

TIDEWATER TIDINGS

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From The President

Greetings from the heart of the Ozark Mountains and stop number seven of eight on the "Sho Me the Ozarks" Caravan. I hope everyone is well and found time to enjoy the last part of summer and time on the road in your Airstream.

You all are aware at the Virginia Commonwealth Rally held in September, the leadership responsibility for our club was passed to me. Thank you, Greg Worcester, for turning over a vibrant and great club. It is an honor to take the helm of Club #111.

Greg was blessed to have on his team an enthusiastic and engaged leadership group. Thank you Rosemary Plum, Richard and Joanna Duncan, Ellie Worcester, Phoebe Richards, Jojo Lotuaco, Larry and Rhonda Evans and all those who hosted rallies and/or contributed to their success.

During the past year we had some great rallies and I look forward to many more in the 2024 camping season. Our goal is to hold an event every month. If you are interested in hosting, co-hosting or helping out with a rally please let me know. We like to keep our rallies simple and fun with activities everyone can enjoy, so if you have an idea for a rally, please let me know.

If anyone is interested in participating in the Urbanna Oyster Festival Rally (November 2-5) we still have spots open. We currently have 22 rigs registered. This rally is a great last camping event of the year. Our last Club event in 2023 will be our Christmas Celebration in Williamsburg hosted by Joanna and Richard Duncan (see details on page 7). It's a wonderful rally, a great opportunity to see Williamsburg decorated for the holidays and a way to share some holiday cheer with our Airstream family. Hope to see you there.

Tidewater Club

Officers

President - Frank Munoz
First Vice President - Rosemary Plum
Second Vice President - Kathleen Holschuh
Treasurer - Richard Duncan
Recording Secretary - Ellie Worcester
Past President - Greg Worcester
Trustee - Rhonda Evans
Trustee - Janea Whitacre

Standing Committee Chairs

Constitution and Bylaws - Don Shafer
Club Directory - Greg & Ellie Worcester
Membership - Joanna Duncan
Newsletter Editor - Phoebe Richards
Nominating - Ed Whitacre
Safety - Larry Evans
Sunshine - Ellie Worcester
Webmaster - Jojo Lotuaco

Stay safe and keep camping!

Frank Munoz, Club #111 President



CLUB & REGION UPDATES

1. Tidewater Airstream Club members were saddened to learn of the passing of Mike Kipps. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Robin. We hope that she will remain active in Tidewater Club #111.

2. Welcome to Club #111! Recent new members include:
 - William Bell and Ann Rutledge from Lancaster, VA with a Basecamp 16 ft.
 - Jim and Nancy Corliss from Williamsburg, VA with a 2017 International Serenity 25 ft.
 - David and Sherry Cooke from Williamsburg, VA with a 2020 Flying Cloud 27 ft.
 - John and Alice Cryer from Williamsburg, VA with a 2019 Flying Cloud 27 ft.
 - Tom and Amy Fitzgerald from Williamsburg, VA with a 2019 Nest 16 ft.
 - Mark and Jane Funka from Williamsburg, VA with a 2022 Globetrotter 27 ft.
 - Dave and Cynthia Herring from Poquoson, VA with a 2019 International Signature 25 ft.
 - Bill and Patrizia Jones from Newport News, VA with a 1978 Land Yacht Safari 21 ft.
 - Bruce and Pat Julian from Weems, VA with a Flying Cloud 28 ft.
 - Susan Landis from Green Lane, PA with an Overlander 26 ft.
 - Brandon and Trisha Lohman from Chesapeake, VA with a Flying Cloud 25 ft.
 - Scott and Juliette Mersiowsky from Chesterfield, VA with a Basecamp 20X 20 ft.
 - Drew Webb and Dan Gallagher from Norfolk, VA with a Basecamp 20 ft.

Region 3 Officer Transitions and Election Update

Hello Region 3 Club Members,

As we begin to prepare for our Region 3 Officer transitions next year, we are looking for new leadership candidates to fulfill the second vice president role that will be vacated.

Our current senior leaders will transition next August 2024 in the following manner:

- Christine Baum will move to Immediate Past President
- Bob Ealy will elevate from his current role as the 1st VP to his new role as President
- Bob Hoffman will elevate from his current role as 2nd VP to his new role as 1st VP

If you have a passion for the club and a desire to help, we would love to hear from you.

We are asking for anyone who might have an interest in serving the Region from 2024-2030 to send their resume and brief paragraph describing why you should be considered to Nominating Chairperson Bill Wild by Oct. 31, 2023.

