



The Itchy Hitch



Newsletter of the Pennsylvania Airstream Club (091)

July-August 2022

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PENNSYLVANIA AIRSTREAM CLUB (PAC) PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

by Mr. Doug Field #16432, PAC President

Hello, PAC Airstreamers,

I know that this is late; but, as you know, Cindy and I have been traveling quite a bit this year. We just got back from a weekend at Kooser State Park for the Blue Grass Festival that was being held at Laurel Hill State Park. We always stay at Kooser because that land is connected to Cindy's ancestors.

Anyway, I want to take this time to thank my fellow PAC Board members for a wonderful year. What a team we had of folks willing to step up and get things done! Special thanks, though, should go to Mary Wilson, our PAC Secretary. I could not have done it without her assistance.

Our first "away" rally to Wolf Camping Resort, which we co-hosted with Al-Mon-O Airstream Club, was a great success. We hope to schedule at least one away rally next year, although likely not on a PAC meeting/rally weekend. And we had a good number of club members who traveled to the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine. Cindy and I were also able to pop into Canada afterward, which was a double treat.

The Labor Day/Installation Rally is fast approaching on Sep. 2 through 4, and I hope you all can be there. Look for a fun mountain pie irons campfire dinner and a club flea market. Contact Sue Flesch about registering for this rally and to secure a flea market table. What a great idea, Sue. Doug says details of this weekend's rally can be found below (page 7).

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(PAC) PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS (cont.)

Let's extend a warm welcome to the incoming PAC Board, who begin their terms of office on September 3rd following elections. We are so fortunate to have such a strong board ready to go. Let's also welcome all of our new club members. We sure have had many choose the PAC as their home club this past year. Next year is bound to be loaded with special events both at Penn Wood and beyond with their involvement.

Thank you all for allowing me the pleasure of serving you as PAC President and for your support and participation in activities this past year. We certainly had fun. As is typical with transitioning boards, I will remain on the Board as Immediate Past President for next year to offer any assistance needed. Please consider putting your name on the list of candidates for future Board spots when the next club year begins in September of 2023. New ideas are always welcomed.

See you down the road!

Doug Field #16432
President of PA Airstream Club
dfield4521@yahoo.com

PAC is pleased to announce the following new members of the Club. (R) = Regular Member, and (A) = Affiliate Member. Please, when you see them, offer a warm welcome to:

- (R) Patsy Stine and Tom Ewing #29792, of North Chesterfield, Virginia, owners of a newly restored 1993 Sovereign, 21'.
- (R) Brian and Tracey Ratte #11221 of Davidson, NC, owners of a 2022 Interstate 24 GT.
- (R) Gianna and Anthony Sensenig #05273 of Lancaster PA owners of a 1972 Sovereign.
- (R) Patti DuBose #08002, of Brunswick, GA; owners of a 2019 Int'l Serenity; 25'.
- (R) Bill Hensell #06452, of Punxsutawney, PA, owners of a 2020 Basecamp, 16'.
- (R) Therese Toth and Bill Petit #06551, of Fairview, PA, owners of a 2021 Basecamp, 16'.

We look forward to learning all about your Airstream travels and ambitions around a campfire this summer/fall. Welcome aboard!

WANT TO BUY/SELL

Take advantage of this free advertising opportunity in the *Itchy Hitch*. Your unneeded Airstream item may be exactly what a member is looking for, or someone may have for sale what you yourself need. Please send your "Want to Buy/Sell" notice with a brief description and contact info to:
Rich Giardina at richygard@gmail.com.

FOR SALE:

Flagpole Rings. BRAND NEW, All metal (aluminum) construction. Fits 1/2-inch pole diameter. Package contains two per box. Three sets for sale. \$7.00 per set or all three for \$20. Contact Mark Wilson at markwunit91@gmail.com or text 814-571-1168.



