BC NEWS



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The most significant event in September for the Airstream Club was the Golf and Installation Rally at Twin Lakes RV and Golf Resort near Penticton. Several of the rigs arrived on Wednesday the 11th of September, but most arrived on Thursday the 12th of September. We started with Happy Hour on Thursday. Present were – John and Chris Millard, and Trenor and Barbara Tilley (Co-Organizers of the Rally), Bob Halliwell (Gayle was unable to attend due to health challenges), Robin and John Guliker (Bob's daughter and son-in-law), Barry and Linda Brookwood (Friends of Unit #121 in their Lance trailer), Dick and Sharon Moffatt, Rick Mattson and Karen Griffin along with Eddie Theismann (Karen's brother), Doug and Lennie Trapp, Barry Hook, Carol Hale and Glen Friesen, Vic and Sheila MacDonald, and Moe Storoshenko. Jacquie Mason and Stuart Biggan also visited on Saturday with their new Airstream van and they re-joined the club while on-site.

Friday was the day for the Installation, with wine, cheese and crackers and other snacks. The Co-Presidents (Trenor and Barbara Tilley) reported on the 2023/2024 year, the financial reports (in Tom Akam's absence), and were installed by Past President John Millard for another year. Similarly, Rick Mattson and Karen Griffin were installed as 1st Vice-Presidents, and we added the appointments of Carol Hale as the Vancouver Island Representative and Sheila and Vic MacDonald as the Membership Committee personnel. The reports were informal, and we quickly moved on to the wonderful Fish Fry shared by our successful ocean fishers, Rick, Karen, and Eddie. Fries were prepared by Chris, Sharon, Carol, Robin, and Barbara in our ovens, while "sides" were provided by numerous others. Lennie and Doug provided a beautifully "Airstream" decorated carrot cake that was both gorgeous and delicious. It was wonderful seeing around 25 of us eating together on such a lovely evenina.

On Saturday, four tee times were required to accommodate the many golfers.

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President's report continued...

Top golfers were named as team captains and the rest of their team was chosen through a random draw of those participating. Unfortunately, Sharon Moffatt could not participate as team captain due to a hand injury (that required stitches) she sustained in her trailer while packing to attend the rally. I walked along with Trenor as he golfed with John Millard, Glen Friesen, and Barry Brookwood. Glen joined us in our pedestrian pursuit of the tiny white ball. Trenor thinks he will use a cart next year as it is a fairly long and hilly course. John and Chris worked their magic with the score numbers after the golf and Bob Halliwell's team of Bob, John Guliker, Eddie Theismann, and Doug Trapp won the tournament. Later that afternoon, we undertook the Marshmallow Drive contest which Eddie also won. We missed out on the Tic-Tac-Toe game that Chris Millard had planned due to the short rain and hailstorm that struck us rather suddenly. Along with a wine draw, Midtown RV in Penticton had supplied several prizes that were much appreciated at the rally. We have included photos of the participants that received the items.

One significant thing that happened over the weekend was the offer by Carol Hale to plan a rally on Vancouver Island next spring. It will likely be held in early May and details will be published in the B.C. Club's Newsletter as we hear of her plans. As well, Trenor and I met in late September with Lori Grassi from the Western Washington club and they want to hold a joint B.C./Washington Rally in Oliver, B.C. in late May 2025. Please "hold the date" for that Rally on May 29 to June 1, 2025. We are hoping for a good turnout to this lovely lakeside campground, with lots of wine tasting and hopefully some connection with the local First Nations community.

We are looking forward to the upcoming "Friends-Giving" Rally on the first weekend in October. We have also confirmed a booking for the Christmas Lunch at the White Spot in Aldergrove for the 7th of December. We are delighted that there are so many events planned for the coming year, but we have plenty of dates that still could hold another event if you would be interested in organizing one.

All the very best as you enjoy the quiet and cozy fall days and longer evenings.



Moe Storoshenko was happy with the microwaveable dish set

Lennie and Doug Trapp were delighted with the bike rack.



