

THE POINT



AL-MON-O PA AIRSTREAM CLUB

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

Happy New Year!

December has been a very busy month. I always look forward to our club Christmas luncheon and this year was no exception. We had a very good meal at Fat Eddy's BBQ in Grove City, Pa. Thanks to all who came out. On January 18 we will be attending the Pittsburgh RV Show. For the past few years a small group of us have met at the show to check out the many RVs, and of course, the Airstreams. After we've checked out too many campers, we end up at a nearby taco restaurant. It's always a toss up of what the highlight of the day is, the Airstreams or the tacos. Let Cody or myself know if you can come.

Stevie and Dick Kline are hosting a luncheon at Paci's Restaurant in Brownsville on February 8. Make sure to let Stevie know if you are attending by February 1.

The Region 2 Rally signup will be opening this month also. All the information for signing up can be found in Region President Gary Russo's newsletter input.

In June we have two rallies scheduled. The first is a joint rally with the PA Unit on June 13-15 in Cook Forest State Park. You can reserve a site through Reserve America. The second rally in June will be the PA State Rally. This year we will be at the Treasure Lake KOA in Dubois, Pa. The dates are June 26-29. A link for registration can be found in the schedule at the end of the newsletter.

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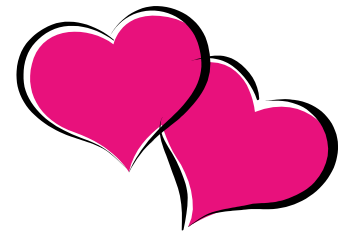
Order all club apparel from Mike's Embroidery, owned by Cody Klingler. Please email Cody at cwk5292@gmail.com to order.

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BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES



JANUARY

- 19 Paul Labuda
- 25 Toby Meyer
- 28 Charlotte Headlee

NEWSLETTER IDEAS!

Hello WBAC members of the Al-Mon-O Airstream Club.

Without news, there is no newsletter. Without rallies and

luncheons, there is nothing to write about. Or is there? Some believe this is a time where we need one another even more. Please share articles, anecdotes, photos, recipes, jokes, member interviews, anything Airstream related that will let us feel connected.

Throw out a prompt like "What is your new favorite small appliance?" or "Adventures with our first camper."

Please send your offerings to Cody Klingler (cwk5292@gmail.com) no later than the 25th of each month. Thanks!!!

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Cody Klingler

2025 LUNCHEON / RALLY SCHEDULE

March Luncheon

April Rally or Luncheon

July Rally

September Rally

October Rally or Luncheon

November Luncheon



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Last and certainly not least is the International Rally in York Pa. As of the beginning of December there were 750 trailers registered. 219 of those are from Region 2. The Region 2 officers are planning a luncheon at the rally. Dates and signups will be announced in the coming weeks. I hope to see many of you there.

I know there are some of our members that are traveling with their Airstreams and they have shared some of their adventures with us in this newsletter. Thanks to all for sharing and keep the pictures and stories coming.

That's all for now.

Matt



2024 Annual Business Meeting/Christmas Luncheon



President: Matt Moore

FROM YOUR 1ST AND 2ND VICE PRESIDENTS

By April and Joel Weber

As I write this I'm sitting in an old Airstream (only) RV park in Punta Gorda Florida. It's mid-December 2024. Cody has asked me to contribute an article each month to our newsletter. He's been waiting for me to do this for months now, but I just didn't know what to write about. He suggested "get to know us, Joel and April Weber".

By the time you read this it will be January 2025, so Happy New Year everyone! We are enjoying spending the winter months in this park. We are here through March and I'll be telling you more about park and the things we do in the area next month.

Joel and I have camped for years, first tent camping with our children and then finally buying a camper when they were in high school and no longer wanted to camp with us. It was a 1964 Scotty Goucho. We camped in that for many years, taking it mostly to NASCAR tracks. After that we had a 33 ft toy hauler, then a Winnebago motor home.

Joel and I joined the AI-Mon-O club about five years ago when we purchased a 16 ft. Caravel. (we are lucky to have the same BRN as his Grandparents). Our plan was to take this little camper to Glacier National Park, and to as many other parks that we could hit on the way there and back. We towed it with our Jeep Gladiator and soon realized we needed a bigger camper and a bigger truck. We now love camping in our 27 ft. International.

