



# Region 5 Report

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## Special activities planned for Region 5 Rally

General Butler State Park at Carrollton, KY not only provides a different setting for the Region 5 Rally Sept. 11-15, but offers an opportunity for unusual tours, unique entertainment and scrumptious eating opportunities.

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Region 5 President Barry Bell points out that while the emphasis at the 2012 Rally in Tip-ton, IN was on entertainment the emphasis this year will be on food.

"The Two Rivers restaurant in the park lodge is open for lunch, breakfast and dinner every day," he said, "and is dedicated to trying to bring you the best of Kentucky hospitality. As supporters of the Kentucky Proud program, they utilize locally raised meats and produce when available.

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## Important Information

**NUMBER 1** — Sites at the General Butler State Park campground are being reserved for the Airstreams attending the Region 5 Rally. But the sites are being held for a limited time, with a deadline of August 8. Anyone registering after this date may not be parked with the other Airstreams.

**NUMBER 2** — You may not be able to drive over the bridge at Madison, IN, which is the most direct route for Indiana and Illinois residents. The bridge is being repaired and has had a 3-ton weight limit. Check with the Indiana Department of Transportation to see if the weight limit has been removed.



## 52 attend Region Sarasota dinner

Barry and Karen Bell, left, Region 5 president and first lady hosted the annual Region 5 dinner held in conjunction with the Florida State Rally at Sarasota February 14. A total of 52 Region 5 members and guests attended the dinner this year. Once again this year the dinner was held at Troyer's Dutch Heritage restaurant that is located only a few blocks from the fairgrounds where the Sarasota Rally is held.

## Message from Region 5 President Bell

The last two months have been very busy for Region 5 and WBCCI. At the mid-winter IBT The Executive Committee voted to release funds to purchase and implement a new data base for Jackson Center. Down the road will be capable of on-line renewal of WBCCI membership.

The Electronics Communication Committee will also organize a survey of our membership to provide feedback

for the future operation of our club. At the IBT a plan was made and implemented to encourage a more of a proactive board.

Region 5 attendance at the Florida State Rally was down from last year. However, overall attendance at the rally was up by 20 rigs. We had 52 attendees at our region dinner at Troyer's

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## Message from the president

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Dutch Heritage The big news announced at the rally is that the Florida State Rally is no more. The Florida State Rally was operated by a board of governors representing the Florida WBCCI Units.

Basically no one could be found to be the rally director and many of the chairman positions could not be filled. Another rally will continue in its place operated by the same company that runs the Alumapalooza.

At this time Karen and I are on the Louisiana Cajun Heritage Caravan. WBCCI caravans continue to be the best kept secret in the club. The costs are really reasonable. Compare WBCCI caravans to other travel clubs and you will find out what a bargain you are receiving. Quoting from Jay Thompson (long time caravan leader) "travel is not cheap, but you may be surprised if you compare your daily costs with your home bound costs". We encourage all members of Region 5 to sign up for a caravan. Whether it is a unit, regional or national caravan, we know you will enjoy it.

Save the date for our Region 5 Rally in Carrollton, KY at General Butler State Park. The coupon for the rally is included in this issue. You can also register online via this link that goes to our Region 5 website ( <http://region5.wbcci.net/>). This is the first time we have had a region rally in a state park. I think this will be a delightful experience that you won't want to miss.

**Barry Bell**  
**President**  
**Region 5**

## Computerfest to precede Region 5

The Region 5 Computerfest Rally will once again precede the Region 5 Rally and will run from Sunday, Sept. 8 through Tuesday, Sept. 10.

The rally will be held in a cabin at General Butler State Park that is located near the campground.

The cabin has a kitchen so the Computerfest will continue to feature Bob Green's famous breakfasts.

The rally agenda is being changed with a greater emphasis on mobile technology.



**Ron Gordy and wife Darlene**

## Ron Gordy is running for WBCCI treasurer

Ron Gordy, a member of the Central Indiana Unit and longtime treasurer of Region 5, has announced that he will be a candidate for WBCCI International treasurer.

