



Idaho Airstream Club



A Word from Our President, Tony Wilson



I would like to Thank You for your support and for the opportunity to serve as President of our club for one more year.

Congratulations to our new Officers:

2nd VP - Betty Burke
Trustee - Danny Robinson
Trustee - Phil Lopez

Reappointed Officers:

President – Tony Wilson
1st VP – Stuart Cook
Secretary – Lorrie Wilson
Trustees – Kimsley & Kerry Kelley



I would like to extend my sincere and heartfelt **Thank You** to our club Officers who volunteered to be appointed or reappointed, as well as our outgoing Trustees, Jerry Collins and Calvin Huit. Your dedication, time, and commitment to our club make a meaningful difference! We truly appreciate your willingness to serve!

Membership participation is crucial to keeping our club active. Every year we need volunteers to serve as Officers, on Committees, and be Rally Hosts. Please consider volunteering for a role. If you are interested in volunteering for any role but have questions, please feel free to reach out to any of our current Officers. They are here to help and provide any information you may need.

I would like to share a few words from Past President, Jerry Settle (2013), because they really hit home for me, and I hope they might spark something in you as well: "As we go into the future, how do we keep our momentum? That is a question each of us needs to help answer. As we all know, everything changes - from membership demographics to types of activities to locales for rallies to how we define a rally. Without active membership involvement, we as a unit, will be challenged to maintain our reputation as one of the more progress and forward-thinking units in WBCCI. **What thoughts and ideas do you have?** Share those ideas with the Unit Officers."

As we look to the future of our club, we have several positions that are either currently open or will be opening next fall. We also need more members to step forward to host or co-hosts rallies. At this time, we do not have any rallies scheduled for 2027! This is an important area where we need your help to keep our club active and our rally calendar going. If you have any interest in serving in a club position or hosting a rally, I encourage you to reach out to me. Every contribution makes a difference.

Safe travels. See you down the road!

Tony



Hot Topics:

- **Harvest Dinner**
 - Saturday, November 7, 2026, 4:30 – 8pm
 - Milner's Gate – 205 Shoshone St N, Twin Falls
 - See your email dated Sept. 29th or click this link: [Harvest Dinner RSVP & Dinner Selection](#)
 - **RSVP must be received by October 24th**
- **2027 Rally's**
 - Now is the time to start planning!!
 - There's nothing quite like a club rally—the shared adventures, the new trails explored, and the late-night camaraderie around the fire. But these memories don't happen without a leader.
 - Build Friendships: Get to know your fellow members on a deeper level.
 - Share Your Favorites: Lead the group to those hidden gems you love.
 - Total Flexibility: You set the pace with plenty of time for solo exploration.
 - Turn your favorite destination into our next big adventure!
 - Worried about the details? Don't be! Our [Rally Host Guidelines](#) and club resources can help turn your vision into reality.
 - Let's make 2027 our best year yet. **Reach out today to start planning!**
 - Contact [Lorrie Wilson](#) @ 208.994.1696

2026-27 Executive Board and Volunteers

Officers

President - Tony Wilson #1959
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1st Vice President – Stuart Cook #6444
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Rally Coordinator – Vacant

Webmaster – Tony Wilson #1959
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Membership Update

The Idaho Airstream Club currently has **65 BRNs!**

Regular members = 43

Affiliate members = 22

Whether you are a Lifetime member, Regular member, or an Affiliate, your support and involvement are what make our community so special. Thank you for your dedication, enthusiasm, and passion for the Airstream lifestyle



New Members: Jim & Robin Cathey, Middleton ID, **BRN 6742**
Michael Deckert, Seattle WA, **BRN 15336**
Michael & Catrina Dreher, Kuna ID, **BRN 5306**
William & Paula Nelson, Sun City AZ, **BRN 16726**
Jason Desaulniers & Chantal Lacasse, AB Canada, **BRN 28885**



Membership Renewal Season is here!



Airstream Club International - Reminder

For many members, the 2027 Membership Renewal season begins **October 3rd**. Below are a few highlights to remember:

- Membership dues are \$99 per year.
- The primary or partner member **MUST** be logged in to the member-only portal to renew online.
- Members with multiple Big Red Numbers (BRN) can renew their additional BRN in the member-only portal at the time of renewal.
- HQ is collecting Affiliate and Intra-Club dues.
- All Lifetime members must go through the renewal process.
- HQ will be notifying members it is time to renew by postcard, email and social media starting **October 1st**.
- The deadline for the 2027 Published Membership Directory is January 31, 2027.
- Members can pay by credit card or ACH (bank transfer).
 - Credit card payments will be charged a 3% convenience fee but are processed immediately.
 - ACH payments may take 3–5 business days to process.

