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Connecticut Airstream Club

Chatter

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May 2025

Presidents Message

by Julie Steers



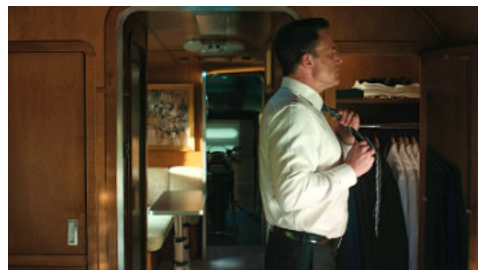
Walking the dogs at our rendezvous location.

Happy Spring! We had our first Airstream event this past weekend at the Kent Antique Machinery Spring Power Up. Thank you, Russ and Rhona Fuller, for organizing this rendezvous. We had eleven attendees and four dogs (6 units) who braved the ever-changing forecast. Friday was beautiful for the setup, gathering and campfire. The rain held off for the most part on Saturday morning and we were able to get a glimpse of plenty of old iron and machinery. For Billy and me, we wanted to test all the K-9 equipment we acquired this winter: fencing, two travel kennels, food, and toys, etc. Plus, it was Lilah's first camping adventure. She did great as she loves all people and things. And Samson (who many of you know can be timid and protective of us around people) is learning from Lilah. Overall, we had a terrific time!

Club wise, we do have a winner for the new logo, which will be shared at the "Kick Off the Summer" Rally and Spring Meeting held at the Grandview Campground in Moodus, CT, May 30 - June 1. Thank you Chris and Carol Dubrowski for organizing the rally. Plan on plenty of food, lawn games plus lots to see nearby.

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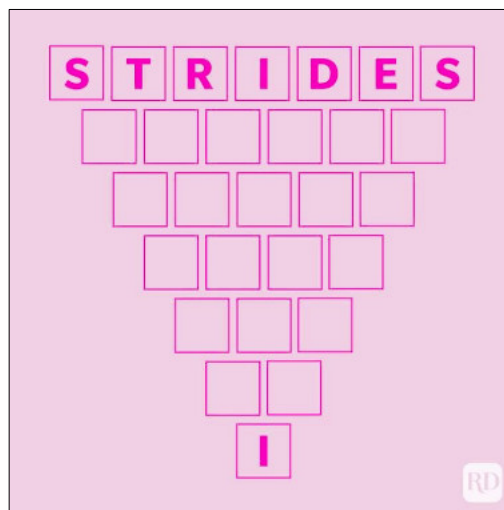
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What Do You Think?

What is there one of in every corner and two of in every room?



Beginning at the top of the upside-down pyramid, remove one letter from the word strides and rearrange the remaining letters to build a new six-letter word beneath. Continue the same process for each word until you get to the bottom. (There may be more than one solution.)

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Beforehand, Dave Jensen is hosting a "Bison" Rally in Brooklyn, CT, May 16-18. This boon-docking rally will be at a 600 acre Bison ranch and will include a farm tour, roast Bison dinner, an ice cream making contest plus other opportunities to tour this quiet part of the state.

As I write this, we are getting ready for a Viking River Cruise from Basel Switzerland to Amsterdam Netherlands. Fun fact, Gilles and Joyce Rousseau are taking the same cruise in the opposite direction and will board our same boat on the day we disembark. Small world!

If you have not signed up, we still have spots for our "Streaming on the Rox" Rally June 16th-18th which we are hosting with Glen and Christine Lessig. We promise a fun time with plenty of local activities plus an open house for our Roxbury community. We had this rally two years ago and the community enjoyed visiting with us and seeing the Airstreams. Safe travels to everyone!

~ Julie

CAMA Rendezvous



Attendees: Russ and Rhona Fuller, Dave Jensen, Billy and me, Bill and Evie Watts (Go Evie!), Gilles and Joyce Rousseau, Jerry and Colleen Ahlers.