2022 -2023 PA AIRSTREAM CLUB (PAC) AND PENN WOOD CAMPGROUND ASSN. (PWCA) ELECTIONS ON SEP. 3RD

In preparation for both PAC and PWCA elections on September 3rd, the following board nominations and current board members have been presented for next year's Pennsylvania Airstream Club (PAC) Board and the Penn Wood Campground Association Board. These separate board meetings on Sep. 3rd will both request any additional nominations from the floor prior to calling for a vote. If none are presented from the floor, the following will be your slate of officers and directors for the next year. Please note that, unlike PAC procedures of the membership electing its officers, PWCA elects all board members to two-year terms and once elected, self-appointed its officers from its newly elected board.

PAC PROPOSED BOARD SLATE OF NOMINEES* FOR 2022 – 2023

- President: Dr. Scott Brinkmeyer (one-year term) *
- 1st Vice President: Andrew Masullo (one-year term) *
- 2nd Vice President: Darrel Ernst (one-year term)*
- Treasurer: Bill Woodford (one-year term) *
- Secretary: Mary Wilson (one-year term) *
- Directors: Chris Manley (2nd of two-year term)
- Bob Kuszyk (1st of two-year term) *
- Hans Cooper (1st of two-year term) *
- Kathy Maloney (taking 2nd year of Mike Mikulski's unexpired two-yr. term) *
- Immediate Past President: Doug Field (one-year term) *

PENN WOOD CAMPGROUND ASSOC. PROPOSED BOARD SLATE OF NOMINEES* FOR 2022 – 2023

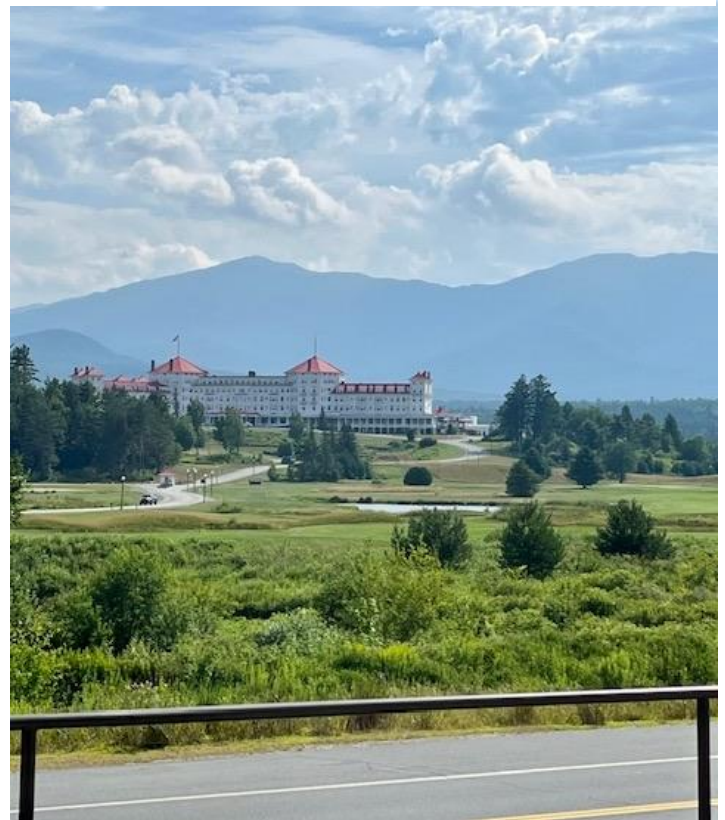
- Arlo Goldsberry (2nd of two-year term)
- Marianne Green (1st of two-year term) *
- Karl Ludwig (2nd of two-year term)
- Beth Ludwig (1st of two-year term) *
- Mike Mikulski (2nd of two-year term)
- Scott Smithley (1st of two-year term) *
- Christine Ward (1st of two-year term) * |
- Rusty Ward (1st of two-year term) *
- Newly Elected PAC Board President (1-year term)

We look forward to seeing you at Penn Wood Campground, New Bethlehem, PA, for these important Annual Meetings, which will begin at 9:00 AM for PAC elections and 9:30 AM for PWCA elections.

International Rally photos from Bill Woodford:



Parking at Fryeburg - 920 trailers



On the way to Fryeburg

International Rally photos from Bill Woodford (cont.)



