



January/February 2026

Shiny Rigs, Great Friends—50 Years Rolling



Piedmont NC Airstream Club

1976 - 2026

New Logo Reveal

Our team has created a logo to celebrate the club's 50th anniversary! We hope we have captured the spirit of Airstream, our club, and of our state in the design. You'll see the logo throughout the year as we celebrate our Golden Anniversary!

Cheers!

April Strader Bullin
Newsletter Editor

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President Diane Byrum

The President's Message



Celebrating 50 Years of Airstream Camping

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This year marks a truly special milestone for our club—**50 years of Airstream camping, camaraderie, and adventure.** Founded in **1976** as the **Piedmont NC Airstream Club**, we have spent half a century exploring the highways and byways of North Carolina and beyond, always guided by a shared love of the open road and the unmistakable shine of our Airstreams.

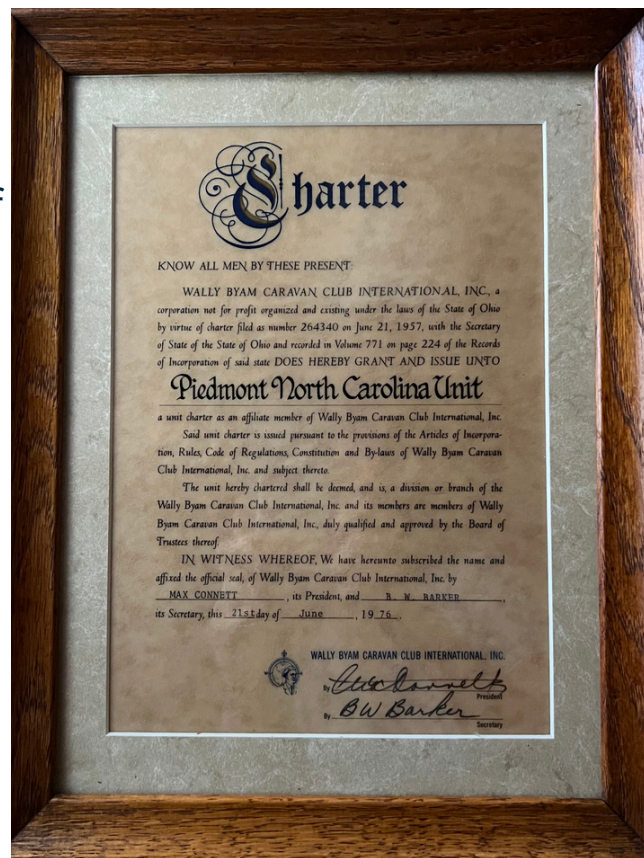
From the **Blue Ridge Mountains**, where mornings begin with cool air and misty views, to the **North Carolina coast**, where the rhythm of the ocean sets the pace of the day, and throughout the heart of the Piedmont that brought us together in the first place—our journeys have reflected the beauty and variety of our home state. Along the way, we've shared campfires, meals, laughter, and stories that have turned fellow travelers into lifelong friends.

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To honor this milestone, we are excited to celebrate together with our 50th Anniversary Caravan, “Mountains to Coast,” traveling across North Carolina from October 22 through November 8, 2026. This special caravan will trace the landscapes that have defined our club’s history, bringing members together to relive cherished memories while creating new ones along the way.

What began in 1976 as a group of like-minded Airstreamers has grown into a strong, welcoming community rooted in fellowship, curiosity, and adventure. Through changing times, evolving technology, and countless miles, the spirit of the Piedmont NC Airstream Club has remained constant.

We proudly honor the pioneers who founded this club and extend heartfelt thanks to the leaders and volunteers who carried that vision forward. Most of all, we celebrate **you**—our members, past and present—who make every rally, caravan, and gathering meaningful. As we reflect on the roads behind us, we look ahead with excitement. New destinations await, new friendships will form, and the next chapters of our story are ready to be written. Here’s to **50 incredible years**—and to celebrating them together from the mountains to the **coast**.



1976 Charter for the Piedmont NC Airstream Club

Happy trails,
Diane Byrum, *President*

The VP's Prospective

Winter has arrived in full force this year! It's an icy 10 degrees in Greensboro as I write this on a late January morning, and I hope you're all staying warm and cozy wherever you may be. This is the perfect time to start planning some of this year's Airstream travels. There are so many great options available through our local club, region, and international club.