Billy's and Julie's "dog friendly" site.

by Russ Fuller

Six Airstream families gathered on a beautiful Friday afternoon for a weekend in Kent, CT, at the CAMA Spring Power-Up. We enjoyed an impromptu happy hour and campfire under the stars. Even though Saturday was wet with on and off rain I believe everyone made it to the CAMA show for part of the day. Many went into town to enjoy one of the many fine dining options. Personally, I love to hear the rhythmic sound of rain on the trailer, great for sleeping. Sunday was sunny allowing for things to dry and leave at a leisurely pace. In attendance Bill & Evie Watts, Billy & Julie Steers, Giles & Joyce Rousseau, Dave Jensen, Russ & Rhona Fuller and from NY Jerry & Colleen Ahlers. A big thank you to Billy Watts Jr. for making the arrangements for another year at CAMA and both Watts' boys for staking claim to the high and dry spot in the field. ~



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by Sandy Sasuta

Welcome

Timothy & Susan Jenkin **16284**
Meriden, CT

Kimberly & William Tucci **12575**
Seymour, CT

Hope everyone had a good winter; we enjoyed seeing numerous visitors here at TR, including an owl couple and their two owlets. Once again it's that time of year again for many to migrate back to their other homes-safe travels to all. It's also time to plan your camping schedule if you have not done so already, and sign up for the upcoming events.

DAVE JENSEN has a new email address, djensendp@currently.com update your records. If anyone has changes to their information, please let me know.

Sending our sincere sympathy to **GAIL & WILEY DOWNING** on the passing of Gail's sister, surely a difficult time to go through.

Michael did a little mechanic work today. He put his rear end in a recliner. I have found that the older I get, the tighter companies are putting the lids on jars. Also the heavier we get as we get older is because there is a lot more information in our heads. We're not fat, just intelligent, as our head can't hold any more so it starts filling up our body. See you soon!

Here are some Senior Citizen Texting Codes:

LOL: Little old lady	CBM: Covered by Medicaid.
BFF: Best friend fell	FWIW: Forgot where I was.
ATD: At the doctors.	OMSG: Oh my! Sorry! Gas!
BTW: Bring the wheelchair.	BYOT: Bring your own teeth.

- What do owls say when they introduce themselves? "Hoo's there?"
- Owls are so good at math; they always know their "owl-gebra."
- I think I might be an owl. I always think "who" instead of "what."
- Owls love to play cards; they can't resist a game of "owl-in-one."
- Whooo's your favorite owl comedian? The punniest one, of course!
- When owls break up, they don't say goodbye; they say "owl be back!"
- "Owl" you need is love, and maybe a big branch to sit on!
- When owls throw parties, it's always a hoot!
- Owls prefer to fly solo, but they often enjoy an "owl-nighter."
- Why did the owl sit on the computer? Because it wanted to keep an eye on the mouse!



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sandysas1001@gmail.com



Back in March

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated with joy!

by Joyce Rousseau - 8988



A visitor from years past! Thanks Rhona!

Such a good time was had by all as we got together for the first time this year to celebrate the day! Laughter and stories and plans abounded as 11 of us gathered on a warm day at our home. Gilles couldn't resist showing off our barn, either as people arrived or as they left and many compliments made his day, I'm sure! It was so nice to welcome Maureen and Brian Hunter (in huge green leprechaun hats), Maria and Ken Volpe, Sally Kerr, Billy and Julie Steers (with green beads to share with those lacking), Hally Schoen and Steve Seitz and Dave Jensen. (We missed Candle and Tom French and Bill Watts who were not feeling well and couldn't make it.) We had no trouble getting into gear with the noise level rising as appetizers of Irish cheese, chips, "Pot o' Gold" deviled eggs (considering the price of eggs!) and the usual nuts and veggies were consumed. I can't relate all the stories but know that getting reacquainted with CTAC friends is always fun.

Dinner of the traditional corned beef, cabbage, carrots, red potatoes and 2 different types of soda bread came next. It seems that I should keep both recipes for the breads since they were quite popular and the "Mike's Mustard" was a hit, especially with Hally and Steve. (Gilles stopped at the store for me and bought his one, new to us, too!) Although we all ate our fill, dessert was yet to come. By all acclaims, the Irish soda bread pudding with Bailey's caramel sauce took the top prize. The Bailey's dark chocolate bundt cake with Bailey's chocolate ganache came in second with my "Pot o' Gold" lemon pound cake hardly placing in the final scores! Thank goodness I was able to give away some of the soda bread, lots of the bread pudding and a couple extra potatoes. It's always better to have too much on hand but not good to have it all in my refrigerator afterwards.

