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Dennis and Carol Ober, #02590 Paul Bunyan and Babe the Blue Ox guard the entrance to a roadside attraction known as the Tree of Mystery, near Klamath, California





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Unit President

by Karl Schubert, President, Central PA Airstream Club



Karl & Beth camping at Kettle Creek

Hello everyone!

The time has arrived! Camping Season is upon us! We are past the Spring equinox; campgrounds will soon be reopening (those that are not open year-round) and the hyacinth flowers (Beth's favorite) are starting to

peek out of the ground. I can't wait to be able to share stories about our camping trips this year! We have a good year of rallies scheduled so far with a lot of group activities and member hosted rallies with events and campfires to look forward to.

The first rally planned for the year is the **Spring Volunteer Rally** held at Gifford Pinchot State Park on April 22-24. We will be assisting the Friends of Pinchot group plant 10 trees as April 22nd is Earth Day. This event is also registered with the Keep PA Beautiful, Pick-Up PA program, therefore trash bags, gloves and vests will be available for those interested in helping clean an area such as a trail or parking lot of Pinchot Park. We will have a campfire and refreshments Friday evening as everyone arrives and sets up camp. We plan to go kayaking for those interested Saturday afternoon and holding a pot-luck dinner on Saturday evening. The local favorite Ice Cream Parlor is opening soon. I predict a trip out for ice cream will also be a part of the weekend festivities!



The following rally is May 13-16, the Central PA, Keystone & Penn-Lehigh Airstream Club **Spring Opener** (can opener). This is being held at Lum's Pond State Park in Bear, DE. Beth and I went to this rally for the first-time last year and loved the campground. The spaces were nice and big with plenty of room between you and your neighbor, which is nice when you have pets. We had a great time biking, hiking, kayaking and even the Airstream parade! We are looking forward to this year's rally! I know open spaces are getting hard to come by, please contact Carey Boland if you do not have a space and are interested, as some may back out or cancel as the dates get closer.

The **Region 2 Rally** is being held on May 19-22 at the DE State Fairgrounds. They plan to have a catered meal, food truck, entertainment,







Top: Central Pennsylvania Airstream Club's total weekend bags of trash removed from Cowan's Gap State Park and Campground in April 2021 = 12 Middle: Group biking at Lums Pond 2021, photo taken in between two states!

Bottom: Members were given the opportunity to make a parade float, this created the mini-Airstream parade! It was interesting to see the different ideas and creations. Background: Gifford Pinchot State Park breakfast and seminars. You can register for this at: *airstreamclub*. *org/region2/2022-region-2-rally*, there were also instructions in last month's newsletter on how to register.

The **65th International Rally** is being held in Fryeburg, ME this year from July 23-29. This will only be the second International Rally Beth and I attend. We went to the 2019 Doswell, VA rally and had AC issues when it was 105°, we ended up having to replace the unit. We are hoping Maine will be a little easier on us as far as humidity (fingers crossed). We both had a good time and learned a lot at the seminars and this gave us a lot to think about as we renovate.

In August we have the **Jersey Shore Haven Rally** planned. The dates for this rally are August 12-14. Beth and I went to Jersey Shore Haven last year and really liked the place. The spaces were plenty big enough, and the beaches were Beth's favorite (Cape May) as well as the pool. Unfortunately, we have a family vacation planned during this time, and are sad we are going to miss it, but plan on seeing all the great photos and hearing all about the rally. RSVP to Terry Hauschild at *haus599@ comcast.net*

In September there is the **Shawnee State Park Rally** in Bedford County (Sept. 9-11). What a nice time of year to be in Bedford County as the leaves are starting to turn. The Flight 93 memorial is nearby, which offers the opportunity for a visit and to remember our heroes. There is no fee for this rally, with a Dutch oven potluck dinner Friday evening and burgers and brats on Saturday. RSVP for this rally to: *drbare88@ gmail.com*

The **PA State Rally** will be held on September 16-18 at RV Village Camping Resort in Mercer, PA. This is being hosted by the Al-Mon-O club. They will be holding a Friday night happy hour, hamburgers & hot dogs. Saturday breakfast is provided with a potluck dinner and entertainment. This is a great time for camping as the humidity is down and the campfire is lovely in the evenings! RSVP to *cwk5292@gmail.com*.

