

# HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY

PALMETTO STATE AIRSTREAM CLUB
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#### President's Message: by Burt Broadway (BRN 6718)



Can you believe we are already in May of our rally season?? Yes, we have had some great rallies so far this year and looking forward to many more! Remember, it's YOU and your participation that makes our rallies and club events great!

Speaking of GREAT! What a spectacular "Silver in the City" this year! Kudos to the Leakes and Montgomerys for making their hometown of York, SC shine! The beautiful historic town is always a gracious host to our urban rally.

There were attendees from 10 states and Canada. We were able to donate \$4,117.00 to P.A.T.H., the charity of choice. Thanks to everyone who gave generously.

Don't forget about our rally "Silver on Wylie," May 18 - May 21, where the Lees and Hearns will be our hosts! They have lots of things planned including a concert, luau and fun on the lake, just to name a few! We have 16 rigs signed up.

Next up will be our "Chill'n at the Cove" rally, July 20-23. You must call Palmetto Cove to make your own reservations, then let me know so we can get a count who will be attending. Lots of fun things are in the works there as well! You don't want to miss it!

Please check the Bell Ringer Newsletter for any future rally details. Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or need assistance. It's imperative to make your reservations as soon as possible, for all future rallies as the campgrounds fill up quickly!

Now, let me highlight another leadership position, which is the Recording Secretary. This person records and preserves the minutes of all official meetings of the Club and Executive Board, and mails copies to the members of the Executive Board no more than fifteen days following each meeting. They also record the attendance of the officers at each meeting and advise the presiding officers if the quorum is present. I would like to give Sandee Welch a special thanks for her dedication and hard work for being our Recording Secretary.

Also, I personally would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, cares, and prayers for me during my surgery this past month. It's so special to be a part of our awesome Palmetto State Airstream Club.



happy

mother's

day

#### May Birthdays:

Kerstin Evans – 2 Kathy Welch – 3

Barry Barta – 11

Fred Brandt – 15

Chuck Hearn – 17 Linda Meadors - 20

David Matthews – 22

Debra Peterson - 24

Diane Hearn - 25

Susan Smithson – 27

#### June Birthdays:

Annie Montgomery – 1

Joev Evans – 1

Jing XU Weaver – 10

Sia Pickell – 10

Jay DeVecchio – 12

Melody Charles – 13

Mary Shore - 14

Jerry Peterson - 20

Deborah Brooks – 28

Martha Harris - 28

Betsy Stewart - 28

James Switala - 28

#### Happy Amiversary! **May Anniversaries:**

Brad & Tami Van Thof - 5 Eric & Donna Pollard – 9 Jerry & Debra Peterson – 12 David & Sia Pickell – 14 Bobby & Arlene Puryear – 16 Joey & Kerstin Evans – 19 Jeff & Madalyn Morehead – 20 Marvin & Judith Snead – 20 Gary Prideaux/Pamela Parrish -31

#### June Anniversaries:

Hank & Mary Shore – 5 James Switala/Hattie Prugh – 12 Michael & Melody Charles – 15 Michael & Debbi Madden – 17 Jay & Lucy DeVecchio - 21 Phil Abernathy/Sue Smithson - 24 Jim & Amanda Schaal - 26 Mark & Jing XU Weaver - 26

#### **Nuts & Bolts**

Submitted by Terry & Annie Montgomery & Bruce (BRN 3156)

#### **Hook-up Maintenance:**

This month for our "Nuts and Bolts" I have chosen a very short but important topic. I will attempt to offer a few pointers and some areas to clean and lubricate before you hook up and take off down the road.

First, I will start with the seven-way plug. This is a critical component on every travel trailer. It is the electrical connection between your tow vehicle and your Airstream. It is very important to keep the receiver end clean and free of dirt, grime and debris. This can be accomplished with a small wire brush (think pipe cleaner) and low pressure compressed air. Keeping the receiver clean promotes a nice tight fit between the plug and the receiver. You do not want your plug to become unplugged from the tow vehicle! If you decide to use compressed air, do so at a low pressure setting on your compressor, or better yet use a can of compressed air like you would use to clean the dust out of your electronic devices. Remember, you want to clean and remove the debris, not force it further into the receiver. As for the plug, all that is needed is a small wire brush. Once you have the plug cleaned, apply a small amount off dielectric grease to the plug. Do not overdo it. Remember, we are after that nice snug fit between the receiver and the plug.

Our next area of concentration is the hitch. All you need in this area are some good clean rags and a heavy wheel bearing grease. You should start out by wiping away all of the old grease from the ball and the trailer hitch coupler. Once you have the ball and the coupler clean, you should apply the wheel bearing grease to the ball. I have never really thought about the amount of grease to use, but the amount equal to a couple of tablespoons comes to mind. Greasing the hitch ball should be repeated after every 3 to 5 trips. Do not forget to clean the ball and the coupler first and then apply the grease to the hitch ball.

