

The Road Awaits

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Geez! - THAT was a fun one, for sure

The BEST kick-off Rally in recent history - Pocahontas

Perfect weather! Great food! Lots of laughter! Jocelyn Oldham singing for us (what a TALENT)! Folks from All Over.

Itchin' To Hitch = unqualified success on all fronts.

You know the BEST news. The BEST news is we had friends from other Clubs *and* our newest best friends at this Rally, too!



The Crawfords, Jack, Estella, Nate - 8745

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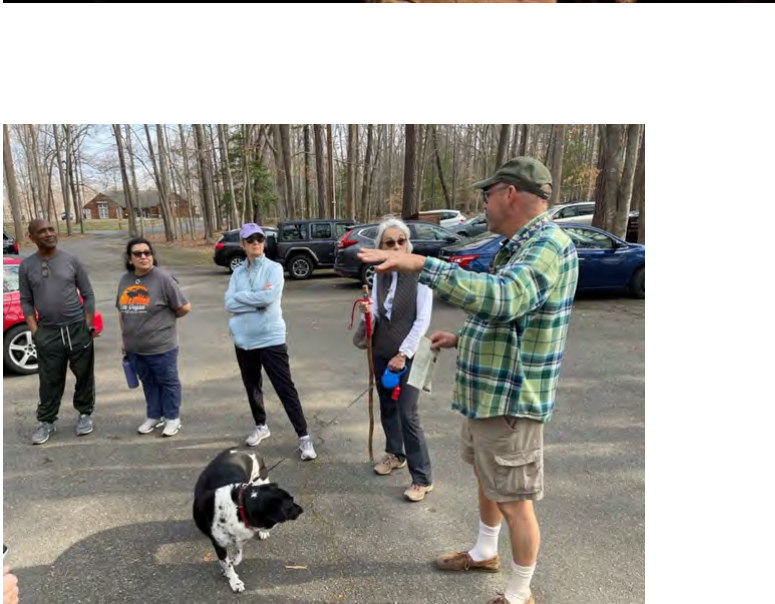
President's Corner



Around the Table



Dave Adler's Moon Shot



The President Speaks



Campfire Time - So Nice!

FuturePlanning

An Overview of Fun, Fellowship, and Learning

April 6-9

Region 3 Rally - Georgia Mountain Fair Grounds, Hiawassee, GA.

April 22-24

NORVA Maintenance Rally - Doswell, VA.

April 29- May 1

Camp & Ride Ranch Rally - Fort Valley, VA Trail rides, cast iron cooking, and more.

June 9-11

Catch the Summer Spirit Rally - Shenandoah Acres, Stuarts Draft, VA

Adult Summer Camp - Frontier Museum Tour - Dinner in Staunton!

July 23-29

International Rally - Fryeburg, Maine

Just about 750-800 miles up the coast to the western edge of Maine. Make a trip of it - cooler weather likely.

August 7-13

86th Annual Old Time Fiddlers Convention - Cool Breeze Campground, Galax, VA.

August 11-Sept. 14

2022 Airstream Oregon Trail Caravan Wagon Train 1 departs from St. Joseph, MO.

August 25-Sept. 29

2022 Airstream Oregon Trail Caravan Wagon Train 2 departs from St. Joseph, MO.

September 22-24

Annual Commonwealth Rally - Virginia Club in charge - Waynesboro 340 North Campground.

October 7-9

Virginia Piedmont Rally - Paradise Lake Family Campground (the one in Spout Spring, VA - not the other one)

October 26-30

Alumalina, Marion, NC - John Leake

November 11-13

9th Annual Grand Finale Rally - Camp Hatteras - Rodanthe, NC

December 10

Winter Holiday Luncheon = TBD



**April 6-9 - Region 3 Rally
Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds
1311 Music Hall Rd.
Hiawassee, GA, 30546**



