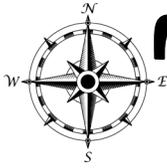
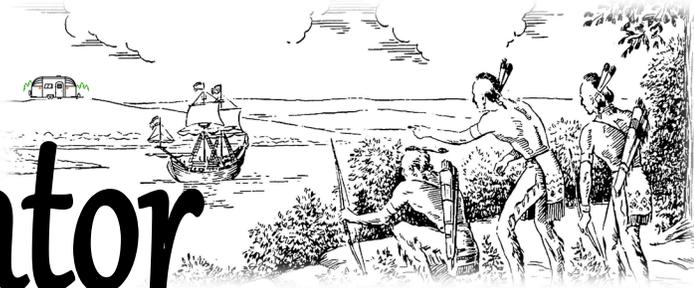


September 2022



# The Navigator

Hudson-Mohawk NY, 071



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

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## President's Message

From Bill Levy



Hello all,

This is my last note as President- time goes quickly. I want to thank all of you for your support and for not being critical of my writing skills. See all of you soon, can't wait!

We are right in the middle of summer's dog days and looking forward to the milder temperatures followed by the glorious autumn colors. We have had some fine rallies already and more to come before the season is done.

July was the International at Fryeburg and a few of our members braved the northern temperatures and represented our unit. I especially want to thank Diane and Eric for stepping up and stepping out! with the flags. Holly used her incredible creative talents and made 55+ centerpieces for the rally. And let's celebrate that not only did Holly and Flo participate in the Vintage parade, but Flo took the Gold award in the junior class (1<sup>st</sup> time entry)!!!!!! We knew she would!!!! Gary made it up from the southern world and was also in attendance.

August found our group at Sampson State park. Reports from the group was wonderful weather and great sites. The only negative was because of all who were missing.

But there is still a chance to keep our group with some togetherness as the Installation rally will be coming up September 9-11 at the North Pole KOA in Wilmington NY. There are 2 KOAs in Wilmington...we will be at the NORTH POLE KOA- campsites will be in the 100 acre woods.

Not too long after that, Bill and Barb will be hosting at Sea Vue in Wells, Maine September 28-October 2.

Another bit of news, Hudson Mohawk received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Tunnels to Towers Foundation to commemorate our impact on their mission. Many thanks to Wendy as she has kept that little jar in the center of our table during our rallies. And on that note- let's keep good thoughts and prayers going for Wendy as she continues with her health journey.

Safe travels to all! Cindy and I are in Atlanta celebrating Kai's first birthday. Dan and Pat are cruising the Danube (and recovering from mild symptoms of covid that entitled them to room service!)

Bill

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# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## 2022

<p>September 9-11, 2022</p> <p><i>Installation Rally</i></p>	<p>100 Acre Woods Campground - North Pole Resort Wilmington, NY 12997 Call 518-946-7733 to reserve your spot Tell them you are with Hudson-Mohawk</p>	<p>Bill Levy &amp; Cindy Davis 845-235-9473 cindyldavis@aol.com</p>
<p>September 29- October 2, 2022</p> <p><i>Fall Beach Rally</i></p>	<p>Sea-Vu Campground 1733 Post Road (US Rte 1) Wells, Maine 04090 Call 207-646-7732 to reserve your spot Tell them you are with Hudson-Mohawk</p>	<p>Bill &amp; Barbara Schultz 518-409-2565 hudsonmohawknews@gmail.com</p>
<p><i>November Luncheon</i></p>	<p>Host picks the spot</p>	<p>Looking for a host</p>
<p><i>December Holiday Party</i></p>	<p>Host picks the spot</p>	<p>Looking for a host</p>



If you would like to host a luncheon, rally, get together, or Holiday party, please let Pat Steen know:  
pmsteen04@gmail.com or 518-441-5280



**Sampson State Park - August 11-15**

**CELEBRATING**  
*September* *October*

*Happy Birthday*

13th Kathryn Griffin 2813

3rd Sue Whittle 10565

17th Polly Herring 1144

21st Hartwell Herring 1144

26th Dan White 6837

27th Connie Pearson 6232

29th Bill Levy 23673

**Happy Anniversary**

September 4th Don & Dee Perry 5031

September 6th Richard & Kathryn Griffin 2813

October 2nd Stan & Tess Stoklosa 20769

**welcome**  
New Members

Joseph & Debra Moloughney/ 2022-Classic -30' / 17600

Deborah Porco / 2017-Interatate-24' / 10075

**Come on out and join us!**



Hartwell



Stan



Barbara

From tiny seeds grow towering Sunflowers



# REGION 2 NEWS

By Region 2 President RJ



July 2022

I'm writing this at the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine. It started out very warm here, due to the heat wave, but after a rainy and cool Monday, it has been around

85 F/30 C with low humidity at the height of the day, and around (or below!) 60 F/15 C at night. I've worn jeans on several occasions this week!

Before I talk about International, I'm excited to announce the dates and location for the 2023 Region 2 Rally: June 2-6, 2023, in Niagara Falls, Ontario! Mark your calendars - more details will follow soon.

