IDAIIO AIRSTREAM CLUB



A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT



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Is time really a constant? It seems like October and November don't last as long as January or July. Fall also came and went in short order: Boise has already received snow and is now waking up to about 20 degrees. I've been told the Ketchum area has already received two feet of snow!

The Harvest Dinner is also now part of history, and those that came had a great time. The food and entertainment were fantastic.

Tony and Lorrie did a great job cooking three types of meat, and Mark and Jeannie Pinkman were awesome hosts! Aardvark professionally conducted a murder mystery centered around the 1800's, steampunk style. I've never attended a murder mystery, so I really didn't know what to expect. In case you didn't know, we have some great acting talent in the club! The interaction was also awesome. Several of our past members, whom have been widowed, were able to join us and we *really* enjoyed having them. Judy Canada brought door prizes for everyone; thank you so much Judy!

If you have interest in going to the International Rally in Rock Springs, Wyoming this coming summer and have not already registered, you might want to do so soon. As of 11/17/2022, there were already over 900 reservations made with about 300 spots yet available. You will need to signin to the Airstreamclub.org website, then go to https://airstreamclub.org/Rally2023/acirally2023-registration to register.

We won't see an International Rally this close to us anytime soon, so it's an excellent opportunity to experience something this big without traveling across the country.

There are a few members that will be headed south soon, and we wish them safe travels. Most of us not headed south have already winterized our Airstream, and now enter an inactive time of year for the Club. Tony Wilson and I will try to take advantage of the winter months to work with both Region 10 and International to get our website updated, which is a focus of mine as President. As the holidays approach, take time to focus on and enjoy your families. We will continue to plan for the upcoming year and look forward to opportunities this next year presents!

— Calvin



From the Idaho Airstream Club

Welcome New Members and Affiliate Members

by Mim Davidson, Membership

Kim and Kerry Kelley

Boise, ID BRN 7285

Thank you very much for the warm welcome. We are so thrilled to be part of the Airstream community. We purchased our 2012 20' Flying Cloud Bambi last October and we have had a fun year learning and exploring.

We love to hike, backpack, mountain bike and ski. Our first trailer was a teardrop called a Pinecone from Three Feather manufacturing in Oregon. Loving all the extra room in the Airstream, we feel like it is so perfect.

We've lived in Boise 10 years, before that we were north of Seattle. Kerry retired last February, we love hiking with our two dogs.

Looking forward to getting to know the Idaho Airstream Club members.

Michael and Brandy Horwitz

Hailey, ID BRN 7397

Hi-This is our first RV and we bought it when we went empty nest and sold our home in Oregon in advance of a planned moved to the Sun Valley area. We just returned from 13 months traveling the US and it was quite the adventure but we are now looking forward to exploring some nooks and crannies closer to home.

We are avid outdoor enthusiasts and are likely defined more by what we don't do in the area v what we do. We do everything except horses and rock climbing. We are looking forward to finding some remote and less well traveled camping locations that afford access to hiking, mt biking, fishing and exploring.

We travel with our 8 year old Miniature Labradoodle named Jordy (as in Jordy Nelson).

Michael and Angela McClure

Star, ID BRN 7282

Thank you for reaching out and your warm welcome - we look forward toward meeting and traveling with new people.

We started RVing in the mid 90's when are kids were little and this is our 3rd RV, although our first Airstream. I just recently retired and my wife Angela is still working. We recently traveled and visited 5 national parks this past June in Utah with my daughter and her family. In our spare time (not so much) I enjoy wood working, restoring automobiles, landscaping and Angela loves browsing antique stores, and working in the garden.

Thank you again for welcoming us into the Airstream family!

Jeffrey Cooper and Glenna Winnie (Affiliate members) Alexandria, VA BRN 4192.

Member Celebrations

by Mim Davidson, Membership

December Birthdays

Mike deRuyter, Pam Vernegaard, Linda Settle, Aaron Firth

December Anniversaries

Kim and Kerry Kelley

January Birthdays

Michael McClure, Angela McClure, Maureen Ostyn, Faith Simms

January Anniversaries

Apologies if we missed your birthday or anniversary. Please share your dates with Membership at 035membershipchair@wbcci.net

Some Favorite Camping Places



Calvin and Kelly Huit. We were part of the 2019 Idaho Airstream Club Oregon Coast Caravan. We had time to kill, and had prior experience/knowledge of an awesome place to park within walking distance to get fish and chips. We parked here for several hours, and had great conversation with a fisherman that owned his own boat. We learned a lot about the fisheries of the area and enjoyed our time there. And how could you not love the view, just above crashing waves?!

Membership Thoughts

by Mim Davidson, Membership

If you've been a member for several years, you are probably receiving renewal reminders from our HQ office. This is the time of year our physical directory is prepared for publication. This directory is actually a cool benefit. You'll find members who offer Courtesy Parking – which is overnight (or longer) spaces when you're travelling. It gives you a chance to reach out to other members when you're away from home if you want to find "the best place for..." or need a hand. The Airstream Club is bigger than Idaho!

By the numbers, Idaho Unit #035 is doing okay. Fifty-four Regular and Affiliate members have renewed. (Thank

you!!) Five members left the Idaho Unit for groups closer to their homes. We are waiting on 14 members to renew. If you're not able to renew, please let us know why (e-mail 035membershipchair@wbcci.net). You won't get more reminders – and you can help us improve. Remember, your Airstream is a standing invitation to join a rally!

