

WISC-UP



What's What In the WISC-UP Airstream Club

Upcoming Events

Ferry Tales II

Washington Island, Wisconsin
August 25 - 28, 2022

WISC-UP/Region 7 Mini Rally

WISC-UP Business Meeting and
Installation of Officers
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 while we are
away from home. 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. Any questions or
concerns, please contact:
Sandy Emerick
semerick4425@gmail.com



The View From Clara Bell (2012 FC RBT)

President Chuck Zellermayer

Lobstas in Maine

My friends in silver. We just returned from the 65th International Rally of WBCCI in Maine. There were 915 Airstreams and about 1,650 members attending. We were able to renew many friendships from rallies & caravans past. We also were able to meet a ton of new folks. Not a bad apple in the bunch. We were able to spend time with those of you from WISC-UP that were in attendance. Janet & I just wished we could have spent even more time with you. And, yes, we did eat lobster with our friends on the RAT team.

For me the real highlight was getting to spend time with the RATs (Rally Arrival Team). This is my 2nd time working with them and I'm really looking forward to working with them at the 66th International in Rock Springs, WY. It will be epic. We (cont.)



Message From the Editor

A note of recognition; I failed to properly identify the author of last month's article "Airstream Electrical Upgrades", as John Cooper (BRN 1336). Thanks John!

We have had some really good input for the newsletter this month as we have received almost 100 emails! These include technical articles, family updates, travel logs, photos and some other items. We can't thank you enough for the support, it's almost overwhelming. One thing we have learned in the past three months is just ask and you will come to our aid. As we have said in the past, if you send it we will get it in this newsletter. If not this month, then next month, we will work it in. Keep those cards and letters coming.

This month we have something very special to share with you, an article from your Immediate Past International President Tye Mott. I asked Tye if he would tell us a little about his (cont.)

The View From Clara Bell (cont.)

will go out a little early so that we can spend time with our daughter Kim and her family who live in UT. We plan on making a summer of it. We love the West, and this is going to be a wonderful opportunity to see some places we've been to before and see some new places that we've never been. Isn't that why we Airstream?

Our new ACI President, Eric McHenry and his wife, LaVerne also worked with us for the 2 weeks prior to the rally on the RAT team. It was a special opportunity to work, talk & party with them. I had met Eric before, but this time allowed me to discuss WBCCI with him. I am very excited by his vision for ACI going forward. Also, he and LaVerne are special folks. I'm very excited about our future. I do believe we are in good hands.

By the way, there are a lot of opportunities to volunteer at International. And it really is a great way to meet new friends and get a lot more out of the event. Just ask new WISC-UP member, Steve Schruender. Steve dusted off his trumpet that he told me he hadn't played in years and played with the band. He tells me he had a lot of fun. And I will say I was able to hear his performing and he was awesome! Lisa seemed to be pretty proud.

As we head into our Fall camping season, I am looking forward to seeing y'all at Washington Island & Manistique. We will be installing our new officers and holding the Fall Meeting at the WISC-UP/Region 7 Rally in Manistique MI, so please plan on being there.

I have had some inquiries about our new club flag. Please contact John Cooper. The King of Flags.

Well, I've taken up enough space since I know Editor Ed has a ton of pictures this month. So, keep your silver shiny and point yourself in a direction you've never been before.

And always Y'all Come Back Now Ya Hear!
Chuck & Janet Zellermayer (BRN 10230)

Message From the Editor (cont.)

experience as International President and he sent the article contained in this edition. I can't thank him enough.

We also have a new feature this month; Member Spotlight. I have reached out to a number of current members to share their Airstream experiences with us and Bob and Heidi Manak (BRN 6151) have written a nice article to share with you. Thank you for doing this. So don't be shy, reach out to me and let me know you are willing to share your experiences with us too! If not, I guess I will have to hunt you down to get something for next month. (OR I will have to share the Badger story)

We hope you enjoy this issue of the "What's What in the WISC-UP"!



