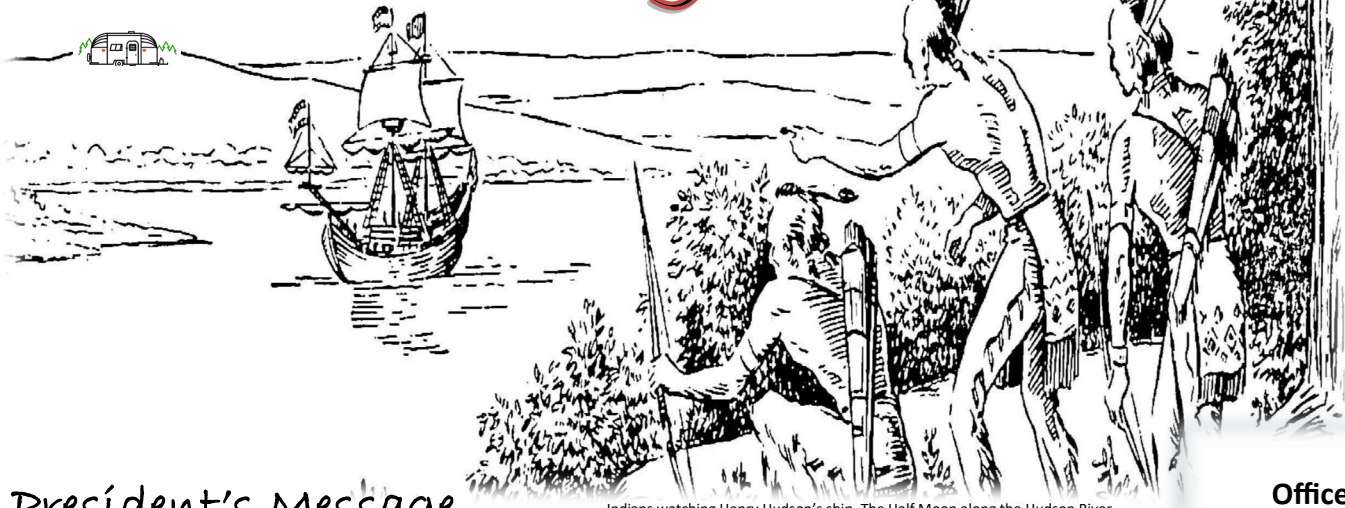




The Hudson Mohawk Navigator

January 2020



Indians watching Henry Hudson's ship, The Half Moon along the Hudson River.

President's Message

Hello everyone!

Happy New Year to all of you. I hope you all had a great Christmas. We had a good group at Pat & Dan's December luncheon. It was good to see everyone and test our knowledge of Christmas Trivia while we waited for our dinners. January and February are a time for thinking about and making plans for the upcoming camping season.

Wendy and I are busy working on converting our Airstream from a queen to twin beds, hoping we get it done so we don't have to just blow up a couple of mattresses to sleep on next summer. Seems like there's always more to do than we thought and less time to do it!

Try to stay warm, dry and healthy. Make some plans for the 2020 camping season.

Safe travels to all of you,

John Vettovalli, President

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Schedule of Events

February 1st, 2020 11:30am	Cabin Fever Luncheon Olive Garden 178 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12205	Geoff & Sue Whittle whittleg06@gmail.com 518-783-1606
March 21st, 2020 12:00 noon	Luncheon Foster's 6411 Montgomery Street, Rhinebeck, NY 12572	Cindy Davis cindylvdavis@aol.com 845-227-8301
April 18th, 2020 12:00 noon	Luncheon Hyde Park Brewing Company 4076 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park, NY 12538	Ken & Maria Volpe 845-679-4008
May 15-17, 2020 w/option to add on the 14th	Fun and Games Hudson Mohawk and Finger Lakes Joint Rally Country Hills Campground, Marathon, NY	Sally Kerr stskerr@optonline.net 1-845-489-5010
May 21-25, 2020 <small>REGISTRATION NOW OPEN Spots going fast!!</small>	Region 2 Rally Rideau Acres Campground, Kingston, Ontario	Ontario Canada Airstream unit
May 28-31, 2020	Buddy Rally Lake George RV Park Lake George, NY	Geoff & Sue Whittle whittleg06@gmail.com
June 20-27, 2020	International Rally, Loveland, CO	WBAC
July 16-19 2020	Nickerson Park Campground 378 Stryker Road Gilboa, NY 12076	Bilodeau/Volpe tacobelle12@yahoo.com kjvolop1@gmail.com
August	Lake Lauderdale Cambridge, NY	Dana & Sue King godogs@frontier.net
September 17-20	Installation Rally Fish Creek Pond Public Campground 4523 State Route 30, Saranac Lake, NY	John & Wendy Vettovali wendymv1@yahoo.com
October 2-4	Dry Camping Rally 101 Canty Road, Greenfield Center, NY 12833	Gary LaMothe g0828@aol.com
November 7th, 2020 12:00noon	Fall Luncheon Mahoney's Irish Pub & Steakhouse 35 Main Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601	Cindy Davis cindylvdavis@aol.com 845-227-8301
December	Holiday Party	Gary LaMothe g0828@aol.com

