

Iowa Airstream Club

March 2026

Notes from the President:

Next week is March and I don't know about you but when it gets to March, I am counting down the days until I get a pedicure and start thinking about wearing sandals, riding my bike without a winter coat, tolerating John watching every wrestling tournament, and basketball game and start to plan getting Auggie, our Airstream ready for the season.



We have a very busy camping season planned and I can't wait for all of the rallies. I have been planning how I can make my vacation time stretch this next summer. I know that most of you don't have to worry about working, but work gets in my way of having fun.

Reservations for all of the rallies are open except the July Rally, please make sure you let the rally host know if you plan to attend and your site number. If you are not able to attend, please let the host know as a few of our rallies may need to have a wait list. The July Rally (Tri-Club Rally) in Viking Lake State Park will open the last week in April. I will send out an email with more details and next months newsletter will also have the details.

We are still looking for a couple of volunteers. We are in need of a Director. This position is on the Executive Board and this is a two-year term. We are also looking for people who are willing to post on the Iowa Airstream webpage on the ACI website and/or the Iowa Airstream Club Facebook page. Both of these positions are not super time intensive and there are some fairly easy instructions that I can help. If you are interested in these types of volunteer positions, please reach out to me.

Terie

Iowa Airstream Club Executive Board

President: Terie Taylor-Wolf

Vice President: Terry Cochran

Vice President: Wina Spread

Secretary: John Wolf

Treasurer: Kathy Allen

Director: Shirley Herron

Director: Margaret Jespersen

Director: Vacant

Director: Carol Heckman

Committee Chairs:

Constitution and Bylaws: Terry Cochran

Membership: Tom Spread

Directory Editors: Tom and Wina Spread

Ethics and Grievance: Terry Cochran

Newsletter: Terie Taylor-Wolf

Website/Facebook: Vacant

Membership Introduction: Denny Chapman and Mugsy Jespersen, West Union, Iowa

We started our Airstreaming days when we bought our 2020 20ft FB Bambi. We bought it (his name is Al) the end of February, 2020. In March of 2020 COVID shut down the country and most of the world really. We took it on a couple of local trips in 2020. In 2021 we ordered a new RAM 2500 tow vehicle, (His name is Larry). In 2021 we really started enjoying taking Al and Larry out on the road.

We both hail from non-camping families: Mugsy born and raised on a farm in SE South Dakota; Denny a small town guy born and raised in NE Iowa where we've lived since we met. Denny was blessed with two children from a previous marriage so Mugsy has been blessed with two wonderful step-children, a variety of in-laws, five grandchildren, and two great grandchildren with two more greats arriving this summer.



Since we've met, we have gone tent camping, school bus renovation camping, sailboat renovation voyaging and now Airstream camping. We had lots of good times in the school bus that Denny renovated from a 1987 Ford B-700 73 passenger Volunteer school bus from Harmony, MN and a totaled-out camper for parts, that we towed back from from South Dakota behind the

bus. It was nice, big, and FUN. But, the gas mileage was dismal (of course) and we could beat it to the top of mountains in the Rockies by walking instead of as a passenger. So, time to upgrade to our Al and Larry.

We had a big 'Al and Larry' year in 2023 starting with the Airstream International Rally in Rock Springs, WY. Went out West in June/July and went out

East in September/October. So, in 2023, we were in Portland, OR and Newport, OR on the West Coast and in Portland, ME and Newport, RI on the East Coast. It was a very good year! We love Al and Larry and all of the people we've met and places we've seen thanks to them.



Meanwhile, we are still busy on our 30-some acre hobby farm near West Union, IA, equally inconvenient to three coasts. In 1988 we bought our acreage without a house on it. We remodeled the small barn that is was there and have lived in it since then. We have lots of gardens (flowers, vegetables, fruits) and lots to mow (we don't have a lawn but rather weeds that we keep short) and the normal up-keep. Denny's current hobby is turning our almost 150-year-old Dover #3 one room country school house into a guesthouse.

