

THE POINT



AL-MON-O PA AIRSTREAM CLUB

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

I think the end of winter is near. I certainly am looking forward to getting out and camping again.

If you were unable to join us for February's luncheon, you missed out on a really great time. Dick and Stevie Kline always outdo themselves with a creative and fun activity for everyone to do while waiting on their meals. This year was no exception when Stevie pulled out a gigantic ball of saran wrap. This ball of saran wrap held layers and layers of prizes which we all took turns trying to unravel many, many feet of plastic wrap. Everyone had a blast and thanks again to Dick and Stevie.

For our March lunch we are once again going axe throwing. We did this a few years ago and had a lot of fun. If you aren't feeling brave enough to wield the axes, please come and join us for lunch afterwards. Keep an eye out in the next newsletter for pictures of the axe throwing.

I want to remind everyone to sign up for the Region 2 Rally in Centre Hall, Pa. The rally is May 1-4. There's still time to sign up. The theme for this year's rally is Kentucky Derby. There are many games and activities planned on Saturday. Come out and start the camping season with us in Centre Hall.

The Pennsylvania State Rally will be held June 26-29 at the Dubois KOA. This past Saturday, Cody and I did some scouting for a potential tour to offer during the rally. Our travels took us about 30 minutes north of the KOA to the Straub Brewery in St. Marys, PA. We were able to take a tour of the brewery, which lasted about an hour. The tour was free of charge and even included two free glasses of Straub beer. There is a new taproom at the brewery where we were able to order lunch. It was a great day and I think everyone will enjoy an afternoon there during the State Rally.

I know we are all looking forward to the International Rally in York. Region 2 will be having a catered lunch on Tuesday, August 26. I hope to see many of you there. The jotform to sign up for the lunch is <https://form.jotform.com/250156206580148>.

That's all for now.

Matt



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Al-Mon-O on the web

<https://airstreamclub.org/al-mon-o-pennsylvania>

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MARCH 2025



Show off your AI-Mon-O Pride! Order your club apparel today!

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

You can also find WBAC goods at <http://store.airstreamclub.org>



BIRTHDAYS



ANNIVERSARIES



MARCH

- 2 Jeff Slevin
- 3 Upendra Thaker
- 18 Thomas Wintermyer
- 21 Do Solomon
- 21 Kevin Uram
- 21 Dick Kline

- 25 Gene & Ingrid Nelson

NEWSLETTER IDEAS!

Hello WBAC members of the AI-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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2025 LUNCHEON / RALLY SCHEDULE

April Rally or Luncheon

July Rally

September Rally

October Rally or Luncheon

November Luncheon



2025 February Luncheon—Paci’s Restaurant



Straub Brewery Tour Photos



FROM YOUR 1ST AND 2ND VICE PRESIDENTS

By April and Joel Weber

A Festival for Swamp Cabbage

Labelle Florida’s 59th Annual Swamp Cabbage Festival was last weekend. Joel and I were excited to go and to try some new foods. Swamp Cabbage is hearts of palm, more precisely, hearts from the Sabal palm tree, which is Florida’s state tree. At the festival locals were using it to make soups, stews, and fritters. We tried the fritters. They were deep fried into balls about the size of golf balls. There were many vendors and organizations there, each making their own special recipe for the fritters. The group we bought from had them seasoned like a crab cake, with the nutty earthy flavor of the swamp cabbage pieces in the dough. There were also sauces available so you could dip into them. They were definitely a fun treat.

Since we had already indulged in fried food, we decided to go ahead and eat more fried food by trying frybread. Iona’s Frybread specializes in authentic Miccosukee / Seminole dishes. They were making the frybread from scratch, mixing the ingredients by hand and cooking the dough in large pots of oil, fresh as each order was placed. You could order just the bread, or have it made into sandwiches like tacos and burgers. The line was long, the wait was longer. I’m glad we didn’t know that would take 45 minutes to get our little loaf of bread, because we wouldn’t have ordered it. It was so good!

