

IDAHO AIRSTREAM CLUB



A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Calvin Huit
President
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It's almost time for another installation rally, and my time as your President is coming to a close: it's been a privilege to serve you! The leadership team has been able to accomplish much this year. To name a few accomplishments, we've updated the constitution and by-laws (we will vote on the by-laws at the Installation Rally), we now have online pay, the Treasurer can also now pay electronically, we've

updated and moved our website to the AirstreamClub.org domain, we updated and redesigned the membership listing, we have had a great rally schedule, had diligent membership and greeting work performed, and were able to update the rally host documents. This has been made possible because of the board and committee members, all volunteers. Thank you, folks, for making this past year a success!! At the beginning of my time as President, my hope was to get the club up-to-date and functional, post Covid, and I think we've been successful in this endeavor!

I've just received the Nominating Committee report detailing candidates for all board member positions except for 2nd Vice President (which is vacant at this time). Those details, including an absentee ballot, will be included in a separate email. I'll be emailing this soon, so everyone has plenty of time to fill it out and return it, as detailed within our current bylaws.

We have four-inch stickers of our logo available, and the Board has voted to pass them out to members for free! We can hand them out to folks at the monthly breakfast or rallies; if you are not attending these and want one, please send a stamped self-addressed envelope (big enough to accommodate four-inch contents) to our Membership Chair, Mim Davidson at 3422 N Tamarack Dr, Boise 83703 and we'll get one sent out to you!

Our new flag has been approved by International! I've received the double-sided flag I ordered the first of June and it's nice. I brought it to the last breakfast so attendees could see it and will bring it again to the August breakfast. Tony Wilson will create a new webpage where you can purchase one. Once created, you will be able to go to <https://Airstreamclub.org/Idaho/merchandise> to purchase one. These take over a month to receive once ordered and must be configured for each order. Because of the configuration work, we will accept orders then place a group purchase. We'll list the next upcoming order date on the website once we get it created. The cost should be in the \$35 range.

In closing, I want to thank the folks I've worked with over the last year for their commitment to the Club, and for making this last year successful. Being able to coordinate as President has been rewarding in large part because of the team!

Calvin Huit
President, Idaho Airstream Club



Membership Thoughts

by Mim Davidson, Membership

We returned from the International Rally in Rock Springs, WY. This was a great time to meet other Airstreamers, learn more about our silver babies, and see other parts of our country. We learned more about changes in the WBCCI organizational structure at the International level.

Over the last few years, our voting procedures have changed from 1 vote per BRN sent from the local unit to International to an on-line per person election. We used to vote for individuals to be our International officers; now we select members to serve on our Executive Council – and they choose the officers. The constant is that these officers are volunteers, and decisions are made with membership participation.

What does this have to do with Idaho membership? The Idaho Airstream Club would not exist without members. Membership participation keeps the club vital. And we need member volunteers at every level of this local group.

We have 58 BRNs with 107 individuals. Each year we need members to volunteer for the Executive Board (10 members), Standing Committees (6+), or Rally Coordinator (1 or 2). We each have an opportunity to contribute to the life of this group. Please consider volunteering for a role for the coming year. We need to candidates in several areas to volunteer by July 20th. Reach out to Nominating Committee members Gary Betts, Mim Davidson or Tracy Staats.

We'll meet in August to elect officers for the next year. If you aren't able to attend the August rally, watch for your absentee election ballots by August 4th. Each member of the Idaho Airstream Club gets to vote. There will also be Bylaws revisions and other issues to address at the meeting. Your membership, your voice is important!