Being International President

Tye Mott (BRN 7719)

Immediate Past International President



Having been asked what it is like being the International President, has caused me to reflect upon the rewards and challenges. As the Unit President you learn to watch out for the unit members, as the Region President you watch out for members of your Region, but as the International President you are watching out for all of the Airstream Club membership. This is like walking a tight rope because you need to stay neutral to represent all of the membership. You can't have an opinion as everyone is watching every word you speak. I been told I was in favor for and against an issue that I could not speak my thoughts. As your International President it was "my job" to facilitate the resolution of various issues to benefit the membership as a whole. While a significant part of my duties involved managerial process, the fun of this job was meeting members across the country and to work as a team to answer questions while attending all the great rallies. It never mattered if it was speaking in front of a crowd or one on one, I (cont.)

Membership News

Pattie Cook (BRN 22562)

We would like to welcome our newest Members!

Tammy and Joe Narance BRN
7173 Waupun, WI

Toby and Jodi Horon BRN
1550 Lake Geneva, WI

David and Robin Mabie BRN
12657 Verona, WI

Anne Karjala-Dobbins and Brian
Dobbins BRN 21123
Green Bay, WI

Pattie Cook is the WISC-UP
Membership Chair and if you
have any membership
questions please feel free to
contact her:

pattiecook@new.rr.com

Editor's Apology

We have incorrectly spelled the names of two of our new members and would like to correct our mistake. We apologize and we aim to do better!

Welcome again!

Eleanor & Clair Oppriecht
BRN 4122

Cory & Joseph Busch
BRN 4333

WISC-UP Airstream Club

Being International President (cont.)

was always amazed at the questions and responses from all of you. What I needed to learn was listen, interpret, and communicate. This sounds easy but with so many people with all of their own opinion, it gets to be mind blowing at times. I did the best I could do keeping in mind all the time, that members come first. I never wanted to be known as the president that forced change or traditions to "streamline the club to be like other clubs. We are a very unique and looked upon club, some officers and members do not understand that the real core and heart of this club is our members. I manage to keep my hand on the pulse of the club to keep us moving forward at a steady rate. I hope we never become the same as other clubs because then we are in trouble. With this all being said and the great International Rally in Fryeburg Maine, I feel I have completed what the membership wanted and needed. I fulfilled my dream of being your International President and the rewards were great and the trials seem minor now. The memories of meeting so many of you as well as enjoying the adventure will stay with me forever. I will end this by saying "Airstreaming Following my Dream" (my logo on the back of my truck) taught me to go for any dream no matter what others say .

YOU CAN DO ANYTHING YOU PUT YOUR MIND TO.

Our Members' Travel Adventures

Bill & Carolyn Holloway (BRN 4112)



Bill and Carolyn spent a week at Yellowstone National Park with their grandkids, Nina and Miles.

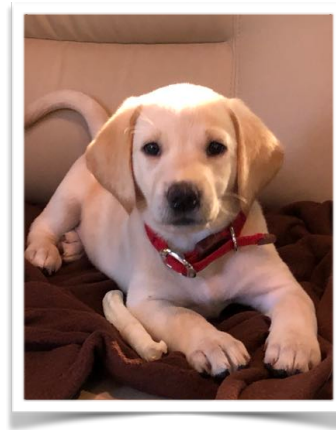
Our Members' Travel Adventures

Ginger & Joe Slattery (BRN 2041)

Ginger and Joe began their Airstream camping season in Fairmont MN at the Minnesota Club's Rally, May 12-15. Ginger writes "We got reacquainted with friends we hadn't seen since last August and met many new friends! Among the fun was a bacon cook off, installation of the Region VP's, and a gift of gratitude for our outgoing President, Jane!"



The Jorgensens (BRN 6104) Have a New Puppy!



