

# Region 7 News



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## President's Message

By Jane Carmichael

Hello to Our Region 7 Members,

It's St. Patrick's Day and our leprechauns are dancing. Most of our members do appreciate a few more hours of daylight. Some members have started their gardens indoors while others are starting to head back North.

The Lucky Ones are going to the St. Patrick's Day lunch hosted by Bill Scheuerell & Ginny Janssen at the Thirsty Goat in Fitchburg, WI (March 19).

This issue will include an introduction to our current Region 7 Vice Presidents. We also received a true story by Daryl Herrmann for all to enjoy.

So, sit back, enjoy the last days of winter, and read a little bit of Region 7 News.

As always, may your kind approach to life bring you contentment.

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Jane Carmichael  
Region 7 President  
WBCCI # 219



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# This & That from the 1<sup>st</sup> VP Corner

By Ginger Slattery

Greetings and salutations, Region 7!

It was about this time last year that I introduced myself in the Blue Beret as your recording secretary! Now I am introducing myself as your 1st Vice President! Oh my! How things change in a year, eh?

Some of you remember that I was elected and installed as 2nd Vice President in August at the Region 7 rally in Marquette. I held that position for only 2 months when our then current 1st Vice President made the difficult decision to resign. Therefore, I was advanced to 1st Vice President! It is quite a learning experience! I look forward to serving our region and meeting all of you!

HELP WANTED We've all seen those words in windows of businesses all over our towns since the pandemic! We are no exception! Region 7 is in need of a new recording secretary! The demands of my current position make it impossible to do both positions. The recording secretary takes the minutes for Region 7 board meetings and Executive Committee meetings which take place only 1 or 2 times per year. If anyone is ready to be more involved, let me know! I can be reached at virginiaslattery@gmail.com or text/call me at 1-906-250-6931.

In addition to attending the Minnesota rally in May and the North Dakota Peace Garden rally in June, the international rally in Fryeburg, Maine is fast approaching! The most recent count from the Corporate office is 906 registrations received! Wow! The Region 7 Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday, July 24. All other information will be forthcoming. If anyone who is attending wants to host a Social Hour/Meet and Greet during the rally, let me know! Joe and I did this in Oregon at the Salem Rally. It was a lot of fun and a good way to start meeting others in the region.

Joe and I are looking forward to getting the Silver Twinkie back on the road, sitting by campfires and making new memories with our granddaughters, Felicity and Emmalynn, and our Region 7 fellow Airstream enthusiasts! Be safe on the road and stay healthy!



The Flag committee included Chuck Dodd (Immediate Past President), Terry Pfliegaar (Current President), Pete Yanke (Trustee), Chris Olsson (Webmaster), and Gary Burnham (Artwork Designer Extraordinaire). Using one of the unofficial logos as a starting point, Gary designed the new logo and flag. There were several iterations presented to the Flag Committee (thanks for your patience with us Gary), and through much discussion and review by Tom Smithson (Constitution/bylaws Chair for IAC), we settled on the flag and logo. (Flag is shown on page 4) One thing we learned is that the identity of the WBCCI/WBAC/AIC Airstream Club on the flag needs to meet strict requirements. We originally were going to have the letters WBAC on our flag, but that is not one of the approved options. So, we changed it to WBCCI, and all is good. One other note is that while WBCCI is included on the flag, it is not required on the Logo itself, hence the difference between the logo and flag.

The new logo and flag were presented to the club membership at the holiday party on Dec 18th and approved. We filled out an IBT Motion form to request approval, and forwarded to Jane (R7 President), who approved and forwarded to International to be placed on the next IBT agenda. The IBT approved the flag and logo during their February 2022 meeting. Hooray!

If you are interested in acquiring your very own MN Airstream Club flag, please contact me and I can point you in the right direction.

Chris Olsson – R7 2<sup>nd</sup> VP  
cwoolson@comcast.net

## Chris Olsson Bio/Intro

We're Michiganders happily transplanted to Minnesota 41 years ago following my 6-year Navy enlistment. I grew up in Grand Haven, and Kay grew up in Spring Lake (right across the Grand River), so that makes us trolls. Not a term we grew up with, but what the heck, we'll adopt it! We now live in Lexington, MN, where we have been for the last 39 years. Easy to keep track of because we moved into our house when our second son, Chris Jr, was 4 weeks old. We have three children, Dan who lives with his family in upstate New York (by Saratoga Springs), Chris Jr who lives in Star Prairie, WI, and Eileen who lives in Blaine with her family. We have six wonderful grandchildren. The accompanying picture shows us someplace warm.

