



MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR
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Greetings to all CAC Streamers, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you. What a great CAC year we had in 2024. Our Ocean Lakes rally last month provided me with an opportunity to thank many of you for your support this year. Yet still, many of you couldn't make the rally but your support was equally critical to the success of our club's growth and performance.

As I pass the baton to Ray Combes this coming year, I'm confident the new leadership team will lean on many of you to do what you do best-volunteer. We are a club of enthusiasts and doers and have traditionally set the pace within Region 3 and ACI.

Roger Holland put together a great rally schedule for us this coming year, so please do yourself a favor and make your reservations early. Our schedule next year includes the 65th Carolinas Airstream Club anniversary which we will celebrate at Ocean Lakes from 29 October to 2 November 2025. I challenge each of you to get involved early and volunteer your talents to make the 65th a memorable event for all.

Again, Jan and I wish you the best of Holidays. Keep the coming days focused on yourselves and your families. Safe travels and hope to see each of you in 2025. Safe travel.

Steve

VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER



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"I need six months of vacation, twice a year." – Unknown

2024 was a great year for the Carolinas Airstream Club and I would like to start by thanking Steve and Jan for the great job that they did serving during the last 3 years. Carol and I have certainly learned a lot from them.

As you all know by now 2025 is the anniversary year of our 65th birthday. Terry Sheally and her team have been working very hard to make the coming year meaningful to all of us. Be on the lookout for information about the celebration throughout the year. From digitizing the history of our club to an amazing banquet being planned for Myrtle Beach, the year looks to be an exciting one.

A special thank you to Tab Adams who has been the editor and publisher of our club newsletter, the Tar Heel Traveler. Penny Guenther will be taking over that responsibility for 2025.

For those of you who may be trying to get a campsite for our 2025 rallies at James Island, Goose Creek and Kerr Lake, but have been unable to find one available you might want to make use of the site "wanderinglabs". It will let you know when vacancy occurs in those campgrounds once you enter your information. Also keep checking the Carolinas Airstream Club Facebook page as those who must cancel are posting their sites there as being available.

The international rally this year is much closer to us. It is in York Pennsylvania, so if you're planning to go and have not already signed up, please do so. Once we get an idea of how many are going, we can set up a caravan to York for our club.

As you may remember Airstreamers, who attended the international rally last year donated over \$25,000 to hurricane relief in the Carolina mountains. We certainly belong to a great organization.

Our thoughts go out to those who were so drastically affected by Hurricane Helene. Let's keep them in our hearts as they continue to recover.

And finally, I'm hoping everyone has a great holiday season.

Ray



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As of Dec 18, 2024, the Carolinas Airstream Club is 362 rigs and 676 members strong! A year ago, we had 310 rigs and 578 members. We increased by 20 Regular and 32 Affiliate member rigs! Thanks to everyone for sharing what our club has to offer with fellow Airstreamers and helping our club grow. Looking forward to another great camping year and meeting new friends in 2025!

Have a question about membership? Send me an Email!

Thank you,
Lee Dunn
CAC Membership Chair



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As we wind up this year it is fitting once again to thank Steve & Jan along with all the other officers, directors, committee chairs and volunteers who make the Carolinas Airstream Club a special organization and group of friends. This year has proven to be a testament to their leadership and guidance.

Moving into 2025 we are poised to have another exciting and meaningful year! Rallies are already filling up and reservations are being made! I would encourage everyone to review the rally schedule and make reservations as soon as you can along with registering for the rallies on our CAC website.

We also are looking at making some rally additions during the year as things work out, so be on the lookout for some new opportunities as the year progresses! Plans are also underway for the 2026 rally schedule thanks to the work of our new 2nd VP, John Hoffman. John and Renee are already busy exploring and planning for the year and would welcome any ideas any of you might have.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday season, and if you are like us, we are looking forward to being back on the road soon gathering once again with our Airstream family!



Rally 'Round Campfire
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HOHOHO! The holidays are in full swing, and another year is about to end. Wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas and New Year!

Looking forward to the 2025 Rallies and seeing everyone again.

Safe travels for those on the road during the holidays

“Life isn't a line but a circle. The ending of each year brings with it a new beginning.” Author Unknown

cherylanne!