Trenor & Barbara

Barry Hook enjoying one of

Dick and Sharon Moffatt were pleased with the second camp mug.



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COMMITTEE CHAIRS

BUDGET COMMITTEE

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CARVAN COMMITTEE

Paul Wheeler & Janet Soucy

NOMINATING COMMITTE

John Millard and 2 others to be selected

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Arlene Matches

EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN

John Millard

HOSPITALITY & SUNSHINE

Arlene Matches

MEMBERSHIP & MENTORING

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Vacant

TELEPHONE COMMITTEE

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UNIT HISTORIAN

Vacant

WEBMASTER

Monty Sheldan

YOUTH AMBASSADOR

Vacant

VANCOUVER ISLAND RALLY

Thursday, May 1st to Sunday, May 4th, 2025

Seal Bay RV Park, 1901 Larch Rd, Courtney, BC GPS Coordinates: 49.752152, -124.959433

Website: **Sealbayrvpark.com**Phone: **250-339-1837**

Cost per site \$57.75 for full hook ups. It would be great if every one was able to get into the same Group Circle with Sites G13 to G 24.

The RV Park is booking up fast for next year, so members wishing to attend should <u>call them ASAP and book a site as they will not hold sites for us</u>.

They are already booked fully for the following week in May.

Tell them you're with the Airstream Club.

Seal Bay RV Park is located next door to the Seal Bay Nature park with hiking trails and a beach. It is a short distance from a couple of Wineries with tasting rooms, a number of golf courses of various sizes and the Airforce Museum.

Once you have booked please send an email to Carol Hale at Carol.P.Hale@gmail.com to let her know you will be attending and how many in your party.

Further details pertaining to the rally will be sent out closer to the date.

Look forward to seeing everyone.

Carol Hale BRN #5553



ANNUAL GOLF/INSTALLATION RALLY





























BRITISH COLUMBIA UNIT #121 2024-2025 Activity Schedule

Every Tuesday Coffee/Breakfast Get-Together Tom Akam

9:00 am Roadhouse Grille 604-538-4149

1781 King George Boulevard to reserve your spot

South Surrey

Oct. 4-7 Friends-Giving Rally Trenor & Barbara Tilley

Fort Langley

Dec.7 Christmas Luncheon Trenor & Barbara Tilley

White Spot in Aldergrove <u>tilley2007@outlook.com</u>

2025

April 12 Meet 'n Greet 'Newbie' Luncheon Paul Wheeler & Janet

Noon Cranley Place Community Hall Soucy & Arlene Matches

2141 Cranley Drive, South Surrey <u>paul.jan.wheeler@gmail.com</u>

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April 25–27 Annual Maintenance Rally Bob & Gayle Halliwell

31426 Downs Road <u>halliwell4840@telus.net</u>

Abbotsford, BC

May 1-4 Vancouver Island Rally Carol Hale

Seal Bay RV Park, Courtenay, BC carol.p.hale@gmail.com

May 29-June 1 Joint BC/Washington Unit Rally TBA

Oliver, BC

June 27-30 Hedley Hoedown Brian & Bernice O'Shea

Riverhaven RV Park <u>bboshea@hotmail.com</u>

Hedley, BC 778-233-2682

July (dates to be confirmed) Enderby Rally Terri Gamache

Aug 23-28 68th International Rally ACI

York, Pennsylvania

Early Sept Small Towns of BC Caravan Janet Soucy & Paul Wheeler

Mid-Sept Golf/Installation Rally John & Chris Millard

Dec 8 Christmas Luncheon Trenor & Barbara Tilley

White Spot, Aldergrove, BC tilley2007@outlook.com

British Columbia Airstream Club Unit 121

Annual General Meeting Minutes from Friday, September 13, 2024 meeting

- 1. Welcome and Call the meeting to order
- 2. Introduction of Club Executive in Attendance
 - a. The Executive members introduced were

Trenor and Barbara Tilley (Co-Presidents),

Karen Griffin and Rick Mattson (1 st Vice-Presidents)

John Millard (Immediate Past President), and Board member Bob Halliwell.