Kurt and Mary Jorgensen have recently added a new family member. After the sudden death of their beloved dog Tilley, they found the house too quiet, so they obtained a new puppy. Here is a picture of her - Sadie - another British lab like Tilley. Although the AKC lumps all labs together, British labs have a few different traits: they are smaller, calmer, they have different field trials, and are avid hunters. They can also swim so Butters should be aware of that! She should be along on the Washington Island event if you want to meet her.



This Editor has observed that the new addition can be a stinker! However, she seems to have recovered nicely.....

Members' Adventures

Boondocking at MH-RV Hall of Fame Allen Stasiewski & Cheryl Racette (BRN 9753)

An Eventful Summer...so far

I'm writing this while boondocking at the RV-MH Hall of Fame on Hwy 80 near Elkhart, Indiana. Cheryl and I are on our way the International Airstream Rally in Fryeburg, Maine, our first International. We're very excited!

It's been an eventful summer so far. When we got our new Airstream 1 1/2 years ago, I knew we were in for some exciting new adventures. Our spring and summer have been packed with wonderful Airstream travels! But they have come with a cost. Let me list them here: Hail damage to our truck and Airstream on a trip to a friend's cabin near Lake Tomahawk, a deer collision on that same trip on our return, a broken truck cap door/window when I pulled into our garage and it shattered, and a flat tire on the day before we left on this trip to the International.

Now I'm new to Airstreaming, but this sure seems like we've run into a string of bad luck. Actually, you can probably attribute the hail, deer, and flat tire to luck, the door disaster was truly my fault. I was too busy, too tired, and in a hurry. I made a mistake. And, we all know that this is when disaster strikes, and it did.

So you may ask, after all of this, have you had enough? Let me answer you this way. The sun is setting, it's cooling down outside and I'm relaxing in my very own Airstream. Lessons learned? Sure. But we love traveling and we love Airstreaming, and we love experiencing new things and meeting new people. And what about all the troubles? Well, we're stronger and we're smarter because of them, and a bit poorer!



Member Update

Gina Eggers & Mark Kasten (BRN 3732) are Married!

Our congratulations and best wishes for much happiness go out to Gina and Mark! May you enjoy many years of happy travels!



Our Members' Travel Adventures

Dale & Sandy Houge BRN 6188

Dale & Sandy go on a road trip to pick up their Airstream and discovered they didn't have proper toasting ware. But they did have a measuring cup! Airstreamers always know how to improvise.....



New Member Spotlight

**Jim and Heather Smith
(BRN 10192)**



Hi there, we are Jim and Heather Smith. We are natives of Door County, WI. We have been RVing for a couple of years. We started out with a Super C Diesel that seemed so big and just weren't thrilled with our decision. Jim has always admired Airstreams and couldn't figure out why we didn't buy one to begin with. Last Christmas we stumbled upon a new AS and purchased our Pottery Barn sight unseen. We have had the opportunity to take a few trips with her and are thoroughly enjoying the AS experience. Our maiden voyage was the Kentucky Bourbon Trail in April. When we aren't busy working as an Attorney and Real Estate Broker, we enjoy taking short jaunts to Washington Island in Door County with our AS and two Siberian huskies, Laika and Mishka. We are excited to be part of this group and learn more about AS adventures, tips and tricks and meeting fellow AS owners.

Member Spotlight

Bob and Heidi Manak (BRN 6151)



We are both Waukesha County, Wisconsin natives who grew up within a few miles of each other. However, we did not meet until we both worked at a community hospital where Heidi was a clinical dietitian/nutritionist and Bob was plant operations director. We are married for 41 plus years now and have two daughters, 3 year old and 3 month old grandsons, a cat, and a grandcat.

We started family camping in 1990 when we bought a pop-up tent trailer after a trial run with a rented one. Our early expeditions took us to national parks and national forests "out West" as well as extended weekend getaways to state parks. We got a lot of mileage out of that pop-up, but we couldn't deny that we envied those travelers with those iconic Airstreams driving "down the road."

By the time Bob retired we decided that we definitely had enough of the set-up and take-down of a pop-up trailer in all kinds of weather, and we (cont.)

