

The Capers



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



HELLO FELLOW AIRSTREAMERS!

We are officially in the heart of the New England camping season

and there is still so much more to come!

Our club rallies have been a success and the Board of Directors is already planning the 2027 rally calendar. If there is a location you would like us to consider, please let us know. We are also looking for members willing to step up and host a rally. Help and guidance will always be provided but the same members should not have to shoulder the responsibility of organizing and hosting multiple events each year. We all enjoy attending rallies and now is a great time to become more involved and help make them happen!

We are also seeking members to fill several vacant positions on the Board of Directors. Information about the nominating committee was emailed to members twice in May. If you have any interest in serving, please contact Mary Rail, Chair of the Nominating Committee. For those attending the International Rally in Minot, please send pictures and stories to Beth Davies at newsletter.ccmac167@gmail.com, our newsletter editor, or post them on the club Facebook page. We'd love to hear about your experiences!

Looking ahead, our remaining events include the Region 1 & 2 Rally at Sampson State Park in New York, the Maple Park Rendezvous in

Wareham, MA, the Region 1 Rally at Gunstock Mountain Campground in NH and the Columbus Day Rally in Provincetown, MA.

We hope to see you at one or more of these events as another great camping season continues!

Happy Camping!

Betsy Frey
President,
Cape Cod Massachusetts Airstream Club

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Do you have **ideas for the newsletter**? Send your favorite camping recipe! Favorite trip you've taken! The BEST campground you've ever stayed at! Email:

newsletter.ccmac167@gmail.com



Bruce and Betsy Frey Cooling off at Hampton Beach.

Where are you?

**Submit photos of your travels
for inclusion in our next newsletter!**

Email newsletter.ccmac167@gmail.com

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Karen and Charlie Hoyt at Hub North,
Gorham, NH.



Sam Watt and Joe Eliot, in Abilene, KS, en route to Minot, ND.



Art & Beth Davies (& Kip!) enjoying sunset and appetizers at Herring Cove beach in Provincetown, MA.





***Meet Kevin and Noreen Brawley, from Narragansett, RI
owners of a 2017 27' Tommy Bahama***

Ten years ago we delivered a car across the country for a friend, taking our time to enjoy the drive. Along the way we remembered how much we had loved exploring at a leisurely pace (no airplanes.) We needed that feeling back in our lives.

While in California we spotted a cute, but poorly made, retro teardrop trailer. We had some time to kill, so stopped in to check it out, with zero thoughts of buying any RV. But it happened to be at an Airstream dealership. Later that day we bought an Airstream. A shockingly spur of the moment purchase, but the best decision we ever made!

Our 10-year-old grandson Luke was with us that day and was totally enthralled with the trailer. He came to the orientation, later telling his parents he had no idea there'd be so much talk about poop!(Little did we know!)

He's joined us on many trips, always eager to see how things were done and help Papa with various tasks. Other grandkids joined us on many fun east coast trips to Cape Cod, Vermont, Maine and their favorite – Normandy Farms in Foxboro, MA.

Although we joined the Wally Byam Airstream Club from the start, it was ten years before we attended an event. It completely changed our Airstreaming adventures. Thanks to the great people we met on that Cape Cod Rendezvous, we've never looked back.

In 2025 we attended four events, and we'll complete three this year. We've already booked a Cajun Caravan for 2027. So many rallies, caravans, rendezvous, get-togethers to choose from! We've traveled about 70,000 miles so far and will add another 12,000+ this year.

National Parks are a favorite destination. We've visited 28 so far, and 45 by this year end. The beauty of this country is astounding. As a bonus - traveling in a camper has helped us gain a more well-rounded view of people who grew up and live in very different parts of our country, and Canada!

Our favorite trip? That's easy, the next one!!

We keep on camping for the things we'll do and places we'll see. But it's increasingly the people we meet, the friends we make, and those we'll meet on the next trip that keep us on the road. We've been lucky to stay in touch with many of these friends over the years.

