IDAHO AIRSTREAM CLUB a word from our president

February is one those months when winter feels long and we are beginning to wonder when it will warm up enough to get the Airstream ready for the season travels. So as the great skiing season will soon come to a close, a new season of camping will begin. Can you believe it? Our first campout is in April which is just a couple of months from now! Hurrah!

Our first rally of the season is in Baker City, Oregon which will include the first business meeting of 2019. I would like to encourage all of our members to attend this rally. Even if you just drop in for the meeting or one of our potlucks, you will always be welcome. We are fortunate to have an indoor meeting room all to ourselves for the weekend at the April rally... a warm place to gather, especially if those chilly winds are blowing.

At our last breakfast at the Golden Corral, we had several new Idaho Airstream Club members attend. It is great to see all of the new faces and a big WELCOME to all of you who have joined in the last few months. I would encourage you to attend at least one, if not all, of the rallies of the season to get a sense of what our club is about and see how much fun we have on our outings. Please feel free to call any of our contact people to ask questions...any questions. What is a rally? What's a coupon and what do I do with it? We are here to help. One winter, we were on the road when it was time to send in a coupon to sign up for a rally. We did not have a printer in the boonies so we wrote a coupon out by hand and mailed it with our check. The main goal is to get the required info to the rally host in time as they are making all of our camping arrangements. Many of our important communications are found in this monthly newsletter such as our rally schedule and other upcoming events. It is published by our fabulous Cara, 11 months out of the year, shortly before our

scheduled breakfast meeting. With some of our club positions opening this year, hopefully some of our new members will choose to fill these spots. With the volunteering that Marilyn and I have been doing, it seems like we have known the members a lot longer than the nearly 3 years we have been with the club. Our club values of helping communities and volunteering bring a lot of satisfaction. Like a lot of club members say, having an Airstream is great but our club is what really makes it! We are happy you have decided to join us.

And if you like jokes about flamingoes and aluminum, you will fit right in. Seen on Facebook, Airstream Addicts group: "I know who we are! We are the Aluminati!". Let's encourage each other for the coming new season of camping and help our newcomers gain confidence in their travels with the Idaho Airstream Club.

Happy New Year and Hello Sunshine!

Tom Usselman

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IDAHO UNIT OFFICERS

President - Tom Usselman Ist Vice President - Bill Sargent 2nd Vice President - Larry Warren

Secretary - Ann Sargent

Treasurer - Larry Conn

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Trustees - Jerry Settle, Ray Hoem, Lucky DeLaPeña, Lynda DeLaPeña



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UPCOMING EVENTS MONTHLY UNIT BREAKFAST

8:30am on 2nd Saturday of every month. Golden Corral, 8460 W. Emerald St, Boise, ID. Marilyn Usselman (208) 863-2926.

APRIL BREAK-OUT RALLY

April 25-28, Break-Out Rally & Business Meeting. Baker City, OR. Hosts: Conn (951) 660-7738, Co-hosts: Usselman. (Info & Coupon on Page 7)

MAY RALLY

May 16-20, Bend Rally. Bend, OR. Hosts: Schanze (208) 599-5432, Co-hosts: Collins. (Info & Coupon on Page 8)

let's flamingle of valentine! CELEBRATIONS

February Birthdays

01--Molly O'Reilly 02--Rich Doering 03--Darlene Caldwell 05--Marsha Golding **06--Trent Schoessler** 08--Shane Compton 08--Steve Lockwood 10--Chet Wood **15--Sharon Lawrence** 20--Bill Sargent 21--Charlie Burke **25--Jon Brougher** 25--Debbie Wood 27--Norm Anderson 27--Geoff Dean **February Anniversaries** 01, 1959--Jerry & Marilyn Collins

14, 1952--Ben & Peg Campbell 24, 1973--Bob & Linda Galleazzi 29, 1960--Earl & Barbara Brace

March Birthdays

05--Duyane Canada 06--Tom Usselman 07--Ann Lindley 10--Kim Blackburn 10--Jodi Charrier 10--Faith Dawson 11--Stephanie DiNunzio 12--Ray Hoem 15--Dave Johnson 19--Jan Nelson 20--Jerry Settle 22--Sue Norris 24--Lucille Allen 25--Kevin Golding 29--Judy Canada **30--Annie Sargent 30--Ron Jessick**

