



TARHEEL TRAVELER

May 2022

NEWSLETTER OF THE CAROLINAS AIRSTREAM CLUB
THE 21ST CLUB IN WBCCI FORMED IN 1960



CAC Upcoming Rallies & Events 2022

[Palmetto Cove Rally June 9-12](#)

[Maine International Rally Caravan Waitlist](#)

[Misty Mountain, VA July 14-17](#)

[Grumpy Bear Bryson City Aug. 11-14](#)

[Cool Breeze, Galax, VA Sept 15-18](#)

[New Bern Sept.29-Oct.2](#)

[Myrtle Beach Rally Nov. 10-13](#)

Other Upcoming Rallies & Events 2022

[Carolina Balloonfest October 14-16 \(website not updated\)](#)

[Alumalina October 20-23](#)

Every consider joining other Rallies within other regions and clubs. By visiting the [Events](#) page on the International Airstream Website, you can sort for states you'd like to visit or for times of the year you'd like to travel. You can also see the different Caravans and National Rallies that travel to specific Festivals such as the Albuquerque Balloon Fest, Galax old Fiddlers Fest, and the International Story Telling Festival in Tennessee. Below is a fellow CAC member joining in another club rally.

Events

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Gina Fox spotted in
Downtown
Wooster, OH with Region
4 Urban Rally



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

BRUCE BODENSTEIN #8168

Hello Aistreamers,

My piece is short this month because I'm giving my time to Jim Cocke, past International WBCCI President and Carolinas Airstream Club member. He kindly offered to do a write-up for us regarding the upcoming club votes we all need to participate in. This is not news as this topic was covered in a recent Blue Beret, however I felt it would be useful to have Jim's perspective, especially as he has been directly involved in bringing these issues before us.

Happy Camping. See you down the road.

~ Bruce

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From Jim Cocke...

Why change?

Why change the Club's International Leadership structure? We don't care about that; we just want to go camping!

If the International Leadership is working well then you should hardly notice they are there. Just go camping and enjoy it. I agree. But there have been times when things haven't gone so well. The simplest case is the difficulty recruiting capable and willing volunteers to serve as International Club leaders.

The International Nominating Committee has, for over ten years, experienced difficulty recruiting for the International Vice-President position. On numerous occasions a currently serving Region President or the Region First Vice-President have been recruited to serve in international leadership. When this happens, the Region is suddenly short their number one or number two elected leader. Where's the best leadership talent to quickly fill the Region vacancy? One of the local clubs in the Region may lose their President or Vice-President, potentially upsetting a very fine leadership team at the camping level of the Club.

Currently International leadership is a series of one-year terms, for five years. Region leadership is a series of two-year terms, which can lead to greater stability and focus upon achieving goals for the Region. Two-year terms could improve the Club's international leadership performance. International leadership is proposed at a two-year term as President, renewable one time if (1) re-elected to the Council by members of the Club and (2) re-elected to President by the IBT. The proposal makes no case for automatic succession to President or to re-election.

The members will be in sole control of the membership of the Executive Council positions except for the positions of Immediate Past President, Corporate Manager (non-voting) and Airstream Inc Rep (non-voting).

THE ELECTIONS

Two separate elections will occur in 2022—one for the election of **International Officers** and one to vote on the **Constitutional amendments**.

Constitutional amendment 1:

Remove the requirement to conduct an annual delegates meeting.

Gives all members the opportunity to vote on proposed amendments

- Removes the job of collecting votes from the local clubs
- Decouples Club business from the International Rally
- Allows for a shorter timeline to process a Constitutional Amendment
- Each member can be involved in the discussion of any proposed Constitutional Amendment
- All members would individually receive a ballot to vote on any Constitutional Amendment

Constitutional amendment 2:

Restructure the Executive Committee into an Executive Council of ten members, eliminate two Vice-President positions, increase term length to two years, and eliminate automatic succession between ranks.

The proposed restructure does not change the number of Region Presidents. The proposal affects Region Presidents in several ways, though. Region Presidents would

- become directly involved in appointment of Council Members to the positions on that Council.
- become more involved in planning and leadership for the entire Club
- become rewarded for completing their term of service to the Region, instead of being recruited to other leadership positions before completing their Region service.

A Region President elected to the Executive Council but who first completes their two-year term as President becomes immediately eligible to run for International President at the next election. But if not completing their two-year term as Region President, then they must serve two years on the Executive Council before becoming eligible to run for International President.

