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President's Corner

Dick Saxton, President



Dick Saxton

Hello Fellow Airstreamers!

This autumn camping is the best! Cold clear nights with warm, sunny days! That's what the south has to offer. Cora and I are doing a "one trailer caravan" of "Music of the South."

Nashville is included, of course.



Followed by the Alabama Airstream Club "Tennessee Valley Fiddlers Association Bluegrass Festival" featuring five nights and six days of ACI members from around the country.



On to Clarksdale, MS and the crossroads of the blues.



Over the mighty Mississippi to Helena, AR for the "King Biscuit Flour Blues Festival" and home to ALL of the blues!



Traveled down to Louisiana for some Cajun/ Zydeco and fried catfish!



Moving on back into Mississippi to see Marty Stuart and Fabulous Superlatives near Meridian MS, home of Jimmy Rodgers" The Singing Brakeman".



Next stop "The Allman Brothers " Big House" in Macon, GA.



Wrapping up at Alumalina!

Then back home to winterize! Many Rallies for '24 are in the planning stages and we'll have an induction of officers in the next few weeks.

Happy Halloween
Dick Saxton, President

2024 NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club Events

Dates: May 3-5, 2024
Event: Region 2 Rally
Location: TBA
Registration: TBA

Dates: August 1-5, 2024
Event: NYS Airstream Rally with Hudson Mohawk and NY Metro Clubs
Location: Sampson State Park
Registration: TBA

Dates: October 5-10, 2024
Event: 2024 International Rally
Location: Missouri State Fairgrounds, Sedalia MO
Registration: NOW OPEN at [International Rally 2024](#) | [ACI \(airstreamclub.org\)](#)

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

NEW MEMBERS....

Campsite fees will be covered by the NYFLAC for any **NEW** member who has **NEVER** attended a rally *whenever you are ready!!* New members will still be responsible for any additional costs associated with the rally (ex. food or entertainment). This offer is open only to new members and affiliates of NYFLAC.

*This does not apply to transfers to our club and have attended a rally elsewhere.



It's a pleasure to introduce the newest members of our club.

We look forward to meeting you on great camping weekends, rallies and caravans!

Beverly and Matthew Fry
 Clay, NY



Election Results

2024 NYFLAC Officers and Committee Members

Our NYFLAC elections for 2024 have closed. As of midnight, 10/14/24 twenty seven (27) members cast their ballot and all candidates have been voted unanimously for their respective positions. There were no write-in ballots.

While we may recognize this as a simple formality, it's important to have annual elections so our members can choose who makes the decisions that guide the direction of our club.

Congratulations to the following volunteers who have offered their time and talents to continue to make our NYFLAC grow and improve, year after year.

Position of President—Dick Saxton

Position of 1st Vice President—Chris Cappelletti

Position of 2nd Vice President—Mary Fien-Silco

Position of Recording Secretary—Cora Saxton

Position of Treasurer—Linda Ferguson

Position of Director 3—Diane Hill

Installation to be announced at a time and place TBD. We'll keep you posted.



MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Submitted by Diane and Randy Hill, Membership Co-Chairs

Greetings from your membership chairs. Fall is officially here, and many of you are trying to get in one more weekend of camping before winterizing your Airstreams for the season. Others, like Diane and I, are packing our Airstreams as we get ready for our winter adventures.

It has been a busy year for our club's membership, we currently have 139 members representing 75 Airstreams! This is the highest membership our club has had in recent memory. I want to welcome the 45 new members (representing 24 Airstreams) that joined our club this year - we are happy that you have found us.

Diane and I have had the pleasure to meet several of you this past summer at rallies we attended. For any of you that have not yet attended a NYFLAC rally, you are missing out on one of our favorite parts of the Airstream Club—not only are the club rallies a great place to hang out and socialize with people who speak Airstream, but it is also a great place to learn about your new Airstream from other owners' experience. They probably have a solution for that problem you been trying fix.

We also gained 15 new affiliate members this year (representing 8 Airstreams)! I want to welcome the new Affiliate members that chose NYFLAC this year. Affiliate membership is a very unique part of the Airstream Club - it allows you to join another club (or clubs) in addition to your home club. An affiliate club may be in a area you like to travel, or somewhere where you have made Airstream friends. Many people become affiliate members to a club after attending a rally and having a good time with the members of that club. As an affiliate member, you will receive the club's newsletter which is a great way to keep in touch with what is going on in your new "affiliate" club.

Lastly, I want to remind our new members and affiliates to join our club's Facebook page. It's a great way to share your travels and rally pictures and be active with your new Airstream friends. Just search for New York Finger Lakes Airstream Club, fill out a couple questions and ask to join.

I have included the latest membership club list with this newsletter.

If you see any errors in your information, please contact the Airstream Club headquarters at membership@airstreamclub.org, and they will make any corrections necessary for you.

Safe travels. We will see you down the road

Randy & Diane Hill
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Membership Chairs



DUES ARE DUE for all members with a renewal date of Dec. 31st.

The renewal system is now open and it's easy. You can renew online at ACI, by phone, or by mail.

Region 2 President's Update

At the 2022 International Rally, held in Fryeburg, Maine, the voting structure was changed from a delegate format to a system where each individual 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 our ACI President, 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 versus 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 our 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 one of two ways.

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.

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!

Sincerely,

Gary Russo, Region 2 President



LOOKING FOR AN AIRSTREAM?

BUT DON'T HAVE A TOW VEHICLE.....



Look no further as this not your average Airstream

- 2003 Class A 26ft Land Yacht Airstream
- Chevy workhorse engine
- Sleeps 3-4
- Dinette converts into a bed
- Resealed this summer
- Engine maintenance done yearly
- New spark plugs and coils this year
- Comes with a cover for tires and RV
- Everything in good working order
- And yes, its a dry bath!
- Generator hours used under 400 hours
- Perfect for a single or couple who want to work from the road with little overhead
- The size of this RV makes it an easy fit into State and National parks
- Odometer is 34,505
- No more trips planned this year
- Tons of storage!!
- We are the 3rd owners
- Located in Central NY
- Asking \$28,000 OBO

Please contact Crytal Faria with any questions at:
315-225-8922

PS—Once this is sold we'll be looking for an AS tow trailer!! Keep us in mind!





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