Follow this link to the [2026 Reminders/Guidelines for Renewals](#) for additional information.

If you have any questions, email Amber at membership@airstreamclub.org or call 937-596-5211.

Idaho Club Celebrations

September Birthdays

Brian Ballard
LeeAnne Ballard
Kelly Huit

October Birthdays

Kathleen Archer
Michael Archer
Allison Ebbers
Calvin Huit
Myrna Merell
Dorothea Robinson
Donna Whitham

November Birthdays

Stuart Cook
Scott Lea
Gail Madsen-Clayton
Darrell Ostyn



If your birthday was missed, or incorrect, please share your celebration month with me @ lorrie.double.r@gmail.com THANKS!

2027 Rally & Event Schedule

April **Annual Breakout Rally & Business Meeting**
(planning in progress) **Host:** Tony & Lorrie Wilson

May **? Rally**

June **? Rally**

June 26 – July 1 **70th International Rally @ Rock Springs, WY**
Registration is open. Check the [rally website](#) for details.

July **? Rally**

August **Annual Installation Rally & Business Meeting @**

September **? Rally**

October **? Rally**

November **Harvest Dinner** **TBD** (open to suggestions!)



All rally information and registration details will be available on our website – <https://airstreamclub.org/idaho/>. Please keep checking for updates!



Opportunities Available – Your Club Needs You!

Effective immediately, Committee Volunteers Needed

- **Rally Committee Volunteers** - Help plan and organize Idaho Club rallies and recruit rally hosts to make each gathering a success.
- **Membership Committee Volunteers** - Serve as a point of contact for new members and help keep our club membership information up to date.

If you are interested in helping or want to learn more, please contact [Tony](#) or [Lorrie](#).

More Volunteer Opportunities Coming in September 2027

Looking ahead, the Idaho Airstream Club will have several volunteer opportunities. These include our usual **Officer positions and at least two Committee positions:** Newsletter Editor and Webmaster.

[Tony](#) and [Lorrie](#) Wilson are preparing for an exciting new chapter in their lives. While they are not leaving our Airstream community, they will soon be ready to pass these on to other club members. We're starting the search early to allow plenty of time for interested members to learn the ropes, shadow them, and ensure a smooth and comfortable transition.

Curious about one of the roles? You don't need to make a commitment just to ask questions! If you're interested in a position—or would simply like to learn more about what is involved—please reach out. **They would love to hear from you!**

Getting involved is a great way to support our club, meet fellow Airstreamers, and help keep our community thriving. We appreciate every member who volunteers their time and talents!

Recap: 2026 Region 10 Rally

June 24-26, 2026

@ Hood River, OR

By Tony & Lorrie Wilson

As we traveled to Hood River, we stopped at The Baker Heritage Museum in Baker City, OR. It has a room dedicated to Wally Byam as he was born in Baker City. It was pretty impressive! Enjoyed our stay at a Lavendar Farm.