Member Celebrations

by Mim Davidson, Membership

July Birthdays

Jim Borowicz, Grant Clayton,
Nancy Goldberg, Brittany Bowman

July Anniversaries

Rob & Paula Robinson, Jim & Susie Borowicz
Stuart Cook & Elizabeth Donaldson,
Bernie & Faith Dawson, Mike & Karen DeRuyter
Aaron & Leah Firth, John & Myrna Merrell
Danny & Dorothea Robinson
Mark & Donna Whitham

Welcome New Members

by Mim Davidson, Membership

Nolan and Joanne Olson, BRN 1181
Idaho Falls, ID

We have both been retired for a number of years, Joanne was in education and I am an engineer. We have been married for 53 years. Idaho Falls has been our home for many years, but we have also lived in New England and the mid-west. Over the years we have done a fair amount of travel, not always via trailers. We have had six trailers two of which were Airstreams. In our first Airstream we were involved in a sudden, high velocity wind event causing a roll-over which totaled truck and trailer. We walked away unhurt. Our present trailer is named "LUCKY"!!

We look forward to meeting fellow travelers, hearing their stories and learning new things from them. Walcott will be our first club event.

Tyson Lewis and Randi Devine, BRN 21925
Sagle, ID.

We are North Idaho locals and this is our first RV. We have wanted one for awhile now and the right one came up at the right time so we went for it. I am semi-retired and do work on our property here in Sagle. Randi is a mental health therapist and she is in the process of career transition. We are going to Glacier Park with the airstream Sunday through Wednesday, it will be our first real trip since purchasing the airstream at the end of May. Our birthdays are in July, we are going to the Oregon coast for my birthday and it will be the 2nd real trip in the airstream we have named "Luna". Our club number reflects our wedding anniversary.

The 2016 Bambi Flying Cloud is our first and aptly named Luna. I am an avid discgolfer and have done a bit of traveling to play tournaments. I am also an adventure motorcyclist. Randi is an avid traveler and loves to hike and see new things. We are Weiner dog people and have two, Mercedes (10) and Bubbles (5)

Our summer is pretty crazy this year with lots of property work/ getting ready for winter. We are going to Egypt at the end of September for our anniversary. We would like to get out in the airstream this winter to escape the brutal winters here, but time will tell if that is possible or feasible with the roads. Next year we will get out in "Luna" more and hit some new places. It would be really neat to meet other airstream members. We are newbies, so we will have a lot to learn from the veterans! Have a great day!

Nominating Committee Report

by Gary Betts, Mim Davidson, Tracy Staats

In preparation for the Election of Officers at the August Annual Meeting of the Idaho Airstream Club, the Nominating Committee offers the following members for nomination for the indicated 2023-2024 Offices:

President.....Gary Betts
 1st Vice President.....Mark Pinkman
 2nd Vice President*vacant*
 TreasurerMike DeRuyter
 Secretary.....Kim Blackburn
 Past President.....Calvin Huit
 Trustee (2023-2025)Scott Phillips
 Trustee (2023-2025)Darrell Ostyn
 Trustee (2022-2024)Lorrie Bauer (existing 2 year term)
 Trustee (2022-2024)Roger Staats (existing 2 year term)

NOTE. We are still seeking a member to accept the 2nd Vice President position.

Because proposed amendments to the Club's Bylaws may impact the alignment of Standing Committees and other positions, it is premature to offer proposals for these positions at this time. Appointments to these positions will be made after the Bylaws revisions have been finalized at the August meeting. That said, there is interest in Rally Coordinator, Membership, Budgeting, Website and Newsletter positions. Other positions are still open and will be addressed on an as-needed basis.



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Membership fees are now locked for life — same price when you renew. Also, through Dec. 31, 2022, the SkyMed 22 Stimulus Program offers free bonuses, including up to 22 weeks to new members, up to 5 months for referring a member, and a one-time offer of up to 6 months for Thank You for Your Service for military, law enforcement, medical, or fire experience.

2023 International Rally- Caravan and Rally Report

byMim and Fonny Davidson

From Wally Byam's creed:

To encourage clubs and rallies that provide an endless source of friendships, travel fun and personal expressions.

To lead caravans wherever the four winds blow... over twinkling boulevards, across trackless deserts... to the traveled and untraveled corners of the earth.

