

WISC-UP



What's What in the WISC-UP Airstream Club

Upcoming Events

Milwaukee Rally

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
June 23 - 26, 2022

International Rally

Fryeburg, Maine
July 23 - 29, 2022

Ferry Tales II

Washington Island
August 25 - 28, 2022

Region 7 Mini Rally

Manistique, Michigan
September 22 - 25, 2022.

Click on the underlined links above for more information!

Social Media

Facebook! Our club's Facebook page is found at this link: [WISC-UP Airstream Club](#)
Our page is a private page, only viewable by club members, friends, and past members. This is to provide security. So if you are a member and would like to join, click on the link above, and request to join! Answer the few questions and we will approve your request!



The View From Clara Bell (2012 FC RBT)

President Chuck Zeller

First and foremost, let me take this opportunity to again thank Karen Suksi for her devotion to this newsletter for the past six years. I have done the job for other organizations, and I know what a thankless job it can be.

Volunteers are the engine that keeps our club running, and anyone who raises a hand or responds affirmatively to a request for help is worthy of our thanks and appreciation.

And since none of us are compensated for our efforts, I want to personally extend that offer of thanks.

We appreciate the amazing job you have done.



Message From the Editor

I know I'm not as experienced as Karen Suksi (BRN 4496), but I hope I can fill those shoes as editor of the *What's What in the WISC-UP Newsletter*. I want to thank Karen for all the years of volunteering and doing a great job!

For those that don't know me I'm Ed Emerick (BRN 4425) and Sandy and I have been members of the WISC-UP Unit since 1998. We were lucky enough to be able to enjoy the Club's offerings with our two daughters, our cat and at times, two dogs over the years. I guess you could say we have been around for some time now. Sandy and I are looking forward to sharing the Club's news with you.

We have a number of ideas of what to include here but a newsletter is only as good as the information it contains. We are counting on you to help provide some content and I may be reaching out to you for help. Some things you might see in the future include travel logs from our members, tips and tricks to keep us on the road safely, but most of all happy.

The View From Clara Bell (2012 FC RBT) con't.

Now let me extend my thanks to Ed Emerick whom after much arm twisting has agreed to take the reins of the Wisc-UP Rivet.

We had a wonderful time in Viroqua for our Annual Spring rally & business meeting. Janet & I love the Driftless Area and always enjoy spending time there. Thanks to Jim Guthrie & Joanne Peterson for putting together a great rally. And yes, I did catch 1 trout while fly fishing with Greg Hyer. Greg is a great guide and caught a lot more fish than I did.

As you are all aware, hopefully, we have now voted on the two Constitutional amendments that WBCCI has presented to us. I was very pleased that many of you who were not able to be with us in Viroqua voted by way of email. I can report to you that the votes were as follows:

Amendment 1	45 yea	8 nay
Amendment 2	31 yea	27 nay

Thank you all for your careful consideration and study of these two important changes to our international club structure. There was open and respectful discussion, and we can be proud of ourselves. As your Delegate to International I will present our votes. And this would be a good time to thank Bill Scheuerell for offering to act as alternate.

It's now time to prepare for International in Fryeburg Maine, July 23rd – July 29th. We have several folks planning on attending and I would like to make sure that we make plans to see each other. If you are planning on going, please email me and let me know so that I can put together a mailing list and try to do some coordinating with you all.

Don't forget to hook up that Airstream of yours and hit the road.

And always remember, "Y'all Come Back Now Ya Hear".

Chuck & Janet
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Message From the Editor (cont.)

New member spotlights will be a feature as well as news from current or even past members. I may even share some Club history. We would like to include rally reviews and officer interviews as well as some oddities such as why did you name your Airstream and how many Flamingos do you travel with! Most of all, I like photos, lots of photos and I will be counting on you for some help. We want to thank you for allowing us to continue supporting the club and its activities, I hope you enjoy the inaugural edition of What's What in the Wisc-Up!



