BC NEWS

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PRESIDENT'S PREAMBLE

Belated Happy Father's Day greetings to all you guys! Hope your children reached out and let you know how much you are appreciated and loved. I saw many Airstreams headed down the road in June and the weather has been great for getting out and soaking up the rays, enjoying the beach, hiking and biking.

The Airstreams Without Borders Rally in Oliver, BC was a huge success with British Columbia well represented. Attending the rally were Jill and Ray Evans, Carol and Scott Ferguson, Carol Hale and Glenn Friesen, Barry Hook, Sheila and Vic MacDonald, Moe Storoshenko (with Sue), Eddie Theismann and of course, Karen and myself. A total of 23 trailers attended making it the largest Airstreams Without Borders yet. We would like to encourage everyone to mark their calendars for this rally next year. The dates are set for June 9 - 13, 2027 at Lakeside Resort in Oliver, BC and the rally will be extended by one day!

Oliver offered lots of hiking, biking and many attending took advantage of the abundance of wineries in the area as well as a great Farmers Market in Osoyoos on Saturday. Jenga, bocce, croquet, and badminton were played throughout the weekend and a couple of us even hit the golf courses. The evening happy hours provided some really great snacks and the sunsets across the lake were amazing.

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President's Message (cont'd)

The Region 10 Rally at Hood River, Oregon proved to be a huge success! British Columbia was well represented with members and affiliate's too numerous to mention. There was no lack of things to do to occupy your time with great seminars, lots of activities, great fun, fellowship and good eats as well as some great music. The entire region put a lot of effort into making sure it was a rally worth attending. Many thanks to all that participated and a special thanks to the people that made it a rally to remember. Susan McPhee had an exceptional team assisting her and they all deserve recognition. The auction was a huge success and all items donated help raise money for three worthy charities. Our final dinner prepared by Chef Michelle and her dream team was incredible and we want to thank her for all her efforts in feeding over 200 hungry "Streamers"

Hedley Hoedown is scheduled for July 9-13 at the Riverhaven RV Park, hosted by Bernice and Brian and then you can head to the Riverside Rendezvous Rally from July 13-16 in Enderby, BC at the Riverside Park hosted by Terry and Al Gamache. Get in on the fun!

You still have time to register for The Halliwell Classic Golf Rally Sept. 17-20 at Twin Lakes Golf and RV Resort and Friends- Giving Rally October 2 - 5 at Fort Camping in Fort Langley. Barbara and Trenor Tilley will be hosting Friends-Giving again this year and I would like to thank them for stepping up. This rally has proven to be well attended and greatly appreciated. Looking forward to seeing you all in Fort Langley to close out our season.

Now, let's chat a bit about 2027! Of course we have the September 8-28, 2027 on the calendar for The Vancouver Island caravan, HAA AANI Caravan. This is a Tlingit phrase meaning Our Land and represents the deep spiritual cultural and reciprocal relationship to the area. This caravan will be limited to 20 units. The Hood River Regional Rally garnered a tremendous amount of interest in Club 121 and we had several individuals interested in becoming affiliates. We are also planning for the Abbotsford Airshow Rally with the preliminary dates of August 13-15,2027. George Curtis is working on a special surprise for those attending.

Keep exploring, enjoy every sunrise and sunset, and cherish the friendships made on the road.

Rick

Rick Mattson & Karen Griffin

All photos of Hood River Rally were taken by George Curtis

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Hi Arlene.
Hope all is well with you. From June 8 to 11 we were camping with Lynn and Bryan Jackson at Otter Lake (about an hour from Princeton) when we decided to surprise them at Happy Hour in our “Airstream ties and berets”. A fun time and great park.
Looking forward to seeing members at Twin Lakes
Cheers. Sharon, Dick, and Sparky (Moffat)

Registration now open for next year’s International Rally…go online for details.

BC AIRSTREAM CLUB — CLOTHING LOGOS

Tami and I have made arrangements to get the club logo stitched onto clothing items. The vendor sells clothing or you can bring your own. Attached are some pictures of the logo. I've added our BRN number to my vest pictured in black. The cost for the embroidery is $13 and an $1 option to add your BRN plus taxes. I've also attached his business card.

