



# The Caravanner

Mid-Atlantic Airstream Club



October 2023  
(The LAST one.....)



MAAC President  
Ingrid Berkebile

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE:

I planned to have the election of MAAC officers this month, but I have decided not to do so. The primary reason is that we have had only two volunteers to lead the club through 2024. I thank Jim Johnston for volunteering to fill a Trustee position and Jonathan Jacobs for volunteering to continue in the offices of Treasurer, Membership Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary. No one offered to be President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Webmaster or the other two Trustee positions. I also got no response to my asking the current incumbents of the Newsletter Editor and Recording Secretary positions if they were willing to continue in those positions.

Although we had five members sign up for the Crabby Rally in Crisfield, MD, we had to cancel that rally due to dangerous weather caused by Tropical Storm Ophelia. We have only two members signed up to attend the rally scheduled for October and one of those members is Wayne (my husband) and I. We had a relatively small turnout for our St. Patrick's Day and Cinco de Mayo get-togethers. When we were meeting by Zoom and Webex our attendance was limited to, at most, four members.

I have been contacted by Gary Russo, the new President of Region 2, who expressed great concern about the low turnout at our rallies and the lack of officers for 2024 considering we have 46 members. I sought the advice of our current officers and trustees regarding the future of our club. There was only one response to my questions and, again, that was from Jonathan Jacobs, who was MAAC President in 2019 and 2020. He thought that dissolution was the best option given we have no one to lead the club and little interest in attending MAAC events. Based upon all the above facts,

## **I am recommending that the MidAtlantic Airstream Club be dissolved.**

I do not believe that we will be able to recruit new officers or increase the interest of club members in participating in club events. I intend to contact Mr. Russo and WBCCI to begin the dissolution process, which I hope to have completed by November 30. The process includes notifying all current members directly of the dissolution, so you can expect to get a formal notice in a week or two.

The possibility that MAAC may cease to exist should not alarm our members. When we renew our memberships in January, we can choose to join another nearby club such as the Washington, DC; Delmarva; or Northern Virginia clubs. I have recently been diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease. Both my parents died of the disease, so I know what is to come for me. I can honestly say that my time as a MAAC officer has been very rewarding. I have made good friends with Flora Barrett, Shorty Brenner, Alex Jacobs, and Jonathan Jacobs. I have enjoyed the rally sites we visited and the get-togethers we had. Wayne and I will be selling our Airstream to help defray the costs of my future care so we will not be WBCCI members past October. But we wish all our members the very best and we hope you will continue to enjoy your Airstream adventures.

# CENTRAL PENN AIRSTREAM CLUB RALLIES & EVENTS

**February 14-16, 2024 (President's Day Weekend)**

## Winter camping at Promised Land State Park

Pickerel Point @Promised Land State Park

- Campsites with Modern Electric Hookups
- Heated Bath House with Warm Showers
- Winter activities include hiking, ice fishing (lake frozen 12" this year), campfires, etc.

Contact: Terry Hauschild, [haus599@comcast.net](mailto:haus599@comcast.net), 610-781-1933



**May 3-5**

## Eastern PA Opener at Lums Pond State Park, DE

3355 Red Lion Road, Bear, DE 19701

- All Airstreamers welcome! Join us for some fun in Delaware
- Central Penn, Keystone and Penn-Lehigh Clubs will be hosting
- Optional catered BBQ dinner Saturday
- Bring your bikes, kayaks, hiking shoes and come have some fun!
- Make your reservation on line at [ReserveAmerica.com](https://www.reserveamerica.com)

Contact: Rick Pitts, [r\\_pitts@verizon.net](mailto:r_pitts@verizon.net)



## Welcome *New Members!*



Kathy & ken Smith  
Cambridge, MD  
2009 International



Michael Hollingshead  
Pikesville, MD  
1976 Argosy (Stock Photo)

Richard & Mary Rekus  
Laurel, MD  
1997 Safari



John & Sheila Simms  
Drayden, MD  
2022 International



# Region 2 President's Message

Gary Russo **1601**



Gary Russo

At the Fryeburg, Maine, International Rally the voting structure was changed from a delegate format to a system where each member's vote will count in the decision-making process. I want to provide how the membership of Region 2 did in the new voting process. Some of the voting information was provided to me by Eric McHenry.

### Highlights:

- The voting system we use does NOT track or record individual votes – the system only tracks if an email voted or not.
- The percentage calculation used the number of members who voted vs the total number of members in Region 2.
- Approximately 90% of the membership in Region 2 have valid emails. Therefore, I can assume that those approximately 90% received an electronic ballot for the June 2023 elections.