We reviewed the camping schedule during a lull in the eating and other CTAC items. Warmer weather and good times will be on my schedule as I look forward to camping again. We all look forward to being with bigger groups of CTAC as our Florida "family" members return in the near future. See you "Down the Road!"



Maria really enjoyed the gluten free bread pudding I made for Candle, who was ill.



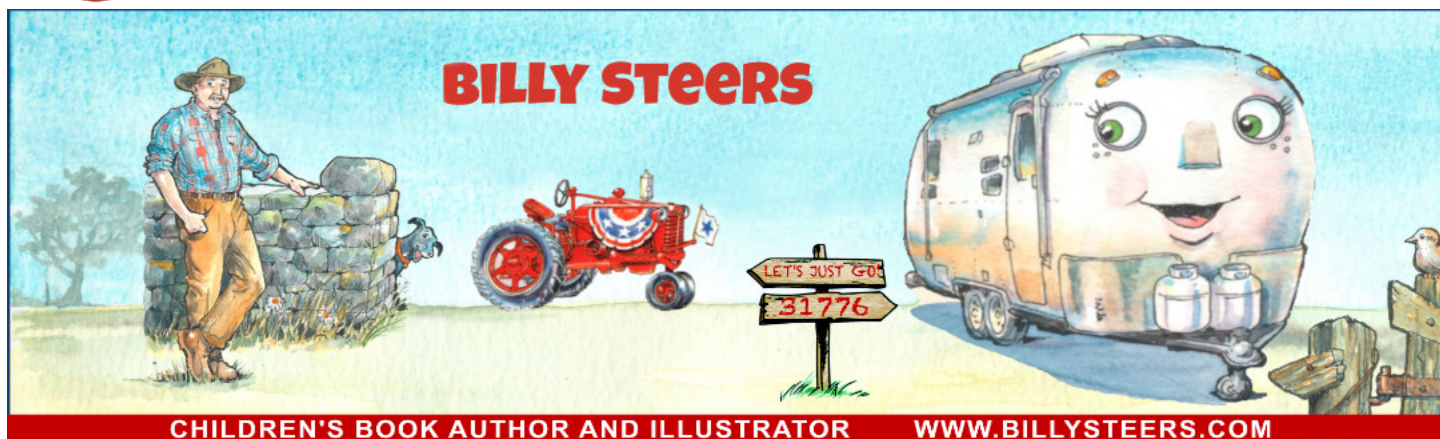
Left to right- Steve Seitz, Gilles Rousseau, Dave Jensen, Ken Volpe, Hally Schoen, Julie and Billy (hidden a bit) Steers, Maureen and Brian Hunter and in the back- Maria Volpe and Sally Kerr



Gilles, Maria, Hally and Sally are ready for dessert.