I retired the end of last year after being in the mainframe computer industry for 40 odd years. Positions have included sales, consulting, and support, with the last 6 ½ years combining all three into one job. So, I'm a computer geek, but I cannot fix your PC... 😊

Kay is a retired RN, and we are enjoying traveling with our puppy boy, Ricky, in our 1972 Airstream that we renovated ourselves over a 6-year period. Our Airstream is named Little Girl because she needed lots of love and care when we bought her, just like a little girl. We completely gutted her and rebuilt her. Kept the outside pretty much vintage except that all of the lights are now LEDs. The inside is totally custom, with a relativity open floor plan. One of our favorite things to tell people is that we have a 31-foot trailer that sleeps two. Stop by at a rally and we will happily show her off.

## From the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP

By Chris Olsson

The MN Airstream Club voted at the Fall 2021 rally to create an official club logo and flag. We had been using a couple of unofficial logos for many years, but we wanted a flag to identify our club beside the Minnesota State Flag. The club voted to form a flag committee to design the new logo and flag and then present it to the club membership for approval.



*From the 2nd VP, from Page 2*

We are active members of the Minnesota Airstream Club (10 years this coming Fall) as well as your new Region 7 2nd VP. For the last few years, I have been the MN webmaster and newsletter editor, and Kay is a Past President. In addition to our Airstream, hobbies include model railroading and I'm a fairly good hobby woodworker. I'm really looking forward to being a Region officer for the next few years and hope I meet your expectations. Looking forward to getting to know all of you better!

## Mini 2022 Region 7 Rally Sept 22 - 25

Region 7 made several changes when Beth Zelten, former 1st VP, resigned September 29, 2021. Because Beth had not planned a Region Rally for 2022 we made adjustments. As a pivot, we will just have a Mini R7 Rally during the Wisc-UP rally September 22 - 25, held near Manistique, MI.

Please call the Jack Pine Lodge to reserve and pay for your site. This is a no-rally fee Mini-Rally with your choice of things to do.

Jack Pine Lodge UP, LLC  
5350N State HWY M-94  
Manistique, MI 49854  
(906) 573-2414

Thank you, Chuck Zellermyer, President, for agreeing to combine the Wisc-UP rally with a Mini-Region 7 Rally. This actually was announced in the Wisc-UP January newsletter. It unfortunately conflicts with the Minnesota installation rally, so another pivot!

Incoming R7 President Ginger Slattery will attend the Minnesota installation rally that same weekend in Bewabic, MN. Past President by then, Jane Carmichael will join the Mini R7 + Wisc-UP rally.

It has been suggested that the Region 7 Rally occur each year and be rotated between the 3 clubs. We may want to think about having the 2023 R7 Rally hosted by the Minnesota Airstream Club or by the North Dakota Peace Garden? Hmmmm.....

Given gas prices and our working members, it might be appealing to have Region 7 Rallies held closer to our members on a rotating basis. Something to think about.

## 2022 Region 7 Board Meeting

The 2022 Region Board Meeting is scheduled for May 14 at 10 AM Central. It will be held in the pavilion located at the Blue Goose Campground, Fairmont, MN.

A great big thank goes out to Terry Phleghaar, Minnesota Airstream Club President, for assisting with these arrangements.

Installation of our new Region 7 Vice Presidents is planned. 1st Vice President Ginger Slattery (Joe) and 2nd Vice President Chris Olsson (Kay) will be honored with a short ceremony and a very big piece of cake with ice cream.

## Region 7 Calendar

### May 12 - 15, 2022

Region 7 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Presidents' Installation Ceremony  
Flying Goose Campground & Resort  
Fairmont, Minnesota 507 235-3458  
Welcome Region 7 1st Vice President Ginger Slattery  
and Region 7 2nd Vice President Chris Olsson

### June 23 - 25, 2022

Region 7 President & 1st Vice President meet with NDPG  
Medora Campground, Medora, ND  
Contact: Ken Kubischta (kenkubischta@gmail.com)  
701 495-4326

### July 23 - 29, 2022

65th WBCCI International, Fryeburg, ME  
[www.airstreamclub.org/Fryeburg](http://www.airstreamclub.org/Fryeburg)  
July 24, 2022 Region 7 Breakfast in Fryeburg, ME  
Purchase Tickets at the R7 Booth from Ginger Slattery, 1<sup>st</sup> VP

### September 22 - 25, 2022

Mini R7 Rally  
Jack Pine Lodge  
5350N State Hwy M-94  
Manistique, MI 49854  
<https://www.jackpinelodgeup.com>  
906 573-2414 (call to reserve your site)

## Region 7 Website

By Bob Manak

The Region 7 website now has a link to the aerial video of the 2021 Region Rally in Marquette. The website also includes links to the websites of the three clubs that make up Region 7. Just scroll down and find a link to Region 7 events that you would like to access.

