



Idaho Airstream Club

Wally Byam Caravan Club International—Region 10



A Word from Our President, by Mark Pinkman, President



Welcome to the summer heat of 2025 and I hope everyone had a safe and healthy Fourth of July!

Now having lived in Idaho for 6 years, I've come to mark the July 4th holiday as the half-way point for our spectacular camping season here in the Pacific Northwest. As such, it also marks the halfway point for our club rallies. I'm happy to say that Jeannie and I have attended all 3 rallies so far and plan to be part of the rest. I strongly urge everyone to get out and enjoy what is left in the summer and check our website for any openings left as we'd love to enjoy them with those of whom we have yet to "glamp" with so far in 2025. I want to thank all the hosts for our 2025 rallies as they have been well organized, and it is an absolute delight to attend.

We look forward to seeing you down the road. In the meantime, Jeannie and I will be heading back in August for the 68th International Airstream Rally in York, Pennsylvania. Stay tuned for our trip details in the next newsletter.

Until then, enjoy the newsletter and GET OUT THERE - STAY OUT THERE!

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Hot Topics:

- **JaiAldi Rally:** [RSVP \(mpinkman1@gmail.com\)](mailto:mpinkman1@gmail.com) for Happy Hour at the Pinkman's on Thursday, July 31st, starting at 4pm.
 - Menu: Grilled hotdogs and we suggest that you bring a side (optional), and BYOB.
 - Address: 2121 West Pleasanton Avenue, Boise, Idaho 83702. Enter through the side gate on 22nd street, we will highlight it with balloons.
 - Festival Agenda: <https://www.jaialdi.com/> (NOTE: Rally has been cancelled)



- **Nominating Committee Announcement:** The Idaho Airstream Club is seeking enthusiastic **regular members** to serve in club officer roles for the upcoming term.


The Nominating Committee is made up of:

- [Mark Pinkman](#), President
- [Gary Betts](#), Past President
- [Michael Archer](#), Treasurer



- **Interested in getting involved?** Reach out to **any member of the Nominating Committee** to express your interest or to learn more about available positions.

Your participation helps keep our club vibrant and strong. We encourage you to get involved!

 Please note: Only regular members are eligible to hold office. Affiliate members may not serve in officer roles.



Membership participation is crucial to keeping our club active. Every year we need volunteers to serve on the Executive Board, Committees, and be Rally Hosts. Please consider volunteering for a role!

Slate of Officers Needed

The Nominating Committee are seeking volunteers to fill the 2025-26 slate of Officers.

Our Club runs solely through the efforts of volunteers. In order to continue our success, each of us should plan on stepping up and contributing services. Most duties do not require a lot of time, effort or long-term commitment. Please contact any one of the Nominating Committee members if you have skills, or interests, that could benefit the Club and are willing to volunteer. [Self-nomination is highly encouraged!](#)

If you receive a call from the Committee asking for your support, we encourage you to be open to the idea and give it some thoughtful consideration.

Candidates to fill the following positions are needed:

President: Preside at all meetings of the Idaho Club and Executive Board; Enforce the Constitution and Bylaws; Appoint all standing committees and the Parliamentarian; Have such powers and duties as normally pertain to the principal Executive Officer.

1st Vice President: Attend all business meetings of the Idaho Club and Executive Board; Assist the President; Assume the duties of the President in the President's absence.

2nd Vice President: Attend all business meetings of the Idaho Club and Executive Board; Assist the President and 1st Vice President; Assume the duties of the 1st Vice President in the absence of said officer; Assume the duties of the President in the case of the absence of the President and the 1st Vice President; Perform the duties as assigned by the Executive Board.

Secretary: Issue notice of all meetings of the Idaho Club and the Executive Board as prescribed in Article VI, Sec. 1 and 2 and Article VIII, Sec. 2 of the Constitution and Article XI, Sec. 1 of the Bylaws; Prepare an agenda of pending business for use by the presiding officer at each meeting; Coordinate with Membership to maintain an accurate roster of paid-up members of the Idaho Club; Record and preserve the minutes of all official meetings of the Idaho Club and the Executive Board, and distribute copies to the members of the Executive Board not more than fifteen (15) days following each meeting; Record the attendance of the officers at each meeting and advise the presiding officer if a quorum is present.