Take a look at the Rally Schedule for 2023. We have a camping opportunity nearly every month April – October. We'll have many adventures! Please take a moment to renew your club dues.

2023 International Rally

Caravan to Rock Springs. Are you signed up for the International Rally in Wyoming this summer? It is June 24-30 at Rock Springs, WY. This will be one of the biggest events for the Airstream Club in many years. The Idaho Unit is planning a two night caravan. We'll leave Boise on Wednesday, June 21 and arrive in Rock Springs on Friday, June 23.

Please let Fonny & Mim Davidson (208-336-8325 voice) know by December 12 if you are interested. This isn't a commitment, but let's them start planning. We may encounter other Region 10 caravans as we travel.





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2023 Rally Schedule

by Sherry Hoem, Rally Coordinator

Greetings fellow travelers! The one constant in life is change and we have a few with our rally schedule.

Karen Ekbald has been researching our July rally. Smiley Creek has changed and no longer has enough RV sites for our club. Pending Board approval, she has found another location for our July rally, Arrowhead Resort on the Payette River in Cascade.

Calvin has been researching the Jordan Valley rally in May with a potential RV site and tour to Silver City.

We still need co-hosts for some rallies. Please contact Sherry Hoem at <u>goodshepherd1@gmail.com</u> if interested.

I hope the holidays bring good cheer and happy reunions with friends and relatives.

DATE	EVENT	HOSTS
April 20-23	Trinity View Resort, Mountain Home	Davidsons and Robinsons
May 19-21	Jordan Valley, OR	Huits
June 21-23	Caravan to International Rally	Davidsons
June 24-30	International Rally, Rock Springs, WY	
July 21-24	Arrowhead Resort, Cascade	Smith & Ekbald and Pedersons
August 17-20	Picabo Angler RV Park, Picabo	Hoems
September 21-24	Lake Walcott and Minidoka NWR	Hoems
October 5-8	Bruneau Dunes State Park	Davidsons
October	Jazz Festival National Rally, Ketchum	
November 11	Harvest Dinner	



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Photos from the 2022 Harvest Dinner

Submitted by Calvin Huit and Lorrie Bauer

































More Photos from the Work & Play Rally at Bruneau Dunes

Submitted by Lorrie Bauer











Some Favorite Camping Places



Gary Betts and Kim Blackburn. We were making our way home from Yellowstone in October. Many campgrounds had already closed for the season, so we were having trouble finding a site. After crawling up a very steep dirt road that was full of large rocks and pot holes, we ended up boondocking high up on a hilltop northeast of Jackson Hole. The view over the valley with the Grand Tetons in the background was stunning, particularly as the sun was setting!



Calvin and Kelly Huit. Taken by drone of our campsite at Union Creek Campground, located 18 miles South of Baker City, OR. The Burkes had invited the Idaho club to join them. It was during an active smoky season and only two other units joined us. There were a lot of camp spots (60) of various kinds, some with full hookups, right next to the Phillips Reservoir's North shore.

Sun Valley Jazz and Music Festival Rally

by Bob Caldwell, Rally Coordinator

From the beautiful backdrop of the Sawtooth Mountains, we gathered to enjoy the music and activities of the rally. Our "boondocking" camp location is the River Run parking lot. Thanks to Richard Stolarik, our volunteer camp host, we were parked easily. We had access to lovely showers in the River Run Lodge that were only a short walk away.

This year we had 19 rigs registered, but a couple of folks dropped out at the last minute. The weather was incredible, the music fantastic, the dance lessons were fun, but we would not win any competition! - we have 2 left feet!

The food was terrific as was the amazing colours on all the foliage. Great hiking and bike trails which took us right up to Sun Valley Inn. There was lots of parking if one decided to drive.

The festival itself was reduced from past years, but it offered a break between performances which enabled us to enjoy a drink on the patio of the Sun Valley Inn while people watching or watching to ducks on the pond.

We had catered hors d'oeuvres for our meet and greet gathering. The Chamber of commerce gave us great material to guide us through town, so we were able to tour the area on our extra day before the rally began. Those who volunteered received their assignments and training on Wednesday morning and then the music began. The music and bands came from all over USA. There was something for everyone to enjoy.

We enjoyed coffee and snacks in the morning and a "no host" margarita and taco dinner as well as our wrap up pizza happy hour.

We were pleased to see our friend Fay Peterson, a former member of the Idaho club who has been our scout in town for many years and assisted with local logistics.

Bob and Patty Peterson from Hailey joined us for our pizza happy hour. We really enjoyed meeting them and hope to see them again next year.

We were joined by two couples for their very first rally. Their opinion; they did not know what to expect but "if this is how you rally, we will be doing it again."

This IS how we Rally!

Everyone had a great time!

Mark your calendars and make plans to join us for the Rally next year on Oct 17-22, 2023. It'll be our 20th National Airstream extravaganza in Sun Valley, Idaho!

















Some Favorite Camping Places





Calvin and Kelly Huit. We were on our way home from attending the Region 10 Rally in Kalispell, MT. I took these photos with my drone using HDR technology. We were camped along the Locksa River. We loved this spot and hope to return. This camp spot is a hidden gem!