Region 2 has 962 Big Red Numbers (BRN's), or approximately 1920 voting members. This assumes that each BRN has 2 voting members. The number of reported votes cast from Region 2 for the June 2023 election was 246. That means only 12.6% of the Region voted! Based upon this information, Region 2 had the lowest voting percentage of all WBCCI regions.

I cannot express how important it is for your voice to be heard. Since the number of valid email addresses in Region 2 is somewhat less than 90%, please update/confirm your email address with the record on the WBCCI site.

You can do this 1 of 2 ways:

1. Go to <https://airstreamclub.org>, log into your account and confirm/update your membership information. If you have a partner in your trailer, please add their email information so they will receive any future voting ballots.
2. You can also call the WBCCI home office, and they will be glad to confirm/update your email information.

***Remember your vote does count. Please exercise the right!***

# 67<sup>TH</sup> AIRSTREAM CLUB INTERNATIONAL RALLY

## OCTOBER 5-10, 2024

### MISSOURI STATE FAIRGROUNDS SEDALIA, MISSOURI



Seminars ♦ Exhibits ♦ Socials ♦ Entertainment  
**AirstreamClub.org/Rally2024 #ACIRALLY2024**

Personal Information\*

**BIG RED NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

First Name	Last Name	Email Address
First Name	Last Name	Email Address
Address	City, State/Province	Zip/Postal Code
Phone Number	Phone Number	

This is my/our **FIRST** time attending an International Rally.

\*Permanent changes to membership files cannot be made from this form. Please contact HQ to make those changes.

REGISTRATION FEES	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
*RV on Site – Arrival Saturday, October 5		375.00	
Arrive 1 day EARLY – Friday, October 4		50.00	
Arrival 2 days EARLY – Thursday, October 3		100.00	
Arrival 3 days EARLY – Wednesday, October 2		150.00	
Adult (18 and over) per person		125.00	
Youth (13 and up) per person		75.00	
Children (4 to 12) per person		50.00	
Toddler (3 and under) FREE		0.00	
Lifetime Member Discount		-20.00	
<b>TOTAL DUE</b>			
<b>Parking Group Choice - ONLY SELECT ONE</b> (You may need to be a member of Intra-Club to park with group.)			
<input type="checkbox"/> ADA Accessible <input type="checkbox"/> Amateur Radio <input type="checkbox"/> Band <input type="checkbox"/> Boondockers <input type="checkbox"/> Classic <input type="checkbox"/> Future Streamers <input type="checkbox"/> Grapes & Grains <input type="checkbox"/> Indie Streamers <input type="checkbox"/> Pride Streamers <input type="checkbox"/> Stella's Sisters <input type="checkbox"/> Vintage Club			

**RV AMENITIES** – All RV spaces are full-service camping spaces with water, 50-amp electricity and sewer.  
**\*RV on site** – This is only for RV on site no humans included.

**CONFIRMATION & PARKING INFORMATION** will be emailed to the email provided above.

**CANCELLATION POLICY** - Refund requests are to be submitted in writing to [rally@airstreamclub.org](mailto:rally@airstreamclub.org). Refund requests received on or before August 10, 2024 will be assessed a \$50.00 fee. Requests on or after August 11, 2024 will be assessed a 50% fee. **NO** refunds after September 21, 2024. **If you might have to cancel after that day, please consider obtaining travel insurance.**

OFFICE USE ONLY

Registration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Rec'd By: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Source:  Mail  Online  Rally

Payment Type:  Cash  Check  Credit Card    Amt Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Register ♦ Online [www.airstreamclub.org/Rally2024](http://www.airstreamclub.org/Rally2024) ♦ Mail ♦ Phone 937-596-5211**

**HOW TO REGISTER** – Go to [AirstreamClub.org/Rally2024](http://AirstreamClub.org/Rally2024), call HQ at 937-596-5211 or fill out this form and make a check payable to WBCCI, in US Funds Only, and mail to: WBCCI, P.O. Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334. Email questions to [rally@airstreamclub.org](mailto:rally@airstreamclub.org).

**ADA ACCESSIBLE PARKING** – Special parking, if requested, is near the central rally area for members. We ask that you bring your government/state-issued placard or supporting documentation with you to the rally.

**STAGING AREA** – The Rally Arrival Team will be ready to park you when you arrive from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Arrivals after 6:00 p.m. may stay overnight in the Staging Area with no hookups until parking begins the next day. If you arrive before your registered date, there is a charge of \$75 per night.

