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President's Corner

Dick Saxton, President



Dick Saxton

Hello Everyone,

Our season opening rally at Ontario County Park was wet and windy but we made it thru with the use of a heated pavilion and a great potluck supper. Dinner Friday night at Arbor Hill was enjoyed by all.

We have maybe 2 openings left for the Sampson Park rally, that's going to be a big one, 60 trailers!

The Oktoberfest rally at Hamburg Brewing Jotform is open for registrations.

We have 2 openings left for the Zoar Valley Rally at The Wible's. All of the information for these rallies are in our Newsletter or can be found on our ACI website.

I'm going back out to the garage now to dig into powering up the backup camera. The new Chevy Trucks do not send enough power to the unit so Voyager makes a modulator to increase the voltage. It needs to be installed inline. Then our propane detector crapped out on our last trip (it's the dog's fault) so I've ordered a new one.

Well that's about it for this month, hope to see you at a rally soon!

Dick Saxton BRN 8477



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2023

NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club Events

Dates:	June 24-30, 2023
Event:	2023 International Rally—WAITING LIST ONLY
Location:	Rock Springs, Wyoming
Sponsor:	WBAC
Dates:	July 21-23, 2023
Event:	Wible Retreat 2023
Location:	7635 Zoar Valley Road, Springville, NY 14141
Hosts:	Dawn and Boyd Wible
Registration:	https://form.jotform.com/230463665502150
Other:	3 openings remaining—then wait list. Boondocking. Stunning grounds with outdoor seating. Pizza night in the woodfired oven. Hiking trails. Many activities nearby—or just stay and enjoy the weekend. You will not regret it.
Dates:	August 3-7, 2023
Event:	Ontario and NYFLAC Joint Rally
Location:	Sampson State Park, Romulus, NY
Hosts:	Ontario and NYFLAC Clubs
Other:	ONLY 4 sites remain as of 5/11. Registration closes at 60 and then wait list.
Registration:	https://form.jotform.com/230345192257151
Dates:	August 24-27, 2023
Event:	Meet-Up at Lakeside Beach State Park
Location:	Lakeside Beach SP, Waterport, NY
Hosts:	Diane & Randy Hill
Reservations:	Lakeside State Park, New York - Camping & Reservations ReserveAmerica
Registration:	https://form.jotform.com/230475812247153
Dates:	September 22-24, 2023
Event:	Oktoberfest at Hamburg Brewery
Location:	Hamburg Brewing Company, 6553 Boston State Rd, Hamburg, NY 14075
Hosts:	Dick Saxton
Other:	Boondocking—no hook-ups. More to follow.
Registration:	https://form.jotform.com/231174391441148

SAVE THESE DATES

- **Region 2 Caravan Capital to Capital Caravan**, September 15-19, 2023. Start in DC, end in Ottawa!
- **2024 International Rally**, October 5-10, 2024, Missouri State Fairgrounds, Sedalia, MO
- **2025 International Rally**, August 23-28, 2025, York Expo Center, York,

Cora's Sunshine Corner will be back next month.

Cora's Sunshine Corner

Cora Saxton, Sunshine Chair



Hello from Yellowstone National Park! Charlie and I have been traveling throughout Wyoming for the last four weeks, poking into out-of-the way places we've never visited. It has been a fantastic trip. Wyoming is the GREENEST we have ever seen it. (Typically it's rather brown and dull.) It's so green because of all the snow received this winter. The creeks, streams, and rivers are all roaring. Mountain flowers are in their glory and the song birds have migrated in as well. We continue to be in awe of the beauty of this state!! The views just keep coming. Here's a few WY pics from Lingle, Cody, Riverton & Greybull. Liz Kirk



ARE YOU A NEW CLUB MEMBER?

If yes, rally campsite fees will be covered by the NYFLAC for any new member who has never attended a rally. New members will still be responsible for any additional costs associated with the rally (ex. food or entertainment). This is offered only open to new members and affiliates of NYFLAC.

*This does not apply to transfers to our club and have attended a rally elsewhere.

NEW MEMBERS—FOR “CIRCLE THE WAGONS” RALLY ONLY - The perk of covering the 1st rally for new NYFLAC members is being handled a bit differently. Here’s how it goes.....

1. New members need to register and pay the full fee upfront through the online rally form.
2. Be sure to check the box that you are a member of Finger Lakes AND that you are a first time rally attendee.
3. NYFLAC will then REIMBURSE all 1st time attendees a fee of \$80.

A Warm Welcome to our Newest Members

Sonia Lee & Colin Johnston
Port Jervis, NY

Deborah & William Lewis
Friendsville, PA

John & Marlese Wacek
East Amherst, NY

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND ANY OF THE FOLLOWING RALLIES OR MEET-UPS PLEASE USE THE JOTFORM LINK(S) ON PAGE 2 AND COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING REGISTRATION FORMS

SPRING RALLY OPENER—Gannet Hill
WIBLE RETREAT
CIRCLE THE WAGONS—Sampson State Park
FALL MEET-UP—Lakeside State Park
OKTOBERFEST EVENT—Hamburg Brewery

Region 2 President's Update

Hello, everyone! Erica and I are preparing for the Region 2 Rally - as of this writing, we have 100 Airstreams registered, an amazing turnout. Thanks to Ontario Canada Club President Ray Barrick (#6497) and the Ontario Canada Club for putting on, what is sure to be, a great event.

After that, we'll be home for a few days, then we head for the International Rally in Rock Springs, Wyoming! The Region 2 Happy Hour will be Wednesday, June 28, 4-5:30, in the Watasha Park Pavilion. No registration, no fee, just show up and have a great time with your fellow Region 2 members!

A few weeks ago, the International Board of Trustees had a strategy session at Airstream, Inc. headquarters. The new manufacturing facility is beautiful; I missed the tour, but their boardroom overlooked the factory. It looked to be worth the time to see, even if you've toured the old one. I didn't have time to visit the Heritage Center, either, but I do know you can sit on a bicycle to recreate the famous picture of the cyclist pulling the Airstream.

We talked about various issues that the club is facing, such as attracting new members, retaining current members, and balancing the budget. One recurring theme was how officers were not always aware of what was expected of them - at every level, from local club leadership to International. A new strategy will be coming in the next few months, along with plans for rectifying the missing gaps in our club documentation.

Elections for the International Executive Council open in early June; please be sure to vote. There are about 30 candidates for 9 positions, so we have difficult choices to make. I'm thrilled to see the participation. Given we've had issues recruiting International officers in the past (sometimes "stealing" from the regions to fill vacancies at the International level), the change to the structure was apparently exactly what the club needed. This design will bring in new voices and new ideas, and the club will be stronger for it.

Region 2 Blue Beret Editor Bob Curran (#2025) has been on the beat for about two years now, and he is stepping down. Thanks for your hard work, Bob! I'm looking for a volunteer to succeed Bob; please contact me if you're interested. The role is to write the article that goes in the "Region 2" section of the Blue Beret each month (10 issues per year). Although Bob sometimes wrote articles from scratch, he also used tidbits from club newsletters and my notes to create that month's submission.

My term as Region 2 President is winding down; July 31 is my last official day. Gary Russo will be taking over, and I've tried to include him on everything so that he will hit the ground running. The region will be in good hands!

Did you think I was going to end this without mentioning the 2025 International Rally in York, Pennsylvania? August 23-28, 2025, at the York Expo Center!

See you down the road!

-RJ Marquette #13270





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