

THE SILVER PENNY

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*Private Campground near Michaux State Forest, Pennsylvania
Dan & Roxann Bare, #01563
The Vespa scooters in the photo are their way of exploring the local backroads.*



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Airstream Club #164**

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by Karl Schubert, President, Central PA Airstream Club

Karl & Beth at the 2019 International Rally in Doswell, VA, standing in front of America's Largest Horseshoe modeled after a race shoe worn by Secretariat. It is cast in aircraft aluminum contributed by original Secretariat racing plate manufacturer Thoro'bred Inc. Maybe this is where all of our luck came from!

Hello Central PA Members!

There is a saying "if it wasn't for bad luck, I wouldn't have any luck at all." There is also the saying "you never know what worse luck your bad luck has saved you from." Well, our luck was tested this past January 15th. We had a small house fire. If it was to happen, it happened perfectly. I was to be at a state certified fire training class that day, but it was canceled. Beth had planned to spend the day with her sister in Union County since I was to be in an all-day training, she kept her plans.

I was working in the basement looking to see where and how I could run new lines for our new mini-split HVAC system, and I heard a crackling sound in the floor/wall above me. I immediately think "did I leave

the woodstove doors cracked open and a log rolled out?!" I ran to go check and as soon as I stepped out of the basement, I saw smoke coming from the outside corner of the house from behind the siding. I ran inside to see what was going on and it wasn't the woodstove. I looked in the wall and saw a small flame and knew it wasn't good.

I ran to my truck to grab my fire extinguisher, and the roof hook from my fire engine to rip into the side of the house, all while on the phone with 911.

This was my first structure fire as the new Assistant Chief which took affect 1/1/22, and it was at my own house. I began tearing into the house and used the extinguisher to battle the flames I could see and get



to. I grabbed the dogs and took them to the neighbors to keep them safe and out of the way and called Beth to let her know she might want to start heading for home. Before I knew it the fire engines arrived with our crew and many other companies. I went inside and began moving furniture and removing paintings from the walls and continuing to fight the fire.

At the end of the day, we didn't really lose any personal belongings. The fire started in the outside wall of the 12-year-old addition we added, where



it met the old part of the house. The smoke & heat went up into a chase that housed the electrical lines, plumbing and lines for the radiant floor heat. The electrical lines were damaged to about a foot and a half from the electrical panel. Beth and I feel very lucky: lucky that my class was canceled, and I was home; lucky that we are both safe and the dogs are safe. Since I was home and have experience in firefighting, I was able to jump into action and protect our belongings.

Since the plumbing, electrical, and radiant floor heat lines were all damaged, we could not stay in the house. Also, there was a nice hole in the outside wall, and with the temperatures that day reaching a high of 23° and a low of 9°, there was no way the woodstove could keep up. With the help of the fire company crew that day, we covered the hole in the side of the house with construction house wrap and winterized the water lines that were still intact.

We then called my brother and asked if we could stay with him, as he has a finished basement with a spare bed, full bath, and laundry. We didn't know at that time how long we would need a place to stay. We are very lucky to have the option to stay with him and his girlfriend who loves to cook and take care of people. With March being the month of St. Patrick's Day, I wish you all the good luck like we had!

As we pack our campers for the year use, remember to grab the fire extinguisher and check the smoke detectors, a few seconds can mean a world of a difference. Also check your insurance coverage, we are also very thankful Beth's mother was our insurance agent. We have had no issues with the insurance so far, even though she retired the day before our house fire.



Camper renovation update, we recently got new curtains made and installed in our Sovereign, a big thank you to Carey Boland! This simple, yet much needed update is giving us the needed motivation to get working on more of the camper renovations.

With Spring coming up quickly, remember to reserve your spot at the **Spring Volunteer Rally**. Beth heard back from the *Friends of Pinchot* group and they are planting trees on April 23rd in honor of Earth Day. We will be assisting them with this. Beth is also registering this group event with the *Keep PA Beautiful, Pick Up PA* program for those that would like to pick a trail or parking lot to clean up. Trash bags and gloves will be provided through this program. A time has not been set yet for the tree planting, more information will be shared with those that RSVP once it is determined. Thank you, and I look forward to seeing you in April!

