FUN TIMES

SOUTH FLORIDA AIRSTREAM CLUB

Wally Byam Caravan Club International May 2022



Our Mission Statement

South Florida Airstream Club is a welcoming family of Airstream owners who invite and mentor others to experience the adventure and fun of Airstream travel.

A Mission Statement describes who we are, tells what we do, explains why we exist, so that all members are pulling together to make our club the BEST it can be.

President's Message

Greetings Fellow Travelers! Home now and looking back on our wonderful caravan I can only say WOW! What a great time everyone had. So good to have so many members together. Steven made a lovely souvenir print commemorating our caravan and passed them out at our first get together.

We started at Beautiful Lake Kissimmee State Park, located in the Lake Wales area, with a campfire, shared appetizers and drinks at the site of Judy & Elwyn, the hosts of this first stop. Plans were made, help recruited for the Low Country Boil planned for the next day.

Thursday was a free day for exploring the Lake Wales area. Seven of us met and walked 4 miles on the trails. The weather was perfect. We met at the pavilion at 4:30 and got busy! The low country boil cooks in one large pot but has to be timed by item.

The salad was prepared by Nai Carlson and was delicious. The low country boil was served, followed by dessert and then a very nice campfire. Everyone shared their worst Airstream travel experience!

Friday morning we caravanned over to Bok Tower Gardens for a very informative Ethnobotany tour, how plants are used. When it was over we enjoyed a box lunch and then walked over to the carillon to hear the concert. After, some went to tour the mansion, others to look around the town and others back to campground.

Our second stop was Lake Louisa State Park, a gorgeous park in the Clermont area, situated between two lakes. Very nice large sites, many pull through and some sewer hook ups.

We started the evening at one of the pavilions on the lake. Our hosts Sandra & Harry and Ron & Liana provided a pizza party with salad created by Nai. It was a beautiful evening, nice breeze and a Great Lake view. Had a brief executive board meeting to approve a club caravan/rally to Texas to observe the upcoming solar eclipse. This is being headed up by Dave & Linda. Plans were made for the outing to the Crooked can brewery.

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On Sunday we headed out to the farmers market in Clermont and on to the Crooked Can Brewing Co. The tour was informative and included a beer!

Sunday night found us at Barbara's site for a campfire and everyone shared their experiences.

Monday we left at 10am for Mt. Dora and our pontoon boat tour. It was a slow day for Mt. Dora so parking was easy. We hung out in Sunset Park, did a little shopping and took advantage of the facilities before heading down to docks to board.

The pontoon boat tour was fun! We had great guides and learned a lot about the town and its origins. Most of us brought lunch and snacks to eat while tiding along.

Back at the campground we met at Ron & Liana's site for a farewell campfire. Everyone had a great time and kudos to our hosts for a wonderful job planning and organizing this stop.

On Tuesday we moved on to O'Leno State Park, the second oldest State Park in Florida. An older park with somewhat smaller sites, lots of trees and a little challenging for parking! Lewis and Judi were our Hosts.

After we settled in everyone headed to the Pavilion for Taco Tuesday! Fabulous Beef & Chicken Tacos, refried beans, rice, chips & Salsa and the best churros I've ever had!

After dinner we had a joke telling session and the then planned the following day's 1.5 mile hike along the Santa Fe River.

Wednesday morning 9 of us met by the pavilion and took the trail that led by the Santa Fe River. After that everyone enjoyed free time.

We met that evening for "leftover night" at the pavilion. Everyone brought something to share. Lewis & Judi heated up the leftover tacos and fixings and everyone had plenty to eat.

Thursday we got together or a Dutch Treat Luncheon at the Pink Flamingo diner in High Springs. Good food and after we headed to downtown for ice cream at the Creamery! Back to campground for naps.

Later we met at John & Eileen's site for the farewell Weenie Roast. So much food! Everyone roasted their hotdogs over the campfire. Then there were S'mores! Before we waddled back to our campsites Derick reminded us to come to his site in the morning for Bagels, cream cheese and donuts.

Thus ended another great club Caravan!

Our next outing will be a rally held at TY Park in Hollywood. This one is hosted by Chuck & Vicky and starts on May 19. They have shared some of the plans they have and I know it will be a lot of fun.

Hope everyone has a great summer, stay safe and travel happy. Elwyn and I are leaving on June 20 for our long awaited caravan to Alaska.



