



Region 5 Report

Illinois-Indiana-Kentucky

Artie Martin, President

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KENTUCKY HORSE PARK SITE OF 2017 REGION 5 RALLY

The Region 5 Rally “Falls for Horses” is coming up in just a couple of weeks!! Sept 13-17, 2017 at the KY Horse Park in Lexington, KY. On line registration is now open at <http://region5.wbcci.net/region-5-rally/>.

The price of \$250.00 for 2 persons includes: 4 nights camping, 3 breakfasts, pot luck, Flea Market, a “Sundown” dinner banquet at the KY Horse Park Museum, 1 full day pass to the KY Horse Park and all activities. Horse Farm tour with retired KY Derby Winners, Toyota Camry Factory Tour. 2 nights of entertainment, Horse Race games and Horse Hole Game.

There are a couple of things you need to know about before your arrival.

The Toyota Manufacturing Tour has very little walking. You can park very close to the entrance, or be dropped off. The actual tour is done on Trams that drive throughout the plant. The tour is limited to children. They must be at least in the first grade, accompanied by parents. You must not bring in anything but your State

Picture ID.

Purses and bags must be locked in your car. You can take pictures of the entrance lobby, but cameras and cell phones will be collected and held until the tour has been completed.

We will be using the Horse Park Campgrounds Pavilion this year. It is large enough to accommodate all our needs. It is equipped with new metal picnic tables. You may want to bring a seat cushion, or there is room to bring lawn chairs. We are planning on campfires every night so lawn chairs will be an asset. Bring your bikes!!! There is a 12-mile asphalt bike trail called “Legacy Bike Trail” that runs from the Horse Park to downtown Lexington. We look forward to seeing everyone in Lexington!!!

ARTIE’S THOUGHTS

VOLUNTEERING!

I remember growing up how my family would volunteer for things. Like church dinners, and Boy & Girl Scout Leaders, and Room Mothers and PTA and the list goes on. I remember my grandfather was a volunteer firefighter in his younger years, I was told. People volunteer for a special cause, for illnesses to raise money, to raise awareness of causes. Many folks volunteer to do work at homeless shelters, or animal shelters. The tour we will take of the Old Friends Horse farm during this rally, is kept going by volunteers. Volunteers are everywhere! Hospitals, Churches, Schools, soup kitchens. Just about everywhere you look, you can find a volunteer!!!

We as members of the WBCCI enjoy so many things, sights, caravans, natural wonders, lakes, states, countries, our Airstreams, and most of all our friendships we make throughout our travels.

We are a club of “Volunteers”. Volunteers to be Caravan Leaders, Presidents, Treasurers, Rally Hosts, Trustees. We volunteer to help prepare pot luck dinners, organize games, set up tables and chairs, clean up, etc. As with any organization, the WBCCI needs volunteers to survive. It is wonderful to attend rallies and enjoy all the wonderful things we Airstreamers do! Please consider becoming a volunteer for our great club, WBCCI !



Kentucky Horse Park
4089 Iron Works Pike,
Lexington, Kentucky 40511
(be sure to use Iron Works
PIKE in your GPS for camp-
ground)
(859) 259-4257

Region 5 Rally Unit Presidents' Check List

- Bring your Unit banner.
- Bring Unit flag, flag pole and flag pole stand.
- Bring door prizes from the Unit made by someone in the Unit and/or obtained from dealers in your area.
- Dress protocol: Opening and closing ceremony and Business Meeting — Dark pants/slacks, white collared shirt/blouse, red or white Region 5 polo shirt acceptable, red coat not required, Beret optional but not required. Spouses of flag bearers will be included in processional

REPORT FROM ESCANABA

Wasn't the 60th International Rally exceptional? Ya, you betcha! Wonderful people, lots of fun activities, good food, great weather. And bonuses, like lots of classic cars in the campground and on the streets, pasties (say pass-tee), Jilbert's ice cream, the Antique Village with the opportunity to take classes with local artisans... This was a special Rally indeed! Thanks and applause to Richard and Jan Girard for finding such a special site and planning wonderful programs. Now, it's on to new adventures at the 61st International Rally in Salem, OR.

