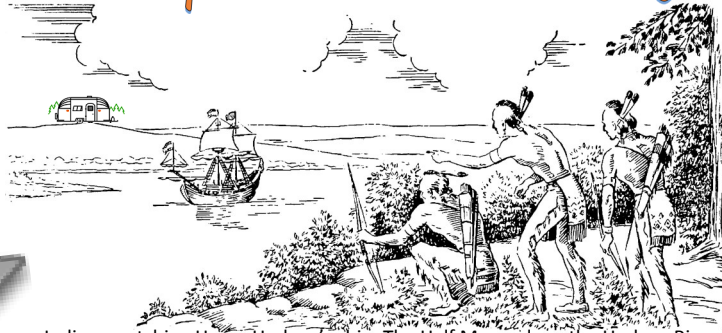


# The Hudson Mohawk Navigator

September/October 2019



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



## President's Message

Hello Everyone,

On our way to the Cumberland Bay rally we saw a few trees beginning to turn colors and thought sadly that there are only three rallies left for this camping season. Let's hope as many of you as possible will attend these great get togethers and enjoy the fun, food and camaraderie that is the Hudson Mohawk Unit. You know if you can't make it for the entire weekend, you can still come for even one night and have a wonderful time.

September means new election of officers. We are going to need a 2nd Vice President and a director (1 year position). The beauty of being in a small unit is that these jobs require virtually no time or effort on the part of the officer. So please think about accepting one of these positions.

Thanks to all for such a great season so far and we will see you all down the road!

Pat Steen

### **Officers**

President

Pat Steen

1st Vice President

John Vettovali

2nd Vice President

Dan steen

Treasurer

Wendy Vettovali

Record/Corresponding Secretary

Barbara Schultz

Director (1year)

Bill Schultz

Director (2year)

Carol Abraham

Honorary Director

Claudia Stark

Storekeeper

Wendy Vettovali

Historian

Dan Steen

Webmaster

Dana King

Newsletter

Barbara Schultz

Activity Chair

Sue Whittle

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# 2019 Schedule Of Events

September 12-15, 2019 "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" Installation Rally  
 Cooperstown KOA, 565 Ostrander Road, Richfield Springs, NY 13439  
 Whittle, 518-783-1606 or [whittleg06@gmail.com](mailto:whittleg06@gmail.com)



October 3-6, 2019 "Fall into Fall" Rally  
 Schodack Island State Park, 1 Schodack Island Way, Schodack Landing, NY 12156

November 9, 2019 –12:00 noon "Harvest Luncheon"  
 Ripe Tomato, 2721 Route 9, Malta NY 12020  
 Schultz, 518-409-2565 or [HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com](mailto:HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com)



December 7, 2019 Hudson Mohawk Unit 071 Holiday Party  
 Moscatiello's Italian Family Restaurant  
 99 North Greenbush Road (Rt. 4)  
 Troy, NY 12180  
 Pat Steen (518) 441-5280 or Dan Steen (518) 281-7876 email [dmsteen@gmail.com](mailto:dmsteen@gmail.com)



## Looking Forward to 2020

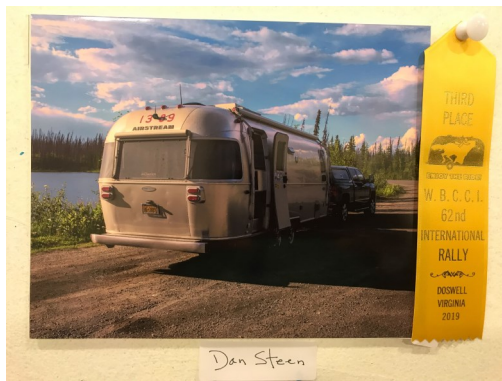
February	Olive Garden	Whittle <a href="mailto:whittleg06@gmail.com">whittleg06@gmail.com</a>
April	Luncheon	Volpe
May 15-17	Country Hills Campground Marathon, NY	Sally Kerr <a href="mailto:stskerr@optonline.net">stskerr@optonline.net</a>
May 21-25	Region 2 Rally Rideau Acres Campground Kingston, Ontario	
May 28-31	Lake George RV Park/ Buddy Rally Lake George, NY	Whittle <a href="mailto:whittleg06@gmail.com">whittleg06@gmail.com</a>
June 20-27	International Rally, Loveland, CO	
July	"At the Cape"	Bilodeau/Volpe <a href="mailto:tabelle12@yahoo.com">tabelle12@yahoo.com</a>
August	Lake Lauderdale Cambridge, NY	King <a href="mailto:godogs@frontier.net">godogs@frontier.net</a>
September	Installation Rally	Vetovalli <a href="mailto:wendymv1@yahoo.com">wendymv1@yahoo.com</a>
October 2-4	Dry Camping Rally 101 Canty Road, Greenfield Center, NY	LaMothe <a href="mailto:g0828@aol.com">g0828@aol.com</a>
November	Fall Luncheon	Davis <a href="mailto:cindydavis@aol.com">cindydavis@aol.com</a>
December	Holiday Party	LaMothe <a href="mailto:g0828@aol.com">g0828@aol.com</a>