Back to International: This has been a great rally, and we're having a great time. There are quite a few vendors, including a few that we haven't seen before, and the events and seminars have been fun and interesting. Turnout has been excellent at about 915 Airstreams; this is the largest International Rally since 2007. And around 700 people are first timers at the International Rally.

We had a successful Region 2 luncheon, with about 150 people attending. Everyone brought their own food and drink, and we had a few giveaways - Vintage Trailer Supply gave us some T-shirts, hats, and other swag, and we had bottles of wine from the Finger Lakes region and some Airstream-themed bags.

I did an informal poll at the luncheon for what type of event Region 2 members who were going to International in 2023, and the option of doing a happy hour at International in 2023 won with overwhelming support. I'll book a room in case of poor weather, but if the weather is good, we'll find a spot to host it outside.

The July 21 International Board of Trustees (IBT) meeting finalized the formation of two new Intra-clubs:

- Stella's Sisters, for women Airstreamers.
- Boondockers, for people who want to get back to the basics.

There were two other motions passed - one codified the rules we were already using for delegate voting this year, and the other tightened the rules surrounding the use of membership data, explicitly disallowing using it for things like political campaigning.

The delegates passed both amendments to the Constitution as written. I suspect this will generate a number of motions for the IBT to address at the July 30 meeting. I'll give you updates on those next month.

Several people have asked me about the 2024 International Rally location, and I have only heard rumors, but it's possible it will come out at the July 30 IBT meeting.

I've included a couple pictures I've taken at the rally. One is of Region 2 First Dog Sulley - thanks to the HQ staff for printing that for us.

We're about a year out from the end of my term, and we'll need a new Region 2 Second Vice President at that point. If anyone is interested in the role, please let me know at [region2president@wbcci.net](mailto:region2president@wbcci.net).

Until next month!

RJ Marquette, Region 2 President, #13270



August 2022

First, let me apologize to all of the newsletter editors - I got this out rather late in the month to them. It's been a busy week or so - last weekend, I joined AI-Mon-O for a rally at Laurel Hill State Park near Somerset, Pennsylvania, then this weekend we're at Gifford Pinchot [PA] State Park to join the Watchung Club for a rally.

I had written last month's notes before the end of the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine, so I just want to mention that the rest of the rally was great as well. Erica and I are hatching a plan to get to the 2023 International rally in Rock Springs, WY by traveling on the weekends and working from the camper during the week. I've talked to quite a few region 2 members who are planning to go to that rally, so I think we'll have a good turnout.

The IBT has been busy. First, a new intra-club has been formed, for LGBTQ+ members and supporters, called Pride Streamers. I don't have a link for more information yet, but I'm sure they'll have something in an upcoming Blue Beret, as well as on the [airstreamclub.org](http://airstreamclub.org) website.

We also passed a motion that creates "interest groups" - think of them as Intra-clubs, but without the overhead required for the intra-clubs. My example of this is my interest in cycling - R2 Treasurer Will Kushto already runs bicycle excursions at International Rallies, but maybe a cycling interest group would be able to host rallies that are focused on cycling events. There's no need for extra dues, a treasury, and all of the complications that come with those things.

The other IBT motions lately have been related to the constitutional changes approved by the delegates at the Fryeburg rally. These changes were passed with overwhelming support (70% or more) at the delegates meeting. The new Executive Council setup will take effect next year, while the delegates meeting has already been abolished: In the future, we will vote on constitutional changes directly.

Before I close, I want to remind everyone that the 2023 Region 2 Rally is in Niagara Falls, Ontario, June 2-6. We don't have registration available yet, but mark your calendars!

See you down the road!

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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<u>Secretary</u>	Barbara Schultz	(5666) <a href="mailto:HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com">HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com</a>	518-409-2565
<u>Web Page</u>	<a href="http://HUDSONMOHAWKNY.airstreamclub.net">HUDSONMOHAWKNY.airstreamclub.net</a>		

## 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 Cindy Davis at:

[cindyvldavis@aol.com](mailto:cindyvldavis@aol.com) for our web page.

Would love to see your pictures on Facebook:

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

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# 65th International Rally

Fryeburg, Maine  
July 23-29, 2022



Hudson Mohawk was represented by 6 trailers at the International in Fryeburg, Maine.

Social hour was hosted by Gary LaMothe and Tina Occhipinti.

Attending was Hollie Bart, Bob & Carol Abraham, James & Linda Giumarra, Eric & Diane Bergquist and not in the photo, Amy Novatt & Ron Whitmont.



Diane Bergquist represents Hudson-Mohawk New York

*Flo is all a glow*



*Hollie and Flo in the VAC parade*



*Flo takes Gold*



# Hudson-Mohawk NY Airstream Club



## Summer Rally August 11-15

What perfect weather we had while at Sampson State Park. Lots of sunshine and cool breezes.

We welcomed Dave and Sue Poole from Florida Airstream Club to join us at our evening campfire. Dave and Sue were traveling home from Fryeburg and just happened to be right on the same loop as our group. Dan and Lee Fenn made this rally their first, looking forward to seeing them again at a future event.

