



Happy New Year Piedmont Airstream Club Newsletter

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Remembering

John F. Guy Jr.

November 8, 1934 – December 30, 2022

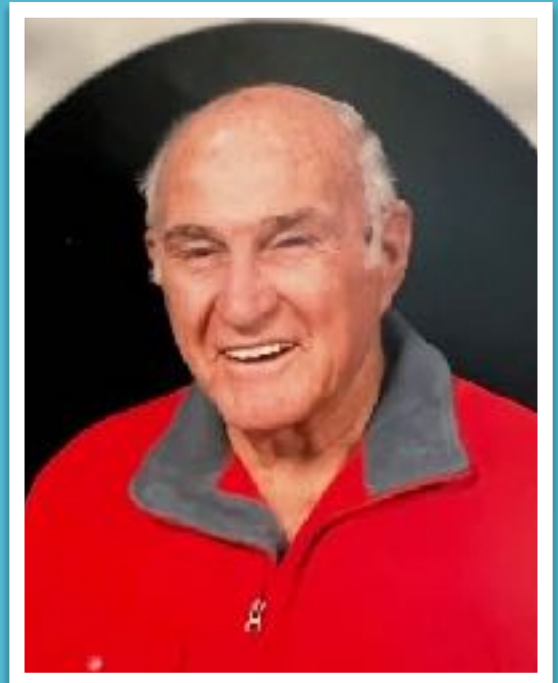
It is with a heavy heart that we say farewell to a fellow Piedmont Airstream Club member a three time past Club President. Some members of the Piedmont Airstream Club who knew John had these kind words to say about him:

“John was a really wonderful man who was willing to share his many years of camping experience with all the new members”

“He was kind warm welcoming guy. In his 80s he did more than many of us. Just a joy to be around”

“Christmas display of trains and Christmas houses. We will miss his friendly face and his stories. RIP big John.”

“He got larger than life around the campfire and was very much in love with his wife.”



John F. Guy, Jr.'s Obituary

A Message from the President

Hello and Happy New Year, Piedmont Air Stream Club. I am currently at Land Yatch Harbour in sunny Melbourn Florida. Jane and I want to thank all of our past and present volunteers who have made the Piedmont Club the friendly enjoyable adventurous club that it is. Special thanks to Past President Bill Byrum and First Lady Diane Byrum for your leadership throughout 2022. Thank you also to Gregory Ray and Stedman Brown for their years of service to the Piedmont Club.

I would like to welcome all of our members to this exciting new year of Airstream Life. Thank you to those who have stepped up and volunteered to energize our itinerary, offering fun and fellowship throughout our 2023 calendar. Our calendar of events has a few holes in it, so please consider reaching out and offering suggestions and/or volunteering to host or cohost an event. Specifically, the month of May is open. This time period is the heart of our summer season, and it would be really nice if we could get something scheduled.

The International Rally is scheduled for June. I realize not everyone will attend that Rally, therefore if someone has a suggestion for a local June Rally I would love to hear about it.

Thank you for being a member of the Piedmont Airstream Club. This club exists because of you. Lets get back to our pre Covid activities and have some fun! Please feel free to contact me with suggestions or comments.

Mark your calendar for the February Luncheon!

We have been asked to cook a pancake breakfast at the Region 3 rally in Myrtle Beach. This is a volunteer event. The cost is on the Region 3 Committee. We are simply supplying the labor. Please let me know if you have an interest in participating.

Thank you all!

Alan Hvizdak President

A Message from the Vice President

Oh no! It's January!

Ahhh yes, January. The month of resolutions unfulfilled, miserable weather, and new beginnings. A part of the January process in our house is my eternal resolve to clean up and throw out...not only in the house(s), but also our beautiful Airstream. So what's the problem? Well, let's face it, if two people share a space, there are two opinions on how to outfit it. How many husbands do you know that understand the purpose and absolute need for PILLOWS? It's a delicate dance reaching agreement on what goes and what stays as the Airstream is readied for a road trip. Here are some tips that have helped me:

- 1) Consider the length of your trip. An 8 week caravan demands a different plan from a weekend rally. Will the weather be cold or hot, or worse yet cold AND hot? How you want to spend your travel time? There are many activities that rank head and shoulders above cooking and washing dishes. Load up on paper plates.
- 2) Remember that no matter where you are going there are probably grocery stores, restaurants, and the always loved/hated Wal-Mart. Purchase supplies as needed.
- 3) The term 'minimalist' will never appear in my bio. However, Airstreaming has taught me that sometimes you have to bite the bullet and go with function over beauty. Sage advice we learned Day 1 of our Airstream ownership - "Ounces make pounds." If you don't need it, get it outta there.
- 4) Laundry supplies and rolls of quarters are required on board at all times.
- 5) Clothes and shoes are tricky at best. Thankfully, Big Mike understands my need for twice the closet space that he gets to claim. Two things that stay in our closets are mud shoes and water shoes. See Item 2 regarding socks, underwear, tee shirts, and any forgotten supplies. Good Luck!