Thanks in advance
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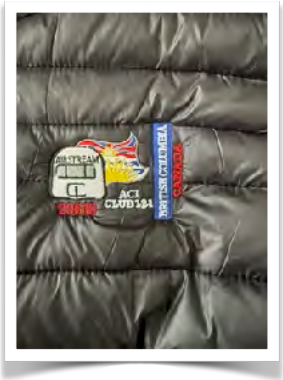


6th Annual B.C. Airstream Club Golf Tournament

"Halliwell Classic"

WHEN: September 17th – 20th, 2026

WHERE: Twin Lakes Golf & RV Resort

{Located on HWY 3 between Keremeos, Kaleden, and Penticton, BC}

79 Twin Lakes Rd. V0H 1K0

PHONE: 250-497-5319 (RV Resort) 250-497-5359

BOOKING: Call Megan to get one of the sites set aside for us.

This Rally is Mostly a DIY Rally.

Please Call the RV Park to book your site, once that is done send us an email millard12581@gmail.com to inform us of who is coming (total number of people) & how many are golfing. Please do so as soon as possible as they won't hold the sites for long.

We will reserve 3 tee off times for Friday. So we have room for 12 golfers, I can add more if needed but as you all know these things are time sensitive.

Thursday: Arrival of rigs, set up and happy hour (3-4pm ish) at our camp site.

Friday: THE CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF GAME: Trophy presentation to fallow at happy hour.Saturday: Installation day.

Please note: *This is just a fun rally, for all to participate in and therefore the judging is at the discretion of the hosts. (lots of fun regardless of how good or bad your golf game is).*

Friends-Giving Rally 2026

We know it seems incredibly early to book for 2026 Thanksgiving, but we have booked space for 20 rigs at Fort Camping in Fort Langley for our Third Annual "Friends-Giving Rally".

It will be held on **Friday 2 October to Monday 5 October, 2026**

PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS LIMITED SPACE:

Here's how you can join this amazing Rally:

1. **Call Darlene** at 604-888-3678 for your campsite reservation **as soon as possible**.

2. **Please advise us** (Trenor Tilley and Barbara Fraser Tilley at tilley2007@outlook.com or by phone at 604-290-2887) **when you have made a reservation with the site number.**

3. That's it!

We have held 20 spaces in an area as a group camping together. It may be possible to book later, but you probably will not be located near the group.

There are lots of fun things to do over the course of the weekend – from wine tasting, to visiting the local farmer's market, to exploring B.C. history at the graveyard or exploring at Parks Canada's National Historic Site at Fort Langley. You might enjoy a bike ride around the area, or you could just choose to relax and visit with other rally participants. Antiques shopping is also plentiful if that is your jam!

Sunday night we will hold a **potluck dinner feast** like the feast we held for the last two years. The club will provide Turkey, and we hope that **rally participants will supply the "side dishes"** for a fabulous meal. Please advise us of any food sensitivities and/or allergies so that we can prepare accordingly. The feast will be held in a covered picnic area so that we can enjoy it regardless of the weather. There will be no fee for this event. The club has funds and will cover the cost of the turkey and additional costs related to the feast.

Fly Fishing Airstream Club

The Fly Fishing Airstream Club brings together those who love the art of fly fishing and the freedom of the open road. Traveling in our iconic Airstreams, we seek out the country's most scenic waters, driven by a shared respect for nature and the simple joy of the cast. We honour conservation, support local communities, and practice thoughtful angling. Through fellowship, learning, and stewardship, we deepen our connection to the water and to one another. Whether beside a mountain stream or around a campfire, we embrace the journey, the tradition, and the stories that flow from every catch.

We are a new intra-club, started in 2025. This year we have four rallies across the USA in Michigan, Tennessee, California and our own Puget Sound. Come join us in our own region!