We both retired from decades of work at the nearby community college, NICC-Calmar, where Mugsy worked as a Continuing Education Coordinator, Denny taught Automotive Mechanics Technology. We now need to retire from the hobby farm to do more Airstreaming while we can, get to know all 'our' Iowa Club members better, and get to meet new people on down the road.



February Luncheon Highlights:

Our February luncheon was held at the Pizza Ranch in Vinton Iowa on Valentine’s Day. We had a great turnout with 19 members attending. Thanks to our hosts Charles and Nancy Helle.



March Birthdays

- 5 – Michael Allen
- 12 – Linda Beu



March Anniversaries

None



Luncheons: Mark your calendars and make sure that you RSVP to the luncheon hosts

March:

Saturday, March 14th, 2026 – 11:30 a.m.

Brau Haus

741 47th Ave., Amana, IA

Hosts: Scott and Kathy Allen

phone: 515-473-0256

Email: kathyallen3534@gmail.com

April:

Saturday, April 11th, 2026 – 11:30

Smokin G's

25 W. Main St. Marshalltown, IA

Hosts: Tom and Shirley Herron

Phone: 515.556.9339

Email: herrons13007@gmail.com

2026 Iowa Airstream Rally Schedule:

Region 8 Rally

April 29-May 3, 2026

Kansas State Fairgrounds, 2000 N Poplar St. Hutchinson, KS 67502

Reservation info. The only way to register is to simply click on this link.

Join Us for the Region 8 Rally!

We're 65-days away from the 2026 Region 8 Spring Rally in Hutchinson, but more importantly, we are 7 days away from ordering giveaways for the rally. If you don't register soon, you may not receive a goody bag. PLEASE REGISTER NOW!!

The Rally starts on April 29th, 2026. To date, we have 75 trailers registered to attend.

The deadline to register for the Rally is April 1st, but we need to order supplies that are dependent on how many people plan to attend. We will place that order on March 1st. So, if you plan to attend, and want to make sure you get a goodie bag, please register NOW.

The only way to register is to simply click on this link:

<https://pci.jotform.com/form/252955716888174>



Also attached is the Rally Itinerary.

The highlights include:

Presentations by the Kansas State Fair Foundation, Bill Thomas Camper Sales / Gateway Airstream, Kleen Tank, Briter Products, SkyMed, Vern Wirka, and Joyce Tait.

Breakfasts sponsored by Kleen Tank, SkyMed, and Bill Thomas Camper Sales / Gateway Airstream

A group dinner will be held at the Amish Community Building in Hutchinson on Thursday evening.

A food truck and music by Color Green, Blue Grass Band on Friday evening.

Numerous sightseeing and dining opportunities. More details to follow.

May Rally: Memories of Music In May

May 14-17, 2026

NcNider Campground, 901 Birch Dr. Mason City, IA

Hosts: Tom and Shirley Herron

Phone: 515.988.4950

Email: herrons13007@gmail.com

Reservation info.: **NOW**

MacNider Campground Map: <https://share.google/L058u4azFOpbifULo>

Call Marion Olson at 641-590-2419

Sites are set aside for our club:

Full Hook up sites \$29 per nite. (B1, B2, B5, B6, B7, B8, B9)

Water and Electric \$20 per nite. (D3, D5, D7, D9, D11, D13, D15, E2, E4, E6, E8, E10, E12, E14)

Please let Tom and Shirley know what site you have reserved

June Rally: Almost Friday Fest-Muscatine

June 25-28, 2026 (NOTICE NEW DATE!!)

Saulsbury Recreation Area on the Cedar River
(24 sites)

Hosts: Tom & Wina Spread and Scott & Kathy Allen

Planning continues for the June 2026 rally. This rally is **SOLD OUT**. If you want to be placed on a wait list, please contact Tom and Wina.

