



Trailhusker



The Newsletter of the Nebraska Unit – WBCCI

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Presidents Message

Dan Hoyt



Happy New Year! And welcome to 2023! We have 3 NE unit rallies planned for you this season. They may cover areas you haven't been to before. They will almost certainly have activities you haven't done or seen before.

They will almost certainly have activities you haven't done or seen before. And you will become better acquainted with our Nebraska club members!! From college professors to skilled laborers to farmers to professional people - well - you name it - our club has a wide variety of talent and know-how in it's membership. Try to attend one, two or maybe all 3 of our rallies. The scheduled locations and dates for the rallies are #1) Branched Oak State Rec Area near Lincoln, NE from April 20-23. #2) Willow Creek Campground, Le Mars IA (known for Blue Bunny ice cream) from September 14-17. #3) And Wilson Island State Park near DeSoto Bend Nat'l Wildlife Refuge, Missouri Valley, IA from October 12-15. Oh - don't forget the Region 8 Rally at Sycamore, KS April 26-30.

The luncheons that are held on the second Saturday of the month are another way to meet club members. It's an hour or two of camaraderie

to catch up with new or old friends. Dale Ann and I look forward to the luncheons and meeting members - both old and new.

New Years Eve here in SW Florida was a mostly laid back event. That is until a few minutes before midnight! Then the locals lit their fireworks and filled the sky with dazzling designs and the pop and crackle of firecrackers! After about 15 minutes of celebration the noise and dazzle subsided.

We will "migrate" back to the Midwest in early April. We hope to see you all then.

Dan Hoyt
NE Airstream Club President



We had a great turnout at the January Meeting at the Apple Barrel Restaurant in Omaha.

Birthdays

January 4	Steve Kenyon
12	Cheryl Sisk
15	Dwight Olson
16	Lucius Bowen
20	Dale Anne Hoyt
23	Christine Mann
February 6	Bill Larson
12	Chris Leon
27	Dan Hoyt
March 1	Ashley Kavan
6	Diane Larson
8	Mike Sisk
8	Jim Perrin
16	Larry Link
31	Jeff Mann

Anniversaries

January 30 Tim & Crystal Wieland 1993

February 22 Steve Kenyon & Mary Stolinski 2008

2023 LUNCHEONS

NOW every second Saturday of each month

January 14

February 11

March 11

April 8

May 13

June 10

*Luncheons are located at Sapp Brothers Apple Barrel
I- 80 & Hwy50 @ 11:30 am*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring Fix It Rally

Branched Oak SP

April 20-23, 2023

Committee: Opp's & Wrights

Region 8 Rally

April 26-30

Sycamore Springs Whitetail Ranch

3126 Bittersweet Rd., Sebetha, KS

INTERNATIONAL RALLY

June 24-30, 2023

Sweetwater Events Complex

Rock Springs, WY



Willow Creek Campground Rally

LeMars, IOWA

September 14-17, 2023

Wilson Island Campground Rally

October 12-15, 2023

Missouri Valley, IOWA

Canadian Maritimes

By Mike and Cheryl Sisk



What and where are the Canadian Maritimes? It is a region of Eastern Canada consisting of three provinces - New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island (PEI). After the International Rally in Fryeburg, ME, we were able to join a caravan of four rigs (from the MO-KAN Club) that was headed to the Maritimes.

Our first stop in Canada was near Bayside, NB at the Island View Campground. We went to nearby St. Andrews which was a beautiful village with many touristy shops, and on to St. John, NB which is Canada's oldest incorporated city. It is the only city on the shore of the Bay of Fundy, home to the world's highest tides. From there we went to Hopewell Cape, NB camping at Ponderosa Pines Campground. We visited the Hopewell Rocks which are scattered along a mile of coastline and are an extraordinary area of strangely shaped rocks. It is a damp area, but easy to walk on - and incredible to see the tide levels! Pictures to the right show low and high tide at Flowerpot Rocks.



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difference in

Freeport, NS,
operated by



Another stop was Whale of A Time Campground near arriving via ferry. At this newer campground, owned and operated by Gail and her husband (a lobster fisherman) we boondocked for three nights. Our campsites had beautiful views of the ocean. Ferries between these islands were free. Picture at left with Gail and our group.