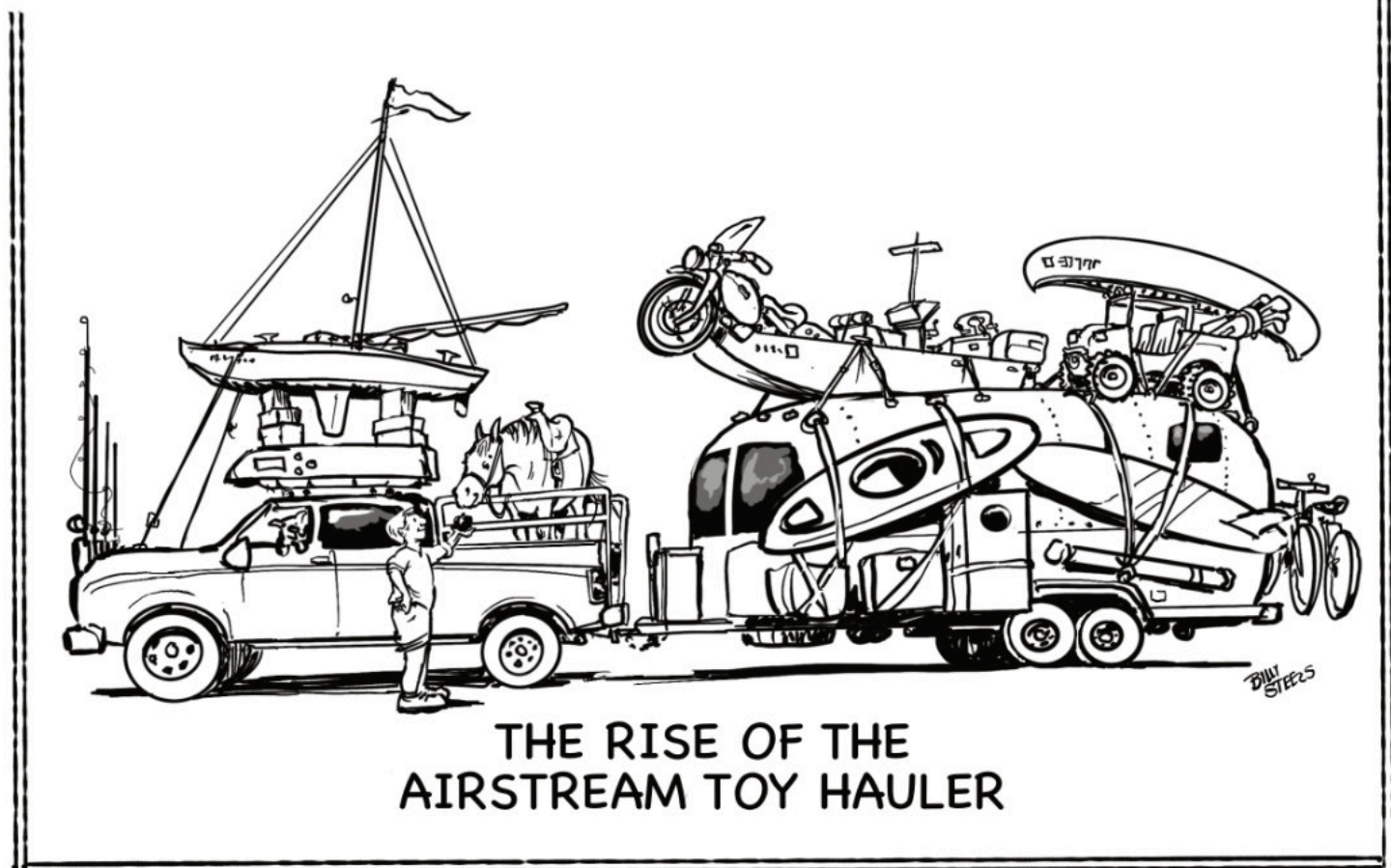


Ken and Joyce attack the bread pudding, declared "the best" by all who tasted it!



https://airstreamclub.org/sites/default/files/2024-07/CTAC%20CBL%20with%20Guidelines%202407_0.pdf

STREAM LINES by Billy Steers



Whenever available be sure to attend Billy's seminar on creating a travel journal - also visit Billy's website and make sure you add a copy of **Let's Just Go**, the adventures of an Airstream travel trailer **Snug** to your library or gift list. Oh, and check out **Tractor Mac**. ~Ed



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- Sherry Anderson



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and the Directory
are available
on the club website.

Date	Event	Style	Location	Host
Mar 16	"St Patrick's Day" Party	Good Food	Southbury, CT	Rousseau
April 25-27	"CAMA Rendezvous"	Boondocking	Kent, CT	R Fuller/ Billy Watts Jr
May 16-18	Bison Rally	Boondocking	The Creamery Brook Bison Farm	Dave Jensen
May 30-June 1	Spring Meeting Grandview CG		Moodus, CT	Dubrowski
June 13-15	"Streamin the Rox"	Boondocking	Roxbury, CT	Steers / Lessig
June 19-22	Scusset Rendezvous	Boondocking	Scusset, MA	Carl
July 10-13	"Pastures CG Rally"	w/CCMAC	Orford, NH	Carl / R Fuller
Aug 22 -29	ACI International		York, PA	
Sept 4 -7	Region 1 Rally		Nova Scotia, Canada	
Oct 3-5	Sweater Weather Rally Travelers Woods CG - Fall Meeting	Electric/water	Bernardston, MA	Sasuta

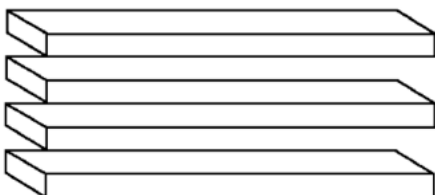
What did you think?

