

# Montana Airstream Club

Spring - 2024



## MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT(S)

Welcome Spring Time! More sunshine and less snow makes Air Streamers happy people!

Special announcement for our Canadian members. Are you going to come to HAB? Are you going to order something in the near future that can not be delivered to Canada or is just too costly to have shipped to Canada? We have a solution for you. Have it delivered to Pam and Harold's house and pick it up when you come to Helena for HAB! Problem solved!

Registration for HAB is provided in the attachment. Summer rallies are off to a good start. We hope to see you this summer.

One of our members asked a really great question. "How do I get a name badge?" In years past, clubs had a gizmo-thingy (official name) and would make members badges at rallies. That is not the case anymore. Airstreamclub.org now makes them for everyone. This is how you get a badge. After you sign in to Airstreamclub.org, click member resources, search for badges. There will

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be a form, you pay, the badge is mailed to you.

[Store.airstreamclub.org](http://Store.airstreamclub.org).

Yours truly, Pam and Sue

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## **DON'T GET TAKEN IN BY SCAMMERS**

Our leadership and members have been targeted by scammers. The Montana Airstream Club will not ask our members to purchase anything on behalf of its officers such as gift cards, etc. If you receive such a request report it the Club Presidents. These email requests are from scammers and should be deleted.

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(Save the Date)

## **RALLY SCHEDULE**

**Montana Airstream Club Spring Dust-Off and Rally, May 16-20, Miles City Bucking Horse Sale.** We now have thirteen camping sites reserved with the Miles City KOA Journey and hopefully will be offered additional sites. Contact Pam or Sue if you want to be placed on our waiting list if we are able to secure more sites.

**If you are a lucky Club member that has a reserved site for this Rally, you will have already received in mid-March a schedule and information page that detailed payment of the campground deposit and rally expenses. Contact Sue if you did not receive the information via email. If**

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**you need more information about the Miles City Bucking Horse events and to pre-purchase tickets (highly recommended) go to: [bucking-horsesale.com](http://bucking-horsesale.com) .**

If you are camping at a location other than the Miles City KOA Journey and would like to join this Spring Dust-Off and Rally for any of the socials we would love to have you join the group. Please contact Sue or Pam to let us know.

## **Butte Folk (Music) Festival, July 12-14, Butte, MT.**

Butte KOA started booking reservations **December 1, 2023**. The campground fills up fast during this festival so if you plan to go book early and advise you are with the Montana Airstream Club. Please let Sue or Pam

know you will be staying at the KOA so that they look for you and invite you to happy hour.

## **Red Ants Pants, July 25-28, White Sulphur Springs, MT.**

Contact Rande and JoAnn Farrow (wagon masters) if you plan to attend this festival and if you want to dry camp with them at the music venue **OR** notify Rande or Joann.

[rande1216@hotmail.com](mailto:rande1216@hotmail.com)

**Longmire Days – July 18-21, 2024. If you are a fan of the books, and/or the show, this is a fun event. You can make it intense by attending everything, or laid-back by attending the free events and one or two of the fee-events. You can choose how**

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to play. The event is held in Buffalo, WY also known as Durant, Wy. If you know the Books you will understand what the double meaning is all about. Check out the website [www.longmiredays.com](http://www.longmiredays.com) for more information. Contact Harold Egginton and Pam Mann, who are the wagon masters for this event, if you have questions. Deer Park Campground in Buffalo is the preferred RV. It is of an age that has resulted in full grown trees and grass.

**Fiddlers' Picnic Rally, August 5-6, Livingston, MT.** Contact Dal Smilie [dalsmilie@aol.com](mailto:dalsmilie@aol.com)

Dal and the Montana Vintage Airstreamers would like to share their

newsletter with our membership. Dal wrote a great article for the Tin Can Tourists. I (Pam) was unable to get the download to work (I am not that smart) so please check out their website and read his article. Dal is available via his email if you have questions about the Vintage Club.

March/April 2024 VAC Newsletter

You are just one click away from enjoying the latest issue of Vintage Airstream TODAY, including links clickable links, updates, news and events.

Do you feel it? Travel season excitement is in the air and it's time to take the Airstream out of storage and clean and stock in preparation for a spring/summer/fall filled with adventure. This month we feature some amazing upcoming events from regional rallies to national events. Also note details on virtual chats, new member listings and some Airstream history thrown in for good measure.