These are all great events with plans for a great 2022 camping year! There are other events in the works such as Alumapalooza being held in September at Jackson Center OH and the Apple Festival at Little Buffalo State Park, which the club has historically volunteered at in October. Whether you can come to all of the rallies or just one or two, we would be happy to see you either way! Some of our members have chosen to pick a month and plan a rally, which is great teamwork and brings different ideas to the group. If you have any ideas to mix things up or that you think the other members would be interested in, please share! We are looking forward to seeing everyone, down the road and around the campfire!

Karl Schubert, #13305 karlschubert1985@gmail.com

Region 2 President

by RJ Marquette, President, Region 2



Hello, everyone! It's late March and the weather is slowly improving - which means it's soon time to start camping.

Don't forget to sign up for the Region 2/VAC

rally May 19-22 at the Delaware State Fair in Harrington. A number of people have already registered, but we need more to make this a viable rally! We have a great slate of events lined up, including a taco bar meal, a band, a DJ, and breakfasts. Go here to book your spot at the rally: *airstreamclub.org/region2/2022-region-2-rally*

We've planned our rally schedule for the summer, and we've booked rallies with several different clubs through the summer and fall. My goal of visiting every club is proving harder than I expected, though. It turns out the clubs tend to schedule rallies on the same weekend - one weekend in particular, we had a choice of four rallies from four different clubs to pick!

We're looking forward to the International rally in Fryeburg, Maine. Region 2 First Vice President Gary Russo (#1061) has found a vendor for our region luncheon. We'll get registration set up for that in the coming months once we have the plan settled.

Until next month... RJ Marquette, #13270, rjm1@yahoo.com



Aerial photo of Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, DE

Tips For Attending Your First Airstream Rally

You have purchased your dream on wheels and are now ready to know what the red #'s are all about! You have joined the club and are ready to attend rallies. Here are some tips so you know a little of what to expect:

• If there is a happy hour or welcome event at a rally, you typically take your own chair, drink, and if you can, a dish to share. If there is a pot luck dinner, it has also been "tradition" that you take your own place setting which includes your plate, silverware and napkin, along with your dish to share and your drink. This saves one person from doing all the dishes and saves on \$. Some pot luck hosts do provide paper plates, you can ask to make sure. My grandparents had their # on the bottom of all their plates and some other belongings. We actually got a nice little cart to use to carry our chairs, drinks, casserole dish and such as some evenings there will be a group campfire at another campsite. Everyone has their tricks, and that is a fun part about our group, learning from each other.

• Central Penn Airstreamers love to kayak and bicycle...don't forget to bring yours! Check with the rally host for specifics.

• Be sure to wear your club name badge! Keeping them in your Airstream ensures they are always with you.

• Introverts welcome! Remember, you always have Airstreaming as a common interest if you are looking for a conversation starter.

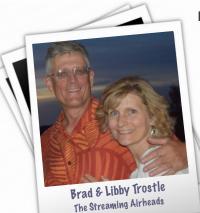
• Seek out experienced club members for advice, stories, and knowledge. Introduce yourself to new members.

• Remember that we are all here to have fun, explore new places, renew and begin friendships, and to come together with fellow Airstream club members.

See you down the road!

Streaming Snowbirds

by Brad and Libby Trostle, #11493



I never knew winter could be a verb until Brad (aka Major Airhead) and I wintered at our newly purchased RV lot in Florida for the first time. As novice snowbirds, we explored our new winter home with great enthusiasm.

Beautiful Silver Palms RV Resort is tucked away in rural Okeechobee, Florida. It's small-town living for sure, which we love as we prefer to stay away from the hustle and bustle of the coasts. Our lot is complete with a Tiki Hut and finished Casita with a half bath, washer and dryer, and plenty of room for me to pursue my crafting and writing

business. We are one of only two Airstream owners in the park.

The resort offers plenty of activities – water aerobics, billiards, dinner dances, parties, crafting, and BINGO (which I somehow seem to lose every Monday evening.) Brad has earned quite a reputation as the resident pool shark – too bad they don't play for money!