The letter O.



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Are there
3 or 4?



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Come Join Us

Visit the farm on the web:
www.creamerybrookbison.net



The Creamery Brook Bison Farm

19 Purvis Road
Brooklyn, CT 06234

creamerybrookbison@gmail.com

May 16 – 18th Friday

Check-in begins at 11:00 on Friday the 16th, no early birds please.

Meet greet and visit the gift shop and store. (place your meat orders).

Happy Hour 5 p.m. please bring light hors d'oeuvre to share and your own beverages.

One group campfire only permitted.

Saturday

Coffee at 7:00 – Breakfast at 8:00 with Bacon, sausage, and eggs.

Hash Brown Potatoes - Toast and English Muffins

• 11:00 Tractor hayride and tour of Farm

Witness the life of the domestic Bison and the beauty of the farm.

Lunch on our own

At 1:00 there will be an Ice Cream making contest and with the results to be served with apple pie and judged after dinner.

Following dinner, you will be given directions to the destination of your choice.

Either to the Quinebaug River Park and boat launch with walking trail.

The Old Furnace State Park on Route 6 in Danielson, CT

Both of which are only 5 miles from the site.

Bring your canoe, kayaks and walking sticks. Other options available.

Dinner at 6:00

Join us around the group campfire and have a great night.

Sunday

8:00 Continental breakfast, chat and stretch - Check out by Noon.

"\$65.00 covers the costs for two nights, the hayride tour, and the pot roast dinner with and dessert for two people. Cost is \$35 for one person camping solo.

"If there are any questions, please call David Jensen 860-800-4076.

Signup online:

CLICK HERE



<https://form.jotform.com/250725290250147>

Join us

Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club

Share Your Smile

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Summer

KICK OFF

Rally

Please join hosts Carol and Chris Dubrowski for our Summer Fun Kick-Off Rally
at Grandview Campground in Moodus, CT.

Friday, May 30

- 2-6 p.m. Campground check-in
- 5:00 p.m. Heavy appetizer potluck social hour
- 6:00 p.m. Ice cream sundae bar
- 8:00 p.m. Campfire

Saturday, May 31

- 7:30 a.m. Coffee
- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast-pancakes, sausage and fruit
- 9:00 a.m. Annual Spring business meeting
- 10:00 a.m. Free time to enjoy local activities. These include Gillette Castle, Essex steam train and riverboat excursion, Devil's Hopyard State Park (hiking), Mohegan Sun and Foxwoods casinos
- 3:00 p.m. Lawn games
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner-hamburgers, hot dogs, sides and salad
- 8:00 p.m. Campfire and cookies

Sunday, June 1

- 7:30 a.m. Coffee
- 8:00 a.m. Continental breakfast

Campground amenities include a general store, pavilion, swimming pool, horseshoes, pickleball and cornhole.

The rally fee will be \$15 per person, which we will collect at the rally.

All our meals and activities will be held at the pavilion.

Please use links below to sign up for the rally and reserve your campsite.

We have reserved 18 water/electric sites at this beautiful campground. Please use this link to make campground reservations directly with the campground and get our Airstream group discount:

Important: The reserved sites and group discount expire April 15

Note: Our group code is Airstream01

CLICK HERE



Reserve your campsite.

CLICK HERE



Sign up for rally.



