



The Akron Ohio Airstream Club Newsletter

Mid July 2023 Edition

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Captain's Log, Stardate 07.12.2023: my apologies for being "tardy" with the July Newsletter but being out of town from June 14th through July 9th at the ACI International Rally in Wyoming, including a few days visiting National Parks around Moab, Utah, contributed to the delay—that's my excuse and I'm sticking to it! Our mileage of this most recent Airstream adventure totaled 4,560 miles! Our Club was well represented in Rock Springs with Dennis & Karen Kiehl, Chris & Brittany Kiehl, Bill & Valerie Fosnight, John & Jenny Schnettler and the Wilch's completing the journey "out west." Let's get to a few important announcements/ reminders impacting the Akron Ohio Airstream Club!

First, the good news: **congratulations to Jenny Schnettler on being voted as a representative of the newly created 9-member ACI Executive Council.** Along with Fred Kiehl becoming the Region 4 President with Mike Pastva being the Region 2nd VP, Jenny's new role positions the Akron Club as an even more influential voice in our international organization. The bad news is that as a condition of her new role, Jenny had to resign as a local club officer: AOAC Vice President. So . . . our local club's officers (Linda Stallard, Tom Ozbolt, Dennis Kiehl and yours truly) will solicit interest from Club members to replace Jenny. **If you have an interest in replacing Jenny for the balance of her term (through October of 2024), please shoot me an email (bnjwilch@gmail.com) by the end of July.** Our executive team will then meet to consider/appoint a replacement.



absolutely nothing or adventure out on your own or with a couple of friends. Here's the "unplanned" itinerary:

- *Thursday - Traditional Pot Luck Dinner - with Hamburgers and Italian Sausage provided. Bring tableware and beverage and a Side or Desert (Coordinate with Dennis Kiehl).*
- *Friday & Saturday - Breakfast 08:30 - 09:30 - Eggs to order, Bacon, Pancakes, and Fruit.*
- *Friday - Dinner - Pulled Pork and Baked Potato 'n Fixin's*
- *Saturday - Dinner - BYOM (meat) - Two (2) Salads provided*
- *Happy Hour daily! Every Hour of the Day is Happy Hour - also if our Favorite Prez is on hand starting about 5:00 the Happy Juice will begin to flow...*

Click [HERE](#) to register via our ClubExpress portal. At this juncture, we're thinking the Rally Fee to be about \$35 - \$45 per person. Please remember to coordinate your Veggie, Salad, or Desert with [Dennis Kiehl](#).

In August, our AOAC joins the West Virginia Club at the **Rally on the Mountain, August 10 – 13, 2023 Wild and Wonderful Starts Here!** **We need to finalize plans for the number of attendees so please reply to [WVAC 115@aol.com](mailto:WVAC115@aol.com) Yes or No.** *You still have time to Register!* There's no online reservations so follow instructions with this discount code when calling: **Grand Vue at (304) 845-9810 Ext 403** and request the 20% discount w/ code **WVAIRSTREAM23**. We have secured 20 sites, #28-40 and #1-13. available exclusively for our Rally until July 1, 2023. The cost for 3 nights with the discount should be \$205.80. The cancellation policy is a fee of \$20.00 and there is no cancellation date restriction. The West Virginia Club will host a Welcoming Happy Hour Thursday evening and a BBQ Buffet is scheduled for Saturday catered by River City Ale Works of Wheeling. Rally fee: \$20/person.



Next, July's AOAC Rally is right around the corner: July 19-23 at the Maxwell Resort! As Dierk's Bently sings "Free and Easy Down the Road I go...." this is what we're offering you...."

The Planned - Unplanned Rally, is located at 13025 Old Lake Rd, East Springfield, PA in a beautiful area has much to offer with many wineries, distilleries and beaches—not forgetting the Candy Shop & Ice Cream joint just up the road. Our lives are incredibly complicated these days so this is a chance to do

Experience the "Darke Side of the Moon" in Darke County, Ohio. JOIN US for the **2024 National Eclipse Rally April 7-11, 2024** at the Great Darke County



Fairgrounds in beautiful Greenville, Ohio, near the Mothership in Jackson Center! Registration for next April's Region 4 "Eclipse Rally" is now open with a deadline of March 15, 2024. **Because there are limited sites, register sooner than later so you don't miss out! Click [HERE](#) to register online.** On Monday, April 8, Darke County, Ohio, will be in the Path of Totality for the 2024 Eclipse. This rare astronomical event will last for about two and a half hours, with a total eclipse duration of almost four minutes. To make the most of this experience, solar eclipse glasses are included in the Rally Fee. This National Rally, sponsored by Region 4, will take place from Sunday to Thursday. However, participants can extend their stay by adding camping nights before or after the rally. They can arrive as early as Thursday, April 4, and leave as late as Saturday, April 13. The attendees will have full hookups with water, sewer, and 30-amp electric, and a limited number of 50-amp sites are available.