And the eclipse—Awesome! We all knew it was going to happen but it was still amazing! Carbondale experienced 2 minutes, 38 seconds of totality. What one saw, however, depended on where one was. Those at Saluki Stadium had cloud cover for part of the event, those further west, as we were, saw the clouds move out just as totality began. Some south and east had no clouds at all. All of this within a small area of a few miles. Gordon and I enjoyed having the eclipse come to us, setting up chairs in the yard and slipping on those eclipse glasses until totality began (and remembering to put them on as soon as that diamond ring appeared again.) The eclipse was all too short! Fortunately, Carbondale will be blessed again in seven years with the next eclipse. And it will be approximately 4 minutes long next time!

Carol White

CHRIS'S VIEW

Hello from Ossian,

We had a great time in Escanaba. We enjoyed meeting everyone from Region 5 that made the trip to Yooperland. We took a lot of trips between meetings that we went to. One of those trips we went to was a shut down lighthouse off a



peninsula in the middle of Bay. While I was looking out into the middle of the bay and Lake Michigan, I was thinking how God directs us to where he wants us to go to. We need to look for God's light to direct us while we are in the middle of lake of life. We don't know where he wants us to take this Region but I'm still looking for his direction. We can't wait to see everyone down at the Region 5 rally at the Kentucky Horse Park. I know Artie and Pam are planning a great time down there. Hope everyone will be there if you can.

See you down the road.
Christopher and Nancy Seplak



ECLIPSE FEVER INVADES WBCCI Sun Casts No Shadows Over Airstreamers

As news reports of an impending total eclipse began circulate throughout the United States, WBCCI members lost no time in finding ways to celebrate. Eclipse rallies across the USA that had been a year or more in the planning were ready to take off the weekend of August 19-20 and obviously included Monday, August 21.

Units in Region 5 were no exception to the celebration.

Illinois Lincolnland President and Region 5 Past President Monte Barksdale planned a rally near the heart of totality in DuQuoin, Illinois. Participating in the fun and adventure were members from the Northern Illinois Unit, Alabama Unit, Central Indiana Unit, Michigan Unit and MALs. Most of the members stayed at the rally site to enjoy an almost perfect viewing event. Any visible clouds stayed far away and did not spoil this awe inspiring experience.

The trip home proved to be more of a challenge for members as some ventured north immediately after the eclipse. Interstate 57 north was a veritable "parking lot" and proved to be more than some members wished to tackle. An unplanned wait in a Wal-Mart parking lot turned out to be a prudent move and progress was much more pleasant later in the evening.

Aside from a mishap after the eclipse that included a broken wrist for one member, the rally ended on a high note and was declared a success for all who participated.

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PRODUCTIVE IBT

The International Rally of 2017 held several firsts for WBCCI not the least of these being the change of the rally meeting dates. Since the dates were changed, the dates of the traditional two IBT meetings were on held on different dates from those in the past. To avoid confusion in this article, the two meetings will simply be referred to at the First Summer IBT Meeting and the Second Summer IBT meeting. A summary of those meetings follows.

FIRST SUMMER IBT MEETING

Motion 1 - The WBCCI has updated its License Agreement with Airstream, Inc., in order to continue to use the Airstream name as well as graphics of trailers and other products in our names, websites, newsletters and social media sites. APPROVED

Motion 2 - A new member of WBCCI will be issued, by headquarters at the time of joining, a standard membership badge as described in Appendix 2, bearing the official emblem and insignia of WBCCI. APPROVED

Motion 3 - Uniquely designed unit badges, if approved by the IBT, may be worn at all WBCCI functions. APPROVED

Motion 4 – 6 – These motions deal with the aspect of recognizing historically significant membership numbers and rigs. These motions were WITHDRAWN.