Tabs on the region website include:

**Newsletter** tab has the current and all Region 7 newsletters going back to 2007. Links to the newsletter from the three clubs that make up Region 7 are also included.

**Officers and Committees** tab links to contact information for officers and committee members

**Documents** tab links to Board and Executive Board meeting minutes and miscellaneous documents

**Historical Information** tab links to a list of the Past Presidents of Region 7 and past Region 7 rally locations

**Peace Garden** tab links to information on the Peace Garden "Monument of Peace" Project

We are always looking for ways to improve and keep our Region 7 website current. Please send your suggestions and comments to [bob.manak@wbcci.net](mailto:bob.manak@wbcci.net)

Region 7 website is at: <https://airstreamclub.org/region7>



# MidWinter IBT Motions



By Jane Carmichael

*This info was sent to your club President recently regarding the motions from the Mid-Winter IBT*

There were three motions during the MidWinter IBT that required discussion. The first was about restructuring the Executive Committee (EC), the second was simplifying the process for constitutional changes and disconnecting the delegate voting from the International Rally (thus allowing it to be held when it's needed), and the third was about allowing local clubs, rally hosts, etc. to set guidelines for COVID-19 vaccination status.

The restructuring proposal would change our EC to work like many other organizations, both nonprofit and corporate. WBCCI members would vote for 7 director positions, then the IBT would vote for a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer from the directors. The directors would have two year terms, staggered so that we would elect 3 one year and 4 the next. There would be no change to the Regional Officer roles; they would still be elected and serve as we do now.

A concern I've heard is that we are moving quickly on it, which I also expressed when I first heard the proposal in December. The proposal has now been fleshed out. More information will be forthcoming in the Blue Beret and the club website, then it will be voted upon at the delegates meeting in Maine.

The second motion simplifies the process for submitting and ratifying an amendment to the club's constitution, and decouples the delegates meeting from the International Rally. These changes will reduce the number of meetings held at International, making the club more flexible. If approved by the delegates in Maine, changes to the club constitution will require at least 2/3rds of the members to approve it, as long as at least 20% of the members have voted.

The final motion would have allowed clubs, caravan hosts, rally hosts, and people in similar positions to set a COVID-19 policy for events beyond what the local, state, provincial, and federal governments require. This motion was narrowly defeated - the vote was 9 to 8. So, the current policy remains in effect - WBCCI events must follow local guidelines and cannot impose additional guidelines beyond those.

The new Grapes and Grains Intra-club and the Future Streamers Intra-Club both received permanent charters. The Grapes and Grains Intra-club is intended for people to share their interest in wine, brandy, spirits, and beers. The Future Streamers Intra-Club is a club designed to keep our youth involved in Airstream activities.

As of mid-January, there were 829 campers registered for International in Fryeburg, Maine. Also, the club has 7,339 active memberships as of January 20th; we haven't seen numbers this high since about 2001.

Karen Fisher is looking for members for the Lifetime Membership Fund Standing Committee, as well as the WBCCI Foundation. Please contact me or Karen if you are interested in either one.

# New flags for Wisc-UP and for Minnesota



*The new Wisc-UP Airstream Club flag is available to members at a cost of \$60 (next order may be at a higher cost), contact John Cooper, Wisc-UP Treasurer*



*If you are interested in acquiring a MN Airstream Club flag, please contact Chris Olsson*



## Jokes from Jane \*\*\*

An Irish priest is driving down to New York and gets stopped for speeding in Connecticut. The state trooper smells alcohol on the priest's breath and then sees an empty wine bottle on the floor of the car. He says, "Sir, have you been drinking?" "Just water," says the priest. The trooper says, "Then why do I smell wine?" The priest looks at the bottle and says, "Good Lord! He's done it again!"