See you in the fall,

Judy Harrison, President South Florida Airstream club #30

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South Florida Airstream Club - Unit 30 WBCCI - Board Meeting April 23, 2022 Executive Board Meeting at Lake Louisa State Park

7305 U.S. Highway 27 Clermont FL 34714

Attending: Judy Harrison, John Frerking, Elwyn Exum, Ed Ridlehoover, Lewis Fogel, Sandra Gonzalez, Harry Gonzalez, Eileen Frerking

Not in attendance: David Robshaw, Stephanie Farmer

The meeting was called to order by Judy Harrison, President. She informed the board that David Robshaw expressed interest to have members of our group caravan to Texas to view the solar eclipse in April 2024. If it becomes a sanctioned activity, it would be covered by our liability insurance.

A motion to sanction the caravan/rally as described above was made by Eileen Frerking and seconded by Lewis Fogel.

Discussion was called. None was had.

A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn was made by Lewis and seconded by Sandra. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55PM

Minutes respectfully submitted on behalf of Sandra Gonzalez



By Judi Fogel

New South Florida Members

Hello everyone especially our new members to the South Florida family ... whether you are full timing or just have occasional weekends, join us and learn about campground gems, information about your AC, leveling, tires and awnings and secrets. Come learn where FREE camping is also all over the United States with your WBCCI numbers and Courtesy Parking in the Feb issue of The Blue Beret.

Want to have fun? Join us! Give it a try and see how being part of the South Florida Airstream Club is Fun in the Sun.

Check out the newsletter that were sent to you. Take a look at the different places that we camp and all of the camping places we will be going to in the next two years. Looking forward to meeting you at the next rally.



Beth Racavich, Member Chairman May God bless you

Treasurer Report - South Florida Airstream Club

	Lewis Fogel		Liana Mezza		Sandra		Nia Carson
					Gonzalez		
	Ck 2859		Ck 2858		Ck 2860		Ck 2861
	4/30/22		4/27/22		4/30/22		5/5/22
BJ's Foodhot dogs, sal-							
ads,crackers,buns, con-				Rusty Anchor Pon-			
diments	\$116.84	Brewery Tour	\$143.10	toon	\$780.00	Salads	\$22.27
		Pizza with tip de-		Emilio & Monte			
Sour Kraut	\$2.79	livery	\$171.71	add	\$60.00		
Taco Tuesday	\$200.25	Ice cream	\$17.10				
2 bundles of wood	\$20.00						
	\$339.88		\$331.91		\$840.00		\$22.27
	Judi Harrison						
Low Country Boil	\$147.06	ck2857					
Bok Tower	\$621.84	ck 2856					
DOR TOWER		CK 2050					
	\$768.90						
Total Costs above	\$2,302.96						
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Total collected from
members\$2,356.00Gain/Loss\$53.04 gain



Ed Ridlehoover Treasurer



South Florida Airstream Club at Lake Kissimmee State Park



South Florida Airstream Club at Lake Louisa State Park



South Florida Airstream Club at O'Leno State Park



South Florida Airstream Club at T.Y. Park Campground May 19-22, 2022

<u>Thursday, May 19th, 2022</u>

Arrive at park and setup

Bring your setups and a dish to share at **6:00pm for Potluck Dinner**. Site to be determined.

Friday, May 20⁺, 2022

Grab some comfy shoes and let's go for a morning walk. Meet at Chuck and Vicki's at 8am. Site 52

Hollywood Broadwalk! Caravan over together at 4pm. We will enjoy walking and talking then make our way over to Margaritaville for drinks and food. Each person pays their own way.

Saturday, May 21st

9am caravan over to Ann Kolb Nature Center at 751 Sheridan St. Hollywood. Ann Kolb is credited for literally changing the landscape of the Hollywood area because she worked tirelessly to keep huge condo developments from taking over all the natural space.

Saturday evening **Jungle Queen Dinner Cruise** out of Ft. Lauderdale. Price is \$67 per person and that includes a Chicken and Ribs BBQ dinner and a two-hour cruise. More details to follow.

Sunday May 22nd

10am we will be leaving for the Farmers Market, across the street from our park.Dinner on your own.6pm Meet up at campsite TBD for Caveman TV (Campfire!)

