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# **BC NEWS**



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# TILLY'S TRAILS

On the first evening, we gathered to enjoy a delicious hamburger/hot dog dinner with potluck sides after Happy Hour. The next day, we had a big choice of possible activities – about half the group chose to visit the Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre where we



learned about the First Nations people of the Osoyoos area, and we got to see displays and a re-created village interpreted by a young woman from the local First Nations.

Others participated in winery tours, walks, bike rides, and other activities in the unseasonably warm weather. We had a silent auction of donated items that afternoon, and along with some leftover funds from the participants we were able to support the local First Nations youth initiatives with a donation of \$1200.

We followed our activities with a chicken and salmon barbecue, also accompanied by delicious potluck sides. In the evening, we met with Jenna Bower, General Manager, Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre, to present the cheque. It was wonderful to hear from her about the initiatives that the Nk'Mip peoples are doing to reinstate their language and culture with youth (and some adults) following the difficult years of the residential schools.

Saturday was a free day, and we undertook some wine tasting at our favourite wineries on the Naramata Bench with Bob and Darlene Caldwell from Edmonton, folks we had only met online previously. After a delicious lunch with Bob and Darlene, we had dinner with J and Mona before joining a campfire circle at the windy campsite.

We finished the weekend with a B.C. club tradition, "Bun on the Run", prepared by Barbara and Trenor Tilley and J Kinder with help by Eric McHenry. Overall, a wonderful weekend was had by all!

#### (President's Message cont'd from Page 1...)

It was very special to get to know Eric and Laverne McHenry, along with other members of the Executive Council of Airstream Club International, namely Lori Grassi and Kathy Geese, as we sometimes feel a bit on the edges of the broader club being physically so far far from other clubs with many members.

In other news, Airstream Club International sent us a request for support as they celebrate the '70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the WBCCI (Wally Byam Caravan Club International) to fund an expansion of Phase 2 of the ACI (Airstream Club International = same group as WBCCI) Campus to include a dog park, a fire pit, a pavilion, camp sites, fencing, and renovations of the existing site at 803 E. Pike Street containing the Member Clubhouse and Historical Center in Jackson Center, Ohio. Individuals and clubs are being encouraged to participate in this campaign. If you are interested contact Jenny Schnettler at isochettler@airstreamclub



interested, contact Jenny Schnettler at jschnettler@airstreamclub.org or call her at 1-330-933-8444. Numerous B.C. Club events are coming up soon. Trenor and I missed the Enderby Rally because of my 50<sup>th</sup> High School Reunion, but we are looking forward to joining our group at Hedley at the end of June. Later in the summer, the Golf and Installation Rally will welcome Susan McPhee, the new Region 10 President as she installs Rick Mattson and Karen Griffin as our new co-Presidents. We are looking for others to join them as members of the BC Club #121 executive (see ad in this newsletter). The Golf/ Installation Rally is now open for bookings.

Members attending the International Rally in York, Pennsylvania, or traveling in the vicinity of Jackson Centre, Ohio might be interested in attending Alumapalooza, an Airstream event that follows closely after the International Rally. See the ad in this newsletter for that event.

Don't forget to book your space for the Friends-Giving Rally at Fort Camping in Fort Langley for the first weekend in October, the campsite are only guaranteeing holding those sites until the 25<sup>th</sup> of June (this week!). Space at Fort Camping should be available to those wishing to book later, but may not be near the group.

With all best wishes for a wonderful summer making fabulous camping memories!



Trenor & Barbara Tilley



# Let's talk about Alumapalooza!

For those of you that have not had the chance to attend, you should put this year's Alumapalooza on your list to attend. The normal dates are September 2, 2025, to September 7, 2025. There is an early parking option as well that lets you come in starting on Friday, August 29th .

Each year is different. We try to keep it fresh. There will be lots of learning opportunities from great presenters discussing many different facets of the RV lifestyle and tech. Airstream holds all Factory tour spots for us for that week, and we will have busing to move you from the campsite to the new plant.

We do music. We have an open mic so those among us that want the big stage can perform, and we bring in entertainment from near and far. One of our confirmed entertainers will be our trailer park friend Antsy McClain, we are still working on a Bluegrass band for our open night.

