BC NEWS



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Tilley's Trails

The days are becoming noticeably longer each week, but it is still cold here on the west coast. There is even talk of snow coming soon. It would be better if it just stays on the mountains, especially as my broken kneecap is still healing.

We had a lovely luncheon meeting at Traveland on the 18th of January with the following people attending: Barbara Fraser Tilley and Trenor Tilley (Co-Presidents), Bernice (2nd Vice-President) and Brian O'Shea, Tom Akam (Treasurer), Sheila MacDonald (Membership Chairperson) and Vic MacDonald, Mary and Roland Roy, Patrick and Janet Howell, Bob Halliwell, Eileen Meston, Beverley Robson, Barry Hook, and Carol and Scott Ferguson. Unfortunately, because of a last-minute cancellation of Traveland's order by Subway, the lunch did not arrive, but we appreciated the use of their comfortable boardroom, and the snacks. The Minutes of that meeting are also attached to this newsletter.

One matter that continues to be very bothersome is the Phishing that is targeting people through their connection with Airstream Club International. At the 18 January meeting, Bernice O'Shea arrived with five \$100 gift cards, thinking that Trenor and I had ordered them as prizes for the meeting. We had not made that request. Thankfully, she had not shared the details of those cards with anyone so that the cards could be returned or used by Bernice herself. We have since sent an additional reminder (special thanks to Arlene for sharing our warning so quickly) about this concern to all the members of our club because phishing affected others as well. If you are at all unsure, please pick up the phone or email us directly to confirm any request to purchase items on behalf of the club.

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We heard at a recent Region 10 meeting that phishing is affecting other clubs in Region 10 as well. Be sure to watch for an article about the topic of phishing coming from Eric McHenry, our International President, in an upcoming Blue Beret issue.

We recently had our roof seals checked, and some minor maintenance work done on our trailer in preparation for the coming camping season. Just a reminder that protecting our units from winter weather and using our "down time" for getting maintenance accomplished will keep our prime summer travel months available for exploring and enjoying our rigs in great condition.

Trenor and I have been working with Janet and Patrick Howell in preparation for our Canadian Rocky Mountains Caravan next summer. Making reservations for 20 rigs in the National Parks is amazingly complex, but we at least got some reservations for our group members.

We hope that at least a few of the members of our club are enjoying some southern travel, and warmth, through these cold winter months. Soon it will be time for our own club activities to start ramping up for 2025. In the meantime, I hope that some of you will consider joining Tom Akam's Tuesday morning breakfasts at the Roadhouse restaurant. Just contact Tom to be sure that there is room at the table(s).

We hope to have a great turn out for both the April events (the Newbie 'Meet 'n Greet' Luncheon at Cranley Place Community Hall and the Maintenance Rally at Bob and Gayle Halliwell's property in Abbotsford). Carol Hale's rally at Courtenay on Vancouver Island is fully subscribed for the beginning of May. At the end of May, the Joint Washington/B.C. Rally (flyer in this issue of the Newsletter) will be held in Oliver [get your reservation in early on 1 February]. The next event will be the Enderby Rally, which has been re-assigned to the 20 – 22 of JUNE, the same weekend as my 50th High School Reunion. Following that event is our Hedley Hoedown from the 27 th of June until Canada Day. Dates are still being worked out for the Golf/Installation Rally in September at Twin Lakes near Penticton. Finally, Trenor and I anticipate reprising our Friends-Giving Rally in October, the week before Canadian Thanksgiving.

There is still room for more events in our club's calendar if you are willing and able to take on that task. Feel free to contact us to share your ideas and get an activity going. As Trenor keeps saying, our role as Co-Presidents is primarily to act in a manner that is similar to an orchestra conductor – we keep the beat going and work to bring out the best in others.

With all best winter wishes,





TRENOR AND BARBARA
FRASER TILLEY



Photos from meeting at Traveland dealer

VANCOUVER ISLAND RALLY

Thursday, May 1st to Sunday, May 4th, 2025

Seal Bay RV Park, 1901 Larch Rd, Courtney, BC GPS Coordinates: 49.752152, -124.959433

Website: **Sealbayrvpark.com**

Phone: 250-339-1837

Cost per site \$57.75 for full hook ups. It would be great if every one was able to get into the same Group Circle with Sites G13 to G 24.

The RV Park is booking up fast for this year, so members wishing to attend should <u>call them ASP and book a site as they will not hold sites for us</u>. They are already booked fully for the following week in May. Tell them you're with the Airstream Club.

