



Silver Bulletin

Summer 2026

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Kathleen Holschuh

Hello Tidewater Airstreamers from Alaska. Kelly & I are traveling through Alaska on the 'North 2 Alaska' Caravan. It's an adventurous time and meeting so many new friends from this beautiful country of ours. The caravan leaders are true experts on planning and taking charge of this caravan. In only 2 weeks we got to know our group through a (GAM). It's a fast way to Host a small group at different trailers and each person talks for 5 minutes about themselves.

As I write this message, I realize that my time as your Tidewater 111 Presidency will come to a close at the 2026 Commonwealth Rally in September. I want to thank Michael Robertson for stepping forward to be your new President. I also want to thank our rally hosts for volunteering their time and making our rallies exciting and fun. It's was pleasure helping you plan and make your rallies successful. I'd like to announce at this time that I'll continue assisting future Hosts plan their rallies. Just call me the "Rally Helper"

Thank you to this year's HOSTS:

Ellie and Jim Brennan - Cabin Fever Luncheon
Maggie and Dan Belliel - Break Out Rally
Lynette and John Patterson - Kiptopeke Rally
Kathleen and Kelly Holschuh - Rally by the Bay
Jean and Jack Hogan - Flag Day Rally
Beverly and Brian Patterson - Rudd's Creek Rally

UPCOMING RALLIES:

Damien, Penny and Sophie Leonard - Graves Mountain Lodge BOONDOCK Rally (September 11-13) (Syria, VA)
Lisa and Daren Blatner - Bike and Chili Rally (October 23-25) (Williamsburg, VA)
Jayne and Frank Munoz - Oyster Festival BOONDOCK Rally (November 5-8), (Urbanna, VA)
Rhonda and Larry Evans - Tidewater Airstream 111's Holiday Dinner, Smithfield Station (December 5), (Smithfield, VA)

I want to also give a HUGE THANK YOU to our Tidewater 111 members and affiliates for attending the rallies. We are a family of friends and we have one big thing in common we all LOVE Airstreams.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Kelly Holschuh

•Balance: \$6,778.07 in Truist Bank account as of July 31, 2026

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Welcome New Member

BRN 8661 Matthew & Liz Conner, Virginia Beach, VA - 24' Interstate

Welcome Affiliates

BRN 3915 Kevin Staley & Barbara, Arrington VA - 28' Pottery Barn

BRN 20690 William & Peggy Dorr, Mount Airy, MD - 25' Tradewind

BRN 7212 Jerry & Jacy Hanson, Fredericksburg, VA - 25' Flying Cloud

Membership Count:

Total Members 92 (as of August 31)

*Regular Members – 72

*Affiliate Members – 20

Membership Chair: OPEN POSITION – Easy online access to membership information sent directly to your email and online letter input at your fingertips. Let me know if you are interested.

More membership needs: Please be thinking about hosting a rally in **2027** - it is never too early to plan. Also please know we have several positions open within the Club Including **3rd VP, Corresponding Secretary, Historian, Legislative, Nominating and Parliamentarian**. Please consider volunteering your time.



Tidewater Airstream Club has adopted the RED STAR PROGRAM in 2026 which has been in effect for many years with Airstream Club International. The Red Star program awards members a red star for every five consecutive years of membership. This symbolizing their commitment to the club and the Airstream community. The stars are to be displayed along with your BRN numbers on the front and rear of your Airstream.

Congratulations to:

1 Star = 5 years

- Thomas & Jenna Gray – **BRN 7798**

2 Stars = 10 years

- Thomas Hopper – **BRN 10888**

Please note: Participation is not mandatory and Tidewater has many members with 5 to 62 years. If members want their red stars, they can be ordered online at ACI for free. ²

May 2026
Annual By the Bay Rally
Fort Monroe, VA

With 10 Tidewater 111 Airstream coaches at the Rally, we all enjoyed the beautiful surrounding of Ft. Monroe waterways in Hampton, VA and its rich histories. We came together with GREAT people; from some of our newest members (Tim and Sue Hershey) to our precious previous Ft Monroe Rally hosts (Joyce and Bill Werner). This was a perfect recipe for a HAPPY Camping weekend.

We started off the weekend on Friday with a traditional Social/Happy Hour with an abundance of awesome appetizers. Everyone brought many different goodies to share. The 3rd Friday of each month (May 15) there is a Star Gazing event, sponsored by the National Park Service, that was very close to the campground. Kelly and I went to check it out. It was educational and so awesome to view the stars from 31,000,000 LIGHT-YEARS away. Saturday started off with a mini-brunch with a slow cooker Tater Tot Breakfast Casserole. Everyone complimented on how good it was!