Joel retired a few years ago from a sales job selling automated welding systems. I'm an artist. I used to have a decorative painting business in Pittsburgh. Mostly residential, mostly hired though interior designers. I niched myself with my wood graining and marbling, but I got to do some fun things too.

When we became empty-nesters we moved from the south hills of Pittsburgh to Dubois PA, my hometown. We live in my grandparent's house. We've lived here 10 years now. I volunteer at a nursing home and Joel helps out at the food bank. We enjoy trivia nights and game nights with friends. Joel loves to cook and grill so we watch a lot of cooking shows on television. We love to eat out and try new foods. Joel grows fresh vegetables in a garden every summer and I grow Dahlias. We are learning to forage for mushrooms.

In our free time we like to take our camper and go....mostly to Chambersburg PA – Twin Bridge Campground – because our 2 grandchildren love it there. This campground is so great for kids with activities all day long every weekend and a creek that runs through the middle of it. Some other campgrounds we have stayed at in that area are:

Cowan's Gap State Park (very nice)

Caledonia state Park (great swimming pool, but limited dog friendly campsites so we really need to plan ahead at this park)

Gettysburg KOA (nice and we even once rented a cabin here).

Hagerstown KOA (we don't recommend this campground, and we gave them a second, and a third chance!)

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We've spent the past few summers camping in Colorado. We use Harvest Hosts on our way there and back, and on the way to and from Florida. We've even stayed at a few around Chambersburg. I'd say we've had mostly good experiences with that. The scariest part for me is summer storms in the Midwest, and not having a storm shelter available. But that's just me, Joel seems to sleep right through them.

I didn't know much about the Al-Mon-O club when I offered to take on the 2nd vice president role a few years back. I only knew that the newsletter kept mentioning that the position needed filled and I thought, I can do this, right? Joel fell in line right behind me, so we're learning as we go with the help of Matt and Cody. We have no plans for a western trip this summer. Our only plans are to attend as many WBCCI events as we can so that we can better get to know you all



Happy New Year!



VISIT TO SAN ANTONIO

By Denny & Gayle Gibson

Happy New Year to our Al-Mon-O family! This is our fifth year as Winter Texans in the Rio Grande Valley. In December, with Christmas fast approaching, we wanted to do something to get into the holiday spirit. (Which can be hard to do in 80 degree weather with cacti and palm trees everywhere!)

Last year we toured Galveston, Texas where we met up with friends and fellow Al-Mon-O members, Edie and Joe Rogers. They told us about their visit to San Antonio and how much they enjoyed the River Walk. Based on their recommendation, we made reservations and left the comfort of our site at Texas Trails RV Resort in Pharr, Texas.



The original River Walk was designed by Robert Hugman, an architect, and approved by the city in 1929. But due to the Great Depression, construction did not begin until 1939. The first section was completed in 1941. It evolved into the Spanish style with winding walkways, fanciful stonework, imaginative lighting, and two arched bridges. Semi-tropical plantings enhance these beautiful surroundings. Tourism really took off when hotels were built along the River Walk in time for the San Antonio World's Fair in 1968.

For the Christmas season, the River Walk puts on an extravagant display of lights. They drip from the tree branches, surround tree trunks, and light up the many

shops and restaurants. We took an informative and festive boat tour along the river after sunset. The lights were beautiful against the dark sky! Boats decked out in Christmas decorations and lights passed by us with groups of singing carolers who waved and shouted "Merry Christmas"! We finally felt the Christmas spirit!

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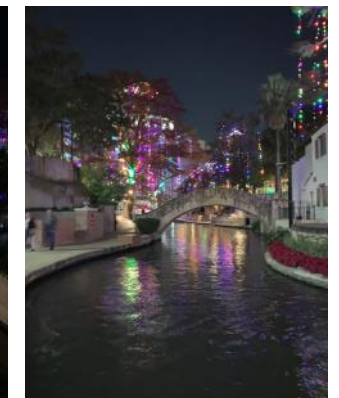
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San Antonio is also rich in colonial history. The Alamo is an 18th century Spanish mission, infamous for the 1836 battle for Texan independence from Mexico. We toured the Alamo. It was smaller than we had thought, but within those old stone walls we could imagine the echoes of "Come and take it!" and "Remember the Alamo!"