Thank you to everyone for your time and energy and we are looking forward to hearing from you!

Kindest regards,
Christine, Bob and Bob



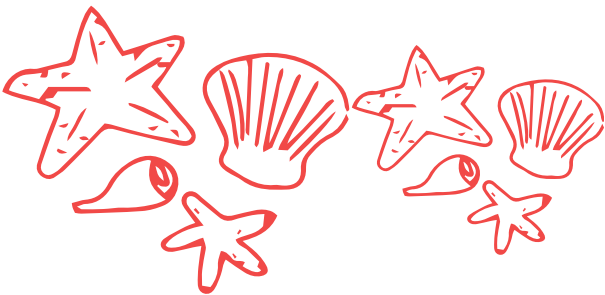
CAMPING HIGHLIGHTS

Fun at First Landing

Club #111 enjoyed an October weekend at the First Landing Rally in Virginia Beach, hosted by Greg and Ellie Worcester.



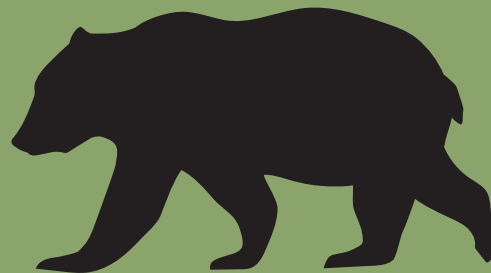
It may have been one of the smaller rallies we've had but it was a nice one. Ellie and Greg hosted and were happy to meet new members John and Alice Cryer from Williamsburg. We enjoyed a meet and greet Friday night and a dinner out Saturday night at Chick's Oyster Bar. Dave Plum joined us for dinner as well as our close friends Rob and Julie Byers. The Cryers took in the Military Aviation Museum on Saturday and the rest of us did some hiking and kite flying. The weather was good except for some brief rain, but it did not hamper our evening campfires. Some of the campground facilities have been upgraded as promised by park management. The campground was fully operational and most every site was filled.



Airstream Adventures: The Arctic Circle



Bill and Joyce Werner visited the Northwest Territories of Canada at the Arctic Circle while headed to Inuvik, which is 120 miles north.



Plums' Fall Adventure To Pennsylvania

Submitted by Dave and Rosemary Plum.

Ten days after taking possession of our new 23' Globetrotter, we were on the road to the Commonwealth Rally in New Market, VA. We enjoyed three days of fellowship and laughter with our fellow Airstreamers before continuing our trip to Leonard Harrison State Park. Leaving New Market, we stayed at a Harvest Host, The Rusty Nail Winery, in Martinsburg, WV for one night. Great place and we highly recommend it as an overnight stopover.



After a five-hour drive with much of it being along the scenic Susquehanna River, we arrived at Leonard Harrison. This park, as well as its sister park, Colton Point State Park, is known as the Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania. The foliage was just starting to change color, but the scenery was still quite magnificent. Pine Creek flows through the parks and there is a bike trail that follows the river. Numerous hiking trails offer different levels of difficulty, and all provide fantastic views of the canyon. The weather was just right for hiking the parks and exploring the town of Wellsboro.



Departing Leonard Harrison, we headed for Gettysburg National Military Park and spent two days exploring the battlefields and visitor center. The National Park Service app has an audio driving tour that narrates your tour as you visit the historic sites and monuments.

It was a great ten-day trip and while we had enjoyed travelling in our Basecamp, the new Globetrotter provided us with all of the comforts of home.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

10/7 Tia Leonard
10/18 Greg Worcester
10/21 Kelly Holschuh

10/22 Kathy Smith
10/26 Jojo Lotuaco
11/4 Beth Allen
11/4 Suzie Landis
11/11 John Patterson

11/12 Nick Lotuaco
11/15 Greg Williams
12/5 Kathy Tilley
12/10 Don Butte
12/22 Thomas Hopper



“The Airstreamers Are Coming! The Airstreamers Are Coming!”

The Duncans and the Worcesters enjoyed great trips to New England.

The Duncans Visit Massachusetts and Maine

Submitted by Richard and Joanna Duncan.

Our adventure started with a beautiful wedding in Gloucester, Massachusetts. From there we ventured on to Camden and Acadia, Maine with lobsters and sunsets. On the way home through tropical storms we enjoyed Bath, home of the Maine Maritime Museum, and Freeport, home of LL Bean.