Wherever the road takes you, we hope to get a chance to meet up and get to know you.

Scusset Beach Rally Was a Success by Beth Davies



**PHOTOS BY
JUDY
AKELEY
AND BETSY
FREY**

If hot, sunny weather on Cape Cod with your Airstream friends sounds like a good time, I can confirm it was! For the 63 members who attended the rally in 32 Airstreams, there was no shortage of sun, blue skies, and warm cape breezes at the rally in the Safari Field at Scusset Beach State Reservation June 11-14. Members of CCMAC, the Connecticut Club, and the New England Club enjoyed their time on the cape.

The rally parking team was organized and ready when the first Airstreams started to roll into the field on Thursday. Roland St. Laurent was the official greeter at the entrance. He passed the trailers on to the capable hands of Art Akeley and Bob Baker to line the rigs up. Thursday night, campers gathered under the pavilion for a welcome speech by club president Betsey Frey, with other Board members providing key updates.

Friday morning, campers drank coffee and had a continental while the last of the attendees rolled in. This day was a free day for campers to explore the Cape. Friday night, campers were on their own for dinner, then met under the pavilion for a cocktail hour, followed by an evening fire.

Saturday morning campers were treated to breakfast sandwiches, fruit and yogurt. In late morning, Art Davies organized a talk at the Army Corps of Engineers headquarters. They operate the Cape Cod Canal and led a great presentation about the important history and operation of the Canal for approximately 30 Airstreamers. A fantastic BBQ feast was prepared by Kriolas Catering and three lucky winners received prizes generously donated by Major's RV (who also contributed to the gift bags handed out at registration!) The prizes included an AC plug-in voltage meter reader, a roadside emergency kit, and a portable 12V macerator waste pump. Thank you Major's RV!!

Sunday morning, campers had breakfast together then packed up to head out. Scusset remains a capstone outing for CCMAC. Thanks to the rally crew and other volunteers for making it happen!

Scusset Beach Rally Photos





Many of you have already registered for the **Region One Rally at Gunstock Mountain Campground**, and we're looking forward to seeing you in September!

The Planning Committee continues to work hard to make this an unforgettable experience. We're adding the finishing touches to a fun-filled schedule featuring great entertainment, informative seminars, beautiful New Hampshire scenery, and plenty of opportunities to enjoy time with fellow Airstreamers.

If you haven't signed up yet, there's still time! **Late registrations are being accepted**, so don't miss your chance to join us September 9–13 at beautiful Gunstock Mountain Campground in Gilford, New Hampshire.

Late Registration: <https://form.jotform.com/airstreamclubregion1/airstream-region-1-gunstock-resort->

We'd love to have you join us for five days of camping, fellowship, and fun. **If you're not going to Minot, why not come to New Hampshire?**

2026 CCMAC SOCIAL / RALLY SCHEDULE

July 16-19-The Pastures Cape Cod host w/CT Club

July 30-August 3 - Region 1 & 2 Rally Sampson State Park, Romulus, NY ***sites still available!**

August 20- 23 - **New!** Maple Park Rendezvous, Cape Cod, MA

August 22-27 - International Rally, Minot, ND

September 9-13 Region 1 Rally Gunstock

October 8-12 Canadian Thanksgiving/Columbus Day, Provincetown, MA

November 14 Pre-Holiday Luncheon, Southbridge, MA

Got Rally Ideas? Contact

Art Davies: artdav@yahoo.com

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4" circles

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ordering decals.
Can be shipped
free with flag



Order using the **Jotform:** <https://form.jotform.com/261036189255055>

SAVING TIME WITH QUICK DISCONNECTS - BY BRUCE FREY

In this video, Bruce demonstrates how to use quick disconnects to save time during setup and breakdown: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/phuWeFLhri9o5osg6>

HOW TO FIX A FLAT TIRE ON YOUR AIRSTREA - BY RANDY HILL

Randy Hill and his wife Dianne are YouTube as Zephyr Travels promoting the Airstream Life. This important video shows how to fix a flat! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PLV7_SmVhVk

FIXING SAGGING DOORS - BY MARY RAIL

For a sagging shower door:

Option 1 - "The 50 Cent Solution": Place two quarters under the left corner of the opening.