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We are always looking for articles (think interesting travel destinations, vintage maintenance tips, vintage history, etc. ...just a few examples to spark your imagination), vintage event information (before and after), and/or marketplace items. Our 2024 publishing schedule is mid-month in January, March, May, July, September, and November - submissions are due the last week of the month prior to publication.

We hope you enjoy this issue and if you have any questions or submissions, please email me at the email address below. See you down the road.

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Vintage Airstream TODAY Editor  
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**HANDS ACROSS THE BORDER (HAB)**  
– **A FUNNY THING HAPPENED AS WE PLANNED HAB!**

**It may not be 60 yrs! It might be 57yrs! We are trying to figure it out! But, we already had 60yrs printed onto some of our gift bag items, so we are going with 60yrs! And in three years, we can do it again! Airstreamers are flexible!!**

**60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY, August 29, 2024 thru September 2, 2024.** Our Canadian friends from the Alberta/Saskatchewan Airstream Club will be joining this Labor Day Weekend rally for a fun time exploring Helena, MT and celebrating 60 years of camping together. The camping weekend will be at the Lewis and Clark County Fairgrounds in Helena. More information and Registration Application is attached.

**WHAT TO DO IN HELENA?** Helena sits at the base of two mountains; Mount Helena and Mount Ascension.

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Mount Helena is a City Park. It has multiple hiking trails to the top of the Mountain. The trail head starts at Reeder's Alley in downtown Helena. The paths are groomed and easy to hike. From the top of the Mountain you can see from mountain range to the next range. The spectacular views are at dawn and sunset.

Do you like boat rides? Gates of the Mountains is located 20 miles north of Helena. The tour follows the Lewis and Clark expedition route on the Missouri River. \$15 for wizened senior adults and \$20 for the young unknown. Reservations are recommended. The registration form has a spreadsheet attached that provides more suggestions of "Things to do in Helena."

Volunteers are needed for several tasks at HAB such as: help erect the

tent, plant a tree, lead a bicycle ride, carry the airstream flag on the hike to Mount Helena, and lead the morning yoga group. If these tasks are one of your skills, talk to Pam. She likes helpers with talents.

**Region 10 Rally – Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, May 8 – May 12<sup>th</sup>.** We have been informed this is a sold-out rally with a very long wait-list.

## OTHER RALLIES

Region 10 Rallies can be viewed on the [Airstreamclub.org](http://Airstreamclub.org) website by going to the Events tab and input "from" and "to" dates, and then click on Region 10 from the drop down list and then you can see all the events scheduled in Region 10.

## WEBSITE ACCESS

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Airstreamclub.org has a public view and a member's view. Even if you have not set up your members account, public information is available on the website.

We have been asked how to get to the Montana website. There are two ways. Here is the web address: [Airstreamclub.org/Montana](http://Airstreamclub.org/Montana) or go to [Airstreamclub.org](http://Airstreamclub.org). At the three horizontal lines also known as a hamburger, hit explore, then scroll down to Montana Club.'

## **CLASSIFIED SECTION:**

Do you have an item "Airstream-ish" or Airstream useful for sale? Let Pam or Sue know. We can list them here.

**FOR SALE!!** 2017 25ft FQ Flying Cloud. Generator and portable solar panels included. New tires. New battery. Contact Harold 406-459-9184. OPPTS SOLD.

## **NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTANA AIRSTREAM CLUB**

This is notice that a regular meeting of the Montana Airstream Club will be held on Sunday, September 1, at 10:00 a.m. at the Pavilion, Lewis and Clark Fairgrounds, 98 W Custer Ave, Helena, Mt. Time subject to change, with 24-hour notice.

Regular business of the club will be discussed as well as rally and event updates. Rande Farrow will be sworn in as president for a two-year term. Nominations and voting will take place for officer positions of Vice-

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President(s)(1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>), and Trustee,  
A volunteer(s) for the position(s) of  
Newsletter editor and historian is/are  
needed.

If any member would like to have an  
item of discussion added to the  
meeting agenda, please contact ei-  
ther Sue or Pam, or the Club Secre-  
tary, Paul Lindstrom.

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