Debbie and I have been part of the club since purchasing our trailer in January 2018—coincidentally, during a snowstorm—and we've truly enjoyed attending events at all three club levels, as well as traveling on our own. The very best part, though, has been meeting the people—you. So be sure to check out the rally listings elsewhere in this newsletter and sign up so we can connect (or reconnect!). Better yet, consider leading or co-leading one of the club's open rally months. Our local leadership, past and present, has plenty of experience and would be happy to help you get started. Just reach out to any of us 😊

David Stubbs, *1st Vice President*
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VP David Stubbs



Snowed in but
always an
optimist!



Piedmont Airstream Club 50th Anniversary Caravan



The Piedmont Airstream Club (PAC) turns 50 in 2026, and we plan to celebrate in a big way. The Bullins (Chris and April) and the Byrums (Bill and Diane) are hosting a 50th Anniversary Caravan to travel across North Carolina from October 22 - November 8, 2026 (18 days).

The hosts will take care of making all the arrangements for campgrounds, activities, included meals, and of course, 3 awesome 50th celebration parties! The cost of the PAC caravan is \$2200.00/double; \$1800.00/single (see fee payment schedule below):

***Caravan Registration Update:**

The initial goal for the 50th anniversary caravan was to include fifteen (15) trailers, with registration available exclusively to Piedmont NC members until November 15, 2025. By the registration deadline, all fifteen (15) trailer spots were filled.



Due to increased interest, we have secured five (5) additional campsites at each location. These extra registrations will be made available to PAC members and affiliates, allowing more participants to join the celebration.

If you would like to grab one of the three remaining spots you'll need to pay the deposit of \$400.00 and the first kitty payment of \$900.00/double or \$700.00/single by February 15, 2026.

****Click link to register and pay deposit and 1st kitty payment for the PAC 50th Anniversary caravan <https://pci.jotform.com/form/252576710497062>

Additional kitty payment will be due as follows:

•\$900.00/double; \$700.00/single 2nd kitty payment due June 30, 2026



Cancellation/Refund Policy:

Cancellations requested after February 15, 2026, will be made minus monies spent for deposits on camping, restaurants/caterers or activities.

****Cancellations requested after September 1, 2026, will be subject to leaders' discretion.

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Piedmont Airstream Club 50th Anniversary Caravan



Stop #1 October 22-25, 2026, Asheville East KOA, Swannanoa, NC

Stop #2: October 25-28, 2026, Broad River Campground, Mooresboro, NC

Stop #3: October 28 – November 1, 2026, Yadkin Valley RV, Yadkinville, NC

Stop #4: November 1- 4, 2026, RV-Resort at Carolina Crossroads, Roanoke Rapids, NC

Stop #5: November 4-8, 2026, Camp Hatteras, Rodanthe, NC

Unable to join us for the caravan? We are also planning 3 “rallies within the Caravan” (Thursday-Sunday) to be held at Stops #1, #3, and #5 complete with a 50th Anniversary celebration at each rally stops!

50th Celebration #1 – October 22-25, 2026 (Thurs-Sun) Asheville East KOA, Swannanoa, NC

50th Celebration #2 – October 29-November 1, 2026 (Thurs-Sun) Yadkin Valley RV, Yadkinville, NC

50th Celebration #3 / Installation – November 5-8, 2026 (Thurs-Sun) Camp Hatteras, Rodanthe, NC

Rally registrations will be available at a later date.

RALLY CENTRAL



Silver in the Sunshine State Region 3 Rally

March 4-8, 2026
Lakeland, FL

The Region 3 Rally is sold out but there is a wait list on the website [Region 3 Register](#) . Click link to join the wait list.



Laid Back in Lumberton

April 23-26, 2026
Lumberton KOA
Lumberton, NC

REGISTER NOW

Get ready to kick off the year with Bill & Shellie Townsend in Lumberton, NC! This laidback town is the perfect stage for Bill's high-energy Airstream maintenance tips — plus a few exciting hidden surprises that will make this rally one to remember!

See the flyer in the newsletter for details on the campground.



Save the Date!
May 14-17, 2026

There's a stellar rally brewing! Details coming SOON! *Hosted by Amy and Jim Mount and Jessica and Jerry Smith*



We See You!

June 2026

It's hot outside. Jump in and get your feet wet, hosting or co-hosting your first rally!

We are looking for you!

RALLY CENTRAL



Birthday Bash!

Date TBD

Place TBD

You only turn 250 once, and we plan to party like it's 1776! Well, not exactly 1776, but we promise we'll throw a party that will go down in history. We'll paint the campground red, white, and blue and celebrate America as we mark this important American milestone. *Hosted by Chris Bullin and April Strader Bullin*



Desperatly Seeking Fun!

August 2026

We're seeking a volunteer host for a relaxed, "Dog Days of Summer" rally. If you know a cool-weather spot in North Carolina that's perfect for kicking back and escaping the heat, please reach out! Let's keep things laid back and easygoing in a new, refreshing location.