From the Region 3 President

First Lady Barbara and I are excited about our second and final Region 3 rally at the Georgia Mountain Fair in Hiawassee, Georgia. Y'all have claimed all 115 sites in the north campground near the action, and 20 or so in the south campground directly across the road. They are all surrounded by beautiful Lake Chatuge (SHA-toog) with many being right on the water. We have the large music hall and an outdoor pavilion for meeting spaces. There will be lots of food of course, live entertainment, vendor booths, seminars, happy hours, and opportunities for day trips to many great restaurants, mountain craft stores, waterfalls, mountain top sites and more. We are calling this year's rally **Silver on Chatuge**. Registration for your rally, which is separate from your campground reservation, can be completed online at [2022 Region 3 Rally](https://airstreamclub.org/2022-region-3-rally). Our preferred payment method is PayPal, but you can send a check if you prefer. Tee-shirts will be available for order at the same time and will display the rally logo on the back.

<https://airstreamclub.org/2022-region-3-rally>



April 22-24 - NORVA Maintenance Rally
The Meadow Event Park
13191 Dawn Blvd.
Doswell, VA 23047

Please join us! It's all about your Airstream the entire weekend. We want you to learn how to operate and maintain your Airstream, when hooked up going down the road as well as when you are unhooked in your camp site 😊



D.J. Mastin, independent Airstream technician and owner of Broken Rivets RV Service, LLC, will be holding a seminar on the morning of Saturday, April 23, 2022. D.J. will be available the entire weekend for any needed servicing or minor repairs on your trailer at a discounted rate. On Saturday evening, we will be visiting

the Airstream of Virginia dealership for an Open House and a meal. Dealership and Airstream corporate personnel will provide the most recent information from Airstream. Fun door prizes will be included in this event.

Deadline for registration is April 1, 2022. Cost is \$45 per night for a full-service site. To cover camping costs, please submit your check for \$90 made payable to NORVA Airstream Club and mail to Tom Carmichael, 2203 Turtle Hill Circle, Midlothian, VA 23112. Along with your name, please provide number of people attending in your party. Additionally, Tom Carmichael will collect \$15 per person rally fee (cash only, please) at rally check-in to support D.J. and cost for running the rally.

Please call me with any questions 804-245-1710 or e-mail me at 2212tjc@gmail.
Lets get hooked for some fun..... Tom Carmichael

April 29-May 1 - Fort Valley Ranch Rally

<https://www.fortvalleystable.com/>

299 S Fort Valley Rd.

Fort Valley, VA 22652 – (540) 933-6633

The Fort Valley Ranch and Stable is a rustic campground near Luray Caverns, Front Royal and historic Strasburg.

- Camping in the cleared forest. The rate is \$40/night and that is for 30 amp electricity and water.
- Guided trail ride [\$45-60] though the scenic Blue Ridge.
- Explore the GW National Forest directly from the Campground. We will have several activities during the weekend and [BONUS] Cast Iron Cooking Dinner Sarurday night. Coming? Click on the link below. Only [4] 30 amp sites left, first come first served. **CONTACT THE RANCH DIRECTLY TO RESERVE.**



For the Cast Iron Cooking Dinner We Need to Borrow Your Stuff. Click the LINK below to see what we need and what you can loan us . . .

<https://form.jotform.com/220805636128151>



Catch the Summer Spirit!

June 9 – 11, 2022

Shenandoah Acres Family Campground

348 Lake Road

Stuarts Draft, VA 24477

(888) 709-1172

<https://www.shenandoahacresfamilycampground.com>

Rally Fee only \$10 - Click [HERE](#) to Register with US.

<https://form.jotform.com/220355005308141>

Then call the CAMP to reserve your camping spot.

Join us to explore nearby Shenandoah Valley attractions including:

The Cheese Shop

The Blue Ridge Tunnel

The Frontier Culture Museum - Friday, June 10 = 9:30 - 11:30

"Atlantic Migration & Westward Expansion"

Join us for a private tour of the Frontier Culture Museum as recent settlers highlight their journey to America - and talk about their experiences in this Great New Land.

The Augusta Farmers Market, Dinner in Staunton, and much more!

15 sites reserved (Electric/Water/Sewer) - Only Four (4) left this date.

