

# MOUNTAIN ECHOES

Newsletter of the

#### Northeast Mountaineers Airstream Club

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#### **Greetings Mountaineers!**

Jim Reck has been posting on his Facebook page a countdown to the arrival of (astronomical) SPRING! Just 60 days and 22 hours (as of Saturday) until the vernal equinox. Jim's glass is definitely half full!

#### The NEMAC 2025 Rally schedule, cont.

Planning for our rallies proceeding nicely – we've had a chance to fill in some of the details that may have been missing on the Early Bird schedule we sent out last month.

With this letter, you'll find attached detail sheets for

- Searsport Shores Oceanfront Camping work weekend, May16-18 free camping and group meals in exchange for helping to get the property ready for the season. The price is right and the opportunities are intriguing.
- Springtime in Vermont June 13-15 at Gold Brook Campground in Stowe – so much to do, to see, and to eat! Registration begins in February.
- York County Blues Festival rally August 15-17 at Roger and Anna Nagy's property in Alfred, Maine, with miles of beaches, Portsmouth and Portland near by.

Also with this newsletter you'll find the information sheets for the **Fisherman's Memorial** Rally October 24-26 (don't delay registering!) and the **Hunter's Run** rally July 25-27 (don't delay registering for this either!!) Note that Hunter's Run is a "Buddy Rally" – you can invite a non Airstreamer friend to join you there.

There are two more rallies that are still in the planning stage – we'll have more on those events next month.

If you haven't already found it, you should check out **NEMAC's rallies and events page** on the Airstream Club website – you'll find good, up-to-date information there. With a little digging, you'll also be able to find other club's rallies as well. Here's the link:

https://airstreamclub.org/northeast-mountaineers/rallies-and-events

#### **Director Opening**

Due to unexpected circumstances, we have an opportunity for a club member to serve as Director for a two-year term. The Directors are members of the club's Executive Board, and help to set our direction, plan club activities, and develop and run club rallies. The Executive Committee meets electronically once a month. If you would be interested in serving the club in this role, please contact club president Paul Hynek <a href="mailto:xcskivt@comcast.net">xcskivt@comcast.net</a>

#### What is a NEMAC Rally Like?

Have you ever wondered what a NEMAC rally is like? Here are some things to expect:

- We try to offer rallies in interesting places and usually that we have not been to in the prior year.
- They are all a little bit different. Each rally has a member of the Executive Board serving as host, and since the host does the planning, no two are alike.
- Typically we get together on the first afternoon for a social hour (or in official Airstream Club International speak, a GAM, or "greet and meet"). It's a chance to meet there, see some old friends and make some new ones.
- We like to get together around a campfire in the evening and exchange travel stories or talk about interesting places that we've been. Maybe talk about things that we've done to our Airstreams or things that we want to do ("are lithium batteries worth it?", "I'm thinking about getting a Starlink.", etc.
- You may want to go for a hike or take a bike ride or just hang out. It's up to you.
- We usually share a meal together in the evening and talk about what we've seen or done that day. A pot luck dinner is commonly how we do it.
- The important things to know about NEMAC rallies is that they are low-key affairs. There is only a loose schedule. We're there to camp and relax with friends old...and new.
- And everyone is welcome!

## NEMAC 2025 Rally Schedule (v 2.0)

\* Dry Camping

Dates	Event & Location	Hosts & registration information
May 2-4	*Oakholm Brewery, Brookfield MA More information coming soon.	Mike Giunta
May 16-18	Searsport Shores CG, Searsport ME A 'work weekend' with benefits free camping and group meals in exchange for helping to get the property ready for the season. The price is right and the opportunities are intriguing	Paul & Pat Hynek (xcskivt@comcast.net)6
June 14-15	Springtime in Vermont at Gold Brook CG, Stowe VT small family owned campground of 56 years, located 1.8 miles from Stowe village, offering clean, grassy sites with nice views, clean bathrooms, a lovely pool, brook; can accommodate tents, 50 amp full hookups, and all in between.	Paul & Pat Hynek (xcskivt@comcast.net). Reservation window opens in February. 1-802-253-7683
July 25-27	Hunters Run CG, Meredith NH A full-featured resort campground on Pemigewasset Lake. You'll probably want to extend your stayThis is a Buddy Rally – you can invite a non-Airstream friend!	Jess & Brian Lumb: jessicalumb@comcast.net \$70/night Book your sites here <b>ASAP</b> : https://modernameri- cacampgrounds.com/new-hampshire/hunt- ers-run-rv-park Try to book lakeside. Jess and Brian in site 125
August 15- 17	*Alfred ME Blues Festival. Dry camping in Roger & Anna Nagy's field!	Roger & Anna Nagy. Limited to 12 rigs
September 4-7	*Region 1 Rally in Lawrencetown, Nova Scotia	See flyer.
October 24-26	Fisherman's Memorial State Park, Narragansett, RI Beautiful oceanside camping. Featured: Clark Farms, Matunuck Oyster Farm	Jim & Stacy Reck (jimreckbrn2524@gmail.com) Make your reservation ASAP at Reserve America: Fishermen's Memorial State Park Try to book in area 4, sites 144-182 See flyer.
November 6-9	Pine Lake CG, Brookfield, MA More information coming soon.	

### **Executive Committee 2025**

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