Motion 7 – Deals with allowing MALs to pre-vote through Headquarters for the annual Delegates' Meeting. WITHDRAWN

Motion 8 – Allows Region 5 President Artie Martin to be issued a 3 digit number. APPROVED

Motions 9-26 – These motions deal with changes in unit names, logos, flags, emblems and pennants. These motions were all APPROVED with the exception of any that were withdrawn. NORTHERN ILLINOIS and KENTUCKY UNITS from Region 5 were among those units requesting a name change thereby adding the word "Airstream" to their official name. These two were among those approved.

SECOND SUMMER IBT MEETING

Motion 1 – Honors designated "heritage" membership numbers. (A list of these numbers can be found on the WBCCI web site along with the wording of the complete motion <http://wbcci.org/component/jdownloads/send/93-2017-reports/874-ibt-july-30-2017-minutes>) APPROVED

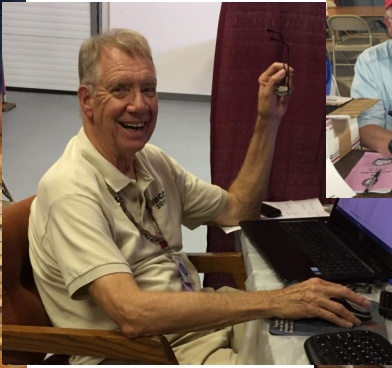
Motion 2 – Requested the addition of the following sentence to the description of the duties of the Membership Standing Committee Chair – "Recognizes the Region most successful in recruiting and retaining members in associated Units by awarding the Region Traveling Membership Trophy at the appropriate evening function at the annual International Rally." A roll call vote was requested and the motion FAILED.

During the Executive Committee meeting, a new Special Events Rally was approved. The rally will be the "Bend Classic 2018." It will be held at the JBar Ranch in Bend, Oregon, June 17-19, 2018. The Oregon Airstream Club will be the sponsoring unit.

OF SPECIAL NOTE

International Vice President and Region 5 Past President Barry Bell, requested and received approval to sign a contract for the 2019 International Rally at the Meadow Event Park in Caroline County, Doswell, Virginia. The rally dates will be July 20 for the Opening Ceremony through the Closing Ceremony July 27, 2019. (Editorial note: Please make plans to support Barry as he continues the long tradition of International Presidents from Region 5)

MEMORIES OF ESCANABA!



REGION 5 LUNCHEON

Herford and Hops Restaurant



Region 5 “Falls for Horses” Rally
September 13-17, 2017
Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, KY
<https://kyhorsepark.com>

Kentucky Horse Park is a working horse farm and an educational theme park opened in 1978 in Lexington, KY. 4089 Iron Works Pkwy, Lexington, KY 40511

Rally fee includes 4 nights of camping.
Catered Private Banquet at the Horse Park Museum.
One-day admission to the Horse Park attractions, a \$20 per person value.
Tour of the Georgetown Toyota Camry factory.
Tour of Old Friends Thoroughbred Retirement Farm, with retired Kentucky Derby winners.
3 Breakfasts
2 nights of Entertainment

\$250 4 nights of camping, 2 people, 1 rig
\$190 4 nights of camping, 1 person, 1 rig
\$75 per extra adult age 17+
\$55 per child age 11-16
Child under age 10 - free

Events will be held in a shelter at the Horse Park. And we will have nightly campfire. If you have a pop-up style tent please bring it, as we might need them.

The campground offers 260 spacious sites with 50/30/20 amp electric and water. All sites are 55' paved back-ins with fire rings and picnic tables. Two dump stations are provided for your convenience as you exit the park.

The campground has many extras for your comfort including a grocery store/gift shop and two bathhouses with modern conveniences.

For those seeking to stretch their legs a little more, venture out on the Legacy Trail, a 12-mile-long (8.5 miles is currently finished) paved walking and biking trail leading from the Kentucky Horse Park Campground to downtown Lexington.

Register online at <http://region5.wbcci.net>

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