Puget Sound Fly Fishing Rally – September 21 – 27

This rally is intended to give attendees multiple fishing opportunities. We have reserved 10 spots at the Washington Land Yacht Harbor (WLYH) just outside Olympia, WA. The WLYH is ideally located in the South Puget Sound region with nearby access to local rivers and lakes plus numerous salt-water public beaches for wading and using your floatation devices. Multiple Fly Fishing guide services are located within close proximity as well. At least three guide services have already been contacted. Detailed daily activities and schedules are TBD but will include daily fishing opportunities with or without guided services (boat, kayak, and wading), on-sight educational presentations, and daily happy hour/meal gatherings. Many of us self-identify as beginners and enjoy learning every time we hit the water. Nearby Points of Interest (POIs) included National Recreation Areas (e.g. Mt. Ranier NP, Billy Frank Jr. Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge), multiple museums, as well as local tourist attractions.

You do not have to be a member of our intra-club to join the rally. **Click here** for more information and to register.

Julie Hanada, BRN: 16716, Phone 206-715-4942, shinytimecapsule@gmail.com

Invitation to Volunteer

We hope this message finds you well. As our Airstream Club continues to grow and evolve, we are excited to invite enthusiastic volunteers to join our team in various important roles.

We are currently seeking passionate individuals to fill a few exciting positions. The primary qualifications we are looking for include enthusiasm, a genuine love for our club and a desire to contribute.

Your involvement will not only help our club thrive, but also offer you the chance to connect more deeply with fellow members and make lasting memories.

Come join in on the fun and relaxation of our club, meet new people, make new friends and enjoy yourself at the same time.

Contact

Rick Mattson or Karen Griffin at rickmattson@telus.net

BRITISH COLUMBIA UNIT #121
2026-27 Activity Schedule

Every Tuesday 9:00 am	**Coffee/Breakfast Get-Together** Roadhouse Grille 1781 King George Boulevard South Surrey	**Tom Akam** 604-538-4149 to reserve your spot
July 9-13	**Hedley Hoedown** Riverhaven RV in Hedley, BC	**Bernice & Brian O** 778-233-2682
July 13-16	**Riverside Rendezvous** Riverside RV Park in Enderby (see page 6)	**Terry & Al Gamache** gamache6@telus.net
Aug 22-27	**69th International Rally** Minot, North Dakota (see Blue Beret for details)	**ACI**
Aug 23-30	**~~Fishing Rally~~** CANCELLED Loon Bay RV Resort at Sheridan Lake	**Bob & Gayle Halliwell** **halliwell4840@telus.net**
Sept 17-20	**Golf/Installation Rally** Twin Lakes near Keremeos	**John & Chris Millard**
Oct 2-5	**Friends-Giving Rally** Fort RV Park in Langley	**Trenor & Barbara Tilley**
Dec 5	**Annual Christmas Luncheon** Aldergrove White Spot	**Rick Mattson & Karen Griffin**

2027

June 9-13	**Airstreams without Borders Rally** Lakeside Resort, Oliver, BC	**TBA**
June 26-July 1	**70th International Rally** Rock Springs, WY	**ACI**
Aug.13-15	**Abbotsford Airshow Rally**	**George Curtis**
Sept 8-28	**Vancouver Island HAA AANI Caravan** Planning Stages (limited to 20 units)	**Rick Mattson & Karen Griffin**

