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President's Message

From Bill Levy

📕 Hi All,

It's a great feeling I'm sure for all of us to be back in our beloved Airstreams for another Rally season.

The first two camping events; Wellesley Island and Wilcox Park sure got our juices flowing and have us geared up for more of our brand of good times. The Thousand Island Region of New York is fabulously beautiful and the St. Lawrence River is awesome to behold. Campfires, toss the toilet seat, cruise on the River with a stopover at Boldt Castle and of course multiple courses of food and drink in easy walking distance to the water were enjoyed by all. Big thanks to Diane and Eric for hosting our most northern New York event.

For a change of pace, the next rally was in the Dutchess County region at Wilcox Park. Certainly not the most southern portion of New York but a world away from the northern region. Wineries, distilleries, horses, fields and views of the Hudson valley were highlighted for all to see and experience during this rally. The event was well planned out by Hollie, who unfortunately was unable to attend. Kudos to all who stepped in and helped. From Thursday's campfire with burgers, painting fences, picnics at the winery, shopping at local markets, barbecuing at the distillery and Saturday's barbecue with Hollie's American Flags hugging us from each end of the pavilion. I am sure I may have left something out of the itinerary. A shout out and welcome to our newest members who joined the rally- Erin and Dan, and Amy and Ron- they jumped right into the events and joined our cast of usual suspects with gusto!

July 23rd is the International Rally in Maine and I want to extend thanks to our first vice president Diane for stepping in to represent our club. Cindy and I had planned on attending but will not be able to make that journey.

Hoping for good health and good weather (and maybe lower fuel prices) as we get together for the rest of the season's rally. Our next is in August at Sampson State Park hosted by the Vettovalli crew.

See you all soon,

Bill

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

2022

| July 23-29, 2022 | 65th International Rally Fryeburg, Me | SSID INTERNATIONAL MALLY |
|---|---|--|
| August 11-14, 2022 Summer Rally | Sampson State Park, Romulus, NY Loop 3 Reservations can be made <u>NOW</u> through Reserve America | John & Wendy Vettovalli 518-848-8023 wendymv1@yahoo.com |
| September 9-11, 2022 Installation Rally | 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 | Bill Levy & Cindy Davis 845-235-9473 cindyldavis@aol.com |
| September 29- October 2, 2022 Fall Beach Rally | 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 | Bill & Barbara Schultz 518-409-2565 hudsonmohawknews@gmail.com |

Remember to let the Hosts know when you make your reservation



Hudson Valley Rally Photo by Stan Stoklosa



Hudson Valley Rally Photo by Dan Steen



7th Bob Howard <mark>2697</mark>

11th Eric Pearson 6232

4th Eric Bergquist 12496 20th Bob Abraham 2091 28th Gary LaMothe 3122



July 16th Bob & Carol Abraham 2091 July 25th Ron Whitmont & Amy Novatt 28444 August 5th Dan & Pat Steen 1389 August 12th Roger Smith & Jennifer Whittle 10566 August 17th Eric & Diane Bergquist 12496



Jody Mead / 2021 -Flying Cloud-27' / <mark>12629</mark> James Sinclair / 2003 -International-22' / 5081 Jeffrey & Julie Quay / 2022 -International-27' / 05551

Come on out and join us!

REGION 2 NEWS

By Region 2 President RJ



June 2022

The Region 2 Rally was a success! We had good weather with a turnout of 42 Airstreams. We had at least four people that were at their first-ever WBCCI rally, and I think we made a good impression on them. The food was good and the band was excellent. Skymed did a great presentation about an upcoming Alaskan cruise they are planning, and 2nd International Vice President Per Hamnqvist (#154) gave an informative overview of the two amendments and answered questions. Region 2 Newsletter Editor Bob Curran (#2025) has written a great article that will appear in the August issue of the Blue Beret, so look for that when it comes out in a few weeks.

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way, and there are quite a few of you. Sometimes we don't know in advance what we'll need, and someone always steps up. For example, "drummer" was definitely not a position I thought we'd need, but rally first timer Rebecca Glick (#7585) of the Watchung Unit stepped up to the job! I also want to thank Peggy Shafer of Skymed for generously sponsoring the rally, and I want to thank everyone for coming!