Seal Bay RV Park is located next door to the Seal Bay Nature park with hiking trails and a beach. It is a short distance from a couple of Wineries with tasting rooms, a number of golf courses of various sizes and the Airforce Museum.

Once you have booked please send an email to Carol Hale at Carol.P.Hale@gmail.com to let her know you will be attending and how many in your party.

Further details pertaining to the rally will be sent out closer to the date.

Look forward to seeing everyone.

Carol Hale BRN #5553

Joint B.C. and Washington Rally in Oliver, B.C.

May 29 to June 1, 2025

Cost: \$35.00 Canadian Rally fee (per person) plus campground fees

Co-Hosts: Lori Grassi (Washington Club) J. Kinder (Washington Club) Trenor and Barbara Tilley (BC Club)

Join us at a joint WA/B.C. Airstream Club Rally in Oliver, at The Lakeside Resort. We will have 28 full hook-up sites shared between the WA and BC Clubs to enjoy on Tuc-el-Nuit Lake in a calm, park-like setting with a 500 ft. private beach. 10 sites will be available to the BC Club, and 18 sites will be available to the WA Club.

Bring your kayak, canoe or other non-powered watercraft. Bike trails close by with hundreds of wineries in the Wine Capitol of Canada, along with micro breweries and cideries and other local artisanal pleasures! Golf packages are also available!

Registration is scheduled to open on February 1, 2025. The registration technique is different than we use for many B.C. Club #121 rallies. You will need to make campground reservations directly with The Lakeside Resort only AFTER you register for the rally with Trenor or Barbara Tilley! Register with Trenor and Barbara Tilley by email at tilley2007@outlook.com or by phone at 604 290 2887. Once you have registered with us, we will contact the Campground. Once this has been done, you will be contacted by Barbara or Trenor with your permission to make the campground reservation. Campground fees are paid directly to the campground. The \$35.00 Canadian rally fee per person is payable to the B.C. Airstream Club.





STAMPEDE NATIONAL EVENT RALLY JULY 5-10, 2025

We're reaching out to ask for your help with something exciting!

Over the past few months, our Airstream club has been working hard to organize the 2025 Stampede National Event Rally, happening **July 5–10**, and we want to make sure as many Airstreamers as possible know about it.

This is shaping up to be a special event, offering a chance to experience the world-famous Calgary Stampede, including the rodeo, live entertainment, and Western culture, all while relaxing at Aspen Crossing Campground. If you've never been, it's such a beautiful spot, with full-service RV sites, historic train rides, and breathtaking views of the Alberta prairie.

I'm sure you know first hand that it takes time and planning to put a rally together and we know it takes people like you to make a rally a success. Because of this, we're hoping you'll help us spread the word. Whether through your newsletter, social media, or by sharing it directly with your members, your support would mean a lot to us.

To make it easy, we've included a ready-to-go blurb below. But if you need more details or additional photos, just let us know, as this email will be the only one we'll send.

Cheers, and we're looking forward to seeing members of British Columbia Airstream Club there.

Ashley White

BRN 5971

Stampede National Event Rally Planning Committee Member

More Information on the Rally for You to Share:

The 2025 Stampede National Event Rally is happening **July 5–10, 2025**, in southern <u>Alberta, Canada</u>. Airstreamers will have the chance to experience the world-famous <u>Calgary Stampede</u>—an exciting celebration of rodeo, live entertainment, and Western culture—while staying at Aspen Crossing Campground.

Aspen Crossing offers full-service RV sites, historic train rides, and incredible views of the Alberta prairies. It's the perfect base to take in all the excitement of the Stampede, meet fellow Airstreamers, and explore the local area. Whether you're into rodeos or just looking to relax with great company, this rally has something for everyone.

If you're planning to make a trip out of it, consider joining the **Grapes and GrainsSip of Diamond**Valley Rally just before the Stampede rally (July 3–4). This 2-day pre-rally is a fun opportunity to dive into Alberta's history, taste local food and drinks, and explore small-town life. It's a perfect way to ease into the main event and meet new friends before the Stampede kicks off.

Registrations will stay open until we reach capacity, but we highly recommend securing your spot by **March 1, 2025**, to guarantee your place.

Learn more and register here: https://airstreamclub.org/calgary-stampede-ner-menu/stampede-national-event-rally

BRITISH COLUMBIA AIRSTREAM CLUB

GENERAL MEETING - held at Traveland in Langley, B.C.