Your Nominating Chairman Needs Your Help

Rod Fierek (BRN 1924)



HELP NEEDED beginning October 2022.

We are seeking an interested WISC-UP member to serve as club TREASURER.

The job pays nothing, and the work is completely behind the scenes.

You need modest proficiency with addition and subtraction. Some skill at multiplication would be handy, but not necessary if you can add long columns of numbers. A computer might be useful. So would a pencil and scratch paper.

Get involved. Help the club. Meet new friends on the Executive Board.

Contact Rod Fierek at rodfierek@gmail.com for further details.

Member Spotlight

**Bob and Heidi Manak (BRN 6151)
(cont.)**

purchased our 2007 Ocean Breeze International 25' Airstream trailer in mid-summer 2006. We have been active Airstreamers ever since. We have attended seven international rallies, and Bob has done the aerial photography for the "pre-drone" Madison, Gillette, and Du Quoin rallies. We began traveling on caravans in 2013 with the Cajun Caravan, and since then have done the Southwest Adventure, Viking Trail, Taste of the Blue Ridge Mountains, Canadian Rockies and Florida Fantasy Caravan. We also caravanned on a couple of unit caravans that Ed and Sandy led. All of the caravans we did gave us the opportunity to see many places we would have never seen with old friends and make new friends with those who also have one of "those iconic Airstreams".

Bob continues to serve as webmaster for the WISC-UP Club and Region 7, works with the International Technical Committee, and produces the WISC-UP directory. Heidi was past membership chair for the WISC-UP Club and Bob was Past WISC-UP President. Besides Airstreaming, Bob's interests include computer-related activities and photography. Heidi's interests include word games and reading.

Needless to say, Airstreaming is a big part of our life in retirement and we look forward to more adventures, staying connected with old friends and continuing to make new friends "down the road."



We Rally Together!

WISC-UP/ Region 7 Rally

If you haven't already, it's time to call the Jack Pine Lodge to reserve a site. The dates for this rally are Thursday September 22 to Sunday September 25, 2022.

Call the Jack Pine Lodge at [906.573.2041](tel:906.573.2041) to reserve a site. Please mention you are with the Airstream group.

You will be in a rural area, north of Manistique, MI, in the Hiawatha National Forest along the Haywire Trail. Cabins are also available at the Jack Pine Lodge.

Boondocking sites are available for overflow — so please don't hesitate to use your unplugged Airstream for this rally.

After you reserve a site, please let me know. Call/text [906.236.3677](tel:906.236.3677) or email janecarmichael2000@yahoo.com. It will be easier to make arrangements when I know you are joining the fun.

This is a no-rally fee gathering. You pay for your campsite, meals, and entrance to Kitch-iti-kipi, (\$9) unless you have a Michigan Recreation Pass.

(Cont.)



News From Our New Region President Ginger Slattery (BRN 2041)

Greetings!

Joe and I are finally home for a spell after a very busy 3 months traveling to various rallies, beginning with Fairmont, Mn in May, Medora, ND in June and the International Rally in Fryeburg, ME. It's been an exciting time for me, especially, as I was installed as Region 7 President at the end of the International Rally. I want to thank all of you who have so warmly greeted me and have made me feel a part of this region! I value the experience and advice from those who have been here before me! I also want to hear from all of you with any suggestions, comments or questions! My email is virginiabslattery@gmail.com. My phone number is [906.250.6931](tel:906.250.6931) for calls or texts. Do not be surprised if I don't answer. Please leave a message and I will return your call. My phone automatically silences calls from numbers not in my contact list.

My goals for the next 2 years are:

1. To increase communication not only with all the units but between the units.
2. To keep you all informed about the many changes that will be coming in the next year.
3. To do as much camping and rallies with you all as we can! That's the main reason we all join a club, eh?

As you may have guessed by #2, both of the constitutional amendments passed. There will be a lot of clarifying and "housekeeping" done over the next year. An example of housekeeping was changing all of the terms "Executive Committee" to the new "Executive Council" which was passed at the July 30 IBT meeting.