Option 2 - Epoxy a nylon washer to the hinge side of the opening that will hold the door high enough so it closes easily.



Nylon Washer



**Washer epoxied
into place**

For a sagging entry door:

Buy 1/4" nylon washers and remove (cut) about one fourth of the washer, lift the door and slide the washers into the top and bottom hinges.

**HAVE YOU FOUND A GREAT HACK THAT SOLVED YOUR
AIRSTREAM PROBLEM? SHARE IT!
EMAIL NEWSLETTER.CCMAC167@GMAIL.COM**

Back in the fall of 2025, Betsy and I decided to replace the propane/electric refrigerator in our 2020 Airstream Classic 30 with one of the new 12-volt DC refrigerators. We had struggled for years to keep the old refrigerator below 40°F during hot weather. In addition, our tires were six years old and had over 20,000 miles on them so replacement time had arrived.

I contacted Airstream Support and quickly received both an email and a phone call to make sure they understood exactly what I wanted. I was assigned a Service Advisor who coordinated the scheduling and paperwork. Since we wanted the upgrades completed before the camping season, I requested an appointment in early May 2026. Airstream estimated that the work would take one day, and after several follow-up conversations in March and April, my advisor confirmed that everything remained on schedule. Since Jackson Center is 764 miles from our home, I wanted to be certain before heading west.

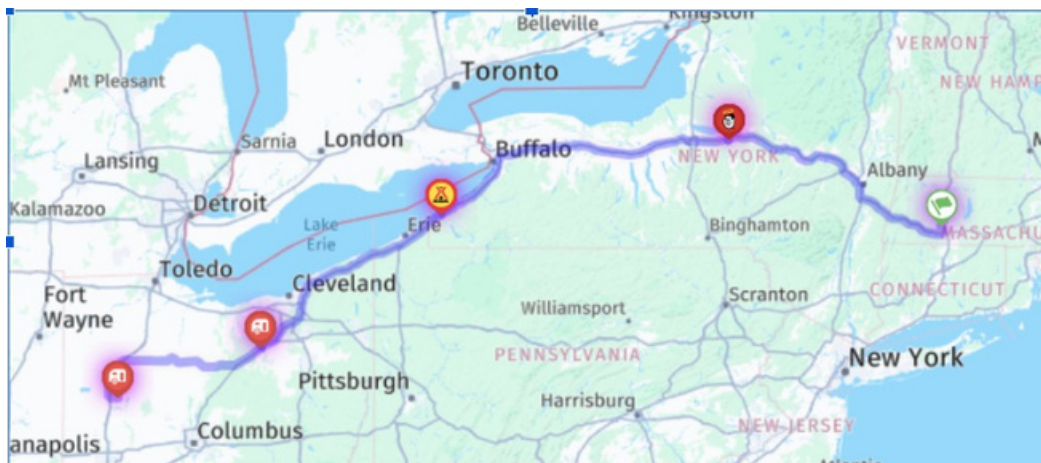
Using RV Life Trip Wizard, we mapped out our route and selected campgrounds for the journey. Two were familiar stops from previous trips, while one was chosen solely on online reviews. Let's just say I understood some of the negative comments after spending the night there!



Outside the new factory building



Relaxing at the Terraport



Upon arriving at the Terraport in Jackson Center the day before our appointment, we were greeted by friends we had first met at the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine, in 2022. It was wonderful catching up. Before the service center closed, I checked in with my Service Advisor, who explained that a tractor would pick up our trailer at 7:00 a.m. and bring it into a service bay.

