during the day while we are out sightseeing. Sturbridge Village does not allow pets and leaving pets in cars in the summer is not a good idea.

Sailing Trip: The sailing trip will be on the beautiful Penobscot Bay and is usually not a choppy ride. The sailing sloop holds a maximum of 22 persons. Since everyone can not fit on one trip, we will charge separately for the sailing and make reservations for the first 22 that register to sail. The cost is \$80/person to be added above the kitty fee.



Sailing Sloop



Young's Lobster Pond

Cancellations: If you must cancel your reservation between Feb. 1 and June 1, 2022. The cancellation fee may be \$100.00 if your spot cannot be filled by another Airstreamer.

Rally Fee: \$2000.00 for two persons, \$1,500.00 for singles.

Deposit: \$500 due Jan. 31, 2022. Attendees will be registered in the order of deposit received. Anyone not making

the first 15 registrants may contact the campsites directly, make their reservations, and attend the Maine day trips at their own expense. We will develop a waiting list for those who sign up past the first 15.

Coupon: Please fill out the attached coupon and return it with your \$500.00 deposit. Reservations are first come – first reserved.



NORVA's 2022 MAINE COAST CARAVAN COUPON

Number of persons attending: _____ Big Red Number: _____ Sailing trip: \$80.00 per person. Please include with your deposit. Amount Enclosed: ______ Please mail coupon and payment to:

> Peter West, 36645 Jeb Stuart Rd., Purcellville, VA 20132 Phone: 540-270-0200 Email: pwest8@comcast.net





Bucksport Bridge Observation Tower

