

PALMETTO STATE AIRSTREAM CLUB

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President's Message:

by Eric Graham (BRN #5097)

What a great May rally in the Outer

Banks! It was a week full of excitement—from eating and shopping to tuning into tornado warnings!

We missed all of you who couldn't attend, but there are plenty of pictures and stories to go around.

This was the farthest PSAC rally in the club's history and the most participated-in caravan we've ever had! We had over 15 Airstreams at the rally and more than 8 in the caravan.

Everyone really enjoyed traveling together and meeting up at the mid-way stop at **Poplar Point Campground**. John Leake recommended the campground, and he did not disappoint. It was a beautiful location with a heavy tree canopy. We all gathered at a large campsite and enjoyed the evening with good friends.

The Outer Banks was truly a wonderful place, and everyone I spoke with said they'd love to return.

There was great food, fun shopping, touring historical places and lighthouses and some well-deserved relaxation—plus, we had some of the luckiest weather imaginable.

One night, we all ended up together—everyone: people, dogs, and cats—in the clubhouse. We were informed that tornadoes might be nearby, so we went door to door to make sure everyone got to the building safely. It turned out to be a false alarm, but it definitely added some excitement to the story!

I want to thank everyone who made the trip, and I truly missed those who couldn't join us. Now that the May rally is behind us, it's time to look ahead to our next exciting event at **The Great Outdoors RV Resort** in Franklin, NC. I hope to see all of you there—it's going to be a great rally!

HAPPY

June Birthdays:

Joey Evans – 1
Henry Herlong – 1
Joey Fairey – 1
Jing XU Weaver – 10
Sia Pickell – 10
Chet West – 10
Jay DeVecchio – 12
Leif Svensen – 12
Jerry Menster – 13
Melody Charles – 13
Jerry Peterson – 20
Victoria Richards – 27
Mary Ann Purser – 28
James Switala – 28

July Birthdays:

Michelle Efird – 4
Stephanie Tisch – 5
Eddie Lee – 8
Charlie Purser – 10
Arlene S Puryear – 15
Ted Cox – 18
Donn Gray – 18
Janice Beckett – 19
Hattie Prugh – 24
Sandi Lee – 25
Kate Robertson – 28
Donald Tyminski – 28



How to Sign Up for Rallies

To learn how to register for a rally, go to our club website airstreamclub.org/palmettostate and page down to watch the "Registration Tutorial." This tutorial will walk you through the steps to register and/or pay for any upcoming rallies.

Link to Registration Demonstration



After watching the tutorial go and register for the rally/rallies you are planning to attend

NOTE: This is only to register and pay your rally fees! See PSAC 2025 Rally Schedule in this newsletter for more details. You will need to call the campground to make your camping reservations, separately!

Need hosts for July & October Rallies!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

June Anniversaries:

Deborah Brooks - 28

Theresa Kirchner – 28

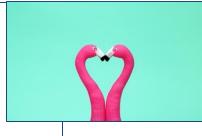
Wendy Menne – 29

Eric Graham & Allison Love – 2
Tom "Buddy" & Michelle Efird – 3
Phil & Gail King – 10
James Switala & Hattie Prugh – 12
Michael & Melody Charles – 15
Michael & Debbie Madden – 17
Jay & Roxanne DeVecchio – 21
Phil Abernathy & Susan Smithson – 24
Jim & Amanda Schaal – 26
Mark & Jing XU Weaver – 26



July Anniversaries:

Gary & Patrica Turner – 1
Randy & Veronica Booth – 4
Chris & Janice Beckett – 5
Bill & Joyce Butucel – 7
Joey & Becky Fairey – 14
Barry & Carolyn Barta – 16
Ken & Barbara Whitman – 21
Paul & Kathy Welch – 25
Mac & Susan Baughman – 29





Cares and Prayers:

- Continued prayers for Jeff Morehead/healing.
- Praise and continued prayers for Rick Wright and his wife Lisa as he finished his last cancer treatments.
- Continued prayers for Pam DeVine for the loss of her sister and prayers as her other sister has had a brain aneurism.
- Continued prayers for Joyce Butucel's sister-in-law, Leslie as she has spent over 45 days in ICU with serious health issues.
- Prayers for Mike Miller, as he and Sue missed the Outer Banks Rally due to a health issue.
- Prayers for all Members & Affiliates that need healing!





June 19-22: Silver in the Smokies | The Great Outdoors RV Resort | Reserve Now!



321 Thumpers Trail, Franklin, NC 28734 - Full hook-up

Booking Contact: Michelle at (828) 349-0412; sgo@gorvresort.com

Hosts: Bill & Sandee Welch and Amy Eckhardt & Tim Demurs

July 10-13: Silver by the Creek | Reserve Now!



95 Pinewood Trail, Mill Spring, NC 28756 | Emberglow Outdoor Resort Booking Contact: Nainsi at (828) 625-2205 - Full hook-up

There are still sites available, book NOW!

Call and check it out! Use the QR code to your right to book your site: Book 5+ nights & get 20% off your entire stay, which ends up being one-night FREE!

NEED HOSTS:





14255 Highway 75 N, Helen, GA 30545 | Top of Georgia - Full hook-up Booking Contact: Kate Singleton at (706) 878-3590 - SingletonK1@aetna.com Hosts: Joey & Kerstin Evans

August 23-28: Airstream Club International Rally: York, PA | Reserve Now! Registration is Now Open! Call (937) 596-5211

See Blue Beret for details and registration info.

- Visit the FAQs page for Rally details. - Explore the historic town of York at Explore York!

Don't miss this exciting event – we look forward to seeing you in Pennsylvania!

September 17-21: Carolina Mountain Jamboree/Joint Rally - Full hook-up



521 Table Rock Road, Cleveland, SC, 29635 Palmetto Cove RV Park - Call (864) 836-6221

Reservation Deadline: August 1st

Booking Contact: Darlene Dudley at (843) 812-8430

Hosts: Low Country Airstream Club



October 23-26: Lake Hartwell State Park | Reserve Now!



19138 SC-11, Fair Play, SC 29643 - Water, Electric, Dump Station Register through Recreation.gov or Call (864) 972-3352 Book in Lakepoint Loop

NEED HOSTS:

November 6-9: Silver on the Broad River Installation Rally | Reserve Now!



120 Broad River Campground Rd., Mooresboro, NC 28114 | Broad River Campground Booking Contact: Christine (Christie) Rex at (828) 338-9598 - Full hook-up

NO RALLY FEE!

Hosts: Melia Jacobs and John & Susan Leake





All PSAC members & affiliates,

Book early to eliminate availability issues.

I created Google Calendar entries for all our rallies. They are compatible with Yahoo Calendar, Outlook, etc. If you would like me to add your email address to those Calendar events, it will save you time & energy in creating your own. Just drop me a line, with your email address, if you would like to be added. Thanks, Charlie Purser at cpurser7@gmail.com.





March 12-15: Silver on the Strand Rally will be held at Myrtle Beach Travel Park, 10108 Kings Rd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29572. We have 30 sites reserved. Our sites are on the 300-400 blocks (map attached) and on the left side of the pond. We will have use of their beachside Pavilion for group get-togethers.

Talk to Kandi Kar at **Phone #s (800) 255-3568 or (843) 449-3714**.

Be sure to mention the PSAC Rally when you book your reservation and please send me your site # once confirmed. The daily site rate for our rally is \$49.50. Stay 7 nights get one night free. Review and tour:

Myrtle Beach Travel Park website: MyrtleBeachTravelPark.com



<u>Estimated</u> April 23-26th: Silver in the City, York, SC. More info to follow on this. Dates are TBD as Terry Montgomery works out details.



May 14-17: Shiny Apple Streamin', Orchard Lake Campground, 460 Orchard Lake Rd., Saluda, NC 28773 (Hendersonville area). All kinds of fun things to do here. Boating (free canoes), pitching golf course, zipline, trails, etc. The *Palmetto Mountains to Sea Trail* runs though the campground! Plus, downtown Saluda, NC is just down the road. It's a step back in time: Authentic general store. Saluda Grade Railroad. Green River Gorge, etc.

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Please go ahead and book sites for this one! It will fill up quickly.

Once you have a site # reserved, please send that to me so I can update my records.

Contact: Roger at (828) 749-3901.

Campground website: Orchard Lake Campground - Saluda, North Carolina - Home



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June 11-14: Horsing Around Rally, **Croft State Park, Spartanburg** 450 Croft State Park Rd, Spartanburg, 29302, SC *There is a 13-month advance reservation window.*

Reserve Now!

This is a SC State Park and there are two loops. Loop 1 has larger sites (30 amp), and Loop 2 (50 amp) is a little tighter and has some uneven sites. I'll reserve covered picnic area #1 for us. Huge thank you to Ross Gary for his insight into this park (he was a host



there and a Spartanburg native). **Phone:** (864) 585- 1283 (Contact: Penny) ~\$32-43 per night. Croft website: Croft South Carolina Parks Official Site Guided tour of all campsites: Croft State Park



July 9-12: Back to Bear Park Rally, Creekwood Farm RV Park 4696 Jonathan Creek Rd., Waynesville, NC. Home | Creekwood Farm Fully restored from Hurricane Helene and ready for more useless trivia and rubber duckie races. Bear Park awaits us. Take exit 20 off of I-40.

Please go ahead and book your site for this one!

We have a dedicated reservation link with side-by-side sites reserved, mostly on the creek. Once you have a site # reserved, please send that to me so I can update my records.



Susan is our contact at Creekwood.

Phone: (828) 926-7977 or use this dedicated link: Creekwood Farm RV Park - - Powered by ResNexus



August 13-16: Streamin' with White Squirrels, Davidson River Campground (NC State Park), Pisgah Forest, NC (Brevard area). Come and see the famous White Squirrels of Transylvania County. This

park is inside the entrance of the Pisgah National Forest. Trout fishing, tubing, swimming, hiking and so much more...

The Davidson River runs through the campground. I am from Brevard and I'm super excited to show you my stomping grounds! This park has VERY high demand during summer months; therefore,

we must reserve our sites on February 8th, 2026, during the 6-month rolling release schedule. Please note that many sites do not have electricity, so be sure to select ones that do.

Our preferred loop will be Sycamore Loop (10 electrical sites). Whiteoak Loop (3), etc. Water and sewage hookups are not available at the sites; however, there are multiple freshwater spigot stations throughout the park and the clean bathhouses offer toilets & hot showers.

More information can be found here:

Davidson River, National Forests in North Carolina - Recreation.gov (No phone #, book on-line).





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August 22-27: International Rally, Minot, ND. ACI will coordinate this event.



September 16-20: *Carolina Mountain Jamboree*, Palmetto Cove 521 Table Rock Road, Cleveland, SC, 29635

Palmetto Cove RV Park - Call (864) 836-6221

Back to a place we all know well, fully intact from the wildfires and ready for more memories. When you have your site #, please send it to me so I can update my records.





Estimated: October 22-25: Alumalina! Due to damage from Hurricane Helene, John Leake continues to pursue venue options for Alumalina. More updates to follow soon.



November 5-8: *Installation Rally*. Most likely to be held at Broad River Campground, Kings Mountain State Park or Palmetto Cove. More details to follow on this one. No action required currently.



Christmas Get-together TBD

RALLY HOSTS NEEDED:

Our club is still looking for hosts for two rallies this year: July and October.

Please let Eric Graham know if you would like to host for one of these rallies.





Website:





Fight from the caravan stopped in Tarboro for lunch on our way back to Jordan Lake Campground



Our Club Website:

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Welcome New Members

Fred Chuck: fchuck: fchuck123@gmail.com
Beth Chuck: bchuckapril@gmail.com

Fort Mill, SC

(BRN #29715) 2015 Eddie Bauer 27'

Kevin Madden: <u>kevin.madden@yorkcountygov.com</u> Jennifer Madden: <u>jenroby@aol.com</u>

York, SC

(BRN #24237) 2024 Flying Cloud Bunk 30'



SOME OF OUR NATIONAL HOLIDAYS IN JUNE

June 1

- Go Barefoot Day June 4
- Cheese Day June 6
- D-Day, WWII June 10
- Ice-Tea Day

June 13

Friday the 13th

June 14

Flag DayJune 15



- Father's Day June 20
- Bald Eagle Day
 June 23
- Lucky Penny Day

June 25

• Let Go Day June 26



Forgiveness Day



(BRN #31684) 2024 Globetrotter 25'

Perry Huckabee: mjsh2@sc.rr.com

Steven Mark: steven Mark: stevemarkphd@gmail.com
Christine Mark: chrismarkphd@gmail.com

Ninety-Six, SC

(BRN #25653) 2024 Caravel 22'

Welcome New Affiliate Members

Peter McCabe: petemc64@gmail.com Amy Summer: ansumner@gmail.com

Summerton, SC

(BRN #10525) 2011 Victorinox 19'



Anyone can donate anything at anytime as a door prize.

Donate whatever you'd like, such as a craft, or something you think would be a nice door prize. It's always fun to give and receive.

Please bring your donation(s) to the next rally that you attend!

At every rally there will be this box to put your donations in, so you can donate at anytime!





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Celebrate 70 Years of Airstream Adventures in the Commemorative Edition of Blue Beret!

Airstream Club International is turning 70, and we're marking this milestone with a special commemorative edition of the Blue Beret this August! The issue will be packed with stories from our rich history, inspiring member spotlights, and a tribute to the incredible community that has made this journey unforgettable.





FROM: Sherrye McCabe: Marketing & Communications Manager; Airstream Club International

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70th Anniversary Store

It's finally open! There's drinkware, accessories, and apparel for everyone, including a special 70th Anniversary T-Shirt with Wally's Creed on the back! Purchases are printed/embroidered on demand, so all sales are final. https://airstreamclub.checkoutstores.com/

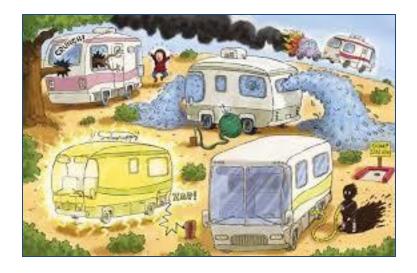
The 70th Logo has also been uploaded to Land's End, for use on their apparel and we have 70th Anniversary decals being printed now. Those will be released in the ACI store and will sell for \$7.00, in the next couple of weeks.

August Blue Beret

The next Blue Beret is going to be a commemorative edition focused on the Club's 70th Anniversary. The issue will highlight the club's rich history, multi-generational member stories and more! We've set up a couple ways for members to participate:

- •Share Your Story: Tell us about your family's history with the club, your favorite Club traditions, craziest Club adventures, and more! https://form.jotform.com/251196029698166
- •Share Your Photos: Show off your best club adventure photos select photos will be used throughout the issue and maybe even grace the cover! https://app.kululu.com/9dqw1g
- •Leave Your Mark: Buy a 70th Anniversary Message that will be included in the magazine. You can choose a text only message for \$25 or text with photo/logo for \$100. All proceeds will be donated to the WBCCI Historical Center. https://form.jotform.com/251103983344050

All these links and more can also be found at <u>AirstreamClub.org/70Years</u>







A Little Something About Us by Kathy Bolen (BRN 04779)







Dennis Boehmer and I have been proud owners of an Airstream for 18 years. We sold our 2007 International and purchased a 27-foot front bedroom 2024 Flying Cloud last year.