Karl Schubert, #13305
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Region 2 President

by *RJ Marquette*, President, Region 2



The registration for the 2022 Region 2/VAC rally has opened!

airstreamclub.org/region2/2022-region-2-rally

We will have a catered meal, a food truck with reduced prices, entertainment, local excursions, breakfasts, and seminars. It's bound to be a great time, and our first Region 2 rally since 2019.

May 19-22 at the Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington, Delaware. The cost is \$75/person, and there is a camping fee payable to the fairgrounds directly for \$41/night. Extra nights, before or after, are not a problem, just let us know when you register when you plan to arrive, and adjust the dates and number of nights when you pay the fairgrounds.

I'm looking for volunteers for multiple roles throughout the rally - you can note that when you register, or you can contact me directly.

On the horizon, I hope many of you are planning to make the trek to Maine for the International Rally this summer. We've booked a room and time for our Region 2 luncheon - it'll be Tuesday, July 26, in the Specialty Foods Building (capacity 400). We're checking the catering options and will have more information and registration later.

I'm still looking for volunteers to take over the webmaster role and for the WBCCI Foundation (you may have seen the recent email from HQ to all members about this). Please contact me if you're interested in either role.

Thanks!
RJ Marquette, #13270, rjmi@yahoo.com



Aerial photo of Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, DE

Delaware State Fair Registration made easy

1. After paying registration fee, you'll be directed here:



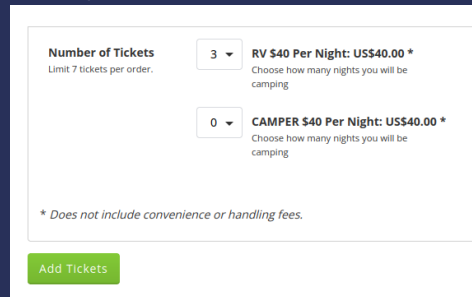
Scroll down to get to the link to book your site ("General Camping - Reserve Your Space"):



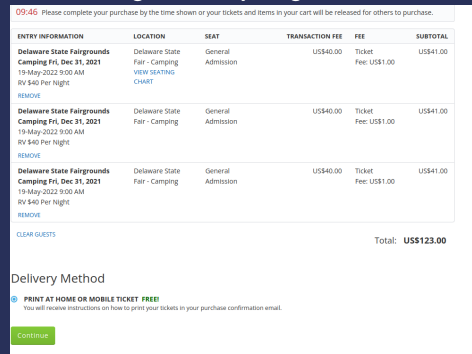
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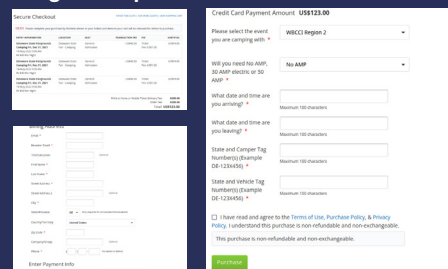
3. Select how many nights you want to stay (3, if you're planning to leave Sunday).



4. This screen confirms you have the right start dates and number of nights; if everything is fine, click "Continue".



5. Three screen shots below: The top shows the same things as the previous screen.



Run While You Can

by Affiliate Members *Andy & Rick Pitts, #27489*

Each spring and fall we like to pull our 28' International out for a longer adventure. Last fall we had hoped to join the International Storytelling Rally in Tennessee again (it's a good rally to put on your list), then head south to bask in the southeastern sun before storing away for a winter's nap. Unfortunately, the rally was canceled due to COVID, but we were able to restructure and had a wonderful 5-week run we're happy to share.

Those who know us know that we enjoy visiting State and local campgrounds, staying 2 to 4 nights and seeking out the interesting little attractions nearby. This trip was no exception!

