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# Alabama Airstream Club Newsletter

January 2025

## President's Message

As I write this letter from the Canopener Rally in Destin this morning, it's 31 degrees at the beach, Brrr. For 2025, I would like to personally invite any new members or non-active members to attend one of our rallies this year. Last year I attended 7 rallies and have several set up for this year.

It is such a great way to experience the Airstream community. I meet new air streamers at every rally I attend. It has been such a welcoming community for me this past 3 years.

We have 3 Alabama rallies scheduled for this year. Our first rally is in March at Mystic Springs Airstream Park in Pensacola, then The Ballon Fest Rally on The Gulf Coast in May and The Fiddlers Rally in Athens Alabama in October. Also, the Alabama Vintage Club is having a Cave Rally at Cathedral Caverns in March hosted by Craig Hardwick our vice president. He has invited any Alabama members to attend.

I will be attending all of these rallies and hope that you will sign up for one of our rallies.

I look forward to meeting any new and existing members.

See Ya Down the Road, Mike Riggins , President

## **New Members**

Welcome to these new members that have joined the Alabama Airstream Club. We hope to see you soon at an upcoming event. Amy & Keith Knowles 18492 Birmingham, AL

> Eric Vawter 06965 Wetumpka, AL

Jeff & Dena Whitmore
08026
Kennesaw, GA
Affiliate

Peter & Nancy Cutler 07178 Auburn, AL Affiliate

Brian & Lucy Kelleher 07090 Birmingham, AL

John & Bonnie Ruskauff 05139 North Salt Lake, UT Affiliate

Janet & Brad Morgan 06420 Rural Retreat, VA

> Linda Watson 06420 Lexington, MA Affiliate

Mitch & Susan Elliott

04338 Mount Gilead, NC Affiliate

Brode & Clole Morgan
11130
Little Rock AR
Affiliate

Tim & Robin Vaughan
08234
Brookhaven, MS
Affiliate

Roy & Terry Schaub 06621 Salem, AL

Robert & Rebecca Perere

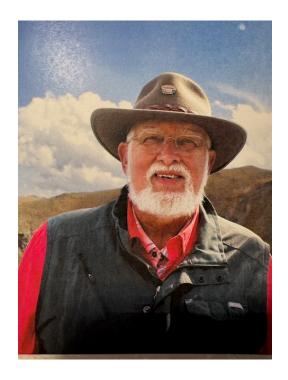
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Walker, LA

Affiliate

#### **Sad News**

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of Jim (DOC) Bloom. Jim was an important part of our Alabama Club where he actively participated for many years. He was affectionally called DOC (Dutch Oven Cook) for the amazing meals he provided. He will certainly be missed at our future rallies.



Jim Bloom 1946-2024

## **Upcoming Events**

Mystic Springs Rally
Mystic Springs Cove
McDavid, FL
Mar 6-9, 2025
(See registration & info below)

## Alabama Airstream Club Balloon Rally

Anchors Aweigh RV Resort Foley, AL Apr 30 - May 4, 2025

We have 25 full hook-up sites reserved for this rally. Make your reservations today to get a site close to the clubhouse. Call 251-971-6644 to make your site reservation.

York, PA
Aug 23-28, 2025
Register at airstream.org.

#### **Region 6 Rally**

Sevierville, TN Sep 24-28, 2025 Call 865-505-3111 to make your site reservation.

#### **Fiddlers Rally**

Athens, AL
Oct 1-5, 2025
The headliner acts have been announced:
Wednesday: Joe Mullins and the Radio Ramblers
Thursday: Pitney and Meyer
Friday: Jimmy Fortune
Saturday: Rhonda Vincent

Registration for this rally will open soon.

### **Area Meetings**

#### **Montgomery Area**

Submitted by John Rylee

The Montgomery Area Airstreamers met on January 13 at the Olive Garden Restaurant. Attending were Paul & Flip Aehnlich, Brooks, and Catherine Darby, Steve & Becky Padgett, and hosts John & Carol Rylee. We had a very good time and it was capped off with special treats prepared for everyone by Catherine Darby. See you down the road!

John Rylee, Editor

#### **North Alabama Area**

Submitted by Mary Ellen Hall

The North Alabama area group will meet for lunch at 11:00 AM, February 13, at Phil Sandoval in Madison, AL. Contact Mary Ellen Hall to let her know you are coming, 256-694-4596.



## Pensacola/Alabama Airstream Club Joint Rally Mystic Springs Cove 591 Mystic Springs Rd McDavid, FL 32568

Dates: Mar 6-9,2025

Name(s)	
Address	
State	ZIP Code
Phone	
E-Mail	
WBCCI#	(Big Red Number)
Rally Fee per per	son: \$15.00 (pay at the rally)
Camping Fee -Ful	l hookup: 30 Amp - \$25.00 per night 50
Amp - \$30.00 per	night.(pay at the rally)

Deadline: March 3, 2025

Email to: Robert Fike, <a href="mailto:robfike@comcast.net">robfike@comcast.net</a> or mail to 2569 Easley Dr., Andalusia, AL 36420.

On Thursday, the grill will be hot for you to grill your dinner. The Alabama Club will be responsible for the Saturday breakfast and the Pensacola Club plans to serve Gumbo for Saturday dinner. A corn hole contest is planned so start practicing when you get there.