

NORVA NEWS



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Message from the President

The first NORVA rally of 2025 is in the books! Eight hardy souls came out to Mason Neck State Park to enjoy a New Years Day hike along the river and through the woods. We met up at 8:00 am and ended up hiking a total of about five miles. It was a bit cool and windy but the terrain wasn't too hilly and everyone had a great time. The First Day Hike program is offered in all of the Virginia State Parks and each of the four Virginia Airstream Clubs picked a state park and had a had a rally there to welcome the new year.

NORVA has at least one rally every month and the next one is our annual Super Bowl Party. The host for the party will be Cecil Hoosier and the party will be at his house in Amisville, VA. All the details are listed later in the newsletter along with a link to sign up. In March we have the New Members Rally to be held at the Bunnyman Brewing Cafe in Lorton, VA, details will follow. All of our new NORVA members who have signed up in the last year are invited along with anyone who would like to attend and welcome our newest members to the club. Check out the NORVA calendar for all of the exciting rallies (and a caravan) we have planned for the coming year. I look forward to seeing everyone out on the road.

Bob Nickel
President, NORVA

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“Let’s not make changes, let’s only make improvements.”

Wally Bayam

February 9

Superbowl Party
Hoosier’s Home
3448 Holly Springs Road
Amissville, VA



Contact: hoosierw@sprynet.com

Come join us for Super Bowl LIX. Cecil is looking forward to hosting this event. He will provide paper goods, soft drinks, tea and coffee. BYOB for anything stronger. We will gather at 4 pm for a Pot-Luck so bring a dish to share. Let’s get-together to watch the game and cheer for your favorite team. This is a no fee rally.

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/northern-virginia/norva-calendar-22>

March 22 11 am-1 pm

Members’ Rally
Host: Jim Oxley
Location: Bunnyman Brewing Cafe
9514 Workhouse Way
Lorton, VA 22079

Come one, come all to the brewery located within the former Lorton Reformatory (Occoquan Workhouse). Meet our new members and share your experiences and friendships with the whole NORVA community.

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/norva-2025-new-member-rally>



April 9-13 “Streamin’ in the Sweetgrass”

Region 3 Rally,
Exchange Park Fairgrounds, Ladson, SC
Event Contact Bob and Ginger Mary 828-443-7918

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/region-3-2025-rally>

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April 25-27

NORVA Maintenance Rally at Madison Vines RV Resort, Madison, VA

Host: Tom Carmichael

This is the popular Maintenance Rally that NORVA is famous for.

DJ Mastin, independent Airstream technician and owner of Broken Rivets RV Service, LLC, will be holding a seminar on the morning of Saturday, April 26, 2025. He will be on hand the whole weekend to discuss all aspects of maintaining Airstream trailers and Class B vans, DJ will also be available the for any needed servicing or minor repairs on your trailer at a discounted rate.

NORVA has reserved 30 sites for this rally and we encourage you to make your reservations as soon as possible but no later than February 21, 2025. Call the campground at (540) 948-4186 to make reservations. Campsite cost depends on the particular campsite you reserve, so be sure to



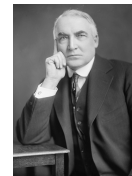
inform campground personnel that you are part of the NORVA Airstream Maintenance Rally and you will receive a 10% discount on your site. All sites have full hookups. After obtaining your camping reservations, register for the rally at the link above.

Check out Madison Vines RV Resort here: <https://madisonvinesrvresortandcottages.com>
Madison Vines prepares full dinners on Friday and Saturday night and we encourage you to participate. This is dutch treat and you sign up for the meals upon check-in.