Because it was being held in our neighbor state, Fonny and I volunteered to lead a short caravan to Rock Springs, Wyoming for the 2023 International Rally. Members joined us at various points along the way. Our first day was June 21 – the first day of summer. We met the Settles and Twyvers at the Black's Creek rest stop outside Boise, then stopped at a Twin Falls exit for lunch and met the Wilson & Bauer team. Nate & Kathy Smith were at the Aspen Grove RV Park in Tremonton, UT – our first night. I found the conjunction of the moon, Venus and Mars.

Thursday's drive was shorter. We traveled a section of the Lincoln Highway to the Fort Bridger RV Camp. It was easy to miss the corner as there were no street signs . . . But we found it! Gary Smith and Karen Ekblad joined our caravan here. This campground says it has 21 sites. Since this was also a stop for a Region 10 caravan from Oregon, a total of 48 Airstreams nestled into rows for the evening. A food truck served variations of chicken for those who waited. We got there early enough that some visited the Fort Bridger Historic Site next door.



Sunset Over Caravans at Fort Bridger



Lincoln Highway Cabins



Swan in the Sky Over Utah



Summer Solstice Moon, Venus & Mars

Friday started with a short drive to Rock Springs. Airstreams filled our mirrors. We arrived – and waited – in the staging area near the Sweetwater Events Complex. The Whithams and Kelleys completed our caravan.



Silver in the Mirror On the Final Stretch



Betty, Parking Goddess!



Waiting . . . and Waiting . . . and Waiting for Our Turn to Park

The wind was blowing, but it felt so good to set up and get ready to relax, explore, learn and share. The alignment of the moon, Regulus, Mars and Venus was amazing!



The Moon, Regulus, Mars and Venus



The Boars Tusk Pond Surrounded by Silver

2023 International Rally Caravan and Rally (cont.)

by Mim and Fonny Davidson

The Idaho Airstream Club was represented by 16 BRNs plus 3 Affiliates (that I know of). Ten of our BRNs attended their first International Rally. We shared Happy Hours on Sunday and Tuesday. Thursday evening found many of us in Rock Springs for a special dinner. Idaho Airstreamers attended informational seminars, entered contests, took trips, and kicked back. We explored the town and countryside, caught up with old friends and made

new ones. There are many stories, including the VAC parade and the 80s dance, and more!! What a week! International Rallies are amazing!

And a special congratulations to Lorrie Bauer for her International Rally Honorable Mention in the Airstreams Category of the Photo Print Contest!

Put this experience on your bucket list!!



Our Parking Corrals



Django Sporting His Badge



Lorrie's Honorary Mention Photo



Amazing Sunset Streaks!



Sunset Over the Airstreams



Relaxing After Happy Hour



The Pinkmans Dressed for the 80s



Airstreams Aglow at International!

2023 International Rally Experience

by Kim and Kerry Kelley

We were fortunate to attend the 66th International Airstream Rally in Rock Springs, Wy this last month. What an incredible experience. Seeing so many Airstreams in one place was so amazing, being part of the community was wonderful.

We were so impressed with all the planning, events and community. Enjoyed exploring the Rock Springs area to boot!



Boar's Tusk Rock
(Namesake of our RV Park)



2023 Rally Schedule

by Sherry Hoem, Rally Coordinator

As I retire from being the club's rally coordinator, I would like to give a hearty thank you to the "elves" that have made my job possible. So, thank you Mim Davidson, Calvin Huit and Gary Betts for all you have done to communicate and promote our rallies.

Now to updates on our upcoming rallies in August and September . . .

Our **Picabo Installation Rally** in August is closed for RV sites at the Picabo Angler RV Park, but dry camping is available nearby. **If you are interested in attending the meeting or any of the Rally, please contact Sherry directly at (208) 539-3896.**

Jotform is working very well, so for those of you who have not completed your rally coupon, please go online and sign up. Thx!