I sent the check off to the Delaware State Fairgrounds for the final payment, and as we hoped, they cut us a break on the costs. We move the rally around to different parts of the region, but we'll definitely keep them

in mind for the future. The region did lose some money on the rally, but not as much as it would have been had they held us to the contract we signed, and we're still solvent, so there's not much to do but move forward.

In general, I'm looking for feedback about the region rally. Is this long weekend format good? What about the time of year? Would fall be better? I know quite a few people couldn't attend because they were on various caravans, for example. We'll run into conflicting events no matter when we rally, but is there a time that would be better, in general? Maybe everything is fine as is; that's a valid answer, too. I just want to make sure the rally is available to the most region members possible. If you have thoughts and ideas, please let Patti, Gary, or I know.

We're working on the plans for the region 2 luncheon at International. As I mentioned at the rally, the official caterer would be rather expensive, and I don't think many people would be interested. We have a few ideas we're working on; stay tuned. We've also started discussions about next year's region 2 rally, and I think we'll have dates for that locked down soon.

I want to call your attention to Region 2 Caravan Coordinator Kerry Mattila's (#5417) Maritimes Caravan, which has open space available this year. Please see this page for more information! <u>https://airstreamclub.org/region2/2022-maritimes-caravan</u>

If it hasn't happened already, your club president will be asking you for your votes on the two amendments before the club. Please be sure to vote on these amendments, for or against. As Per said, abstaining tells the IBT nothing about how you're feeling about how they are doing.

See you next month! --RJ

July 2022

Hi, everyone! I hope you're all getting to use your Airstreams frequently. I know quite a few people are either on caravans or going to the Fryeburg, Maine International Rally. Of course, we're among the latter group.

Speaking of the International Rally - the Region 2 luncheon will be a bring your own food and drink. We came to this decision after Region 2 1st Vice President Gary Russo (#1061) spent many hours trying to find an inexpensive catering option, and everything he found was either extremely expensive or couldn't handle the number of people we have. Based on what we've heard from other regions, this is a pretty common problem. Rather than trying to force something, we decided a better option was to go simple.

The luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, July 26, at noon, in the Specialty Foods Pavilion. There's no registration and no fee, just come and join us for lunch and a social hour!

Erica and I recently spent a weekend with the New York Finger Lakes Airstream Club in Watkins Glen, New York. It was a great rally, the weather was beautiful, and Erica and visited numerous wineries and one distillery.

I'll see some of you in Fryeburg!

-RJ

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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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 Cindy Davis at:

cindylvdavis@aol.com for our web page.

Would love to see your pictures on Facebook:

https//www.facebook.com/ groups/528607020682777/

Here is Larry's recipe that won 1st place in the dessert competition at the Hudson Valley Rally

| Ingredients | |
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| ~1 box Nutter Butter Cookies ~Cool Whip or whip your own fresh whipp ~peanut butter cups ~½ cup peanut butter, melted in microwav ~1 box instant or regular vanilla pudding, | |
| Instructions | |
| Top with chopped peanut butter cups. Repeat the layering! Decorate the top with crushed nutter b This must be chilled overnight for the costiening uphalve the cookies length | It butter. Stry bag so it is pretty but you can spread it if you prefer.) putter cookies, peanut butter cups and a drizzle more of peanut butter. cookies to soften! We are talking 24 hours or more-a little tip to speed the gthwise (don't worry about the cream) and layer them halved. and use chopped cookies in the layers! |



Boldt Castle



Eric & Diane



Bill & Barbara



Wendy & John

Beautiful sunset

Wellesley Island State Park

Camping, Boating, Campfires, Cocktails & More!

May 13-15, 2022, was our first of the season rally and it was a beauty. Mother Nature was very accommodating. We all planned for chilly weather being so far north, but we enjoyed temperatures in the 70's and low 80's and amazingly no rain, even though it threatened several times.

Saturday's beautiful weather set the day for a wonderful 2 Nation boat tour on the St. Lawrence River with many of our group enjoying the sites. Some also visited the famous Boldt Castle on Heart Island. The wonderful campground offered great hiking and boating options and of course our nightly campfires.

