



# Connecticut

Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club

Chatter

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September 2022

## Presidents Message

by Russ Fuller



Russ and Rhona visiting the famous Peggy's Cove

It is hard to believe the summer is over and fall has begun, I am back in front of students at school and fairs around the area are in full swing. COCAC has four more events planned for 2022 – Rallies in Wales, MA, Townsend, VT, a rendezvous in Elizaville, NY, and in December a holiday party in Wilton, CT.

For most of August, 12 Charter Oakians along with 13 members representing 6 other clubs as far away as California travelled the Canadian Maritimes. The Nor' East to Nova Scotia Caravan left Fryeburg, Maine, on July 31st and arrived at Campobello Island, New Brunswick, Canada. Campobello was the summer home and summer White House for Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt and is the only International Federal Park managed by both the Canadian and US governments. We experienced an afternoon tea where two research rangers highlighted Eleanor Roosevelt's life and accomplishments. The tea was delicious along with homemade ginger snap cookies.

The waters surrounding the island have tides and currents that are much different than those we see here in Connecticut. Many of our participants saw whales just offshore from the docks. There are two light houses on the island one that can only be reached at low tide with a slippery slimy trek across the sea floor.

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### In with the new



In addition to honoring Airstream's rich history, the 1990s saw a rededication to newer generations of travelers. To attract younger buyers, a new version of the 1950s Safari travel trailer was introduced. With a cost 20 percent less than its contemporaries, it was easier to afford while maintaining the quality Airstream demands. And because it weighed 20 percent less than a traditional trailer, it could be towed by lighter vehicles. It was a hit, and quickly about half the Airstreams being sold were Safaris.



### What Do You Think

What do you call a group of Elk?

What word has kst in the middle, in the beginning, and at the end?

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### Link of the Month



Living in Beauty

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## Presidents Message *Continued*



*Around the campfire at Campobello (Hearing Cove Provincial Park)*



*Charter Oakers on a bike ride while on Campobello Island.*



*Our group exploring Hopewell Rocks.*



*Ken and Kathie Mitchell visiting the site where WBCCI conducted its first meeting in August 1955.*

After two nights we were off to Moncton New Brunswick, crossing back into and out of the USA and of course customs each time. While in Moncton the group visited Hopewell Rocks in the Bay of Fundy – where the tides fluctuate by over 40 feet in depth every 12 or so hours. We also got to witness a tidal bore wave as the outgoing tide and the incoming tide collide. Moncton is the home of Magnetic Hill and its associated tourist attractions and also has a vibrant downtown area filled with fantastic restaurants.

We were then off to Halifax Nova Scotia. While staying at Woodhaven CG just outside Halifax the group gathered for a wonderful picnic dinner. Then a bus trip to Peggy’s Cove, Titanic Cemetery, the Halifax Waterfront, the Maritime Museum and The Halifax Public Gardens. Two Bob’s (bus driver and tour guide) made the trip both informative and pleasant for all. Many from the group ventured off to find the birthplace of WBCCI in Kentville NS. Other excursions were to Cape Enrage and Lunenburg, NS, a great seaport town and home of many shops, restaurants, a maritime museum and the sailing ship HMS Bluenose.



*Picnic at Woodhaven CG outside Halifax Nova Scotia*

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## Presidents Message

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*Our group with the docent at the Fortress of Louisbourg.*



*Concert featuring Celtic music at the Louisbourg Playhouse.*



*Enjoying the Lobster meal in Bedeck, NS. at the Lobster Galley, is that a "Lobsta or Brew" smile?*



*Farewell dinner PIZZA - PIZZA - PIZZA at the KOA on Prince Edward Island, would that be "Pizza PEI"?*

Next stop was Louisbourg, NS, a tiny seaport community that once was the fourth largest port on the American continent – as big as Boston Harbor. Our group toured the reconstructed Fortress of Louisbourg led by a docent that described the history and living conditions of the fort. Side excursions for many included the Miners Museum and Marconi History Site. The last evening here we enjoyed an evening of live Gallic music at the Louisbourg Playhouse.