There will be food! We hold a Labor Day picnic for the early parked attendees, there is a WBCCI pizza party, We have the Chicken Lunch for charity, a free breakfast at the Legion Hall, an Airstream cookout, and a catered dinner.

We will have fun, you will learn sometime new, and you will make new lifelong friends. Pricing is \$50.00 for early parking (early parking fee will be waived if you let us know in advance that you have attended international). Finding campgrounds on the holiday weekend can be difficult.

> One attendee in a trailer is \$450.00 Two attendees in a trailer are \$545.00 Additional adults are \$140.00 each Kids under 16 are free

Begin your registration at www.alumapalooza.com and click on the registration button And forward your York receipt to info@randbevents.com for the free early parking.

The Alumapalooza team looks forward to seeing you in Ohio! Regards,

Brett Greiveldinger R&B Events, LLC WBCCI #5501 www.alumapalooza.com brett@randbevents.com



# Friends-Giving Rally 2025

#### We have booked space for 20 rigs at Fort Camping in Fort Langley for our Second Annual "Friends-Giving Rally".

It will be held on Friday 3 October to Monday 6 October, 2025

#### PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS LIMITED SPACE:

#### Here's how you can join this amazing Rally:

- 1. Call Darlene at 604-888-3678 for your campsite reservation **no later than June 25**, **2025**.
- 2. Please advise us (Trenor Tilley and Barbara Fraser Tilley at <u>tilley2007@outlook.com</u> or by phone at 604-290-2887) when you have made a reservation with the site number.

We have held 20 spaces in an area as a group camping together. It may be possible to book later, but you probably will not be located near the group.

There are lots of fun things to do over the course of the weekend – from wine tasting, visiting the local farmer's market, exploring B.C. history at the graveyard or at Parks Canada's National Historic Site at Fort Langley. You might enjoy a bike ride around the area, or you could just choose to relax and visit with other rally participants. Antiques shopping is also plentiful if that is your jam!

**Sunday night** we will hold a **potluck dinner feast** like the feast we held last year. We will provide Turkey, and we hope that **others will supply the "side dishes**" for a fabulous meal. Please advise us of any food sensitivities and/or allergies so that we can prepare accordingly.

There will be a **Rally fee of \$10.00 per rig** to cover the turkey and additional costs related to the feast.

# Wanted

We need people to **help** with the B.C. Airstream Club's Activities for 2025/2026 and beyond, namely

# First Vice-President Second Vice-President and Regional Representatives.

If you are interested/willing to serve, please contact Trenor or Barbara Tilley at

tilley2007@outlook.com

# Welcome to the 5th Annual B.C. Airstream Club Invitational Golf Rally

## September 18-21, 2025

Twin Lakes Golf & RV Park, 79 Twin Lakes Road, Kaleden, B.C. VOH 1K0

To register, please do the following.

1. Call Twin Lakes Golf Club RV Park at 250-497-5359 and book your site.

2. Email Chris & John Millard at millard12581@gmail.com and let them know the following: the number of attendees, the number of golfers and your site number.

The itinerary for the rally will be as follows:

<u>Thursday, September 18th:</u> Arrive, set up and gather for happy hour around 4ish. Dinner on your own or with friends.

Friday September 19th: Championship Golf Game, Winner Takes All:

Followed by Happy Hour and prize presentations. Dinner again on your own or with friends. For those not golfing there are many wineries around the area or just drive down to Penticton, Osoyoos, or Oliver for a fun day.

<u>Saturday September 20th</u>: Installation of new officers in our club. More information to come from your new presidents (Rick Mattson & Karen Griffin).

<u>Sunday September 21st</u>: Say 'good bye' to all who have attended and enjoy your end of season camping. Safe travels to all and see you next year.