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<u>Treasurer</u>	Wendy Vettovalli	(4391)	<a href="mailto:wendymv1@yahoo.com">wendymv1@yahoo.com</a>
<u>Secretary</u>	Barbara Schultz	(5666)	<a href="mailto:HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com">HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com</a>

## Member Spotlight



Hudson Mohawk's Dan Steen had two photos place in the photo contest at the Airstream International Rally. A second place in the "architecture" category and a third place in the "show your Airstream club numbers" Category. Congratulations Dan!

Dan is Hudson Mohawk's 2nd Vice President, Historian and Photographer extraordinary.

Thanks for all you do Dan!

### 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](mailto:HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com) for the newsletter.

Pictures can also be sent to Dana King at:

[godogs@frontiernet.net](mailto:godogs@frontiernet.net) for our web page.

Would love to see your pictures on Facebook:

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



### LIKE US ON FACEBOOK

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### 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

## WBCCI 2020 Dues

2020 dues are now payable. I sent an e-mail out on 8/27/2019 with this information. (If any of you did not receive it, please let me know.)

All member information must be received at Headquarters by **November 30th** to be published in the printed version of the Annual Membership Directory.

The easiest way to renew is to do it online at [www.wbcci.org](http://www.wbcci.org) and pay by credit card. Just go to the website, click on "Current Members" in the bar across the top of the page, and select "Renew Your Membership" from the drop-down menu. That takes you to the page you start filling out and it should be self-explanatory from there. If any of your information has changed since last year, you can make the changes online by selecting "No" in answer to the question "Is your current information on file correct?". When you get to the "Unit Dues" field, you will need to scroll down and find our unit (I can't figure what order the listing is in, just keep scrolling down till you find it!):

Unit Dues \*

Region 2, Unit 071 - HUDSON MOHAWK NEW YORK - 10.00 USD

If you can renew online, the entire \$75.00 dues payment goes directly to headquarters and they will send the \$10.00 unit dues back to us through direct deposit to the club checking account. I will get copies of the member information you provide to them. This is certainly the simplest and easiest way to pay your dues.

However, if you would prefer to send a check to me, I can deposit it in the club checking account, then, send a check from there to headquarters for their \$65 portion. This may become problematic if you wait until November to send it to me, considering the deadline for getting the information and payment to international before November 30th.

Thanks for making life easy and paying online!

Wendy Vettovalli

Treasurer



# Wally Byam Caravan Club International

## Renewal Dues Request

### 2020 Membership

Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

Member Type:  Renewal     Transfer     Life Membership

Currently On File

Corrections / Changes

Member(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State or \_\_\_\_\_

Province, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

**Correct contact information if needed:**

Member:		Member:	
Cell Phone:		Cell Phone:	
Other Phone:		Other Phone:	
E-mail:		Email:	

<b>Vehicle Information</b>	<b>Dues Received</b>
Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Trailer <input type="checkbox"/> Class A <input type="checkbox"/> Class B    Year: _____	International Dues: _____
Model: _____    Size: _____	Unit or Member at Large Dues: _____
Serial #: _____	Total Dues: _____

**Please check all that apply. This INFORMATION will NOT change in our database UNLESS we are notified.**

I **DO OFFER** Courtesy Parking                      YES  NO

I do **NOT** want to receive a print copy of the Blue Beret

I do **NOT** want to receive a print copy of the Annual Directory

I do **NOT** want my contact information included in the PRINT directory.