Gallagher opened the morning newspaper and was dumbfounded to read in the obituary column that he had died. He quickly phoned his best friend, Finney. "Did you see the paper?" asked Gallagher, "They say I died!!!" "Yes, I saw it!" replied Finney, "Where are you callin' from?"

# Update from the R7 Membership Chair

By Linda Agre

## Membership Growth In Region 7

2021 and Covid-19 made Airstreaming and joining the International Airstream Club very appealing even when wait time for a new Airstream was up to a year. The good news is that our Region 7 Membership is growing. This is partly due to the hard work our Unit Membership Chairpersons are doing. Minnesota Airstream Club #55 Chair is Daryl Herrmann., The North Dakota Peace Garden #145 Co-Chairs are Doug & Marie Jensen. And, the Wisc-UP Unit #116 Chair is Patti Cook. Remember to Thank these Membership Chairs at your next rally.

Membership is not only for the Unit Chairs but for every Unit Member. Below are the names of New 2022 Members. Presidents, give them a call. Invite them to a rally. Unit members, do any of these new members happen to live close to you? Invite them along. Meet them on the road and travel together. Pair them with another couple at their first rally.

New Members in 2022:

### Minnesota

Jeffrey Kaiser & Donna Smith  
George & Kim Ganske  
Mark Fawcett  
Mark & Justy Hammerstrom  
Richard Narum & Sarah Priest

### Wisc-Up

Heidi Cucco  
Todd & Kelly Bavery

Your incoming Region 7 President will be looking for a Region 7 Membership Chair in the near future.

I hope that Region 7 will continue to award Membership Stars during the Region 7 Rally. We started doing that in 2014. We want all members to know how important we consider it when a members reaches the five, ten, fifteen, and even more anniversary! It is an honor and we salute them with a big Thank You (and a couple of stars). Wisc-Up has sent out their membership stars with their directory (done that way in the past) so I will just name the Wisc-UP members at the Region 7 Rally because they already have their stars.



# From the Treasurer

By Chuck Zeller Mayer

Region 7

I am very excited to share with you the financial statements for Region 7 so far this year. As you will see by the reports, we are in very good shape with sufficient cash reserves. The Region Rally this year was a huge success. The raffle & t-shirt sales were both very successful.

I would like to point out that we continue to work toward building up a sufficient cash reserve. In the not-for-profit world it is considered to be prudent to protect your organization for any unforeseen difficulties. This assures us of continued operations in the future. And allows us to further support our community.

If anyone has any questions regarding the statements please contact me and I will try to answer any questions you have.

Chuck  
czeller Mayer@me.com

## Financial Report from the Treasurer

February 28, 2021

WBCCI Region 7

We have compiled the accompanying balance sheet of WBCCI Region 7 as of January 31, 2022 and the related statement of income for the period then ended, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements, information that is the representation of management. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying statements and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them.

Chuck Zeller Mayer  
Accountant

*(See report sheets on page 6)*



*Who bought a new Caravel? Hint: It is in Minnesota  
Answer on page 7*

11:30 AM  
02/28/22  
Accrual Basis

**WBCCI Region 7  
Balance Sheet  
As of February 28, 2022**

	Feb 28, 22
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Waukesha State Bank	10,249.44
Total Checking/Savings	10,249.44
Total Current Assets	10,249.44
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>10,249.44</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	96.55
Unrestricted Net Assets	7,787.53
Net Income	2,365.36
Total Equity	10,249.44
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>10,249.44</b>