Off to the armadillo races....it turns out the armadillos weren’t very fast. In fact, they needed a lot of encouragement to move at all. But it was interesting to watch. (for a minute or two.) The races were under a tent set up by the local Kiwanis club, with a racetrack and even a small set of bleachers for the spectators. You could purchase a ticket before each race, and if your ticket had the number of the corresponding winning armadillo, you got a prize.

Here’s a few things I learned about Armadillos:

- They come in litters of four. Identical quadruplets
- When startled or scared they can jump four feet high
- They are good swimmers and can hold their breath up to six minutes
- They are the only mammals other than Humans that carry the bacteria that causes leprosy (twenty percent carry it.) So, you don’t want to handle them or eat them.
- Even though it was not apparent at the Labelle races, armadillos can run up to 30 miles per hour when being hunted

This little town really had a great weekend full of events.

A 5-k run, a parade, a car show, cooking competitions, even an air show!

The next festival we have plans to attend is the Immokalee Cattle Drive and Jamboree.



President: Matt Moore



REGION 2 NEWS

Hello from the Snowy North!

Right now, this is the view from my back patio door. It's not ready for a backyard picnic at the moment! I have approx. 2-3 ft of snow on our back deck. Great for snowshoeing after you dig your driveway out.



On Valentine's Day we decided to check out the George Eastman House and see the Dutch Connection where they had their Spring floral display out for viewing. I've attached photos to get Airstreamers dreaming about this year's camping season.



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Registrations for the Region 2 International Rally Luncheon at York, the Region 2 Rally at the Center County Grange Fairgrounds, and the joint Sampson State Park Rally, are now open. The links are below. There is limited space for seating at the International Luncheon in York so do not delay! Right now, we have 235 rigs signed up for the International. If everyone attends, that works out to approx. 425 people for the Luncheon. Mission BBQ is catering the meal, and we have quite the spread planned!

Region 2 International Rally Luncheon at York registration

<https://form.jotform.com/250156206580148>

This year's Region 2 Rally is being sponsored by the Washington DC Unit. The theme is Kentucky Derby. We will be showing the race live at the Rally along with other activities.

Region 2 Rally at Center County Grange Fairgrounds registration

<https://form.jotform.com/243194535933159>

This is the 5th year for this Rally at Sampson. This year the Pennsylvania, New York Finger Lakes and Region 1 are the sponsors for this event. The theme is a Taste of New York and New England. Come join the Rally. There will be Wine and Craft Beer tasting at the Rally with charcuterie boards and gourmet popcorn, two catered dinners, and a Sunday Continental Breakfast. There is also a separate bus wine tour if you are so inclined.

Sampson State Park registration

<https://form.jotform.com/243194600769159>

This rally has a limited number of sites so don't delay your registration. Last year we had a wait list for this event.

Again, I want to remind people that headquarters will be sending out a notice searching for Executive Council candidates to fill the subsequent slate of nominee positions. If you are interested in becoming a candidate to help direct the Airstream club, I want to encourage you to fill out an application form. Even if you are not interested, your vote does count! Please take the time to read about the candidates, get acquainted with them, and reach out to their local Club President or the Region officers if you have any questions while making your voting decisions.

Why not YOU? The search is on. My term as Region 2 President comes 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, Patti Galupo or Matt Moore to join this dynamic team!

Support positions at the International are still open. Tours Chair and Community Service both report to Sherrye McCabe. Sherrye works out of the Jackson Center office. Debbie Wood is also looking for people to support the Meals & Refreshments committee. Please contact Jackson Center if interested.

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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 vests provided by the rally that identifies them as Rally Ambassadors.
 - ✦ 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