Looking Forward to 2020



CELEBRATING

January

3rd Don Perry
21st Flavia Mastellone

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!

February

5th Richard Griffin
5th Sue King
5th Jennifer Whittle
8th Georgia Hill
15th Claudia Stark



Happy Anniversary

January 3rd Hartwell & Polly Herring

January 10th Bob & Claudia Stark

February 27th Henry & Nuri Bilodeau



Well wishes going out to
Camille Crandall
Get well soon, we miss you!!

Welcome New Members

Louanne Blanchard #5189
John Fitch & Deb Roden #31029
Moises Garcia & Wilson Gerena #5646

Don't be shy, join us at an event soon!



Region 2 News

Submitted by Rich Short, Region 2 President

Hello Airstreamers

Unless you are on your way South or are already there, you have winterized your Airstream and lovingly tucked it away for the winter months. Although we will not be heading to someplace warmer this winter, Kathi and I are fortunate to be able to park the shiny #1512 in our driveway, next to the house. It is there every morning when I go out to get the newspaper and its sitting there in the afternoon sun when I get back from running errands. It is a constant reminder of past adventures and of those yet to come. It is just barely Winter as I write this and I am already planning our Spring travels. "Can't wait" is an understatement!

I'm pleased to say that two more of our Region 2 units have voted to change their names to include **Airstream Club**. Congratulations to New York Finger Lakes Airstream Club (Pres. Randy Hill) and Al-Mon-O Pennsylvania Airstream Club (Pres. Vinny Rossitto) and their members for embracing the future of our Airstream Club, Int'l. That makes five (5) unit name changes in the six months since I became your President in Doswell this past July. Which unit will be next? There is no better way to define who we are to prospective members than having **Airstream Club** in our name. Please contact me with any questions on the process.

Registrations for the 2020 Region 2 Rally to be held in Kingston, Ontario Canada continue to come in. Out of 108 sites allotted to us by Rideau Acres Campground, we have **87** rigs registered to date. Don't delay...make your reservations with the Campground today and sign up for the Rally online here: <https://region2.airstreamclub.net/files/2019/10/2020-R2Rally-flyer-v3.0.pdf> Its going to be a great time...don't miss it. More info on beautiful Kingston, Ontario may be found here: <https://region2.airstreamclub.net/files/2019/10/Kingston.pdf>

Region 2 Caravan Leader Kerry Mattila has informed me he has **17** names on his list for the Rocky Mountain High Caravan to Loveland, CO and the 63rd Airstream Club Int'l Rally, with room for a few more. The Caravan will be leaving directly from the Region 2 Rally in Kinston, Ontario. It will be a leisurely trip through Canada and the US, stopping along the way at various points of interest. More information and sign-up info may be found here: <https://region2.airstreamclub.net/rocky-mountain-high-caravan/>

I will be attending the Mid-Winter IBT meeting in Las Vegas, NV to be held January 20-24, 2020. There will be plenty on the agenda to discuss. I look forward to the Region Officer Roundtables where we share ideas that shape the future of our Airstream Club. If you have questions or input you feel valuable, please contact me. Email me at region2president@airstreamclub.net I would be glad to hear from you.

Kathi joins me in wishing all our Region 2 members and their families a wonderful Holiday Season, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

Rich Short #1512

2020 Region 2 Rally Highlights!

Rideau Acres Campground: 108 sites on reserve until April 1, 2020. After this date campsites will be released. Make reservations directly with Rideau Acres online or by calling 613-546-2711. Discounted rates have been negotiated. We'll all be parked in the same area, close to facilities. It's a good stroll to the hall, available throughout our stay. The hall is licensed, meaning that any alcohol we consume there must be purchased from the bar.