The group then headed west a few hours to Bedeck NS on Cape Breton Island. As a group we visited the Alexander Graham Bell Museum and had a private 5 course lobster dinner at the Lobster Galley restaurant. Some ventured off to drive and enjoy the almost 200 mile coastal Cabot Trail with it's vistas and coastal communities around northern Nova Scotia. The community of Bedeck was filled with eateries and shops.

A short drive away was the Gaelic College where many stopped to learn of Gaelic customs including the Whole Nine Yards as associated with kilt construction. Then a Celtic music gathering called a lunch time Ceilidh and the Hall of Clans.

Our final stop was on Prince Edward Island over 5 hours away. A fire on one of the ferries only a week before required us all to drive around to the 8-mile-long bridge. While there we enjoyed an evening at the Confederation of the Arts presenting Anne of Green Gables the Musical. Most all ventured off to tour bits of the island including the bottle house, woolen mill, seaport communities, potato farms, and of course scout out PEI Mussels. The last evening, we gathered as a group for a Pizza Dinner and Ice Cream.



*Red Rhona prepared for the rain at the Fortress of Louisbourg.*

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## Presidents Message *Continued*

We enjoyed a wonderful International Rally in Fryeburg and then an additional 18 days of travel before going our separate ways. The trip did have a few bumps in the road – Canadian roads are awful. Eddie Carll had two flats on different days along with a shattered side window. There were two nights where we had to boondock which led to an electrical/battery concern or two. We had a few caravanners drop out due to family and/or medical issues. Over the course of the caravan we enjoyed happy hours at each stop along with a few evening campfires and many ice cream socials. Twenty one rigs completed the caravan that brought us together to enjoy and see a beautiful part of North America.

I hope everyone has a wonderful fall camping season that is filled with fun, friendship and adventure! ~



Rainbow leading to the Downings trailer at Riverdale CG.

# BUD



1931 - 2022

first name was Clarence. He had a wonderful laugh, and would always comment about a subject and say, "I heard that I did". He was a very hard worker, up at sunrise, and ready to help anyone in need. Those of us who had the opportunity to get to know him are left with many wonderful memories...he will truly be missed. ~ SS

Bud was the consummate mechanic and a treasured friend to all Airstreamers. He coached, helped and rescued many of us. Bud selflessly shared his skills, his time and his smile. ~ Ed.

**Bud Gould** joined Charter Oak CT in 1990 and served as president in 2000. At that time he was very active in the club along with his wife Jessie. They had a large family so Jessie was used to cooking for a crowd. When they did rallies and caravans, they would supply us with a truckload of huge casseroles and cakes, as he actually had a commercial sized ice chest in his truck. We would wonder where all this food was coming from. In his working life, Bud was a truck driver with a nickname of "Low Clearance".

This was because of the height of his truck and also his given



by Sandy Sasuta

Well, the acorns are falling and that means fall time is around the corner, but still many opportunities for camping. We have two rallies this month, one hosted by the **DOWNINGS** and one by the **WATTS**; we would sure like to see you there. The flyers are in this Chatter.

Sad news: Former member **BUD GOULD** passed away August 30, 2022.

**PAM FORSYTHE** recently had hip replacement surgery; we wish her a smooth recovery.

With the high cost of living, studies now show that the most expensive vehicle to operate is a grocery store shopping cart.

Happy Fall you all!



## Dick & Kit Wheatley's Newfoundland Adventure

by Dick & Kit Wheatley

**P**hotos in La Scie, NL. The local Tourism Association couldn't do enough for us. The harbormaster, the night before at his home, had prepared a plate for each of us with stuffed squid, fried squid, dried squid and crab, nicely wrapped by his wife. Most of us have a better appreciation for squid now.