This proposal increases the size of the IBT by three voting members, from eighteen votes to twenty-one votes. The International President only votes in case of a tie. If all twenty-one officers voted without any absence or abstention, the President would never cast a vote.

Any member of the Executive Council may, after serving two years on the IBT and if elected again to the Executive Council, run for International President. No member of the Executive Council will automatically succeed to the next higher position, and no member is expected to serve more than two years.

WHO VOTES?

Every member in good standing with the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. aka Airstream Club International, on June 1 of each year is eligible to vote for **International Officers** and any **Constitutional amendment(s)** presented to the membership.

Memberships = One or two adults

Members = Individual people

Each **member** can cast one vote. One member, one vote.

HOW DOES A MEMBER VOTE?

The election for International Officers will be by electronic ballot. HQ will send every eligible member in good standing a ballot to the email address they have on file in the membership database. Paper ballots are available to members upon request beginning May 15, 2022, by contacting HQ at 937-596-5211.

The vote for the Constitutional amendments is currently a two-step process. Each Local Club is **REQUIRED** to provide a method to collect the vote of each eligible member. (**Note from Bruce Bodenstein – Each of us will vote on the amendments via a JotForm process. Stay tuned for more on this from our webmasters in the weeks ahead**). A list of ALL eligible members will be sent to each Club on June 1, 2022. After a Local Club has voted the **ACTUAL** number of votes cast will be sent to the Constitutional Delegates Meeting via a Delegate or Alternate Delegate. Votes can be collected from each member in person, via ballot, or electronically. The actual vote cast will be certified by the minutes of a Club Business Meeting or the minutes of the Club's Board. The vote count sent to the Constitutional Delegates' Meeting should only be the actual votes of members who participated in the election. If a member does not vote, no vote will be counted for them.

Thanks for reading.

Jim Cocke, WBCCI # 4822



1ST VICE PRESIDENT & 2022 RALLIES

RICKY WILCOX #5016



Hello streamers,

Now we're well underway with the 2022 camping season. The days are warmer and longer. Lots of time daily to spend outdoors and on the road.

At this time, we have six Rallies in our rear view. The latest was the Red Gate Farms RV Park in Savannah Georgia. My wife Joan and I were the host there. We had an awesome Rally and lots of fun in the process. Our next Rally will

be at Palmetto Cove in South Carolina. I hope to see you there.

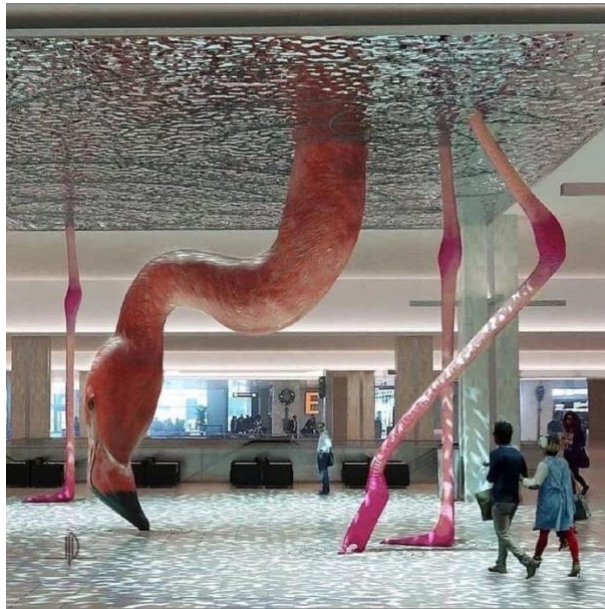
We still need host for Misty Mountain, Grumpy Bear, Cool Breeze, and the Balloon Festival. Please consider hosting or co-hosting. If anyone has any questions about these Rallies, please contact me.

Please keep the Carter family in your prayers. Also keep Mr. Ken Dorn in your prayers, he's battling cancer and is in the fight of his life. He's going through treatments now. Hopefully we'll see Ken back on the road soon, he's determined to beat this thing.

See everyone down the road soon I hope. Safe travels my Airstream friends.

