



MOUNTAIN ECHOES

Newsletter of the

Northeast Mountaineers Airstream Club

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Greetings Mountaineers!

We had a good turnout for the NEMAC spring lunch at Sarducci's last month. Thanks to Jerry Carruba for organizing the tasty event and for providing these photos, which tell the story:



Marty Womer, Sarah, Felix, and Michael Giunta, Chris and Melissa Corbin, and Mary Keefe

Big Red Numbers?

Airstream Club International strongly encourages members to display their Big Red Numbers at Airstream events. If you're not familiar with the BRNs or wonder why we have them, there's a good explanation and brief history lesson on the Welcome New Members page at airstreamclub.org

Note that you don't have to permanently apply decals to your rig – most 'streamers so, but if you'd rather not, you can attach the numbers to a piece of plexiglass and hang it at your site, for example. You can also display them electronically with a "Streamlight", a solar-powered light-up display, available at airboardshop.com Rich and Cindy Collins (luvsubin.com) have a short youtube video on the subject.



Cathie & Jay Waltz, Diane McElhiney, Karen & Tim Vadney

Airstream Club Leadership

New this year, we will have the opportunity to elect the Airstream Club International Board of Trustees Executive Council. Our own **Mike Giunta** is a candidate – you can read his statement, and those of the other candidates, on line at airstreamclub.org/IBTCandidate and look for 2023 Executive Council Candidates. The May issue of *Blue Beret* will also include their statements, and candidate videos are available. Voting will take place June 1-14.

Where will you be rallying?

Members like to know who's planning to attend the different rallies. The updated list below is what we know so far, so please help us update it –add or delete your name as needed and include your campsite number.

2023 Boothbay Shore Hills (May 19-21)

Jim Buttitta & Kitty Tambling 62

Jerry Carruba & Paulette Gagne 63

Milo Cutler & Diane McElhiney 69

Larry/Cindy Dreher 149

Paul & Pat Hynek 65

Chuck & Anna Kiritsy

Mary & Andreas Lehner 64

Roger & Anna Nagy 75

Carl & Judy Newton 74

Jim & Stacy Reck 72

*Marty Womer & Mary Keefe 66

Tim & Karen Vadney 73

Vance & Cynthia Wormwood

Mary & Vernon Rail (CCMAC) 78

Giovanna Yaranga (NEAC)

Visiting: Dave & Donna Thompson

Melissa & Chris Corbin

Kit & Dick Wheatley?

Region 1 Flocking the Cape (June 15-18)

Jim Buttitta & Kitty Tambling

Jerry Carruba & Paulette Gagne

Chuck & Anna Kiritsy

Mary & Andreas Lehner

Roger & Anna Nagy

Sal & Gail Fazzino

Woodland Acres (July 14-16)

David & Jan Andrews 69

Mary Lou & David Beaulieu

Jim Buttitta & Kitty Tambling

Chris & Melissa Corbin

Chuck & Anna Kiritsy

*Roger & Anna Nagy 71

Jim & Stacy Reck 70

Dave & Donna Thompson

Vance & Cynthia Wormwood 52

2023 Battenkill (August 4-6)

Jim Buttitta & Kitty Tambling

Jerry Carruba & Paulette Gagne 21-b

Chris & Melissa Corbin 38

Michael & Sarah Giunta

Chuck & Anna Kiritsy 1A

Mary & Andreas Lehner 14B



Tim Vadney, John and Barbara Crotty, Milo Cutler and Jim Reck

Roger & Anna Nagy 40

Jim & Stacy Reck 38 or 39

Larry & Susan Warren, 15b

*Tim & Karen Vadney 13B

2023 Fish Creek (September 8-10)

Jerry Carruba & Paulette Gagne 114

Chris & Melissa Corbin 52

Milo Cutler & Diane McElhiney 120

Chuck & Anna Kiritsy 79

Mary & Andreas Lehner 116

Dave & Donna Thompson 80

*Cathie & Jay Waltz 98

Foliage Boondock (Sept 29-Oct 1)

Jerry Carruba & Paulette Gagne

*Chris & Melissa Corbin

Mike & Sarah Giunta

Chuck & Anna Kiritsy

Mary & Andreas Lehner

Dave & Lori Peirce

Jim & Stacy Reck

Dave & Donna Thompson

Roger & Anna Nagy

Tim & Karen Vadney

Burlingame (October 6-8)

Chris & Melissa Corbin 114

*Mike & Sarah Giunta

Roger & Anna Nagy 699

Larry & Susan Warren 169

* Event host

Springtime in the Rockies

Mary and Andreas have signed up for this 2024 national caravan that starts in Estes Park, CO on May 23, 2024 and ends in Gardner MT on June 18. You can get information about this and all the other ACI caravans on the club website, www.airstreamclub.org under the Events heading. Some caravans, like the Rockies, fill up quickly and have wait lists – hence our 2024 registration. Others may still have space available for 2023. The caravans are not cheap, but the participation fee includes all campsites, event fees, and some meals. They generally balance structured events and ‘free’ time to explore.

Membership Update

Our newest members, James McGuire and Amy Wright, BRN 2505, joined us from Arlington, Texas! That was not a mistake: James says “We are in the process of moving up to Vermont, and the airstream was a part of that! We’re still splitting our time between Texas and Vermont for a year or two.”



Larry Day and Paul Hynek

NEMAC on the Net

The Mountaineers have two locations on the Internet. The official site, where you will find information about club rallies and club newsletters, is at

<https://airstreamclub.org/northeast-mountaineers>

That page is managed by Pat Hynek.