*This is a typical fishing "stage", a private dock where fish are cleaned and filleted for recreational fishing. These are sometimes referred to as "man caves", where men gather, have a beer and discuss current events.*



*We were given a demonstration on how cod is cleaned and salted, the most important item is a sharp knife.*



*The young lady who owns this commercial fishing boat gave us a tour of the harbor and described the current market conditions for selling to the fisheries and the government regulations they are under.*

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## Dick & Kit Wheatley's

Newfoundland Adventure

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We are in the last week of the caravan, having gone up to the Northern Coast, then over to the East Coast, now returning to the West Coast for the ferry back to Nova Scotia. We have the same 30 rigs we started with, most of us wishing this caravan could be extended. Everyone gets along well and no major mechanical issues. We have been able to help each other with the normal Airstream fixes.

We followed the Fryeburg International Rally news each day, wishing we could be two places at the same time. The weekend it was 90 degrees in Fryeburg it was in the mid 80's here, very unusual according to the locals.



*Puffins along the coast return each evening to their nests, allowing close up encounters*



This caravan is scheduled to run again in 2024, our current leaders say they want to do it again. ~

*Humpback whales swim around the tour boats, we wondered what it would be like if they surfaced under a boat.*



*Our walking tour guide in the small village of Trinity explains how salted cod was the major industry in Newfoundland for many generations. The commercial cod fishing moratorium in 1992, due to overfishing, ended that.*



*The Veiled Virgin at Presentation Convent in St. John's. The veil appears translucent, but it was carved from one piece of Carrara marble in the 1860's by the Italian sculptor Giovanni Strazza*



*The typical Newfie trash container at the end of almost every driveway, usually the same shape and size.*

**Newfoundland has own time zone -** Being in your own time zone isn't that big of a deal, but the time zone on the island is one of the rare 30 minute time zones—yep, it's not on the hour mark like most countries, instead if you visit Newfoundland you will be living 30 min ahead of Atlantic time and 90 minutes ahead of eastern time.

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## Dick & Kit Wheatley's

### Newfoundland Adventure

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The Easternmost point in North America at Cape Spear, NL



A typical church and graveyard along the coast.



We had a 1949 Curtis Wright on the caravan restored by its owner, qualifies for WBCCI membership.

We visited Vernon Smith's collection in the town of Swift Current (pop. 200). He has 57 cars, all but three are convertibles. We all parked in his lot overnight.



Moving a house in Trinity Bay, NL, ca. 1968 Under the Resettlement Program the sum of \$1,000 was paid to the head of each household to help defray the cost of moving the dwelling and other buildings.

**Newfoundland joined the Canadian Confederation in 1949.** Canada found it wasn't practical to provide services to some of the remote islands. They offered those residents allowances to move on to the mainland. Many accepted and towed their homes over with fishing boats. We met a few people who live in homes their parents had brought over. We were told they were floated on barrels then pulled into place rolling on logs with horses. People we have spoken with, say very few homes were lost. Neighbors all pitched in to help. D&K

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## Dick & Kit Wheatley's

Newfoundland Adventure

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**September 11, 2001** - roughly 6,700 passengers and a total of 38 planes landed at Gander that day, far overwhelming the tourist capacity of a small, 9,000 person town with just 500 hotel rooms.



*Gander Airport during 9/11.*

The Viking Caravan to Newfoundland has ended. It was an amazing trip with great friends and leaders. We boarded the ferry and smooth seas brought us back to North Sidney, Nova Scotia. We then traveled south to meet TR friends Dan & Sharon Gilbert Zile and toured Halifax for a few days.

Next up, travel down to Maine to visit family for a couple weeks before the Fall is in the Air Rally in Wales, MA, hosted by Wiley & Gail Downing. ~



St. John's has one of the most colourful waterfronts in the world. Did you know that the row houses were painted all different colours so the ships could see them through the fog?



*The arrival/departure board in Gander Airport where thousands of 9/11 travelers arrived, slow most days.*



*On our last day in Newfoundland a group of us rented ATV's and toured the coastal trails in Robinsons.*

**We were the first province to receive a wireless communication in the world.**

Sent by Marconi from England in 1901.

