

Idaho Airstream Club

Wally Byam Caravan Club International—Region 10



A Word from Our President

With the warmer weather my mind wanders traveling and camping in the Airstream. But it is still the winter season, so I don't have to make my travel commitments yet, right?

Maybe not, but the biennial Region 10 Rally in Coeur d'Alene on May 8-12 is already sold out. If you are interested in attending, you can still get on the wait list in case there are any cancellations. The Idaho Club currently has five coaches registered.

The annual Breakout Rally is coming on April 19-21 for two nights at the Mountain Home RV Park in Mountain Home, ID. Online registration is active on our Club website (airstreamclub.org/Idaho). Although registrations don't close until March 29th, quite a few members have already signed up. If you are planning on going, I'd suggest signing up sooner rather than later.

The Breakout Rally is when we hold the first of our two annual Club meetings. It will be on Saturday April 20th at 10:00 am. If you can't attend the rally, you are still welcome to come to the meeting. There is no cost or reservation required. Afterwards, we will have a no host lunch at AJ's Restaurant. Just let me know if you are coming to lunch so that I can arrange adequate seating (gsbetts@msn.com).

The Baker City Rally is a 3-night rally on June 20-23 at the Mountain View RV Park in Baker City, OR. Online registration is active on our Club website and closes on April 15th. Baker City and this RV park are very popular destinations during the summer months. Get your spot soon!

As an add-on adventure to this rally, several members have made reservations at the Grande Hot Springs RV Resort near LaGrande, OR for a couple days of soaking and relaxing in the mineral hot springs. Check out their website for more information (grandehotspots.com).

The Annual Installation Rally is a 3-night rally on August 8-11 at the Canyon Pines RV Park in Pollock, ID (near Riggin). Online registration is not active yet. Look for an email announcement coming soon. We will hold our second annual Club meeting, which includes our Election of

Officers followed by their Installation.

We held our February breakfast gathering on February 10th and

had 14 Club members in attendance. The room was buzzing with conversations and upcoming travel plans. What a lively group! The next breakfast will be on March 9th at 8:30 with announcements at 9:00 at Golden Corral, which is just west of Milwaukee on Emerald in Boise. FYI - the restaurant opens at 8:00.

The Airstream Club is run by volunteers and we are seeking a member (must be a Regular Club member) who would be willing to serve as 2nd Vice President for the remainder of the year which ends at the August Installation Rally. No previous experience required. Please contact Gary Betts if this might be you.

We only have three Idaho Club rallies scheduled this year. Although we have several ideas for more, we need members to step up to serve as rally hosts for them to occur. Please contact our Rally Chairman Karen Ekblad (ekblad@smithandstark.com) if you can help. She would be glad to get you started.

Rally Coupons will not be used this year because we have changed to an online-only registration process. You'll need to go to our Club website (airstreamclub.org/Idaho) for rally information and to get signed up.

A special thanks goes to our webmaster Tony Wilson for all his hard work figuring out the Jotform registration process and for re-creating our new website. It is still a work in progress, but it now looks like most other Airstream websites. Thanks Tony!!

Gary Betts—President



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Idaho Unit Officers

- **Gary Betts**—President
- **Mark Pinkman**—Vice President
- **Vacant**—2nd Vice President
- **Kim Blackburn**—Secretary
- **Mike DeRuyter**—Treasurer
- **Calvin Huit**—Past President
- **Trustees:** Lorrie Bauer, Scott Phillips, Darrell Ostyn

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Upcoming Events

The following schedule is ever changing. Keep checking for monthly updates

Monthly Club Breakfast

8:30AM on the 2nd Saturday of every month
Golden Corral on Emerald Street in Boise Idaho



2024 Rally and Caravan Schedule

April 19—April 21— Breakout Rally Mountain Home RV Park—Hosts: Betts Co-Hosts: Blackburn (Spring Annual Meeting)

May 8—May 12— Region 10 Rally Blackwell Island RV Park Coeur d'Alene ID—Hosts: * Co-Hosts: *

June 20-23—Baker City Rally Mt. View RV Park Baker City OR—Hosts: Smith & Ekblad Co-Hosts: Burkes

August 9—August 11— Installation Rally Canyon Pines RV Park Pollock ID —Hosts: Pinkmans Co-Hosts: *
(Fall Annual Meeting Installation of Officers)

November 2— Harvest Dinner TBD



Idaho Club Sunshine News

March Birthdays

Kim Blackburn
Elizabeth Donaldson
Mark Cork
Jacque Cork
Raymond Hoem
Kerry Kelley
Jerry Settle
Mark Whitham