Another motion that was approved was a Policy for Amending the Constitution. It was agreed that motions may be brought forward anytime during the year and considered, but a vote by the members will occur only 1 time per year. (Cont.)

WISC-UP/ Region 7 Rally (Cont.)

Please plan to make a few meals on the open grill, share a potluck, prepare a picnic lunch and bring an appetizer to Happy Hour.

Flamingo attire is encouraged!

Join us for a busy schedule of activities. The Team Trivia & Treasure Hunt is sure to be a hit and the Auction will be wild!

NOTE: The auction includes a Yamaha EF 2000is generator, a Zip Dee Solar Shade, Surge Guard 44270, Breeze Fan, X Chocks, Zip Dee awning handles, & Rod Fierek custom items, plus more!

Check it out at:

www.jackpinelodgeup.com

Looking forward to see each of you!



News From Our Region President Ginger Slattery (Cont.)

The last motion to be approved dealt with changing the name of National Rallies. After much discussion, and additional amendments, the name is being changed to National Event Rallies.

A change to how IBT (International Board of Trustees) meetings will be conducted beginning with the August 1 year is the IBT meeting will be held quarterly instead of twice per year. They will be predominantly Zoom meetings with an in-person meeting scheduled for May 2023 at Jackson Center. I will update you on any changes either by unit newsletter or getting a Regional newsletter out.

One last piece of International news. Mona Heath is forming a Nomination Committee to select candidates for the Executive Council that you, the membership, will be voting on next June. No special qualifications are required other than love of Airstream Club International! You can contact Mona directly at monaheath@icloud.com if you want to participate on this important committee.

Speaking of fun! Our Region Rally will be in Spring Green, WI and I will nail the date down this week. I am looking for a planning committee to help with locations, crafts, meals, entertainment and all that fun stuff! Please let me know if you're interested in planning! Thanks!

I'm looking forward to getting to meet you all and listening to your experiences and ideas!

See you down the road!

Great Auction Items!



Starlink in the Wild

Jeff Harwig (BRN 7331)

Jeff sent us this photo taken in a rest area on a Maine highway.



A Safety Reminder

from Rod Fierek (BRN 1924)

When the temperatures are in the 100's and you are running the AC on high, check your power connection. This heat can melt your 30 amp plug.



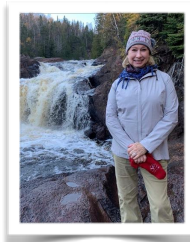
The Upper Peninsula of Michigan Yoopers, Wisconsin, and their History

By Gina Kasten (BRN 3732)

The Upper Peninsula of Michigan is a unique and misunderstood part of Michigan. Historically it should have been part of Wisconsin, and most Yoopers identify more with Wisconsin than lower Michigan. The U.P. has often felt a disconnect between itself and its lower mitten. We share more than 200 miles of land border with Wisconsin but are only connected to the mitten by the Mackinac Bridge. If you live "below" the Mackinac Bridge you are called a "troll," and I don't think this is an affectionate moniker. People who live in the U.P. cheer the Packers, shop in Green Bay, and are part of the Region 7 WBCCI, not Region 4 that includes lower Michigan, Ohio, and West Virginia.

How the new state of Michigan (which became a state in 1837), acquired the U.P. is quite an interesting story. When the United States acquired the land that would later become the states of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, and Wisconsin in 1787, the boundaries of this area were murky. The state of Ohio and the territory of Michigan (not yet a state) battled over a 500 square mile strip of land called the Toledo strip. This area encompasses modern day Toledo and Maumee Bay on Lake Erie. As any self-respecting land-locked state would do, Ohio was fighting for access to Lake Erie. Who wouldn't want lake-front property if they could get it? Fortunately, the war was very short-lived, and no one got hurt except a general who shot himself in the foot.