March Anniversaries

22, 1986--Jim & Kelley Hobart 23, 1973--Douglas & Kyong Draves

IDAHO UNIT COMMITTEE LEADS

- Budget-Larry Conn
- Calling Coordinator-Marilyn Usselman
- Caravan-Darrell Ostyn
- Community Service-Judy Canada
- Constitution and Bylaws-Charlie Burke
- Directory-Gail Conn
- □ Historical-Betty Burke
- D Hospitality/Sunshine-Marilyn Usselman
- □ Legislative-Charlie Burke
- □ Membership—Mim Davidson
- D Newsletter-Cara Goedeking
- □ Rally Coordinator-Sharon Lawrence
- □ Safety-Open
- □ Website-Michael Schanze

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Robert (Mike) & Amanda Boger from Sandpoint, ID Rob Centeno & Carrie Cook from Boise, ID Geoff & Rita Dean from Boise, ID Joe & Stephanie DiNunzio from Boise, ID



FEBRUARY 2019

Membership News

from Mim Davidson, Membership Chair

What an exciting start to 2019! We have 4 new members already this year. Our renewal rate was terrific! Thank you all very much!!

- 87 members
 - 17 in eastern Idaho and Utah.
 - 13 in northern Idaho, Washington and Canada.
 - $\circ~~57$ in southern Idaho and Oregon
- 19 have not (yet) renewed.

Look at the 2019 activities, we are traveling much of Idaho state, and throwing in some Oregon for fun. I've heard rumors of pop-up rallies, and other opportunities to share Airstream adventures! This will be a fun year to be a WBCCI/Airstream Club member!

I hope to see you down the road! Mim Davidson, #30657 Membership Chair Email: <u>u.035.mc@wbcci.net</u>

From New Members:

Mike and Amanda Boger of Sandpoint, ID

Thank you so much for the welcome to the Idaho Unit! We do look forward to being at an Idaho rally in the future.

We are looking forward to our next trip beginning the second week of May for about 7 weeks. We are heading to Portland, then south along the Oregon beaches and will continue into California to enjoy the redwoods and wander as far south as San Francisco. From there we will head north and spend time at Crater Lake and enjoy a soak at Warm Springs before reaching home in Sandpoint. A couple of the rallies that you sent us information about look like they would be fun, especially in the fall.

We have traveled as far as Key West towing our trailer and have ventured to Puerto Penasco in Mexico. We hope to travel with the Airstream caravan to Mexico in 2020.

Our first Airstream was a 20 foot Flying Cloud which we thought would be plenty big, but we found the bed was too enclosed for us and the floor space was confined, especially when we had our Golden Retriever, so we traded it in for the 25 foot.

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From New Members (continued from Page 3) Geoff and Rita Dean of Boise, ID

I have been RVing since 1966 with my family. Rita and I started in a Volkswagen camper and have had many types of RVs. Our largest was a 38 ft diesel motorhome. Our smallest was a teardrop I built on a Harbor Freight chassis. This is our first Airstream and probably last RV. I bought it from a farm family in Jerome, ID for \$1000. It's a 1976 31 ft Sovereign. It was in rough shape and we have been renovating it for the last two years. We plan to fully retire soon and to travel in it.

I am a retired Engineering Professor and Rita still works at Seattle Children's Hospital as a Computer Programmer. We just want to fully retire and start traveling in the Airstream. We plan to be snowbirds moving from the Northwest to the Gulf Coast annually.

WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS!!!

WBCCI has begun the process of streamlining the naming of all club web addresses. The purpose of this is to comply with the License Agreement with the Airstream Corporation and to simplify and unify the entire club. The new addresses have been streamlined to better reflect the name of each club.

Our new web address is <u>idaho.airstreamclub.net</u>. As in the past, WBCCI will provide support for our site. Their ongoing support is critical as we continue to build out our website. The Website for <u>WBCCI</u> will remain unchanged. **Please update your bookmarks to reflect our new address:** <u>idaho.airstreamclub.net</u> Bottom line is that this is a positive change! (And a big THANKS to Michael Schanze, our website coordinator, for implementing this change so quickly!!)



We joined the Airstream Club in 2012 thanks to our wonderful folks, Robert and Dorothy Harkins, members since 1988. We were able to attend several events and breakfasts with them throughout several years and thoroughly enjoyed them. We were so excited and thankful when our folks gave us their beautiful 1992 Classic Excello Airstream. We enjoy the outdoors and riding our Harley Davidson. We are looking forward to more great events and rallies the club has to offer. We would recommend a Rally at the Grizzly RV Park at West Yellowstone National Park.



bits, bites and rivets

CONGRATULATIONS to member **SUSAN WARREN**. Susan recently earned her degree from Boise State University - a bachelor of applied science with emphasis on kinesiology (the study of the mechanics of body movements...saved some of you from having to look it up, huh?!).