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02/28/22  
Accrual Basis

**WBCCI Region 7  
Profit & Loss by Class  
July 2021 through February 2022**

	General	Region 7 Breakfast 2021	Region 7 Rally 2021	TOTAL
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
Direct Public Support				
Corporate Contributions	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00
Total Direct Public Support	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00
R7 Rally Breakfast				
R7 Rally Breakfast Income	0.00	815.00	0.00	815.00
R7 Rally Breakfast Expense	0.00	-761.43	0.00	-761.43
Total R7 Rally Breakfast	0.00	53.57	0.00	53.57
Rally Fees	0.00	0.00	9,174.48	9,174.48
T-Shirt Sales				
T-Shirt Sales Income	0.00	0.00	410.00	410.00
T-Shirt Sales Expense	0.00	0.00	-195.97	-195.97
Total T-Shirt Sales	0.00	0.00	214.03	214.03
Silent Auction				
Silent Auction Donations	0.00	0.00	290.00	290.00
Silent Auction Sales	0.00	0.00	1,316.00	1,316.00
Total Silent Auction	0.00	0.00	1,606.00	1,606.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>53.57</b>	<b>11,594.51</b>	<b>11,648.08</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
Donations	0.00	0.00	1,006.06	1,006.06
Bank Service Fees	6.50	0.00	8.75	15.25
Operations				
Officer Expense	285.87	0.00	0.00	285.87
Postage, Mailing Service	107.90	0.00	0.00	107.90
Supplies	67.33	0.00	0.00	67.33
Total Operations	461.10	0.00	0.00	461.10
Rally Expense	0.00	0.00	7,725.31	7,725.31
Travel and Meetings				
Conference, Convention, Meeting	0.00	0.00	75.00	75.00
Total Travel and Meetings	0.00	0.00	75.00	75.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>467.60</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>8,815.12</b>	<b>9,282.72</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>-467.60</b>	<b>53.57</b>	<b>2,779.39</b>	<b>2,365.36</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-467.60</b>	<b>53.57</b>	<b>2,779.39</b>	<b>2,365.36</b>

# A Trip to the Spa

By Daryl Herrmann, #6816

A few years ago, my younger son Andrew announced that he had registered for an Ironman Triathlon in November in Tempe, AZ. My first reaction was, November?, and my second reaction was, great opportunity for a trip in the camper! The actual date of the race was November 21, a few days before Thanksgiving.

After doing my usual investigation of route, distance (1850 miles approximately), weather, and all the other important things, I determined that the weather would be decent (no ice or snow forecast), and that five days on the road would get me to the Tempe area in plenty of time to do a bit of sightseeing before the race. At the time, I was still living in southwest Michigan, and Andrew was living near Manitowac, WI. He would fly to Arizona, and I would take my camper and traveling companion.

I went on line to make a campground reservation in Mesa, AZ, but two days later I received a message that my vintage Airstream was “too old” to be allowed in that park. What? My next attempt was successful, with a reservation at a beautiful, almost brand new campground, Eagle View, just south of Fort McDowell, AZ, for 7 days.

This park was beautiful if a bit stark, but then it was Arizona. It had very large cement pads, lots of space between sites and all the hook ups needed for comfort. I was about ten miles from the actual starting point of the Ironman, and it turned out that the road in front of the campground was part of the bike race route. My son, who was staying in Tempe, was delighted to ride his bike to my camp site, getting in some practice and visiting me at the same time.

If you're not familiar with the Ironman Triathlon, it starts with a 2.4 mile swim, usually in a lake, then a 112 mile bike ride, and finally a 26.2 mile run. The folks who do these races “professionally” will finish the course in about 10 hours and the “amateurs” must complete the race in under 17 hours or be disqualified.

Knowing that I had to be in Tempe by about 6AM on race day and that I might not be back to my camper until after 11PM, I knew I had to find a place to leave Angus, my traveling companion. A very nice lady at the park reception desk told me there was a lovely kennel just a mile away. What could be better? I called the kennel and made a reservation for Angus to stay for two nights.

When I arrived at the kennel the day before the race, I was surprised by how large it was and by how many employees seemed to be there. When I gave my name and reservation dates, I was handed a “menu.” Hmm. There were choices of play time, individual or group; treats, ice cream, peanut butter kong, homemade cookies, etc.; and multiple grooming options. Each choice had a price following it. The kennel I used at home asked three questions: was the dog current on inoculations, did you bring food for the dog, and when will you be back? Because I was stunned by the selections (and prices), I agreed Angus could have one peanut butter kong a day.

I am very proud to say that my son completed the Arizona Triathlon in just over 14 hours, and I have pictures to prove it.



He was exhausted by the event, and I was exhausted by standing around all day hoping to catch a glimpse of him during the race!

The day after the Ironman race, I returned to the kennel to pick up Angus. I announced who I was and that I was picking up Angus. A man approached with a very stern look on his face. Hmm. He proceeded to explain that “he” had had some problems with Angus. (This had NEVER happened before when I left Angus at a kennel.) What was the problem?, I asked. Of course, I thought the worst. The man explained that he had been Angus’s “trainer” during his stay and that Angus insisted upon trying to herd the other dogs during group play time. The result was that Angus had to be put in “time out.” What??? Angus IS a herding dog, a Red Heeler. I apologized for my dog’s behavior (against my better judgement) and asked for the bill, which I did pay.

