

The Ticker

Newsletter of the Central Indiana Airstream Club
March 2020

From our President

March 1, 2020

Greetings CIACers from Travelers Rest in Dade City, Florida.

Mary Ellen and I are now finishing our second month of 'temporary' full-timing. This has been a lot of fun and occasionally challenging with "the little things" that pop up. We've found full-time stationary living in our Airstream to be very different from weekends, rally and caravan travel. All good, though, and we've met a lot of great people here at "TR."

As we've driven around Central Florida, we're amazed at the numbers of RV parks we've found. All appear to be full with every type and shape of camper (except tents) – including many Airstreams.

At least three Florida RV parks (there's probably more) have an Airstream emphasis or history, including Travelers Rest, Land Yacht Harbor in Melbourne (sorry, no pets allowed) and Mystic Springs Cove RV Park in McDavid near Pensacola. A different type of RV park is Paradise Park in Punta Gorda. This park is a land-owned community for Airstreams and Class A motor homes only and is not open to traveling RVers, unless they are a guest of a land owner.

Back to reality! As a reminder, there is a great list of activities for the club this year, including the Brown County Spring Opener and Alumapalooza in May; the Swiss Days Festival in Berne, IN and camping at Ouabache State Park in July; and our Club cookout in Noblesville in August. The dates for the Swiss Festival National Rally are now set for September 26-October 3, 2020 and information has been posted on the rally website: <http://www.swiss-festival-national-rally.net/>. Also, the International Rally in Colorado is in

June and the Region 5 Rally is in Columbus, IN, in September. CIAC will be providing breakfast for the Region 5 Rally on Saturday, September 19th.

Please don't forget to register for the Brown County Season Opener and Ouabache State Park as soon as you can. And, our Club's two final winter luncheons at MCL on West 86th Street in Indianapolis are March 7th and April 4th.

In closing, if you've ever wondered what you can do or where you can go with you Airstream for a few days or longer, take a look at the website ***Only In Your State*** (<https://www.onlyinyourstate.com/>). This web site has a wealth of information on things to do/see and publishes daily emails highlighting a wide variety of activities in every U.S. State and many U.S. cities. It's well worth your time to visit.

Keep the Shiny Side Up and best regards to all!

John Deegan, President CIAC

STOP PRESS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

CIAC has been asked to assist with "spotting" (parking) Airstreams at the Region V Rally in Columbus, Indiana (September 16-20, 2020). Please let John Deegan know if you can assist. Thank you!

March Club Luncheon



Saturday, March 7, 2020
MCL Cafeteria
2730 West 86th Street
Indianapolis, Indiana
11:00 AM
Plan to Join Us!

Reservation and Registration Reminders

March is upon us. That means we can start looking forward to the end of winter and we can start thinking about spring, summer, and fall Airstream events.

These events are now open for camping reservations and event registration.

Club Season Opener Weekend
May 1-3, 2020

Brown County State Park
Target Sites: 28-52

Reserve campsites at:
<http://indianastateparks.reserveamerica.com>

Club Weekender/Berne Indiana Swiss Festival
July 23-25, 2020

Ouabache State Park
Target Sites: 021-031, 018 – 030, 041-042

Reserve campsites at:
<http://indianastateparks.reserveamerica.com>

For club weekenders, please secure your own camping reservation. We do not have formal registration for these events.

2020 Region Five Rally

Hurryin' to the Hoosier Hills Rally

September 16-20, 2020

Bartholomew County Fairgrounds

Columbus, Indiana

Full rally information and registration is at:

<https://region5.airstreamclub.net/2020-region-5-rally/>

Airstream Swiss Festival National Rally

September 26-October 3, 2020

Sugarcreek, Ohio

Full rally information and registration is at:

<http://www.swiss-festival-national-rally.net/>

The CIAC Snowbird Luncheon

by John Deegan

The first annual (we hope) CIAC Snowbird Luncheon was held on Monday, February 17, 2020, at Hellas Greek Restaurant and Bakery in Tarpon Springs, Florida.

With eight CIAC club members in attendance, we had a great lunch at Hellas and then a two-hour sunset cruise on the Odyssey II to view Dolphins, search for shells and sponges on Anclote Island and watch the sun go down in the west.

Then, it was back to the Bakery for a late afternoon dessert. There are probably some in our group who would say the Bakery was the best part of our day!

We had a perfect day with great weather, low humidity, a great meal and conversation, calm seas, and no bugs to harass us on Anclote Island! And we successfully returned the same day from our two-hour tour!



