

# Idaho Airstream Club

Wally Byam Caravan Club International—Region 10

## A Word from Our President

Summer Greetings everyone! Nature has certainly started turning up the heat on our camping adventures. Hopefully everyone is well prepared so that you can enjoy the summer's prime travel months.

Kim and I were able to attend the Region 10 Rally in May in Coeur d'Alene, ID. Region 10 President Florence Tramoni together with the Inland Northwest Club and the Region 10 staff put on an outstanding Rally! It was well attended with every Region 10 Club having members in attendance. Great weather, great meals, a ride on a huge boat on Lake Coeur d'Alene, information seminars, live music, and an auction and raffle to raise funds for the UGM Crisis Center for Women and Children were all well-planned and successful. Look for a detailed write-up with photos in the upcoming Region 10 newsletter.

Then we attended the Oregon Trail – Wally Byam Roots Rally in Baker City, OR. Host Karen Ekblad planned out a very entertaining set of activities and a great time was had by everyone. There are so many things to do in Baker City that I'm sure we'll be planning another Rally soon. Betty Burke, your ribs were simply awesome!! I heard Charlie say that the LCR dice game we played on Saturday night (which he won, thanks to Betty) is a keeper and next time he wants to actually play.

Our next Idaho Club Rally will be the Installation Rally on August 9–11 in Pollock, ID. Hosts Mark and Jeannie Pinkman have lined up our meals and

activities with some extra time to check out what's happening in the town of Riggins. Remember that Saturday morning will feature our Fall Annual Members meeting with the Election of Officers and Installation Ceremony. I hope to see you there!

Don't forget our upcoming monthly breakfast on July 13th. The August breakfast is cancelled because it conflicts with the Installation Rally.

Safe travels everyone! See you down the road.



*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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## The Passing of a Member

The Idaho Airstream Club is saddened to announce the passing of one of our most senior members.

John Merell (BRN #6453) passed on June 23rd. He is survived by his wife Myrna. John is an Airstream Club Past President. He was an enthusiastic supporter of Wally and the Club.

John's service was Saturday, June 29th at 2:00PM at Kingdom Church in Twin Falls Idaho.

## Upcoming Events

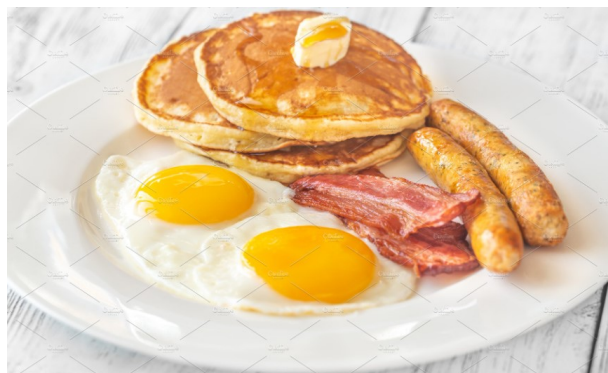
The following schedule is ever changing. Keep checking for monthly updates

### Monthly Club Breakfast

**8:30AM** on the 2nd Saturday of every month

Golden Corral on Emerald Street in Boise Idaho

**The Breakfast for August 10th is CANCELED due to the Installation Rally**



### 2024 Rally and Caravan Schedule

**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

### July Birthdays

Jim Borowicz  
Brittany Bowman  
Randi Devine  
Tyson Lewis  
Grant Clayton  
Nancy Goldgerg

### July Anniversaries

Jim & Susie Borowicz  
Mike & Karen deRuyter  
Aaron & Leah Firth  
John & Myrna Merell  
Danny & Dorothea Robinson  
Rob Ahern & Paula Robinson  
Donna & Mark Whitham

### August Birthdays

Max "Archer"  
Mel Kym  
Cindee Lantz-Miracle

Bob Simms

Bob Caldwell

### August Anniversaries

Marc & Brittany Bowman  
Charlie & Betty Burke  
Casey & Paula McMullen  
Darrell & Maureen Ostyn  
Dave & Gwen Twyver  
Grant Clayton & Gail Madsen-Clayton

### Membership Update

The Idaho Airstream Club has 70 BRN's registered:

- 4 Lifetime
- 48 Regular
- 18 Affiliate

### Welcome New Members

Gregory Casey, #12753, Star  
Jonathan & Caprice Huse, #11013, Pocatello  
Scott & Tammy Norr, #12357, Idaho Falls

### *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

If your birthday or anniversary was missed, or incorrect, please share your celebration month with me @ [lorriebauer7@gmail.com](mailto:lorriebauer7@gmail.com) THANKS!

