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March 2022 President's Report

Hi Club,

I hope this email finds you well and getting ready for some summertime camping. Diane and I will be heading back to NC at the end of the month. I am not looking forward to leaving the near perfect weather we are having here in FL. but it will be nice to be back in NC.

We won't be home long though, we are heading the Region 3 Rally in Hiawassee, GA. on April 6th. I am looking forward to going to the rally. Bill Wild, Region 3 President, emailed me to let me know we (Piedmont AC) have 10 rigs going and because we have a good showing he also asked if we would help prepare and serve the Thursday evening hotdog meal. After polling those 10 folks, I agreed we would welcome this opportunity to help out.

I don't have a lot, or any, International club news to report. The next activity that I will have an opportunity to participate in will be at the International rally in Fryeburg, ME. I am aware of 7 rigs going there because we will all be caravanning there. Even if you have not or cannot make the trip with us to ME, you can still park with us. It will require that you meet us in Conway, NH at the Walmart. We will drive to the fairgrounds together from that location. We will go into the rally site on Wednesday, July 20th. I do need to let the rally organizers know how many we will bring in, so if you plan to park with us please let me know so I can give them an accurate count and BRNs.

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Keeping with my %you should help out your fellow campers+theme I'd like to talk awnings. So we have an International with a power awning. I know I've heard all the horror stories about the power awning, but so far, we've had pretty good luck with ours. We do have to give the back arm a gentle nudge when we open it and ZipDee says that's not unusual. But other than that, it has always operated as designed. (hope I'm not jinxing myself). Why am I telling you this I'm sure you're saying about now. Here's why, 2 things actually, 1) if you have a power awning they like to be lubricated. ZipDee has some specific instructions and rather than misquote them I suggest you check the owners manual. Our first Airstream was also an International with a power awning that we bought used. I didn't know anything about the awning but now I know why it didn't seem to operate smoothly because I didn't know the lubrication thing. 2) So I've had 2 Airstreams, both with power awnings. I know almost nothing about the manual awning. Here's where the help others comes in. Our neighbors here in Land Yacht Harbor are close to 90 and not in real good health. The gentleman fell and had to make trip to the hospital. Well as luck would have it, a good ole Florida thunderstorm blew up and I headed out to try and put his awning in. I had just put it out under his direction earlier in the day. Fortunately for me another Airstreamer across the street saw me struggling and came to help. We were able to get the awning in, so there was no damage. By the way, in the heat of the battle, I ran over to our camper and pushed the close button to save my awning. All ended well!!! Our neighbor came home with some scrapes and bruises but nothing else and at the end of the storm we were blessed with this:

Hope to see you soon!

Bill Byrum

President, PAC



MEMBERSHIP NEWS FOR MARCH 2022

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Spring is here and a lot of òStreamersö are ready to hit the road! Look for these **NEW** Piedmont Club members when you are traveling to a 2022 Club rally or Airstream event ó

Peter & Bonnie Cap, BRN# 3352, in their 2022 30-ft. Classic. Their home is in Oriental, NC.

Michael & Sue Presley, BRN#3420, in their 2019 22-ft. Bambi Sport. Their home is in Mint Hill, NC.

Affiliate Members, Sara & Brent Hubbell, BRN# 27511, in their 30-ft. Safari Bunk. They live in Cary, NC and their òHome Clubö is Carolinas.

Piedmont Club is also happy to welcome back **Greg Porter & Terri Sharpe**, BRN# 11373, after they renewed their 2022 ACI & Club membership!

With our new and affiliate members, our **Piedmont Club now has 71 Airstream rigs and 132 total Club members!**

On a sad note, 2021 Piedmont Club member Kelly Radford shared that her husband, Bruce, passed away in August 2021. If you would like to send condolences to Kelly, her address is 108 Jones Street, Apex, NC 27502.

The recent ACI Membership Directory showed that Paige & Gray Flippin and James & Amanda Schaal have moved their membership to Carolinas Club for 2022.

Alice Barefoot, Kelly Radford and Sean & Debra Speck have sold their Airstreams. In fact, the Specks have moved to Kentucky, too. Rick & Anne Schmidt will be òstreaminö on their own in 2022. Weøll miss seeing each of them at our Piedmont Club rallies!

It doesn't take much

So here we are with another month passing us by. I would think most of us have some travel plans set for the 2022 calendar year. Hopefully the high cost of fuel doesn't stop us. I know Jane and I have some big plans with International and Gone to Texas Caravan but we also have alternate plans in case we have to scale back a bit in our Piedmont Club. No matter how extensive a trip we may have planned it is easy to look back over the years and remember great Rally Events. Rallies are the BACK BONE of our club. It's where we have made friends and shared information about our rigs and ourselves. It's a place for new Airstream owners to ask questions and learn. It's a place to sit back and just have fun while experiencing the Hosts event topic no matter what it may be.

We all have something to contribute no matter how large or small you feel it may be. Please please think about how you can contribute to our Airstream family. It doesn't take much and many share the reward and benefits.

Jane and I wish you continued Safe Travels.

Vice President Alan Hvizdak

**Piedmont Airstream Club Rally
June 23rd through June 26th, 2022 ó UPDATE**



4696 Jonathan Creek Rd.
Waynesville, NC 28785

The rally hosts have arranged for a block of sites to be held for this rally. All un-reserved sites will be released April 23rd. This rally is in the heart of the summer vacation season and after this date you may or may not be able to book a site for the rally.

Dinner at the campground will be provided Thursday and Saturday nights as well as a light breakfast Sunday morning. The rally itinerary has not been finalized but there are many activities and points of interest in the surrounding area. The Smoky Mountains National Park, Maggie Valley, The Blue Ridge Parkway, Lake Junaluska, Cherokee, elk watching and much more.

To reserve a site, call the RV Park, (828) 926-7977, and tell them you are with the Piedmont Airstream Club.

Date	RALLY	LOCATION	CAMPGROUND	HOST
January 2022	NONE	NA	NA	NA
February 2022	LUNCHEON	Raleigh	CANCELED	Stedman Brown
March 2022	NONE	NA	NA	NA
April 7-10, 2022	REGION 3	Hiawasse, GA	GA. MOUNTAIN FAIRGROUNDS	Region 3
May19-22 2022	PIEDMONT AC RALLY	Hot Springs	Hot Springs Resort & Spa	Todd & Debbie Stroud
June 2022	PIEDMONT AC RALLY	Waynesville, NC	Creekwood Farm RV Park 4696 Jonathan Creek Rd. Waynesville, NC 28785	Jim & Amy Mount & Stedman Brown & Tami Lowe
July 23 - 29, 2022	INTERNATIONAL	Fryeburg, ME	FRYEBURG FAIR ASSOCIATION	ACI
August 2022	REGION 3 SPECIAL EVENT	Galax, VA	COOL BREEZE CAMPGROUND	Region 3
September 8-11. 2022	PIEDMONT AC RALLY	Sneads Ferry, NC	SEAHAVEN MARINE RV PARK 148 Old Ferry Rd, Sneads Ferry, NC 28460	Alan & Jane Hvizdak
October 27-30, 2022	Alumalina	Marion, NC	TOM JOHNSON CAMPING CENTER	John Leake
November 3 - 6, 2022	INSTALLATION RALLY	Winston Salem, NC	Salem Breeze Campground, 2796 Hickory Tree Rd, Winston-Salem, NC 27127	David & Debbie Stubbs
December 2022	NONE	NA	NA	NA