Carolinas Jamboree

September 17-20, 2026

Yogi Bear's Jellystone

Camp Resort

Asheboro, NC

REGISTER NOW

This rally is heading to an all-new destination—right beside the NC Zoo—where a giant tent, nonstop activities, and loads of fun await! Join us as all five NC and SC Clubs team up for an unforgettable jamboree adventure! See flyer on pages 11 & 12 for details and to register. *Hosted by Piedmont North Carolina Airstream Club*



50th Anniversary Rally #1

October 22-25, 2026

East Asheville KOA

Swannanoa, NC

Join us for four unforgettable days of fun, fellowship, laughter, and memory-making as we kick off the first of our three 50th Anniversary celebrations! We'll begin high in the beautiful NC Mountains—exploring the scenery, sharing good times, and creating the next 50 years of incredible memories together. *Hosted by Gaile Broom and Mike Bizon*

RALLY CENTRAL



50th Anniversary Rally #2

Oct. 29 - Nov. 1, 2026
Yadkin Vally RV
Yadkinville, NC

Celebration #2 lands us in North Carolina's vibrant Piedmont region—where adventure is around every turn! Explore rich culture, dive into fascinating history, wander through old tobacco farming roots, and sip your way through the many wineries that now brighten the landscape. It's a delicious mix of past and present you won't want to miss! *Hosts are needed*



50th Anniversary Rally #3

November 5-8, 2026
Camp Hatteras RV Resort
Rodanthe, NC

The grand finale of our 50th Anniversary celebration is heading to the breathtaking Outer Banks of North Carolina! From the storied sands of Kitty Hawk—home of the Wright Brothers' legendary first flight—to miles of pristine shoreline, this iconic coastal paradise sets the perfect stage for our last big celebration. Get ready for ocean breezes, rich history, and unforgettable memories as we wrap up this milestone adventure in true Outer Banks style! This will also serve as our Officer Installation Rally for 2027 Officers. *Hosts are needed*

For your next Rally Happy Hour try:

Campfire Nachos

Ingredients:

- 1 bag tortilla chips
- 2 cups shredded cheese
- 1 can black beans (drained and rinsed)
- ½ cup jalapenos (sliced)
- ¼ cup sour cream

Layer tortilla chips in a large heatsafe pan. Top with black beans, jalapenos, and shredded cheese. Place the pan over a campfire, on your grill, or on your stovetop, cooking until the cheese melts. Serve with sour cream.



Laid Back in Lumberton: Maintenance Rally & More PIEDMONT NC AIRSTREAM CLUB

April 23-26, 2026

Lumberton/I-95 KOA Journey
465 Kenric Rd. Lumberton, NC



#1 CAMPING RESERVATIONS:

Please call 1-910-739-4372 (mention Airstream Rally).
Campsite rate \$60.00 + tax (includes KOA discount)

#2 RALLY FEE:

\$15.00 per person
Click the link to [Register](#)

HOSTS:

Bill & Shellie Townsend

Schedule

Thursday - 4/23/2026

4:30-ish **Happy Hour**
What to Bring: Appetizer to share
Dinner set ups
Beverages
6:00 p.m. **Dinner provided by Hosts**

Friday – 4/24/2026

Breakfast on your own

9 AM: Tour of Graphics Packaging Plant *
*Lunch after tour. The group will meet at a local
restaurant and *lunch is own your own*

2 PM: Woodworking with Alan Hvzdick:
Demonstration and discussion

6 PM: Dinner on your own:
[Lumberton Dining Options](#)

Saturday – 4/25/2023

Breakfast and Lunch on your own
[Lumberton Dining Options](#)

10 AM: Bill's Airstream Maintenance Wisdom
Fun, interactive introduction to Airstream
maintenance.

Laid back Saturday afternoon at the campground or
around town [Explore Lumberton](#)

5 PM: **Happy Hour**
What to Bring: Appetizer to share
Dinner set ups
Beverages

6 PM: **Dinner/Dessert provided by the
hosts**

7:30 PM: **Campfire**

Sunday – 4/26/2022

8:30 AM: **Light Breakfast Provided by Hosts**
What to Bring: Set ups
Your Own Coffee or beverage

Sunday Devotion provided by club member

**See ya down the road! Safe travels to and
from your next Airstream adventure!**



CAROLINAS JAMBOREE RALLY

(Formerly Carolinas Mountain Jamboree Rally)

September 17-20, 2026

HOSTS: Piedmont North Carolina Airstream Club

Yogi Bear's Jellystone Camp Resort

<https://asheborojellystone.com/>

964 Crestview Church Road

Asheboro, NC 27205

Campsite Cost: \$75.00/night

To reserve your campsite, please call 336-964-0813

**** (Campsites will be held until July 1, 2026 – Register early - limited to 50 sites) ***

Rally fee \$60.00 per person – Pay via JotForm link below

<https://pci.jotform.com/form/260346265527156>

RALLY SCHEDULE

Thursday – 9/17/2026

4:30 p.m.