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US Dollars ONLY	
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Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

# CELEBRATING

## September

13th Kathryn Griffin  
17th Polly Herring  
30th Art Crandall

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY!**

## October

3rd Sue Whittle  
7th Lisa Beebe  
13th Gene Prout  
21st Hartwell Herring  
27th Connie Pearson

## Happy Anniversary

September 4th Don & Dee Perry

September 6th Richard & Kathryn Griffin

October 3rd Gene & Ceil Prout



Cumberland Bay State Park  
August 2019

# Region 2 News from Rich Short

Region 2 News August 2019

For me, the highlight of the year is our International Rally. Held this year in Doswell, Va., it did not disappoint. Days were filled with plenty of things to see and do as I think there were more seminars, tech sessions, and tours offered than I've seen in the past. Close to 700 Airstreams were spread around the beautiful grounds of the Meadow Event Park. Our Region 2 Luncheon was a huge, sold-out success with a record 170 members enjoying a great BBQ meal and the camaraderie of Airstream friends. MAU members Anders and Beverly Gyllenhaal presented a seminar on Birding to a packed house. I'm proud to say Region 2 members were spotted all over the grounds, volunteering and helping make the Rally the great success it was. Although this was our sixth International Rally, this one will be memorable as on Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup> I was installed as your Region 2 President. It is an honor to represent our 16 units/clubs on the International Board of Trustees and to help guide our Airstream Club into the future.

That future was on full display in Doswell as a preview of the new Airstream Club website was presented along with a peek at the new, soon to be released marketing materials for the Club. The website should be up and running toward the end of August and will represent a dramatic change from the current site. It is modern, bright, colorful, and the content easy to access. It will also be compatible with your mobile devices. You will also see a new, easily navigated and searchable calendar of rallies and events. At the IBT meeting, funding was approved for a new, and much needed, membership data base. It will vastly improve flow of information back and forth from headquarters and our membership, providing other valuable features and benefits. Newly installed Club President, Mona Heath, set the stage for an exciting year of action and growth in our Airstream Club. I'm already looking forward to the 2020 Rally to be held in Loveland, CO. Over 500 rigs have signed up so far! Also coming out of the IBT meetings were the approval of several more Units changing their names to include **Airstream Club**. I am urging all our Region 2 units who have not done so to make the change...embrace our Club's unique opportunity to align with the most iconic RV brand in the world. **Airstream!** Let's do it now.

Speaking of 2020, plans for our Region 2 Rally to be held May 21-25 at Rideau Acres Campground in Kingston, Ontario are progressing at a quick pace. Members of our Ontario Unit are hard at work preparing what is sure to be an epic Rally. Mark the date, get your passports out and get ready to head to Canada next Spring! Watch for details of the Rally and more info on traveling across the border. Kathi and I are going to the Lombardy Fairgrounds in Canada later this month to help the Ontario Airstreamers celebrate their 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a club. We are looking forward to it! There are still plenty of camping days left in the season, so check the calendar of events, hitch up your rig and hit the road. Fun, friendship and adventure await you.

Kathi joins me in sending our best regards to all in Region 2. With your continued support, we'll do our best to represent you and work hard to **Renew Region 2**.

Rich Short

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**62<sup>nd</sup> Wally Byam Airstream Club  
INTERNATIONAL RALLY  
July 20-27, 2019 U Doswell, Virginia**



**The home of Secretariat , Ashland Meadows, was the setting for the 62nd WBCCI International Rally. With over 650 Airstreams in attendance it was a great success. Dozens of informational seminars were conducted from exterior maintenance tips, tech talk and diesel Basics to Dutch Oven cooking, National Park Service Presentations, adult CPR and lots more .It also included Hobby, photography, arts and crafts presentations, dog shows and a Flea Market. This rally had something for everybody.**

**Although the heat slowed things down the first couple of days, the meeting of friends new and old as well as great entertainment and interesting shopping at all the vendors stalls made this rally one of the best.**

**HUD-MO was well represented with 6 trailers in attendance: Sally Kerr, Henry and Nuri Bilodeau, Eric and Lisa Bergquist, Liam and Jodi Dooley, John and Wendy Vettovalli , Dan and Pat Steen.**





# Schultz Family Road Trip to Bonne Terre, Missouri

## July 18-29, 2019

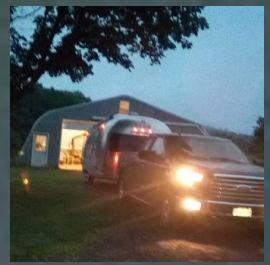
Day 1: Bill and I were up at zero dark thirty on July 18th to start our Schultz Family road trip to Bonne Terre, Missouri. Our Son Bruce, Daughter-in-law Lori, Grandsons Lucas & Crosby and Granddog Leia got a little later start. They waited for the sun to come up.