Rally Leaders Chuck & Vicki Wasson

South Florida Airstream Club at T.Y. Park Campground

May 19-22, 2022

Restaurants near TY Park

Hiro Mara Sushi 3327 Sheridan St.

Tijuana Flats 3357 Sheridan St

JWB Prime Steak 1111 North Ocean Drive

Shenanigans Sports Pub 3303 Sheridan St.

> Starbucks 3305 Sheridan St.

Moonlite Diner 3500 Oakwood Blvd

Pita Plus 2145 Stirling Rd.

Things to Do Near TY Park

<u>West Lake Park</u> 1200 Sheridan St. Hollywood Observation decks, wooden walkways, kayaking and Nature trails

Arts Park at Young Circle 1 North Young Circle Hollywood The circle is the cultural arts heart of Hollywood

> <u>Seminole Classic Casino</u> 4150 N SR 7 Hollywood Entertainment, gambling, dining

Downtown Hollywood Mural Project Harrison St and 20th Ave Enjoy Murals created by local artists

<u>Little Havana Food and Walking Tour</u> 1637 SW 8th St #201 Miami Enjoy authentic Cuban food and Restaurants

Rally Leaders Chuck & Vicki Wasson

South Florida Airstream Club - Planning Guidelines

November 12, 2020 – The South Florida Airstream Club adopted the Inclusive **Planning Guidelines.** These guidelines include the following:

PLANNING TEAM:

The planning team will consist of the President, 1st VP, 2nd VP and Past President.

This team will plan the master calendar dates keeping in mind that we want to extend each rally through the weekend to encourage attendance by members who may still be working. This team will identify the region of Florida that will be targeted for each of the rallies.

This team will identify areas for future rallies within a 2 year time frame.

This team will solicit new camping venues from the members.

LOGISTICS TEAM:

The Logistics Team will consist of the 1st VP, the 2 one year Trustees, and 2 club members from different families.

This team will develop the schedule for each rally. This will include the day, time of day for each activity and will also include free time. The schedule may be adjusted as the Action Teams share their suggestions.

One or more members of this team will visit the campground to assess arrival information or campground information that must be shared with the members. This team will work with the Communications Team (Fun Times, Facebook, Website) to create enthusiasm and to promote attendance at the rallies.

<u>The Logistics Team will contact individual members to be in charge of one small activity at the rally</u>. The objective is to involve members in a variety of activities at future rallies. This team will provide the Action Team with specific written job descriptions. This team will work with the Member Outreach Team to recognize new members and invite them to share their interests with the club members at some time during this rally.

ACTION TEAM:

One member (family unit) will be responsible for one small activity during a rally. The person organizing an activity may ask other members to help if needed. The idea is to have many others helping. This team will be provided a specific written job description.

MEMBER OUTREACH TEAM:

Team leader chooses 2 additional members for the team. Here are some of the important activities of this team.

- Contacts new members
- Phone call/email welcome to new members
- Introduces new attendees at the rally
- Recognizes birthdays and anniversaries through a phone call and at the next rally.
- Informs new members of Facebook page and privileges

COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

- Fun Times Editor email newsletter to all members
- Directory Editor keeps the membership list updated and sends a directory to new members.
- Facebook Administrator (chooses 2 members as manager assistants) to keep page updated with club information, monitors posts and enters new members to our page. Will keep the WBAC website up to date with club activities.

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Greetings, Interested Unit 30 members and friends!

You are receiving this email because you previously indicated that you were interested or possibly interested in attending a caravan/rally in the Texas Hill Country in April 2024.

Here are some updates for you:

I first must thank Christopher and Janice Beckett for their assistance in identifying and contacting several potential hosts for the eclipse event in the Texas hill country. THANKS, BECKETTS!

Linda and I are currently in San Diego, spending two weeks here at a FHU military campground aboard Marine Corp Base Camp Pendleton. My daughter, Melissa, is being commissioned as an officer in the USAF aboard the USS Midway, a museum aircraft carrier located in San Diego Bay, on May 14. That's primarily why we came out and why we're able to stay at the military campground.