Friday highlights: Kelly's Food Truck, one of Kingston's most popular, will be on site for dinner. In the evening we will be visited by Phil Jenkins, an Ottawa-based author and musician. Phil hails from Liverpool England but has called the Ottawa area home for many years. Phil has written several books covering the history of Eastern Ontario, writes for the Ottawa newspapers, lectures at Carleton University, as well as entertaining with his music at several venues. He will present us with a delightful mix of facts and anecdotes covering the St. Lawrence River, the Rideau Canal and Kingston, sprinkled with humor and song. In the words of some other well known Liverpudlians – "a splendid time is guaranteed for all."

Saturday highlights: The day starts with breakfast followed by the Region 2 Executive and general meeting. Stick around for a seminar provided by Kent Stewart, who will talk about Kingston and its military history. Saturday's is "cooks' night off" with a catered dinner served by campground staff. You'll have a choice of entrée when you register along with sides and dessert.

Canada Trolley Tour—SOLD OUT. Saturday night's musical entertainment is by Gib Rozon and The Treblemakers entertains with music of the 50s, 60's, R&B, good old country and classic rock.

Sunday highlights: Breakfast is an "all you can eat" pancake breakfast prepared and served by the campground. The Ontario Canada Unit's general meeting will follow that.

Links:

Welcome to Kingston Ontario: <https://region2.airstreamclub.net/files/2019/10/Kingston.pdf>

Rideau Acres Campground: <https://www.rideauacres.com/>

Region 2 Rally Registration: <https://region2.airstreamclub.net/rally-paypal/>

Important Information

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Secretary Barbara Schultz (5666) HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com
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NEWSLETTER IDEAS OR SUBMISSIONS?

I welcome any comments and suggestions for articles you'd like to read. I would like to make the newsletter informative, entertaining and accurate. So, please feel free to send your suggestions or a story you would like to post.

Thank You, Barbara

Send pictures, rally reports and club information to:

HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com for the newsletter.

Pictures can also be sent to Dana King at:

godogs@frontiernet.net for our web page.

Would love to see your pictures on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/528607020682777/>

Newsletter Deadlines

January Issue—December 15	July Issue—June 15
March Issue—February 15	September Issue—August 15
May Issue—April 15	November Issue—October 15

WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL

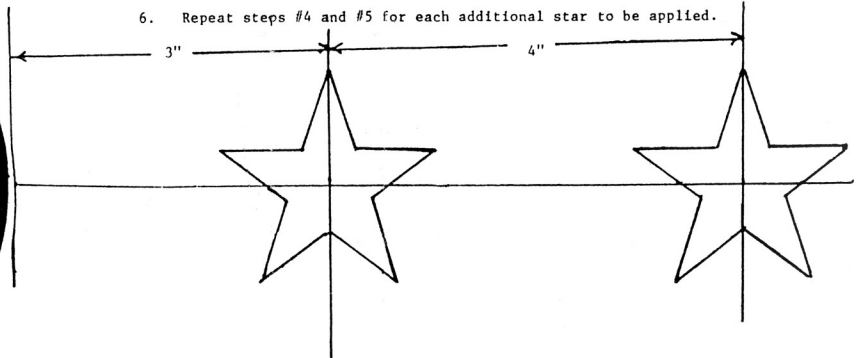
APPLICATION OF RED MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION STARS

The scale diagram below illustrates the proper way to apply the stars to your Airstream. Only one side of the space where the WBCCI logo is located is shown, the right side. The first star for five years membership should be at the right of the logo, the second star for the second five years at the left of the logo and so on. We hope that you will have many opportunities to add more stars as your club membership years accumulate.

DIRECTIONS:

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE APPLYING STARS

1. With a soft lead pencil, draw a horizontal line through the center of the logo using a yardstick or long straightedge. Refer to the diagram below. We suggest that you begin with the rear of your Airstream.
2. Measure out from the right edge of the logo 3 inches along the pencil line and make a vertical line about 3" long. If applying 2 stars, repeat on the left side of the logo.
3. If more than two stars are to be applied, measure out 4" additional and make another vertical line as in #2 above. Repeat on left side for a fourth star. If not applying more than two stars, skip this step.
4. Holding a star in position, draw around it with a pencil. This will help prepare for step #5.
5. Carefully remove the backing from one star and place it within the outline marked in step #4. Refer to diagram for correct positioning. Caution, the stars stick quickly and are hard to move thereafter.
6. Repeat steps #4 and #5 for each additional star to be applied.