Lunch at Hellas. Barry and Karen Bell, Lana and Don Russel, Donna and Charlie Mason, Mary Ellen and John Deegan



On the way to Anclote Island on the Odyssey II



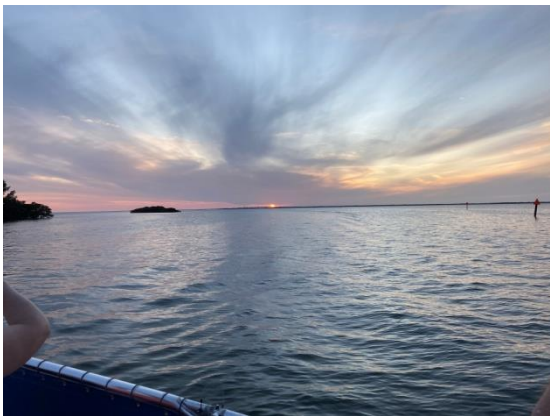
Heading back to the boat with treasures. (Photo: Donna Mason)



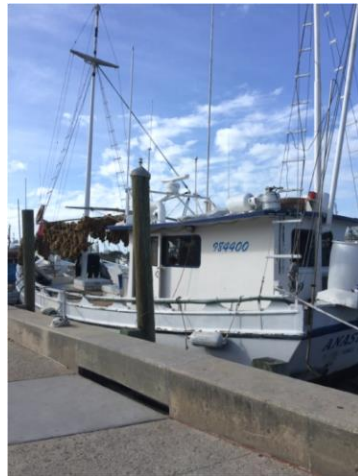
Charlie and Donna Mason shell hunting.



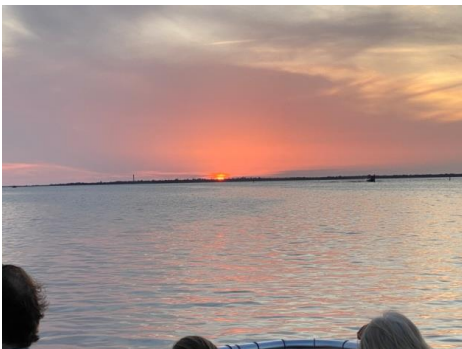
Mary Ellen Deegan and Karen Bell on the Odyssey II.



Sunset



A Tarpon Springs sponge boat. (Photo: Donna Mason)



What a difference two minutes makes for a sunset.

The Adventures of Central Indiana Airstreamers, Winter of 2020!

For the April 2020 edition of The Ticker, we would like to do a feature on the adventures of our club members this past winter season.

You may have traveled and been to several destinations. You may have traveled and remained stationary for the season in one destination. You may have not traveled but spend the season at home.

This is a very simple request. Please send me (Joe Ashland, jjashland522@gmail.com, 317-430-1395) a couple of sentences and a couple of pictures of your winter 2020 adventures. And remember, you don't have to have traveled to submit something-some of our best times happen at home. I'll need this by March 31 for the April Ticker. Everything I get will be compiled into a photo collage.

Let me give a couple of examples.....



Wood carving projects by Ken Langell



Phil and Mardelle St. John at a Karaoke night

You can submit photos of yourself, places you went, things you did, the folks you were with. Share what you'd like with the club!

Thanks!

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CIAC 2020 Events Calendar					
Month	Date	Event	Location	Reservation Opening Date	Sites
January	4	Luncheon	MCL, West 86th St, Indpls		
February	1	Luncheon	MCL, West 86th St, Indpls		
March	7	Luncheon	MCL, West 86th St, Indpls		
April	4	Luncheon	MCL, West 86th St, Indpls		
May	1-3	Spring Opener Weekender	Brown County State Park near Nashville, IN	NOW!!!	28-52
	26-31	Alumapalooza 11	Airstream Factory, Jackson Center, Ohio	NOW http://alumapalooza.com	
June	20-27	International Rally	Loveland, Colorado	NOW - See Below	
July	24-26	Weekender, Swiss Days Festival at Berne, IN	Ouabache State Park, Bluffton, IN	Friday, January 24, 2020	20-40
August	8-9	Club Cookout	Vanderwielen Residence, Noblesville, Indiana		
September	16-20	Region 5 Rally, CIAC Business Meeting	Bartholomew County Fairgrounds, Columbus, Indiana	The CIAC Annual Meeting and Officer Elections will be held during this Rally.	
	9/26-10/3	Swiss Festival National Airstream Rally	Sugarcreek, Ohio	The community Swiss Festival is October 2-3, 2020. Website: http://www.swiss-festival-national-rally.net/	
October	16-18	Season Close Weekender	Versailles State Park, Versailles, Indiana	Thursday, April 16, 2020	207-226
November	7	Luncheon	MCL, West 86th St, Indpls		
December	5	Luncheon	MCL, West 86th St, Indpls		

International Rally Registration Information:
<https://airstreamclub.org/loveland-2020-international-rally>

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Other Airstream events, not CIAC