- 3. Confirm quorum a quorum was confirmed
- 4. Approval of Agenda approved by consensus
- 5. Approval of Minutes from 2023 AGM September 12, 2023 they were duly moved, seconded, and approved
- 6. Reports
 - a. Presidents Annual report: Starting after the Golf Rally, 2023 at Twin Lakes, B.C.
 - b. Trenor and Barbara reviewed the Events in 2023/2024, namely:

Vancouver Island Caravan (Port Hardy, Tofino, Victoria) – 9 days - September, 2023

Christmas luncheon at White Spot – December, 2023

Meeting, Seminars, and Lunch at Traveland - January, 2024

Maintenance Rally - April, 2024

Region 10 Caravan (Land Yacht Harbour, Leavenworth, Wilbur,

Washington) and Rally

(Blackwell, Island, Coeur D'Alene, Idaho) - May, 2024

Hedley Rally - June, 2024

Fishing Rally (Sheridan Lake, B.C.) - August, 2024

Golf Tournament and Installation Rally (Twin Lakes, B.C.) - Sept., 2024

Weekly Breakfasts on Tuesday mornings

They described the basic plans for 2024-25

Friends-giving Rally (14 rigs signed up at time of writing) Fort Langley, B.C. – October, 2024

Christmas Luncheon – Aldergrove, B.C. – 7 December, 2024 – Trenor and Barbara Tilley

Valentine Luncheon – February, 2025 – Trenor and Barbara Tilley

Newbie Luncheon - April 12, 2025 - Arlene Matches and Company

Maintenance/Newbie Rally- April 25-27, 2025 – Bob and Gayle Halliwell

Hedley Rally - June 27-30, 2025 - Bernice and Brian O'Shea

Enderby Rally - Early July 2025 - Terry and Al Gamache

Small Towns of BC Caravan - Early Sept 2025 – Janet Soucy and Paul Wheeler

Installation Rally/Golf Rally- Sept., 2025 – John and Chris Millard?

Vancouver Island Rally? - May 2025 - Carol Hale

Additional Rallies/Caravans/Events???? – Please contact the Presidents with your ideas – we would like to work with you to make them happen!!!!

MINUTES (page 2)

Trenor and Barbara took the opportunity to offer thanks to those who have undertaken leadership roles in organizing events. They thanked those who took on roles as officers in the club, and for the following in their specific tasks:

Vancouver Island Caravan – Fred and Esther Kaethler

Christmas luncheon at White Spot – Presidents

Meeting and Lunch at Traveland - Traveland Staff

Maintenance Rally in April, 2024 – Bob and Gayle Halliwell and family

Region 10 Caravan and Rally in May, 2024 - Karen Griffin and Rick Mattson

Hedley Rally in June, 2024 – Beverly Robson and Eileen Meston

Fishing Rally in August, 2024 – Bob and Gayle Halliwell

Golf Tournament and Installation Rally in Sept., 2024 – John and Chris Millard

Weekly Breakfasts and Treasurer – Tom Akam

Newsletter - Arlene Matches

Webmaster - Monty Sheldan

- b. Website Update Monty Sheldan, our webmaster, has updated the website which is much appreciated
- 7. Membership Count Update our club has 67 members and 22 affiliates at this time. A number of new members have joined the club this year, and they have begun to participate in the activities of the club. We heartily welcome them!
- 8. Treasurer's Annual report. Receipt of Financial Statements by Membership Trenor Tilley reported on behalf of Tom Akam that and moved the report be received and seconded by John Millard. Carried
- 9. Election and Approval of 2024/2025 Officers

The following slate of officers were duly elected by those in attendance, and installed by John Millard:

Co-Presidents – Barbara and Trenor Tilley

Past President - John Millard

1st Vice-Presidents – Karen Griffin and Rick Mattson

2nd Vice-Presidents – Bernice and Brian O'Shea (in absentia)

Treasurer - Tom Akam

Secretary – Barbara Tilley

Appointed officers include:

Membership - Sheila and Vic MacDonald

Board members - Bob Halliwell, Arlene Matches (in absentia), and Terry

Gamache (in absentia)

Webmaster - Monty Sheldan

10. Approval of Signing Officers – It was noted that the signing officers are: Tom Akam, Arlene Matches, Barbara Tilley, and Bob Halliwell. Two signatures are required for all cheques.