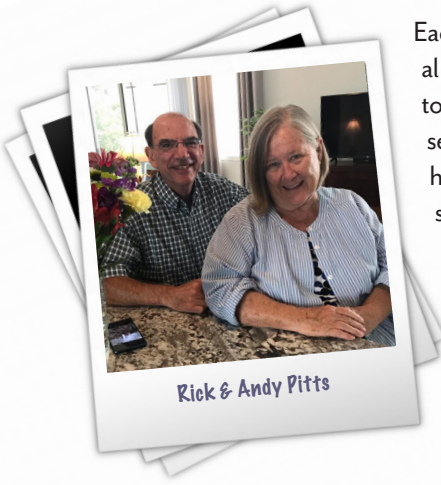
Traveling south through the Laurel Highlands we stopped in **Shenandoah National Park**, then meandered down toward the Gulf stopping at three really nice state parks: **Fairy Stone State Park (VA)**, **Hungry Mother State Park (VA)** and **Foscue Creek Campground (Army Corps, AL)**.

Visits along the way included **Chattanooga, TN** and, of course, the required stop to see **Ben & Erin Napier's (HGTV-Home Town) Airstream** and store in **Laurel, MS**.

At **Spanish Fort, AL** we stayed at one of our favorite small state parks, **Meaher**. Right along the gulf, it offers easy access to **Mobile, AL**, nearby shopping areas and beautiful sunsets. We headed east to **Pensacola, FL (Big Lagoon State Park)** hoping to catch one of the Blue Angel practice sessions, but they too were closed due to COVID. So we moved further east to **Sopchoppy, FL (home of the annual spring Worm Gruntin' Festival)** and stayed at a very nice, secluded **Ochlocknee River State Park**. In this area of the 'real Florida' we were treated to a roadside view of historical Dodge and Ford pickups, what a hoot.

We traveled south to **Apopka** to spend a few days with relatives. While here we were lucky enough to catch a great airshow in **Sanford, FL**. Our schedule there was built around reservations at **Fort De Soto Park in Tierra Verde, FL** near St. Petersburg. A tough county park to get into (county residents have a month jump) it is worth the time and flexibility spent to stay there. Beautiful sites in mangroves on a peninsula along the Gulf with easy access to St. Pete's many attractions.

Shifting to the east we stopped at **Lake Louisa State Park in Clermont** which afforded us a quiet venue from which to visit The Mouse a few days, then to the Atlantic coast and **St. Augustine** where we managed to score a few nights at **Anastasia State Park** (another difficult park for reservations). Sites there were also well maintained and deep with foliage; and the location afforded easy access to St. Augustine's attractions and historical areas. The State Park is right next to the **St. Augustine Amphitheater**.



Above: Classic barn along the Blue Ridge; Foscue Creek campsite; Home Town Airstream, Laurel, MS.