**France is only an hour boat ride away**

Well a part of France — St. Pierre and Miquelon is only a few hours from St. John's.

**Newfoundland convenience stores sell beer until 2AM.**

Talk about your one stop shop.

**We have dog breeds named after the province.**

One of the most popular dogs in the world — the Labrador and the beloved Newfoundland dog.

**St. John's is the oldest city in North America.**

Not only that but Water Street is the oldest street in Canada.

**Newfoundland and Labrador have their own dictionary.**

To help all those visiting around the Bay.



## Region One News

by Bard Fuller  
Region One President

WOW! That was a wonderful International Rally! And to have it in our backyard...even better!

I was proud to see so many volunteers from each of our Region 1 clubs making this rally the success that it was.

Some of you might ask, "What makes up Region 1?" Well, it is all the Airstream clubs found in the New England states, Quebec and the Canadian Maritimes. Every two years we change our region leadership starting at the conclusion of the International Rally. At this time, I would like to welcome Eddie Carll to our Region 1 team as 2nd Vice President. Also, RJ Dominic became your 1st Vice President and I became your president. Our thanks go out to Doug Hart for the 6 years of service he provided to our region.

For years we have had surveys that indicated that membership wanted to spend more time camping, learning and having fun at the International Rally and have fewer meetings regarding club governance. To that end, after a significant amount of planning, it has become a reality. Thanks to the many local club meetings, ACI website information, the Blue Beret, and our electronic balloting, the membership sent their presidents to the Delegates' Meeting at the International Rally to vote in these important constitutional changes.

The ACI club constitution was significantly changed this summer allowing for future constitutional changes to be done by electronic voting by all the members. In addition, the Executive Council (EC) for the International Board of Trustees (IBT) was established and will be fully implemented in 2023. The Executive Council will be our leadership core along with your Region Officers from that point on. All council positions will become a two-year term and it will be possible

to have up to three terms (six years) if the membership votes to renew the council person's service.

These changes, and previous adjustments prompted by the pandemic, now allow us to decouple the International Rally from the IBT meeting in future years. Effectively it will allow the IBT to be more responsive as it will meet virtually more often and at a lower cost. Without the fiscal year dictating the International Rally date, future International Rallies could potentially be scheduled in a different season of the year and possibly now in southern states.

At this time, considerable effort is now being put into strengthening the International Nominating Committee to obtain a broad selection of talented candidates for the 2023 Executive Council. Additionally, ACI Int. President, Eric McHenry and 1st VP, Per Hamnqvist, are establishing a more expansive National Event Rally program. They are setting the tone to implement long range plans into yearly expectations. We will also see our professional staff at HQ in Jackson Center being more involved in the operations of future International Rallies as well as membership on-boarding and retention. This is not to say that we are forgetting our volunteers. Volunteering is still the heart of our club. We will all benefit from the additional continuity that HQ can provide along with the expanded officer terms.

On my part, I'm hoping to bring you newsletters throughout the year. Hopefully this will improve communication between our club's leadership and our members so you can realize that your paid and volunteer leaders are working on your behalf to enrich the traditions and yet be progressive with the future of this wonderful Airstream club.

*All the Best,*

*Bard*

<p><b>Dates of future Region and International Events:</b>  Columbus Day -Thanksgiving National Event Rally  Oct 6-10, 2022. Leicester, VT  Pets &amp; Paws National Event Rally  April 7-9, 2023 Provincetown, MA  <b>Region One Rally – Flocking the Cape</b>  <b>June 15-18, 2023 East Falmouth, MA</b>  <u>International Rally 2023</u>  June 24-30, 2023 Rock Springs, WY</p>
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### Heritage