~Ricky, 1st VP

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21' FLAMINGO SCULPTURE AT THE TAMPA BAY, FLORIDA AIRPORT

2ND VICE PRESIDENT & 2023 RALLIES

STEVE THOMPSON #19771



Greetings to all CAC Streamers,

April showers are now behind us, and May flowers are in bloom. You can't see or smell the flowers unless you get out and travel. Your 2023 rally schedule continues to solidify but given the reservation rules at each potential venue we sometimes must play a waiting game.

What we know about 2023:

February- Kickoff Luncheon TBD

March 16-19 James Island County Park, Charleston, SC- Look to reserve a spot in Loop 1.

March 29 – 2 April **Region 3 Rally, Ocean Lakes Family Campground, Myrtle Beach, SC**
Reservations are filling up so reserve a spot early. Tell them you are with the Region 3 group when reserving a spot.

April 13-16 Tanglewood (**this is a date change**) Those of you who already have reservations have been automatically shifted to the new dates. For all others wanting to attend call now 336-703-6494 and be sure to tell them you are with the Carolina Airstream Club. Reserve soon and cancel later if needed.

April 20-23 Trot into Tryon- This is the first urban rally of the CAC year. Contact [Skip Crowe](#) for reservation details.

May 11-14 Shinning in Shelby- This the CAC's second urban rally. Reservation details will follow.

June 8-11 Cool Breeze Campground, Galax, VA. Mountain air and country music what more could you ask for. Going earlier next year to take advantage of a local music festival. Call and let them know you are with the Carolina Airstream Club.

June 24-30, **2023 International Rally** Rock Springs, Wyoming. We are working on a CAC event,

July/August/September- Working

October 26-29 **Alumalina** Tom Johnson RV Park, Marion, NC

November 9-12 Ocean Lakes Family Campground, Myrtle Beach, SC- Call today and ask for sites in section HH letting them know you are with the Carolina Airstream Club.

December- Working CAC Holiday Luncheon TBD

*** Non-CAC scheduled events ***

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~Steve, 2nd VP

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PAST PRESIDENTS' PERSPECTIVE

MARGARET VAN DE REE #2685

Hello, from Margaret Van De Ree, Club President during 2016.

When I bought my Airstream in 2010, I never imagined all the wonderful club members I'd meet or the exciting places I'd explore.

Hi, my name is Margaret Van de Ree and I served as club president in 2016. My dog, Lady, served as my first lady and goodwill ambassador.

She continues to have her own fan club and Airstream buddies. Her favorite sentence is, "Get in the truck!"

I'm going to put a shameless plug in for caravans! Not only are they a great value but you will meet folks from all over the country. Once you've attended one, you may find yourself interested in becoming a caravan leader volunteer. Talk to Ray Combs who trains new leaders.

My first caravan was in 2017, the Southwest Adventure Caravan. Traveling around the Southwest is an experience so unlike North Carolina. Red rocks, hot chilis, low humidity and high adventure. Don't be discouraged by the number of people on the caravan waitlists. I was number 67 on the waitlist and cleared the list in plenty of time to go. Today, other people are having similar experiences but planning ahead is required for some of the more popular caravans.

In 2019, The Kentucky Bourbon and Beyond caravan was led by the Beckers and myself. We couldn't have asked for a better group of people. Distilleries, racetracks and Corvettes, to name a few experiences. We sure had some great laughs! Flexibility and a sense of humor is an integral part of caravan participation!

This year, I'm looking forward to the Viking Caravan as a participant along with Shari and Randy Hord and Karen and Dave Corbett. We will send pics and share our adventures to "New Fun Land."

Hopefully we can meet up at future caravan or a Carolinas Rally. Stay safe, friends!

Margaret



CHERYLANNE WEAVER #9883

We are not free & clear of COVID yet. Please be diligent and safe.
Keep Rocky Johnsons (Susan) – BRN#07322 - in your thoughts as prayers
as he continues to recover from COVID.

Continue to keep Ken Dorn – BRN#03139 – in your thoughts as he
continues to fight cancer.

Please keep Bob Rychly (Carol) – VRB#07382 – who had to return home when Bob had a health
event and was diagnosed with a brain tumor. Their trailer is in Oregon to be retrieved at a later
date. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

John Corriher's - BRN15263 - triple bypass was successful and is on the road to recovery
Thank you for all the thoughts & prayers

If you have any Campfire news you can share with me, please email me:
printcessltd@gmail.com

“You don’t have to be rich to travel well.” – Eugene Fodor
~Cherylanne!