Background: Anastasia beach along the Atlantic

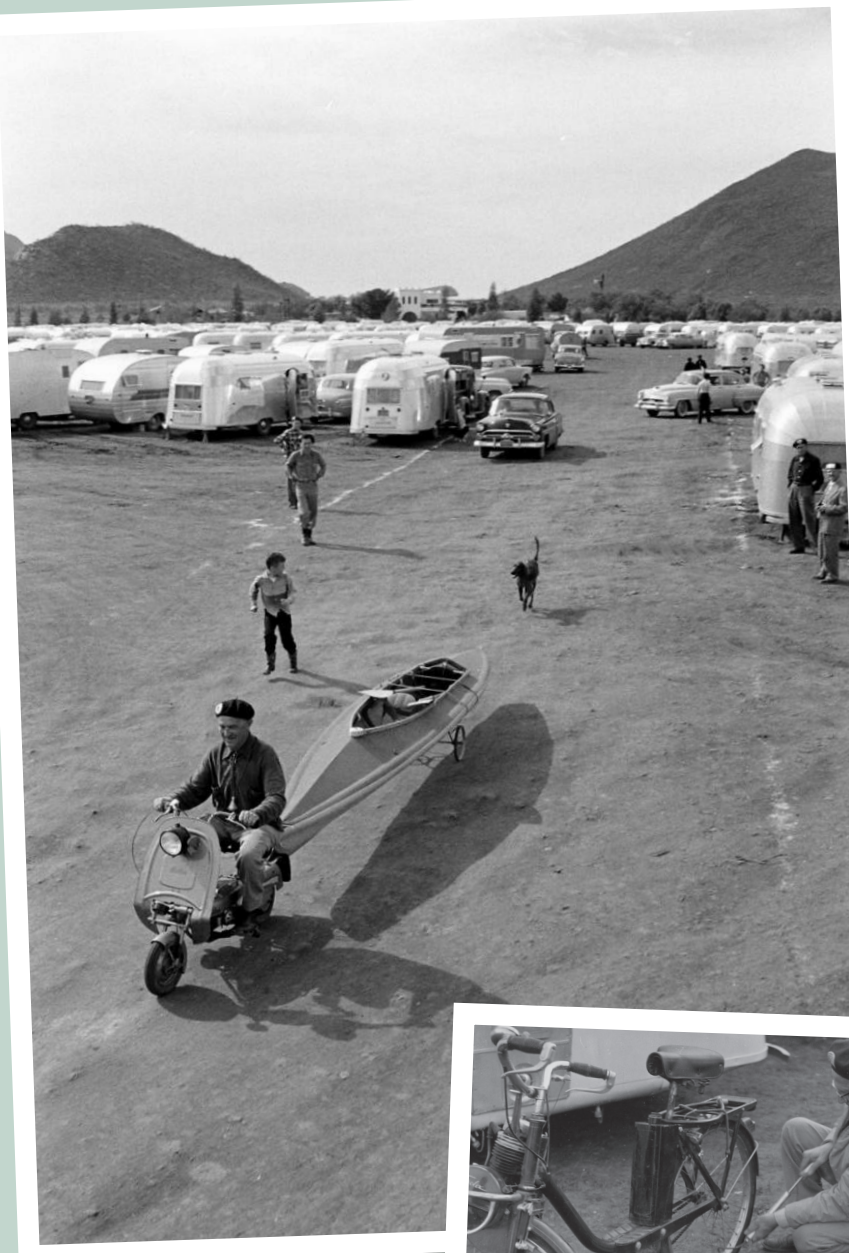
theater and quite coincidentally we were serenaded two of our nights by Kevin Costner & Modern West!

Reluctantly we packed up and began a steady trip back to the north. But along the way we stopped at another of our favorites, **James Island County Park**, Charleston, SC. They offer miles of beautiful walking and biking trails, and a dog park with its own swimming hole. Further north we found another great small county park good for hiking/biking and scenery, **Tanglewood RV Campground, Clemmons, NC**. It's near Winston-Salem and we wandered to find the last surviving Shell clamshell station in the US.

Having meandered back to central Pennsylvania we winterized and said 'rest well' to our home away from home 'til we run again in 2022. 🌊

- 1. Historic vintage Shell station
- 2. Sunset at Meaher State Park
- 3. Harvey roadside, Sopchoppy, FL
- 4. Worm Gruntin' Festival 5. Fort De Soto site, front
- 6. Stealth fighter at Sanford, FL
- 7. Salvador Dali Museum in St. Petersburg, FL
- 8. Sunset from back of the De Soto site
- 9. James Island County campsite
- 10. Big Lagoon campsite and coffee





Yesteryear

A look back at Airstream caravans, rallies, and club activities

Our cover image of this issue of *The Silver Penny* features Roxann and Dan Bare's pair of Vespas. Thanks to Joe Peplinski and his vast library of images, here are several photos of Wally Byam using various modes of transportation to zoom around during caravans: a scooter during the 1955 Mexico Caravan (a.k.a. Caravan 500, the one with almost 500 participating trailers) (left and upper right); a motorized bicycle (right, middle); and finally a Solex moped from the 1956 European Caravan (bottom photo.)

Spring Volunteer Rally



Join us on **April 23rd at Gifford Pinchot State Park**, in **Lewisberry, PA** for a **Spring 2022 Volunteer Rally (rally dates: 4/22/-4/24)**.

We plan to join the 'Friends of Pinchot' (a non-profit group dedicated to improving the park) for a workday on April 23rd, more details regarding this will be distributed closer to the April date.