Exploring nature on our bikes is one of our favorite activities. Brad has found some great trails for us to enjoy, such as the **Kissimmee Prairie Preserve, Taylor Creek Nubbins Slough**, and **Allapattah Flats**. We also enjoy bike rides on the **Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail** (LOST), a 110-mile bike path on top of the lake's dike. Lake Okeechobee is the second-largest freshwater lake in the US. The trail is perfect for biking, hiking, fishing, and bird watching.

Brad and I can honestly now say, "This ain't our first rodeo," after we experienced the famous **Okeechobee Cow Town Rodeo**. It's a big deal down here. The weekend starts off with a parade and cattle drive through town. We attended on Sunday - the weather was perfect, and the entertainment was phenomenal.

The Florida RV Supershow was held in January, so we made the trip over to Tampa to check it out. The event was massive—dwarfing the Hershey Show. Airstream was well represented and demonstrated their electric prototype.

But the highlight of our visit this season was our trip to **Everglades National Park**. We stayed at the **Midway Campground** in the **Great Cypress Preserve** and explored all the glades had to offer. The first day of our visit was filled with viewing plenty of wild-life while driving through the 20 mile Loop Road. We saw gators. Lots of them.

On our second day, we woke early and arrived at Shark Valley at daybreak. We had the place to ourselves for a couple of hours while we toured the 15-mile loop around the park, stopping at the Observation Tower halfway around. We captured pictures of all sorts of birds – wood storks, blue herons, tri-color herons, anhinga, great white heron,







Above: Mama and baby gator. Everglades National Park welome boulder. Cowtown Rodeo, Okeechobee, FL

Background: Pier at Lake Okeechobee, drone shot by Libby Trostle

Brad and Libby travel in a 2019 International Serenity 30'

egrets, and more. We even saw a mama gator and her babies basking in the sun.

We drove the park's entire length through Homestead to Flamingo on our third day there. At one of our stops, Mahogany Hammock, we were thrilled to find a Barred Owl high up in a tree. Brad gets the credit for spotting it! We rounded out our stay with a trip to **Everglade City** and enjoyed a delicious seafood lunch on the water.

Overall, it was a great visit to the Everglades, and we met two other Airstreamers during our stay.

As our time in Florida ends, we reflect on the many friends we've made and the beautiful places we've experienced. We are sad to leave but feel blessed to be part-time Floridians and look forward to continuing to explore this great state.

1. Sunset at Silver Palms 2. Welcome! 3. Barred owl, Everglades National Park 4. Tri-colored heron 5. Our lot at Silver Palms RV Resort 6. Brad among the trees 7. Cowtown Rodeo, Okeechobee, FL 8. Black-crowned night heron



















Yesteryear

A look back at Airstream caravans, rallies, and club activities

Florida destinations have been popular since the first days of the Airstream. From the website *www.wildernessprincess.net*, we learn that Airstreams "were often sold at a regular car dealership like the one pictured (top) in Tallahassee, Florida. A 1967 Airstream Tradewinds retailed at around \$6500 in 1967." Photo credit: State Archives of Florida. Next photo: Land Yacht Port O' Call in Melbourne (State Archives of Florida/Egbert). Bottom photo on left: The gulf coast of Florida, including the Panama City Beach area, became an increasingly popular camping stopover due to its easy accessibility. (State Archives of Florida/Marks)

Spring Volunteer Rally







Join us on April 23rd at Gifford Pinchot State Park, in Lewisberry, PA for a Spring 2022 Volunteer Rally (rally dates: 4/22/-4/24).

We plan to join the 'Friends of Pinchot' (a non-profit group dedicated to improving the park) for a workday on April 23rd, more details regarding this will be distributed closer to the April date.

<u>Camping Reservations</u> can be made at <u>https://pennsylvaniastateparks.reserveamerica.com</u> or by calling toll-free 1-888-727-2757. We will be camping in the location around sites 149-219 Pet area and 285-292, if you would like to camp close to each other. Please **book NOW** as sites book up quickly.

We are looking to hold a potluck dinner on Friday, April 22nd for those that would like to attend and possibly meeting to go kayaking late afternoon on April 23rd. We look forward to seeing you and helping volunteer as a group at a PA State Park, which offers such wonderful camping opportunities!

<u>RSVP</u> to: <u>karlschubert1985@gmail.com</u> with the below information by April 15th for this event, so we can provide the number of volunteers to the park.