Happy Hour under the Big Top

Appetizers provided by Hosts

What to bring: Set ups and Beverage of choice

6 p.m.

Dinner under Big Top

Hot Dogs and all the fixings provided by Hosts

What to bring: Salad or Side Dish to share

Dinner set up and beverage of choice

7:45 p.m.

Fire Pit & "S'mores Bar"

What to bring: Folding Chair, Paper Plate/Napkin and beverage of choice

Friday – 9/18/2026

8:30 a.m.

Breakfast under the Big Top provided by the Carolinas Airstream Club

What to bring: Breakfast setup & YOUR OWN coffee or beverage

TBD in a.m.

NORTH CAROLINA ZOO – *The world's largest natural habitat zoo!* Special 2-Hour

Private Golf-Cart Tours Available on Friday morning (up to 20 people) – \$30 per person,

which includes the entrance fee to the zoo

During the 2-hour tour, you will see a wide range of animal habitats with a guide who is knowledgeable about all species at the North Carolina Zoo.

(MAKE PAYMENT FOR PRIVATE GOLF-CART ZOO TOUR ON JOTFORM)

You may also visit the zoo on your own between 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Explore, roughly, 5 miles of walking trails to visualize animals from the continents of North America, Africa, and Asia (new in 2026).

Individual tickets can be purchased in advance online or at the gate on the day you visit -

<https://www.nczoo.org>

Other Activities to Consider –

- Seagrove Potters - [Seagrove Pottery](#)
- Petty Museum - [Richard Petty Museum](#)
- NC Aviation Museum - [NC Aviation Museum](#)
- American Classic Motorcycle Museum - [American Motorcycle Museum](#)
- Pisgah Covered Bridge - [Pisgah Covered Bridge](#)
- Hiking in Uwharrie National Forest - [Hike Uwharrie National Forest](#)
- Richland Creek Canopy Tour - [Richland Creek Zipline](#)
- Hoover-Hatchet House - axe-throwing in Asheboro - [Hoover Hatchet House](#)
- Sunset Theater - movies, plays, concerts & lectures - [Sunset Theater](#)
- Disc Golf - North Asheboro Park and Potter's Grove Disc Golf Course - [Disc Golf](#)
- Explore the Quilt Trail in Randolph County - [Randolph County Quilt Trail](#)

12 & 6 p.m. **Lunch & Dinner on your own** Pick any cuisine & explore restaurants—[Asheboro Restaurants](#)

7:30 p.m. **Game Night under the Big Top**
What to bring: Your FAVORITE Card and/or Board Game, beverage of choice

Saturday – 9/19/2026

8:30 a.m. **Breakfast under the Big Top provided by The Palmetto State Airstream Club**
What to bring: Breakfast setup & YOUR OWN coffee or beverage

TBD in a.m. **NORTH CAROLINA ZOO (see Friday schedule above for details) (MAKE PAYMENT FOR PRIVATE GOLF-CART ZOO TOUR ON JOTFORM)**

12 p.m. **Lunch on your own**
Pick any cuisine & explore restaurants in Asheboro – [Asheboro Restaurants](#)

Other Activities to Consider – [See Friday schedule above for links to website for details](#)

5p.m. **Happy Hour under the Big Top**
What to bring: Light Appetizer & beverage of choice

6p.m. **Dinner under the Big Top**
Catered BBQ with sides & dessert provided by Hosts
What to bring: Dinner set up and beverage of choice

7:30 p.m. **Special Entertainment under the Big Top**
What to bring: Beverage of choice

Sunday – 9/20/2026

8:30 a.m. **Light Breakfast under the Big Top provided by the Low Country Airstream Club**
What to bring: Breakfast setup & YOUR OWN coffee or beverage

9 a.m. **Short Devotion by Piedmont NC Airstream Club**

Contact the following Piedmont NC Airstream officers with questions about the rally & schedule:

[Diane Byrum](#) - Piedmont NC Club President - (704-996-6907)

[David Stubbs](#) - Piedmont NC Club Vice President - (336-339-1406)

[Jim Mount](#) - Piedmont NC Club Treasurer - (919-270-9171)

[April Strader Bullin](#) - Piedmont NC Club Corresponding Secretary- (336-926-1914)