Campers should contact the campground directly by April 15th to book – First Come, First Served. - (888) 709-1172, from their website shown above.

Let them know you are with the Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club!

Club Hosts: Beverly and Bob Bean

BeverlyBean@gmail.com

540-748-3551

Latitude: 37.9972 Longitude: -79.0266 coordinates in your GPS



Summer Caravan



2022 “Nuts For Ruts: Finding the Oregon Trail”

<https://airstreamclub.org/nuts-ruts-finding-oregon-trail-caravan-d-2-2022>

We had a total BLAST on this caravan last summer. Most of you know what a good



time caravans can be. If this is your **FIRST** caravan, you couldn't pick a better one. We have seven spots available on the 2nd Wagon Train. **You will be leaving St. Joseph, MO, on August 25, and ending near Portland, OR, on September 29.** Early FALL is the best time to be on the Trail.

We only take 20 “wagons” at a time. The total Kitty Fee is \$3,830/couple. This is a “journey” caravan. It makes 16 stops in the 34-35 days we are together. We visit museums, historic forts, and the actual places the Pioneers walked during the great migration between 1841-1890. Your Kitty Fee covers all your camping fees, over a dozen great meals, entry to events and sights along the way, and all the FUN of finding the ruts left by the wagon trains of yore.



Click the hot link above to register. A deposit of \$750 will hold your spot. Join us!

Scouting Report

Lake Fairfax Park, <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/lake-fairfax/camping>



If you feel like visiting the Washington D.C. greater area for a few days an excellent option might be the relatively little-known Lake Fairfax Campground. Located in Reston, VA, it's great place to stay with a surprising variety of things to do.

Address and phone number:

**1400 Lake Fairfax Drive
Reston, VA 20190
703-471-5415**

RV campsites are electric only with 15/30/50 amp sites available at reasonable rates: \$35-\$50. The park is open year-round. It has bathroom and shower facilities and, of course, a dump station. The sites are all back-in and the park is dog friendly.

The Lake Fairfax park offers lots to do, extensive trail system and lots of picnic areas. In the warm weather there is a great Water Mine theme park, paddle boats, fishing, and a skateboard park. And that's all just if you stay right in the park!

We think the best part though is its location, right in the heart of metro-D.C. greater area. it's just 5 minutes from the silver line Metro that will take you right into D.C. Jump off the Metro at the Smithsonian stop and spend the day! It is a mere 10 minutes from the Reston Town Center with dozens of stores and restaurants. Passion Fish and Mon Ami Gabi are a couple of our favorites. Another great option, even closer than the Town Center, is Lake Anne. This little plaza overlooks the lake and offers a variety of restaurants and coffee shops. One of our favorites is the Lake Anne Coffee House & Wine Bar. On warm weekends you may see small radio controlled sail boats navigating the lake. On Saturdays there is a farmers market.

Reservations are made on their website:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/lake-fairfax/camping>

We stay there about once every couple months. Maybe we will see you there!

Robert and Sheila - BRN 6878

Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club



NORVAMaineNews

NORVA running a Caravan to Maine

Your Editor has heard there might be room on the NORVA Caravan to Maine

It certainly looks like a grand adventure. Although the registration deadline has passed, the following pages are relayed from the NORVA news. Contact them directly to see if there are any spots available for Sister Club Members!



Northern Virginia Airstream Club (NORVA) | February 2022 Newsletter

NORVA Maine Coast Caravan

July 12 – 22, 2022

Please join us for an event-filled caravan to the scenic Searsport/Camden area of the Maine seacoast. ***You won't soon forget this one!!!***



Caravan Leaders: Pete and Elizabeth West



We have planned a three-day trip up to Maine. We will begin the caravan at Promised Land State Park, located in the Poconos, Greentown, Pa. Then, we travel to Sturbridge Village, Mass., touring the 1800's Shaker Village. We'll stop for a quick visit at the **L.L. Bean** flagship store as we pass through Freeport, Maine. Next, we will make our way to Searsport Shores Campground, Searsport, Maine, located about 150 feet from Penobscot Bay. Using the Searsport Campground as our base for six days, we will take scheduled trips up and down the Maine coast in pursuit of the perfect lobster and clam chowder. Once the caravan is over, interested campers may then caravan with us 135 miles to the WBCCI International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine, or return home.