Trustee (2 positions available): Attend all meetings of the Idaho Club and Executive Board; Accept special assignments as directed by the President. Additional duties may be to chair or be members of committees.

If you are interested in volunteering for candidacy but have questions, please feel free to reach out to any of our current Officers. They are here to help and provide any information you may need.

President - Mark Pinkman mpinkman1@gmail.com
1st Vice President - Tony Wilson Trons4u@gmail.com
Secretary - Jeannie Pinkman jmpinkman58@gmail.com

Treasurer - Micheal Archer marcherid@gmail.com
Past President – Gary Betts gbetts@msn.com

Idaho Airstream Club Social Hour

All club members are invited to email [President Pinkman](#) location suggestions. This includes **outside** the Boise area!



Note: Social Hour events will be announced via email, where we will request RSVPs to help plan for attendance.

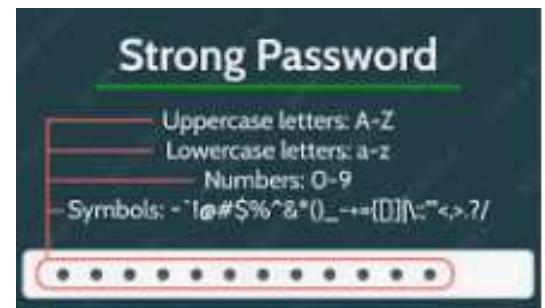


16 members attended the Pizza Social on July 12th.

Stay Safe Online: Cyber Security Tips, by Tony Wilson, Webmaster and 1st VP

Here are some General Security Practices to help you stay protected:

- **Strong Passwords:** Use strong, unique passwords for each account and consider using a [password manager](#) to help generate and store them.
- **Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA):** Enable MFA wherever it's available to add an extra layer of security to your accounts.
- **Software Updates:** Keep your operating system, applications, and antivirus software up to date to patch security vulnerabilities.
- **Phishing Awareness:** Be cautious of suspicious emails, messages, or links that ask for personal information.
- **Public Wi-Fi Security:** Avoid accessing sensitive information, such as financial accounts, on public Wi-Fi networks. If you must, use a [VPN](#) to encrypt your connection.
- **Data Backups:** Regularly back up your important data to a secure location.
- **Social Media Security:** Review your privacy settings on social media and be mindful of what you share online.





Secure Your Devices: Use strong passwords or biometric locks on your devices and be cautious when using them in public places.

- **Malware Protection:** Install reputable antivirus and anti-malware software.
- **Secure Messaging:** Use encrypted messaging apps for sensitive communications.
- **Beware of Pop-ups:** Avoid clicking on suspicious pop-up windows.

Officers

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Trustees – Scott Phillips, Jerry Collins,
Darrell Ostyn, and Calvin Huit

Committee Chairs

Caravan Coordinator – Jerry Settle

Constitution & Bylaws – Charlie Burke

Historical – Betty Burke

Membership – Lorrie Bauer

Newsletter Editor – Lorrie Bauer

Rally Coordinator – Karen Ekblad

Webmaster – Tony Wilson

Idaho Club Celebrations

July Birthdays

Delynn Bird
Jim Borowicz
Grant Clayton
Nancy Goldberg



July Anniversaries

Jim & Susie Borowicz
Stuart Cook & Elizabeth Donaldson
Aaron & Leah Firth
Danny & Dorothea Robinson
Mark & Donna Whitham



August Birthdays

Max O'Neill (Archer)
Mel Kym
Cindee Lantz-Miracle
Bob Caldwell
Tim Ebbers

August Anniversaries

Charlie & Betty Burke
Darrell & Maureen Ostyn
Dave & Gwen Twyver
Gerard & Amanda van Gils
Grant & Gail Clayton

If your birthday or anniversary was missed, or incorrect, please share your celebration month with me @ lorriebauer7@gmail.com THANKS!