**Respectfully submitted** 

Chris Millard, millard12581@gmail.com



# BRITISH COLUMBIA UNIT #121 2025-2026 Activity Schedule

<b>Every Tuesday</b> 9:00 am	<b>Coffee/Breakfast Get-Together</b> Roadhouse Grille 1781 King George Boulevard South Surrey	<b>Tom Akam</b> 604-538-4149 to reserve your spot
<u>2025</u>		
Aug 23-28	<b>68th International Rally</b> York, Pennsylvania	ACI
Sept 2-7	<b>Alumapalooza</b> Jackson Center, Ohio	<b>ACI</b> See ad on page 3
Sept 18-21	<b>Golf/Installation Rally</b> Twin Lakes Golf Course, Kaleden, BC	John & Chris Millard millard12581@gmail.com
Oct 3-6	<b>Friends-Giving Rally</b> Fort Camping, Fort Langley, BC	Trenor & Barbara Tilley tilley2007@outlook.com
Dec 8	<b>Christmas Luncheon</b> White Spot, Aldergrove, BC	Trenor & Barbara Tilley tilley2007@outlook.com
<u>2026</u>		
June 24-26	<b>Region 10 Rally</b> Hood River Fair Grounds Oregon	TBA
Late Aug/Early Sept	Small Towns of BC Caravan	Janet Soucy & Paul Wheeler

# We are open for suggestions for upcoming Rallies, Caravans, get-togethers.

### 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 (Tom hosts breakfasts every Tuesday and would be pleased to receive a bag of pull tabs).

Thanks to Janet Soucy for the photo of Barry Hook on this page.



Bob Halliwell has these hats available for \$15. If you would like one please email Bob at halliwell4840@telus.net.

He has some available and will order more as demand rises (and it will....)



Happy 90th Birthday to Barry Hook (July 3rd)

Arlene



Working on your newsletter in my Airstream

## 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

#### **B.C. AIRSTREAM CLUB**

## **MEMBER, WEBSITE and ROSTER CHANGES**

## CHUDYK, Liselotte & Gerald

21065 56th Avenue, #73 Langley, BC, V3A 8A6 E-Mail: Ichudyk@gmail.com (Liselotte) gchudyk@gmail.com (Gerald) Phone: 778-878-0638 (Liselotte) 778-908-9248 (Gerald) 2015 27-foot Signature Airstream:

## KINDER, Joseph & Mona

351 S. Olympic View Avenue Sequim, WA, USA, 98382 E-Mail: kinder\_family5@msn.com (Joseph) monakinder070@gmail.com (Mona) Phone: 240-578-2476 (Joseph) 240-674-6554 (Mona) 2021 28-foot International Serenity Airstream:

## **ROSTER CHANGES**

Please remove LUSK #6272 from your Roster (they have sold their trailer).

**BRN 09998** (BC Affiliate) (Wash. Unit Member)

## **BRN 04411** (BC Unit Member)





#### **BC UNIT EXECUTIVE**

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(USA) Currently Vacant

#### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

BUDGET COMMITTEE Tom Akam & the VPs

CARVAN COMMITTEE Paul Wheeler & Janet Soucy

NOMINATING COMMITTE John Millard and 2 others to be selected

COMMUNITY SERVICE Arlene Matches

EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN Bob Halliwell

HOSPITALITY & SUNSHINE Arlene Matches

MEMBERSHIP & MENTORING Sheila MacDonald

NEWSLETTER EDITOR Arlene Matches

ROSTER & HANDBOOK Tom Akam

SAFETY CHAIRMAN Vacant

TELEPHONE COMMITTEE Vacant

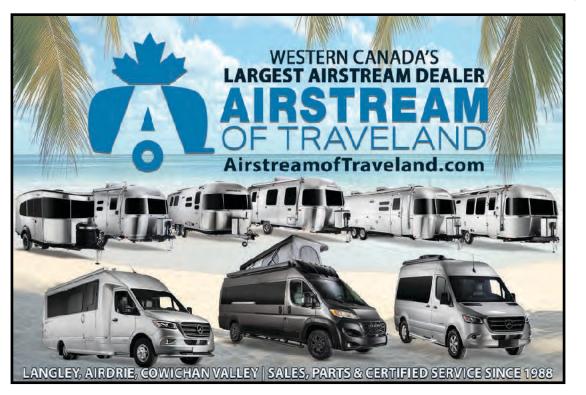
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