Rally Report

Verona County Fairgrounds

By Bill Scheuerell BRN 3649

Joanne Peterson and Jim Guthrie, Second Vice President, hosted the Spring Rally and Business Meeting in Viroqua on May 19 through 22. At least 16 rigs and 35 members, at least eight of whom are new members, attended. Joanne grew up in this area and Jim and Joanne have ridden their BMW motorcycles on the winding driftless area roads many times with the BMW club. Thus, no surprise, the planning and facilities were top-notch with camp sites on real grass with no mud, friendly wait staff at the chosen restaurants, and long lists of interesting things to do. We camped at the Vernon County Fair Grounds on well-tended grass sites with 30-amp service and available, water, dump station, and modern, clean showers. The convenient Youth Activity Building was available to the rally for breakfast, happy hours, and general use. This camp ground is open all summer except for Vernon County Fair week (September 11 – 18 this year) at \$20 per night if you are in the area and need a site. A reservation would probably not be necessary.

The Friday night fish fry was served at Kickapoo Creekside restaurant in Readstown, southeast of Viroqua. They offered a flavorful Wisconsin fish fry with amazingly efficient service. It was a good time to get to get reacquainted after a long winter. The Saturday luncheon and business meeting was held at Borgen's Café in Westby, north of Viroqua. The menu was limited due to our group's size but the choices were varied and the food was good. The many homemade pie choices were very popular. President Chuck Zellermayer provided a complete agenda for the business meeting as well as several advance email messages about the two national constitution amendments that were voted on. The discussion concerning amendment 2 showed that about a third of those present felt it was being rushed to approval for no urgent reason. Both amendments were approved in the business meeting but members who voted by email before May 20 may have changed the outcome. The minutes of the meeting will be posted on the Wisc-Up Club website.

There was plenty of time to explore and enjoy the many things to do in the area including fishing the nearby Kickapoo River, a renowned trout stream, trying other restaurants, the Saturday Viroqua Farmer's Market, and touring the back roads on the hunt for Amish furniture and crafts.

Some Odds and Ends

Airstream Wanted!

From Region 7 President Jane Carmichael (BRN 219)

My friend Cindy and her husband live outside of Omaha. She is interested in buying an Airstream and has asked me to let my Airstream friends know in case they hear of an Airstream for sale. Cindy and I pulled gooseneck horse trailers with living quarters and hauled our horses to trails in the west and midwest. We met at a trail ride in Eminence, Missouri 25 years ago.

“We are interested in a 2008 or newer 20-25’ Airstream. We live in Nebraska and would travel for the right one! Please message me at 402 690 1574 with your information.”

How do you Celebrate?

July has the biggest holiday of the Summer, the 4th of July! We want to see how you celebrate. Are you on the road or at home? Are you in Cody, WY enjoying the biggest 4th of July Parade I have ever seen or at home in the back yard with your Slip N Slide? The Editor would like you to share your holiday festivities . Send your photos and a brief explanation to emerick4425@gmail and I will put your adventures in the next newsletter!

Rally Report (con’t)

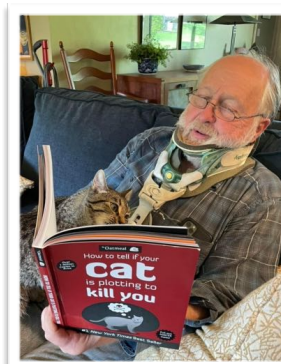
Old Order Amish live in 31 states. Wisconsin is number four after Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Ohio with 120 communities and 15,000 members. The Hillsboro community in Vernon County is Wisconsin’s second largest with eight church districts. As you may imagine there are many opportunities to seek out Amish crafts and finding them is more than half the fun. This is the heart of the driftless area in Wisconsin and the county highways and town roads offer beautiful scenery on your way to finding, or getting lost, on your way to a cabinet maker, green house, or other crafter.

The Viroqua Rally was an excellent beginning of the 2022 season. See you down the road in Milwaukee in June.

Business meeting luncheon



Breakfast in the Barn



Rally hosts Jim Guthrie and Joanne Peterson.



Rally On!



The Amish Walmart



Rod & Richard looking at a Rain Guard



Dinner introductions by Jim and Tim



AND there were Flamingos (we will discuss this phenomenon in a later newsletter)



Rally Site

Photos provided by John Cooper, Bill Scheuerell and many others.