## Idaho Airstream Club Installation Rally

**Hosted by Mark and Jeannie Pinkman**

**August 9—11**

Join us for the Idaho Unit Installation of Officers August 9-11 on the banks of the Salmon River at the Canyon Pines RV Resort in Pollock, ID. To reserve your site, simply fill out the Rally jotform at <https://airstreamclub.org/canyon-pines-rv-park> where you pay for the Rally Fee of \$85.00 (which includes payment for your first night of camping). You will pay the balance of your camping fees directly to Canyon Pines when you arrive.

There will be a FRIDAY NIGHT group BBQ (smoked meats : Tri-tip, Salmon and Chicken) at this Rally. Saturday morning continental breakfast items will be offered prior to the Installation service but other meals are on your own. There are several restaurants 9 miles away in Riggins for dining. Pizzas, snacks and beverages are available on-site at the Country Store. Go to [www.canyonpinesrv.com](http://www.canyonpinesrv.com) for more information about Canyon Pines RV Resort. For questions about the Rally, contact Mark Pinkman: [mpinkman1@gmail.com](mailto:mpinkman1@gmail.com) or (512)703-7320.

## Recap for Region 10 Rally in CDA

**Hosted by the Oregon Club**

**May 8—12**

The 2024 Region 10 Rally was held on May 8-12 at the Blackwell Island RV Park in Coeur d'Alene, ID. There were 12 members (6 BRNs) from the Idaho Club in attendance. There were about 140 BRNs representing every Club in the Region.

Parking on our arrival day went fast and smooth. Kudos to the volunteers at the gate. They got us to our site in a matter of minutes. That evening we were served a quick hot dog dinner. For our other meals we had a spaghetti dinner and a catered Mexican dinner. Both were awesome!

There was a chartered boat cruise on Lake Coeur d'Alene. What a blast! The weather was perfect with a lot of sun and temperatures in the 70s. The top deck was very large and people could walk around and mix & mingle.

We had a tour of the Buck Knife plant in Post Falls. The day after the tour was their grand opening of their expanded entrance area and gift shop. Their facility is very nice.

Several info seminars were offered along with a couple of backing classes where you could learn the basics of backing up a trailer.

For our community service project, we held a silent auction and raffle with the proceeds going to the Crisis Center for Women and Children in Coeur d'Alene. About \$11,000 was raised.

In all, the Rally was well organized and very successful. Coeur d'Alene is a beautiful place to visit.



## Idaho Airstream Club Baker City Rally

The Baker City Rally was delightfully busy and fun. The mood was best captured by a note we received Sunday morning from the Mountain View RV Park manager, (whose bedroom shared a wall with the party room we used Saturday night).

The note said “Your group last night had more fun than any I have ever heard. I need to know what game you were playing!”

The game, brought by Kim Blackburn and called LCR, involved each person putting \$3 on the table, rolling three specially-marked dice, and more or less giving away your money. When only one person has any money left, they win the kitty. And the funniest part? Charlie Burke won the \$42 while relaxing at his Airstream, while Betty played for him. The fun was preceded by a wonderful dinner of ribs (thank you Betty!), baked beans, many salads and sides, and spice cake.



Otherwise, the 14 Airstreamers, including new friends Mike and Evelyn from Kirkland, Washington, buzzed from one event to another: a tour of the excellent dioramas at the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center (the Ranger pointed out the mechanical similarities between Airstreams and 1850-era covered wagons); a ride in the mountains in restored 1890-era train cars on the Sumpter Valley Railroad; a tour of the Baker County

Museum and its special exhibit on native son and founder of Airstream, Wally Byam; a delightful art center display of paintings and sculpture by Western artist and native son Gary Earnest Smith; a wine-walk downtown, shopping, historic buildings, and let's not forget the Blue Mountain Bigfoot Festival at the city park.

Many thanks to all the participants and to Rally Hosts and Co-Hosts Karen Ekblad and Gary Smith, and Betty and Charlie Burke.





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