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A Christmas Greeting from the Bodensteins to all the Carolinas Airstream club members. Claire and I have just made the incredibly difficult decision not to renew our International Membership for 2025 and I will try to explain some of the reasons why. We considered a few factors. One major one of course is the fact that we have been long time members of another fantastic Airstream family called Virginia Highland Haven and during our time on the board at CAC we saw little of VHH while missing them dearly. Highland Haven has always been our “home away from home” and it's time to rejoin them.

Also, even as I hate to admit it, we are both well into our 80's now and, though we are both still in decent health for the most part, there comes a time when one needs to face the realities of our time left on this earth. We have enjoyed traveling in Europe in the last few years and hope to do more, maybe combined with another trans-Atlantic cruise. Also, we are considering a final extended turn around the Northwest (Airstreaming of course) visiting family and hitting a few elusive states we've skipped over.

I haven't even mentioned my own “personal projects” that are hanging over me. A few of you know of them. I just “gotta get em done” says Claire. Bottom line is, we are just too busy and while “the club” has been great fun and we love a bunch of you, we need to back away gracefully (I hope). We've had a ball at the many rallies we've attended *and* hosted over the years, and we will no doubt see many of you down the road, either at VAHH or perhaps at a non-club affiliated event like Alumalina or Silver in the City here in York, SC. So...

It is with much love, Bruce and Claire Bodenstein



Mike and Georgia Olympio on their European cruise on the Danube River.

Welcome New Members

Robert & Shaunee Howard from Hope Mills, NC, and their 2018 28'
International Serenity

Affiliate Members Amanda & Matthew Stork from Romeo, MI, and their 2024
23' Flying Cloud TB

Natalie & Michael Aman from Hookerton, NC, and their 2024 27' Flying Cloud
27FBQ

Affiliate Members Judy Barrett & Robert Jenkins from Dunedin FL, and their
2019 23' Flying Cloud FBQ

2025 Rally and Caravan Schedule

Full details on Rallies and Caravans can be found by [Clicking Here](#)

March 2025

2025 James Island SC Rally March 20-23

April 2025

2025 Tanglewood Park NC Rally April 3-6

2025 Region 3 Rally April 9-13

May 2025

Shining in Shelby" Urban Rally, Shelby, NC May 8-11

Goose Creek NC Rally May 15-18

June 2025

Cool Breeze, Galax VA Rally June 5-8

NC Blue Ridge Waterfalls Galore Rally June 19-22

August 2025

Fun Time on Kerr Dam, VA Rally August 14-17

Carolinas Traveling Group to International August 19-23

September 2025

Mills River NC Wagon Wheel Rally September 11-14

Carolina Mountain Jamboree Joint Rally September 18-21

October 2025

Broad River NC Rally October 9-12

Ocean Lakes, 65th CAC Anniversary, Myrtle Beach Rally October 29-
November 2

November 2025

Christmas At Biltmore Estate November 11-14

Are you "spooked" about being at Ocean Lakes during Halloween weekend for the 2025 65th anniversary rally? No need! Ocean Lakes holds their Halloween celebrations the weekends before actual Halloween weekend. In fact, all of the Halloween decoration in the Rec Center will be removed before we arrive for the rally.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Bubbles Flamingo

Are you for real?

Of course! I have an official Airstream Club International name badge to prove it!

Do you live up to your name?

I hope so!

When did you become a member of the Airstream community?

When I crashed a Happy Hour at Ocean Lakes in March 2023. Initially, the Airstreamers were skeptical about me, which I thought was because I did not bring a glorious dish to pass at the event. By the time the Happy Hour was finished, though, I was part of the club!

Do you travel to rallies or join caravans?

I have been known to show up at a few caravans and rallies, unannounced, of course. As I meet more and more Airstreamers, my appearance is less and less of a surprise. In fact, I have been recruited to make a guest appearance on more than one occasion.

What do you hope to bring to the Airstream community?

Fun! I also do my part to volunteer, such as serving breakfast at the Region 3 rally in 2023. (Pssst. This is where I reinforce the importance of Airstream club members volunteering at the unit, region or international levels. Volunteers are what keep the clubs thriving!)

What has been your most memorable rally?

The urban rally, Silver in the City, in York, South Carolina, April 2023. During that rally, I was arrested by the town's Chief of Police on the street where the Airstreams were parked! I never found out what the charges were, but my time with the Chief was fun while it lasted!

Do you have any relatives?

Apparently, I have a relative, Feathers Flamingo, but I have yet to find her.