New Member Spotlights

June 12, 2022

Richard Goldberg & Kenneth Kayser BRN 11018



In the 20+ years we've been together, we've gone through a few 'phases' - there was the farming phase with sweet corn, potatoes, and about ¼ acre of vegetables, the livestock phases with a few dozen chickens, ducks, and a few beehives, the horse phase where we had two Standard bred horses and a few buggies for rides through town, and finally the RV stage.

Back in 2016, I got the bug to up the ante on our traveling and start seeing the country in a bus conversion. We started with a 1964 GM bus and shortly after switched over to a 1974 GM bus which had been professionally converted on a new bus in 1974. It was great and we really enjoyed seeing the country from that bus. But, it was labor intensive to maintain and a bear to drive sometimes. As nice as the bus was, it was more than we needed in many ways.

About a year and a half ago we started looking at options for downsizing and kept getting drawn to Airstreams at the RV shows. I also have a love for vintage vehicles, so I started looking for a good vintage trailer which we could make our own. After stumbling across a 1994 Excella on the Air Forums classifieds, the next phase began, and now we are both looking forward to traveling around the country in our newly-refreshed 25-ft Airstream.

Cheryl Racette and Allen Stasiewski BRN 9753



Hi all, we are Cheryl Racette and Allen Stasiewski, BRN 9753 from Wind Lake WI. We are condo owners for the last 5 years and very much enjoy lake life. Prior to moving to Wind Lake we lived in Waukesha for 30 years where we raised our 3 kids.

We both worked in healthcare at Aurora Health Care in Milwaukee and retired after 42 (Cheryl) and 45 (Allen) years.

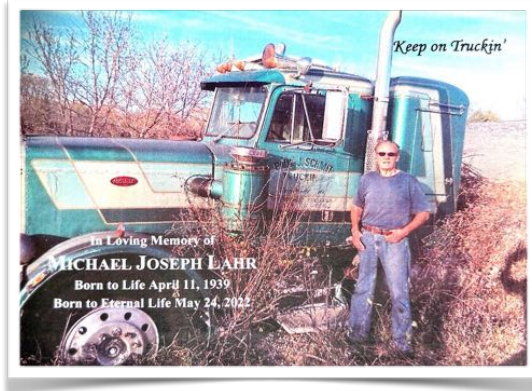
We travel in our 2021 Airstream Flying Cloud 25 FBT.

We are loving our travels and getting to know our fellow WI and UP Airstreamers. As mentioned previously we have 3 children, 2 married sons and our daughter is getting married in November of this year. We have a 2 1/2 year old grandson and a new granddaughter, who will be arriving in September, in Missoula, Montana. We're hoping to spend more time traveling west and southwest next year and seeing our grandchildren while doing it!

We have E-bikes and kayaks which we totally love. We both enjoy seeing new places and discovering new adventures. Cheryl loves to garden, boat, and generally meet new people. We both grew up camping, in tents, a pop-up and now our Airstream.

We attended Alumapalooza in 2021 and are looking forward to the International Rally in Maine. From Fryeberg, we are joining the Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club on a caravan through Nova Scotia. Cheryl grew up in upper New York State and we're both excited to see this part of North America.

Long Time Member Mike Lahr (BRN 223) Passes



Mike Lahr passed away on May 24, 2022. Some of you will remember Mike and his wife Joan as they were very active in the club, Joan was a past Region 7 President. A Celebration of Mike's life was held at St. James Catholic Church in Menomonee Falls, and he was placed at the Sunnyside Cemetery.

The Meinholz's (BRN19513) Stop in White Sands!

We took a little side trip on our way home and visited White Sands. Amazing place. Sand is never hot, because it is gypsum. A fun day watching kids young and old slide down the hills.



We Have a New Airstreamer!

Kate and Stuart Robertson (BRN 3642) have a new son, Charlie! Charlie arrived on May 9, 2022 and he weighed in at 7 lbs and 5 oz. Charlie will join his sister Lucy and brothers Pradit and Jude on many Airstream adventures in the future. From what this Editor has witnessed, those adventures have already started! Join me in congratulating the Robinsons!