Fort Monroe Park Service held another event on the Civil War and how soldiers dressed and how they loaded their guns. The soldier actually loaded his gun and fired a couple rounds. We learned a lot about that era by asking many questions. We had many Airstreamers in attendance.

Saturday's dinner was over the top cooking the Brats over the open fire using a Tri Pod, thanks to Jim and Elly Brennan. The cooks did a great job; Larry Evans and Kelly Holschuh cooked the brats to perfection! The sides were plenty with surprise dishes from our family of Tidewater Airstreamers. We had a campfire each night and enjoyed talks of past camping stories and future camping adventures.

On Sunday morning with coffee in hand we shared breakfast items and warm goodbyes. Kelly and I have passed the torch to Lynn (our 2nd VP) and Rocky Adornato for next year's By the BAY Rally on May 14-16 2027. I'd like to remind everyone this is a small campground (13 sites) so make your reservations today.



June 2026 RALLY
Belle Isle State Park
June 12 - June 14, 2026

Mother Nature tried but could not quench the enthusiasm of Airstream campers at the Flag Day Rally. Heat, rain and wind, fresh pastries, an enchanted forest, pizza party, and a concert in the park, were experiences for all those attending the rally at Belle Isle State Park. Patience, good attitude, and knowledge that we don't melt, helped us enjoy a happy hour Friday evening between a shower and a storm. The storm toppled trees but left the campsite area alone.

A hearty continental breakfast with locally made pastries, fortified the mighty adventurers headed to the Enchanted Forest. Tom Rhodes, creator of the 115 carvings, is very talented and generous to allow the public to meander through his woods. Pizza party at Anna's in Warsaw, VA, was our reward. Afterwards, people found farmers' stands, antique shops, brewery, and the peace of the campground. Chris and Jane were a great duo performing the season opener of the Concert in the Park series. Talented musicians, great variety of music and gentle breeze made a lovely evening. Sunday morning dawned beautifully with one-day old repeat of Saturday's breakfast to send most campers on their way home. The 4 couples who stayed an extra day enjoyed a lazy day and witnessed another wind and rainstorm after dinner. There was one close call with a broken tree top but no damage to the Airstreams.

Thank you to everyone who joined us. You made it for a memorable rally. See you down the road. Jack and Jean Hogan



Chesapeake Bay Caravan

Bruce and Pat Julian

May 7 - May 18



WELCOME ADVENTURERS

You are in for an amazing adventure! The **Delmarva Peninsula** is a place where vast tidal marshes breathe with the rhythm of the moon, working watermen haul their daily catch along quiet harbors, and back roads wind through farmland that has remained in careful hands for generations. The light is extraordinary—silver in the morning, honey-gold at dusk—spreading across open horizons that seem to calm the nervous system almost instantly. Small towns offer unexpected pleasures: a perfect crab cake at a dockside café, a weathered church steeple rising above centuries-old trees, a conversation with a stranger that turns into a story you carry home. It is a landscape defined not by spectacle, but by texture, authenticity, and grace, making it a deeply satisfying place to explore.

Our carefully crafted **Chesapeake Adventure Caravan** gives you the full Eastern Shore experience. We cover all three states (Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia) and the breadth of ocean and bay, city and countryside, and cultural and outdoor experiences. Designed to minimize time and distance on the road (a total of only 200 miles), this adventure encourages you to **range far and wide** from each campsite.

This Guide will help you get ready for this amazing adventure. It introduces you to your travel companions, the schedule and route, the basics of happy caravanning, and provides general guidance for things to see and do from each campsite. We encourage you to do your own exploring on line to see what appeals most to you, and we encourage you to prepare well for this trip — bring comfortable clothing and sporting equipment, be ready to boondock, and ensure that your Airstream and tow truck are in excellent condition.

We look forward to sharing this adventure with you!





2026 TIDEWATER 111

BLUE RIDGE BOONDOCK RALLY

GRAVES MOUNTAIN
FARM

SEP 11TH – SEP 13TH, 2026

3822 Old Blue Ridge Turnpike

Syria, VA 22743

(540) 923 - 4231

Hosts: Damian, Sophie, & Penny Leonard

We hope you can join us for a peaceful weekend of primitive boondocking at Graves Mountain Farm Campfield. This place operates on a first-come-first-serve basis and the rally group will be able to arrange rigs in a community circle as there are no designated sites.