Searsport Shores Bayside Campground on the Penobscot Bay

The following events are included in the itinerary:

- A day trip to the Owls Head Transportation Museum and lighthouse, the fishing village of Tenants Harbor, and Port Clyde.
- A day trip to Camden and Rockport harbors, and a 40-mile view from the top of Mt. Battie.
- A four-hour sailing trip on a 60' sloop/schooner in the Penobscot Bay (see note below).
- A day trip to the Farnsworth Museum in Rockland to see the Andrew Wythe collection and eat lobster rolls by the lighthouse museum.
- A day trip to Fort Knox (1845) and the Bucksport Bridge Observation tower (420' – 360-degree view of Verona Island).
- A day trip to the Schoodic National Seashore Park, the beautiful but lesser-known part of the Acadia National Park.
- A day trip to Castine, Maine – A beautiful 1800s seaport village occupied by four different countries from 1750 to 1820. We will visit a fine museum, the home of the Maine Maritime Academy and an 1812 British earthen fort.
- The Penobscot Marine Museum in historic Searsport (as time allows).



Here are some additional details:

Utility Services: The Searsport Campground provides electricity and water hookups. They also have a honey wagon – you get one free pump-out during the week, and they have a dump station to use when you leave.

Pets: The Searsport Campground allows pets on leash. It does not allow pets to be left in campers during the day while we are out sightseeing. Sturbridge Village does not allow pets and leaving pets in cars in the summer is not a good idea.

Sailing Trip: The sailing trip will be on the beautiful Penobscot Bay and is usually not a choppy ride. The sailing sloop holds a maximum of 22 persons. Since everyone can not fit on one trip, we will charge separately for the sailing and make reservations for the first 22 that register to sail. The cost is \$80/person to be added above the kitty fee.



Sailing Sloop



Young's Lobster Pond

Cancellations: If you must cancel your reservation between Feb. 1 and June 1, 2022. The cancellation fee may be \$100.00 if your spot cannot be filled by another Airstreamer.

Rally Fee: \$2000.00 for two persons, \$1,500.00 for singles.

Deposit: \$500 due Jan. 31, 2022.

Attendees will be registered in the order of deposit received. Anyone not making

the first 15 registrants may contact the campsites directly, make their reservations, and attend the Maine day trips at their own expense. We will develop a waiting list for those who sign up past the first 15.

Coupon: Please fill out the attached coupon and return it with your \$500.00 deposit. Reservations are first come – first reserved.



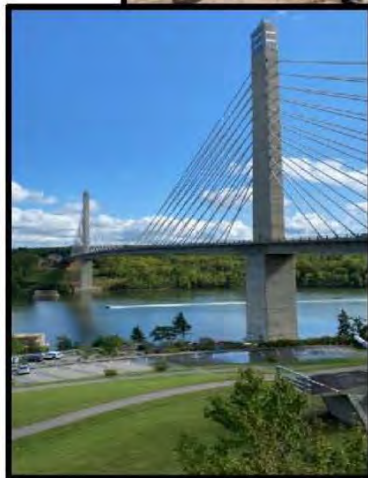
**NORVA's 2022 MAINE COAST CARAVAN
COUPON**

Number of persons attending: _____ Big Red Number: _____
Name(s): _____
Email: _____ Mobile Number: _____
\$500.00 Deposit Due by: January 31, 2022 (\$2000.00 couple or \$1500.00 single)
Sailing trip: \$80.00 per person. Please include with your deposit.
Amount Enclosed: _____ Please mail coupon and payment to:

Peter West, 36645 Jeb Stuart Rd., Purcellville, VA 20132
Phone: 540-270-0200 Email: pwest8@comcast.net



Schoodic Seashore National Park



Bucksport Bridge Observation Tower



Sturbridge Village