Since Ohio was a state and Michigan was not, Ohio had more clout with the US government. President Andrew Jackson needed Ohio's electoral votes in this election year and wanted Ohio to be happy. Congress stepped in with a compromise, hoping that Michigan would be appeased by the deal (it wasn't). If Michigan would give Ohio the land strip in question, Michigan would acquire the land that is now the upper peninsula and become a state. Since the U.P. was mostly trees, rocks, snow, and ice (and no roads to speak of), it didn't sound like a very good deal. Michigan resisted, but it wanted statehood, and a cut of the Federal surplus money given to states in 1836. It cost a lot of money to pay a militia to patrol the Michigan-Ohio border. So, in 1837, Michigan became an official state (Wisconsin was still a territory at this time so had little say in the matter). Michigan was given the land that is now the U.P. and what a gem it is! I can't even imagine wanting Toledo instead of Marquette. Lake Superior was a great trade for Maumee Bay on Lake Erie. But I guess it explains a bit about Yoopers' affection for Wisconsin. Lower Michigan didn't want us, and I don't think we've ever forgiven them for that.



Gina Kasten
Reformed Troll
Proud Yooper
Married to a Cheesehead

Repairs, Restorations & Cool Airstream Things

Airstream Electrical Drama



Greg Hyer (BRN 4297)

I'm the guy who solved my storage problem in a 2013 Bambi 22 by selling it and buying a 2016 Flying Cloud 27 in 2019. So, tackling electrical projects seemed a bit daunting but for two key things – You Tube/Internet Forums and much handier friends in the Club (one of many benefits of Club membership BTW).

First Act: My Propane Detector (little green light low on wall “somewhere” on trailers 1996 or later) randomly beeped and then went silent and dark late last year. I bought a new detector (only good for five to seven years), connected and it was still dead. After much internet sleuthing and couple of exchanges with Airstream support: “there is a 1 amp fuse either right behind the detector (NO) wherever all the electrical connections/distribution are located (lots of thoughts on location depending on year and model of trailer). Mine was in the mess of wires in front storage compartment, under bed behind a removable panel (see picture 1, fuse holder is yellow tube with label and small black wire). It was marked and easy (not to find or access) but to replace. Problem solved.

Second Act: Jackson Center added/upgraded solar panels last fall at end of season. After install, PV controller/battery monitor above sink was no longer correctly reading battery capacity. It read 85% when battery was at 100%. On way back from Viroqua event, the monitor went dark. Airstream support claimed original controller/monitor would not work (maybe from upgrade) with my batteries (only piece of wrong advice I've received from them). The PV (photo voltaic) controller/battery monitor tracks how much energy solar panels generate and charges the batteries with that energy as needed. Airstream uses a newer Atkinson Sun Explorer controller/monitor (easiest replacement option that provides less information and is not Bluetooth compatible). The most common and “all the internet rage” is the Victron controller and monitor (one for the panels and a separate one for the battery – both Bluetooth compatible). Victron (much like early Prius owners on gas mileage) lets you tell everyone, in great detail, how much energy you are generating from your panels and using in your trailer (really, in real time or overtime on your phone, want to see? I'll be happy to show you).

Picture 1 is the original install. The small black horizontal rectangle in the middle of the photo is the original Atkinson controller. I “did my own research” on the internet and thought I had a handle on what all the stuff is and does and what needed to be done to install new gear. I contacted a club member (to whom I am very thankful but will not name to protect him from any responsibility for this project but happy to shout praises about him if you tackle this project) to confirm I was on the right track. He corrected a couple of misunderstandings, added a couple of things I missed and instilled some over-confidence in me to move forward.

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Airstream Electrical Drama (Cont.)

Picture 2 shows the completed install. I had to move three existing items around to create enough space (the wires were long enough). The blue square is the new controller. The black rectangle with red levers are new fuses/switches to turn off power for future maintenance (instead of disconnecting battery and covering solar panels to cut power that needed to be done with original install). The gold/brass big screws on horizontal rectangle to right of fuses/switches is the shunt needed for the battery monitor. The club member took (thankfully) a panic call during install to resolve some confusion on how to connect the shunt with the correct wires.