Saturday, January 18, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Welcome and introduction of those present – In attendance were:

Barbara Fraser Tilley and Trenor Tilley (Co-Presidents), Bernice (2nd Vice-President) and Brian O'Shea, Tom Akam (Treasurer), Sheila MacDonald (Membership Chairperson) and Vic MacDonald, Mary and Roland Roy, Patrick and Janet Howell, Bob Halliwell, Eileen Meston, Beverley Robson, Barry Hook, and Carol and Scott Ferguson

Call the meeting to order – Thanks to Traveland for their meeting space and snacks **Determination of a quorum** – so declared

Approval of the agenda – moved by Janet Howell, Seconded by Vic MacDonald – approved Approval of meeting minutes from 13 September 2024 – moved by Bob Halliwell, Seconded by Sheila MacDonald - Carried Treasurer's report – Moved by Tom Akam, Seconded by Beverley Robson that the Treasurer's report be received. Please see the attached amended report which is a bit different than the one shared at the meeting Membership committee update – Sheila MacDonald reported that we have 63 full members and 21 affiliate members. She noted that some members (19) have not renewed their membership, possibly because they have automatic renewal and their credit cards may have lapsed. Also, Trenor reported that Region 10 is looking for a Chairperson for their Membership Committee.

Review Schedule of events for 2025 -Barbara Fraser Tilley reviewed the events currently on the schedule and welcomed others to organize additional events if possible by discussing their ideas with Trenor and Barbara. Motion regarding approval of listed events planned for 2025 - Vic MacDonald Moved and Tom Akam seconded the schedule of events presented in the B.C. Unit Newsletter. Carried.

Discussion of further topics:

Constitution and Bylaws Approval (5-year update required by ACI) – Moved by Bob Halliwell, Seconded by Barry Hook. Carried.

Privacy – It was discussed that some people do not want their contact information circulated, but that Airstream Club International does not make it clear when this is the case so that we made an error in a recent B.C. Unit Newsletter. This issue was discussed at the recent Region 10 meeting, and it is hoped that we will soon be made aware of when people do not wish their contact information circulated.

Phishing – Our recent concern about phishing of our email addresses was demonstrated when a member of our Executive arrived at the Meeting with five \$100 gift cards, believing that we had requested their purchase as a prize. Please do not make any purchases on the club's behalf unless you have contacted Trenor or Barbara directly (confirming with a telephone call, if possible). It is highly unlikely that we would ask you to purchase anything on behalf of the club.

Encouragement to get involved in planning events, rallies, caravans, or joining in planning activities for events.

Motion to adjourn - moved by Vic MacDonald.

Late Breaking News from the Region 10 Meeting This Week (post January Newsletter):

Save the Date for the 2026 Region 10 Rally

Where: Hood River Oregon Fair Grounds (on the lovely Columbia River Gorge)

When: 24 - 28 June 2026

How many rigs: 120 sites with electric and water

More sites with fewer services

Dump Station on site and Sewer Truck likely available for pump-outs

Special Events: Meeting Airstreamers from across Region 10, Sternwheeler boat ride on the

Columbia, many local recreational activities, central hall for rally activities

What to do: Watch our B.C. Club Newsletter for details about how and when to register for this event

BRITISH COLUMBIA UNIT #121 2025-2026 Activity Schedule

Every TuesdayCoffee/Breakfast Get-TogetherTom Akam9:00 amRoadhouse Grille604-538-4149

1781 King George Boulevard to reserve your spot

South Surrey

<u>2025</u>

April 12 Meet & Greet 'Newbie' Luncheon Paul Wheeler, Janet

Noon Cranley Place Community Hall Soucy & Arlene Matches

2141 Cranley Drive, South Surrey <u>paul.jan.wheeler@gmail.com</u> **EVERYBODY WELCOME** <u>paul.jan.wheeler@gmail.com</u>
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April 25–27 Annual Maintenance Rally Bob & Gayle Halliwell

