



# The Akron Ohio Airstream Club Newsletter



**August 2023 Edition**

**Captain's Log, Stardate 08.08.2023:** even though August signals the end of summer—according to those of us with school backgrounds who concede that summer's over as fall season sports/band/activities begin—we have more rallies & great weather to enjoy in our aluminum home-away-from-homes. Speaking of weather, the rain is doing a number on my tomato trees plants—I probably shouldn't have planted so many at the same time!

Several of us are heading to the **"Rally on the Mountain"** in Moundsville, West Virginia—beginning this Thursday, August 10<sup>th</sup>! BTW, if you're planning to attend, please go ahead and RSVP on our Club Website by clicking [HERE](#). Doing so gives our club members an idea of how many AOAC members are attending. [Here's an update on directions:](#) set your GPS for Smith Mobile Oil Co. at 1300 1st. St. Moundsville WV.



1. Head east on 1st St. 0.6 miles
2. 1st St. turns left and becomes US-250 S/Waynesburg Pike Rd. 1.6 miles
3. Turn left onto Grandview Rd. 1.6 miles
4. Sharp right and destination is on the right. 0.1 miles

*DO NOT follow your GPS! It will have you turn left off of 1st St. before Smith Mobile Co. onto Fostoria Ave., then onto Oak Ave. and Grandview Dr. the front way. These streets are mostly TOO NARROW.*

Looking back to July's AOAC Rally at the Maxwell Resort, **we need to extend a huge "thank you" to our hosts, Joe & Mary Maxwell**—what a beautiful setting and so very close to Lake Erie! Thanks also to Dennis & Karen Kiehl and Dan & Jersey Welfle for organizing the rally! The Maxwell's have a good start on a future campground!



It's no secret that **AOAC members love their ice cream** but this promotional endorsement takes it to another level. Who knew that Sasquatch, aka Big Foot, also likes ice cream?! And to provide some scale to the size of the dips, our own "Sasquatch Mini-Me," Adam Stearns, poses for a side-by-side comparison!



**Reminder: You can experience the "Darke Side of the Moon" in Darke County, Ohio** by registering for the **2024 National Eclipse Rally April 7-11, 2024** at the Great Darke County Fairgrounds in beautiful Greenville, Ohio... near the Jackson Center Mothership! Registration for next April's Region 4 "Eclipse Rally" has opened with a deadline of 3/15/24. **With limited sites, register sooner than later so you don't miss out! Click [HERE](#) to register online.** On Monday, April 8, Darke County will be in the Path of Totality for the 2024 Eclipse. This rare astronomical event will last for about 2.5 hours, with a total eclipse duration of almost 4 minutes. This Region 4 National Rally will run Sunday to Thursday, however, participants can extend their stay before/after the rally.

**Looking ahead,** let's recognize those with birthdays in August and ~~gift them overstock tomatoes from Brian's garden.~~ Please, if we've missed your information, simply zap me an update. **Happy 'August' Birthday to:**

- 8/14 Sally Critean
- 8/18 Marilyn Lown
- 8/19 Jersey Welfle
- 8/22 Barry Walker
- 8/25 Elaine Ketterer
- 8/26 Karen Kiehl
- 8/28 Fred Kiehl
- 8/31 Janis Martin



**And, Happy Anniversary to:**

- 08-03 Vern & Betsy Ketchum**
- 08/04 Glenn & Helen Patsch**
- 8-05 Mike & Mary Mayo**  
**Dan & Jersey Welfle**
- 08-10 John & Deborah Whitmer**
- 08-20 Gary & Pat Auman**
- 08-26 Eldon & Marilyn Lown**



*Jack & Elaine Ketterer's  
2002 28' Classic 70th  
Anniversary Model (Canton).*



*Vern & Betsy Ketchum's 2012  
27' Classic (East Canton)*



**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Airstream, Inc. Alumapalooza Rally: Sep 5-11, 2023** hosted by the folks at Jackson Center. Check it out by clicking [HERE](#).
- 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Swiss Festival National Rally:** September 23-October 1<sup>st</sup>, Winklepleck Grove Campground at 2800 Winklepleck Rd NW Sugarcreek, OH 44681. Sign up information can be found [HERE](#). Located in the rolling green hills of eastern Ohio, deep in the heart of Amish country, this rally offers lots of fun for everyone.
- Akron Ohio Airstream Club Annual Meeting:** our Annual Meeting will be during the Swiss Festival National Rally in Sugarcreek on Saturday Morning, September 30<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10am. If you are not attending the Swiss Festival Rally, take a day trip to Sugarcreek for our meeting then spend some time downtown at the Swiss Festival. Please RSVP [HERE](#) even if you are registered for the Swiss Festival Rally.
- Akron Airstream Club October Rally:** October 12-15 at Pier Lon Campground, Medina (*hosts: Stallard's & Schnettler's*) featuring a fall foliage tour!

**2024 International Rally destination:** Sedalia, Missouri in the fall of 2024 at the State Fairgrounds for its 67<sup>th</sup> Annual International Rally.

**2025 International Rally destination:** York, PA . . . we're hearing it may be in late August?

**Akron Airstream Club' Leadership:**

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In the **"FOR SALE"** category, we have several long-time members with their Airstreams up for sale . . . so if you know anyone looking for well-cared-for units for sale by honest, salt-of-the-earth folks, refer them to:

**FOR SALE  
BY OWNER**

*From our last  
rally . . .*