We left Florida around April 24 and headed west on I-10. Because my 89-year-old mom is traveling with us, we took things easy, limiting our driving days to roughly 4 hours, or about 260 miles, also about 1 tank of diesel fuel. Because I-10 passes right through Texas Hill Country, we decided to spend a couple of nights there, scouting things out for the eclipse trip. We stayed at a resort – the Old River Road RV Resort near Kerrville. What a FANTASTIC place. Full hook up sites, on cement pads, in a great and very quiet location along the Guadalupe River. Two pools, one indoor, a great little store, and nice folks. A little pricey, though, at \$70 average per night. I would love for us to be able to stay there if we could, but alas, they're fully booked for the period. We are on the waitlist though, and I suspect it could still work out.

On the weekend we were there we drove about 60 minutes south to Concan, TX, to check out a few independent parks that we learned about in our research. One particularly is guite promising - Zuber's River Camp. I met with the owner, whom I'd spoken with on the phone previously. Clint Zuber. He showed us around his property on the Frio River. The sites are very adequate for our needs; they are FHUs, but they're also dirt/gravel with no pads - what Linda described as "rustic yet appealing." Clint quoted a rate of \$55 per night for the two nights we'd need there (April 7 and 8, 2024). All he needs is for us to supply names of those interested and he'll hold the sites for us. As an important comparison, we visited another park right next door to Zuber's River Camp, a place called Parkview Riverside RV Park. I met with the manager, who guoted the following: \$1000. That's for one night, one week, or the entire month of April 2024 – just because of the eclipse. They're not interested in group rates/discounts or nightly rates. Incredible price gouging at its worst. We also crossed the Frio and ventured into Garner State Park. It's beautiful, but full hook up sites were relatively few. I know that some can do without (as we can), if there's power and water. There is. Somewhat promising was the notion that they might make advanced reservations for large groups (we're shooting for 20 rigs). I'll follow up with the bosses there later this week.

Anyway, we only need a couple of nights wherever we stay to enjoy the eclipse event. The rest of the time can be spent near Austin and San Antonio, or farther into the hill country, not far to the north and east.

Here's a sketch concept for everyone to think about:

1. We meet at an independent park - a rally point TBD - in Central Florida around April 2, 2024

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and proceed to Concan TX over the course of around five nights, taking the route in 4 hour (+ or – 30 minutes) chunks each day along mostly I-10. The route's easy – we just drove it. This caravan out is completely elective – we can simply meet in TX if that's what everyone would prefer. 2. Overnight on April 7 and 8 at the Zuber River Crossing RV Park (or Garner State Park if we can swing it) near Concan TX for the eclipse event.

3. On April 9, proceed to a highly rated and reasonably priced RV park (TBD) near San Antonio (about 90 minutes away). We can spend three nights there, enjoying the Alamo, the Riverwalk, great Mexican food, walking tours, Natural Bridge Caverns, and/or a ton of other outstanding things to do and see.

4. On April 12, proceed to a highly rated and reasonably priced RV Park or state park (TBD) near Austin TX (under 90 minutes away). Spend three nights there, enjoying barbecue, live music, and breweries! Also a ton of natural beauty nearby, so hikes and walks can be featured during this segment as well.

5. Close out the caravan on April 15 and begin the 5-day trek back to Florida. I can work out the stops later, depending on whether everyone would prefer to stay together or mosey back on their own.

An alternative concept would be to concentrate our stays after the eclipse in the Hill Country near Kerrville, Fredericksburg, Comfort, Boerne, New Braunfels, Luling, or Lockhart. Texas wildflowers, smokey barbecue, wineries and breweries – along with the area's natural bounty – are plentiful in these small hill country towns. Details can be developed as we determine which concept appeals more to the folks involved.

So, that's it for now. Let me know what concept ideas appeal more to you. Provide feedback please on any point you want to. I can then determine "action items" and assemble teams that I'll ask your help with later.