This was a wonderful side trip, both for the holiday season and also for the history. If you are ever nearby, we definitely recommend a visit to San Antonio, Texas.



REGION 2 NEWS—DECEMBER

Hello from the Snowy North,

Happy Holidays! We had a mixed Thanksgiving here weather wise. Thursday was nice and sunny, but Friday, Saturday and Sunday Western New York made the news. So, if you watched the Buffalo Bills vs San Francisco 49ers game, this was a typical Buffalo snow bowl here.

Fortunately, Rochester did not get the full snow experience like Buffalo, but we did get 4-6 inches of the white stuff on the ground.

Registration update for the York Rally. At this moment Region 2 has 203 rigs registered for the International out of 722! **Way to go!**

The search is on. My term as Region 2 President will be coming to an end on July 31, 2025. The Region 2 team is looking for a 2nd VP. Region 2 covers the following areas: Ontario Canada, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Washington DC, Delaware, and Maryland. If you are interested in volunteering as a Region officer, please contact me directly, Patti Galupo or Matt Moore.

I am now starting to get requests from Jackson Center related to the York Rally. They are asking for the below listed support from Region 2 clubs. The Central Pennsylvania Club is the closest club to the York venue so I'll be working closely with Terry Hauschild. I'm hoping all of the Region 2 Clubs will be supporting this major event which is in our backyard.

Please review the support request from Jackson Center below.

If you see an area of support that interests you, please step up.

- Provide local information for International Club's Marketing/Communications including:
 - Identify several contributors to write articles for club publications about the rally locale,
 - Best routes to the rally site,
 - Camping suggestions for enroute to the rally through the region,
 - Staging areas near the rally site for members to meet up before entering rally site (for parking together),
 - Suggestions for local vendors to participate in the exhibitor show, and
 - Other local information specific to the region and rally site that is useful to members traveling in the area.
- At the Sedalia Rally, the **Ambassador program** was started and well received. A signup list will be coming from Jackson Center.
- Recruited volunteers from the local clubs in the region will act as **Ambassadors** at the rally which will involve:
 - ✦ Answering questions, providing directions to events in the park and being that enthusiastic presence ready to offer a smile and some assistance.
 - ✦ Attending an orientation session at the start of the rally to be briefed on the rally logistics and other information as needed, and to set up the rally event app and learn to use it.
 - ✦ Wearing special vest provided by the rally that identifies them as a Rally Ambassador.
 - ✦ Posting at strategic locations around the rally site to assist members with questions, directions, or local information.
 - ✦ Manning the doors to the Exhibitor Hall before opening hours to allow only exhibitors to enter.
 - ✦ Identify
 - Community Service programs
 - Local tourist attractions

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As you can see, we have multiple opportunities to help at the York Rally.

Please contact

Primary: Debbie Wood, 704-430-9196, dwood@airstreamclub.org \

Secondary: Sherrye McCabe, 937-722-1436, smccabe@airstreamclub.org



Let's Make History at the 68th Airstream Club International Rally located in York, Pennsylvania: August 23-28, 2025. Registration is now open. Go to the Airstream Club website today and don't miss out seeing old friends and making new ones at the event. This event is in our Region -- let's show them how to have fun!!!

REGION 2 NEWS—JANUARY

I can't believe I'm saying this, but it's 2025! Happy New Year!! Some of you are already digging out of 2-3 feet of Lake Erie snow.



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I have good news. The Region Rally team just finished up the final touches for the Region 2 Rally on May 1-4, 2025. This year's theme is Kentucky Derby Days. We will be showing the race live on Saturday. Do not forget women and, of course, men to make sure to wear your finest head coverings for race time! The Washington DC Unit is sponsoring the rally. Matt Moore, our Region 2 2nd VP and Joy Spahr, President of the Washington DC Unit have various fun events planned during the rally.

You can't have a rally without great food and music. If you came last year, you were not disappointed. Again, this year, we were able to get Nittany Catering to provide breakfast and dinner on Saturday. Remember to bring your dancing shoes for after the race. This year we have our own Party Girl Dancing Patti G. playing the tunes!