2023 Rally Event Schedule

Piedmont Club Luncheon

Saturday, February 11th, 2023, at 11:30AM

Pomodoro Italian Kitchen

1811 Hillandale Rd, Durham, NC 27705

(Intersection of I85 and Hillandale Rd.)

Hosts: Stedman Brown & Tami Lowe

Please arrive around 11:30am to visit with your fellow Piedmont Airstream Club members. Lunch will be served around noon. There will be several menu items to choose from. There will be individual checks and a 18% gratuity will be automatically added. After lunch there will be a short program and open discussions.

Please RSVP by sending an e-mail to stedmanbrown6693@gmail.com by February 6th.

March 29 to April 2, 2023

Region 3 Rally

Ocean Lakes Campground

6001 S. Kings Highway

Myrtle Beach, SC

Host: Christine Baum, Region 3 President

Call 877-510-1413 to reserve your campsite now. Camp sites are limited.

Be sure to say "2023 Region 3 Airstream Rally" to get the special camping rate.

2023 Rally Event Schedule

April 27 – 30, 2023

Piedmont Club Rally

Zooland Family Campground

3671 Pisgah Covered Bridge Road
Asheboro, NC

Hosts: Jim & Amy Mount and Stedman Brown & Tami Lowe

May 2023

Piedmont Club Rally

Exact date & campground to be determined

Host to be determined

June 24 - 30, 2023

66th International Rally

Sweetwater Events Complex

Rock Springs, WY

Register Online at www.AirstreamClub.org/Rally2023 or see your Blue Beret for more details.

July 27 - 30, 2023

Summer Piedmont Club Rally

Campground Location to be determined

Hosts: Steve & Leslie Lovett

2023 Rally Event Schedule

Aug. 6 – 12, 2023

National & Region 3 Rally

Cool Breeze Campground

87th Annual Old Time Fiddlers Convention

2330 Edmonds Road

Galax, VA

Host: Christine Baum, Region 3 President

Sept. 21 - 24, 2023

Joint Rally with NC & SC Airstream Clubs

Hosted by Carolinas Club & Piedmont NC Club AND South Carolina Coastal & Palmetto State Club

Palmetto Cove

521 Table Rock Road

Cleveland, SC

Oct. 19 - 22, 2023

Alumalina

Tom Johnson Rally Park/Campground

2695 Hwy. 70 West

Marion, NC

Host: John Leake, Palmetto State Airstream Club

Meet fellow Streamers from Region 3 - VA, NC, SC, GA & FL – & beyond!

2023 Rally Event Schedule

November 2023

Piedmont Club Rally

(Exact date to be determined)

Salem Breeze Campground

2796 Hickory Tree Road Winston-Salem, NC

Installation of new Piedmont Club officers

PIEDMONT NC CLUB MEMBERSHIP REPORT

JANUARY 2022









by Amy Mount

Piedmont NC Club Membership Chair

As 2023 begins let's **WELCOME** our **NEWEST** Piedmont Club members since November 2022 –

- **James (Jamie) & Paige Campbell** BRN 7584 Greensboro, NC 2021 30-ft. Globetrotter
- **Howard & Diane Johnson** BRN 3359 Morganton, NC 2022 30-ft. Classic
- **Eric & Robbie Stiefel** BRN 9003 Lexington, NC 2017 30-ft. Classic
- **William & Kelly Brickey (Affiliate)** BRN 7350 Moncure, NC 2023 25-ft. Globetrotter

AND our Piedmont Club members that **RENEWED** for 2023 –

-  **Edward (Ned) & Ann Albee** BRN 5581
-  **Dan & Diana Amburn** BRN 6626
-  **Mary Lynne & James Baxter** BRN 14736
-  **Peter & Bonnie Cap** BRN 3352
-  **Donna & Dana (Coach) Edwards** BRN 16910
-  **David & Denise Funaro** BRN 31933
-  **Jim & Margaret Banke-Hamernick** BRN 9520
-  **Andrew (Andy) & Karen Karakos** BRN 2308 - Lifetime Member
-  **Mark & Maria LeBlanc** BRN 4729
-  **Michael (Mike) & Sue Presley** BRN 3420
-  **Delia & Robert (Rob) Rati** BRN 3748
-  **Gregory Ray** BRN 5218
-  **Fredrick & Vicki Reese** BRN 14033
-  **Joseph (Joe) & Marge Schradie** BRN 9000
-  **Jeffrey (Jeff) Skeahan** BRN 7150
-  **Debra (Debbie) & Todd Stroud** BRN 3846

PIEDMONT NC CLUB MEMBERSHIP REPORT

However, we will *miss* some Piedmont Club members in 2023 –

- ✗ **Bob & Marge Bennett (BRN 701) - stopped camping & gave Airstream to son**
- ✗ **Greyton & Lisa Flanagan (BRN 1910)**
- ✗ **William Rowse (BRN 5388) - sold Airstream**
- ✗ **Brad & Kathy Tilley (BRN 6018) - sold Airstream**

Interested in contacting a fellow Piedmont Club member? Go to www.airstreamclub.org and enter your “login” password to access the “Membership Directory.” You may search the directory by entering a name or Big Red Number (BRN) to find contact information for a fellow “Streamer.” Always a good idea to get to know Club members that live in your hometown!