Phone: 563.554.0145

Email: winaspread@gmail.com or
tomsread@gmail.com



July Rally: Tri-Club Rally (Iowa, Iowa North and Mo-KS)

July 30-August 2, 2026

Viking Lake State Park

2780 Viking Lake Rd., Stanton, IA 51573

Hosts: Terie & John Wolf, Scott & Jodi Jensen, Christine Embers

Phone: 515-360-7887 (Terie)

Email: terie62@icloud.com (Terie)

Reservations : **APRIL 30 (90 days early)**

[Campground Details - Viking Lake State Park, IA - Iowa State Parks](#)



Bring your most comfortable shoes (and bikes if interested) as we are planning lots of fun activities for this rally while getting to know our airstream family from Iowa North and Missouri-Kansas. Viking Lake State Park is a hidden gem in southwestern Iowa. It is a very popular campground so it will be important to get your reservation as soon as it opens in late April. This park has a 5.5 mile multi-use trail around the lake, so bring your walking shoes and bikes if



interested. Bring your fishing gear if you like to fish and if you like to swim there is also a beach to enjoy. We will get to experience some of the history in southwest Iowa by taking a tour of the Swedish Heritage Cultural Center and the Restored Burlington Northern Depot and the WWII Museum. We will also visit the birthplace of a couple of famous people that hopefully most of us remember, Johnny Carson and Glenn Miller. Also, if you are lucky/unlucky, you may experience the hauntings of a real haunted house. See you the end of July.

August Rally: 69th Airstream Club International Rally

August 22-27, 2026

Minot, ND

Reservations: **NOW**

Please let Terie know if you plan to attend the Airstream Club International Rally.



September Rally:

September 24-27, 2026 – **NOTE NEW DATE**

Pinicon Ridge Park – Firefly Campground

Reservations: Make your reservation **NOW**

[My County Parks](#)

Hosts: Scott and Kathryn Deetz

Phone: 845-219-3650

email: scottadeetz@gmail.com

October Rally: (Installation)

October 8-11, 2026

Riverside Park Campground

116 Bridge St., Spillville, IA 52168

Reservations: Make your reservation **NOW**

Hosts: Denny Chapman and Mugsy Jespersen

Phone: 563-380-1385

Email: denny.chapman@rocketmail.com

Reservation info.: Click on the link below to make your reservation. Once you click on "Book your Camping Spot Now" it will take you to the reservation page.

<https://www.spillville.org/business-attraction/riverside-park-campground>

NOTE: PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU LET THE HOST KNOW WHAT SITE YOU HAVE RESERVED SO THEY CAN PLAN ON YOUR ATTENDANCE. IF PLANS CHANGE, PLEASE LET THE HOST KNOW SO THEY CAN REACH OUT TO ANYONE THAT IS ON A WAITLIST.

Membership Directory

The 2025-2026 Membership Directory was released at the February luncheon. A pdf version was sent out via email and a link to the mobile friendly version was also sent to members to use. If you purchased a hard copy of the directory, it should be in the mail soon. If you still want to purchase a hard copy directory, please send payment of \$20 to Kathy Allen.

A potential enhancement is the addition of a photo for each member. Please feel free to forward your favorite selfie to that end.

Executive Board Meeting 2/14/26 1:00 p.m CST

Terie opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Terie Taylor-Wolf, President; Terry Cochran, 1st Vice President; Wina Spread, 2nd Vice President; Kathy Allen, Treasurer; John Wolf, Secretary; Mugsy Jespersion, Director; Shirley Herron, Director; Carol Heckman, Director; Tom Herron, Past President

Old Business:

Approval of 1/5/26 Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve Shirley Herron

Seconded by Wina Spread

Motion passed

Club Treasurer Kathy Allen presented the latest Treasurers report. The Club currently has \$5858.60 in the checking account. Kathy said she would submit the Treasurers report to John to post with the minutes in the next newsletter.