Camping Reservations can be made at <https://pennsylvaniastateparks.reserveamerica.com> or by calling toll-free 1-888-727-2757. We will be camping in the location around sites 149-219 Pet area and 285-292, if you would like to camp close to each other. Please **book NOW** as sites book up quickly.

We are looking to hold a potluck dinner on Friday, April 22nd for those that would like to attend and possibly meeting to go kayaking late afternoon on April 23rd. We look forward to seeing you and helping volunteer as a group at a PA State Park, which offers such wonderful camping opportunities!

RSVP to: karlschubert1985@gmail.com with the below information by April 15th for this event, so we can provide the number of volunteers to the park.

Names: _____
Address: _____
E-Mail: _____ Site # reserved _____
WBCCI#: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Friday (4/22) Potluck _____ Yes _____ NO



The Silver Penny

This is YOUR newsletter! What would you like to read about?

Send your articles to
saylor4@comcast
by the 15th of the month with
the subject line
AIRSTREAM NEWSLETTER

SUGGESTIONS FOR TOPICS:

Trips and Adventures: include itinerary, high resolution photos, captions, and websites of any important destinations

Technology Tips: Have a new cell booster? WiFi extender? Tell us about it!

Hacks and Upgrades: Show us something you've done to enhance your rig

Recipes for on the Road: Let us know what's cooking in your Airstream

Storage Solutions: Have you discovered a clever way to organize your stuff?

Design & Decor: What does your interior look like? Show us what makes it look like home

Exterior Set-up: Do you have an outside arrangement that works really well?

...and more. One line or a whole article!

Thank you.

Central PA Airstream Rally at Jersey Shore Haven

August 12-14, 2022



**Jersey Shore Haven is located at
728 Dennisville Road, South Seaville, NJ 08246,
close to Cape May, NJ**

Staying in their open rally field (see map and photos contained in their website www.jerseyshorehaven.org/) at a daily rate of \$40/night/site.

These are two-point hookups; 30 amp electric and water (no 50 amp).

A sanitary dump is available.

We will have access to their screened in pavilion and full kitchen (no dishwasher) to have some meals together, TBD.

Their park including their pavilion/kitchen/pool will be open assuming no further Covid restrictions occurring.

We have reserved 10 sites at this time. These will be available on a first come basis thru our club. More may be available if needed.

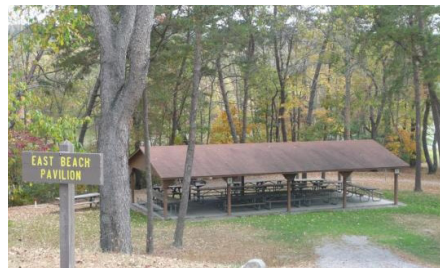
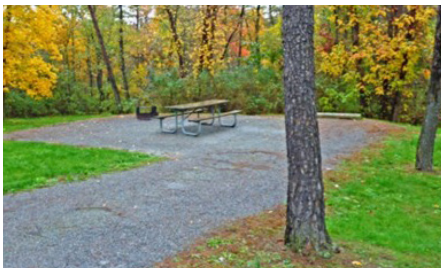
If you will be attending, please email Terry Hauschild at haus599@comcast.net or call 610-781-1933 (cell) for more info.



Photos courtesy Joan Bucher

Central PA Airstream Rally at Shawnee State Park

September 9 - 11, 2022



Make your reservations now for September 9 - 11, 2022 at Shawnee State Park, Pennsylvania
Dan & Roxann Bare have reserved site 73.

Shawnee State Park is in Bedford County. There is a 450 acre lake that is great for kayaking and 15 miles of trail for hiking. Flight 93 memorial is a 20 minute drive away. There is a scenic 30 mile covered bridges loop that makes for a nice drive or bicycle ride.

We will be having a Dutch oven potluck dinner on Friday evening. Saturday evening the club will provide burgers and brats for supper.

This is a low key, no fee rally.