He will be running as the treasurer for John Stumpf, who is scheduled to move into the International presidency this July.

In the picture of Gordy at the left he has a beard he grew for the beard growing contest at the Hobo Rally. He was voted one of the top five.

## Vintage Airstreams have special parking area at Region 5 Rally

Attention! Attention! Attention!

As if this years 5th Region Rally wasn't already packed with fun!!!

We will be offering a Vintage Parking Area for attendees whom would like to participate. We have designated an area where we can handle as few as 5 or 6 units or as large as 20 to 25 units. Either way, we will be able to showcase our Vintage Airstream Trailers !!!

Some activities talked about so far are an open house and a huge community fire pit.

We have a parade planned through the campground, into downtown Carrollton and

back.

There will be more activities announced as information is gathered and time allows.

Here are the guidelines to participate:

You must be a current member of WBCCI Region 5.

You do not have to be a member of the Vintage Airstream Club.(although the ability to join will be available)

Your Airstream or Argosy Unit must be a 1988 model or older.

For those of you who have already registered, or those of you who are planning to attend and haven't registered, send an email requesting to park in the vintage area to: [aom1215@yahoo.com](mailto:aom1215@yahoo.com)

**Artie and Pam Martin**  
**Ky Unit 049 WBCCI # 21931**

## In Memory

**Opal Parrish, past president of the Indiana Unit**

**Earlen Von Qualen, long-time Illinois Lincolnland Unit.**

**Grace Britt, Western Kentucky/Southern Illinois Unit.**

## Region 5 lunch

The Region 5 lunch at the International Rally at Huron, SD will be on Sunday June 30 at the Huron Event Center from noon to 2 p.m. The cost will be \$12 and will include emtre, salad, desert and drink

## No billboards

An announcement has been made that there will be no Unit billboards at this year's International Rally. No reason was given for abandoning this tradition.



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# Kentucky Speedway tour on Rally schedule

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The park's gourmet chef will be in charge of all the catered meals for the Rally.

On the schedule is a buffet breakfast, a lunch cookout and two evening meals.

A tour highlight at the Region Rally will be a trip to the Kentucky Speedway that is located a short distance from the park, just off I-71 near Ghent.

The grand tour that will be provided will include a close-up look at areas that are normally off limits to visitors.

This includes a ride through the course area, a visit to the luxury suites where you'll hear the facts and figures on this remarkable facility, a visit to the

infield, a visit to the garage area and then the crème de la crème, a ride around the 1.5 mile oval with its 14 degree banked turns.

This exceptional tour will be only \$5.00.

Another tour on the schedule is a trip to the River View Winery that is located on a hill overlooking the Ohio River on the west edge of Carrollton. You can have a glass of wine in the tasting room or just relax under the arbor and look at the vineyards and the farm animals.

The entertainment highlight on Friday night will be Sunday Drive, a Lyric House recording artist and the 2011 ICM Vocal Group of the Year.

The family trio is an award winning

group that has played the Grand Ole Opry, Branson, theme parks, riverboats, fairs and festivals. The group has shared the stage with such acts as the Oak Ridge Boys, Tanya Tucker, Earl Thomas Conley, David Ball, Stella Parton and more.

Another entertainment highlight will be an outdoor concert at 7 p.m. on Saturday night at the Butler Turpin House on the state park grounds.

Despite the fact the rally will be held at a state park, reservations will still be made through Region 5 Treasurer Ron Gordy. And for the first time registration can be made online on the Region website, using Pay Pal or a credit card.