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May 13-24: "Dead Presidents and a Bourbon Chaser" NORVA Caravan

Hosts: Drew and Elizabeth Morgan



Embark on a journey that blends American history, scenic beauty, and a splash of Kentucky's world-famous bourbon with the Dead Presidents and a Bourbon Chaser caravan hosted by the NORVA Airstream Club from May 13–24, 2025. Led by Drew and Elizabeth Morgan, this 12-day adventure will guide you through Ohio and Kentucky, two states rich in presidential heritage and natural splendor. Starting in Canton, Ohio, you'll explore historical gems and presidential libraries revolving around the lives and times of William McKinley, Warren G. Harding, U.S. Grant, and Rutherford B. Hayes. We will also visit the NFL Hall of Fame, and sites along Lake Erie and the Ohio River, all while enjoying relaxing stays at picturesque state parks. As you travel south, enjoy visits to the Airstream Mothership in Jackson Center and Wright-Patterson National Air Force Museum before winding up in the heart of Kentucky's Bourbon Trail, where you'll have the chance to explore world-renowned distilleries like Maker's Mark and Jim Beam.

With a pace designed for easygoing exploration, this caravan offers ample time for sightseeing and relaxation. You'll spend at least two nights at each campground, with only short, manageable



drives between stops. Enjoy group meals, local wineries, and brewery tours, including a visit to Ohio's oldest winery and a farewell dinner in Bardstown, KY, all while taking in the stunning springtime landscapes. Whether you're a history buff, a bourbon enthusiast, or simply looking for a scenic getaway, this caravan provides the perfect blend of education, adventure, and leisure. So, pack your bags and hitch your rig, bring your curiosity, and join us

for an unforgettable trip that blends history with fun before Memorial Day weekend kicks off! The current cost estimate is \$1300 for two; and \$900 for a single. Sign-up before **30 January 2025**. A \$500 deposit is due at sign-up.

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/norva-2025-caravan>

Contact Drew at 757-849-2219 or amorg210@gmail.com for additional information, a more detailed caravan itinerary, and to answer questions.

In addition to the video above, see the Presidential sites we will visit for Harding, Hayes, Grant, and McKinley, as well as the National Air Force Museum, see the following link: <https://roadtrips.ohio.org/trips/highway-to-history/ohios-presidential-history-stops> The fee is \$25 per person. Please pay by cash at the rally.

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The banner features a blue background with white text and five small images. The top left has the Spacious Skies Campgrounds logo. The main text reads 'NORVA RIVER RALLY 2025' in large white letters, followed by 'JUNE 6, 7, 8' and 'LURAY, VA'. In the top right, it says 'Rally Fees \$20.00 Per Adult Pay at Rally'. Below the text are five images: a dog with a 'NO TUSH!' sign, a wine bottle on a table, people playing corn hole, people with a food cart, and people rafting on a river. Each image has a caption below it: 'Dog Activities', 'Wine Tasting', 'Corn Hole', 'Great Food', and 'Raft Trip'. On the left side, it says 'Mention NORVA Airstream Club for Discounted Group Rate'.

June 6-8

Hosts: Gail and Doug Perkins/Bob and Wendy Nickel

Make your reservations at Spacious Skies, Luray. If you want to go on the Sunday rafting trip, be sure to book an extra night on Sunday the 8th so you won't miss a minute of the fun!

Rally Fee \$20 per adult collected at the Rally

You need to do two things to be part of this rally: reserve your campsite and once that is done, register at the link provided above.

We encourage you to make your reservations as soon as possible. The cost depends on the particular campsite you reserve, so be sure to inform campground personnel that you are part of the NORVA Airstream River Rally and you will receive a 20% discount on your site. Download campground map in resources below.

We will have full access to the building, picnic tables, and the huge open space area surrounding the building for our activities. There will be a wine tasting, bingo, Corn Hole contest, dog events, gatherings, Happy Hour, food and other games.

You can come a day early and also stay an extra day at the same rate. Stay an extra day and participate in a float down the river activity for Sunday, June 8, 2025.

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Make your reservations by calling the the campground at (540) 743-7222.

Be sure to inform Spacious Skies that your reservation is for the Airstream NORVA Airstream Rally

You can check out Spacious Skies Shenandoah Valley at: [Spacious Skies Shenandoah Views Campground](#)

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/norva-2025-river-rally>

Register soon as spaces are limited!