## Airstream Heritage Center Opens

by Bard & Kathy Fuller



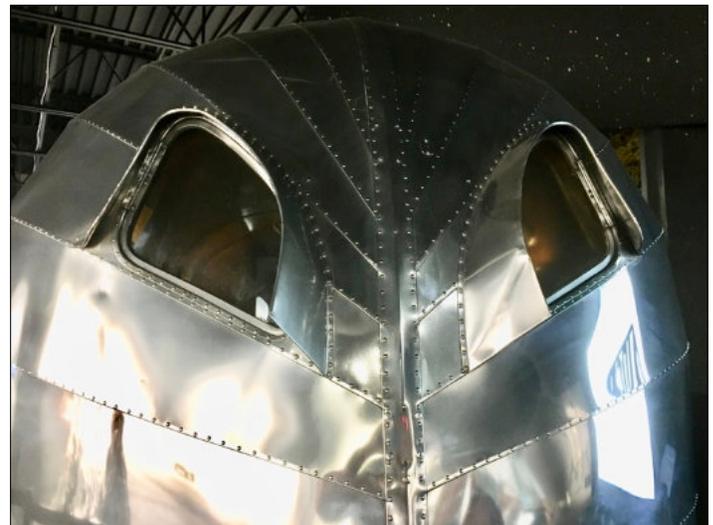
Being an Airstream history junkie, Kathy and I were delighted to be invited to participate in the opening of the Airstream Heritage Center. After a twenty-month delay, due to the pandemic, the anticipation was overwhelming.



The Grand Opening was preceded by an evening of star-studded celebrities from the Airstream community including International and administrative WBCCI officials as well as some of the country's most notable Airstream collectors, restorers and appraisers. They were joined by Airstream Inc. executives to honor the history of the Airstream brand. Included in the mix was a reunion of sorts of those who had participated in the legendary

1950's and 1960's caravans. Most notable of this group was Dale "Pee Wee" Schwamborn from the Capetown to Cairo Caravan. Four of the Smith family (Max Smith authored "Thank You Marco Polo") and caravan scout Christine Charles Ramos were all from the Around the World Caravan. The weekend event was a historical juggernaut with Airstream historians Joe Peplinski, Fred Caldwell and the museum curator, Samantha Martin leading seminars and hosting festivities.

The Heritage Center is extremely well done and was the centerpiece of the weekend. It's like having a piece of a Smithsonian museum in the little town of Jackson Center, Ohio. You are first greeted by a grand sign welcoming all to the "Mothership".



Then came the fabled 1938 "Grand Dad" twin axle Clipper; an awesome art deco beauty with its renown "bat eyes". The museum progresses as a timeline from the 1930's masonite "Airlite" through the post war "Liner" era to the historical caravans' era. Here you will see impeccable restorations of Wally Byam's white 1955 Cruiser used in his European Caravan and Wally's 1958 World Traveler that he used on the Capetown to Cairo Caravan. In this area of the museum you will



### Airstream Heritage Center Opens

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see the most traveled Airstream and a trailer that was part of the Around the World Caravan along with multiple displays/videos of those famous caravans.

An Argosy Minuet gives nod to the 1970's and an Airstream funeral coach highlights the 1980's.



This special weekend had an additional outdoor display lot of invited guests camping with their distinctive Airstreams. This open house display included additional trailers that were on those legendary caravans, a "Squarestream", a class "C" motorhome prototype along with a 1950's "Wally Bee" fiberglass prototype.



NASA's tie with Airstream is noted by a mockup of the Apollo program's "mobile quarantine facility" along with photos of the Airstream Astrovan and presently used Starliner van. The future is depicted using scale models shown through the collaboration of the Nissan-Airstream design team.

Though a bit less unique, we were proud to be invited to show a 1990's Airstream B190 camper van that had been purchased by Bard's parents'. These van campers were the predecessors of the Interstate and Atlas touring coaches of today.

No museum tour would be complete unless you ended up in the gift shop. Airstream is no exception with a plethora of Airstream branded swag including Billy Steer's book "Let's Just Go".