A few minutes later, the man brought Angus out from the back area, and I was shocked. Angus’s eyes were huge, with the whites showing, his tail was between his legs, and he looked petrified. I quickly put him on his leash, mumbled a thank you, and left as fast as I could. When I got to my truck and had opened the door, I stooped down and hugged Angus for a long time, trying to reassure him. I then make him a promise. I would NEVER leave him in a place like that ever again. And I haven’t. When Angus and I left the campground the next morning, we went by the kennel, I repeated my promise to him, and I “waved” at the kennel!

Since we were in Arizona, I couldn’t pass up the chance to see more of the state, so we headed southwest instead of northeast toward home. We then spent 3 days in the Tucson area, just in time for a cold snap where temps at night went down to 30. I reminded myself that I lived in Michigan, and it was November. It was a beautiful and very different adventure, and the most annoying thing for Angus was the cactus needles that seemed to be everywhere we walked, even if there were no cactus in sight! I soon learned from a neighbor in our campground that duct tape works wonders on paws.

After almost three weeks on the road and almost 3,500 miles on the odometer, we arrived home just in time to winterize the camper. We were blessed with very fine weather the whole trip, and we met many pleasant people. Angus forgave me my choice in kennels, recovered from his kennel trauma and had the best time sleeping while I drove back home.

I’m still trying to figure out how you put a dog in a time out!

# The Region 7 Vintage Airstream Club Update

Hello to all Region 7 VAC Members!

I hope you have had a good winter and are doing well! It looks like 2022 will be a better year for our gatherings than the past two have been. Plans are well in place for the 29th VAC Rendezvous this year, and the VAC leadership is putting the finishing touches on the activities planned for the International Rally. (Details will be published/coming out soon.) Check [airstreamclub.org](http://airstreamclub.org) for news about the International.

The VAC pre-International Rally Rendezvous will be held on Wednesday and Thursday July 20 and 21, 2022 in Sandwich, New Hampshire. The VAC will gather at the Sandwich Fairgrounds, which is located at 7 Wentworth Hill Road, Route 109, North Sandwich, NH, 03227. The VAC will depart the fairgrounds on Friday July 22 and parade into the International Rally in Fryeburg Maine.

The VAC has been promised 89 sites at the Sandwich Fairgrounds with water and electric hookups. The group will NOT have access to the public restrooms, so it is recommended that you come in with empty gray and black holding tanks. There will be porta-potties available on site. There is a dump station available for \$10. Camping fees are \$25/night.

A slight twist to this adventure is that you will have to register with the fairgrounds and mail a check to: Sandwich Fair Association, P.O. Box 161, Sandwich, NH, 03227. The check

should be payable to The Sandwich Fair Association. Your canceled check is proof of your registration. There will be no receipts other than your canceled check. To attend this event, you MUST register with the Fair Association, and I would recommend having your canceled check with you at your arrival. There is also a \$10/person rally fee that can be paid at the VAC website.

There are events planned for your two-day stay, including Happy Hours, and a catered breakfast on Friday. They tell me there are a lot of things to see and do in the area, and guests will be provided a list of attractions upon arrival at the fairground.

One last comment about the Vintage Airstream Club: all Airstream product owners are encouraged to participate in the Region's vintage activities. Participation is not restricted to the year of the product; all WBAC members all welcome.

I look forward to seeing you down the road. Until then, stay safe and have a good ride.

Ed Emerick  
Region 7 VAC Rep  
[edward.emerick@gmail.com](mailto:edward.emerick@gmail.com)  
920-475-7891

# Region 7 Annual Board Meeting Minutes

During the August, 2021 Region 7 Rally, your R7 Board met. The following minutes will be reviewed, corrected if needed, and hopefully approved during the May14 Board meeting. (*Minutes start on the next page*)



Along the White River, Cotter, Arkansas  
During the Show Me the Ozarks Caravan by Eddy Klein



**Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc.  
Region 7 Annual Board Meeting Minutes  
Friday, August 20, 2021  
Rippling River Resort, Marquette, Michigan, USA**

Region President Jane Carmichael called the annual board meeting to order at 9:42 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance omitted

**Roll Call**

Taken by Ginger Slattery, recording secretary.