The next morning, I walked through the details of the work with the technician, and even added a few small items to the work order if time permitted.

Next, we headed over to the new Airstream facility and explored the Airstream Heritage Center and took a factory tour. We enjoyed a fascinating look at the entire manufacturing process.

Later that afternoon, we were told one of our shocks was leaking. I approved replacing all four shocks and by about 4:30 p.m., the work was complete. The technician walked me through everything he had done, including the smaller items we had added. Both he and our Service Advisor were professional, friendly, and truly first-rate. I was extremely impressed with the quality of the work and the entire experience.

As of this writing, we've completed three camping trips since the service visit, and both the refrigerator and the new tires have performed flawlessly. I even learned how to reprogram the TPMS system so I could run lower tire pressures without triggering alarms in either the truck or the CZone system.

If you have the time to wait for an appointment and enjoy road trips, I can highly recommend having service work done in Jackson Center. The experience exceeded our expectations, and we would gladly make the trip again.



Heritage Center Tour



Fantastic Factory Tour

Columbus Day Rally in Provincetown - Sign Up Now!



Sites Held through August 24!

Sites are going fast! Twenty full hookup spots have been reserved for the CCMAC Columbus Day/Canadian Thanksgiving Rally held Thursday 10/8-Monday 10/12 at Coastal Acres Campground in Provincetown.

Don't miss out! See flyer in this issue for signup instructions.



Art Davies has a soft spot for dogs, so it was a no brainer for him to sign us up for the Dog Mountain Rally hosted by the New England Airstream Club on Friday May 29-Sunday May 3 at Moose River Campground in St Johnsbury, VT. Fifteen rigs and almost 30 people attended.

Dog Mountain is a vast 50-acre property with trails dedicated to the enjoyment of dogs and their humans to roam free. The Stephen Huneck Gallery

showcases Stephen's dog-themed artwork, and Dog Chapel offers a site where people can pay tribute to departed pets. See more information at dogmtn.com.

Friday, we attended an appetizer happy hour where hosts Jen and Larry Habel contributed A&W root beer and vanilla ice cream for floats! That was a hit! At night we gathered around the huge fire ring mingling with



our new friends. Saturday, Art climbed Dog mountain but I declined as it rained all night and I could just see myself sliding down the side of a muddy mountain. We ate lunch at a nearby brewery and attended a hot dog bar for dinner followed by creative s'mores by the fire. Sunday's breakfast thoughtfully included items to make sandwiches for the road as campers headed out.

Driving through the quaint towns around St. Johnsbury, VT was pure New England charm. The NEAC members were so welcoming, making it easy to connect with new friends. I particularly enjoyed Moose River Campground, owned privately with welcoming hosts, big sites, and that huge fire ring that is lit every Saturday night! Check them out at: mooserivercampground.com.



DID YOU KNOW?

You can sign up for a rally hosted by any club; you don't need to be a member of the hosting club!
Find rallies and other events at <https://airstreamclub.org/events>

Cape Cod Airstream Club Rendezvous

Aug 20 – 23, 2026

Maple Park Campground & RV Park

Wareham, Massachusetts

“Gateway to Cape Cod”



Step 1: Make your reservations by visiting capecodmaplepark.com and click on the “Book Now” link which will go their reservation platform. Select from available sites.

Step 2: Complete this link for Jotform, letting us know you’re coming, site #, and dates you’ll be with us.

Group Discount: 20 or more sites results in 20% off total site fee (credited when paying final amount 30 days prior to arrival). 10-19 rented sites results in 10% off. Golf cart rentals at same discount (10 or 20%) based upon total rented sites.