Membership Update *by Lorrie Bauer, Membership Chair*

The Idaho Airstream Club has **66 BRNs!**

Whether you are a Lifetime member, Regular member, or an Affiliate, your support and involvement are what make our community so special. Thank you for your dedication, enthusiasm, and passion for the Airstream lifestyle.



New Members: Kirk & Ruth Erickson, BRN 3821

Ruth and I (Kirk) have been camping for about 10 years. We started out on a 30' cabin cruiser on the Columbia River then went to land camping. This is our 5th and last RV, a 2016 Flying Cloud. We have always dreamed of having an airstream and this is THE ONE! Ruth is a Nurse at St. Lukes and is going to retire in December. I am a trainer for Ferguson and have a couple years to go before I retire. I can work remote, and we are looking forward to enjoying our Airstream more once Ruth retires.



We have had our new Airstream out a few times and enjoy relaxing and wine tasting. We are excited to join the Airstream Community and connect with other Airstream owners. We plan on doing a lot of traveling in the future!

We hope to see you soon!



All rally information and registration details are available on our website – <https://airstreamclub.org/idaho/>. Please keep checking for updates!

Remaining 2025 Rally Schedule

~~July 30-Aug 3~~ **CANCELLED** JaiAldi 2025 & Lukainka Exploration @ Hi Valley RV Park, Boise, ID
Hosts: Melbourne Kym & Karen Ekblad

Aug 23-28 68th International Rally in York, Pennsylvania
<https://airstreamclub.org/rally2025>

Sept 19-21 **SOLD OUT** Annual Installation Rally @ Murtaugh Lake “Cove” Campground, Murtaugh, ID
Hosts: Tony Wilson and Lorrie Bauer
○ **The Installation Ceremony** is scheduled for September 20th at 10am. (At this time, all campsites are full, but you’re welcome to attend the meeting and installation. Contact [Lorrie](#) (208.994.1696) with any questions.

Oct 3-5 Rally in the Valley @ Teton Peaks Resort, Teton, ID
Hosts: Stuart Cook and Elizabeth Donaldson

November - 2025 Harvest Dinner (TBD)

Current Rally Tally:

Date	Rally	Location	Sites Reserved	Registered	Last Date to Register
July 30 – Aug 3	JaiAldi Basque Rally	Boise, ID			CANCELLED
August	<i>open for Hosts - Contact Karen if you have an idea!!</i>				
September 19-21	Installation Rally	Murtaugh, ID	10	10	FULL
October 3-5	Rally in the Valley	Tetonia, ID	15	13	1 st Contact Campground-Reserve Site 2 nd Register on Website

Oasis on the Snake Rally Recap

May 15-18

Hosts: Charlie & Betty Burke

The recent *Oasis on the Snake Rally* was held at the beautiful Oasis on the Snake RV Park in Huntington, OR, and what a weekend it was! Six families came together for this memorable event, including Myrna, who was on her very first solo trip—how exciting!

Despite the hot and windy weather, we made the most of it, staying cool under the shade of the easy-ups. The rally featured some friendly competition with games like corn hole, Yardzee (the oversized version of Yahtzee), and Jenga. And of course, no rally is complete without fantastic food, and we certainly had our fill!

Here's a taste of what was on the menu:

- **Friday:** Pulled pork, fresh salad, and a decadent banana pudding that everyone raved about.
- **Saturday:** We kicked off the morning with ice cream atop oatmeal — Yes, you read that right, a sweet start to the day!
- For dinner, we enjoyed traditional catfish hush puppies and a variety of refreshing salads.
- **Sunday:** The weekend wrapped up with oversized, delicious muffins that were the perfect treat before heading home.



When we weren't indulging in tasty dishes or playing games, everyone took some time to relax, swap travel stories, and share helpful tech tips. It was a fantastic weekend of good food, great company, and a lot of fun!



