

TIDEWATER TIDINGS

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From The President

Greetings Tidewater Airstreamers,

Ellie and I wish you all well as we enter these hot and sticky summer months. Our rallies so far this year have been enjoyable and have had great turnouts. North Landing, Ft. Monroe, and Belle Isle have been good solid locations for our club and will likely continue to be so. On that note I want to share some thoughts on next year's rally sites. Many people in our club are working and cannot plan as far in advance as us retired folks. State parks can be booked far in advance and that can be a challenge for working families to commit far into the future. Private campgrounds may be more expensive but availability seems to be greater for more spontaneous camping trips. Ellie and I will likely be hosting a rally again next summer and are leaning towards private this time. Maybe something near the oceanfront with swimming pools for the kids would be nice.

Darin and Lisa Blatner will be hosting our Breakout Rally next April. We have enjoyed hosting it but will just be returning from overseas at that time. Thanks Darin and Lisa!

Phoebe Richards is taking over publishing of our newsletter – Thank you Phoebe and congrats on your first one out! Club members – please send her photos and comments about happenings in your camping adventures you would like to share. Technical articles are also appreciated. I for one am always interested in learning about trailer upgrades I can do myself.

I want to thank Rosemary Plum and Kathleen Holschuh again for stepping up into VP positions. It's a comfort to know that we can plan for leadership in advance so our club will continue to flourish and grow. Frank Munoz will be taking over as president in the fall. Any thoughts you have on changes to our rally locations, or any other concerns, please let Frank and me know. Happy camping!

Tidewater Club

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CAMPING HIGHLIGHTS

Friends and Food at Fort Monroe

Club #111 enjoyed a fun weekend at the annual Fort Monroe Rally in Hampton, Virginia, hosted by Bill and Joyce Werner.



Our Fort Monroe Airstream Rally on May 20, 2023 was a roaring success. Twenty members had lots of food and fellowship. Ellie bought a birthday cake for the eight members who have a May birthday. Richard cooked lots of brats over a wood fire. Kelly's baked beans were great. Also on the menu was apple cobbler, deviled eggs, chips and dip, salad and more. Two large white egrets made their presence known while coming and going over their nest and everything below.

A Taste Of Cincinnati At Belle Isle

Richard and Joanna Duncan brought a taste of Ohio to Club #111's Belle Isle Rally.

The June Belle Isle Rally was one you should not have missed, but if you did, remember to reserve next year when Don and Helene Butte host. Saturday morning started with "Walk on the Wild Side," hosted by Virginia State Environmental Volunteers. Then we gathered for a delicious Cincinnati Chili and fresh salad dinner!

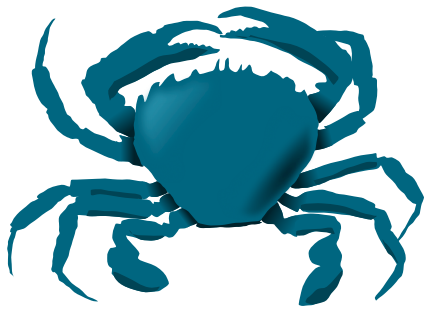


It was so much fun to prepare six pounds of spaghetti in our Airstream trailers! Many happy memories were made.

We all enjoyed the evening music along the river. What evening can end without s'mores? Not ours!

On Sunday many of us stayed over and boarded the Chesapeake Breeze for Tangier Island. Best soft shelled crab lunch on the island. A must!

Guess what we had for Sunday evening dinner? Just ask us!



Airstream Adventures: A Visit To Luray

Derek and Phoebe Richards visited Shenandoah National Park and toured the famous Luray Caverns over Memorial Day Weekend.

We stayed at Spacious Skies Campground, minutes from Luray Caverns and a short drive to Shenandoah National Park - a great location for seeing nature above and below the ground!



Eastern Shore Views at Kiptopeke

Nick and Jojo Lotuaco hosted a sun-filled weekend for Club #111's Kiptopeke Rally.



The Kiptopeke Rally held on July 7-9 was a hot one! The weekend started with a welcome party hosted by Nick and Jojo. The hot and humid days made staying comfortable out of the sun the main task.

Seven rigs were on hand for the weekend. Attending the rally were Kelly and Kathleen Holschuhs, Greg and Ellie Worcester, Dave and Rosemary Plum and Nick and Jojo Lotuaco. New members in attendance were Bruce and Pat Julian, John and Lynnette Patterson, Suzy Landris and Thomas Harper.

The Shanty bar was the setting for the rally dinner. Good food! Good drinks! A great waterfront view! Look forward to seeing everyone again soon. Happy Glamping!!





Welcome to the Club!

Jim and Nancy Corliss share their excitement in joining Club #111.

We are very excited about our new acquisition and our membership in ACI and the Tidewater Club.

We had been looking and researching for most of a year, purchasing a tow vehicle and narrowing down what model and floor plan would work for us.

Jim retired on March 31 and our son was married in North Carolina on May 20. Our original plan was to begin our search for the right vehicle this summer. But, the perfect opportunity presented itself when friends of friends from the Carolinas Airstream Club put their 2017 vehicle up for sale. It was exactly what we were looking for, at a great price, from a trusted source. So we picked her up on our return trip from the wedding!