Niels Vernegaard

April Anniversaries

Jon & Becky Brouher
Audrey & Dillon Cole
Trent & Kelin Schoessler



If your birthday or anniversary was missed, or wrong, please share your celebration month with me @ lorrie-bauer7@gmail.com—(email)

March Anniversaries

George & Jeanne Mitchell

New Members

Jim & Dori Halbert, #18836, Nampa, ID
Daniel & Ava Vellotti, #9451, Boise, ID

April Birthdays

Gary Betts
Betty Burke
Kimsley Kelley
Paula McMullen
Danny Robinson
Jack Goldberg



Welcome Aboard New Members! We have 70 members which include 53 regular & lifetime members and 17 affiliates.

Idaho Club Committee Leads

- **Budget**—Mike DeRuyter
- **Social Media**—Vacant
- **Caravan**—Jerry Settle
- **Legislative**—Vacant
- **Newsletter**—Kelly Huit
- **Rally Coordinator**—Karen Ekblad
- **Membership**—Lorrie Bauer
- **Webmaster**—Tony Wilson
- **Historical**—Betty Burke
- **Constitution and Bylaws**—Charlie Burke
- **Ethics and Grievance**—Vacant



Featured New Members

Clark McDonald, of Eagle, Idaho, is a pathologist working at the Boise VA Medical Center and enjoys travel, cooking, and playing Mahjong with friends. His two year old Australian Shepherd keeps him very busy. He has been Airstreaming since 2021. He currently has a 2023 BasecampX, 20", which is his third RV. He started out with a 28" Grand Design but it was just too big so he went to a 2021 Airstream BasecampX 16'. This got a little small so last year he traded up to the 20' BasecampX and it's perfect for me and my dog.



Annual Breakout Rally April 19-21, 2024

Mountain Home RV Park Rally Hosts: Gary Betts & Kim Blackburn

Join us for a quick, two-night rally to make sure your Airstream is ready for the upcoming camping season. Last year this rally was scheduled for Trinity View Resort RV Park east of Mountain Home, but the harsh winter prevented them from opening in time. We tried there again this year, but they have decided to delay their opening until mid-May. Instead, we are returning to the site of last year's rally, the beautiful Mountain Home RV Park. It was rated one of the best in Idaho in 2023 and has wide, level concrete site pads and every RV park amenity imaginable.

April weather can be rather cool in Mountain Home, so we'll take advantage of their meeting room for our gatherings. On Friday night we'll have a Happy Hour followed by a spaghetti dinner (including salad and bread) provided by the Rally Hosts. Attendees can bring either an hors d'oeuvre for the Happy Hour or a dessert to share after dinner.

Saturday morning features our April Annual Meeting and a meeting of the Executive Board. If you can't attend the rally, come to the RV park on Saturday to attend these meetings. Afterwards, we'll head to AJ's Restaurant for a No Host lunch.

Rally signup closes on March 29th. You must contact Mountain Home RV Park directly (208-5870-1221) to reserve your camp site. Tell them you are with the Idaho Airstream Club to get one of our reserved sites. They also accept Good Sam and other discount programs. Refer to their website (g7rvresorts.com/rv-park/mountain-home) for their reservation cancellation policy.

RALLY AGENDA

FRIDAY 5:00 pm – Happy Hour followed by Spaghetti Dinner provided by the Rally Hosts (bring your own beverage, table service, and a Happy Hour hors d'oeuvre or a Dinner dessert to share)

SATURDAY 9:00 am – Annual Meeting and Executive Board meeting Coffee and Donuts provided

12:00 pm – No Host Lunch at AJ's Restaurant

5:00 pm – Happy Hour – Dinner On Your Own

SUNDAY Head for home



The Oregon Trail—Wally Byam Roots Rally

Baker City, Oregon—June 20-23 2024



Nestled in the verdant Powder Valley, Baker City hosts an excellent Oregon Trail Interpretive Center and the Baker Heritage Museum features an exhibit on Airstream visionary Wally Byam, born in Baker City July 4, 1896. The wheel wasn't actually invented here, but the locals made good use of it.