GrandView Camping
89 North Moodus Road
Moodus, CT 06469-1144

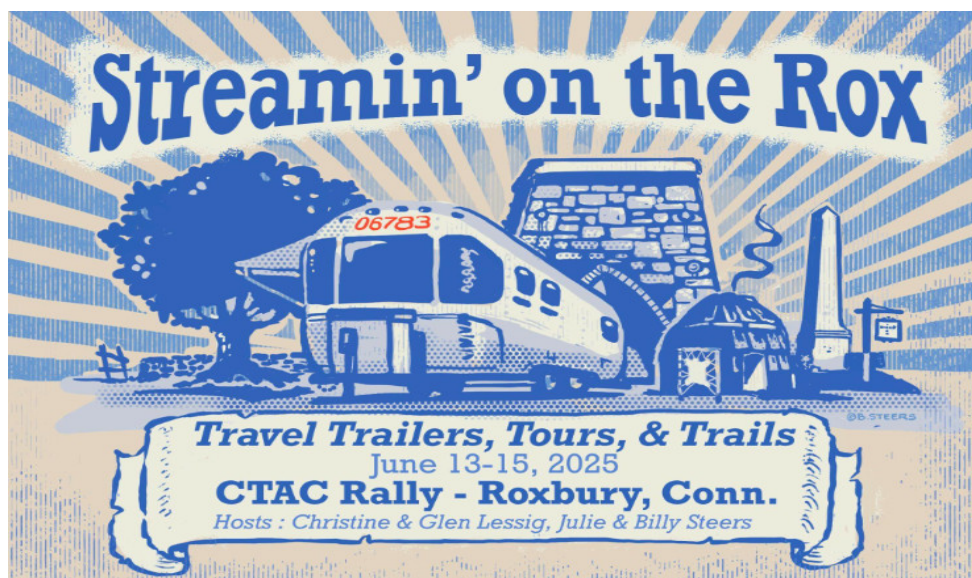
If you have any questions, you
can call, or Email us at:
valarie@grandviewcampingresort.com
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www.grandviewcampingresort.com/home

chrisdubrowski@gmail.com



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Location: Roxbury Village in Munson Meadow next to the Roxbury Market

Boondocking Rally - Please arrive with full batteries, propane, and freshwater tanks. Generators are allowed, and quiet hours are from 8:00 pm to 8:00 am. No picnic tables; bring your small tables.

No cost for camping - Please support Roxbury businesses

The Kitty Fee will be collected at the rally for catered meals, local civic donations, and supplies. Exact costs will be provided at a later date

Rally Schedule

Friday, 06/13:

- 12:00 ~ Arrive (Please no early arrivals)
- 3:00 ~ Walk Joey's Trail
- 5:30-7:00 ~ Welcome ~ Yack & Snack BYOB, if you wish bring a snack to share.
- 5:30-8:00 - Pop-up-Pub Hodge Library
- 7:00-8:00 ~ Corn Hole and Pétanque
- 8:00 ~ Campfire at the pit

Saturday, 06/14

- 8:30 ~ Hot Breakfast
- 9:00-11:00 ~ OPEN HOUSE Community invited to visit our Airstreams (optional)
- Lunch on own ~ Roxbury Market has a wonderful deli - Help Support Local businesses.
- 1:00 ~4:00 Farm Crawl, self guided tour of local farms. Fund raiser for Roxbury and Bridgewater land trusts. (Fee to be determined)
- 5:00 ~ Yack & Snack, BYOB, if you wish bring a snack to share.
- 6:00 - Catered Dinner by Roxbury Market
- 8 pm - Camp Fire & Stargazing at the pit



Sunday, 06/15

- 8:30 am - Breakfast (pancakes & meat) local syrup / strawberries
- 10:30 - Institute for American Indian Studies (IAIS) group tour (Washington) • \$15 adult. \$12 Sr./youth free-military ID. -some steps to reach the village
- 12:00 - Tunnel walk at Steeprock Preserve (Washington)
- Enjoy your day by exploring this wonderful area (see the welcome packet).
- 5 pm - Please all trailers off the grounds.

Dogs are welcome but must be on a leash, there is a dog park close by.

A welcome packet will be sent out to registered campers that will include area activities, walking, biking, and hiking routes, restaurants, flea markets, art, farm stands, breweries, distilleries, and historic sites.