Our September Rally at **Lake Walcott State Park** is coming up soon. We have 16 sites reserved with just 4 trailers signed up at this time. Call Kirsten at the park office to make your reservation **(208) 436-1258.**

You can complete your rally coupon online using Jotform. I'm sure our Treasurer, Mike deRuyter, will appreciate not having to deal with a bunch of checks . . . or rally hosts that lose them! :)

Friday

10 am: Tour of Minidoka National Historic Site

Afternoon: Assist Park Rangers planting trees paid for by Thrivent (P.S. this means new t-shirts!)

Presentation from the Wildlife Refuge staff.

5 pm: Happy Hour and Pot Luck Dinner

Saturday

Morning: Stain two small cabins located in the park.

Afternoon: Optional - friendly disc golf competition (The park has loaner discs)

5 pm: Happy Hour and Catered Barbecued Lamb Chop Dinner (yum yum!!)

7:30 pm: Talent Show

Sunday - YOYO to enjoy the park

Hope to see you soon!

DATE	EVENT	HOSTS
July 21-24	Arrowhead Resort, Cascade	Smith & Ekblad and Pinkmans
August 17-20	Picabo Angler RV Park, Picabo	Hoems
September 21-24	Lake Walcott and Minidoka NWR	Hoems
October 5-9	Bruneau Dunes State Park	Davidsons and Staats
October 18-22	Jazz Festival National Rally, Ketchum	
November 11	Harvest Dinner - Location TBD	

Annual Installation Rally Picabo Angler RV Park in Picabo, ID August 17-20, 2023

Hosts: Raymond and Sherry Hoem



Join us for the Annual Installation Rally. It is much like most other rallies except that on Saturday morning we'll have an Idaho Airstream Club meeting followed by the installation of our new 2024 officers. Preceding this meeting will be a hosted breakfast at the Angler Store, which is located across the street from the RV park. Cost will be \$17.70 per person including the tip. Saturday evening will feature a Pot Luck dinner and a Variety Show!

During your stay, visit the Picabo Angler Fly Shop. You can explore or fish the scenic Silver Creek, which is famous for trophy Rainbow and Brown trout. You can also take some fly casting lessons . . . *if needed*.

You must make your own RV reservations directly with Picabo Angler RV Park. Call Chad Chorney at (208) 788-3536. Costs are \$65.00 for pull-through sites and \$55.00 for back-in sites. All sites have full hookups.

For questions, contact Raymond or Sherry at goodshepherd1@gmail.com.

Schedule of Activities

THURSDAY - Arrive at RV Park

All Day: On Your Own

FRIDAY

10:00 AM: Tour of Silver Creek Preserve

Afternoon: On Your Own

4:30 PM: SkyMed Presentation

5:00 PM: Happy Hour

Dinner: On Your Own

SATURDAY

9:00 AM: Breakfast at the Angler Store

10:00 AM: Annual Meeting

Elections and Installation of Officers

Afternoon: On Your Own

5:00 PM: Happy Hour and Dinner

Bring a Mexican Dish to Share

Dessert Provided by Host

SUNDAY - Head for Home

Annual Installation Rally at Picabo Angler RV Park August 17-20, 2023

Name(s): _____ WBCCI # _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Arr Date: _____ Dep Date: _____

Phone: _____ Alt Phone: _____

Number in Party: _____ # of Pets: _____ ☐ Trailer ☐ MH Length: _____ ft

Electrical Service: 50 Amp _____ 30 Amp _____ None _____

Initial Rally Deposit: No. _____ x \$5.00 pp = \$ _____

Installation Breakfast: No. _____ x \$17.50 pp = \$ _____

Total Rally Deposit \$ _____

Rally Coupon is Due by July 15th

Send this Rally Coupon with your Total Rally Deposit to:

Sherry Hoem, 3972 N 1400 E, Buhl, ID 83316

goodshepherd1@gmail.com

**Explore Lake Walcott Rally at Walcott State Park
Rupert, ID September 21 - 24, 2023
Hosts: Ray and Sherry Hoem**



Located on the edge of Idaho's high desert, Lake Walcott offers a welcome refuge for water and wildlife lovers. Picnickers will love the grassy, shaded day-use area and disc golfers come from all over to play the world-class 21-hole course. The park is a great place from which to explore some of the best birding in southern Idaho.