We're lining up visits to the Oregon Trail Center and the Baker Museum and we'll have a potluck rally dinner with BBQ. Experience the best of Baker City's history and present in a beautiful setting:

- **Oregon Trail Roots:** The highly-acclaimed and newly refurbished National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center offers living history demonstrations, interpretive programs, exhibits, multi-media presentations, special events, and more than four miles of interpretive trails.
- **Airstream Roots:** The Baker Heritage Museum in the 100-year-old Municipal Natatorium displays the community's history from the 1860's. Native son Wally Byam's Airstream experience is a core exhibit. Others include logging, ranching, mining, a collection of regional Native American artifacts, including stone tools, and more
- **Historic downtown:** Once the largest city between Salt Lake and Portland, Baker City offers an elegant window to its Victorian heyday. Take a self-guided tour of over 100 buildings in one of the largest intact historic commercial districts in the West. See loving restorations such as Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, the Geiser Grand Hotel, and the art deco Baker Tower.
- **Soak up the beauty:** This is the gateway to Hells Canyon, the Wallowa Mountains, and Elkhorn Ridge of the Blue Mountains. You can:
 - Take a scenic drive on the [Elkhorn Drive Scenic Byway](#)
 - Go soak yourself at [La Grande Hot Springs Resort](#)
- **Culinary Tour:** Sign up for the [Self-Guided Baker City Walking & Tasting Tours](#)
- **Thursday night Sip, Stroll, Shop:** June 20 <https://www.bakercitydowntown.com/wine-walk>
- **Saturday Wagon Ride:** Ride through Baker City's historic downtown in a horse-drawn wagon with a guide telling stories of Baker City's Wild West history.
- **22nd Baker City Cycling Classic:** Series finals for the *Bloom to Baker Series*. *Saturday, June 22* – Baker City Time Trial followed by Baker City Downtown Criterium.



Registration is now open. You will notice on the Rally form that you need to secure your spot with the RV park **first** then fill out the JotForm. Click on the Jotform Link to get more information for this wonderful Rally with something for everyone. <https://form.jotform.com/240494291833157>

The Oregon Trail—Wally Byam Roots Rally, Agenda

Location: Mountain View RV Park (541-523-4824) 2845 Hughes Lane, Baker City, Oregon, 97814

Hosts: Karen Ekblad & Gary Smith Co-Hosts Betty & Charlie Burke

Thursday June 20

- 11:00 am +** **Check-in** Time Opens. Relax, explore.
- 4:15 pm** **Brief Meet & Greet** - Then we recommend for \$12 the Baker City Wine Walk: <https://www.bakercitydowntown.com/wine-walk> Enjoy the shops and dinner on your own.

Note: Not every stop on the map serves wine. Some businesses instead of-

Friday June 21

- 9:00 am** **Breakfast** nibbles available
- 10:00 am** **Baker Heritage Museum Tour** including the Wally Byam Experience Exact Time TBD
- 12:00 pm** **Lunch Choices:** A BYO Picnic in lovely Geiser-Pollman Park directly across from the Museum, No-Host Lunch at Little Pig Restaurant or YOYO lunch.

Afternoon: YOYO (“You’re on Your Own”) Lots to do in the area!

- 5:00 pm** **Social Hour:** Bring your chair, drink, snack. Dinner is YOYO

Saturday June 22

- 9:00 am** **Breakfast** nibbles available
- 10:00 am** **National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center** - Guided Tour Exact Time TBD

Afternoon: YOYO Some fun events are listed below. More event info to come later.

- 1:30 pm** Start of **Baker City Cycling Classic Downtown Criterium**
<https://business.visitbaker.com/events/details/baker-city-cycling-classic-20455?>

Other info/events will be added closer to Rally...

- 5:00 pm** **Social Hour:** Bring your chair, drink, snack.

- 6:00 pm** **Dinner**—BBQ Ribs, Baked Beans and dessert provided with meal fees. Resort Meeting Room. BYO your own plates, eating utensils (i.e. your Kit)
Please bring a side dish to share. Need a different dietary option? Contact Karen

Sunday June 23

- 9:00 am** **Continental breakfast**

Monday June 24

Some IAC Members are heading to Grande Hot Springs RV Resort for a day or two of soaking. Make a reservation and join us! Only 40 mins away near La Grande, Oregon.



BOISE *is honored to be affiliated with, and support the Region 10 Idaho Airstream Club!*

We would like to introduce you to the Airstream Adventures-Caldwell Parts and Service team, and welcome you to come by the dealership and see what's new!

ERIC BETTIS

Service Technician



CLAUDIO CORONADO

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Service Technician



BARRY WILLIAMS

Service Technician



SALAZAR ZACARIAS

Service Technician



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