



## WEST VIRGINIA AIRSTREAM CLUB

WBCCI Region 4 Local Club 115

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### Members Wintering Away from Home

Each winter many of us migrate southward to warmer playgrounds. One of the favorite places for Airstreamers to retreat is the Travelers Rest RV Resort in Dade City, Florida near the West coast. Originally an Airstream only park, this winter wonderland is host to hundreds of snowbirds spending a few days to a few months during the winter months and is just 40 minutes from Tampa. Several WV Airstream Club members have made TR their Winter retreat. Debbie May, Shelba Tucker and Ron Preast, and Erna and I have been enjoying the warm sunny climate for some time now. Richard and Marie Rose visited over the Christmas holiday.

Another favorite winter escape is Land Yacht Harbor of Melbourne, Florida. This is on the East coast and is 40 minutes from Disney World. Our member Carmel Porter has been wintering there for many years when she is not in Charleston, WV or in Tennessee.

Do you have a favorite place to escape when you take your Airstream out for an extended camping trip? We would like to hear about it and share the experience with our members. Where and when do you go and how long do you stay? What pulls you back to that spot again? Please drop us a line at [WVAC\\_115@aol.com](mailto:WVAC_115@aol.com) or call me at 304-646-3900.

Round WVAC Stickers are available for purchase:

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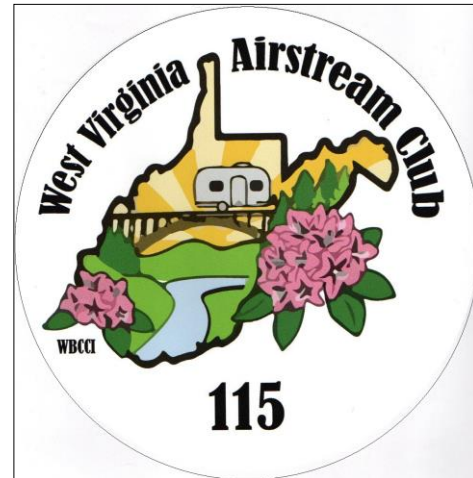
8x8" white or silver \$5

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Display your club logo proudly!

Contact Debbie May, Treasurer

(304)888-8207 for additional stickers.



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### Coming Soon Reminders:

46th Annual Airstream Club International **Region 4 Rally** in Wooster, OH.  
May 18-22.

<https://airstreamclub.org/region4/region-4-rally>

**Renaissance Festival and Ronceverte River Festival** is June 9-11. Airstream parking is at the WV State Fairgrounds in Lewisburg, WV having full hook-ups for \$35 a night. If you wish to add extra days to your camping, no problem. No reservation necessary and No rally fees. This will also include a business meeting to discuss reducing the number of chair positions our club assigns and to finalize the title of our newsletter.

The **Airstream Club International Rally** in Fryeburg, Main is July 23-29. Allow travel time. <https://airstreamclub.org/fryeburg> . See additional information with this newsletter.

### Parting Note

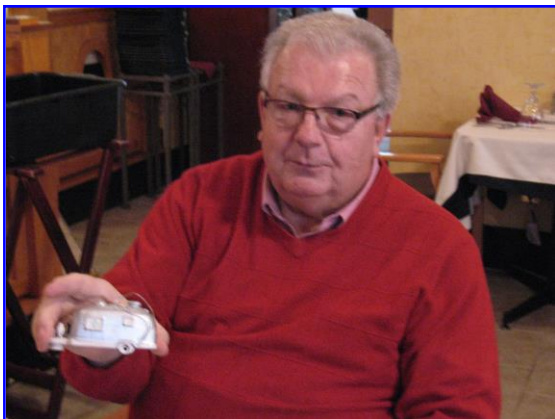
**Guy C. Porter, Jr.**, 94, died peacefully at home on Tuesday, November 16, 2021. He was born December 1926 in Charleston and lived his whole life in the house his father built in 1925. He is



survived by his wife and our WVAC member Carmel Barber Porter, many children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was a 73-year member of Kanawha Lodge #20 AF&AM. He also was a member of Scottish Rite of Charleston, Tyrian Chapter #13, Commandery #4, Beni Kedem Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., Past President of Beni Kedem Oriental Band, Tiskelwah Chapter #45 Order of the Eastern Star, and Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem serving as Supreme Second Wise Man.

He enjoyed traveling extensively and was Past President of the West Virginia Unit of the Airstream Club where he was a member for 40 years. He had many Airstream vehicles and attended innumerable rallies in which he would volunteer with enthusiasm. One of his favorite rallies was the Swiss Festival National Rally in Sugarcreek, OH where he and Carmel would become tour guides dressed in Swiss costume. They would take rally folks over hill and hollow while explaining the customs, foods and traditions of the area. He particularly enjoyed traveling to his second home, a log cabin in Sevierville, TN. Fond memories of Guy will be told over our campfires.

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On Thursday January 20, our friend and WV Airstream Club member **Donald Wayne Barth** passed away to his eternal home while vacationing in Hawaii. Wayne was visiting his sister and enjoying the Pacific paradise when he took ill and died on Maui Island. Wayne was 77 years old.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 38 years, Carroll.

Working in the transportation industry, Wayne's knack with diesel equipment led him to international service opportunities. He trained crews

in South America and Asia in the operation and maintenance of heavy equipment. He was recognized as a Guild Master Detroit Diesel Mechanic by the National Institute Automotive Service Excellence.

Wayne was a member of the Princeton Elks Lodge and the Princeton Moose Lodge. He was 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Royal Order of Jesters 111. He served as treasurer of the Bluefield Shrine for a number of years and was a Past-President of South Atlantic Shrine Patrol Association. He worked extensively in the preparation and operation of the Shrine's annual horse show and Oyster Dinner.

Wayne and his late wife Carroll toured America for twenty-five years with like-minded Airstream ralliers. He enjoyed meeting new people, seeing new places, and re-establishing contact with old Airstream friends. His hobbies include camping, hunting, fishing, and golf. Wayne was always ready to share a drink on his patio, a meal from his grill, his opinion on the world and a moment with friends.

Wayne had been a corner stone of our Airstream Club serving multiple tenures as President, Vice President and Director spanning several decades. His willingness to lead set the example for convoying and rally protocol. He is greatly missed.

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You can e-mail your ideas and suggestions to [wvac\\_115@aol.com](mailto:wvac_115@aol.com) or call /text **Shelba** at 304-542-0120.

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