While performing these simple but important lubrication steps, you should also take the time to check the tightness of all nuts and bolts related to your hitch setup. This should be done on both the trailer and the tow vehicle. In particular, you should check the tightness of the large nut on your hitch ball, all nuts and bolts on your hitch head and all nuts and bolts associated with weight distribution and sway control.

Take the time to follow these few tips and hopefully you will avoid future problems down the road. We are only talking an hour to an hour and a half of your time. In my humble opinion, time well spent!

As always, if there is a topic you want me to research just let me know and I will be glad to do so. Better yet, if you would like to offer a "Nuts and Bolts" article to be published in our newsletter, just send it to Joyce. Be safe out there and hopefully I will see ya somewhere down the road, maybe our May rally at Ebenezer County Park!





### On Lake Wylie at Ebenezer County Park

"Silver on Wylie" Rally; Ebenezer Park, 4490 Boatshore Road, Rock Hill, SC 29730 Rally Fee \$20.00

A quick look at the fun we have planned......

#### THURSDAY, May 18th;

4:00 PM: Social Hour --- For Early arrivals ---

Bring your favorite beverage and snacks to share.

Dinner is on your own at one of the many excellent restaurants in the area.

#### FRIDAY, May 19th

Breakfast & Lunch on your own.

4:00 PM: Social Hour --- Official Start of Rally ---

Bring your favorite beverage, and perhaps some hors d'oeuvres for sharing.

**5:00 PM:** Dinner at Pier 51, which is just down the street. Let Don Lee know by May 16<sup>th</sup> at <a href="mailto:dllakewsc@yahoo.com">dllakewsc@yahoo.com</a> if you want to come to dinner. He will need to make reservations for this size crowd!

7:00 – 9:00 PM: There will be a band provided by the campground, featuring Surf Side.

#### SATURDAY, May 20th:

8:30 AM Breakfast provided.

**10:30 AM** TBD possible class by Pam DeVine for the women.

#### Boat Rides available in the afternoon, if anyone is interested!

4:00 PM Social Hour – Bring your own beverage, hors d'oeuvres, or anything of your choice! 6:00 PM Supper – BBQ, and dress in your Luau attire, grass skirts, leis, coconut bras, LOL!

SUNDAY, May 21st:

**8:30 AM** Continental Breakfast **9:00 AM** a Word for the road!

Hosts: Donnie & Vickie Lee, Chuck & Diane Hearn

airstreamclub.org





### 2023 Rally Schedule

May 18-21, 2023

\_\_\_\_\_Silver on Wylie Rally

Ebenezer Park, 4490 Boatshore Road, Rock Hill, SC 29730

Call 803-366-6620 and make your reservations as soon as possible, and mention Palmetto State Airstream Club when making reservations. Sites 1-30 are being held for our club. There are also overflow sites across the road, which are

Sites 34, 35, 37, 38, if needed. See page 6 for rally schedule.



Hosts: Donnie & Vickie Lee, Chuck & Diane Hearn







June 24-30, 2023 66th International Airstream Rally

Sweetwater Event Center, 3320 Yellowstone Road, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901 at Sweetwater Events Complex.

Register: www.airstreamclub.org/Rally2023

No available room at rally, waiting list only.

July 20-23, 2023 Cool'n & Chill'n Cove Rally

Palmetto Cove RV Park, 521 Table Rock Road, Cleveland, SC 29635



There is a change to how Palmetto Cove wants everyone to register! They would like you to call them directly at 864-836-6221 to make your own reservations. Please do so ASAP and let Burt know via email at

burt.broadway@gmail.com or text Gail at (803) 322-7687

and let them know what site # and how many days you will be there. This information is needed so the hosts know how to prepare.

Hosts: Terry & Annie Montgomery, David Matthews & Carol Austin



#### August 17-20, 2023 Lazy, Hazy Dayz Rally

Lake Greenwood State Park, 302 State Park Road, Ninety Six, SC 29666 Call 864-543-3535 and ask for Campground #1.

Most sites have full hookups. Be sure to tell them you're with the PSAC! **Hosts:** Tom & Nancy Suttlemyre, Bill & Joyce Butucel.



September 21-24, 2023 NC/SC State Rally

Palmetto Cove RV Park,

521 Table Rock Rd., Cleveland, SC 29635

Hosts: The Carolinas Club



See page 7 for details.