**KIDS** – Bring them! Our youngest RVers will be treated to programming especially suited to kids ages 4-17. Registration cost covers materials for age-appropriate activities surrounding a daily theme that will keep your kid's busy learning, exploring and having fun!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL GUEST** – Members are welcome to bring additional guests for a fee. Include their names here:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ BRN: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ BRN: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARKING TOGETHER** – If you would like to park with family and friends, you must register to arrive on the same date, and you must arrive together.

**PARKING GROUPS** – Groups of 5 or more wishing to park with the SAME group **MUST** register as a parking group with HQ by August 24, 2024. All group participants must register to arrive on the same date. The group leader can call 937-596-5211 or email [rally@airstreamclub.org](mailto:rally@airstreamclub.org) to register the group. A coordinator of the Rally Arrival Team will contact the group leader and let them know what time to arrive.

**COVID-19 NOTICE** – An inherent risk of COVID-19 exposure exists in any public place where people gather. By attending this event, you understand and assume all risks related to COVID-19 exposure. ACI, its staff, officers, exhibitors, volunteers, members, service providers, and grounds personnel are not liable for any illness, injury, or death from COVID-19 related to your participation at this event.

**CHECK-OUT TIME** – October 11 by noon.

**USE OF IMAGE** – I grant ACI, and its employees and agents, an unrestricted right and license to use my image, likeness, name, voice, comments and/or other proprietary or public rights and/or those in any live recorded talks, broadcast, photograph, video, audio, audiovisual and/or other recording taken in connection with this event, for all purposes, in perpetuity and in any and all media now or hereafter known, without compensation.

**ASSUMPTION OF RISK & WAIVER OF LIABILITY** – I assume all risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I may experience or incur in connection with attending this event. I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless, ACI, its employees, agents, volunteers, and representatives of and from any such claims, including liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs, or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating to my attendance at this event.

## STAY & PLAY IN SEDALIA



The 67th International Airstream Club Rally will begin on Saturday, October 5 and closing ceremonies will take place the evening of Thursday, October 10. Check-Out is Friday, October 11 by noon.

You may stay camped at the Missouri State Fair after the rally if you'd like! Camping is \$25 per night per spot, for up to 14 days. You can pay this fee **once you are on-site** to the Missouri State Fairgrounds Office via credit card, cash or check.

Here's some quick stats on mileage to the surrounding areas to help you start planning your extended stay for more *Fun in the Fall!*

- Arrow Rock – 50 miles
- Lake of The Ozarks, Sunrise Beach – 60 miles
- Lake of The Ozarks, Bagnell Dam – 66 miles
- Lake of The Ozarks State Park – 79 miles
- Kansas City, downtown – 90 miles
- Jefferson City, State Capitol – 61 miles
- Columbia, University of Missouri – 68 miles
- Springfield, Bass Pro Shop & Aquarium – 120 miles
- Branson – 168 miles
- St Louis, downtown, Gateway Arch – 190 miles

Register ♦ Online [www.airstreamclub.org/Rally2024](http://www.airstreamclub.org/Rally2024) ♦ Mail ♦ Phone 937-596-5211



## Irish Festival Rally

August 1-4, 2024

Hosts: Doug & Cindy Field  
dfield4521@yahoo.com

Registration for camping opens January 1, 2024

Camping: Pastime Park Campground  
370 N. Chillicothe St.  
Plain City, OH 43064

Festival: Coffman Park  
Dublin, OH

Doug and Cindy Field will be hosting a Rally during the "Dublin Irish Festival" which is held yearly during the first weekend of August in Dublin Ohio. The festival has everything Irish! There are 7 stages where you can see music and dancing all day. Plenty of cultural treasures too. A very nice campground not far from Dublin (about 10 miles), is "Pastime Park Campground" in Plain City. The goal is for everyone to make their own reservations there beginning January 1st 2024.

The Rally will be centered around the Festival. There will be a welcome social hour on Thursday evening and an Irish brunch on Friday morning. Cost of the rally will be later determined. Campfires are an option in the evening also. More info will be available as the time draws closer. Many of you will research this on your own, but if there are any questions, feel free to give us a call.

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## OTHER Club Rallies.....