MINUTES (page 3)

- 11. Business
- a. Fees for 2024/2025 for B.C. Club there was a proposal that the fees for the 2024/2025 year remain the same as the 2023/2024 year approved
- b. Policy of "No fee" Rallies (for basic rally costs, some fees may be required for extra meals) be continued for 2024/2025. This policy was discussed and it was agreed that it be continued for 2024/2025 except when the provision of extra meals require additional funds from the participants.
- c. Shredding of early financial documents per request of Treasurer it was agreed that the financial records must be maintained for at least 7 years, but that all previous records could be shredded.
- d. Schedule of Events for 2024/2025 see the Presidents Report
- 12. Items from Airstream Club International (ACI):
- a. Airstream Club International will soon (mid- to late September, 2024) be announcing how to connect with Harvest Hosts to provide access to both "Courtesy Parking" and "Harvest Host" boondocking stays in your travels.
- b. The price of renewing your membership in ACI will be increasing for 2025 to \$99 (USD) per year. Our B.C. club membership will remain the same.
- 13. Additional items from the floor none
- 14. Expressions of appreciation see the Presidents Report
- 15. Adjournment next meeting at Traveland in Langley in January 2025.

Following the AGM, John Millard installed: Co-Presidents – Barbara and Trenor Tilley

1st Vice-Presidents - Karen Griffin and Rick Mattson

Secretary – Barbara Tilley

Board member - Bob Halliwell

2nd Vice-Presidents – Bernice and Bryan O'Shea to be installed at a later date.



THE COMMUNITY CORNER by Arlene

A reminder that pull tabs are once again being collected. Tom Akam is organizing taking these tabs in to be traded for \$\$\$ for charity....so, please save them and bring to one of the many functions...we will arrange to get them to Tom.

Hello everybody: This is how the new newsletter is going to look. I haven't been able to use my old PC's 'Publisher' app as it has a corrupted file so am looking at doing the newsletter in 'Pages' (a MacBook app). Please bear with me...it's a learning curve (and I'm old and crotchety and have problems 'learning' anything these days).



Arlene





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Airstream: 2024 28-foot Pottery Barn



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Airstream: 2019 25-foot Flying Club

NO

ROSTER CHANGES

Page 9 of the Roster under Tilley, please note their email address is wrong. Tilley should be spelled with an 'e' which is missing in the Roster.



Lifetime member of BC Unit of ACI, Rita Richardson, celebrating her 70th birthday at Sheridan Lake

Arlene's Airstream is (finally) on the Move Again

When one is widowed and too old to tow BUT doesn't want to sell the Airstream, there is only one thing to do and that is find another place to keep it and keep on using it (at least that is what I wanted).

Along comes John Millard who very generously offered to tow my 1999 Safari up to my daughter's place in Earl's Cove, BC and I could then use it for my 'holiday home'.

We left South Surrey to catch the ferry to the Sunshine Coast on Wednesday, September 25th (a very rainy day as it turned out). John and Chris drove Doogie Schnauzer and me to daughter Stephanie's home and John spent a couple of hours making sure the trailer lined up perfectly with the deck that it would live adjacent to...a laborious job...he hooked everything up for me...!!

At the time of writing this little note, I have slept three nights in my lovely Airstream and enjoying the quietude and wildlife in this neck of the woods. Stephanie has a paradise here and I feel so fortunate to be able to enjoy it with her.

I just can't thank John & Chris enough...this move has just been such a blessing. It's also nice to spend time with my daughter and also my son, Sandy, who only lives 15 minutes south of Earl's Cove in Kleindale.

Below and on the next page are a few photos of the Matchbox in its new home. My daughter's home is up the hill from the Airstream. The 'beardo' in the last photo is my son, Sandy.





