President, Jane Carmichael, present

First Vice President, Beth Zelten, present

Second Vice President Vacant

Recording Secretary, Ginger Slattery, present

Treasurer, Chuck Zellermyer, present

Corresponding Secretary, Ed Klein, absent (Getting lunch for all)

Immediate Past President Don Thomson, absent

Minnesota Unit President, Chuck Dodd, present

North Dakota Peace Garden Unit President, Gordon Picken, absent  
Represented by First Vice President, Ken Kubischta

Wisc/UP Unit President, Rod Fierek, present

International Third Vice President, Karen Fisher present

Incoming International President, Tye Mott, present

Ginger S declared a quorum. In addition to board members, many region and other WBCCI members attended.

**Reports**

**President:**

The minutes from August 7,8, 2019 have been posted on the web for quite some time. Asked if there were any additions/corrections. Hearing none, the minutes were approved.

**Membership: Linda Agree** reported membership is skyrocketing. As of June 30:  
MN had 101 members and now has 191. Chuck D read names of new members.  
ND had 24 members and now has 46. Ken K read names of new members.  
Wisc/UP had 91 members and now has 168! Chuck Z read names of new members.

Linda stated she would like to know how many members were retained. She also wanted to hand out stars at the rally if they had not been sent by Corporate. Names of those receiving stars were read.

Linda reminded Unit Presidents to give new members a welcoming call. New Purchaser lists won't be given by Corporate anymore due to privacy concerns. Everyone is on the membership committee.

Linda reported Daryl Herrmann, of Minnesota Unit is the new incoming Minnesota Membership chairperson.

**First Vice President:** No Report

**Treasurer:**

Financial Statements were distributed. As of August 19, 2021 Bank balances are as follows:  
Royal Bank Canada- \$76.55  
Waukesha State Bank- \$12,564.92  
Wells Fargo- \$1,610.43  
Total \$14,251.90

Not all the Region 7 expenses have been paid. Update will be forthcoming at a later date.

Doreen reports 4 Rally T shirts were left.

**Corresponding Secretary:**

Report read by Jane Carmichael.

Correspondence received  
May 2020, From Margaret Ann Miller - a thank you note for donation of \$50 in memory of Bob.

Correspondence sent  
June 2021 Sympathies sent to the family of Mary Ann Kneusel.

Thank you notes sent for donations for Region 7 Rally to:

Torre Financial, Sisters Hair Company, Marquette and Minnesota Airstream Park

**Webmaster Report:**

Bob Manak reported the web is in a state of transition from .net to Airstreamclub.org format.

Also reported an article in Blue Beret on Energy conservation, by Tim Doherty, Minnesota member and Region 7 Editor.

Daryl Herrmann will have an article in an upcoming Blue Beret about her vintage camper and her travels with it. It will be written as D Elizabeth Herrmann with photography by John Cooper.

**Caravans:**

Pete Yanke stated caravans are great! Go do them!

Wisc/Up Unit has the Driftless Caravan in September.

Minnesota Unit led a caravan down to the International Rally in Lebanon, TN and a caravan to the Region 7 Rally which was organized and led by Linda Agre and Pete Yanke. There were 9 rigs in the caravan.

HWY 61 Caravan will be led by Keven Garrett.

Pete also stated caravans can be simple and if anyone wants to try leading, he and Kathy are available to help.

**Parliamentarian:** No report

**Photographer:** No report but is doing a job well done

**Historian:**

Report was submitted by Gail Harrower who could not attend.

**Vintage:**

Planning a rally in 2022. More information to follow.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- A. Chuck D motioned to have Midwinter IBT expenses paid for 1st and 2nd VP's attending at a rate of \$1,750 total. Seconded by Chuck Z. Discussion ensued as to whether this has to be approved every year. It does. Sent to Vote. Passed Unanimously.
- B. Jane read a letter from Ginger Slattery, candidate for Region 7 2nd Vice President. Chuck Z made a motion to nominate. Seconded by Linda A. Discussion followed. Sent to vote. Motion Passed
- C. Letter read by Jane. Chris Olsson of Minnesota Unit announced he would like to be Nominated for 2nd VP for Region 7 next July at Fryeburg, ME.

**Announcements:**

- A. Karen Fisher, International 3rd Vice President expressed she was happy to be in Marquette at the Region 7 rally and enjoyed speaking with everyone.
- B. Tye Mott, International Incoming President, expressed similar sentiments.
- C. President Jane adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Ginger Slattery  
Recording Secretary

Approved: