



The Point

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE AL-MON-O PA AIRSTREAM CLUB, #131

Region 2 News

This will be a long newsletter. I want to cover a variety of topics – an upcoming Rally in Region 1, the Executive Council election, and finally interviews from members of Region 2.

Region 1 Under the Stars at Lime Rock Park

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60 White Hollow Road
Lakeville, CT
06039
July 3-6

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From Your 1st & 2nd Vice Presidents

A few weeks ago Joel and I stayed at Twin Bridge Campground while they were hosting the Keystone State Carving Festival. Chainsaw artists carving logs into statues of Bears, Eagles, Big Foot, even Spiderman!

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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT



Above, photo of Matt and Cody's Airstream at Rose Point Campground over Easter weekend

President's Message

Camping season has officially begun. In mid April we took our first trip to a local campground near New Castle, Pa. We had pretty decent weather and no major issues. As I write this note we are in the process of packing the trailer for the Region 2 Rally. Good Lord willing and the creek don't rise, we will be leaving Wednesday morning for Centre Hall. We plan to join the Washington DC Unit for their Capital Kickoff Rally the day before the Region 2 Rally.

There's lots happening this summer, but there's always room for another rally. If anyone is interested in holding a rally I would be happy to help with whatever you need.

And don't forget about signing up for the State Rally in June. If you were waiting to sign up for the International Rally in York you waited too long. I read on Facebook that it has officially sold out. They are working on boon docking spots now however.

That's all for now.

Matt





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

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

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



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The weather was cold and rainy, but the festival was great! We were told this was the second year that the weather didn't cooperate and that next year they will be holding in in the fall. We weren't able to stay for the auction, but sure hope to do that next year.

Twin Bridge campground also has a spring Fling antique tractor show every April. I'm told this festival is well attended. I know the campground sells out for this event every year, that's why we've never been to it. It's the Cumberland Valley Antique Engine and Machinery Association's event. A daily tractor parade, running sawmill, stone crushing, operating blacksmith shop....sounds fun.

This got me wondering about what other kinds of interesting events and festivals are out there. Then, waiting in the mailbox when I got home was the Penn Lines magazine, and one of the feature articles was titled Crazy Contests. (From gut busting Burgers to wood chopping frenzies: Competitions go to Extremes)
Here's what that magazine has suggested for us to do....

Bad Boys Bistro in Bedford.
Competitors have one hour to eat a 10 pound meal. "The Terminator" challenge consists of a quadruple stack burger topped with onion rings, jalapeno peppers, four kinds of cheese, and pulled pork, two pounds of fries, and a 40 ounce drink. This reminds me of a place near me in Clearfield... Denny's Beer Barrel Pub. They have a giant burger eating challenge too. (Only about 20 minutes away from of PA Rally campground if you want to try the challenge.)

PA Lumberjack Championships and outdoor show in Bedford County.
This outdoor show draws thousands each August to watch lumberjack athletes test their strength, precision and speed, cutting, chopping, ax throwing and climbing.

Pennsylvania hosts numerous Rattlesnake hunts. Like lumberjack competitions, they are the center pieces of many large community gatherings. The hunts usually pair with mountain men competitions, black powder demonstrations, and wildlife educational programs. There's one being held by the Sinnemahoning Sportsman's club, June 14-15 2025.

Here are a few more interesting festivals I found in PA.
Peanut Butter Festival, New Bethlehem PA. Annually in September
Greater Pittsburgh Food Truck Festival. May 23-25 Hollywood Casino at the Meadows, Washington PA.
The Light lantern Fest. New Castle PA . May 31, 2025
PA Gourd Art Show Festival. June 12 -14 2025
The Pennsylvania Firefly Festival, June 2025. Tionesta.
Rain Day Festival, Greene County, July 29. (This festival is best enjoyed when it's raining).
Enchanted Fairy Festival. York PA September 20.

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Located in the Northwest Hills of Connecticut, Lime Rock Park provides a picturesque location for race fans and a beautiful and exciting location for an Airstream rally for families and friends to gather. This Region 1 Rally is right next door to us in the Northwest corner of Connecticut. They have reserved the Chalet overlooking the raceway during the Speed Tour Weekend. The Limerock Speedway has 3 full days of racing scheduled. So, race fans of Region 2 let’s show Region 1 our support!

Election

In June of this year, all members are invited to participate in the election of our new Executive Council (EC) members. This will be the second time in our Club’s 70- year history that you, the members, are responsible for electing your leadership team. The process started with the submission of a Statement of Candidacy (SoC). Submissions ended on April 1st. Submissions were open to any member with a desire to serve to help shape the future of our Club. These SoC’s are posted on the Member’s Only section of the ACI website so you can make an informed decision. The election period will run from June 1-15 through electronic balloting unless you request a paper ballot from Headquarters.

You will elect nine EC members from which those eligible may seek election by the International Board of Trustees (the new EC members and Region Presidents) to run for President, Vice President and Secretary. These Officer positions are determined at a reorganization meeting held within 30 days of the completed EC election. Vote is by secret electronic ballot and each position is elected by majority vote. When the fiscal year was modified by a Constitutional Amendment last year to reflect the calendar year, the start dates for the EC members also had to be modified. While the EC term is always for two years, this year **only**, the term will be 29 months to “catch up” to a January 1 start and December 31 end. The EC members elected in June 2025 therefore will serve until December 31, 2027.

Last year, the position of the Finance Director (FD) was structured in our governing documents, replacing the International Treasurer. This is a highly specialized position requiring a rigorous application and selection process. Again, any member may submit a separate Statement of Candidacy. Experience in writing and overseeing budgets, managing fiscal operations, providing financial guidance, among many others, is required. Within two business days of receiving the final list of candidates, the President will call a special IBT meeting to vote for the FD. The FD is a non-voting Officer of the EC and serves without term limits at the pleasure of the IBT. There is a confidence vote at a minimum of every two years to renew his/her position as FD. We are all part of a vibrant, growing Club of almost 10,000 BRN’s.

We are fortunate to have volunteers who give so much and care so much about the future of ACI. By exercising your right to vote, you empower your leaders to continue the tireless work of improving, enhancing, and strengthening your Club. You will receive your ballot by email unless you request a paper ballot from Headquarters. Remember, it is one vote ballot per member, not one ballot per BRN. Thank you for voting this coming June.



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The Pennsylvania Airstream Club sent me 3 interviews to post.
David and Eleanor Hackett are members of the Pennsylvania Airstream Club (PAC). Dave having some down time!



- Current Airstream(s):1993 Excella 1000, 34’
- Streaming Since: 1989 with 1969 Int’l, 27’. Joined WBCCI/PAC in 1994
 - Number of Airstreams owned: 2
 - Travel Companions: Each other! No pets. Occasional friends came along.
 - Home Base: Renfrew, Pennsylvania
 - Why did you decide to purchase an Airstream?
Bought Airstream to follow NASCAR races in comfort.
 - What do/did you seek out and stop for on every Airstream trip?
Car races, factory tours, air force museums, national parks, and RV stores.
 - What do you store underneath the dinette and how do you keep things organized?
Keep pots and pans, crockpot, coffee pot, and sometimes drinks under dinette. No issue with keeping things tidy as there is adequate storage for our occasional trips out.
 - What tools or gadgets have you found to be the most useful for doing on-the -road, DIY repairs?
Small toolbox with all types of wrenches, screwdrivers, rivet guns, pop rivets, a voltmeter, tire gauges/tire monitoring system, and air compressor.
 - How do you pass the time and stay motivated when you face long stretches on the road?
We limit driving to no more than 230 miles a day. Wife stays occupied full-time with navigation duties, diligently referring to a road atlas and the book, “The Next Exit,” to see where campgrounds and interesting stops are up ahead.

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Doug Pedersen from the Pennsylvania Airstream Club



- Current Airstream(s): **2012 Classic, 27'**
- Streaming Since: **1976, and joined WBCCI in 1983**
- Number of Airstreams owned: **14**
- Travel Companions:
Led Airstream caravans with as many as 14 rescue Dachshunds in years past
- Home Base: **Travelers Rest RV Resort, Dade City, Florida**
- Why did you decide to purchase an Airstream?
Progressed from a tent, to tent camper, then wife demanded a trailer. Airstream was the only brand considered. First Airstream was a 1962 single axle Tradewind. Learned to never buy a single-axle trailer again, too much bouncing.
- What do you seek out and stop for on every Airstream trip?
Led about 14 PA Unit caravans out and would often stop at factory tours and local areas of interest along the way, such as Punxsutawney Phil's Gobbler's Knob. Would consult Rand-McNally Atlas for the more scenic roads to travel.
- What do you store underneath the dinette and how do you keep things organized?
Wife, now deceased, was more organized and kept pots and pans and other kitchen needs under dinettes. As a single traveler, have customized dinette area to hold a computer printer.

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- What tools or gadgets have you found to be the most useful for doing on-the-road, DIY repairs?
Little infrared tire pressure reader (now TPMS), an extension pipe for fastening/unfastening weight distribution bars.
- How do you pass the time and stay motivated when you face long stretches on the road?
Never drove more than 300 miles a day, so it was easy to stay focused. Would arrive at stopover place around lunchtime, visit a local sightseeing spot, and enjoy each day until ready to move along the next morning.

Alan Kenney is a Full timer/Multi-Generational Airstreamer!



Parents Howard & Thelma Kenney’s first BRN - #2367. See Footnote #2 below.)

- Current Airstream(s): **2004 Classic TT S/O, 34’ and 2007 Classic TT, 25’**
- Streaming Since: **1956 with parents (in a 1950 Airstream)**
- Number of Airstreams owned: **5 and parents had 3 = 8 family-owned Airstreams**
- Travel Companions: **Travel solo, no pets**
- Home Base: **Dade City, Florida (Travelers Rest RV Resort) and Pennsylvania**
- Why did you decide to purchase an Airstream?
Kept me from moving back home in Pennsylvania after college and offered mobility in seeking a teaching job! (Found job in Georgia and lived in Airstream.)

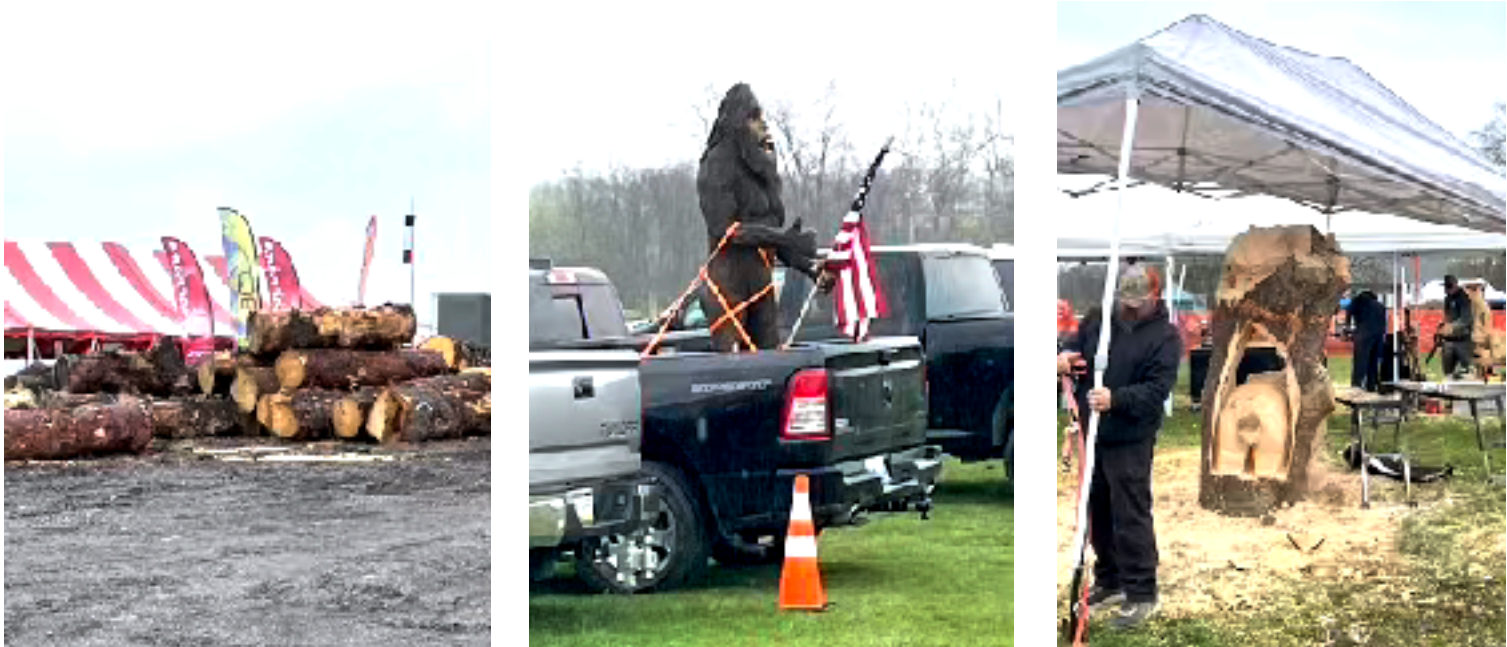
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- What do you seek out and stop for on every Airstream trip?
Tend to drive straight through to destination without stopping for sightseeing for security reasons.
- What do you store underneath the dinette, and how do you keep things organized?
My trailer has no dinette. As a single full-timer and minimalist, I do not allow clutter. Everything has to fit in its place. Reorganize at least once a week to keep clutter down.
- What tools or gadgets have you found to be the most useful for doing on-the-road, DIY repairs?
Heavy-duty bottle jack, all basic hand tools, TPMS, and PEX pipe tool kit. However, have never broken down on the road, likely attributable to performing advanced maintenance on everything.
- How do you pass the time and stay motivated when you face long stretches on the road?
I eat pretzels.

Footnote #1: Previous BRNs: BRN 2297 was an original issue BRN to Simon and Melba Smith. This #2297 was conveyed by signed and dated letter from Smith to Alan Kenney in about 1973. When Alan’s parents changed their BRN from #2367 to #1548, a signed and dated letter conveyed BRN 2367 to Alan. When Alan’s parents sold their last Airstream, BRN 1548 was conveyed to Alan. A several-year lapse occurred in about 2006 due to a horrendous head-on car crash involving Alan’s tow vehicle, long recovery period, and working. New membership began in about 2010 with BRN 2690, assigned by WBCCI.

Footnote #2: BRN 2367 was parents’ Howard and Thelma Kenney original issued number. They joined WBCCI and the Mid-Atlantic Unit in 1957. When Russ and Floss Plumbley sold their last Airstream, their original issue BRN 1548 was conveyed by signed and dated letter from Plumbley to Howard and Thelma Kenney. BRN 2367 then went to Alan Kenney, as noted above. When Alan’s parents sold their last Airstream, BRN 1548 was conveyed, as noted above.

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Above, photos from the Keystone State Carving Festival, courtesy of Joel and April Weber

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Brian Hadfield 24426
From the Ontario Canada Club



I am pleased to give you a little insight into my Airstream life for the past 50 years.

To begin with, my father Reuben Hadfield purchased a used Airstream around 1972. He was a professional airline pilot and chose Airstream because he felt they were built very much like the aircraft he flew.

My wife Anne and I used it many times and enjoyed the experience with our two children Blair and Susan, who by the way also own Airstream trailers. After my father sold his trailer, we really missed it and started looking for our own. We had heard about Can-Am trailers in London Ontario and Andy Thomson Sr and visited him at the London RV show. He happened to have the former trailer of Bruce McLean the International president of WBCCI for sale. Andy said it had been well used but in great shape so we bought it and joined the club at the spring rally.

We travelled with the Thomsons and the Jenkins to the International rally in Brandon Man. in 1975 and soon became great friends, having many great trips and memories together. The Thomson family are a great part of our lives and we see Andy Jr and his sister Nancy and brother Kirk often.

I can’t remember how many Airstreams I have owned but it includes some 30-34 ft trailers, a few 345 classic motor homes, and a 395 Land Yacht. I am currently sharing a 30ft Classic trailer with my daughter and her husband. Although our home base is in Guelph On., we have travelled extensively throughout Canada and the USA. Our favorite places are Nova Scotia and PEI and we are planning a trip back there this summer.

You asked what we store under the dinette. We keep our bottled water and pop along with a portable ice maker.

Also we keep a fairly complete set of tools with us including a rivet gun.

AL-MON-O PA AIRSTREAM CLUB
UPCOMING RALLIES & EVENTS

MAY 1-4 KENTUCKY DERBY DAYS - REGION 2 RALLY

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

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JUNE 13-15 JOINT RALLY WITH PENNSYLVANIA AIRSTREAM CLUB

Costs: TBD

How to register and/or reserve a camping spot: Campsite thru Reserve America

Venue/Campground: Cook Forest State Park, Leeper, PA 16233

RSVP Contact and Email Address: Cody Klingler @ cwk5292@gmail.com

JUNE 26-29 PENNSYLVANIA STATE RALLY

Register here: <https://form.jotform.com/243006126876153>

**See Flyer on page 6*

AUGUST 15-17 BLUEGRASS RALLY

Costs: TBD

How to register and/or reserve a camping spot: Campsite thru Reserve America

Venue/Campground: Kooser State Park, 943 Glades Pike, Somerset, PA 15501

RSVP Contact and Email Address: Stevie Kline @ stevie.kline@gmail.com

Event: The Bluegrass Festival will be held at Laurel Hill State Park.

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AUGUST 23-28 68TH INTERNATIONAL RALLY

Register here: <https://airstreamclub.org/rally2025>

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My partner Susan Miehm and I never seem to have difficulty passing the time on the road. We both can tow so one drives while the other rests or reads. We hope to be using our RV for many years to come. I am proud to be a member of WBCCI for 50 years.

Gary Russo (#1061)



CENTRE COUNTY GRANGE
CENTRE HALL, PA
MAY 1-5, 2025

REGION 2 RALLY



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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.





**68TH AIRSTREAM CLUB
INTERNATIONAL RALLY**
AUGUST 23-28, 2025
YORK EXPO CENTER ♦ YORK, PA

Seminars ♦ Exhibits ♦ Socials ♦ Entertainment
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REGISTRATION FEES	RATE
Camping Site Rates:	
*RV on Site – Arrival Saturday, August 23	\$425.00
Arrive 1 day EARLY – Friday, August 22	\$50.00
Arrival 2 days EARLY – Thursday, August 21	\$100.00
Arrival 3 days EARLY – Wednesday, August 20	\$150.00
Members and Guests Rates:	
Adult (18 and over) per person	\$125.00
**Youth (13 and up) per person	\$75.00
**Children (4 to 12) per person	\$50.00
Toddler (3 and under) FREE	0.00
Lifetime Member Discount	-\$20.00
<i>*RV on site – This is only for RV on site. Rally registration must also include member and guest fees per person. **Youth and Children registration fees cover the cost of Kids Camp materials. Children must be registered to participate.</i>	

HOW TO REGISTER – On the ACI website, click on the 68th International Rally under the Events menu: AirstreamClub.org/Rally2025 or call the ACI office at 937-596-5211 to register. If paying by check, make a check payable to WBCCI, in US Funds Only, and mail to: WBCCI, P.O. Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334. Email questions to rally@airstreamclub.org.

RV AMENITIES – All RV sites are water and 30-amp electric camping spaces with pump outs of tanks every four (4) days. Additional pump out services available for a fee.

PARKING GROUPS - When registering, you will have the option of selecting a **Parking Group**. These groups are:

- ADA Accessible
- Amateur Radio Club
- Band/Streaming Musicians
- Boondockers
- Classic Airstream Club
- Grapes &Grains
- Future Streamers
- Indie Streamers
- Pride Streamers
- Stella's Sisters

CONFIRMATION & PARKING INFORMATION will be emailed to the email(s) provided at the time of registration.

CHECK-OUT TIME – August 29, 2025 by 12 noon.

CANCELLATION POLICY – Refund requests are to be submitted in writing to rally@airstreamclub.org. Refund requests received on or **before** June 28, 2025 will be assessed a \$50.00 fee. Requests on or **after** June 28, 2025 will be assessed a 50% fee. **NO** refunds after August 9, 2025. **If you might have to cancel after that day, please consider obtaining travel insurance.**

ADA ACCESSIBLE PARKING – Special parking, if requested, is near the central rally area for members. We ask that you bring your government/state-issued placard or supporting documentation with you to the rally.

STAGING AREA – The Rally Arrival Team will be ready to park you when you arrive from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Arrivals after 6:00 p.m. on or after August 20th may stay overnight in the Staging Area with no hookups until parking begins the next day. If you arrive before your registered date, there is a charge of \$75 per night.

KIDS – Bring them! Our youngest RVers will be treated to programming especially suited to kids ages 4-17. Registration cost covers materials for age-appropriate activities surrounding a daily theme that will keep your kid's busy learning, exploring and having fun!

ADDITIONAL GUEST – Members are welcome to bring additional guests for the same rates as members pay. You will be asked to enter their names on the registration form.

PARKING TOGETHER – If you would like to park with family and friends, you must register to arrive on the same date, and you must arrive together.

CARAVANS/PARKING GROUPS – Groups of 5 or more wishing to park with the SAME group **MUST** register as a parking group with HQ by July 12, 2025. All group participants must register to arrive on the same date. The group leader can call 937-596-5211 or email rally@airstreamclub.org to register the group. A coordinator of the Rally Arrival Team will contact the group leader and let them know what time to arrive.

COVID-19 NOTICE – An inherent risk of COVID-19 exposure exists in any public place where people gather. By attending this event, you understand and assume all risks related to COVID-19 exposure. ACI, its staff, officers, exhibitors, volunteers, members, service providers, and grounds personnel are not liable for any illness, injury, or death from COVID-19 related to your participation at this event.

USE OF IMAGE – I grant ACI, and its employees and agents, an unrestricted right and license to use my image, likeness, name, voice, comments and/or other proprietary or public rights and/or those in any live recorded talks, broadcast, photograph, video, audio, audiovisual and/or other recording taken in connection with this event, for all purposes, in perpetuity and in any and all media now or hereafter known, without compensation.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK & WAIVER OF LIABILITY – I assume all risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I may experience or incur in connection with attending this event. I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless, ACI, its employees, agents, volunteers, and representatives of and from any such claims, including liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs, or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating to my attendance at this event.



You may stay camped at the York Expo Center after the rally if you'd like! Camping is \$40 per night for full hook-ups, \$35 for electric and water sites, and \$30 for electric only. You can register and pay this fee **once you are on-site** to the Expo Center Office via credit card, cash or check.

York, PA, offers a variety of activities and attractions for visitors. Here are some highlights:

- **York County Heritage Trust:** Explore local history through exhibits and artifacts.
- **Susquehanna River Trail:** Enjoy outdoor activities like hiking, biking, and kayaking along scenic trails.
- **York City Market House:** Experience local culture and cuisine at this historic market with fresh produce and artisan goods.
- **Central Market:** One of the oldest continuously operating farmers' markets in the U.S., perfect for local food and crafts.
- **Hanover:** Just a short drive away, known for its charming downtown and the famous Utz potato chips factory tour.
- **Gettysburg National Military Park:** A brief drive will take you to this historic site, perfect for history buffs.
- **Hershey, PA:** A nearby destination famous for Hersheypark, Hershey's Chocolate World, and Hershey Gardens.
- **Lancaster, PA:** Experience the rich Amish culture, explore traditional farms, and visit local markets showcasing handcrafted goods and fresh produce.

Whether you're interested in history, nature, or local culture, York has something for everyone!