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



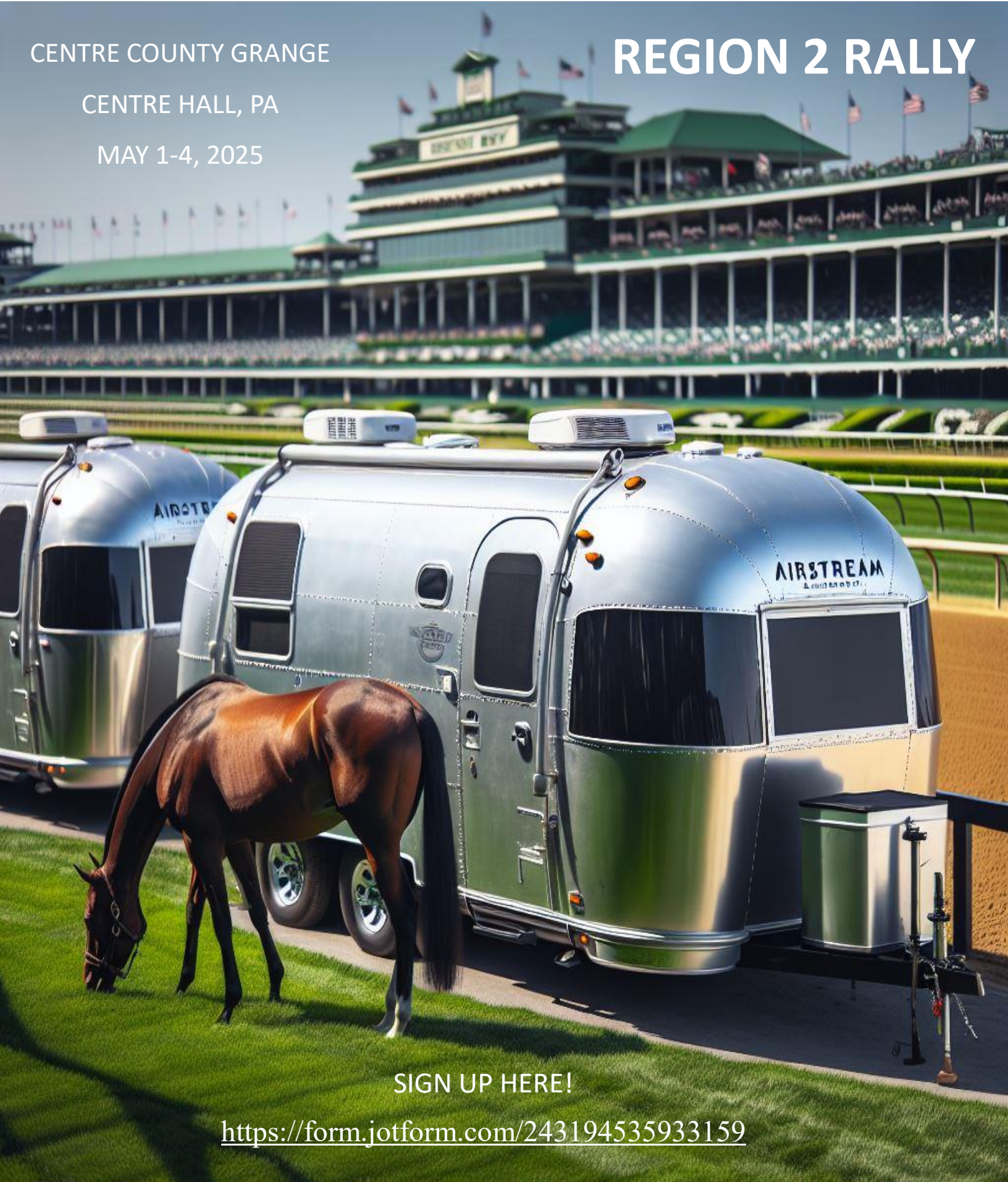
Let’s Make History at the 68th Airstream Club International Rally located in York, Pennsylvania: August 23-28, 2025. Registration is now open. Go to the Airstream Club website today and don’t miss out seeing old friends and making new ones at the event. This event is in our Region -- let’s show them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

CENTRE COUNTY GRANGE

CENTRE HALL, PA

MAY 1-4, 2025

REGION 2 RALLY



SIGN UP HERE!

<https://form.jotform.com/243194535933159>



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
March 8 11 AM	Luncheon	Mystery Mayhem Escapes & Axe Throwing 623 Centreville Pike Slippery Rock, PA 16057	Matt Moore & Cody Klingler	Join us for axe throwing followed by lunch. RSVP to Cody (cwk5292@gmail.com or 724-504-6884)
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.