### 2023 Rally Schedule

#### October 19-22, 2023 Alumalina Buddy Rally

Tom Johnson Rally Park, 1885 Hwy 70 West, Marion, NC A Carolina Airstream gathering. Four days of food, fun, fellowship, seminars, craft fair/flea market, beer swaps, bourbon trails, walking, talking, biking, hiking, paddling, picking, grinning, campfires, miles of aluminum, and lots of paroozing. Details to come on airforums.com.



#### November 3-5, 2023 Installation Rally

Palmetto Cove RV Park, 521 Table Rock Road, Cleveland, SC.

Please call Palmetto Cove directly at **864-836-6221** to make your own reservations. Please do so and let Burt know via email at <a href="mailto:burt.broadway@gmail.com">burt.broadway@gmail.com</a> or text Gail at (803) 322-7687. Let them know what site# and how many days you will be there. This information is needed for our hosts to prepare.

Hosts: Mike & Debbie Madden, Brad & Tami Van Thof

December December 9, 2023 Christmas Rally

PSAC Potluck Christmas Lunch at Bobby and Arlene Puryear's. More details to follow....

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#### **2024 Rally Schedule** (more detailed information to follow)

February 10, 2024, 11:00AM-2:00PM Valentine Luncheon

Tega Cay Shore Club, 15083 Molokai Drive, Tega Cay, SC 29708.

March 14 – 17, 2024 Silver in the Sand Rally - Ocean Lakes Family Campground, 6001 S. Kings Hwy., Myrtle Beach, SC 29575. You can make your reservations now. The sooner the better to get a good spot by the ocean! Be sure to ask for sites held for Palmetto State Airstream Club. Call 800-722-1451.

April 11 – 14, 2024 Silver in the City Rally – Downtown York, SC.

April 17 – 21, 2024 Region 3 Rally - Doswell, Virginia. Make your reservations NOW!

May 16 – 19, 2024 Mountain Stream Rally - Mountain Stream RV Park in Marion, NC. Sites are still available, so be sure to call and schedule. You can call Shelby at 828-724-9013, if you are planning to attend and mention Palmetto Airstream Club.

<u>June 6 – 9, 2024</u> Lake Hartwell State Park Rally – 19138 S Hwy 11, Fair Play, SC.

This one is in the making. Look forward to an email from Don Lee for more details.

<u>July 19 – 21, 2024</u> Creekwood Farm RV Park – 4696 Johnathon Creek Rd, Waynesville, NC.

August TBD still needs to be scheduled.

September Dates TBD, 2024 North & South Carolina – Joint Rally - Palmetto Cove RV Park.

October 5 – 10, 2024 International Rally – Sedalia, MO.

October Dates TBD, 2024 Alumalina Buddy Rally - Tom Johnson Rally Park, Marion, NC.

November 1 – 3, 2024 \_\_\_\_Installation Rally - Palmetto Cove RV Park.

#### North & South Carolina – Joint State Rally EVENT | SEP 21 - 24, 2023

Palmetto Cove RV Park, 521 Table Rock Road, Cleveland, SC

Co-Hosts - Carolinas Airstream Club Bruce and Claire Bodenstein brucebodenstein@gmail.com Lee and Dawn Dunn ladinnc@outlook.com

The event website:

https://airstreamclub.org/021cac-2023-nc-sc-states-rally

Link to register for the rally:

https://form.jotform.com/223056464213146

Carolinas Airstream Club (#021)

- Palmetto State Airstream Club (#022)
- Piedmont North Carolina Airstream Club (#161)South Carolina Coastal Airstream Club (#150)











Palmetto Cove would like you to call them directly at 864-836-6221. Tell them the dates and the name of the rally when calling. You will be asked to pay for your site at that time.

So please call Palmetto Cove to register ASAP!

You will still need to go to either one of the websites listed above to register and to pay your rally fee. This will give the hosts a heads-up so they can plan appropriately.



The sooner you sign up the easier for our hosts to plan!





Carolinas Airstream Club is so excited about hosting a joint "NC/SC State Rally" at Palmetto Cove RV Park in September 2023! This park is nestled at the edge of the Blue Ridge Escarpment, just two miles off the Foothills Scenic Highway. Palmetto Cove RV Park was previously home to the annual Alumalina Rally and was originally founded as an Airstream campground designed for rallies.

This rally is a refresh and renewal of a historical joint rally amongst the local Airstream clubs in North Carolina and South Carolina.

Carolinas Airstream Club will be taking the lead hosting duties for the 2023 event, but we hope to continue this rally annually and rotate the hosting duties through all four local clubs.

In addition to its beautiful views and accommodations, Palmetto Cove RV Park offers plenty of nearby attractions and outdoor activities, including Table Rock Mountain, Caesar's Head State Park, Jones Gap State Park, Victoria Valley Vineyards, Table Rock Tea Company and Dupont Forest.