Names:				
Address:				
E-Mail:		Site # reserved		_
WBCCI#:	Cell Phone:	Friday (4/22) Potluck	Yes	NO







The Silver Penny

This is YOUR newsletter! What would you like to read about?

Send your articles to saylor4@comcast by the 15th of the month with the subject line AIRSTREAM NEWSLETTER

SUGGESTIONS FOR TOPICS:

Trips and Adventures: include itinerary, high resolution photos, captions, and websites of any important destinations

Technology Tips: Have a new cell booster? WiFi extender? Tell us about it!

Hacks and Upgrades: Show us something you've done to enhance your rig

Recipes for on the Road: Let us know what's cooking in your Airstream

Storage Solutions: Have you discovered a clever way to organize your stuff?

Design & Decor: What does your interior look like? Show us what makes it look like home

Exterior Set-up: Do you have an outside arrangement that works really well?

...and more. One line or a whole article!

Thank you.

Central PA Airstream Rally at Jersey Shore Haven

August 12-14, 2022



Jersey Shore Haven is located at 728 Dennisville Road, South Seaville, NJ 08246, close to Cape May, NJ

Staying in their open rally field (see map and photos contained in their website www.jerseyshorehaven.org/) at a daily rate of \$40/night/site. These are two-point hookups; 30 amp electric and water (no 50 amp). A sanitary dump is available. We will have access to their screened in pavilion and full kitchen (no dishwasher) to have some meals together, TBD.

Details are still being worked out for the rally. Tentative plans are for a pot luck dinner on Friday night.

We have reserved 10 sites at this time. These will be available on a first come basis thru our club. More may be available if needed.

Commitments of our members are needed by April 15th in order to retain our rally site reservations. Three commitments have been received to date. If you are planning to attend, please email Terry Hauschild by April 15th. No money is due at this time.

If you will be attending, please email Terry Hauschild at *haus599@comcast.net* or call 610-781-1933 (cell) for more info.



RALLY FEES – \$435 for an RV On-Site with 30 amp electric, water, and pump-outs; \$130 for each Adult (18+); \$40 for each Youth 13-17; Free for Children (12 & Under).

ADA ACCESSIBLE PARKING – Special parking, if requested, is near the central rally area for members. We ask that you bring your government/state-issued placard or supporting documentation with you to the rally.

REGISTRATIONS – Through the courtesy of Airstream, Inc., members registered before the start of the rally are entered into a prize drawing. Over \$2,000 in gift certificates for parts and service will be given away. Registrants must be present at the Airstream presentation to win.

STAGING AREA – In an attempt to keep the rigs moving, you will receive a rally arrival date in the Spring of 2022. If you can't make it on that date, the Rally Arrival Team will be ready to park you when you arrive from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Arrivals after 8:00 pm may stay overnight in the Staging Area, with no hookups, until parking begins the next morning.

CANCELLATION POLICY – Refund requests received by May 28th, 2022, will be assessed a \$50.00 fee. Refund requests after May 29th, 2022, will be assessed a 50% fee. NO refunds after July 9th, 2022. *If you might have to cancel after that day, please consider obtaining travel insurance.*

RALLY PARKING DATES – General parking is tentatively scheduled to begin around July 20th. Parking dates will be sent via email in Spring 2022. Caravans of 5 or more need to contact HQ at <u>rally@airstreamclub.org</u> for arrival date.

HOW TO REGISTER – Go to <u>airstreamclub.org/Fryeburg</u>, call HQ at 937-596-5211 or fill out this form and make a check payable to WBCCI, in **US Funds Only** and mail to: WBCCI, P.O. Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334. Email questions to <u>rally@airstreamclub.org</u>.

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Youth (13 - 17) (Each)	Enter number		\$ 40.00	\$	ADA Accessible		
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Central PA Airstream Rally at Shawnee State Park

September 9 - 11, 2022



Make your reservations now for September 9 - 11, 2022 at Shawnee State Park, Pennsylvania Dan & Roxann Bare have reserved site 73.

Shawnee State Park is in Bedford County. There is a 450 acre lake that is great for kayaking and 15 miles of trail for hiking. Flight 93 memorial is a 20 minute drive away. There is a scenic 30 mile covered bridges loop that makes for a nice drive or bicycle ride.