A few lessons learned:

1. Key wires and fuses were marked for solar panels, batteries, battery monitor and inverter switch.
2. The existing wire connector for the new monitor above sink needs different (of course) wire connector. I did find adapters (after suggestion from another friend that they might exist and after lengthy internet search) to convert existing wire. (If anyone has run a new wire in an existing wall, I'd love to learn the trick.)
3. The old battery monitor was a rectangle, and the new Victron monitor was smaller circle so I had to figure out how to cover the rectangle cutout and found on Amazon some acrylic precut circles I could adapt to cover (Picture 3).
4. My fear of moving existing equipment and wires around and adding new fuses and switches was misplaced. It's logical and "relatively easy".
5. There are moments of panic, confusion, and doubt but there is a solution for every problem.
6. Check the existing 10-amp fuse that fed the old controller (it could have blown and be a reason why your monitor suddenly went blank) -- now you tell me.
7. My original reaction that I didn't need, care about or wouldn't use all of this energy information was misplaced – it will help when boondocking and likely bore folks when I want to share/show them on my phone.
8. "Doing your own research" is great but having experienced, knowledgeable Club folks willing to share their insights is invaluable – I'm grateful.

BTW, I now have wire and tools I'll likely never use again and can be borrowed – one club member to another – or purchased for a "significant member discount". Now if I could only run a new wire in wall for the inverter switch that works but the light that tells you it's on does not work. It's another story on how I know it's the wire and not the switch.

Good luck and happy travels.



Our Members' Travel Adventures

Wayne & Debbie Nighorn, (BRN 23208) Cross County Adventures!

Deb and I just got back from a cross country trip, we left the 17th of May and got back the 1st of July. It was a great trip with plenty of fun and great scenery. We covered 10 different states, 17 different campgrounds, and traveled just under 9000 miles. Our first campground was the Timberline Campground in Des Moines IA, just a stopover on our way down South. The next stop is Wichita KS at Camp the Range RV Park. The next stops were: Amarillo Tx (Oasis RV Park), Albuquerque NM (Route 66 RV Resort), Camp Verde AZ (Zane Grey), Santa Fe NM (Santa Fe Skies RV Park), Westcliffe CO (Grape Creek RV Park), Estes Park CO (Spruce Lake RV Park), Dubois WY (Longhorn Ranch), Ennis MT (Ennis RV Village), Helena MT (KOA Helena North), Kalispell MT (Rocky Mountain HI), West Glacier MT (West Glacier KOA), Lewistown MT (Mountain Acres RV), Red Lodge MT (Red Lodge KOA), Custer SD (Big Pine), Sioux Falls SD (Sioux Falls KOA) and back home.

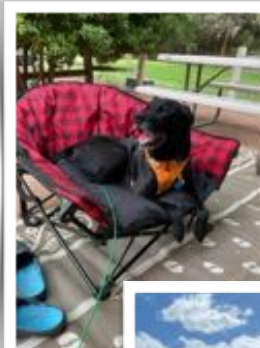
We were trying to follow some of the old Route 66 roads which entailed sometimes getting off the interstate and going through towns which was a little slower getting to our destination but a lot more to see. We wanted to explore some different areas that we had never been before and visit some old familiar spots.

One of the new places we were exploring was Westcliffe, Colorado. What a wonderful small town, the scenery was spectacular. We even hired a guide from Selina to take us fly fishing. What a blast that was. The views from our campsite, especially the sunsets over the mountains, were amazing.