COMMUNITY CORNER

by Arlene

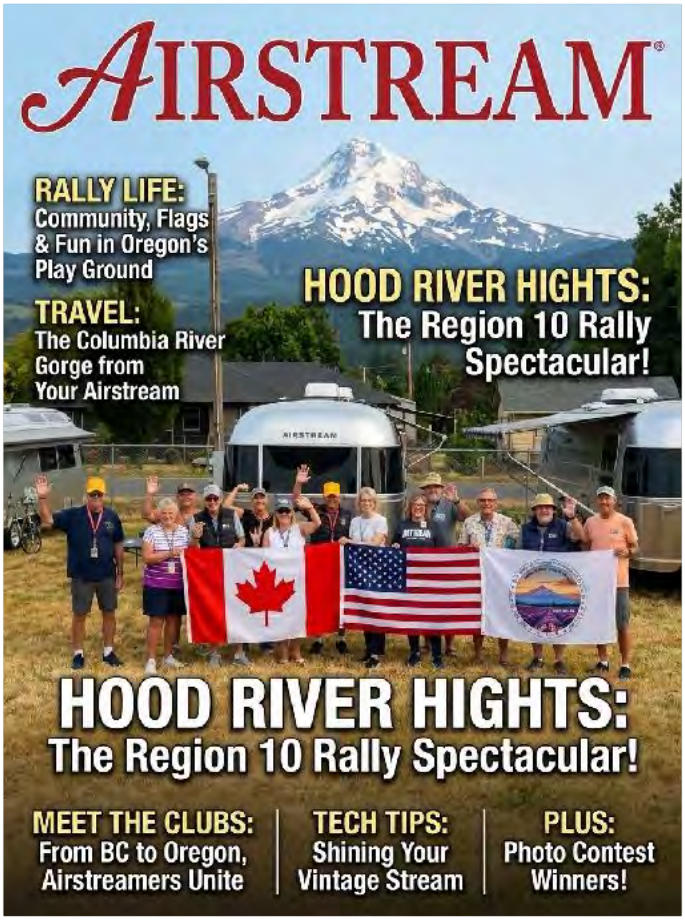
Bob & Gayle Halliwell announced that the Fishing Rally has been cancelled due to lack of interest. Hopefully, it will be offered again next year as it's one of the best rallies BC Airstream Club has held over the years.

I put together an ad for Doug & Deb McGill who are/were selling their 32-year old trailer and before the ad was even finished it was sold. Bob & Gayle are now proud owners of another Airstream (3 now isn't it, Bob?).

Enjoy Canada Day celebrations with your friends and family.

Bob Halliwell has these hats available for $15. If you would like one please email Bob at halliwell4840@telus.net.

He has some available and will order more as demand rises (and it will….)



Have you visited the International Club Website?

If you haven't visited the website for Airstream Club International - maybe now is a good time to grab a coffee and have a read!

This website is a fantastic resource for members and non- members alike. It provides an overview of the club's many activities, Rallies around North America and sometimes farther afield.

Non-member will get alot of general club information - but why not log-in and dig a little deeper?

HOW TO LOG-IN? Just click on the yellow button at the top of the home page, then follow the easy intructions.

WHY? Members have access to ALOT more information, stories, services and many things that are the great benefits of joining this large club.

Such as:

- Current and back issues of Blue Beret Magazine - easy to read!
- The Blue Beret Blog for more stories, links and technical info, plus a member App to download to your smartphone
- Access to free member-parking for your next trip
- Discount on Harvest Hosts and many other memberships

Then - if you continue to dig - you'll also find many historical technical articles. That's where the true gold is hidden!

All in all, a great resource for owners of all Airstream products.

Airstream Club International (ACI) - web Links

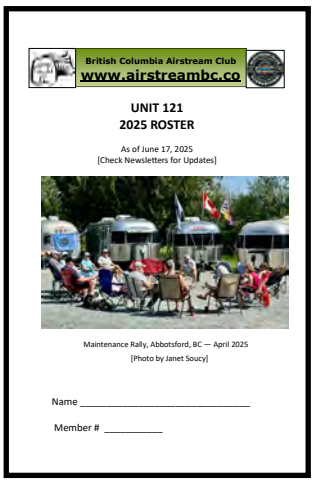
- ACI home page: **airstreamclub.org**
- ACI membership directory (member must be logged into site) **airstreamclub.org/members/membership-directory**
- ACI membership page - *A bit hard to find your way around:* **airstreamclub.org/future-members/world-adventure-awaits**

OUR LOCAL - Airstream BC - website and links

- BC Club website : **www.airstreambc.com**
- Our Club on the AC International website: **airstreamclub.org/british-columbia**
- Our BC Club newsletters on the AC International site: **airstreamclub.org/british-columbia/bc-club-newsletters**
- Airstream BC events on ACI site - content *always changing* **airstreamclub.org/british-columbia/airstream-bc-events**
- Airstream BC Facebook Page: **facebook.com/BCunit.caravans**

NEW MEMBER, WEBSITE and ROSTER CHANGES

No new members this month…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UNIT 121
2025 ROSTER