**Dates:** October 5-10, 2024  
**Event:** 67th International Rally  
**Location:** Missouri State Fairgrounds, Sedalia MO  
**Registration:** Registration opened August 1, 2023

**Dates:** August 23-28, 2025  
**Event:** 68th International Rally  
**Location:** York Expo Center, York, PA  
**Registration:** More information to come  
**Other:** Region 2 will be hosts

Virtually all local AS clubs allow other club members to join their rallies, **all you have to do is ASK!** A great way to meet and make new friends.

### Mid-Atlantic Airstream Club '22 Officers

#### President

Ingrid Berkebile

**1st VP OPEN!**

**2nd VP OPEN!**

#### Recording Secretary

Christina Torcaso

#### Corresponding Secretary

Jonathan Jacobs

#### Treasurer

Jonathan Jacobs

#### Membership

Jonathan Jacobs

#### Webmaster

Alex Jacobs

#### Newsletter

Jerry Pilcher

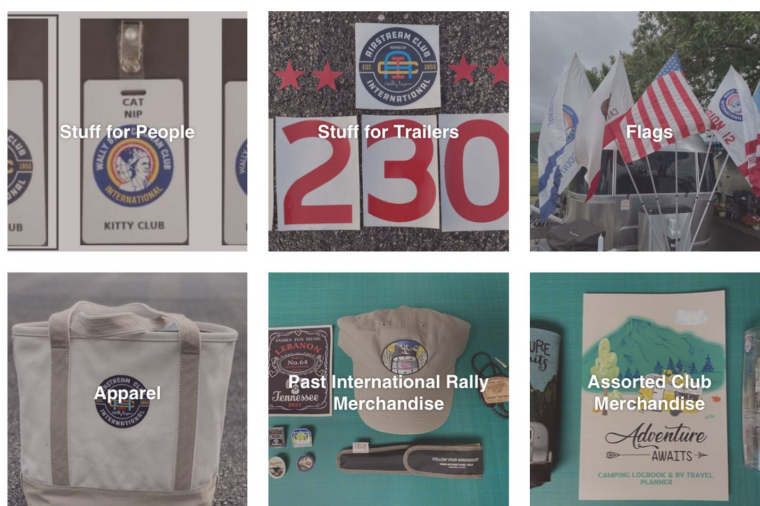
#### Assistant Webmaster

Flora Barrett

### Need Airstream Supplies?

You can easily buy or replace any Airstream items you need online. Badges, flags, Airstream berets, lanyards, pins, tote bags, Big Red Numbers (BRN), etc. are all available at ACI's Club Store. Get ready for the next rally!

[Click HERE To Go To Store](#)



Have you got your own "tips, tricks, or gadgets" that you use? **PLEASE SHARE WITH THE CLUB.** Send me an email, along with photos, of your favorites! [053info@airstreamclub.net](mailto:053info@airstreamclub.net)

# Note From Editor:

Since this is likely the last “official” newsletter of the Mid Atlantic Airstream Club, many of you may be wondering, “**How do I find another Local Club to be a member of...?**”

Fear not. While attending the International Rally this summer in Wyoming, my wife Sam & I were amazed at the number of local clubs, (Local to the Maryland area: Delmarva, DC, Northern Virginia, Pennsylvania.....) that were represented at the Rally. **EVERY ONE OF THOSE OTHER CLUBS INVITED US TO JOIN THEM!**

We will publish a list of other clubs, and how to contact them, within the next 30 days of so, and email it out to you all.

In the mean time, if you wish to pursue other local clubs on your own, I’d suggest navigating to your account on the [Airstream Club International page](#), and then clicking “Club Directory”

The image displays two screenshots of the Airstream Club International website. The top screenshot shows the user's administration account page for Jerry Pilcher. The 'Club Directory' link in the top navigation bar is circled in red. Below the account title, three menu items are shown: 'Big Red Number Directory', 'Courtesy Parking Directory', and 'Membership Directory'. Red arrows point from the 'Club Directory' link to these three items. The bottom screenshot shows the main website page with the 'AIRSTREAM CLUB BENEFITS' section. A dropdown menu is open, showing 'Club Directory' circled in red. Red arrows point from the 'Club Directory' link in the dropdown to the 'Big Red Number Directory', 'Courtesy Parking Directory', and 'Membership Directory' items in the top screenshot. The main website page features a large banner with the text 'We Rally Together' and a 'Join Now' button. Below the banner, there is a grid of local club listings, including 'Alberta Saskatchewan Canada Airstream Club', 'Big Bend Florida Airstream Club', 'Carolinas Airstream Club', 'Central Coast California Airstream Club', 'Central Indiana Airstream Club', 'Central Pennsylvania Airstream Club', and 'Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club'.