Of course the company was fantastic. Eric and I with Sally & Taffy were so glad to have hosted the first of the season rally with members and their favorite four legged furry companions. Bill, Cindy (Pres. & 1st lady) & Harry, Pat & Dan Steen, Wendy & John Vettovalli, Sue, Geoff & Bentley Whittle, Barbara, Bill & Pebbles Schultz, Larry & Drake Ascenzi, Tess & Stan Stoklosa, Sue, Todd, Mollie & Lucy Bergquist.

We are looking forward to the rest of the 2022 camping season rallies with our great Hudson-Mohawk Airstream Club members. See you all around the campfires.



Toss the toilet seat to win a prize!









Sue & Geoff



Larry



Larry, Drake, Tess & Stan

And here is his prize!



Amazing campfire



Wellesley Island State Park





Boldt Castle

Bergquist



Steen



Diane, Todd, Sue, Eric



Vettovalli



Stoklosa



Whittle



Hudson Valley Rally at Dutchess County Wilcox Memorial Park

While unforeseen circumstances prevented Hollie from being with us, her presence was felt every step of the way. Bill and Cindy stepped in to follow through with all of Hollie's plans. We were all given goody bags, hand made by Hollie out of Dutchess County maps. The gift bags were filled with so many great goodies, I love my Flamingo charm.

The Park was full of shinning silver for the weekend! Larry Ascenzi & Drake, Bill Levy, Cindy Davis & Harry, Erin McKay & Dan White, Bill & Barbara Schultz & Pebbles, Dan & Pat Steen, Stan & Tess Stoklosa, John & Wendy Vettovalli, Ron Whitmont & Amy Novatt & Sneakers It was quite a beautiful sight.

Thursday night started with our signature "heavy apps" to share, but our host stole the show with her cheeseburger sliders complete with a special sauce. After filling up with all the yummy "heavy apps" there was plenty of firewood for an evening campfire under the stars.

On Friday we first went to a wine tasting at Millbrook Winery accompanied by a cheese paring selected and provided by our host. This was followed by a visit to Sugarhill Farms where we could shop with our 10% off coupon arranged by our host & negotiator extraordinaire. That evening concluded with a desert competition. There were so many tasty treats made by all. Larry Ascenzi's, Peanut Butter Cookie Lasagna won 1st prize.

In keeping with the tenets of the Airstream Club International community, on Saturday morning, members gathered to paint a park fence as a community service project. There was a lot of sunshine, laughing and conversation, along with two gallons of paint. I think we did a great job, that fence looked good when we were done!

Saturday afternoon we enjoyed a visit to Taconic Distilleries where we tasted some incredible sprits and enjoyed delicious, sweet sausages with a bourbon maple syrup glaze with pretzel skewers, again provided by our host. That evening we gathered in a pavilion to enjoy a chicken and pulled pork BBQ on festively decorated tables with every detail planned and provided by our host. Participants provided a wide array of sides to complete the feast. Later we gathered around the fire to enjoy more "leftover" desserts from the evening before.

Bill Levy & Cindy Davis worked hard to fill in for Hollie's host duties in her absence. This was a spectacular event to say the least! Thank you Hollie!





Bill Levy

Cindy & Harry









Harry & Bill

The Unofficial Undefeated Unopposed frisbee golf champion





Hudson Valley Rally at Datchess County Wilcox Memorial Park

August 11-14, 2022 Summer Rally Sampson State Park Romulus, NY Hosted by John & Wendy Vettovalli Make reservations through Reserve America, Loop 3 Sites have electric, water is available, but not at each site. Rally will be very basic. Campfire each night 518-848-8023 wendymv1@yahoo.com

September 9-11, 2022

Installation Rally

Hundred-acre Woods / North Pole Resort, Wilmington, NY

Campground is now a KOA :

Wilmington / North Pole KOA Holiday

We have booked site 95, a premium site at \$87 a night but there are other full hook ups for less, Most are pull throughs

518-946-7733 or 800-562-7605 You can make reservations via phone or online

When you call tell them you are with Hudson Mohawk Airstream Club

Let us know when you are booked. Thanks all, Rally on Cindy and Bill

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Beach walks Seafood Campfires Call 207-646-7732 to reserve your spot, tell them your with Hudson-Mohawk Airstream club You will be given a site # at check-in

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Please let Barbara Schultz know that you have reserved a site at Sea-Vu You can phone, text or email 518-409-2565 hudsonmohawknews@gmail.com