"Big Blue" and Ginger



Meet Lela and Dakota

We are heading to Chickahomony Riverfront Park for a two-night shakedown trip. Being five miles from home will be a good safety net while we put her through her paces and work out the logistics of traveling with two golden retrievers.





CHART YOUR COURSE

Upcoming Rallies - 2023

SEPT. 21-24 | 2023 COMMONWEALTH RALLY - NEW MARKET, VA

The Commonwealth Rally, featuring all four Virginia Airstream clubs, will take place at Endless Caverns RV Resort in New Market. Book your campsite early in Section E (green section) for a special rate by calling Lisa Mannon at (443) 664-3375 and using code Northern Virginia Airstream Club September 2023. Registration deadline is Aug. 12.

NOV. 2-5 | 2023 URBANNA OYSTER FESTIVAL RALLY - URBANNA, VA

Club #111 will host with help from the NORVA Airstream Club. Parking fees are \$125 per trailer, which includes four days and three nights with a short walk to the festivities. Spaces go fast, so use the registration form on the last page of this newsletter to secure your spot.

DEC. 2 | CLUB #111 HOLIDAY GET TOGETHER

Save the date! Hosted by Richard and Joanna Duncan, we will once again celebrate together in Williamsburg on Dec. 2. A scheduled private tour of Bruton Parish Church with a volunteer guide will be available from 3-4 p.m. Then we'll have time to walk Duke of Gloucester Street to admire the beautiful, traditional holiday wreaths. Dinner will be at the famous SAL's by VICTOR at 5:30 p.m. More details will follow in the next newsletter.



7/12 Bruce Julian
7/18 Brad Tilley
7/24 Bill Allen

7/24 Wanda Trexler
7/27 Rhonda Evans
8/2 Rosemary Plum
8/4 Wayne Blatner
8/10 Derek Richards

8/20 Darin Blatner
8/24 Sheri Williams
9/5 Skip Smith
9/23 Helene Butte
9/25 Damien Leonard

Upcoming Rallies - 2024



Mark your calendar for the following 2024 rallies.

February TBD: Hosted by Jim and Ellie Brennan

April 12-14: North Landing Beach Campground, hosted by Kelly and Kathleen Holschuh and Darin and Lisa Blatner - Virginia Beach, VA

April 17-21: Streams and Meadows, hosted by Region 3 - Doswell, VA

May 17-19: Fort Monroe, hosted by Bill and Joyce Werner - Hampton, VA

June 7-9: Belle Isle State Park, hosted by Don and Helene Butte - Lancaster, VA

July TBD: Holiday Travel Park, hosted by Greg and Ellie Worcester - Virginia Beach, VA

Aug. 2-4: North Bend Park and Campground, hosted by Dave and Rosemary Plum - Boynton, VA

Sept. 20-22: Virginia Commonwealth Rally, hosted by Spirit of Virginia Club

October TBD: Tidewater Club Rally

Nov. 1-3: Urbanna Oyster Festival Rally, hosted by Frank and Jayne Munoz - Urbanna, VA

Dec. 7: Christmas in Williamsburg program and dinner, hosted by Richard and Joanna Duncan - Williamsburg, VA



Upcoming International Rallies

OCT. 5-10, 2024 | 2024 INTERNATIONAL RALLY - SEDALIA, MISSOURI

AUG. 23-28, 2025 | 2025 INTERNATIONAL RALLY - YORK, PENNSYLVANIA

The Tidewater Virginia Airstream Club #111 newsletter is edited by Phoebe Richards. If you have a story, article or content you'd like to share in an upcoming issue, email Phoebe at phoebe.w.richards@gmail.com.

2023 Urbanna Oyster Festival Rally Registration Form

The Tidewater 111 Airstream Club, with an assist from the NORVA Airstream Club, will be hosting this exciting event at Urbanna, Virginia. The parking fee set by the landowner is **\$125.00 per trailer** which includes 4 days 3 nights of parking within 2 mins walking to the festival events. There will be a no-host happy hour with munchies on Thursday evening.

Please make your reservation soon by sending in the below registration form with your Rally Fee. There are only 30 parking spots so the first 30 registration forms returned will be confirmed. If we receive more than 30 requests we will keep a standby list in case someone drops out.

Name(s) of attendee(s):

Member of which Airstream club:

Length of Airstream _____

WBCCI #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Richard Duncan, Tidewater Treasurer, will be collecting the registration and rally fees.

Make \$125.00 check payable to Tidewater Airstream Club

Send completed registration form and check to:

Richard Duncan, Treasurer

6907 Arthur Hills Drive, Williamsburg, VA 23188

There is no cost for admission to the festival, however there are entrance fees charged by some venues.

Last day for refund has been set at 19 October (2 weeks prior)

Detailed arrival instructions as well as festival information will be sent out to participants as we get closer to the festival date.

For additional information contact: Frank Munoz, Tidewater Club 111 at 703-969-7268 (call or text) or send an email to frankmmunoz19@gmail.com.