7. Repeat the process above for the application of the stars to the front of your Airstream
8. Remember, if you should sell your Airstream that the stars should be removed as well as the membership numbers and the club logo.

Harvest Luncheon

November 9th, 2019 12noon

Ripe Tomato
An American Grill

The Schultz hosted the Harvest Luncheon on November 9th at The Ripe Tomato. The weather was nice with plenty of sunshine.

There was a awesome group of Hudson Mohawk members: Bob & Carol Abraham, Diane Bergquist, Bill Levy & Cindy Davis, Hartwell & Polly Herring, Bill & Barbara Schultz, Dan & Pat Steen, John & Wendy Vettovali, Ken Volpe, Geoff & Sue Whittle. We were joined by Terry Tyler from the Washington DC Airstream club and Mary Clark who has an Airstream and wanted to get to know some Airstream people.

The food was good, the company great and the conversation was lively. A lot of talk of warmer weather when our Airstreams will be out and about at summer rallies.

See you down the road



Hudson Mohawk WBCCI Unit 071 Holiday Party

The Hudson-Mohawk's Holiday Party was held Saturday December 7th at Moscatiello's Italian Family Restaurant, 99 North Greenbush Road (Rt.4) Troy, NY. The event was hosted by the Steens.

It was a clear travel day, so we had a good turnout. Attending were Diane & Eric Bergquist, Cindy Davis & Bill Levy., Polly & Hartwell Herring, Barbara & Bill Schultz, Pat & Dan Steen, Joan & Bob Stevens, Wendy & John Vettovalli, and Sue & Geoff Whittle

The food got good reviews and the Bergquists won the Holiday Trivia Game that we played while waiting for our food order to arrive. The table was festively decorated with Poinsettias and chocolate filled candy canes.

A great time was had by all.

Happy Holidays to all!



Bob Stevens, Hartwell & Polly Herring, Geoff Whittle, Bill Schultz, Bill Levy, Eric Bergquist
Joan Stevens, Sue Whittle, Pat Steen, Cindy Davis, Diane Bergquist
Wendy & John Vettovalli, Dan Steen, Barbara Schultz



Happening In
February

Cabin Fever Luncheon



178 Wolf Road, Colonie NY, 12205

Saturday, February 1st 11:30am

Weather permitting

Please RSVP to Geoff and Sue Whittle at
518-783-1606 or whittleg06@gmail.com

Is it Spring Yet Luncheon?
Saturday March 21st, 12:00 noon

Happening In
March

Foster's
COACH HOUSE
Favern



Please RSVP to Cindy Davis/Bill Levy
845-235-9473
cindylvdavis@aol.com

6411 Montgomery St , Rhinebeck, NY, 12572
<http://www.fosterscoachhouse.com/index.html>

Happening In
April

SPRING LUNCHEON
Saturday April 18th, 12:00 noon

Please RSVP to
Ken Volpe
845-679-4008

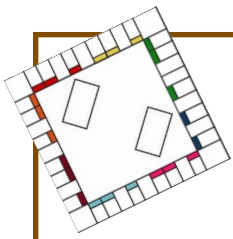
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FUN & GAMES JOINT RALLY MAY 14-17, 2020



Hudson Mohawk & Finger Lakes Airstream Clubs
Country Hills Campground

11365 Muckey Road, Marathon, NY

Come enjoy the fun and meet new people from NY and possibly other areas. We will have inside facilities with heat if needed.

There will be a variety of inside and outside games provided but would love you to bring some of your favorites.

There will also be some group games or contests involved!! The theme is fun and games after all!!

For those who haven't been to Taughannock Falls State Park, we will likely visit on Friday morning, weather permitting. It is a beautiful, easy, and flat walk. In order to become better acquainted with each other, we will have a small Get Acquainted

Meetings in the beginning (also known as a GAM if you've ever been on a caravan!!)

An agenda will be shared as we get closer to the date.

If you're going on to the Region 2 Rally in Kingston, Ontario you can elect to stay until Monday at the reduced rate.

Wellesley Island State Park is another destination just this side of the border that offers many sites. Not being sure which day we can park at Region 2 this is a good option if you're not planning to go home between rallies.

Country Hills Campground will be providing the following meals **(included in the cost):**

*Friday Night – Spaghetti & Meatballs with salad and garlic bread

*Saturday & Sunday buffet breakfast (9:00 am). Bring your own coffee or tea. Breakfast is cook to order.

*Saturday Evening Supper – BBQ chicken dinner, baked beans, cold salad, drink and dessert

The campground requires that I pay for everyone. Reservations are on a 1st come 1st serve basis.

