



# Region 5 Report

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## WBCCI changing; IBT takes the lead

By BARRY BELL  
Region 5 President

Many of you have asked me why WBCCI is not changing. I am writing to tell

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you that I believe strongly that it is, given the motions passed at the just concluded IBT meeting in Rayne Louisiana.

Many of us have wanted the International Rally to NOT be held on July 4th. A motion was passed to allow this. Since this is a constitutional change, Unit Delegates will vote on it. The motion reads, "The period of holding the International Rally and Annual Delegates Meeting shall be between June 20 and July 30." You have asked to renew your membership online. A motion was passed and will be sent to the delegates.

You said that the International Rally fee was too high. A motion was passed to



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reduce it in 2015.

Two motions were passed to allow for more International units (like Australia).

Two standing committees were reduced to one.

IBT Motions will be voted on by roll call of the Region officers, so that our units know how we vote on issues.

Succession planning of Region Officers was approved.

The number of people attending National/Special Events Rallies will be reported.

A new policy for International Rallies (Section 7 & 8) was approved.

The alignment of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan was changed from Region 4 to Region 7.

When your unit gets the new constitutional changes, be sure to vote and tell your delegate how you feel. If you want the Region officers to consider something else, please let me know. I would be happy to present it at Gillette, Wyoming.

### International Rally Region 5 dinner instead of luncheon

The Region 5 get together at the International Rally in Gillette has been changed from a luncheon to a dinner.

President Barry Bell explained that the June 30 date is the same as the Delegate Meeting. The noon luncheon could conflict. The location will remain the same at the Mufa Café at 500 O-R Drive. Dinner will be at 5 p.m.

## Springfield, Illinois Region 5 Rally location

By MONTE BARKSDALE  
Region 5 First Vice President

Hello Region 5,

This is your 1ST VP coming to you from the great frozen north. In a couple days I will be working in -35 weather. I hope most of you headed south. I just got back from the IBT at Rayne LA. I wish I was still there. Great place, and great food. The best as always was the fellowship. I encourage everyone to look up the minutes of the IBT on the WBCCI website. It was a very productive meeting. We accomplished a lot. Hopefully for the betterment of the club. That is always the dilemma. Knowing if you are doing the right thing. I think we did.

I hope everyone is gearing up for a great camping season. Don't forget to include Gillette in your schedule. If you haven't been to an International you owe it to yourself to check it out. If you haven't been to one in a while, come and see how things have changed. If you are a veteran there will be some special recognition.

Don't forget to include the great Region 5 rally I have planned for you. It will be held at the State fairgrounds in the wonderful city of Springfield IL.



Illinois State Fairgrounds entrance

We will start off with a computer rally and lead right into the main rally. The dates are Sept. 8th and 9th for the computer rally. Sept 10th thru the 14th for the main rally.

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## Region 5 dinner set for Florida in February

By BERRY BELL

Region 5 President

For many years there has always been a Region 5 Dinner at the Florida State Rally in February.

I just want to let you know that the tradition is continuing.

The Florida event is now called Alumaflamingo 2014.

The Region 5 get together will be on Thursday, February 20, 2014 at 5:00 PM. It will be held at Phillippi Creek Village Restaurant & Oyster Bar. It is located about five miles from the fairgrounds.

We will be in a separate dining room and will order from the menu. You can "experience casual waterfront dining at the place to go for seafood". They also have a more traditional menu.

It is located at 5353 S Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34231 [941\) 925-4444](tel:9419254444).

Tickets will not be sold or required. If you can make it, just show up. If you know you are coming, you can email me or call to let me know. We will also have a sign-up sheet at Alumaflamingo. It would be nice if we had some kind of idea how many might be planning to attend.

We hope you join Karen and I for a casual Region 5 dinner at the Phillippi Creek Village Restaurant. Lets keep the tradition going.

## Region 5 News in Brief

**The Northern Illinois Unit** is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. The milestone will be recognized at a joint rally with **The Illinois Lincolnland Unit** in May...**Don Smith**, long-time member of the Illinois Lincolnland Unit, died in October...Visit the **Central Illinois Unit** Facebook page at <http://facebook.com/groups/181854158507/?ref=ts&fref=ts>

# 16 motions that were approved at IBT meeting

Below is a summary of the motions passed by the WBCCI Board of Trustees at its mid-winter meeting in Rayne, LA..