We love the fact that we are both empty nesters, no kids or pets!

I recently retired and we are excited about being members of the ACI Club. We recently attended our first Region 3 Rally in Ladson, SC. We are really looking forward to attending the 2025 International Rally in York, PA, and have signed up for caravanning to York, PA with the Carolinas Airstream Club.

We so enjoyed the friendly people of the Palmetto Club as affiliates. We are a members of the Carolinas Airstream Club.

When not traveling I am busy making crafts and caring for my elderly Mom who suffers from dementia. Dennis is busy making modifications to the Flying Cloud and tends a raised bed vegetable garden. Our home is in Virgina, which is 30 miles south of Roanoke. Our home sits on some acreage with views of the Blue Ridge Mountains.







2025-2027 Executive Council Voting, June 1 -15, 2025

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL7IE3BK8ZK5xpzb WazAVtuA8DMKswY9va&si=SULdJINGiYmZ9Vfh



2025-2027 Executive Council Candidates

Submitted by Bill Hamblin (BRN 21813)



Hello fellow ACI members. I'm Bill Hamblin and I'm running for Executive Council.

I'm a semi-retired 45-yearold traveling full-time in a 25' Globetrotter with my wife, Frances, and our two dogs,

Sutton and Rhett.

We enjoy traveling and learning about our country through local history and local cuisine. From the moment we joined the club we felt like part of a community.

Traveling full-time in our RV gives me a unique perspective on the Club as we meet members from across the country.

I feel the best way to give back is to volunteer. From holding local office to leading the Tables & Chairs committee and being a part of the photography committee at International, I enjoy serving the Club.

I encourage you all to check out each candidate's Statement of Candidacy and video. See link above... And be on the lookout for the upcoming mininterviews and webinar to better understand each candidate and their platform.

I think the Club is a great resource for all it's members and I look forward to helping it grow in the years to come.

Thanks for your consideration and I'll see you down the road.

Submitted by James Schaal (BRN 08483)



Hello fellow Airstreamers!

If we haven't already met at a rally, hopefully this short introduction will help you get to know who I am. I am currently the President of the Vintage Airstream Club, as well as one of the chairs on the

Entertainment Committee for our International rallies.

My actual day to day job is working within my family's catering and events business. I am also building my own company called Polished Aluminum. I have some big plans to help grow our club and my goal is to help create memorable experiences across the country for all of our members. I want to help bridge the gap between membership and leadership so that if a member has a question, we can get it answered in a timely and accurate fashion.

I'm proud to be part of this club and excited for the future. See you down the road...

Submitted by Jenny Schnettler (BRN 06594/0041)



Your support means everything...

These past 2 years have been more fun than I ever imagined! Serving on this past Executive Council has been a joy and an honor...and the best opportunity to meet and work

with incredible members. What a journey!

One of my jobs on the EC has been as the Project Manager leading a dedicated group of talented volunteers that was able to achieve the complete renovation of our new ACI Headquarters building – on time and under budget!

If re-elected to a seat on the EC, I will seek the Presidency to assure that all our present and future projects, including the further expansion of our ACI Campus, are continued with responsibility and accountability. What exciting opportunities would YOU like to see us pursue? Give me a call...I'd love to hear from you!

330-993-8444 jschnettler@airstreamclub.org

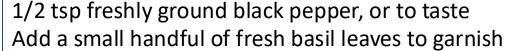
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Baked Parmesan Tomatoes

Ingredients:

- 4 medium/large garden tomatoes, sliced into 1/4-inch thick slices
- 1/2 tsp sea salt
- 1 cup ground parmesan cheese
- 2 Tbsps. freshly chopped basil leaves, or 1 tsp dried basil
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder





Instructions:

Preheat your oven to 400 degrees F. and line a large baking sheet with parchment paper.

Arrange your tomato slices on the prepared baking sheet and sprinkle with a pinch of sea salt.

Bake until cheese is melted and the tomatoes look soft.