This was a very take it easy kind of rally. Do what you want during the day and there was plenty to do and see. The lake, hiking, wine tasting, exploring. We had evening campfires, stories of the good old days and talk of future adventures. Diane made apple crisp to share one evening. There were amazing sunsets, so colorful, sorry I didn't get any pictures.

Lots of furry friends at the rally also. We all missed Wendy and John and were thinking of them and sending all our best wishes and positive vibes.



Dan & Lee Fenn 6289



Dave & Sue Poole 3988



Bob & Joan Stevens 4430



Hartwell & Polly Herring 1144



Bill & Barbara Schultz 5666



Eric & Diane Bergquist 12496





*Dave & Sue, Barb & Bill, Bob & Joan, Eric & Diane, Lee & Dan, Polly & Hartwell*



# Hudson-Mohawk Installation Rally

## September 9-11, 2022

Wilmington/North Pole KOA, 5644 NYS RT 86, Wilmington, NY 12997

518-946-7733

There are 2 KOAs in Wilmington- one is called Whiteface KOA and one is called North Pole KOA. You want to arrive at the **North Pole KOA**- registration is on the south side of the road, the same side as the pool (and the Ausable River). Camping will be across the street in the 100 acre woods.

We will be arriving on Wednesday in Site 95.

*There are sooooo many things to do in the area:*

\*For those of you who are new to the area, the 1980 Winter Olympics were held in Lake Placid- the US Hockey team, which played Russia at that time earned the moniker "the miracle on ice" for their incredible win. The Olympic Sorts Center which houses the ice rink and an Olympic museum is in Lake Placid. Intervale, the ski jumps are in North Elba (seems like it is still in Lake Placid) and it has gondola rides to the tip of the jumps and also has a zip line park. A visit to the ski jumps might also afford you a view of some young and upcoming jumpers even in the summer at the bottom training area. The Olympic cauldron can be seen in the equestrian area across from the jumps. Whiteface mountain, not far from the campsite is the site of the downhill skiing area, not covered with snow in the summer, but also has rides to the top. Or, you can take a car ride up the Whiteface Mountain Memorial drive for a cost of \$20. On the way to the top, you will pass the North Pole, which has been purchased by new folks who are trying to resurrect the glory days of the tourist spot.

\*Other spots in the area are the covered bridge in Jay NY...take route 86 out of Wilmington into Jay and cross over 9N. The covered bridge makes for a beautiful picnic site. It is no longer used for road traffic so its an easy walk through it and over the Ausable.

\*Ausable Chasm is a little north of the area and has scenic float and tubing rides if anyone is interested- they are loads of fun and cost about \$35.

\*High Falls Gorge is not far from the campsite, it is privately owned, and charges for admission, but there are some nice trails along the Ausable.

\*Hiking trails are everywhere. If you go into North Elba, a wee bit past the ski slopes you will see a sign for Adirondak Loj. It was built in 1927 along Heart Lake and is the access point for the trail up to Mount Marcy. Of course, one can walk any section of the trail, you wouldn't want to go all the way to the top.

\*For the history buff- John Brown's farm is also nearby. 115 John Brown Rd. Lake Placid 518-523-3900 "John Brown's body lies a moldering in the grave"- John Brown and his followers assaulted the arsenal at Harper's Ferry planning to use the arm for the liberation of slaves. He was captured and imprisoned in Charlestown Virginia and hanged. His body was returned to his farm.

\*For good food- Salt of the Earth Bistro on 5956 Sentinel Rd was just voted a "best" in NY, haven't tried it, but some of you might want to give it a whirl 518-523-5956.

*But of course we don't want to forget,  
this is our Installation Rally  
and our new leaders will be sworn in by solemn oath!*

Thursday night gather around the campfire-bring your own drinks- assorted cheese and crackers provided and anything else you want to bring.

Friday night (6pm) we will gather around the fire and will try a light game of pin the door on the trailer- of course there will be prizes!

Bring your own drinks- fixins for s'mores will be provided.

Saturday (5pm) is our solemn (ahem-not amen) swearing in- burgers and dogs provided- bring a side dish or dessert.



*Can't wait to see you at The North Pole, Bill and Cindy*

# Fall Beach Rally

September 29-October 2



1733 Post Road (U.S. Route 1)  
Wells, Maine (ME), 04090

207-646-7732

For more information on things to do & places to eat  
check out Sea-Vu web page [www.sea-vucampground.com](http://www.sea-vucampground.com)

Thursday Night: Campfire & goodies

(Bring your drink & chair)

Friday Night:

"Chowder Challenge" or

"Charcuterie Board challenge"

(crackers and spoons provided)

Saturday Night:

Doughnuts & Cider by the campfire

Looking forward to seeing you all, Barbara & Bill

A wooden signpost with three horizontal planks is stuck in the sand on a beach. The planks contain the text "Beach walks", "Seafood", and "Campfires" respectively. The background shows waves crashing onto the shore under a blue sky with white clouds.

Beach walks  
Seafood  
Campfires