



West Virginia Airstream Club 115

Fall Edition 2024

Welcome to Our Club...

The following people have joined our club since May 2024. We look forward to meeting you folks soon.

New Members: Paul Ciciora and Kim Williams BR# 5268

New Affiliate Members: None

June 14, Cog Railway Ride up Mount Washington in Brenton Woods, New Hampshire

We had some club members who rode up Mount Washington [tallest peak in the northeast] on the historic Cog Railway with the NEMAC Club. The weather turned very wet and blustery while the group stood on the summit. They were finally dry again by the time they got to the bottom of the mountain.

[Michael Giunta 15382]

[Marie Rose 4531]

[Michael Giunta 15383]

June 19 – 23 "Rally in the Valley" in Lewisburg, WV at the WV State Fairgrounds

15 units came to this rally. Attendees went to the Renaissance Festival, a concert in the park, and a Pepperoni Roll Baking Contest. Kathy Robinson submitted "Shiny Hiney Classic

Pepperoni Rolls" for the club at the contest. It was given first place for the People's Choice Award and second place for the Judge's Choice Award.

Club members also participated in a Community Service Project by collecting pet and cleaning items. The items were donated to the Greenbrier Valley Human Society in memory of Coco [the deceased rally attending greyhound that belonged to Ned and Gina (2017 – 2023)].



Bronze Bells ring out music and Tree Man Statue [Al Akers 24901]



Thank you for remembering my friend, Coco.

[Shelba Tucker 8200]

## August 8 – 11 "Rally on the Mountain" in Moundsville, WV at Grand Vue Park

12 units came to this rally. This campground provides a daily shuttle bus to local tourist sites. Attendees toured the former State Penitentiary built in 1866, the Hindu Palace of Gold Temple (one of the most beautiful places to visit in the USA), the Fostoria Glass Museum, and the Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex (burial mounds 250 – 150 BC).

We even had a few very brave members who went up the climbing wall

at the RV park.

Outside and inside the Palace [Debbie May 4446]



Palace Skylight
[Al Akers 24901]

Climbing wall and Moonrise





and Moonrise
Al Akers 24901]

September 8 *Business Meeting* in Beckley, WV at Pasquale's Restaurant

A small group gathered to visit with friends, make club decisions, and elect officers for our club. Starting in November 2024, Kathy Robinson will take over as the President, Jerry Gouhin will continue to be the Vice President, Gina Busch will continue to be the Recording Secretary, and Debbie May will continue to be the Treasurer.

Thank you to Shelba for being our president for the last four years.

## Upcoming Rallies and Events in 2025

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May 14 – 18 *Region 4 Rally* in Lewisburg, WV at the WV State Fairgrounds August 23 – 28 *68<sup>th</sup> Annual Airstream Club International Rally* in York, Pennsylvania September TBA *62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Swiss Festival* in Sugarcreek, Ohio

There are no scheduled club-sponsored rallies at this time for the 2025 camping season. If anyone has any rally ideas, please contact any of the club officers.

## Travel Teasers: The ABC's of America

Our country has lots of interesting physical features and much history has been preserved. You can go as an individual family or you can join an ACI rally or caravan.

Bucket List: Here are some of the interesting and unusual nature-made and man-made places to see in the lower 48.



**Connecticut** [Region 1]: The Ice Age did not scour away all of flood fossils in New England. You can see small and large dinosaur footprints in Rocky Hill, Connecticut at the *Dinosaur State Park*. These trace fossils are extremely rare. Some of the footprints are inside of a building to



protect them from the elements. Other footprints are outside beside the parking lot. [Nature-made]

Whether you like the ocean or not, Connecticut has something for you. For coastal lovers, Stonington, which is near Mystic, has a lovely lighthouse in its harbor. This maritime community was founded in the early 1660's. And for the interior landlubbers, Washington has the David Thoreau Footbridge in the *Hidden Valley Preserve*. It is a 120-foot-long suspension bridge that crosses the Shepaug River as part of a wooded trail. [Man-made]

Q: Why did the *Bambi* stop short of its destination?

A: Because it was two (too) tired.

HA HA HA HA



Regular Reminder: All club members can also join rallies and events held by other clubs all across the North America. To find out what else is going on, go to <a href="mailto:airstreamclub.org">airstreamclub.org</a>.



Until the fall/winter travel season is over...



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