**REGION 5 “Unbridled Spirit” RALLY**  
**General Butler State Park**  
**Carrollton, Kentucky**  
**September 11-15, 2013**

**IMPORTANT: Sites for the Region 5 Rally participants are being grouped together, but these sites will only be held through Aug. 8. Anyone registering after that date may not be parked with the other Airstreams.**

Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Handicap Parking Requested: YES NO

WBCCI No. \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Region \_\_\_\_\_

Trailer (\_\_\_\_\_) Motorhome (\_\_\_\_\_) Length \_\_\_\_\_

**RALLY REGISTRATION FEE**

4 nights Sept. 11-15 2 persons per rig \$199 \_\_\_\_\_

4 nights Sept. 11-15 1 person per rig \$160 \_\_\_\_\_

2 nights Sept. 13-15 2 persons per rig \$ 99 \_\_\_\_\_

2 nights Sept. 13-15 1 person per rig \$ 60 \_\_\_\_\_

Extra camping nights

Sunday, Sept 8 \$ 16 \_\_\_\_\_

Monday, Sept. 9 \$ 16 \_\_\_\_\_

Tuesday, Sept. 10 \$ 16 \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday, Sept. 15 \$ 16 \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Payment for additional person \$39 and fees for tours will be collected on site.

Mail registration (including SASE for receipt), with check payable to “Region 5, WBCCI” to  
Ron Gordy, Treasurer,  
202 McCutcheon Dr., Lafayette, IN 47909.

You may register online at the Region 5 web-site :[Region5.wbcci.net](http://Region5.wbcci.net)

## REGION 5 "UNBRIDLED SPIRIT" RALLY

General Butler State Park, Carrollton, KY  
September 11 -15, 2013

**Register Now! Online or Mail**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

WBCCI # \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Trailer (\_\_\_\_) Motorhome (\_\_\_\_) Length \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

4 Nights (Sept 11-15) 2 Persons per Rig \$199.00 \_\_\_\_\_

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2 Nights (Sept 13-15) 2 Persons per rig \$ 99.00 \_\_\_\_\_

2 Nights (Sept 13-15) 1 Persons per rig \$ 60.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Extra Camping Nights:

Sunday 8 September \$16.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Monday 9 September \$16.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Tuesday 10 September \$16.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday 15 September \$16.00 \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment for additional person \$39.00 and fee for tours will  
be collected on site.

Please make check payable to: Region 5 WBCCI  
Mail check & registration form to:  
Ron Gordy  
Region 5 Treasurer  
202 McCutcheon Drive  
Lafayette IN 47909

You may register online at our website [region5.wbcci.net](http://region5.wbcci.net)

## IS THERE SUCH A THING AS TOO MUCH HOSPITALITY?

The Region 5 Rally at General Butler State Park is the  
place to find out.

### Two Rivers Restaurant

Two Rivers' name and fish camp decor is a reference to  
the Ohio and Kentucky Rivers which meet in the local  
area.

The Restaurant serves signature Kentucky favorites and  
locally grown produce. Two Rivers has been featured in  
the book "Dining across Kentucky" as well as on the  
Kentucky Life television program.



### General Butler Conference Center

The Conference  
Center is very  
impressive with an  
expansive set of

windows at one end that leads to a spacious covered  
porch which overlooks the Kentucky River Valley. Great  
for our afternoon cookout. The interior breaks into three  
separate meeting rooms to facilitate our seminars.

### The Campground

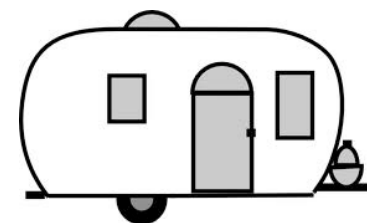
A spacious campground with water & electric hookups,  
wi-fi and grills. Ten sites have sewer hookups and a  
dump station is available on site. Showers, rest rooms,  
and laundry facilities are available at two central service  
buildings.

### The Butler Lodge

The hilltop lodge is an attraction within itself. Browse the  
gift shop which offers a large selection of Kentucky  
handcrafts and souvenirs. Sit in the mezzanine and enjoy  
the piano, playing a game of cards or joker or just  
enjoying the view of the valley.

# Unbridled Spirit

## 2013 REGION 5 RALLY



September 11 - 15, 2013  
General Butler State Park  
Carrollton, Kentucky



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## WELCOME



Dear fellow Region 5 Airstreamers. It is our pleasure to welcome you to our 38th Region 5 Rally. This year our rally will be held in Carrollton, Kentucky located at the confluence of the Kentucky River and the Ohio River.