We will be having a Dutch oven potluck dinner on Friday evening. Saturday evening the club will provide burgers and brats for supper. This is a low key, no fee rally. Please rsvp to *drbare88@gmail.com* if you plan to attend.

Thanks from Joan Bucher

for the beautiful engraved Airstream glasses and card Central Penn Airstream Club sent to honor her years of newsletter service!





JOHN S. FINE, Governor E. L. SCHMIDT C. H. BUCKIUS Secretary of Highways DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS HARRISBURG

2022 Pennsylvania State Rally

RV Village Camping Resort

234 Skyline Dr., Mercer, PA 16137 724-662-4560 www.rvvillages.com

September 16-18, 2022



Hosts: Al-Mon-O PA Airstream Club Cody Klingler – President & Matt Moore – Vice President (724) 504-6884 or cwk5292@gmail.com

Tentative Schedule

Friday, September 16 5:00 Happy Hour 6:00 Hamburgers/Hotdogs and sides

Saturday, September 17

- 8:30 Breakfast provided
- 4:00 Happy Hour
- 6:00 Pot Luck Dinner Live, Local Entertainment (TBD)

Sunday, September 18 8:30 Continental Breakfast provided

Safe Travels Home!

Please send payments & rally coupon to: Cody Klingler 3055 Oneida Valley Rd. Hilliards, PA 16040

RSVP to secure the campground by July 4, 2022 (Sites will be released back to campground after this date)

Rally Information

General Information: We have 15 sites reserved for the event. They are sites 49-56 (in the Wagon Wheel) and sites 101-107. You can look at a map of the campground at the web address above. Should these fill up, there are other sites in the campground available. We will also have use of the lodge for the various meals and other things going on.

This State Rally will be very lowkey and a wonderful time for us to just get together as the state of Pennsylvania!

Attendees should call RV Village to secure their camping site. Please reference Airstream Club or Cody Klingler with the Office Manager.

Meals Included in Fee:

What to Bring: Table service and beverages for all meals. Snacks to share and your own drinks for Happy Hours.

Directions: Do not follow GPS directions to the campground. You will want to approach from Clarksville Rd. When in Mercer, turn on PA-62 (W. Market St.), turn right on Maple Rd. (this becomes Clarksville Rd.), then turn left onto Skyline Dr. The campground will be on the right.

2022 Pennsylvania State Rally Coupon					
Name	WBCCI No.	Unit			
Address					
City, State, Zip		Email			
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Arrival Date	Departure Date	You are encouraged to come early and stay late.			
Rally fee per person	\$15.00 X=				
Children 0 to 12	FREE X=				
Parking per night (to be paid	d to the campground directly = \$40				



Website www.airows.com shared this image from Patrick Foster's book, Airstream: America's World Traveler.

"People who travel via Airstream get to see more of the world than folks who fly or take the train. Here we see one traveler looking at beautiful Sveti Stefan, an island connected by causeway to the mainland in Montenegro about four miles southeast of Budva."

Editorial Review

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Region 2 Activities

You may attend any rally in any region and are not limited to Region 2 rallies

Dates: Sponsor: Type of Event: Location: Email:

April 22 - 24, 2022 Central PA Airstream Club Spring Volunteer Rally Gifford Pinchot State Park, PA karlschubert1985@qmail.com

Dates: Co-Sponsors: Type of Event: Location: Event Contact:

May 13 - 16, 2022 Central PA, Keystone, & Penn-Lehigh Airstream Clubs Lums Pond Airstream Spring Opener Lums Pond State Park, Bear, DE careyboland@gmail.com

Dates: Sponsor: Type of Event: Location: Event Contact:

May 19 - 22, 2022 Region 2 Region 2 Rally Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, DE R Marquette, rjm1@yahoo.com

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August 12 - 14, 2022 Central PA Airstream Club Jersey Shore Haven Rally South Seaville, NJ haus599@comcast.net

65th International Rally

rally@airstreamclub.org

July 23 - 29, 2022

Fryeburg, ME

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Central PA Airstream Club Shawnee State Park Rally Shawnee State Park, Bedford County, PA drbare88@gmail.com

September 16 - 18, 2022 Al-Mon-O Club **PA State Rally** RV Village Camping Resort, Mercer, PA cwk5292@gmail.com

June 24 - July 2, 2023 WBAC 66th International Rally Rock Springs, WY

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