Wina Spread made a motion to accept the Treasurers report

Seconded by Mike Rickert

Motion passed

Discussion of Iowa Airstream Club Logo and results of the poll:

The poll showed that the majority of members preferred the round logo. The logo has been submitted to Ed O'Connor to submit to the IBT for approval. Terie asked Wina Spread and Angie Sperry to help with choosing apparel options for the "store" where members are able to purchase items with the logo once it has been approved. Terie asked for volunteers to assist.

New Business:

Vacancies on Executive Board and Committees: Terie mentioned that we have a Director vacancy and if someone is interested to reach out. We also have a vacancy for the Webmaster and Facebook editor. If anyone would like to volunte these rolls to reach out.

Directory: Tom Spread discussed the Membership Directory on the "Google Drive" and provided some direction on how to get to the web/mobile versions of the directory. He also had a few copies of the printed directory for purchase. Printed copies of the Membership Directory cost is \$20.00. Tom received a round of applause for his work on the directory

Rallies: It was announced that reservations for the May and October rally are now open and a reminder to let the host know your site. The July rally will be open in late April and Terie will send an email reminder and post in the next newsletter. Terie stressed how important it is to no wait on getting a reservation for the July rally as it will fill up quickly.

Next Luncheon is March 14th luncheon will be held at the Amana Colonies
 Wina Spread made a motion to adjourn the meeting
 Seconded by Tom Herron
 Meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Secretary John Wolf

| January 2026 Treasurer Report | | | Income | Balance | |
|-------------------------------|---|-----------|-----------|--------------------|--|
| 9/30/2025 | Common Cents is INCLUDED in this total balance | | | \$ 5,833.41 | |
| Common Cents | INCLUDED in the above total balance | | | | |
| 9/30/2025 | INCLUDED in the total balance | | | \$ 470.92 | |
| Oct'25 | Rally | \$ 466.29 | \$ 507.00 | \$ 5,874.12 | |
| Oct'25 | Rally R8 Officer Camping* | \$ 144.50 | | \$ 5,729.62 | 2/22/2026 per Terie "waiting on reimbursement" |
| Oct'25 | Common Cents | | \$ 32.00 | \$ 5,761.62 | |
| Oct'25 | Postage | \$ 2.14 | | \$ 5,759.48 | |
| Oct'25 | Membership | \$ 99.00 | \$ 219.00 | \$ 5,879.48 | |
| Oct'25 | HQ Brick Fundraiser Donation | \$ 125.00 | | \$ 5,754.48 | |
| Oct'25 | Interest | | \$ 0.14 | \$ 5,754.62 | |
| Nov'25 | Membership | \$ 99.00 | \$ 219.00 | \$ 5,874.62 | |
| Nov'25 | Interest | | \$ 0.14 | \$ 5,874.76 | |
| Dec'25 | Membership | | \$ 150.00 | \$ 6,024.76 | |
| Dec'25 | Printed Directory | | \$ 60.00 | \$ 6,084.76 | |
| Dec'25 | Common Cents Cashed (finally) | \$ 391.35 | | \$ 5,693.41 | |
| Dec'25 | Interest | | \$ 0.14 | \$ 5,693.55 | |
| Jan'26 | Membership | | \$ 165.00 | \$ 5,858.55 | |
| Jan'26 | Interest | | \$ 0.14 | \$ 5,858.69 | |
| 1/31/2026 | Common Cents is INCLUDED in this total balance | | | \$ 5,858.69 | |
| Common Cents | INCLUDED in the above total balance | | | | |
| 1/31/2026 | INCLUDED in the total balance | | | \$ 115.57 | |



Silver on the River - ACI National Event Rally

- Custom itinerary in France on the Rhone River with a full boat charter for our Airstream Club group
- Luxury, ultra all-inclusive cruise on Riverside Ravel by Riverside Luxury Cruises
- Check the ACI website for complete details
- <https://airstreamclub.org/silver-river-2026>
- Airstream Club friends and family welcome!
- Space is limited, sign up today!