Friday September 11th

5:00 PM – Happy Hour BYOB (Hosts Rig BRN 2529)

- Please bring an Appetizer to Share

6:00 PM – Fire Ring Construction and Fire

Saturday September 12th

10:00 AM – Stable and Barnyard Tour with Sophie and Penny

2:00 PM – Campground Charades with Sophie and Penny

5:00 PM – Cookout: Burgers, Brats, and Beans Provided

- Please bring a Side to Share

7:00 PM – Campfire and S'Mores

8:00 PM – Campfire Colors and Stargazing

Sunday September 13th

8:00 AM – Coffee Hour

9:00 AM – Optional: Breakfast Buffet at the Farmhouse Restaurant

- Self-pay (not included in rally registration)
- Please indicate on your registration how many will attend (Reservation Required)

Rally Fee: \$12.50 PP

10yrs and under Free

Sign-Up Using Jotform

Questions? Email Host Damian Leonard at dcleonard@live.com or text (315) 489-8143

<https://gravesmountain.com/>

ALSO be aware that the Region 3 AUTUMN signup via JotForm will be COMING SOON



"Chili Cook-off" and **Bike Ride** Rally

Its a loaded weekend of fun! But we hope you wouldn't expect anything less.

Darin and Lisa Blatner would like to invite the Tidewater 111 members to the join us at Chickahominy River Front Park in Williamsburg, VA for the club's October 2026 rally Friday 10/23- Sunday 10/25.

*Please consider booking a reservation ASAP and joining us for a fun-filled weekend.

Scheduled Events:

Thursday 10/22 - (unofficial start) for those who come a day early, join us for a "home-made" pizza party

Friday 10/23 - 5PM Happy Hour starts our weekend. BYOB and if you're inclined, bring your favorite appetizer to share. Some will also be provided. Dinner on your own

Saturday 10/24 - Basic continental breakfast (time TBA) Then we ride/walk/jog or run the Capital Trail (details TBA)

Saturday (night) dinner - (time TBA) Think you make the best chili??? Prove it. Enter our "friendly" chili cook-off contest and make a pot of your favorite to share. Prizes will be awarded, but what's better than the bragging rights. Extras will be provided and maybe the age old question "does REAL chili have beans?" will be answered.

Sunday 10/25 (morning) - Before departing, gather for coffee and the group photo

*Also (because its the fall harvest/Halloween season/holiday) consider decorating your camper. How often do you get to have that kind of fun? Pick your theme and go for it. It's the time of the year you want to be judged by your neighbors. The group will also vote and prizes will be awarded.



Why are pirates called pirates? Because they ARRR!

Airstreamers like to have FUN! The Conklin, Muns and Worcesters camped at Kiptopeke a few weeks back and took in the tall ships at Cape Charles dressed as pirates. They were four Airstreams: 3 club 111-ers, and another soon-to-be Airstream Club member. It was a fun time and they got plenty of "Arrrs" from the landlubbers.



2027 Region 3 Rally Shining in the Smokies April 7 - April 11, 2027

Shining in the Smokies

April 7th – April 11th, 2027



**AIRSTREAM CLUB
INTERNATIONAL
REGION 3**

**SHINING IN THE
SMOKIES
RALLY**

APRIL 7-11, 2027
SEVIERVILLE, TN

The Ridge Outdoor Resort
1250 Middle Creek Rd,
Sevierville, TN 37862

theridgeoutdoorresort.com



THE RIDGE
OUTDOOR RESORT

Sevierville, Tennessee

Rally Time 2026-2027

September	9/11	<u>Graves Mountain Farm</u> <u>Syria, VA</u>	<u>Tia and Damien Leonard</u> <u>tmleonard@live.com</u>
	9/24	<u>Commonwealth Rally</u> <u>Endless Caverns</u> <u>New Market, VA</u>	Registration form will follow
October	10/23	<u>Chickahominy Riverfront Park</u> <u>Williamsburg, VA</u>	<u>Lisa and Darin Blatner</u> <u>lbatner@cox.net</u>
November	11/5	<u>Urbanna Oyster Festival</u> <u>Urbanna, VA</u>	<u>Jayne and Frank Munoz</u> <u>jayne.munoz@verizon.net</u>
December	12/5	2026 Holiday Dinner Smithfield Station, Smithfield, VA	<u>Rhonda and Larry Evans</u> <u>Laweva@msn.com</u>
January		PLEASE CONSIDER	
February		HOSTING	
March		A REALLY FUN RALLY!	
April	4/7 - 4/11	Shining in the Smokies Region 3 Rally Sievierville, TN	<u>Theridgeoutdoorresort.com</u>

Reservations at State Parks can be made 11 months out. Questions contact Kathleen Holschuh, President, at club111@airstreamclub.org



ACI WHERE SILVER MEETS GOLD 2028

Airstream Club International is thrilled to share early news of an extraordinary National Event Rally that promises to be truly once in a lifetime. We are exploring plans for an LA'28 Olympic Games National Event Rally, designed exclusively by ACI members, for ACI members, timed to coincide with the excitement, energy, and global celebration of the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic Games.