When we stayed at Estes Park, we visited Rocky Mountain National Park. It was suggested that you go online and get a pass, but we took our chances and entered the park after 2:00 which worked out very well. Last time we were here, the Trail Ridge Road was closed due to a recent snow fall. This time the road opened a couple days before we arrived so we thought we would try it out. We really did not do our homework and had no idea that the Trail Ridge goes up over the top of the mountain. The drive was a little nerve racking (especially if heights bother you a little), but the scenery was spectacular. When we finally got to the other side and breathed a sigh, it was time to head back to the campground. Now we realized that the route back to the campground was going to be around the mountain and take 3½ hours so the best and shortest route was back over the mountain. So back over the mountain we went. The second time was even better. The campground is right on the banks of the Big Thompson River that was continuing to rise from the snow melt, everyday it was getting higher.



Grape Creek RV Campground Westcliffe CO



Remington travels with us all the time. He even has his own chair!



Trail Ridge Rd., Rocky Mountain National Park

(End of Part 1! More to come in future editions.)

Our Members' Travel Adventures

Todd & Kelly Bavery, grandson (BRN 7880) Complete The Donut Trail!

After learning about the Donut Trail in Butler County Ohio, just north Cincinnati, from "Wonderlocal" - we knew we had a great adventure for our 5 year old grandson! We visited 12 bakeries, bought 36 donuts and got our card stamped along the way. For our efforts, we received the coveted Donut Trail t-shirt!



Stayed at the Lebanon KOA - where we had the best campsite ever!



Finished our trip with a quick stop in northern Kentucky, where we dropped off our grandson with his other grandparents.

Greg and Jane Hyer (BRN 4297) Go West and Then East

Greg and I took the Airstream to Savannah, Georgia the second week in July. We found a lovely private campground right outside of Savannah. We camped with our son, daughter-in-law and 6 year old grandson. Spent several days exploring the Georgia coast. Here's a picture of us about to be eaten by a giant crab!!! Oh wait- I think I got that backwards. WE ate the giant crabs!



Our youngest son got married in Austin, Texas on May 7th. This is a picture of an ancient Airstream that was on the wedding venue property. It was pretty much gutted and used for decoration - or hanging messages to the bride and groom.

International Rally in Fryeburg Maine

Rally Report

The WISC-UP Club was well represented at this year’s International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine. The following are submissions from those that attended the event.



Vern Petersen (BRN 1573) provided these nice shots of your outgoing (Jane Carmichael BRN 219) and incoming (Ginger Slattery BRN2041) Region President participating in the opening ceremonies. Below, is your Unit President Chuck Zeller Mayer (BRN 10230) bringing in the WISC-UP flag.



Sandy Houge BRN 6188 made this cool necklace at a class at the rally.

A family reunion with Stan Schwenke (BRN 9112), Sandy Houge (BRN 6188) and Jon Schwenke with Dale Houge and Margo Schwenke (BRN 2320). All Airstream owners!



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Ginger Slattery, Joe and their granddaughters Emmalyn and Felicity getting ready for Ginger's installation as Region 7 President.



Left to right; Jane, Ginger and Chuck at the flag ceremony.

Joanne Peterson (BRN 11970) writes "While we're in Maine, I wanted lobster. The local grocery sells and steams them for \$7.99 a pound, so we got two. However we don't have an outside table, and we had to eat them in the trailer. We didn't have the proper lobster tools, Jim found a channel wrench would work."

What a mess we made. But yummy. :)



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The Ladies of Registration ready for a busy and really hot day. Checking in around 150 Airstreams.



WISC-UP enjoying a bluegrass concert.



Aerial view of the Fryeburg Fairgrounds on opening day of the rally.



Jan Harwig & Lulu (BRN 7331) won 1ST PLACE in the Pet Costume Contest! Congratulations! You both look marvelous!

An Editor's Note

We had a great turnout for news and photos this month, so much that we will have to share some of these submissions next month. This includes a restoration tip from Richard Goldberg and a travel adventure from the Lawrences. Sandy and I would like to thank all of you that have submitted articles, notes, photos and provided support. If we didn't respond to you for some reason, we apologize! If you sent something but it's not here, it will be in next month. I would have put it in, but I ran out of room this month!

A reminder! The cutoff for the September newsletter will be September 10, 2022. Now, don't bother me.... I have to go fishing....