Things to do in the area:

Historic Plymouth & Sandwich
Canal Cruises
Whale Watching
Water Wizz Water Park
Deep Sea Fishing Charters
New Bedford Whaling Museum (NHP)
Buzzards Bay Beaches

Heritage Museum & Gardens
Sandwich Glass Museum
Woods Hole Village & Aquarium
JFK Museum
Cape Cod Railway (tours/dinner)
Battleship Cove
Public Golf Courses Nearby

Important Info

- Based upon availability we could not reserve specific blocks of sites.
- Schedule “To Do” items on your own and/or with fellow Airstreamers
- Possible Campground Activities ●Questions/Inquiries: Art Akeley,

aaakeley@comcast.net, or 774-564-9555.

✓ CHECK, CHECK & CHECK!

REGION 1 RALLY • SEPTEMBER 9th – 13th
Gunstock Mountain Resort • Gilford, New Hampshire

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✓ **Meet New Friends!**

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🎵 **Comedy • Square Dancing**
🎵 **Wicked Witches of the Lake**



SITES ARE LIMITED – SIGN UP TODAY!

Don't Miss Out on a Rally that Checks All the Boxes!
Boondocking Sites Available





COLUMBUS DAY & CANADIAN THANKSGIVING

Rally

WHERE THE PILGRIMS FIRST MADE LANDFALL!

OCTOBER 8-12, 2026

(OPTIONAL ARRIVAL OCTOBER 7)

COASTAL ACRES CAMPGROUND

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PROVINCETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

WHY YOU'LL LOVE THIS RALLY!

-  Traditional Turkey Dinner
-  Happy Hours
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-  Provincetown in Peak Fall Season
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-  Art Galleries & Shopping

RALLY INFORMATION

 Coastal Acres Campground
76R Bayberry Ave.
Provincetown, Massachusetts

 **20 FULL HOOK-UP
SITES RESERVED**
RESERVE BY AUGUST 24



COST

CAMPING

\$75

PER NIGHT

(up to 4 people, 1 camper,
1 vehicle, up to 2 pets)

KITTY FEE

\$65.00

PER PERSON

SO MUCH TO EXPLORE!



BIKE
TRAILS



BEACHES



WHALE
WATCHES



ART
GALLERIES



SHOPPING



OUTSTANDING
RESTAURANTS



PILGRIM
MONUMENT



CAPE COD
SUNSETS

Come Rally With Us!

Thank you to Tye Mott, Trevor Lake and all who made this Rally an annual tradition.

Hosted by Art & Beth Davies



COLUMBUS DAY & CANADIAN THANKSGIVING RALLY

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OCTOBER 8–12, 2026 (OPTIONAL ARRIVAL OCTOBER 7)

COASTAL ACRES CAMPGROUND, PROVINCETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

Registration Information

1 RESERVATION INFORMATION



Reservations Open
July 8, 2026



Reserve by
August 24, 2026



Call Coastal Acres
(508) 487-1700
to reserve your preferred site



Optional Wednesday
arrival available

2 CAMPSITE INFORMATION

The 20 Sites on hold:

AREA	SITES	SITE SIZE
Field Sites	F4, F9–F12, F14, F15, F17–F19, F22	30 ft+
Upper Deck Sites	T25, T26, T27, T37, T38, T39	30 ft+
Upper Deck Sites	T28, T30	25 ft & under
Cluster Sites	33 (East side of main building)	30 ft

View campground map at:

<https://coastalacresprovincetown.com/site-map/>

★ Payment in full is required via credit card at the time of booking.

3 IMPORTANT NOTES



Payment in full
due at booking.



Cancellation Policy:
Email coastalacrescamp@gmail.com
at least 7 days before arrival.
There is a \$20 cancellation fee;
remaining funds refunded to
the card on file.



Full hookup sites:
30/50 amp,
sewer, water,
and Wi-Fi.



Up to 2 pets
welcome!



Additional vehicle
parking is \$18.00
per night.



Rally Rate valid
Thur 10/8 – Mon 10/12 only.
Some sites cannot be
extended past Monday.

SPECIAL DINNER INFORMATION

To guarantee good weather,
a full turkey dinner & desserts
on Saturday will be held at
and catered by the
Masonic Hall downtown.



Hosted by
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