This rally blends world-class sport, meaningful community, and the iconic Airstream lifestyle in a way that has never been done before. It's an experience that embodies the spirit of adventure and camaraderie Airstreamers know so well!

Where Silver Meets Gold

Tentative Rally Dates

July 13 - Jul 20, 2028



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Parliamentarian - **Open**

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2027 RALLIES - NEVER TOO EARLY TO START PLANNING

Everyone loves to attend Tidewater 111 Airstream Rallies. In the past, the same people have been hosting rallies and I want to open up the 2027 Rally season to members who have NOT hosted in the past.

Want to HOST a rally in 2027:

- Check with your current President to make sure the month you want to host is open.
- Choose the dates of your RALLY.
 - o Normally, a rally shouldn't be planned on a holiday weekend. Traffic with your AIRSTREAM in tow can be nerve racking, especially on holiday weekends!!
- Choose a location of the rally.
 - o Examples can include State parks, County parks, National Parks, US Army Corps of Engineers Parks & private campgrounds. The CHOICE is yours!!
- Notify the President once you have decided on the dates and the location ASAP, so we start disseminating the information to fellow Tidewater Airstreamers to save the dates (i.e., emails, newsletters, Facebook (Tidewater Airstream Group), and the Airstreamclub.org Rally Page). Send an EVENT flyer with pertinent dates, and reservation details and necessary contact information.
- Continue with making another flier with the schedule for the Rally to hand out to attendees. Once complete, please forward it to the President so all media avenues can be updated with the schedule.
 - o A Rally normally start around 5:00 pm Friday afternoon and end on Sunday morning.
 - o A typical weekend Rally follows the schedule below.(Add or subtract as you see fit!! Nothing is set in STONE. Be as creative as you want).
 - Friday - BYOB Happy Hour and airstream attendees bring appetizers
 - Saturday - Your decision to schedule
- Breakfast - Lunch, and/or Dinner; most people do dinner (It can be camp made or dining out).
 - Sunday - Early breakfast (ask for ideas)
- o Normal Rally Fee is \$12.50/person, kids 10 and under Free to offset the costs. Pls let the President know ASAP if this fee is NOT enough, so we can plan to either raise the Rally Fee or have the club subsidize the Rally with additional funds.
- o Everyone is welcomed to come earlier and leave later, on their dime.
- Ideas for your Rally:
 - o Themes have been a hit recently. If you feel a theme, go with it.
 - It's good to know how many rigs are coming - This is where the New JotForm sign-up comes in. It not only registers the attendees but collects the fees.
 - Keep your receipts to get reimbursed from the club Treasurer(Kelly Holschuh). If he's at the rally turn receipts in to him, not at the rally mail the receipts and total amount to him.
- Talk to President about issues you may have or help you may need.

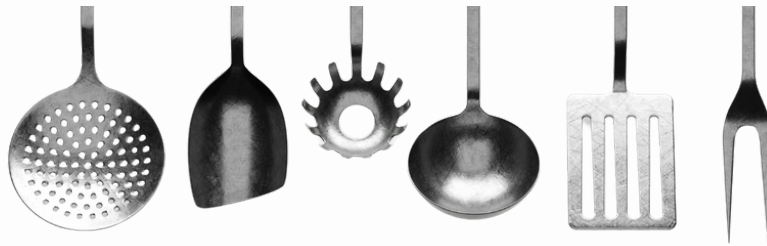




Riveting Revelations



**Handy Homemade Generator Platform!
Contact Bruce Julian for construction deets**



CROCKPOT CHICKEN TACOS

Ingredients

4 chicken breasts

1/2 C diced onion

1 C salsa

1 can Rotel, 10oz OR 1 C diced tomatoes

1 packet of chicken taco seasoning

Instructions

Combine salsa, canned tomatoes and taco seasoning.

Place chicken and onions in slow cooker and top with tomato mixture.

Cook on low 7-8 hours or high 3-4 hours.

Remove chicken and shred. Return to slow cooker and stir into juices.

Serve in taco shells, on salads, pizzas or in bowls over rice.

Toppings (if desired)

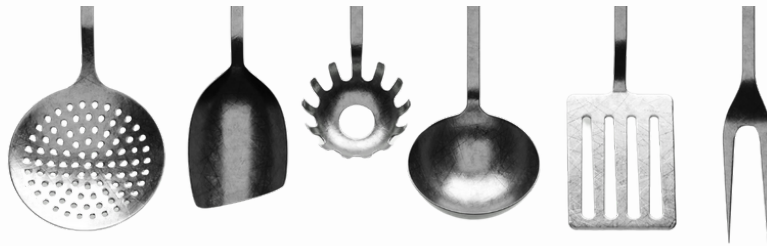
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Submitted by Maggie Belliel



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