Registration for the rally starts January 6th. So don't be left in the gate. The registration link is below.

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International Rally at York PA update



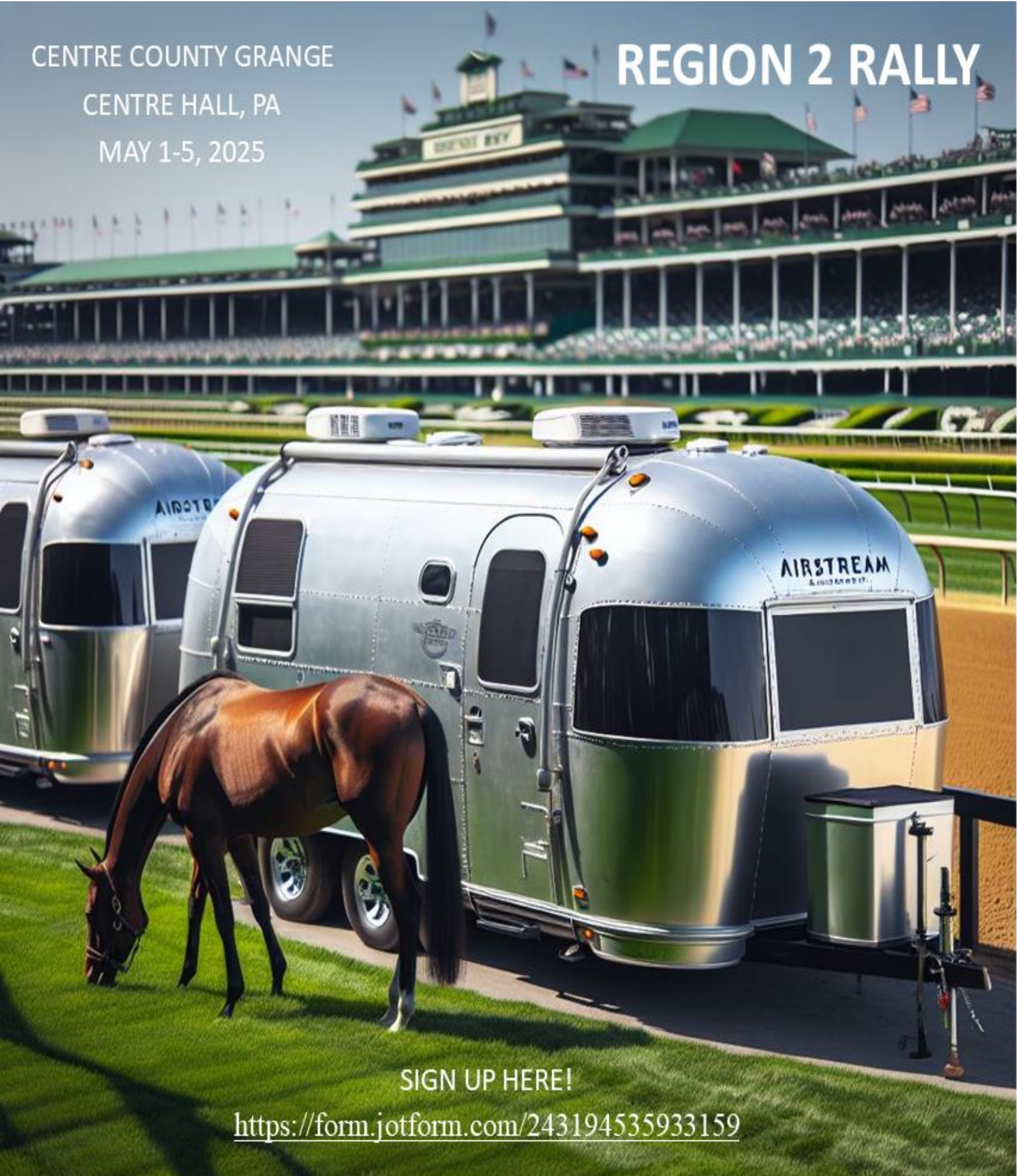
Debbie Wood is still looking to identify chairpersons for the Community Service and the Tours committees. They typically look for someone in the host region as they are more familiar with options available. Let me know if you have suggestions for these positions, and I will forward them to Debby.