GEAR FOR WELL EQUIPPED TRAILERS

1. TOW ROPE - The best kind is 1" nylon, although many people find 3/4" perfectly satisfactory. I believe in being on the safe side. Get at least 35 feet.
2. CHAIN - Those who prefer chain should buy at least two lengths of standard chain 1/4" x 15' long.
3. LUG WRENCH - The 4 socket "cross" type with which you can exert real leverage on the nut.
4. HYDRAULIC JACKS - Two types, one for the axle and one for the bumper.
5. SPARE TIRES - One for the car and one for the trailer.
6. SPARE TUBE - One to fit each size of tire.
7. TIRE PUMP - Free air isn't always available.
8. FIRE EXTINGUISHER - Better to be safe than sorry.
9. TIRE GAUGE - A money saver.
10. PLASTIC BUCKETS - The handiest things you can carry. Get the nesting kind with handles.
11. WATER CAN - A milk can or a clean Army jeep can to carry an emergency supply of water.
12. WHEEL CHOCKS - Vital!
13. GASOLINE CAN - For long stretches where refueling might be difficult.
14. HIGH PRESSURE HOSE - Two or three 25' lengths and a "Y" connector.
15. LIGHT CORD - A 50' cord is not too much.
16. FLASHLIGHT - A rugged one, preferably waterproof.
17. COLEMAN LANTERN - Don't laugh, it's still a handy piece of equipment.
18. SHOVEL - For digging gopher holes, digging out of mire, etc. Small G.I. type is good enough.
19. FUNNEL - For pouring water into the trailer water tank. Water doesn't always come out of hoses.
20. FOLDING CHAIR - Get one for each member of the party.
21. JUNKPILE - You've got one at home, and your trailer is your home on the road. It's a basket, box or old dishpan that contains everything.
22. TOOLS - The usual assortment-screwdriver kit, pipe wrench, socket wrench kit, hammer, saw, pliers, chisel, ax, etc.
23. CLEANING EQUIPMENT - The same stuff you have around the house-a broom, mop, dustpan, mop bucket, and synthetic sponges to clean the trailer windows.
24. FIRST AID KIT - The usual with gauze, bandages, mosquito repellent, iodine, etc. It goes without saying you should have a good one.
25. SEWER HOSE - As long as you can carry.
26. SINK HOSE - The biggest you can get that standard fittings will fit.
27. BALL HITCH ON FRONT OF CAR - When you have to back your trailer into a tight spot it is much easier to do it from the front than from the back.

"All this seems like a lot, but actually, it's not. You will probably add to this list after you start trailering. Some of the items, of course, you may rarely use, but when you need them you will need them badly. There are times when a good tool is worth its weight in gold, so why quibble over a few dollars."

Taken from "Trailer Travel Here And Abroad" by Wally Byam, 1960



The next day we made it to Goldendale, WA and stayed at a ranch. Lots of space to relax and enjoy some quiet time before the busy rally.

Arrived at the fairgrounds in Hood River and got set up for the week. It was a busy week, and very enjoyable.



Recap: 69th Airstream Club International Rally

August 22-27, 2026

@ Minot, ND

Sometimes your journey is smooth and sometimes it makes you spend 6.5 hours on Homestake Pass looking at Bear Mountain. Thank goodness for people who flag you down if they see a problem! We were very lucky there was a pull-off area very close. Met a lot of Airstreamers on the road at rest stops and Harvest Hosts.



The Idaho Club Happy Hour with friends.

Our 2nd International Rally was great. We participated in many events, seminars, breakfasts, dinners and even volunteered (*highly suggested*). We had plenty of time to be tourists too. What a great group of people – made lots of new friends and shared stories. Thank you to Donna, Kim and Stuart for sharing your photos!

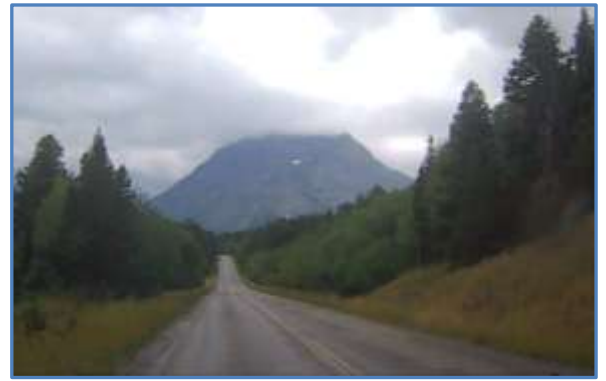




Minot's Favorite Fat Frog \$17.95
 Our big Hoagie Bun stuffed with Chicken Strips, Bacon, Irish Fries, Mozzarella Sticks, with American & Swiss Cheese, served with a side of Beneez' Sauce & (1) Side of your choice.



Left Minot and went to Glacier NP for a few days.
Found a small quiet campground outside the east entrance.



Our last stop brought us to Butte, MT, for the **62nd Hands Across the Border Rally**, wonderfully put on by the Montana and Alberta/Saskatchewan Airstream Clubs. We boondocked at the **Copper Mountain Recreation Complex** for a few days and fully immersed ourselves in the area's rich mining heritage. Highlights included an open-pit bus tour, a downtown guided walking tour, and a classic Butte Trolley Tour. We even crossed a culinary milestone off our list: our very first authentic pasties. They were absolutely delicious!