As of June 17, 2025
[Check Newsletters for Updates]

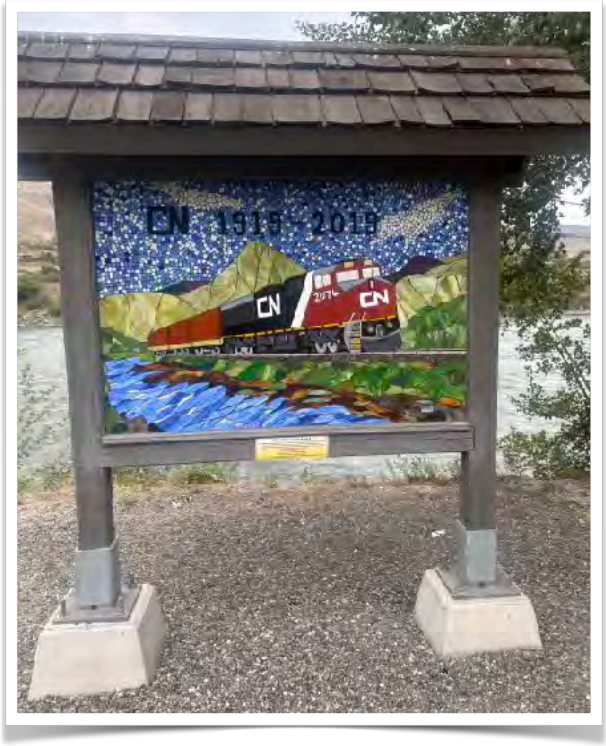
Maintenance Rally, Abbotsford, BC — April 2025
[Photo by Janet Soucy]

Name _____

Member # _____

Bob & Gayle Halliwell's spot in Ashcroft, BC on their recent 2-week jaunt around Merritt, Salmon Arm, Kamloops and Ashcroft.

Photo to the right is a stained glass mural at the campground.



ROSTER CHANGES AND NEWS

The newest Roster has now been mailed to all those that ordered a hard copy. If you forgot to order one, Sheila MacDonald has extras OR, if you want your copy electronically, please let her know. She can deliver either way. Sheila can be reached at macblueberries@telus.net.

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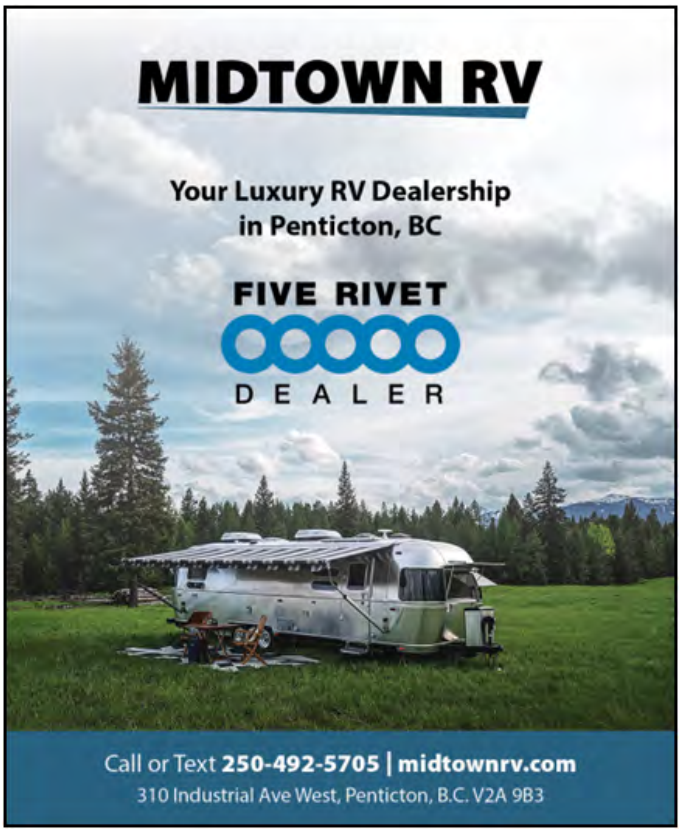
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