The Worcesters’ Annual Maine Trip

Submitted by Greg Worcester.



Ellie and I made another trip to Maine this past summer. We are blessed with some friends who have a “camp” on a lake not far from Bar Harbor and let us park our rig on their beach. They set us up with water and electric and we are very comfortable there even with the bullfrogs serenading us all night. Getting to camp is via a single lane gravel road through the woods and across a couple washed out creeks.

Though “Stella the Excella” has tolerated the trip well the last two summers, we may leave her home next summer and opt to take our old 62 Safari up to Maine and store it up there for summer use. Stella will get some more upgrades this winter and take us around the gulf states next fall or possibly cross country. We shall see.



Hello baby!

Derek and Phoebe Richards are excited to introduce the newest member of their family and Club #111, Daniel Richards!

Daniel was born on Sept. 9 weighing 7lbs, 13 oz. He loves snuggling and spending time with his mom and dad.



Elly Brennan's Deviled Egg Recipe



Looking for a delicious snack while exploring the Great Outdoors? Try Elly's deviled egg recipe for a bite that's both tasty and protein-packed.

1. Start with 1 dozen eggs hard boiled.
2. Cut eggs in half lengthwise, gently removing the yolk.
3. Lay out the whites of the eggs (24 of them) cut side up.
4. Place the yolks in a separate bowl and use a fork to mash them finely.
5. Add 1/2 cup of Duke's Mayonnaise to the egg yolks.
6. Add 1 teaspoon of Penzeys Fox Point seasoning mix to the egg/mayonnaise mixture until blended.
7. Put egg mixture in a large plastic bag, seal bag and cut a small tip off the bag.
8. Squeeze egg mixture out of the bag into the whites of the eggs.
9. Decorate with green onions, parsley or a sprinkle of paprika.
10. Serve and enjoy!



**While camping I take the shortcut and purchase the precooked and peeled eggs.*

**A tip for easy peeling: Before cooking, gently tap the larger round end of the egg until you hear the sound change (usually 2-4 taps) then boil and cool as usual.*

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.

JOIN US FOR THE ULTIMATE

Tidewater Girstream Christmas Program and Dinner

On Saturday December 2, 2023 we will meet at the Bruton Parish Church for a lecture concerning the rich history of this church and the the famous people who attended Bruton Parish Chruch. After the hour program you certainly may walk Duke of Glouster Street where you can view the beautiful traditional seasonal wreaths. Then you can drive the short drive to Sal's by Victor at 1242 Richmond Road where we will enjoy a festive dinner together at 5:30PM.

*We can't wait to see you !
Richard and Joanna Duncan*

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**RSVP by
Dec. 1!**

Upcoming Rallies - 2024



February 24: February Restaurant Rally at Sal's By Victor at 6 p.m., hosted by Jim and Ellie Brennan - Williamsburg, VA

April 12-14: North Landing Beach RV Resort & Cottages, hosted by Kelly and Kathleen Holschuh and Darin and Lisa Blatner - Virginia Beach, VA (Sites 611-624 are reserved for the club. All units will have to back down to these sites - assistance will be available! Email info@nlbrv.com for reservations and say you're with the Tidewater Airstream Club.)

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

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

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

July 12-13: Holiday Trav-L-Park, hosted by Greg and Ellie Worcester (site 402) - Virginia Beach, VA (Club-reserved sites have expired so all sites are now open to the general public.)

October 18-20: Pumpkin Spice Rally at Pocahontas State Park, hosted by Jack and Jean Hogan - Chesterfield, VA

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

Please give rally hosts an RSVP a couple weeks in advance so they can plan accordingly and be sure to book your campsites as early as possible. Virginia State Parks open for reservations 11 months in advance so we are in that window already for 2024 dates.

TECH TIP *Submitted by Greg Worcester.*



This may be a tech tip useful for older units with manual Zip Dee awnings. I found that the locking mechanisms on our main awning support bars would not lock consistently and were getting on my nerves. Instead of buying expensive new replacement parts, I drilled through the bars and used a small hitch pin to lock them together. The old supports work like a charm now. The job took about 15 minutes and cost only \$4.00 for the pins at Snyders RV, Virginia Beach.

CAMPING GEAR AVAILABLE

RV Camping Gear Available - if interested email Bruce_julian@hotmail.com or call 804-436-4435.

- Level up ramps (2)
- Measure Man water pressure gauge/regulator
- Hydrolife two stage water filter
- Progressive surge protector
- Stromberg Carlson hitch platform rack for generator