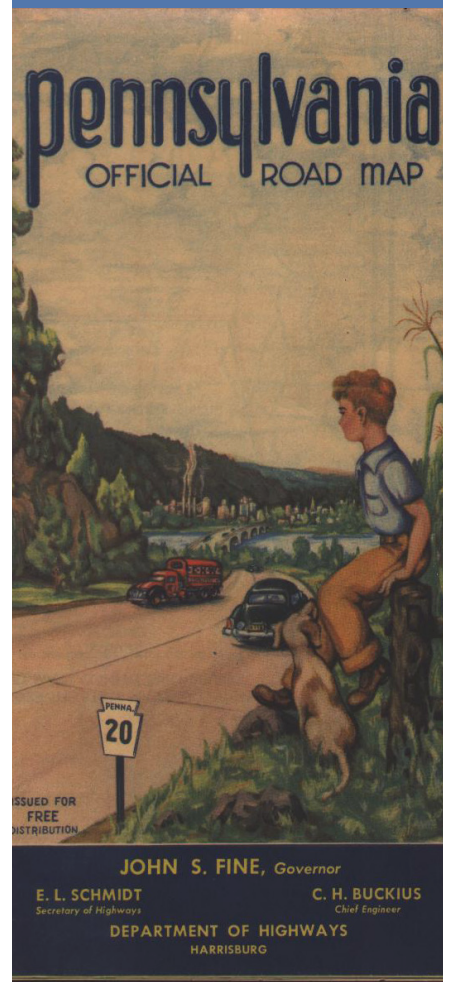
Please rsvp to drbare88@gmail.com if you plan to attend.

*Welcome to our new
Club Members*

Wayne Klug and
Wendy Farrow
of Trout Run, PA.

Wayne and Wendy have
a 2016 Pendleton 27FB,
#07470.

Looking forward to
meeting you both.



Winter Camping Trip to Promised Land State Park

by Terry and Wendy Hauschild, #06229



Terry and Wendy Hauschild

On February 7-9, 2022, Wendy and I travelled to PA **Promised Land State Park** for a little winter camping. Promised Land is located north of the **Pocono Mountains**, just south of I-84 with a mailing address of Greentown, PA. The state park is roughly 100 miles from our home in Wernersville, PA taking approximately 2 1/2 hours driving time.

We had been to Promised Land several times before both in the summer and winter so we kind of knew what to expect. The weather forecast was to be in the mid-twenties during the day and the mid-teens during the night with clear skies. The weather turned out as forecasted.

During the winter months, the park keeps seven (7) electric sites in addition to three (3) camping cottages open in **Pickrel Point Campground** adjacent to one of the restrooms/shower house. The restrooms/shower house is heated with warm showers and kept really clean.

We pretty much had the campground to ourselves with only one other camper on the first night. The campsites were covered in ice with exception of the other camper's site (naturally). We dry-camped without the use of any running water in Bambi (i.e. wasn't going to de-winterize the camper yet). This was ok since we had the heated restrooms/showers and cooked our dinners outside on the grill.

The weather had been cold enough that Promised Land Lake was frozen to a depth of 14". This made it great for ice fishing (by others but not us). I wanted to go out on the ice and speak with some of the fisherman but someone else did NOT (no names)!!!

Promised Land has a lot of great hiking trails (50 miles worth) so we hiked around **Conservation Island**. Naturally, we had the trails to ourselves.

The state park has a lot more activities to do in the summer time but all of this was closed including a great CCC museum, **Masker Museum**.

We really enjoyed our visit and look forward to going back but in warmer weather next time. The only drawback was our Bambi was filthy with all of the road salt, dirt needing a good wash before our next trip south later in February. 🧊





65th WALLY BYAM AIRSTREAM CLUB
★ INTERNATIONAL RALLY ★
★ July 23-29, 2022 ★ Fryeburg, ME ★
REGISTRATION

AirstreamClub.org/Fryeburg

#ACIRALLY2022

RALLY FEES – \$435 for an RV On-Site with 30 amp electric, water, and pump-outs; \$130 for each Adult (18+); \$40 for each Youth 13-17; Free for Children (12 & Under).