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August 4-9 Old Fiddler's Convention, Cool Breeze Campground, Galax, VA

Host: Christine Baum

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/galax-old-fiddlers-rallyAugust23-28>

August 23-28 : Airstream 68th International Rally, York Expo Center, York, PA

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/rally2025>

September 26-28: Virginia Commonwealth Rally, American Heritage RV Park, Williamsburg, VA

Stay tuned for more information.

October 23-26 Alumalina, Tom Johnson's Camping Work Rally Park, Marion, NC

Stay tuned for more information.

November 7-8: Urbanna Oyster Festival

Stay tuned for more information.

Welcome New Members!

David and Tari Clem



Tari and I are happy to be a part of the club. We live in Catharpin VA which is near Haymarket. Tari and I enjoy the RV lifestyle and after owning a couple of different fifth wheel RV's went to an Airstream show last spring at the Dulles Expo center to explore the brand. We weren't quite ready to buy at that time but loved the quality, uniqueness and simplicity of Airstream. We visited the dealership a few months ago and left owning a new Classic 33! We love it and went on our maiden voyage at the Urbana Oyster festival. We plan on traveling the country once I retire and this is our forever trailer.

A little about us. I work in the construction industry and Tari retired a couple of years ago after a long and successful career in finance and compliance at Lockheed Martin. We live on a small farm and enjoy riding our horses and motorcycles, as well as hiking and traveling to see new places. Also note that we have the ability to put another airstreamer up overnight if they needed to.

Thanks for reaching out and looking forward to meeting everyone.

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Larry and Susie Warren



We hail from NH where we raised our two kids, Brooke & Sam. We've been towing forever it seems. Since the kids were little anyway. Many vacations were spent touring Canada, or the surrounding states as well as trips to the South for Old Time Fiddle Conventions at Clifftop, Mt Airy, and Rockbridge.

Our 2017 27FB Flying Cloud (Shiny) is our first Airstream. How we went from budgeting for underwear to buying an Airstream is beyond us. But we're glad we did. We got rid of everything including our house of 34 years. On January 1st, 2018 we went full time and we hit the road. The start was an eye opener let me tell you. We ran smack dab into the Cyclone Bomb Blizzard of January 2018. We thought we were going to be ok if we stayed far enough north. Not so. We pulled over and spent the night of the blizzard at the welcome center in Matamoras, PA. We ended up taking Shiny through a "Streakin' Beacon" truck wash to get all the ice off the roof. The awning was completely encased in ice. We saw some things in the 6.5 years that followed.

We ended up at the Bridgewater Retirement Community in Bridgewater, VA on July 16th, 2024. How we ended up here is a long story. Suffice it to say that Larry's love for Old Time Fiddle music had a lot to do with it. Another move that we are very happy we made.

We are looking forward to attending a few rallies and meeting our fellow club members.

Tom and Trisha Nguyen



We are Tom & Trisha from Arlington, an Army family who planned to buy an Airstream in order to travel and explore America upon military retirement. An opportunity to buy a 31 ft Classic came earlier during pre-COVID. We lived in it for two years during the week days while I was stationed in Maryland, so we could keep our Virginia home. Tom recently retired after serving 30 years, and we spent 2024 traveling across the country. We love the outdoors and traveling with our two Corgi pups, Scout & Jasmine. We decided to invest in an Airstream because we wanted to buy an iconic, American-made travel trailer giving us the option of living full time comfortably; had a sleek design; and one that we could customize and renovate. The awesome Airstream culture and the wonderful people that we've met are a bonus. We look forward to meeting you along our travels. Happy glamping!

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And, finally, from Pete West, a different way to travel in your Airstream!



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A scenic landscape featuring a large body of water, mountains, and a highway bridge. A silver Airstream trailer is driving on the bridge, followed by a green pickup truck. The sky is blue with some clouds. The text "WHERE ADVENTURE BEGINS" is overlaid on the sky. The Airstream of Virginia logo and contact information are at the bottom.