We arrived at Geneva State Park, Ohio early afternoon and got set up. The temperature was close to 100 degrees and we had the only site in the park with no shade. The lake was beautiful and refreshing and just a short drive from our site. After dinner Bruce and family decided to drive on through the night, a 10-12 hour drive, arriving in Missouri early the next morning. Bill and I like to drive in the day light and only 6 or so hours a day.

Day 2: Up early and on the road. With Ohio and Indiana behind us we arrived at Lincoln Trail State Park, Illinois. What a nice park! We had a super shady site on top of a hill with a cool breeze. We were happy campers.

Day 3: Up with the sun and looking forward to seeing my Dad, just 6 hours to go! We pulled in my Dad's drive way at 11:30am.

Over the next few days we packed as many activities into the daylight hours that we could. We were up late at night visiting, watching old home movies, talking and enjoying our time together.



Zero Dark Thirty



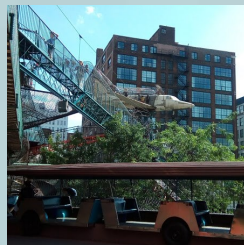
Lincoln Trail Park



Passing into Missouri



St. Louis Arch



City Museum



Leaving Bonne Terre was sad, but I think we were all ready to get home to New York. We drove 8 hours to Buck Creek State Park, Springfield, Ohio. This was a really nice park with a lake, we all enjoyed a after dinner swim.

Next day we left Ohio and camped at Darien Lake State Park, Darien Center, NY for 2 nights. Wow, what a big, busy park. Bruce & family spent the day at Six Flags amusement park, it was just a few miles away.

Sunday, July 28th we made the 7 hour drive to Greenwich, Home Sweet Home. While we were gone our garden exploded with vegetables and weeds, lots of weeds. I have to say we had an amazing family vacation and look forward to the next one.

Barbara



Happy Campers



Top of St. Louis Arch



The End

# Taste of Champlain

August 15-18, 2019

Cumberland Bay State Park

152 Cumberland Head Road Plattsburgh, NY 12901

Hosted by Bill & Barbara Schultz



Wow!

What a great rally!

On a warm and sunny Thursday afternoon 12 Airstreams gathered at Cumberland Bay State Park for "Taste of Champlain" Rally.

Bill and Barbara Schultz & Pebbles welcomed Bob & Carol Abraham and their new puppy Sam, Larry Ascenzi and his dog Drake, Henry & Nuri Bilodeau, Art & Camille Crandall, Cindy Davis & Bill Levy and their big dog Harry, Sally Kerr and her 3 dogs, Gary LaMothe, Dan & Pat Steen, Bob & Joan Stevens, John & Wendy Vettovali, and Geoff & Sue Whittle, Granddaughter Haley and their dog Bentley.

The weather was perfect for most of the Rally. Saturday afternoon we had to do a fast scramble to move everything to the Steven's site for our Pot Luck dinner. Their site was better protected from the strong wind that was blowing. A huge storm was rolling in, at least that's what the radar looked like. Easy ups went up and dinner was on. The storm split and went around us with very little rain.



It is always a treat to have the men cook at the rally and Bill and Bob Stevens did a great job Friday morning toasting muffins for our breakfast sandwiches and Saturday night roasting the Pork.

After the Saturday morning Business meeting the Crandall's held a raffle for a set of really cute airstream outdoor lights with the proceeds going to "Tunnels to Towers". Congratulations to Bob & Carol Abraham, enjoy your cool lights!!

While some of us stayed at the Park and explored the walking trails, beach and nearby dog park, others visited the town of Plattsburgh and beyond looking for adventure.

Thank you to everyone for all the yummy happy hour snacks, delicious pot luck side dishes, deserts and pitching in to help when needed. You all made this a super fun Rally.

Looking forward to more adventures down the Road!!