--Gary Russo (#1061)



CENTRE COUNTY GRANGE
CENTRE HALL, PA
MAY 1-5, 2025

REGION 2 RALLY



SIGN UP HERE!

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Scan or Click the QR Code to Register today!

2025 Pennsylvania Rally

June 26-29, 2025

Dubois / Treasure Lake KOA

95 Coral Reef Rd.

Dubois, PA 15801

814-913-1437

Campsites offer:

- 30 Amp electric service
- Water
- Dump station

Catch up with old friends and meet new friends at the Pennsylvania Rally. The Dubois / Treasure Lake KOA is located deep within a beautiful private gated community. Take in the natural beauty and wildlife as you drive through the community. Campers can enjoy an outdoor pool, playground, and volleyball, basketball, corn hole and gaga ball courts.

It's adventure you seek, there's plenty to keep you occupied in the area. You will have access to 2 top PGA-rated golf courses and a gorgeous white sand beach. The community also offers family-friendly dining at Duffers' Tavern or the 19th Hole Tavern. There are kayaks, canoes, and paddle boats for rent at the Marina. The area also hosts various wineries, distilleries, and unique shops for your exploration and is a 45 minute drive to the Elk Visitors Center, in the heart of the Pennsylvania Wilds.



2025 Al-Mon-O Bluegrass Rally

Laurel Hill State Park - Somerset, Pa 15501

When: Friday, August 15 – Sunday, August 17

Location: Kooser State Park 943 Glades Pike, Somerset, PA

Campground Reservations: Make reservations online at www.reserveamerica.com.

Let Dick & Stevie Kline (stevie.kline@gmail.com) know with site number.

Rally fee: TBD

Activities: TBD—All Al-Mon-O activities will be held at Kooser State Park

Laurel Hill Bluegrass Festival

Laurel Hill State Park
1454 Laurel Hill State Park
Somerset, PA

The festival is free of admission and sponsored by the Friends of Laurel Hill and many other local businesses. Entry is first come, first served.

Bring your folding chairs. There is a large tent with chairs but it often fills up fast and early. There is a large parking lot available with shuttle carts to the performance area.

Besides food vendors there will be local artisans with crafts and products, period re-enactor village with demonstrations, games and wagon rides.



**WBCCI AI-Mon-O Pennsylvania Airstream Club (131)
2025 Tentative Schedule**

Date/Time	Event	Location	Host(s)	Contact Info
January 18	Pittsburgh RV Show	Pittsburgh Convention Center	Matt Moore & Cody Klingler	Join us for a fun day of exploring RV's and come to lunch after. RSVP to Cody (cwk5292@gmail.com or 724-504-6884).
February 8 11:30 AM	Luncheon	Paci's Lounge & Dining Room 384 Old National Pike Brownsville, PA 15417	Dick & Stevie Kline	RSVP to stevie.kline@gmail.com by Feb. 1
May 1-4	Region 2 Rally	Centre County Grange 169 Holman Ln. Centre Hall, PA 16828	Region 2 Officers	Fill out the Jotform below to signup: https://form.jotform.com/243194535933159
June 13-15	Joint event with Pennsylvania Airstream Club	Cook Forest State Park Leeper, PA	PAC/AI-Mon-O	Contact Cindi Carbine at cacarbine@gmail.com or Reserve America to book your site. There are 10 sites blocked off for the group. Email Cody or Matt as well once reserved.
June 26-29	Pennsylvania Rally	DuBois / Treasure Lake KOA Holiday 95 Coral Reef Rd. DuBois, PA 15801	AI-Mon-O PA	Fill out the Jotform below to signup: https://form.jotform.com/243006126876153
August 15-17	Bluegrass Rally	Laurel Hill State Park 1454 Laurel Hill Park Road Somerset, PA 15501 (Make reservations online at www.reserveamerica.com)	Dick & Stevie Kline	Contact Stevie Kline at stevie.kline@gmail.com and let know site number.
August 23-28	67th ACI Rally	York Expo Center York, PA	International	Details to come

This schedule is tentative and could be subject to change. If anyone is interested in hosting a luncheon, picnic or rally, please reach out to Cody Klingler.