The campground MUST be notified by April 15th in order to reserve the sites.

PLEASE SEND YOUR RESERVATION TO: Sally Kerr, 31 Hasbrouck Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 BY APRIL 12th

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

WBCCI #: _____ Length of trailer or vehicle: _____

Thursday – Sunday:	Full hook-ups	\$147 _____
	Water & Electric only	\$122 _____
	Additional meal(s)	\$7 _____ (for each additional meal)

Friday – Sunday:	Full hook-ups	\$109 _____
	Water & Electric only	\$99 _____

Sunday-Monday (extra):	Full hook-ups	\$31 _____
	Water & Electric only	\$26 _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

If arriving on Thursday the cost only covers 1 attendee.
Please add \$7 for each additional attendee for dinner for
ONLY Thursday evening meal.

NOTE: Additional Rally Fee TBD. You will be notified in advance and can pay at the rally.

Any questions please contact Sally Kerr at stkerr@optionline.net or call 845-489-5010



ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH

A Caravan to the 63rd International Rally in Loveland, CO.

May 26 - June 17, 2020



WBAC Region 2 is sponsoring a fun and relaxing caravan to the 2020 International Rally in Loveland, CO. Departing from the Region 2 Rally in Kingston, Ontario on May 26, this will be an unhurried trip across southern Ontario and the USA with 2- or 3-night stops at every campground. The route will cross Ontario, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and Colorado.

There will be a good mix of organized activities and free time to explore or shop on your own, as well as lots of social time, happy hours and cookouts to get to know and enjoy your fellow caravanners. Camping facilities will range from luxury resorts to rural fairgrounds. Participation will be limited to 25 Airstreams, including the leaders.

Some of the planned activities include a lunch cruise on the St. Clair River at Sarnia, a tour of the RV/Motorhome Hall of Fame in Elkhart, IN, a tour of the world famous Indianapolis Motor Speedway, a cruise on the Missouri River at Mark Twain's home town of Hannibal, a dinner and show at Boot Hill Museum in historic Dodge City and a trip to the summit of Pikes Peak in Colorado. Other activities are being added as plans are finalised.

Loveland is a great location for the 2020 International Rally and there is no better way to get there than in the company of a whole bunch of friends. Whether you are an experienced caravanner or a first timer, join us for a fun trip!

The kitty fee for the caravan will be payable in either US or Canadian funds, just like the Region 2 Rally. An Airstream with 2 people will be \$1,500 US or \$2,000 Cdn. The kitty fee will cover all camping and group tours, dinners and admissions. A deposit of \$300 should accompany your registration, with final payment by March 31. You can register at the Region 2 website <https://region2.airstreamclub.net>.

The caravan leaders will be Kerry and Betty Mattila #5417. We look forward to traveling with you!

July 16- 20, 2020

Nuri, Henry Bildeau / Ken, Maria Volpe July 2020 Rally

info@nickersonparkcampground.com

Nickerson Park Campground

July 16, 2020 Thursday - July 19 Sunday

Contact Gina

website <https://www.nickersonparkcampground.com/>

Looking at site map to the right is more morning sun conversely to the left is afternoon sun sites 500 are closer to swimming pool and playground so they are more active sites. Sites 100 - 200 are quieter

\$52.00 nightly includes electric, water, sewer and cable.

Activities that weekend is a car show.

If we all want to be in one row we can have sites 157 - 168 (spot 161 is not available to us)

Please call Gina to reserve your spot at (607) 588-7327, if you prefer to be somewhere else at the Campground let Gina know. You can book online, in the remarks section on line let them know that you are part of the Hudson- Mohawk Rally or if you speak with Gina.

I have made my reservation for site #159, Nuri will be on #158. Please review their cancellation policy that I thought was very liberal, I would encourage everyone to make a reservation early if we want to be in the same area. It was easy to reserve on line section 175 - 168.

We are yet to come up with a theme but will in the coming weeks.