Silver Boondock Adventure Rally Recap

June 20-23

Hosts: Gary Betts & Kim Blackburn

The 2025 Silver Boondock Adventure Rally was situated in a lush, grassy area of the Starlight Mountain Theater grounds in Garden Valley, ID. The Middle Fork of the Payette River flowed quietly nearby and “downtown” Crouch was a short walk away. We had eight Airstreams with 17 people in attendance, with Tim and Allison Ebbers joining us from Bertram, TX and Robbie Stolarik from Olympia, WA. Robbie made sure to invite everyone to come to the [Washington Club's August Salmon Bake](#) at the Airstream Yacht Club in Olympia where he is cooking the salmon.



For our new Idaho Club members Amanda and Gerard van Gils and their two daughters, Talya and Amaya, this was their very first Airstream rally. Welcome aboard!

Most of the rallygoers arrived on Thursday and the evening started off with a meet & greet that featured plenty of wonderful appetizers and hearty chats around the campfire. On Friday, the ladies walked to town to check it out and shop at the various stores. Friday featured a delicious taco bar with potluck side dishes and desserts.

After dinner, most of the group headed to the Starlight Mountain Theater to see their presentation of “Grease”. A storm blew through during the show with some wind and rain, but it didn’t put a damper on the great time we had. What a show! The wooden stage got a little slippery at times and made things interesting, but the cast and crew adjusted well.



At intermission, Starlight held their nightly 50/50 raffle supporting the Garden Valley High School football team to help them buy uniforms and equipment. Go Wolverines! The winning raffle ticket was held by one of our rally attendees who shared some of the winnings back to the Wolverines. Congratulations!



Saturday welcomed us with a beautiful, sunny morning. We all headed off to the Terrace Lakes Art & Wine Festival to wander around the vendor booths while the live music played in the background. Our dinner service at the Dirty Shame Saloon took two hours to arrive and was a bit disappointing. We won’t be recommending them in the future.

We ended the night with a couple of games of LCR (Left-Center-Right), a simple dice game played with a few dollars. As usual, the games finished with unexpected winners.



Congratulations to the winners Delynn Bird and Tim Ebbers!



There was interest in floating the river, but the weather was a bit unpredictable, and we all passed on the experience. Sunday brought some more rain as everyone packed up and headed home or to their next destination. The Rally was declared a success because no one made a claim on Kim's 135% "money back guarantee" if you didn't enjoy yourselves. Thank you to everyone who came, and we hope to see you down the road soon!



Kids catching snakes & frogs with other campers



Payette River







Our Idaho Airstream Club Rally Coordinator, Karen Ekblad, is seeking Rally Hosts for 2026. If you're interested, please email her: ekblad@smithandstark.com.

It's not too early to be thinking about next year's rallies. If you have an idea for hosting a rally, please send an email to Karen. She's ready to help guide you in making your idea a reality by providing another opportunity for our members to rally!

Hosts Charlie & Betty Burke are starting to plan the May 2026 Rally and are currently [looking for co-hosts](#) to help make the event a great success. The rally will be held at the newly refurbished Hagerman Village RV Park in beautiful Hagerman, Idaho. If you're interested in being a co-host or helping out in any way, please reach out to [Charlie & Betty](#) directly!



Watch for information about a [Region 10](#) caravan to the International Rally next year in Minot, ND.



Please contact the **Nominating Committee** to Volunteer:

Michael Archer – marcherid@gmail.com

Gary Betts – gbetts@msn.com

Mark Pinkman – mpinkman1@gmail.com

Please contact [President Pinkman](#), (512) 703-7320 for the following:

Where should the August Social Hour be held?

Please contact [Lorrie Bauer](#), (208) 994-1696 for the following:

Would you like to be the Newsletter Editor?

Please contact [Karen Ekblad](#), for the following:

Would you like to Host or Co-Host a Rally 2026?

Now is the time to start planning!!



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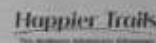
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