The park offers 148 full hookup sites (30 & 50 amps) with easy parking. Also, there is a lounge and dining hall for rally events.



In our March newsletter, if you guessed Joyce Butucel, you were correct!









Try to guess who this little cutie is??? The answer will be in the next month's newsletter.

#### Hurry there are not many left!

#### **PSAC Tumbler**

Our official PSAC insulated tumbler. Designed and produced by Horse and Hound Designs, owned by Ashleigh, who is our very own Bob and Arlene Puryear's daughter.

The cost is \$20.

Proceeds will go to our club. We have a limited supply.

Let Burt know if you want one ASAP!!

Call or text 980-257-9621 burt.broadway@gmail.com





#### **Welcome New Affiliate Members**

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Mills River, NC

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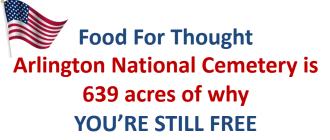
BRN 03406 (2018 Classic 30')

Punta Gorda, FL

Angela Benson <u>Benson 0000@example.com</u>
Catherine Benson <u>bensonartworks@gmail.com</u>

BRN 19420 (2019 Bambi 16')

Columbia, SC





Anyone can donate anything at anytime as a door prize.

Donate whatever you'd like, such as a craft, or something you think would be a nice door prize. It's always fun to give and receive.

Please bring your donation(s) to the next rally that you attend!

At every rally there will be <a href="this">this</a> box to put your donations in, so you can donate at anytime!



















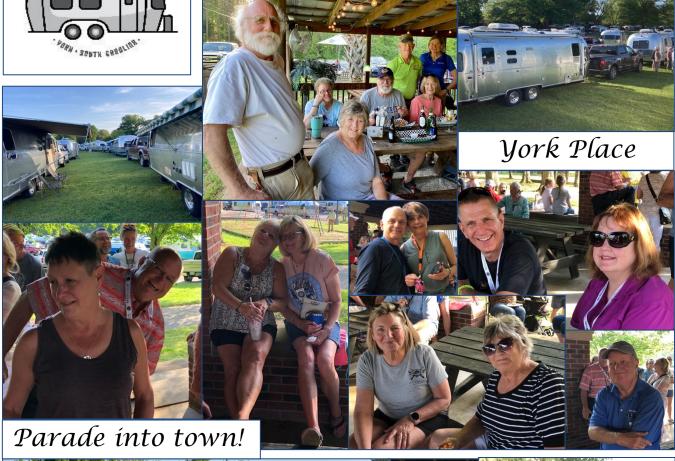






















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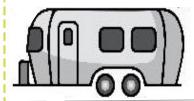


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## **A Little Something About Us**









Submitted by Rick & Lisa Wright (BRN 22801)

Lisa and I are excited to join your club as affiliate members. Our current home club is the South Carolina Coastal Club. We hope to make it to some of your club events this year. FYI - we are registered for the NC/SC Rally in September and hope to meet some Palmetto Club members then.

Lisa and I are retired and for the past year have been traveling full-time in our Airstream. If you or other members are interested in really getting to know us, we have been documenting our travels on our YouTube channel

(link) <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIYbmHHHYDkVyv1sH3TSiUw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIYbmHHHYDkVyv1sH3TSiUw</a>

Our current home address is Smithfield, TX but we will be relocating to the Aiken, SC area in the next few months.

Yes...We are OU Sooner Fans and trust that Brent Venables will fix our defense before coming to the SEC. 6

Safe Travels



Submitted by Scott & Carol Browne (BRN 05942)

We are from Mills River, NC.

We have been Airstreamers for 2 years and suffered from Airstream envy for many years before that.

We have a 2008 Safari 25 SE.

We love to attend rallies and enjoy the many Airstream friends that we have met.

Thanks for bringing us into your club.





## **Crockpot Cranberry BBQ Meatballs**

### **Ingredients:**

- 1-pack of your favorite frozen meatballs or homemade, it's totally up to you.
- 1-can of cranberry sauce I like the ones with the whole cranberries.
- 3/4 bottle of your favorite BBQ sauce You can always use less or more depending on how much sauce you like.



Then add garlic powder, onion powder, red pepper flakes until your inner soul says that's enough. If I have fresh herbs or any dried herbs, I throw them in as well. It all depends on what type of herbs you like, and depends on what I have in my camper.

While camping we use the frozen meatballs and canned cranberry sauce - camping is supposed to be easy, right?

#### **Instructions:**

Throw all the ingredients into your crockpot, mix everything up really good and cook it on medium for a few hours. Then turn it on warm until you are ready to serve. The longer it simmers the more flavor in the meatballs. Make sure to stir them every hour or so.

There is no wrong way to make these. Add any spices you want, to make it a little sweet and savory.