31426 Downs Road <u>halliwell4840@telus.net</u>
Abbotsford, BC

May 1-4 Vancouver Island Rally Carol Hale

Seal Bay RV Park, Courtenay, BC carol.p.hale@gmail.com

May 29-June 1 Joint BC/Washington Unit Rally TBA

Oliver, BC

June 20-23 Enderby Rally Terry Gamache

Riverside RV Park, Enderby, BC gamache6@telus.net

June 27-30 Hedley Hoedown Brian & Bernice O'Shea

Riverhaven RV Park <u>bboshea@hotmail.com</u>

Hedley, BC 778-233-2682

Aug 23-28 68th International Rally ACI

York, Pennsylvania

Sept 18-21 Golf/Installation Rally John & Chris Millard

Early October Friends-Giving Rally Trenor & Barbara Tilley

(Details to come later in year) <u>tilley2007@outlook.com</u>

Dec 8 Christmas Luncheon Trenor & Barbara Tilley

White Spot, Aldergrove, BC <u>tilley2007@outlook.com</u>

2026

Late Aug/Early Sept Small Towns of BC Caravan Janet Soucy & Paul Wheeler

THE COMMUNITY CORNER by Arlene

A reminder that pull tabs are once again being collected. Tom Akam is organizing taking these tabs in to be traded for \$\$\$ for charity....so, please save them and bring to one of the many functions...we will arrange to get them to Tom.

An email from Janet Powell:

I wanted to update you on a conversation at the Traveland meeting on Saturday regarding the Maple Leafs for the trailers. As discussed, I'm happy to coordinate ordering Maple Leafs for anyone who would like to replace their Stars or simply add them to the trailers if they do not already have them.

To help streamline the process, could you please add a brief announcement about this offer to the newsletter? Please ask people to respond via email to janet_howell@icloud.com with their requests. Once we have a sizeable order, I'll place the order with HQ and have them shipped directly to me for distribution.

Thank you for your help with this! Thanks, Janet.

Arlene



(Doing our newsletter in Airstream at Earl's Cove)

Dear Members of Airstream Club International Unit #121,





As we warned members of our club in mid-October, a member of the club made us aware that they received a phishing message that uses our club members' names. The new version this month is asking one to purchase gift cards. This is a scam. One of our members showed up at our General Meeting in January with \$500 of gift cards. Luckily, she had not advised the scammer of the numbers on the cards so she could get a refund or spend them herself. The scammer is getting their information through ACI in Ohio, and many members of Region 10 expressed at the last Region 10 meeting, they too have had this problem. We understand that the International President is addressing this issue in the next Blue Beret.

<u>Please do not open or respond to any email of this nature.</u> Monty Sheldan, our Webmaster, recommended the

following:

- Never click through to any links in any suspicious email.
- Write a separate email to the private address of the person you know.
- **Do not use the reply function** to email you received, that you think is incorrect.
- **Report it to your local RCMP** so they can add that email to their information database
- Block the IP addresses or the user email address in your mail account.

Below is a link to the Canadian Centre for Cyber Security with more details:

<u>Don't take the bait: Recognize and avoid phishing attacks - ITSAP.00.101 - Canadian Centre for Cyber Security</u>

We hope that none of the members of our club have been negatively affected by this inappropriate phishing behaviour.

With all best wishes, Trenor and Barbara Tilley Airstream Club International Unit #121 Co-Presidents

New Airstream BC Club website launched fall 2024!

We have launched the new BC Club website! It has a new look, streamlined content, and links to our club newsletters, events and other information.

With the Airstream Club Int'l (ACI) website up and running for quite awhile - we decided to make our local club site a bit easier for newcomers to navigate. As well, we have added links throughout the site to get you to appropriate pages on the main ACI site.

For new visitors to our website we have provided some basic information about the BC chapter and a link to get more local club membership information.

We have also included a gallery section and are happy to add photos to that page. Got a great shot? Submit your best club photo to info@airstreambc.com along with a comment or description. Your photo should include at least one Airstream! Send an email, include a good quality large photo file and also mention "for website gallery consideration" in your note.



Airstream BC - web Links

- Our club website homepage: www.airstreambc.com
- Airstream BC on ACI website:
 airstreamclub.org/british-columbia
- Airstream BC newsletters on ACI site:
 airstreamclub.org/british-columbia/bc-club-newsletters
- Airstream BC events on ACI site page still under development airstreamclub.org/british-columbia/airstream-bc-events
- Airstream BC Facebook Page: facebook.com/BCunit.caravans

Airstream Club International (ACI) - web Links

- ACI home page: airstreamclub.org
- ACI membership directory (member must be logged into site) airstreamclub.org/members/membership-directory
- ACI membership page A bit hard to find your way around:
 airstreamclub.org/future-members/world-adventure-awaits

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Airstream: 2024, 25-foot Flying Cloud

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NOMINATING COMMITTE

John Millard and 2 others to be selected

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