ADA ACCESSIBLE PARKING – Special parking, if requested, is near the central rally area for members. We ask that you bring your government/state-issued placard or supporting documentation with you to the rally.

REGISTRATIONS – Through the courtesy of Airstream, Inc., members registered before the start of the rally are entered into a prize drawing. Over \$2,000 in gift certificates for parts and service will be given away. Registrants must be present at the Airstream presentation to win.

STAGING AREA – In an attempt to keep the rigs moving, you will receive a rally arrival date in the Spring of 2022. If you can't make it on that date, the Rally Arrival Team will be ready to park you when you arrive from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Arrivals after 8:00 pm may stay overnight in the Staging Area, with no hookups, until parking begins the next morning.

CANCELLATION POLICY – Refund requests received by May 28th, 2022, will be assessed a \$50.00 fee. Refund requests after May 29th, 2022, will be assessed a 50% fee. NO refunds after July 9th, 2022. ***If you might have to cancel after that day, please consider obtaining travel insurance.***

RALLY PARKING DATES – General parking is tentatively scheduled to begin around July 20th. Parking dates will be sent via email in Spring 2022. Caravans of 5 or more need to contact HQ at rally@airstreamclub.org for arrival date.

HOW TO REGISTER – Go to airstreamclub.org/Fryeburg, call HQ at 937-596-5211 or fill out this form and make a check payable to WBCCI, in **US Funds Only** and mail to: WBCCI, P.O. Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334. Email questions to rally@airstreamclub.org.

65th WALLY BYAM AIRSTREAM CLUB ★ INTERNATIONAL RALLY
July 23-29, 2022 ★ Fryeburg, ME

BIG RED NUMBER: _____

Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____ **Email:** _____

Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____ **Email:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State/Province:** _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____ **Phone (C):** _____ **Phone (H):** _____

Rally Attendee(s)	Quantity Info	Quantity	Rate	Amount	Parking Options	Yes
RV On Site	Yes = 1 No = 0		\$435.00	\$	Vintage	
Adult (18 & Over) (Each)	Enter number		\$130.00	\$	First Time Attendee	
Youth (13 - 17) (Each)	Enter number		\$ 40.00	\$	ADA Accessible	
Child (12 & Under)	Enter number		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	Band Member	
Lifetime Member Discount	Limit 1		\$-20.00		Intra-Club:	
GRAND TOTAL:				\$		

Registration Date: _____ **Rec'd By:** _____ **Registration Source:** Mail Online Rally

Payment Type: Cash Check Credit Card **Amt Paid:** \$ _____ **Check #:** _____



Website www.airows.com shared this image from Patrick Foster's book, *Airstream: America's World Traveler*.

"People who travel via Airstream get to see more of the world than folks who fly or take the train. Here we see one traveler looking at beautiful Sveti Stefan, an island connected by causeway to the mainland in Montenegro about four miles southeast of Budva."

Editorial Review

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Region 2 Activities

You may attend any rally in any region and are not limited to Region 2 rallies

Dates: **April 22 - 24, 2022**
Sponsor: Central PA Airstream Club
Type of Event: **Spring Volunteer Rally**
Location: Gifford Pinchot State Park, PA
Email: karlschubert1985@gmail.com

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: careyboland@gmail.com

Dates: **May 19 - 22, 2022**
Sponsor: Region 2
Type of Event: **Region 2 Rally**
Location: Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, DE
Event Contact: RJ Marquette, rjm1@yahoo.com

Dates: **July 23 - 29, 2022**
Sponsor: WBAC
Type of Event: **65th International Rally**
Location: Fryeburg, ME
Email: rally@airstreamclub.org

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Location: South Seaville, NJ
Email: haus599@comcast.net

Dates: **September 9 - 11, 2022**
Sponsor: Central PA Airstream Club
Type of Event: **Shawnee State Park Rally**
Location: Shawnee State Park, Bedford County, PA
Email: drbare88@gmail.com

Dates: **June 24 - July 2, 2023**
Sponsor: WBAC
Type of Event: **66th International Rally**
Location: Rock Springs, WY



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