Our Akron Club's June Mystery Rally

mysteriously turned out to be full of fun, food, camaraderie and adventures! Thanks to all who attended and contributed—with



special mention to Tom Losasso for hauling 19 cords of wood so we wouldn't lose out on any campfire stories!

😊 The Global Seismographic Network was able to identify the source of the "thud" felt by all attendees on Friday afternoon . . . it turns out that the AOAC President, yours truly, was the victim of a cruel playground prank on the teeter-totter as our Club VP's "other half" (anonymous given the "mystery" theme) planned a succession coup by flipping me off the high end, potentially leading to my demise. If not for my lightning-fast reflexes and extensive "stop-drop-roll" training, someone else may be crafting this Newsletter!



Looking ahead, let's recognize those with birthdays in July and invite them for a ride on the teeter-totter. Please, if we've missed your information, simply zap me an update. **Happy 'July' Birthday to:**

- 7/05 Janice Swan
- 7/08 Jennette Wilch
- 7/15 James Kiehl
- 7/19 Timothy Caillet
- 7/24 Derek Stallard
- 7/25 Keith Apffel
- 7/31 Dennis Kiehl



And, Happy Anniversary to:

- 07-10 Joe & Edith Rodgers
- 07-29 Neil & Andrea Scheid



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Akron Airstream Club July Rally: July 20-23, 2023** hosted by the Kiehl's (Dennis & Karen) and the Welfley's (Dan & Jersey) . . . the location: the Maxwell's "Plantation & Hobby Shop" ... Springfield Township, Pennsylvania 16411 which is across the PA line off I-90 pretty close to Lake Erie (Electric & Water hookups but no Sewer) Coordinates: 41°59'34.8"N 80°26'53.5"W



- Akron Airstream Club and the West Virginia Unit will host a joint August Rally: August 8/10-13, 2023** co-hosted by Fred & Kathy Kiehl. To register for the GrandVue Park Airstream Rally, call 304 845-9810 Ext 403. To get the 20% discount the code is WVAIRSTREAM23. The sites are #28-40 and #1-13. The cost for 3 nights with the discount should be \$205.80. The sites are available exclusively for our Rally until July 1, 2023.



- Airstream, Inc. Alumapalooza Rally: Sep 5-11, 2023** hosted by the folks at Jackson Center. Check it out by clicking [HERE](#).
- 60th Annual Swiss Festival National Rally:** September 23-October 1st, Sugarcreek, Ohio. 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 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 67th 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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More photos from AOAC archives...



Food poisoning scare averted!



"Always two there are, no more, no less. A master and an apprentice." -Yoda Jenny



"Remember that crafting requires you to be creative and use YOUR imagination---NO copying ideas off your neighbors!"

-Janis Martin



Andrea Scheid caught red-handed "lifting" Wes' "intellectual property!"



Winging it: Sausage-cooker-extraordinaire hard at work!



Linda Stallard on the phone with Bob Evans in case this "sausage cooking" experiment goes awry!



AOAC at McKinley Presidential Library...



"Nobody takes me seriously..."
-Karen, "Club Paparazzi"



I scream
U scream
We all scream
4 Ice Cream!



Hey, did you guys feel that thud?!



VAC 80's Dance!



The Schnettler's...



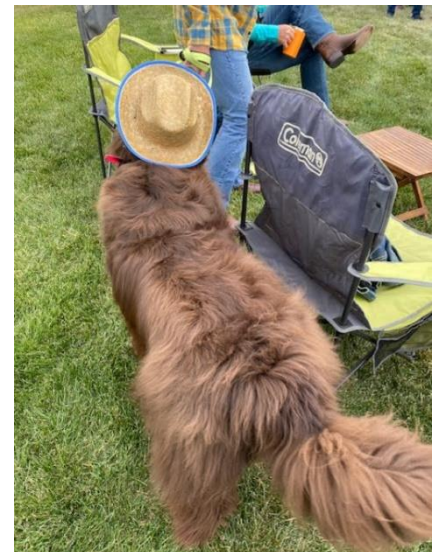
AKA: ZZ Top!



From "Out West"...



VAC Country Western Dance!



"Winston," the Fosnight's Newfoundland who placed 2nd in the Largest Dog category (the winner was a mule). At the "Western Dance," Winston worried about wearing this hat . . . and queried, "does this hat make my butt look big?" Well..., yes, it does! 😊