**LOOKING TO SELL/BUY
AN AIRSTREAM**



Gail and Dick Canty are selling
their PRISTINE 2021 19'
AIRSTREAM BAMBI. If interested
you can contact them at
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MEMBERSHIP

LEE DUNN #27312

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

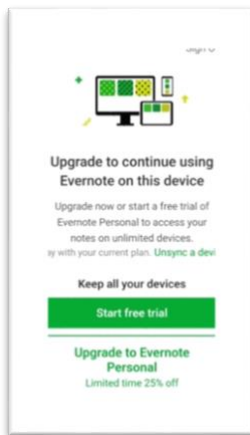


As of May dd, 2022 the Carolinas Airstream Club is 218 rigs and 401 members strong!

We had an interesting problem with Evernote this month because of our growing club. Evernote only allows the sharing of a single notebook to 500 emails and we hit this limit. To resolve the problem we deleted emails of members who were invited to Evernote over three months ago who did not accept. We now have 219 members with access to the CAC Evernote notebook. If you did not accept the original Evernote invite and would now like to have access just send me an email at 021membershipchair@wbcci.net and I will re-invite you.

Evernote Tip

The vast majority of us use the free version of Evernote which is just fine for viewing the Carolinas Airstream Club notebook. One of the limits to this version is Evernote only allows you to login from two devices. If you try to login with a third device the following screen pops up.



Note the line “Stay with your current plan. **Unsync a device**”. Just click on the ‘**Unsync a device**’ link and select which device you no longer want to use. You may need to restart Evernote again after doing this.

Having problems with Evernote? Drop me an email at 021membershipchair@wbcci.net and let’s see if we can resolve it.

Our newest members (details in Evernote)

- **Charles & Selena Sawyer from Mooresville, NC, and their 2017 16' Basecamp**
- **Gail & Dick Canty from Weaverville, NC, and their 2021 19' Bambi**
- **Jetta & Billy Pyatt from Asheville, NC, and their 2022 24' Atlas**
- **John & Paulette Hinchey from Daufuskie Island, SC., and their 2015 16' Airstream**
- **Randy & Cynthia Wiant from Leland, NC, and 2022 20' Bambi 20FB**
- **Marty Stapleton & Heather Seaman from Fuquay Varina, NC, and their 2012 25' Flying Cloud**
- **Affiliate Members Charles Pickeral & Cory Barger from Clermont, GA. and their 2018 33' Classic**

~Lee, Membership Chair
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“LIVE RIVETED”

This part of the newsletter is to share ideas and provide insights to members about making Airstreaming life easier. Please share your ideas at 021newslettereditor@wbcci.net.

RVing is all about the “checklists”!

Have you been working on or created your RV checklists for arrival and departure? Full time Airstreamers’ travel channel, [Luv Subbin](#), cover everything from Campground Reviews, food reviews, cooking, and the Airstream lifestyle. These checklists may be of some use. They were created back in 1992 and have been updated many times. Below is an example lists from this very useful site. Click on the list and see more.



DEPARTING CHECKLIST (Exterior, Page 1/1)

1. Extend tow mirrors.
2. Windex windows and mirrors.
3. Windex back-up camera lens.
4. Check truck oil and inspect engine bay.
5. Check truck tire pressure (35 lbs. @ 68F).
6. Check Airstream tire pressure (65 lbs. @ 68F).
7. Check Airstream lug nuts (85 lb./ft.) 1X/Mo use torque wrench.
8. Check tightness of TPMS sensors and any cracks on stems.
9. Check awning travel lock is in position/wheelies tight.
10. Velcro awning arms.
11. Close galley fan flapper.
12. Turn off LP gas. Tug and pull on tanks. Inform interior.
13. Disconnect water system and store. Inform interior.
14. Disconnect electric system and store. Inform interior.
15. Conduct sewage evolution if full hookups.
16. Conduct hitching evolution.



“OH, THE PLACES YOU WILL GO!”
MEMBERS’ TRAVELS AND CLUB EVENTS

Shining in Shelby May 6-8



Savannah, GA May 12-15

Red Gate Farms Campground Established in 1931; family owned and operated for over 90 years.



Let us spotlight your travels.
Send pictures to
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New Member
Induction



Old Town Trolley Savannah
taking CAC members from Red
Gate Farms to Historic
Downtown Savannah.



Jekyll Island Meet up!
JP Kravitz and Benson & Terry Sheally