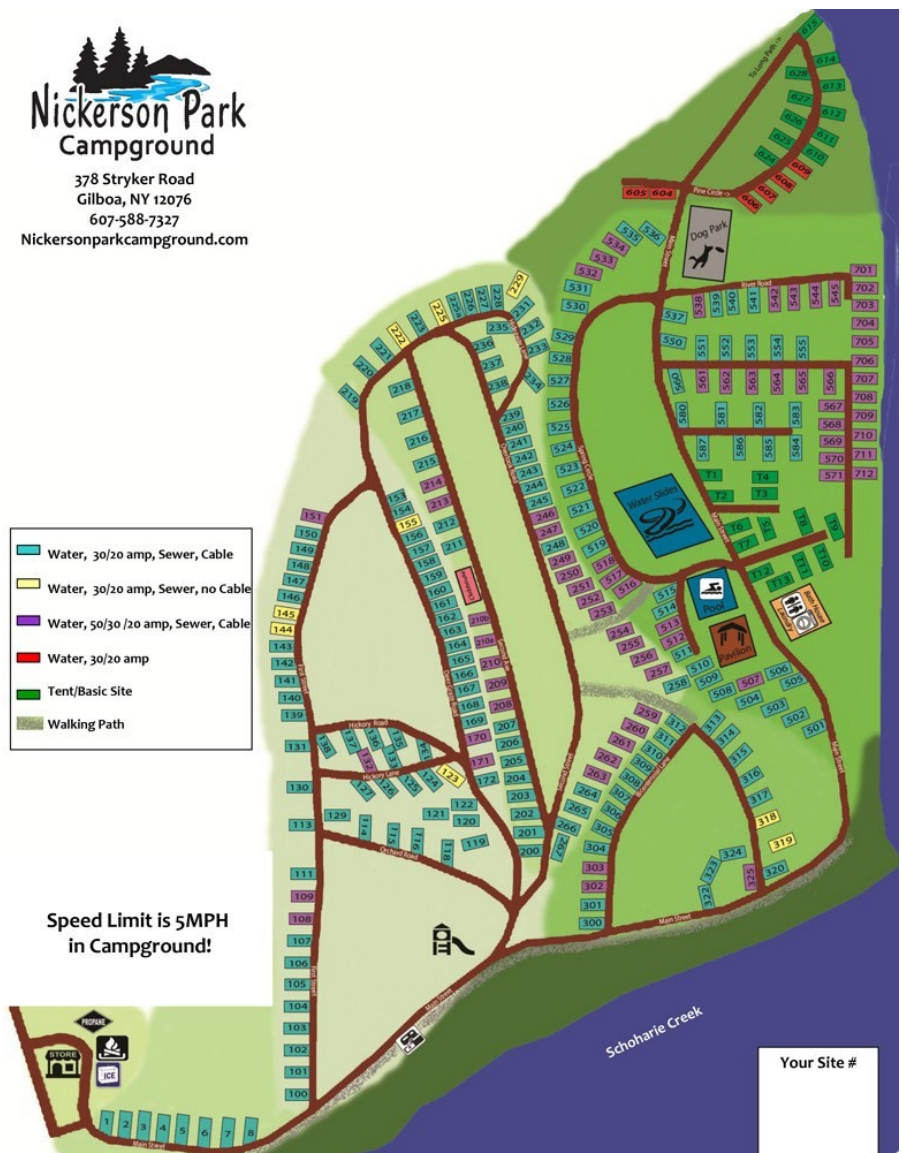
Looking Forward to a Good Weekend I am sure we will have a good time.



378 Stryker Road, Gilboa , NY

(607) 588-7327

<https://www.nickersonparkcampground.com/>



Hudson-Mohawk Installation Rally 2020

September 17-20, 2020

Hosted by John & Wendy Vettovalli

Fish Creek Pond Campground

4523 State Route 30

Saranac Lake, NY

Reservations must be made through *Reserve America*.

Reservations can be made starting on 12/17/2019

To see site information, including photos of each site, go to www.Fishcreekpond.com

Go to "Campsite Photo Guide" tab, then, click on "Choose Site" on left side of page.

We're going to try for the sites on the peninsula, sites A1-A22. They are the inner sites. Shoreline sites along the peninsula are walk-in sites only during our rally days. I believe that means that although you cannot reserve those shoreline sites, if you've reserved an inner site, you might be able to trade that reserved inner site for a shoreline site when you get there, if there's one available.

Watch the trailer length of the site you pick. Most A sites are up to 40 foot trailers, but a few are 30 foot and Site A20 says only up to 20 foot. I'm going to try for site A18, to try to get in the middle of things.

This is a NY State campground with ***dry camping only***. **NO electric, water or sewer hook-ups**. They have a dump station and there are quite a few water outlets available on the peninsula. Generators are allowed up to 5 hours per day from 9am to 11am and 4 to 7pm.

Please let Wendy know that you're coming at – wendymv1@yahoo.com or text to 518-848-8023