Club Membership Report

January- February
2026

Welcome New Members

Nathel & Carlene Moody BRN 1285 2022 25-ft International Rolesville, NC

Welcome New Affiliate Members

Joe & Christine Baum BRN 257 1977 31-ft. Sovereign Doswell, VA
Robert & Lisa White BRN 15523 2018 23 ft Int'l Signature Jamestown, NY
Mark & Julie Vermeer BRN 14752 1968 30 ft Sovereign of the Road Rockford, MI



Thank You Renewed Members

Mary Lynne & James Baxter	BRN 14736	1975 27-ft Overlander	Lincolnton, NC
Mike Bizon & Gaile Broom	BRN 4168	2000 25-ft Safari	Denver, NC
April Strader & Chris Bullin	BRN 16263	2022 25-ft Flying Cloud	Tobaccoville, NC
Donald & Mary Ann Campbell	BRN 10782	2021 25-ft Globetrotter	Hickory, NC
David & Dee Ann Cherveney	BRN 3170	2015 28-ft Int'l Serenity	Raleigh, NC
John & Christy Shi Day	BRN 2956	2012 25-ft Int'l Signature	Morganton, NC
Bob & Ginger Ealy	BRN 229	2020 30-ft Flying Cloud	Morganton, NC
Hunter & Debbie Galloway	BRN 10483	2020 20-ft	Greensboro, NC
James & Margaret Banke-Hamernick	BRN 9520	2014 24-ft Interstate	Pinehurst, NC
Alan & Jane Hvizdak	BRN 2362	2017 28-ft Flying Cloud	Sneads Ferry, NC
Mark & Maria LeBlanc	BRN 4729	2020 27-ft Globetrotter	Leland, NC
John & Dee Lloyd	BRN 3272	2005 30-ft Classic	Wake Forest, NC
Steve & Leslie Lovett	BRN 22659	2020 28-ft Int'l Serenity	Hillsborough, NC
Dick & Becky Martin	BRN 2753	1986 31-ft. Excella	Wake Forest, NC
Gary & Christing Mauger	BRN 3522	2015 27-ft Int'l Serenity	Cornelius, NC
Ann & Marvin McBride	BRN 7988	2017 23-ft International	Pittsboro, NC
 Ralph & Ruth Meeks	 BRN 6601	 1975 31-ft. Excella 500	 Sanford, NC
Jim & Stephanie Minter	BRN 4130	2021 23-ft Globetrotter	Chapel Hill, NC
		2024 30-ft Globetrotter	
Jim & Amy Mount	BRN 3998	2025 30-ft Classic	Rolesville, NC
Carl & Karen Newton	BRN 1619	2005 31-ft Classic 31D	Raleigh, NC

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Gregory Ray	BRN 5218	1967 26-ft Int'l Overlander	Winston-Salem, NC
Jeffrey Skeahan	BRN 7150	2017 25-ft. Flying Cloud	Greensboro, NC
Todd & Debbie Stroud	BRN 3846	2005 25-ft. International CCD	Four Oaks, NC
Timothy & Susan Strong	BRN 12084	1972 31-ft Int'l Land Yacht	Southern Pines, NC
David & Debbie Stubbs	BRN 6582	2018 25-ft Flying Cloud	Greensboro, NC

Thank You Renewed Affiliate Members

Roger & Elizabeth Cordes	BRN 4222	2021 16-ft Bambi	Oriental, NC
Russ & Robin Lea	BRN 1148	2021 25-ft. Globetrotter	Greensboro, NC
Lois Wagner & Derek Conley	BRN 16003	2019 27-ft Flying Cloud	New Providence, NJ
Robert Zuber & Eve Gelbein-Zuber	BRN 15310	2023 25-ft International	Wake Forest, NC
Robin & Bogdan Gieniewski	BRN 18404	1964 17-ft Bambi II	White Oak, NC

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Most of the members with a January 1st renewal date have completed their renewals. We only have a few members that are still outstanding. Please be aware that if you have not renewed by your expiration date your membership is considered 'lapsed' and you do not appear in the Membership Directory. Hopefully your renewal is still be processed by HQ.

Thank you for continuing to be a part of the Piedmont NC Airstream club and I hope to see you down the road in 2026.

Debbie Stubbs
Membership Chairperson



EDITOR'S NOTE

We'd love your help filling future newsletters! If you have a favorite travel story, rally highlight, handy tip, or great photo from the road, please share it with us. Big adventures, small moments, and everything in between are welcome—and your contributions help keep our newsletter fun, personal, and connected. We can't wait to see what you've been up to!

Cheers!
April Strader Bullin
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