Northeast Mountaineers also have a Facebook page, where members can post photos and information relating to club events. The page is moderated by Mary Lehner; it’s a closed group, so send her an email (melehner@aol.com) if you want to join.



Region One Newsletter Early Spring 2023

By Bard Fuller
Region 1 President

WOW, Spring is here and we are all making our 2023 travel plans. Make sure that you have signed up for the June 15-18 Region One Rally. This will be the biggest gathering of Airstreams this year in the Northeastern portion of North America. What a location, on Cape Cod, “New England’s Playground.” Come to the rally and be part of this big Airstream event. See old friends, make new ones and enjoy a lobster feast at the same time! A great stepping off point to visit Martha’s Vineyard and Nantucket or for a day trip to Provincetown. Many thanks to the hard work put into the planning of this event by our Cape Cod Massachusetts Airstream Club volunteers headed by Eddie Carll. This is one of our smallest clubs in Region One and they will be needing others to step forward to help facilitate all the activities during this 4-day event.

Have you checked out the Campfire Chats with the ACI International President, Eric McHenry and ACI Corporate Manager, Lori Plummer? It is a time to ask questions about our ever-changing club and to hear the newest info about the direction of our club as well as questions that others are asking. Always informative! May 24th will be our next Campfire Chat. Watch for future Chat dates in your ACI emails and they will be posted on the ACI website.

After years of separation of the Wally Byam Caravan Club from Airstream, Inc. as two distinct organizations, there has been a movement to find common goals and vision on how we can mutually help each other in the next decade. We as owners are the best ambassadors for the Airstream product and they may be helpful in membership recruitment. This new era of camaraderie can only be helpful to all involved. Todd Brink, our region membership chair, is working with our international team to facilitate a working relationship with the folks at Airstream, Inc. Such good stuff! Todd will be working this coming year with each of our local clubs’

membership chairs to strengthen all our local clubs here in Region One.

Thanks to the changes to the ACI Constitution last year, we will, for the first time, be having real choices on electing our International Club's leadership this coming June. Resumes of potential board members are presently being posted on the ACI website. It is a wonderful collection of those that have previous ACI leadership experience and a whole group of new faces that have volunteered to be considered to guide our club forward for the next 2 years and perhaps beyond. Be engaged and be informed of the great leadership candidates that will be offered in this coming June's election.

A huge thank you to Tye Mott from the Cape Cod Airstream Club and Per Hamnqvist from the New England Airstream Club for all their invaluable contributions to our previous and present ACI leadership teams. Per is eligible to run again, hopefully we might see his name on the ballot for the 2023-2025 council.

Congratulations to the Quebec Airstream Club for having an uplifting presence in the newest ACI promotional short film that will be used nationwide as a future recruiting tool. Check out:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iXQ1UVsNiSg>

A note about this film, there is a large presence of Wally Byam in this film. One of the criticisms that I have heard with many of ACI's

newer initiatives has been that we have left out Wally Byam as the focal point of the club. Hopefully, we are bringing back Wally. He was, and always will be, the inspiration for our club.

Important Region 1 Activity Dates

June 1-14 Voting for International Executive Council Members

June 15-18 Region One Rally

East Falmouth, MA

October 5-9 National Special Events Rally
Leicester, VT



NEMAC spring lunch host Jerry Carruba multi-tasking...

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	NEMAC Events	Others
May	<p>May 19-21 Boothbay rally Shore Hills Campground in Boothbay, ME. Call to make your reservation on the “peninsula”. – 207 633 4782 – tell her you’re with the Airstream Club – and tell host Marty Womer (mainstreamer06002@gmail.com). www.shorehills.com</p>	
June		<p>June 15—18 Region 1 Rally “Flocking the Cape” at the Barnstable County Fairground, East Falmouth, MA Register: form.jotform.com/221935991401154</p> <p>June 24-30 Airstream Club International Rally, Rock Springs, WY</p>
July	<p>July 14-16 Woodland Acres, Brownfield, ME Sites 66-87 Make reservations via Heather – info@woodlandacres.com – host Roger Nagy (rpnagy@roadrunner.com) and Airstream rally.</p>	
August	<p>August 4-6 Camping on the Battenkill, Arlington, VT 15 sites. Call Alan at 802 375-6663 Host is Tim Vadney (tvadney@me.com)</p>	
September	<p>NEMAC Business Meeting will be via a Zoom call, date and time TBA</p> <p>Sept 29-Oct 1 Foliage Rally “Boondock” camping at peak foliage season at the Kingdom Brewing site near Newport VT. Contact melissa.y.corbin@gmail.com (please include Kingdom Camping in the subject).</p>	<p>Sept 8-10 Gathering at Fish Creek Pond -- a club favorite, dry camping at beautiful waterfront sites. Make your reservation as soon as possible at www.reserveamerica.com You can see pictures of each Fish Creek Pond campsite at www.campadk.com Cathie Waltz is the host (cewaltz@myfairpoint.net)</p>
October	<p>October 6-8 Trip to the Shore Burlingame State Park, Charlestown, RI Look for sites 689-701 via Reserveamerica.com</p> <p>Host: Mike Guinta (mgiuntanh@gmail.com)</p>	<p>FYI: Fryeburg Fair, Fryeburg ME October 1-8 is a mid-point on the route from Newport to Charlestown. Tuesday is Senior day – free admission if you’re 65 or older. A great old-school agricultural fair, with RV options. Andreas Lehner, host.</p>