Wisc-UP Milwaukee Rally at the Wisconsin State Fair Park RV Park. June 23-26, 2022

Come Join your hosts (and current President and First Lady) Chuck and Janet Zellermayer (BRN 10230) in Milwaukee, WI for a fun filled weekend.

Friday we will be gathering at 4 pm for one of Milwaukee's most outstanding Friday night events but first we will have a private group tour of Lake Front Brewery. Absolutely one of the best tours around. After the tour we will immediately be taken to their beer garden where we will eat an amazing fish fry. And entertained by a Polka Band. Dancing is absolutely OK!

On Saturday there will be a tailgate party where your President will cook some dogs and brats. After lunch we are off to see the Brewers play Toronto. We will all be sitting together in Loge outfield seats with an amazing view of the field.

The weekend can also be filled with many other activities including; the Harley Museum, the Milwaukee Art Museum, the Cedarburg Strawberry Festival, St. Mary's Dousman Strawberry Fest. There are too many craft breweries to be named here but exploring can be fun!

Hiking and biking is available on the Hank Aaron State Trail. The trail runs through State Fair Park and you can go all the way to the lake. Milwaukee Public Market in the Historic Third Ward is something you should see As well as the Mitchell Park Domes. Of course there are world class restaurants everywhere.

Come join Chuck and Janet as they explore Milwaukee!

Ferry Tales II Rally on Washington Island August 25 -28, 2002

Dave Sherman and Vicki Engelstad (BRN 2412) are excited to be hosting our second Rally on Washington Island in Door County Friday. They have coordinated the Rally with the 10th Annual Death's Door BBQ, a Kansas City Barbecue Society (KCBS) sanctioned competition. The KCBS is the largest competitive barbecue organization in the world and the contestants on the island will be competing for \$8,000.00 in prize money.

We will start the weekend with a meet and greet Happy Hour Thursday evening. BYO drinks and a snack to share. It's a time to renew old friendships and make new ones.

Friday morning, come early as we have arranged a private Cherry Train Tour of the island to introduce you to some of it's the more interesting features. The narrated guided tour will pick us up at the campground at 8:30 to start our day's adventures. After arriving back at the campground you have the rest of the day to explore the island on your own. This is also a great time to take the Rock Island Ferry to Rock Island State Park to visit the remains of the Chester Thordarson estate and perhaps hike to the north end of the island and tour the Pottawatomie Lighthouse.

Saturday's main event is the Death's Door BBQ located at the island's airport. The gates open at 10:00 am. Besides sampling the BBQ treats there are arts and crafts, kids games, live music, and beer. Saturday evening, if you haven't had enough to eat, there is a traditional Door County Fish Boil available on the island. But the day is not over yet., there will be a live band playing at the campground Saturday night!

Check out our website for more information!

Membership News From Pattie Cook (BRN 22562)

We would like to welcome our newest Members:

Jeff and Caryle McCaffery (BRN 10258) of McHenry, IL

Cory and Joseph Bush (BRN 4333) of Burlington, WI

Pattie would like to remind us to be sure each adult member in your Airstream has an email on file with the club. It is especially important since Airstream International Club voting is unique to the primary and partner emails allowing one vote each.

The partner email addition/correction can be made via our International Membership Coordinator, Amanda Hughes: phone (937) 596-5211 or email membership@airstreamclub.org



Pattie & Jim at Skidaway Island State Park, FL

A Message From the Freyberg International Rally Volunteer Coordinator Chair



Are you attending the 65th WBAC International rally in Fryberg, Maine? Please consider volunteering to help getting things rolling. An event like this takes many hands to make it happen so all can have fun and enjoy their time at the Rally.

Can you spare an hour, or a few hours to help out? This is a great opportunity to meet people from across the United States. You can learn of their experiences and places they have been to. You will meet old friends and make new friends. It's just plain fun!

Join our volunteer team to enhance your time at the Rally!