All Region presidents and members of the Executive Committee were present except Ron Gordy, Treasurer, and Justin Humphries, Trustee.

All motions presented, passed and will be implemented or forwarded to the delegates for vote.

**Motion 13:** Voted on first, so action would pertain to remaining motions at this meeting. All motions voted on by the IBT shall show the results of votes by name of voters and how they voted except when a request for unanimous consent is approved.

**Motion 1:** Established supervision and representation of units not in the United States, Canada and Mexico, i.e. the Australian unit and any other international units

**Motion 2:** To insure that international units be organized as non-profit

**Motion 3:** To combine the Public Relations and Rally Promotions standing committees into one committee

**Motion 4:** To change the name of the Australian Unit from "Down Under Unit" to Airstream Club of Australia. Of note is that the Airstream Company "owns" the name "Airstream" and thus had to approve this. They agreed because adding Airstream to the name of the unit promotes Airstream sales.

**Motion 5:** Change the boundaries of Regions 4 and 7 such that the Upper Peninsula of Michigan (UP) becomes a part of Region 7. This was done at the request of members living in the UP because they feel more a part of Wisconsin than Michigan. This motion originally was withdrawn, but after listening to one of the members from the UP, the motion was re-submitted and passed.

**Motion 6:** A charter was granted to the Southeastern Camping Unit. We are very pleased that this unit has been formed in our region.

**Motion 7:** The flag of the Southeastern Unit was approved. It is a distinct one!

**Motion 8:** To update the job description of the History Standing Committee

**Motion 9:** Modify the National Special Events Rally reporting form to include the number of people attending.

**Motion 10:** Forward to the Delegates Meeting in Gillette that the constitution be changed such that the period for holding the International Rally and Annual Delegates Meeting shall be between June 20 and July 30. This motion removes the requirement that the rally include July 1, Canada Day and July 4, Independence Day. The motion to become effective starting in 2017 since contracts have been signed for 2014, 2015, and 2016. This motion is important as it provides flexibility in scheduling the International Rally away from July 4. This has been discussed for many years, but now the members may vote and decide when to have the rally

**Motion 11:** Modifications to the section of the policy regarding the International Rally. After the modifications to the Constitution, By-Laws, and Policy were not passed at the International Rally in Sedalia because it was too much change at one time, the Board of Trustees have decided to change portions at ensuing board meetings.

The primary changes to this section include re-location of Teen Queen contest to the Youth Committee, which has early parking authorization, and parking days to include Sunday. Early parking is authorized for current International and Region officers, immediate Past International President, Region 2<sup>nd</sup> VP's elect, post caravan leaders and required early workers. Early parking is not authorized for past International and Region Presidents or past International officers. The section regarding reserved seating at rally functions was eliminated.

**Motion 12:** Forward to the Delegates Meeting in Gillette that the constitution be changed to allow for electronic payment of International dues to headquarters using the WBCCI website. This motion will allow that members, **if they wish**, may pay their dues electronically, thus providing convenience to them and efficiency to the headquarters staff in dealing with renewals and corrections to the database. Currently, the unit treasurer and the office staff at Jackson Center do this manually.

**Motion 14:** Clarifies the procedure for regions to elect vice presidents when vacancies occur in either 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Presidents, or both.

**Motion 15:** To reinstate the publication of the News and Views Newsletter by the Electronic Communications Committee. Publication of this newsletter ceased earlier this year and many members have requested that it be re-instated.

**Motion 16:** Elimination of charges by headquarters for services, to the International Rally, currently \$45,000, starting in 2015. This charge was instituted several years ago when the International Rally was making a profit and the headquarters office having difficulty operating within its budget. However, this fee is now unreasonable and a deterrent to attendance at the rally.

## Region 5 Rally in Illinois

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As in years past you will be able to pick how much of the rally you wish to attend. You can do the whole week, which I recommend. You can just do the computer rally. Just the weekend or what ever you can make.

I will be bringing out more details as I get them finalized. I can tell you that the computer rally will be treated to the famous Bob Green breakfasts. There will be a tour of the Dana-Thomas house {Frank Loyd Wright}. I am working on a lunch in the Old State Capitol. This, my friends, is the capitol building where Abraham Lincoln sat in legislation.

That's all for now. If any of you have any questions or concerns don't hesitate to contact me and I will try and address it or get an answer for you. Remember, this is our club. Only we can make it better.

See you down the road