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From there we went to Woodhaven Campground in Hammonds outside of Halifax, NS. We toured the Citadel, a fort in Halifax cannon is fired every day noontime. Unsuspecting tourists jump at the cannon as it can be heard all over Halifax. After spending in the area, including time at Peggy's Cove (picture at left), we moved on to Orangedale, NS and stayed at Time Out Campground. Two of the trip's highlights were the Maragree Highland Games and whale watching in the Bay of St. Lawrence. We had front row seats at the Highland Games, where events included caper toss, weight tossing (pictured at right), hammer throwing, and stone tossing. On our whale-watching boat tour we were fortunate to see over one hundred Pilot whales!



Plains, NS where a the sound of several days



Our final stop was in Summerside, PEI for a week at the Linkletter Provincial Park. Cheryl and I were able to use our inflatable kayak in the ocean, where the water was surprisingly warm and clear. Many side trips included North Rustico, North Cape, Victoria-by-the-Sea, Cavendish, Green Gables and Stanley Bridge for a Ceilith (pronounced kay-lee)- music, dance and humor. What an adventure this trip was! We heartily recommend this area as a destination for its natural beauty, locales and friendly people.

Campground Review – Worlds of Fun Village

By Christine Mann

This November and then again in January we spent time in Kansas City, MO visiting our daughter. We have found the Worlds of Fun Village to be a great place to park the Airstream during the off season. "Parks Closed" as they say but it makes for a very peaceful stay. They keep water on for one row of hookups and there were quite a few of us parked for Thanksgiving. January however only included 3 rigs. It's a great place for a week or just overnight. Great restaurants nearby. Our favorite is *Chicken N Pickle* which has indoor pickleball courts.



Spring Fix It Rally

Nebraska Airstream Club 2023 Fix-It-Rally
We are now able to book our campsites for the
Nebraska Airstream Club Fix-It-Rally

To be held on:

Thursday April 20 - Sunday April 23 at Branched Oak
Lake SRA - Middle Loop

This year we will be camping in a different area than
we stayed at last year.

If you attended last years rally you will remember
that the wind about blew us away,
so this year we have booked the Optimist Club
Building for our use.

Area 4 Middle Loop campground will be closer to the
Optimist building.

This year events will have our Airstream Club
Highway Litter pickup, a breakfast and
a dinner provided by the club, a white elephant
exchange and other fun activities.

More information will come later, but for now let's
reserve our camping sites.

You can reserve your site online at:

Branched Oak SRA NE

Area 4-Middle Oak Loop

Happy Hour will be in the common area behind site
number 170 so try for a site close by.

Site numbers to use - 168-174 and 176-181

No water at sites, electric only

water hydrants are at dump station and common
ground.

A Nebraska park permit is required, you can get it on
line at: outdoornebraska.gov

Please let me know if you plan to attend and your site
number for the meal count at:

mealsonreels@gmail.com

Hope to see you there,

Jim & Jeanine

Gordon & Deb

Region 8 Rally

Registration is now open for the Region 8 Rally at
Sycamore Springs - April 26th through April 30. Check
your email for more info, the Region 8 Newsletter or
at this link: [https://airstreamclub.org/2023-region-8-rally-sabetha-](https://airstreamclub.org/2023-region-8-rally-sabetha-ks?fbclid=IwAR1eInxNpqYo51imURRbNaxQJfY---GwNioxygYtw2sShJkKJwGq3ZqSQDs)

[ks?fbclid=IwAR1eInxNpqYo51imURRbNaxQJfY---GwNioxygYtw2sShJkKJwGq3ZqSQDs](https://airstreamclub.org/2023-region-8-rally-sabetha-ks?fbclid=IwAR1eInxNpqYo51imURRbNaxQJfY---GwNioxygYtw2sShJkKJwGq3ZqSQDs)

VAC (Vintage Airstream Club) Region 8



Watkins Mill State Park
26600 Park Road N.
Lawson, MO 64062

Please let host know if you plan to attend and your
site number for the meal count at:

Hosts: Scott & Jodi Jensen (515-321-0703)
Scott & Kathy Allen (515-473-0256)

Reservations are open now:

[https://mostateparks.com/park/
watkins-mill-state-park](https://mostateparks.com/park/watkins-mill-state-park)

Campground map:

[https://mostateparks.com/sites/mostateparks/
files/Watkins_CG.pdf](https://mostateparks.com/sites/mostateparks/files/Watkins_CG.pdf)

Recommended sites: 40-47, 60-84

Installation Rally at Eugene Mahoney State Park

by Ashley Kavan



The last weekend of September 2022 saw the Nebraska Airstream Club's Installation Rally at Eugene Mahoney State Park. Eight rigs were in attendance and several additional couples joined us for the Club meeting and Installation on Saturday afternoon. The Rally was a Halloween themed event with lots of Halloween fun on Saturday. After the Installation ceremony everyone returned to their trailers to decorate and don their Halloween finest for the trailer décor and costume contest (judged, hesitantly by the Kallmers). A spooky dinner of snakes with blood and guts sauce was served, along with salad, and zombie bites. The club kids invited the other kids camping in the Little Creek loop to join them for trick or treating.

Costume Prizes:

Best Costume: Cheryl Sisk – Christmas present

2nd place: Ashley Kavan – witch

Worst Costume: Ryan Knowles – vampire clown

2nd Place: Mike Sisk – hockey player

Trailer décor prizes:

Best décor: The Wieland Family

2nd Place: The Kavan Family

Mike Sisk installed Cheryl Sisk as First Vice President, Ashley Kavan as Second Vice President, and LaDon Kallmer as Corresponding Secretary. Everyone enjoyed cake following the meeting.



*...more photos from the Installation Rally
at Eugene Mahoney State Park*





Thank You

Thanks for all the cards and texts of condolence in the passing of my mother, Shirley Sisk. Like all mothers, she was an incredible woman, and our family deeply misses her. She and my dad were former Airstream members and were very active in leading caravans, both hosting and attending rallies and encouraging Cheryl and me to join the Airstream family. Thank you for your support!

Mike Sisk

Campground Recipes

by Debbie Opp

SLOW COOKER CREAM CHEESE CRACK CHICKEN CHILI

Author: [Plain Chicken](#)

Yield: 8 people

Prep Time 5 mins

Cook Time 6 hrs

Total Time 6 hrs 5 mins

Slow Cooker Cream Cheese Crack Chicken Chili - this stuff is AMAZING! We've made it 3 times this month! We can't get enough of it!!! Chicken, corn, black beans, chicken broth, diced tomatoes and green chiles, cumin, chili powder, onion, ranch seasoning, bacon and cheddar cheese. We served the chili with some cornbread and Fritos. PERFECT! This is already on the menu again this weekend! YUM! #crockpot #slowcooker #chicken #chili

Equipment:

- [6-qt Slow Cooker](#)

Ingredients:

- 2 boneless skinless chicken breasts
- 1 (11-oz) can corn, drained
- 1 (15-oz) black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 (10-oz) diced tomatoes and green chilies, undrained
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 1 cup cooked chopped bacon
- 1 (1-oz) [packet ranch seasoning & salad dressing mix](#)
- 1 tsp cumin
- 1 Tbsp chili powder
- 1 tsp onion powder
- 1 (8-oz) package cream cheese
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese

Instructions:

1. Place chicken at bottom of slow cooker.
2. Add corn, black beans, diced tomatoes and green chilies, chicken broth, cumin, chili powder, onion powder ranch seasoning and bacon. Stir together. Place cream cheese on top of chicken.
3. Cover with lid and cook on LOW for 6-8 hours.
4. Remove chicken from slow cooker and shred with 2 forks. Return to slow cooker. Stir cheddar cheese into chili.

Notes:

Philadelphia brand cream cheese melts best in this recipe.

If needed, use a whisk to fully incorporate the cream cheese.

Here is our recipe for Homemade Ranch Dressing Mix: <https://www.plainchicken.com/homemade-ranch-dressing-mix/>

Send your favorite campground recipes to: nearstreamclubnewsletter@gmail.com