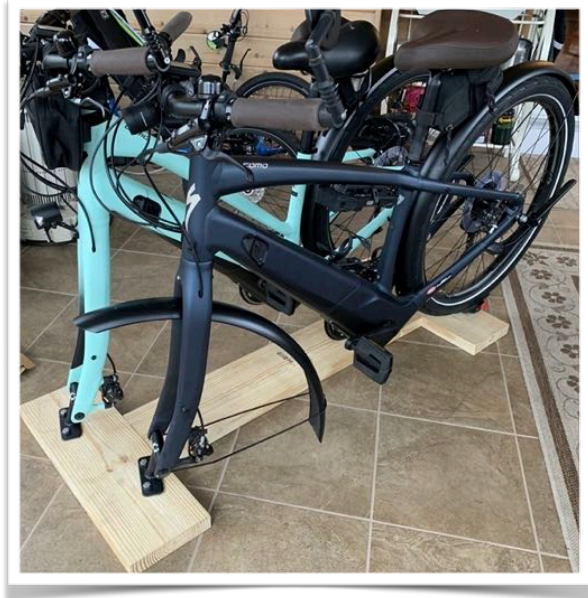
Register at airstreamclub.org scroll to 'Are you interested in volunteering?' Click on the link to help us. Or use this link to go directly to the Volunteer page: airstreamclub.org

Fred Bryant
WBCCI Rally Coordinator

Repairs, Restorations & Cool Airstream Things

E-Bike Rack - Contribution by Jeff McCaffrey (BRN 10258)

Jeff made a bike rack for his E-bikes that fit in his Airstream. He used the Kuat thru-axle mounts so he made a rack out of an 8' 2x8. He used lap joints to make it stronger and tee nuts with 3/8" bolts for the mounts. He had some old Yakima rear wheel trays with straps that work to keep the rear wheels from moving around. and everything fits between the twin beds. He said that it might be overkill, but he also made a stop brace that fits between the shower and bathroom walls. He is adding some 3M rubber non-slip tape to the bottom to add some protection. He did have to remove the front fender from the wife's bike but it's a quick change and is looking forward to having the bikes out of the weather and away from prying eyes. Also there is another bonus; the rack will work in the bed of the truck if we want to transport to a local trail with some ratchet straps to keep everything in place.



Repairs, Restorations & Cool Airstream Things

Todd Bavery's (BRN 7880) Solar Project

Dry camping at Buckhorn State Park, testing out the new Zamp Solar Panels before we really get off the grid later this summer. The Zamp plug & play panels worked great! However, I quickly realized that the wiring for the outside port was not connected to the batteries. Thankfully, I had the right wrenches to correct the connection. Even though I was wired for solar, and have the lithium battery upgrade, the connection was never done.

This is our 2021 Globetrotter 25FBT and our first trip of the year, The Bourbon Trail, which consisted of 8 days, 12 distilleries including Mammoth Cave. We spent 4 nights at My Old Kentucky Home state park, 2 nights at Harvest Hosts and a COE site - we got a lot done!



Our Members' Travel Adventures

Zachary & Stephanie Lee (BRN 8583) Travel Route 66

I had a friend's wedding in California in early April and I decided to cross a trip off my bucket list, Route 66 from Chicago, IL to Santa Monica, CA. I did this at the end of March over 10 days in my 1999 Airstream B190 Van. I typically am focused on the time when traveling long distances trying to get from A to B as fast as I can, so it was hard for me to slow down and experience all the small stops. I kept reminding myself to take it slow and enjoy the scenery. I used the Route 66 Navigator app on my phone to keep me on the historical route as much as possible.

On my way back to WI my brother (BRN 9115) caravanned with me with his 2021 30' Flying Cloud for our annual Door County camping trip with my family. My brother, Mathew Lee, and his wife Meghan (BRN 24601) gather us for a season opener at Wagon Trail Campground every year. I attached some photos of all our rigs parked at my house in preparation for an early departure.



An Editor's Note

Sandy and I would like to thank all of you that have submitted articles, notes, photos and provided support. This newsletter would not be possible without your help. If we have failed to include something that you have sent, please send it again. If we didn't respond to you for some reason we apologize! Our first attempt has been quite the learning experience!

Next Month, a Full Report from the Kids Kids Kids Rally as well as the Milwaukee Rally!