We will be planting trees on Friday with park staff. On Saturday you can play disc golf and then we'll have a catered dinner by "On the Lamb Catering".

Register online at www.Airstreamclub.org/Idaho

Or send the Rally Coupon below
with your Total Rally Deposit to:

Sherry Hoem, 3972 N 1400 E, Buhl, ID 83316

Registration is due by August 1, 2023
goodshepherd1@gmail.com

**Explore Lake Walcott Rally at Lake Walcott State Park
September 21 - 24, 2023**

Name(s): _____ WBCCI # _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Arr Date: _____ Dep Date: _____

Phone: _____ Alt Phone: _____

Number in Party: _____ # of Pets: _____ ☐ Trailer ☐ MH Length: _____ ft

Electrical Service: 50 Amp _____ 30 Amp _____ None _____

Initial Rally Deposit: No. _____ x \$5.00 pp = \$ _____

Saturday Dinner by "On the Lamb Catering": No. _____ x \$30.00 pp = \$ _____

Total Rally Deposit \$ _____

**Registration is Due
by August 1, 2023**

You MUST make your own RV Site Reservation!

Contact Walcott State Park at (208) 436-1258

Tell them you are with the Idaho Airstream Club

\$28.00/nite for full hookups



Work & Play 2 Community Service Rally October 5– 9, 2023

Bruneau Dunes State Park

Hosts: Fonny & Mim Davidson, Roger & Tracy Staats

We'll have special time at the new observatory on Thursday evening. We're working with the Park staff to determine our special project/s. You'll also have time to explore and play.

If your schedule allows you to join us for the whole Work & Play rally, great! If not, sign up for the dates that work for you. We will send you the info you need to complete your reservation with the Idaho Dept of Parks and Rec.

We'll have good food and good times! Our deadline is September 4, 2023. Sure hope you can join us!

Work & Play Community Service Rally Registration, October 5-9, 2023

Name(s): _____ WBCCI #: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Arrive date: _____ Depart date: _____

Contact Phone #: _____ Text phone #: _____

Number in Party: _____ Handicap tag? Yes / No Trailer ____ MH ____ Length: _____

~~ Thursday 9/22 observatory tour sign-up: # _____

Please send this registration form and rally deposit
payable to **Idaho Airstream Club** to:

Fonny & Mim Davidson
3422 N Tamarack Dr.
Boise, ID 83703
208.336.8325
mimad.gk@gmail.com

Per Person rally fee: # ____ x \$5 = \$ ____
Initial Rally Deposit \$ _____

A *final rally fee* will be collected before the rally ends.
It will include host-provided meals, \$5/person
observatory tour fee, etc. Bring cash or check to pay.

Registration due by 9/4/2023.

- You can use the above form or go to airstreamclub.org/Idaho. Scroll down to find rally registrations. Specify your arrival and departure dates.
- We'll provide your campsite # and the phone number for the Idaho Dept of Parks & Rec.
 - You must call them by 9/4 to complete your reservation and pay for your site.
- Be sure to sign up for the special Observatory Tour.

A *final rally fee* will be calculated and collected before the rally ends. This per person fee covers expenses not known at the time of the Initial Rally Deposit. It will include shared expenses such as host-provided meals, \$5/person observatory tour fee, etc.

If you cancel less than 1 week before the rally, the Initial Rally Deposit is not refundable.

Idaho State Park camp sites have water and 30 amp electricity, but no sewer hookups. A dump station is available.