

BIG BEND FLORIDA AIRSTREAM CLUB

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME OF ORGANIZATION

Sect. 1 **Organization Name:** This organization is a chartered Club of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. and shall be known as the Big Bend Florida Airstream Club of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. (hereafter referred to as "Club" or "Local Club").

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVES

Sect. 1 **Objectives:** The objectives of this non-profit organization shall be:

- To encourage recreational vehicle travel, sightseeing, leisurely enjoyment and positive social interactions by its members.
- To furnish encouragement and assistance in the development of the Club and thus afford fraternization for recreational vehicle owners.
- To encourage safe driving and assist in improving the general welfare of the recreational vehicle public through assistance and active participation of all its members in building a strong organization for the betterment of good will toward recreational vehicle travel.
- To coordinate with and participate in the interests and activities of the International and the Region.
- To cooperate with other organizations and units/clubs within our sphere which are seeking to elevate the standards and ethics of the various groups.
- To disseminate information of an advisory and educational nature which will be of value to its members and the public.
- To study, advise and recommend legislation which is in the interest of the recreational vehicle public and oppose all legislation which is discriminatory and injurious to the recreational vehicle public.
- To encourage government and private agencies to provide more and better recreational vehicle parks and facilities.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS

Sect. 1 Requirements: An adult who owns a hard-sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc. shall be eligible for membership.

Sect. 2 Classes of Membership: There are two classes of membership in this Club: Regular Members and Affiliate Members.

Sect. 3 Regular Membership Application: An applicant for membership in this Club must submit an application in writing and, upon the payment of International and Club dues, shall be a Regular Member of this Club.

Sect. 4 Sale of Airstream Vehicle: Regular Members who have sold their recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc., may, upon request, retain their membership as Regular Members of this Club pursuant to the provisions of Sect. 2 ARTICLE VI of the International Constitution. Such Regular Members shall possess all the rights and privileges of the International Club, including full voting rights in all elections and on all questions.

Sect. 5 Affiliate Membership: Regular Members of another Unit/Club may become Affiliate Members in this Club by a payment of the Club's Affiliate dues to the International Club national office, and shall possess all the rights and privileges of the Club except:

- The right to hold office in the Club.
- The right to vote, through the Affiliate Club, in the selection or election of officers in the Club, Region or International, or on any amendment to the Club or the International Constitution.
- The right to vote on the dissolution of the Club, consolidation of the Club with one or more Units/Clubs, or the merger of the Club with another Unit/Club.

Sect. 6 Affiliate Membership Application: Applicants for Affiliate membership in this Club must submit dues and show evidence of membership in the International Club.

Sect. 7 Failure to Pay Dues: Failure to pay either Unit or International dues will automatically terminate membership in the Club.

Sect. 8 Voting Rights: An owner of an Airstream and their spouse/partner who joins the Club as a Regular Member will have one vote per person in the election of officers at the Local, Regional and international levels and amendments to their respective Constitutions.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION/REMOVAL

Sect. 1 Officers and Executive Board Members: The officers of the Club shall be Regular members of the Club and shall consist of:

- President
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President

- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Four Trustees

Sect. 2 Officer Election and Term of Office: The Officers shall be elected at the annual business meeting in October and shall be installed at the November meeting and shall assume office at the close of that meeting. An officer, except for Trustees, shall serve in office for a term of one year or until a successor is elected but in no case shall an officer be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office except the Secretary or Treasurer provided said officers are duly nominated and elected for each term of office.

Sect. 3 Trustee Election and Term of Office: The Trustees shall be elected at the annual business meeting, each for a term of two years, but arranged so that only one-half such Trustees terms expire in any one year. No Trustee shall serve more than one two- year term consecutively.

Sect. 4 Full Term of Office: An officer who advances to an office pursuant to the provisions of Sect. 5 of this ARTICLE shall not be deemed to have served a full term in such office unless said service is for a period of greater than one-half (1/2) the term of such office.

Sect. 5 Vacancies: In the event of the death or resignation of the President or the death, advancement or resignation of a Vice President, or an officer's inability to fulfill the duties of office, the next ranking Vice President (in the order first, second, third) shall advance thereto. All other vacancies on the Executive Board, except that of the Immediate Past President shall be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Board. A vacancy in the office of the Immediate Past President shall not be filled.

Sect. 6 Removal of Officer: An officer of the Club may be removed from office pursuant to the provisions of Article XII, Section 2 of the Club Bylaws.

ARTICLE V

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Sect. 1 Composition: The Executive Board shall consist of the Club officers plus the Immediate Past President of the Club.

Sect. 2 Governance: The Executive Board shall be the administrative body of the Club and shall define the policies of and have full administrative authority in all matters pertaining to the Club and shall exercise general control and supervision of all officers and committees.

Sect. 3 Call of Meeting: The President or any two members of the Board may call a business meeting of the Executive Board at any time deemed necessary.

Sect. 4 Quorum: A quorum of the Executive Board shall consist of a majority of its members.

ARTICLE VI

CLUB BUSINESS MEETINGS

Sect. 1 **Meetings:** The annual business meeting of the Club shall be held during the month of October. Additional business meetings may be held during any rally of the Club, and may be called at any time by a majority vote of the Executive Board. The date, time, location, and purpose of all Club business meetings shall be announced to the members in writing at least fifteen days prior to the meeting. A quorum for conducting business at any business meeting shall be not less than ten percent of the membership.

Sect. 2 **Voting Qualifications:** All Regular Members, including spouse or partner, voting at the club's annual or additional business meetings, at the time of the voting period, shall each have one vote.

Sect. 3 **Meeting Ballots:** Ballots submitted by email, regular mail or facsimile may also be accepted from Regular members unable to attend regular or special business meetings. The President and Secretary shall ensure no member casts more than one ballot. Votes allowed in this manner should be received by the Club no later than two (2) days before the regular or special meeting at which a vote is to be taken. These votes must be kept confidential until voting at a meeting has taken place. Such ballots also count as a part of the quorum for such a meeting.

ARTICLE VII

BYLAWS

Sect. 1 **Bylaws:** Bylaws consistent with this Constitution and with the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., embodying additional provisions for the government of the Club may be adopted by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENDMENTS

Sect. 1 **Proposed Amendments:** Proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be submitted to the Executive Board in writing. The Executive Board shall submit all such amendments to the members for their consideration.

Sect. 2 **Constitution Amendments:** Any Article or Section of this Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members voting at a business meeting of the Unit or a special meeting called for that purpose, providing in either case, a notice containing the proposed amendment or amendments has been delivered by first-class mail or electronically to each member of the Unit/Club at least fifteen days prior to such a meeting. Provision for balloting may follow Article VI, Sec. 3 of this Constitution. (Adopted 09/27/25)

Sect. 3 **Amendment Effective Date:** All amendments to this Constitution shall become effective upon adoption. This Constitution, as last amended, was adopted by the membership on September 27th, 2025 at Grayton Beach State Park, FL.