*Barbara*



**September 12-15**



## Installation Rally

Hosted by Geoff & Sue Whittle

### Thursday:

Evening campfire & Goodies  
Bring your chair & Beverage

### Friday:

Enjoy the day exploring  
Late afternoon Happy Hour  
Bring your beverage, a  
snack to share & a chair

“Picnic Super”

Ball Park Franks & Sloppy  
Joes, bring a side dish to  
share & a beverage

### Saturday:

“Grand Slam Breakfast”  
Pancakes & Sausages

Installation of Officers

Club Meeting

Enjoy the day on your own

Evening Campfire, Bring a  
snack to share, a beverage  
and a chair

### Sunday:

On your own, pack up & head  
home



**Cooperstown KOA**  
**565 Ostrander Road**  
**Richfield Springs, NY**



Reservations & a deposit need to be made  
directly with the campground by April 15th

KOA: 800-562-3402

(Leave a message, they will call you back)

Cell: 315-858-0236

Tell them you are with Hudson Mohawk

11 full hook up, pull through sites have been  
set aside for this rally until April 15th.

Please make your reservation soon!

Price: \$56.00 a night

Discount given to Retired Military

(Must show Military ID)

and KOA Members

### Rally Fee

Rally Fee \$10 per trailer-can be paid at the rally

**Please let me know if you will be at the rally**

**Sue or Geoff Whittle**

87 Southgate Road, Albany, NY 12211

(518) 783-1606

[whittleg06@gmail.com](mailto:whittleg06@gmail.com)



# Hudson-Mohawk Fall Into Fall

Rally

October 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## Schodack Island State Park

1 Schodack Island Way  
Schodack Landing, NY 12156

Latitude 42.517994

Longitude -73.759697

Make Reservations via  
ReserveAmerica

We will be on site 8 in the  
Riverside Loop



\*Thursday 10/3 Evening Campfire

\*Friday 10/4 5:00 pm Heavy hors d'oeuvres

*Pulled Pork Sliders will be provided*

Dessert and Campfire to follow

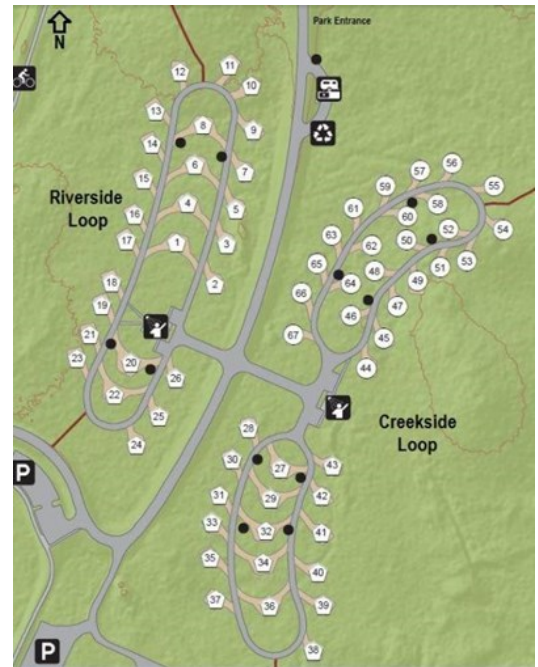
\*Saturday 10/5 5:00 pm

Let's have a CHILI Cook-off

*Make your favorite chili - be it hot,  
vegetarian, chicken, etc.*

*We'll provide the cornbread,  
you bring the fun...yum!*

Dessert and Campfire to follow



Questions? Call Dan or Pat

(518) 441-5280

or

pmsteen04@gmail.com

# Harvest Luncheon

November 9th, 2019 12noon

## *Ripe Tomato* An American Grill

2721 Route 9, Malta NY 12020

**Please RSVP by November 1st. 2019**

Barbara Schultz (518) 409-2565

Or via email to [HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com](mailto:HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com)



*Hudson-Mohawk WBCCI Unit 071*

## *Holiday Party*



**December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 12:30 PM**

***Moscatiello's Italian Family Restaurant***

99 North Greenbush Road (Rt.4)

Troy NY 12180

Menu and directions available at [www.moscatiellos.com](http://www.moscatiellos.com)

***Please RSVP by December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019***

Pat Steen (518) 441-5280 - Dan Steen (518) 281-7876

Or via email to [dmsteen@gmail.com](mailto:dmsteen@gmail.com)