



Spirit of Virginia

WEDNESDAY, AUG 20, 2025

Your Club Officers 2024-2025

President:

Devin Bowman

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Ron Raymond

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Vacant

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Lisa Sachs

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Jill Bowman

Nancy Lawn

Jon Rathke

Tina Regan

Membership:

Melodie Rochelle

Parliamentarian:

Joe Baum

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Jack D'Atre

News Editor

Nancy Lawn

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Jill and I have just returned from the Silver on the Seas National Rally Cruise to Alaska. There were over 100 Airstreamers taking in the gorgeous landscape and scenery of Alaska! It was such a wonderful trip and I highly recommend it if you have the opportunity to go one year.



I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to Jon O. and Christine R. for hosting our annual meeting for the past three years. The event was a resounding success, complemented by an abundance of excellent food.

I am pleased to announce the newly elected and returning officers for 2026. They will be officially installed at the Commonwealth Rally in September. Please join me in congratulating the following individuals:

- President: Jon Rathke
- 1st Vice President: Christine Baum
- 2nd Vice President: Bob Sachs
- Secretary: Lisa Sachs
- Treasurer: Janie Tarrant
- Directors: Jill Bowman, Linda Heyer, Nancy Lawn, and Tom Lawn
- Membership Chair: Melodie Rochelle
- Parliamentarian: Joe Baum
- Web Master: Jack D'Atre
- News Editor: Nancy Lawn

The International Rally is Aug 23-28 in York, PA. We are gearing up for it and hope to see some of you there.

Jill and I wish you all safe travels in all your journeys.

It is with deep sadness that we share the news of the passing of one of our long-time members, *Bill McElroy*. Bill passed away on August 16, 2025. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 23, at 2 PM at Tinkling Springs Presbyterian Church in Fisherville, VA. Please note that there will be no viewing, and the burial will be private.

Celebration of Life for Chip Rothery

Join the Celebration of Life honoring Chip Rothery on:

- *Date: Saturday, August 30*
 - *Time: 2:00 PM*
 - *Location: Chip's Farm*
 - *Address: 714 Jacob Burner Dr., McGaheysville, VA*
- Please contact Cole McGregor at (540) 405-7039 if you plan to attend.*

Action Needed By
Nov 2, 2025

Camp Spots held until Nov 2, 2025

Reserve your spot for the Pipestem Rally for
July 16-19, 2026

Call (833)987-2757
to reserve spot use confirmation code:
10163014

Contact Phil Miller at
(540) 578-1320 with any questions



Old Fiddler's Convention

Aug 2-9, 2026

**Contact Christine Baum for
more info.**

**This event sells out every year.
Christine and Joe have
organized this rally for the past
5 years.**

**Christine and Joe will retire
from hosting this rally after this
event.**



Old Fiddler's Convention 2025

Cool Breeze Campground

Galax, VA



Annual Spirit of Virginia Meeting

Aug 16, 2025

Roseland, Va



2026 First Dog



Jill's treats



Jon's Meal
Prep



Incoming First Lady: Christine
Out going First Lady: Jill



Incoming President:
Jon



Elite Courtesy Parking



Phil Miller



Out going First Lady Jill and
President Devin Bowman

AUG

Aug 23-28, 2025
Airstream 68th International
Rally
York Expo Center
York, PA
*Hosted by Airstream Club
International*
rally@airstreamclub.org

SEPT

Sep 26-28, 2025
Commonwealth Rally
American Heritage RV Park
146 Maxton Lane
Williamsburg, VA
Hosted by Tidewater Airstream

OCT

Oct 17-19, 2025
Beyond the Shadow of Douthat
(co-rally)
Douthat State Park
Whispering Pines Campground
Millboro, VA
Hosted by Bowmans/Regans
devinbowman@juno.com

NOV

Nov 6-9, 2025
“Pearl Jam”
Tips, Tricks, or Tech Ideas
North Landing Beach & RV Resort
757.426.6241
Hosted by Ken Tarrant & Nancy Lawen
Kentarrant@comcast.net

DEC

Dec 20, 2025
Holiday Luncheon
Jill and Devin Bowman's
Harrisonburg, VA
devinbowman@juno.com

2026



JAN



FEB

Feb 14, 2026

Valentine's Day Luncheon

Maggiano's

Short Pump

11800 W Broad St

Richmond, Va 23233

Greg Heuer, hosting

MAR

March 4-8, 2026

Region 3 Rally

Sun n Fun Aerospace Expo

4075 James C Ray Dr.

Lakeland, Fl, 33811

Bob Ealy

bgealy@att.net

(828)443-7918

APR

Date to be determined

Itchin' to Hitch

Cozy Acres

2177 Ridge Rd.

Powhatan , VA 23139

(804)598-2470

MAY

Apr 30- May 3, 2026

Cinco De Mayo Rally

Fort Valley Ranch

299 S Fort Valley Rd,

Fort Valley, VA

22652-3109

(540) 933-6633

Bob Sachs, hosting

JUN

Date to be Determined

Newport News Park Campground

13564 Jefferson Ave, Newport News, VA 23601

(757) 888-3333

Ken Tarrant, hosting?

JULY

July 16-18, 2026
Pipestem Buddy and Family
Rally
Pipestem State Park, WV
Connie Miller
philmlrplm@gmail.com

AUG

Aug 2-9, 2026
Old Fiddler's Convention
Cool Breeze Campground
Galax, VA
(276)236-0300
Christine Baum
baumjc@gmail.com



*Date TBA
Annual Club Meeting at
Rathke Home*

SEPT

Sept 24-27, 2026
Virginia Commonwealth Rally
North 340 Campground Rally
Waynesboro, VA
Virginia AS Club, hosting

OCT

Shenadoah Valley
Rally
Date to be determined

NOV

Nov 5-8, 2026
Traditional Hatteras Rally
Camp Hatteras RV
24798 NC HWY 12
Rodanthe, NC

DEC



Christmas Party
Date to be determined