PAC Happy Hour at Fryeburg



Bill found his new tow vehicle



Evening with Friends



PAC President Doug Field enjoying himself at the 65th annual ACI Rally

REGION 2 PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

by [RJ Marquette #13270](#)

July 27, 2022

I'm writing this at the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine. It started out very warm here, due to the heat wave, but after a rainy and cool Monday, it has been around 85 F/30 C with low humidity at the height of the day, and around (or below!) 60 F/15 C at night. I've worn jeans on several occasions this week!

Before I talk about International, I'm excited to announce the dates and location for the 2023 Region 2 Rally: June 2-6, 2023, in Niagara Falls, Ontario! Mark your calendars - more details will follow soon.

Back to International: This has been a great rally, and we're having a great time. There are quite a few vendors, including a few that we haven't seen before, and the events and seminars have been fun and interesting. Turnout has been excellent at about 915 Airstreams; this is the largest International Rally since 2007. And around 700 people are first timers at the International Rally.

We had a successful Region 2 luncheon, with about 150 people attending. Everyone brought their own food and drink, and we had a few giveaways - Vintage Trailer Supply gave us some T-shirts, hats, and other swag, and we had bottles of wine from the Finger Lakes region and some Airstream-themed bags.

I did an informal poll at the luncheon for what type of event Region 2 members who were going to International in 2023, and the option of doing a happy hour at International in 2023 won with overwhelming support. I'll book a room in case of poor weather, but if the weather is good, we'll find a spot to host it outside.

The July 21 International Board of Trustees (IBT) meeting finalized the formation of two new Intra-clubs:

- Stella's Sisters, for women Airstreamers.
- Boondockers, for people who want to get back to the basics.

There were two other motions passed - one codified the rules we were already using for delegate voting this year, and the other tightened the rules surrounding the use of membership data, explicitly disallowing using it for things like political campaigning.

The delegates passed both amendments to the Constitution as written. I suspect this will generate a number of motions for the IBT to address at the July 30 meeting. I'll give you updates on those next month. Several people have asked me about the 2024 International Rally location, and I have only heard rumors, but it's possible it will come out at the July 30 IBT meeting.

I've included a couple pictures I've taken at the rally. One is of Region 2 First Dog Sulley - thanks to the HQ staff for printing that for us.

We're about a year out from the end of my term, and we'll need a new Region 2 Second Vice President at that point. If anyone is interested in the role, please let me know at region2president@wbcci.net.

Until next month!

RJ Marquette, Region 2 President, #13270



A couple of RJ's photos from the recent International Rally follow on the next page.



Pennsylvania Airstream Club 2022 PAC Rally & Events Schedule

(Event location is Penn Wood Campground in New Bethlehem, PA, unless otherwise indicated.)

- **September 2 - 5, 2022 (see next page)**
Labor Day Weekend Rally
Host: Sue Flesch #06513
- **September 3, 2022 - 9AM**
PAC & PWCA Meetings
- **Sep. 16 - 18**
Pennsylvania State Rally, Mercer, PA
See Page 8 for complete details.
- **October 1, 2022**
PAC Marches in the 69th Annual Allegheny Toyota Autumn Leaf Festival's Clarion Hospital Tournament of Leaves Parade, Clarion, PA
Parade begins at Noon; Slate of PAC six "marching" Airstreams is already determined. The Festival itself runs from Sep. 24th through Oct. 2nd.)
- **October 15, 2022**
Penn Wood Campground Breakdown & Closing

We hope to see you at Penn Wood!

HAPPY TRAILS!