Call me or text if questions, David Robshaw (954) 914-5028



SOUTH FLORIDA AIRSTREAM CLUB RALLY SCHEDULE

2022						
DATE	SITE/VENUE	LOCATION	RALLY/EVENT			
January 17 21	Creek Fire Resort	Savannah, GA	IBT (International Rally)			
January 27 31	Sherwood Forest RV Park	Kissimmee, FL	Unit 30 Winter Fun Rally			
April 6-10	N. Georgia Fairgrounds	ACI Region 3 Rally				
April 20-28	Lake Kissimmee SP (4/20-23) Lake Louisa SP (4/23-26) O'Leno SP (4/26-4/29)	Unit 30 Caravan				
May 19-23	Topeekeegee Yugnee Park	Hollywood, FL	Unit 30 Spring Rally			
July 23-29	Fryeburg Fairgrounds	Fryeburg, ME	ACI International Rally			
October 19-24	Long Point Campground Melbourne Beach,		Unit 30 Pumpkin Fest/Installation of New Executive Board			
November 30- December 4	Sarasota Fairgrounds	Sarasota, FL	Joint Rally with Florida Suncoast Unit/Holiday Rally and Reception/Collection of PEPPI Headstart School Gifts			
2023						
January 5-8	Topsail Hill Preserve SP	Santa Rosa Beach, FL	Canopener Rally			
February 8-12	Sarasota Fairgrounds	Sarasota, FL	Florida State Rally			
March 27-April 2	Ocean Lakes Family CG	Myrtle Beach, SC	ACI Region 3 Rally			
April 13-21	Top of Georgia AS Park	Helen, GA	Unit 30 Caravan*			
May 18-22	Larry and Penny Thompson Memorial Park	Miami, FL	Unit 30 Rally			
June (dates TBA)	Sweetwater Events Complex	Rock Springs, WY	ACI International Rally			
September 14- 18	Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park	Jacksonville, FL	Unit 30 Rally			
October 26-30	Myakka River SP	Sarasota, FL	Unit 30 Pumpkin Fest/Installation of New Executive Board			
November (dates TBA)	Sarasota Fairgrounds	Sarasota, FL	Joint Rally with Florida Suncoast Unit			
December 15- 17	River Ranch RV Resort	River Ranch, FL	Unit 30 Holiday Rally and Reception/Collection of PEPPI Headstart School Gifts			
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Prepared by Lewis Fogel and



Prepared by Dave Robshaw

NOTE: The first date listed in each event is ARRIVAL DAY. The last date listed in each event is DEPARTURE DAY.

Events highlighted in blue are ACI/Region 3/Independent events that we will participate in as a club.

*This caravan will include two nights of boondocking while en route from FL to Helen, GA.

Events highlighted in green are Unit 30 sponsored or hosted events.

Happy Birthday	November Essy Donoso Gay Konnagan 14 Betty Jean Glouner 24 December Eileen Frerking 8 Victoria Magnacca 10 Sissy Towsley	
Julie Nicholas 26 February Sarajane Towndrow 3 Dave Perrucci 19	Happy Anniversary	
March Pat Jones 8 Jim Nicholas 18	January February March	
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SeptemberTom Carlson7Judi Fogel10John Magnacca18	If you would like to have your	
OctoberFran Perrucci4Bernice Richardson10Laurie Jones18	birthdays or anniversaries posted here, please send info	12 23
	to:	* * * * * * * *

UPCOMING 2022 RALLIES

Judy Harrison, President 813-928-1536 jih6905hot@gmail.com Please let Judy Harrison know your campsite # at rallies.

January 17-21, 2022-Mid Winter IBT International Rally Creek Fire RV Resort, 275 Fort Argyle Rd. Savannah, GA 31419 January 27-31, 2022-Winter Fun Rally Sherwood Forest RV Resort, 5300 W. Irlo Bronson Memorial Hwy Kissimmee, FL 34746

April 6-10, 2022 Region 3 Rally North Georgia Fairgrounds Hiawassee, Ga. April 20-28,2022 Unit Caravan Three State Parks, in Fl. Lake Kissimmee 4-20-23 14248 Camp Mack Rd, Lake Wales, FL Lake Louisa 4-23-26 7305 US HWY 27, Clermont, FL O'Leno 4-26 – leave on 4-29 410 SE O'Leno Park Rd, High Springs, FL

May 19-23, 2022 South Fla Rally TY Park 3300 North Park Rd, Hollywood Florida City, FL 33034 July 23-29, 2022 International Rally 1154 Mainstreet, Fryeburg, Maine October 19-24, 2022 Halloween Rally Installation of new board Long Point Campground, 700 Long Point Rd. Melbourne Beach, Fl 32951 November 30th—Dec 4th Joint Rally with Fl. Suncoast Sarasota Fairgrounds

2023 Rallies refer to page # 14

2024 Texas Hill Country Caravan/Eclipse Event April 8, See Page 12-13.

Florida State Park Reservations are now made through

https://reserve.floridastateparks.org/Web/



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