If this was not enough, we were among the first to be given a guided tour of the brand-new travel trailer factory. More on that experience in a future article. ~



### Airstream Heritage Center Opens

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*Memorial Day weekend special outdoor display featuring a 1950's fiberglass Airstream.*



*Wally's white 1955 Cruiser from the 1956 European Caravan.*



*1989 "Squarestream" in special open house outdoor display*



*Wally's gold 1958 World Traveler from the 1959 Capetown to Cairo Caravan.*

### *Building Airstreams*

- Every Airstream Travel Trailer has an average of 3,000 rivets in the walls, trim, and even some of the interior fixtures.
- At the Airstream plant in Jackson Center, Ohio, two-person riveting teams work in a delicate, coordinated dance. One person works on the outside of the aluminum shell, one on the inside. Then, one by one they move down the length of the drilled holes setting and hammering the rivets.
- The advent of pneumatic tools made riveting more efficient. Today's riveting process is done with special air-powered riveting guns that fire many times a second, hammering the rivet head into its final, mushroom shape.
- It takes 350 Hours on average to complete each Airstream travel trailer.
- There are 1,200 Square Feet of aluminum on average used in each Airstream.
- It takes as many as 1,200+ Airstream Associates to build Airstreams.



*There are many different kinds of modern rivets. The rivets that attach the aluminum panels of an Airstream body together are called buck rivets, named after the "bucking" process that shapes the head.*



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## Helpful LINKS

I am visible to Google. I link therefore I am.

~ William A. Mitchell

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## Upcoming...

Birthdays - Anniversaries

## For Sale

September	
09/01	Sandie St. Laurent
09/07	Lynn Davis
09/12	R J Dominic
09/15	Cynthia & Michael Brodeur
09/17	Jeanne Blandford
09/20	Mary Rosenbach
09/22	Debbie & Bob Hendrick
09/23	Mark & Marie Lupien
09/23	Pam Forsyth
09/28	Gail Rich
09/28	Michael & Lianne Ruty
09/29	Dick Wheatley
09/30	Per Hamnqvist

October	
10/03	Bard & Kathy Fuller
10/03	Carl Davis
10/03	Dan & Karen Olah
10/04	Wiley Downing
10/04	Eileen Allers
10/08	Mark Lupien
10/08	Gene Hickey & Charlotte LaRocca
10/09	Serafina M. Bachar
10/10	Eddie Carll
10/10	Billy & Julie Steers
10/10	Raymond & Cynthia Richard
10/11	Jim & Stacy Reck
10/11	Pat & Betsy Flanagan
10/12	Dick Bartram
10/12	Niels Rosenbeck
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10/24	Gail Downing
10/27	Michael Ruty
10/29	Paulette Jensen



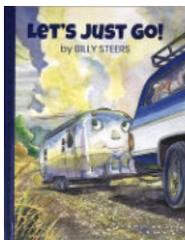
### For Sale 1995 Sovereign 21ft

Smallest double axel trailer built by Airstream. Dry weight only 3,900 lbs. Many amenities of larger trailers i.e. big refrigerator, large water & holding tanks.

Plainville, CT, Bard  
**\$19,500**

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## All Chatters are available on the club website.



### Visit Airstream Supply

"Let's Just Go!" is a wonderful children's storybook, written by Billy Steers, that follows Snug the Airstream travel trailer and her adventures.

[Available here.](#)

TEACHER: Glenn, how do you spell 'crocodile?'  
GLENN: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L'  
TEACHER: No, that's wrong  
GLENN: Maybe it is wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.

TEACHER: Clyde, your composition on 'My Dog' is exactly the same as your brother's. Did you copy his?  
CLYDE: No Mam; It's the same dog.  
( Love these kids.)