Airstream Supplies Shopping Made Easy

There's still time to check your supplies for a few needed Airstream items. It is customary to wear your Airstream name badges at sponsored rallies. Do you know where yours are? Badges, flags, Airstream berets, lanyards, pins, tote bags, Big Red Numbers (BRN), etc. are all available at ACI's Club Store. Get resupplied with a few replacement, or brand new, Airstream items. You'll be ready to roll! Link: <https://airstreamclub.org/club-store>





PAC Sep. 2 - 4: Labor Day Weekend Rally Schedule
Penn Wood Campground for Airstreams, New Bethlehem, PA
814-764-8963

Friday	Happy Hour	4:30	Join Us at the Office Patio Area
	Dinner on your own		
Saturday	Breakfast	7:30 - 9:00	Pavilion - Fruit, yogurt, granola, pas
	PAC Annual Meeting	9:00 AM	Elections and Installation
	PWCA Annual Meeting	9:30 AM	Pavilion - Following PAC Mtg
	<u>Park Yard Sale</u>	10:30 AM	Empty your shed, clean out your truck, pot your overgrown perennials or display handmade wares. Everyone has hidden gems to sell so take advantage of this opportunity to make some cash and socialize with your Airstream neighbors. Sign up for a display table by texting Sue Flesch at 860-235-5484. A large FREE table will be available for use by all, items should be repairable and/or reusable. Leftover items will be donated or disposed of appropriately.
	Lunch	2:30	All American Cookout with hot dogs, hamburgers and sides
	Happy Hour	4:30	Join us on the Office Patio Area
	Dinner	6:30	Fire Pit Area, Mountain Pie Making around the campfire. Both sweet and savory options will be available with appropriate sides and sauces. Think pizza mountain pie followed by apple mountain pie with caramel sauce and vanilla ice cream 🍷. More pie irons are needed, so bring your own and some to share.
Sunday	Relax on your own.		Announcements about additional activities will be made Saturday.

*Please confirm your reservations with Sue Flesch at mansfle1245@gmail.com or by texting 860-235-5484. Rally fee is \$10.00 per person, which will be collected at the rally.

**Remember to reserve your Penn Wood camping site for the rally weekend with Karl Ludwig, kingentor@gmail.com, 814-450-1947.

2022 Pennsylvania State Rally

RV Village Camping Resort
234 Skyline Dr., Mercer, PA 16137
724-662-4560
www.rvillages.com



September 16-18, 2022

Hosts: Al-Mon-O PA Airstream Club
Cody Klingler – President & Matt Moore – Vice President
(724) 504-6884 or cwk5292@gmail.com

Tentative Schedule

Friday, September 16

5:00 Happy Hour
6:00 Hamburgers/Hotdogs and sides

Saturday, September 17

8:30 Breakfast provided
4:00 Happy Hour
6:00 Pot Luck Dinner
Live, Local Entertainment (TBD)

Sunday, September 18

8:30 Continental Breakfast provided

Safe Travels Home!

Please send payments & rally coupon to:
Cody Klingler
3055 Oneida Valley Rd.
Hilliards, PA 16040

RSVP to secure the campground by July 4, 2022
(Sites will be released back to campground after this date)

Rally Information

General Information: We have 15 sites reserved for the event. They are sites 49-56 (in the Wagon Wheel) and sites 101-107. You can look at a map of the campground at the web address above. Should these fill up, there are other sites in the campground available. We will also have use of the lodge for the various meals and other things going on.

This State Rally will be very lowkey and a wonderful time for us to just get together as the state of Pennsylvania!

Attendees should call RV Village to secure their camping site. Please reference Airstream Club or Cody Klingler with the Office Manager.

Meals Included in Fee:

What to Bring: Table service and beverages for all meals. Snacks to share and your own drinks for Happy Hours.

Directions: Do not follow GPS directions to the campground. You will want to approach from Clarksville Rd. When in Mercer, turn on PA-62 (W. Market St.), turn right on Maple Rd. (this becomes Clarksville Rd.), then turn left onto Skyline Dr. The campground will be on the right.

2022 Pennsylvania State Rally Coupon	
Name _____	WBCCI No. _____ Unit _____
Address _____	
City, State, Zip _____	Email _____
Phone _____	Rig length _____
Arrival Date _____	Departure Date _____ You are encouraged to come early and stay late.
Rally fee per person	\$15.00 X _____ = _____
Children 0 to 12	FREE X _____ = _____
Parking per night (to be paid to the campground directly) = \$40	