Rally registration: JotForm Link:
<https://form.jotform.com/250088302600142>

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Pastures Campground Rally

499 NH Rte. 10, Orford, NH 03777

July 10- 13, 2025

Co-Hosted by Cape Cod and Connecticut Airstream Clubs

Celebrate “Christmas in July”, with Campground friends bring those Christmas decoration to dress up your trailer!

Enjoy.....

- ✧ Bring those Christmas decorations!!
- ✧ Joining in with the campground Christmas decorating of your trailer
 - ✧ Joint Club and Campground Residents Barbeque.
 - ✧ Kayak and Pontoon Boat rental are available.
- ✧ 6 pm Friday evening: Baked Potatoes with all the fixings.
 - ✧ 8 am Saturday Potluck Breakfast
- ✧ 5 pm Joint Summer Barbeque with Pastures Summer Folks (Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Corn) co-hosted by Kim and Doug Robinson you might bring your favorite summer desert. 8 pm Campfire
 - ✧ 8 am Sunday Continental Breakfast. Cleanout your fridge dinner if you stay Sunday Night
 - ✧ Coffee will be provided each morning



Here is the Jotform link for sign up

<https://form.jotform.com/250714567597065>

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The Taste of NY and New England



Sponsored by Finger Lakes Airstream Club, Region 1 and PA (Penn Wood) Airstream Club

Date: July 31st 2025 to August 4th 2025

Region 1 Host: Michael and Sarah Giunta

Michael's Cell: 845-518-7567

Email: mgiuntanh@gmail.com

Site; TBD

Address/ Information:

Sampson State Park

6096 State Route 96a, Romulus, NY 14541-9730

Office: [\(315\) 585-6392](tel:3155856392)

Campground Contact: N/A

Hookups: Yes 30amp Electricity Only

Dump Station: Yes, 6 spots

Water: around the campground

Pet Friendly: A maximum of two pets are allowed in campsites and day use areas unless prohibited by sign or directive. Pets are to be supervised at all times and either be crated or on a leash not more than 6-feet in length. Proof of rabies inoculation shall be produced if requested by staff. Pets are not permitted in playgrounds, buildings, golf courses, boardwalks, pools and spray-grounds or guarded beaches (this does not apply to service animals).

Website:

<https://parks.ny.gov/parks/154/details.aspx>

Start Date for Reservation: Coming soon

Last Date for Reservation: TBD

Encompassing just over 2000 acres on the eastern shore of Seneca Lake, Sampson State Park features camping and boating as the primary recreational activities. The park has 243 electric campsites. The newly remodeled marina has 96 boat slips, a large multiple launch site and gas pumps. A key feature of the park is the beautiful view of the lake at its center, and the most picturesque sunsets in the Finger Lakes Region. Activities include tennis, horseshoes, basketball and volleyball, a sandy beach with guarded swimming, playgrounds, and a scenic lake trail. Other popular activities include fishing, hunting, biking, hiking, local golf, geocaching, and wildlife viewing and photography.

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The Taste of NY and New England

Agenda:



Thursday July 31st:

-Arrive, Relax and Meet some new friends at the evening GAM

Friday August 1st

-Evening BBQ Dinner and Gathering

-Optional Wine tour bus Excursion.

Saturday August 2nd

-The Taste of NY, (wine and charcuterie) and the Taste of New England Clam Bake

- Enjoy an Evening with Live Music

Sunday August 3rd

-Continental Breakfast, Sponsored by Skymed

-Group Dinner, Bring your Signature Summer Dish

Monday August 4th

-Depart... Safe Travels

Below is a list of various sites and recommendations:

Local Food:

Ports Café, 4432 W Lake Rd, Geneva, NY 14456

<https://portscafe.com/>

Red Brick Pub Kitchen & Cocktails, 57 Fall St, Seneca Falls, NY 13148

Local Beer and Wine:

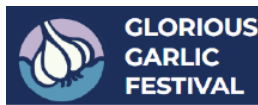


WINE & FOOD THINGS TO DO PLACES TO STAY PLAN

<https://www.fingerlakeswinecountry.com/>

****Tons of information on this website about food and wine****

Activities/ Events:



<https://gloriousgarlicfestival.com/>

Geneva, NY. Dates posted on website

*****The campground has a boat launch so you can bring your kayak, SUP, or Canoe.*****