## Upcoming Events

September	Sep 9 - 11, 2022	Fall is in the Air Rally
	Oak Haven Campground, Wales Mass	Wiley & Gail Downing
September	Sep 23 - 25, 2022	Old Time Fiesta Rally and Meeting
	Bald Mountain C.G, Townshend, VT	Bill & Evie Watts
October	Oct 14 - 16, 2022	Fall Foliage Rendezvous
	Brook N Wood CG, Elizaville, NY	Russ & Rhona Fuller
December	Dec 17, 2022	Holiday Party

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### What do you call?

A group of elk is called a gang.

### What did you think?

Inkstand  
*little tricky*

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless. — Sherry Anderson



# Fall Is In The Air

*Fall Is In The Air Rally Sept 9 - 11 2022*

*Oak Haven Family Campground in Wales, MA*

*Hosted by: Wiley and Gail Downing & Jerry and Colleen Ahlers*

30 amp electric, water, dump station

Tell them you are part of the Airstream Group in Pratt Safari Field

Rate is \$52 per night a 10% discount taken if more than 10 trailers attend.

No deposit required but reservations must be made no later than Aug 31st, payment in full is due upon check-in.

Check in time is 2:00 pm. A \$15 card fee will be taken at check in but returned at check out with key return.

Kitty Fee is \$13.00 per person over 12—Will be collected at the rally

Friday: Arrive anytime after 2:00 PM - Happy Hour 5:00PM

Saturday:

8:15 am Breakfast - Ahlers (MNYAC) Potluck Breakfast. Host supplies coffee, tea, and juice.

5:00 Happy Hour— Beverage only no appetizers - large meal to follow

6:00 Dinner— Downing's (COCAC) Italian night - Salad, pasta, meatballs, sausage, bread and butter, topped off with ice cream around the campfire.

Sunday:

8:15 am - Continental breakfast. Hosts will supply, coffee, tea and juice.

Register for the rally via JotForms <https://form.jotform.com/220793838151157>

once you have made your camping reservations with the campground.

Campground Reservations made directly with the campground 413-245-7148.

*Remind them you are part of the Airstream Group*

*The well known Brimfield Flea Market is just 5 miles up the road. If you collect something they will have something for everyone. Old Sturbridge Village is a living museum of life in New England village in the 1830's, St. Anne's Shrine, Basketball Hall of Fame, and the US Armory Museum are also close by.*

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# MEXICAN MARDI GRAS IN THE MOUNTAINS

**SEPTEMBER 23 – 25, 2022**



**BALD MOUNTAIN CAMPGROUND**  
1760 State Forest Road, Townshend, VT

*Hosted by: Bill and Evie Watts*



The family-run campground is situated on 160 secluded acres surrounded by the peaked hills of southern Vermont. They have reserved the Safari Field for our group and are not requiring reservations. Register and pay on arrival. Sites have electric and water and are pet friendly. Price \$31.50 plus VT tax



- Friday:** Arrive after 2 p.m.  
5p.m. Theme based Hearty Happy Hour
- Saturday:** 7 a.m. coffee - 8 a.m. continental breakfast  
4:30 p.m. Happy Hour - Margaritas, Rum Punch and light snacks (provided by hosts),  
Theme based Pot Luck Supper
- Sunday:** 7a.m. coffee, 8 a.m. "Clean out the frig" pot luck breakfast

**Kitty Fee**  
**\$8 per person**  
**Pay at the rally**

**Things to do:** Hike in Townshend State Forest, Barn and Bridge driving tour, Antique RV Show and Whetstone Brewery in Brattleboro. Vermont Country Store, Bromley chair lift and fun park, Hildene and shopping in Manchester, Grandma Moses and Bennington Monument, or relax, rest, and read.



**Sign Up Online**

<https://form.jotform.com/221797917954171>

For information: [evelynwatts@sbcglobal.net](mailto:evelynwatts@sbcglobal.net)

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# Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club Holiday Party



Saturday, December 17

Noon - 3

At the Allers Home in  
Wilton, CT

Main dish and beverages provided.

Please bring a side dish or dessert.

RSVP by December 7 online at:

<https://form.jotform.com/222384879573168>