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June 2022 President's Report

Hi Piedmont Club,

I am sure for most of you it has been a busy summer so far, as it has been for us. Diane is fully recovered from her knee replacement surgery and we are on the go. Either going camping or getting ready to for the next adventure.

The Piedmont Club has just completed 2 exciting rallies. One in Hot Springs, NC hosted by Todd and Debbie Stroud. Unfortunately, Diane and I did not get to attend this one due to the knee surgery, but I have gotten feedback from some of the club members in attendance and as usual, Todd and Debbie did a great job hosting with lots of activities and good food. Of course they are old hands being rally host and they never disappoint the rally goers. Thank you Todd and Debbie for once again stepping up to host!!!

Diane and I were able to attend the rally in Waynesville, NC. Our hosts - Stedman Brown and Tami Lowe and Jim and Amy Mount did a fantastic job! There was great food, happy hours - both organized and impromptu, games and activities, and good fellowship and did I mention great food. We even had a dutch oven cooking demonstration by Steve and Leslie Lovett, (they are experts at this). They cooked cornbread and pigs-in-a-blanket and made it look so easy. Thanks Steve and Leslie!! . And the most exciting part of the rally was the fact that we had four couples that were attending their first rally. Another exciting thing was this rally was the most attended rally the Piedmont Club has held.

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It was very exciting to see new faces and to make new friends. We had a couple of Palmetto Club members attend, John and Susan Leake- John is a Region 3 Past President and host Alumalina, and Terry and Annie Montgomery who are also very involved in the Alumalina rally. Thank you to the hosts and to all who attended for making this rally such a success.

One other significant thing took place during this rally. Stedman Brown turned over the reins as club treasurer to Jim Mount. I'm not exactly sure how long Stedman has been treasurer but he's held the position since I joined the club 4 years ago and I'm quite positive it's been much longer than 4 years. Thank you Stedman for serving this club for all this time. It is people like Stedman that keep the club going by volunteering. I'm sure Jim has some big shoes to fill. Collecting the rally fees and keeping the records quickly indoctrinated him. I'm sure Jim will do a fantastic job.

We're about 3 weeks away from the International Rally in Fryburg, ME. According to my count we have 10 units going in to the rally together. We have a caravan of 7 units traveling together and there's still time to join in on the fun. Just let me know if you need more information.

Have a great summer and I hope to see you soon!

Bill Byrum

President, Piedmont ASC



Happy Independence Day!



I can show my pride of the WBCCI everywhere!

Happy June Everyone. Today was an amazing day for me. I was an avid gardener when I lived in NJ. Living on the North Carolina coast has been a hardship for me when it comes to gardening. Sand for soil and low PH prove to be a challenge. Well today after 16 years I picked the 2 nicest tomatoes I think I ever laid eyes on. I got them before the wildlife, hornworms and blossom rot. Yes its a wonderful day. When someone has a passion for something the reward can be a tremendous boost when success greets us.

At this stage of my life my hobbies and interests are traveling with our Airstream and sharing time with new and established friends, woodturning on a lathe and gardening. In order to pick those 2 spectacular tomatoes I regrouped a few years ago. I call it getting back to the basics. So I researched how to improve soil. Not just any soil because I already had a composting and soil enrichment program with my garden in NJ. I needed help with sandy soil or sand and dry weather conditions. Well I learned about Biochar and how this age old soil enrichment could help my gardening challenges. It took 3 years of patience, persistence and following my belief that one day there would be a great home grown tomato for my savory BLT on slightly toasted white bread.

Jane and I are celebrating 5 years with our FlyingCloud 28 and it proves to be much like my gardening passion. There now seems to be normal upkeep and maintenance that proves to be much like my gardening experience. The nice thing is, learning how to move forward from the day to day needs of the rig makes for a more rewarding experience. Learning what makes the rigs heartbeat makes for an overall better journey. Its the journey that we Airstreamers ultimately are in it for.

Don't forget the September rally at Seahaven RV and Marine. Jane and I are looking forward to hosting another enjoyable event. Please call me with any questions at 910 508-3773.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS FOR JUNE 2022

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Piedmont NC Airstream Club welcomes our **NEWEST AFFILIATE MEMBERS** ó Randall (Randy) & Elizabeth Fry! They live in Greenville, NC and their primary Airstream Club is Carolinas. Look for the Fryø Big Red Number, 14942, on their vintage 1969 25-foot Tradewind.

Affiliate member renewals have also been received for Amanda & Ray Nimocks and John & Susan Leake. Both couples are active in their øHome Clubö of Carolinas (Nimocks) and Palmetto State (Leake). We LOVE our Affiliate members and are thrilled when they come to Piedmont Club Rallies!

Piedmont Club members, remember you can also be an øAffiliate Memberö of other local Airstream Clubs by paying a \$15 membership fee to another Club via the online membership process. Being an Affiliate Member is a wonderful way to stay in touch with other Airstream Clubs via their newsletters and Club communications.

Piedmont Club says øGoodbyeö to Terry & Nicki Cormier. They recently sold their 33-foot Classic Airstream in order to be close to their family. Nicki shared that they enjoyed the Club events and wished all Piedmont Club members øsafe and trouble-free travels.ö



A blast from the past, year unknown.

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
May 19-22 2022	PIEDMONT AC RALLY	Hot Springs	Hot Springs Resort & Spa	Todd & Debbie Stroud
June 2022 23-26th	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