Kentucky proudly boasts the largest developed state park system in the country with 17 resort parks surrounded by some of the most striking landscapes in the Commonwealth. We will be staying at General Butler State Resort Park, in its beautiful campground. One of the cabins will be used for our computer rally. The Convention Center will be utilized for some of our events, seminars, and entertainment. We will be having a cookout on the adjacent patio.

Last year our rally emphasis was on entertainment. We have some good entertainment planned again this year, however the emphasis is a little more on food. The Two Rivers restaurant in the lodge is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner every day, and is dedicated to bring you the best of western Kentucky hospitality. General Butler's award winning staff prepares the freshest foods and the menu offers something for everyone including local Kentucky favorites. As supporters of the Kentucky Proud program, they utilize locally raised meats and produce when available. Their staff will be preparing a breakfast, a luncheon cookout, and two dinners for us.

It has been four years since the rally was held in Kentucky and we are looking forward to going back. We think this rally is going to be bigger and better. The whole Kentucky Unit is really pitching in to help plan the activities and events. And for the first time, starting in February, you will be able to register on line using a credit card or pay pal. Checks and USPS will still be available by contacting our treasurer, Ron Gordy, just like you have in the past.

Our theme is "Unbridled Spirit". So plan to saddle up your rig and head to Kentucky this fall for a unique event, which will be remembered as a truly "special rally". So register soon, since this something you do not want to miss. If you have any questions, please contact us by cell phone or e-mail listed below.

Barry and Karen Bell  
Region 5 President and First Lady

Cell Phone: (317) 418-2529  
E-mail: [ksbell55@gmail.com](mailto:ksbell55@gmail.com)

## TOURS



Your grand tour of the Kentucky Speedway includes a close-up and personal look at areas that are off limits during races. Ride through the concourse area, sit in the grandstands and visit a luxury suite as you hear facts and figures about this state of the art facility. Visit the infield where you will get a behind the scenes look at the garage area and victory lane. When the track is cold.....travel down pit road and enjoy a comfortable van ride around Kentucky Speedway's 1.5 tri oval track. Find out what 14 degree banking really feels like! You may even be able to visit the track gift shop to pick up a souvenir. This exceptional tour is available for only \$5.



Not all old houses are haunted and maybe Butler-Turpin State Historic House on the grounds of General Butler State Resort Park isn't – but then again maybe it is. Participants in the Spirits of Butler paranormal tour will get the chance to find out.

The staff at General Butler has put together an evening for those who are interested in Ghost Hunting. Participants will study and investigate paranormal activity at the Butler-Turpin house, the cemetery and grounds. A tour of the Butler-Turpin house, program instruction, night investigation of the historic house and cemetery.

## RIVER VIEW WINERY



River Valley is a small winery that provides you a warm environment where you will feel right at home. You can have a glass of wine in the tasting room or sit under the arbor and enjoy the view of the vineyards, farm and animals.

## ENTERTAINMENT



SUNDAY DRIVE, Lyric House Recording Artist and the 2011 ICM Vocal Group of the year.

Misty Treece: Lead vocal, bargain shopper, loves family time and is Jeff's wife.

Jeff Treece: Plays the keyboard, vocal, songwriter, loves classic cars, is Misty's husband and Dusty's brother.

Dusty Treece: Plays the drums, vocal, loves the UT Vols, and is Jeff's brother.

This Multi-Award winning vocal group has played the Grand Ole Opry, Branson, Theme Parks, Riverboats, Fairs & Festivals. They have had the privilege to share the stage with such acts as The Oak Ridge Boys, The McKameys, Tanya Tucker, Gene Watson, Earl Thomas Conley, Jeff Bates, Andy Griggs, David Ball, Stella Parton and many more.



Join us at the Butler Turpin house for a Backyard Concert on Saturday September 14th at 7pm. Bring your own chair or you may borrow one from the park.