We think you're awesome Susan...we're so very proud of you...great job!!!

MEMBER MEET-UP

From member Jerry Settle: "Here is a photo of our annual get together of the Idaho Unit members who are spending the winter in Southern Nevada and Arizona. We met in Gila Bend, AZ at the Space Age Cafe for lunch and then gathered at a local park for our picture and catching up on winter activities."



Top row - left to right: Jackie Mounts, Carol Petersen (Faith's sister), Marilyn Collins, Carolyn Keener, Jerry Keener, Faith Simms, Jerry Collins Ground level - Left to right: Bill Petersen (Faith's brother-in-law), Linda Settle, Bob Simms, Myrna Merell, John Merell, Duyane Canada, Judy Canada, Jerry Settle.

Taking the picture is Richard Mounts



- 1. What U.S. city has the most coffee shops per capita?
- a) Juneau, Alaska
- b) Seattle, Washington
- c) Missoula, Montana
- d) New York, New York

2. What is considered the most bike-friendly city in the world?

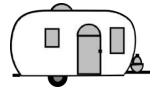
- a) Copenhagen
- b) Prague
- c) Amsterdam
- d) Montreal
- 3. Where is the longest stairway in the world?
- a) Nepal
- b) Japan
- c) Switzerland
- d) France
- 4. The Crazy Mountains are located in which U.S. State?
- a) Wyoming
- b) Colorado
- c) Arkansas
- d) Montana

Trivia Answers

- **1. a) Juneau, Alaska** While Alaska's capital city Juneau certainly can't claim to have the highest number of coffee shops overall, it ranks highest in density per capita. Its 22 coffee shops serve Juneau's roughly 32,000 citizens, according to the National Coffee Association.
- 2. a) Copenhagen Copenhagen, Denmark has long been considered among the most bike-friendly in the world. It's no wonder the reputation is holding strong as the volume of bikes overtook cars a few years ago. The city has made the path easy for its two-wheeled travelers with designated bike lanes, traffic lights timed to average cycling speeds to keep you on the move, and even a cycle superhighway.
- **3. c) Switzerland** With 11,674 steps, the stairway that follows alongside the Niesen mountain railway is officially the longest stairway in the world. Once a year, the stairway is open to those who wish to participate in the Niesen Race. It's only a two mile race, but takes participants on a wild 5,575 upward climb. It takes even the fastest participants over an hour to complete. The rest of the year, those looking to reach the top of the mountain can take the Niesen railway, which is a short 30 minute ride to the summit of Mount Niesen.
- **4. d) Montana** Montana's Crazy Mountains account for a 30-mile stretch of the Rocky Mountains, situated between the Yellowstone and Musselshell rivers. Just by looking at them, you can probably understand why they're called "The Crazies." With more than 30 sharply sloped and jagged peaks that reach 11,000 feet, you'd have to be out of your mind to try and scale them.

2019 Break Out Rally & Business Meeting

Thursday, April 25 - Sunday, April 28, 2019



Mountain View RV Park

2845 Hughes Lane Baker City, OR

Hosts: Larry & Gail Conn 951-660-7738 or <u>LGHCONN@me.com</u> for additional information Co-hosts: Tom & Marilyn Usselman

Yes...it is that time of the year! We are in the middle of planning our first Rally of the 2019 Season! A complete itinerary will be in the March Newsletter.

Current details are:

Check in & out times are noon. Sites are \$40 a night (30 amp). Reservation deadline is March 22nd. Executive & General Meetings will be held Sunday Morning.

Baker City has a lot to offer Visitors including:

Geiser Grand Hotel, Baker City Historic District, Elkhorn & Hells Canyon Scenic Byway, Quail Ridge Golf Course, Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, Baker Heritage Museum, Adler House Museum, Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, hiking, biking, fishing & birding.

Coupon for Breakout Rally & Business Meeting - April 25-28, 2019 -PLEASE PRINT-		
Name(s)	WBCCI #	
Address	Unit	
Email	# in Party	
Contact Phone ()Cell Ph	none ()	
Arrival DateDeparture Date	_Trailer LengthM/H Length	
Pets: Yes No How Many? Will you be u	using a Free Rally Coupon?	
Please send this coupon & registration fee of \$40 pays Larry & Gail Conn 3030 North 2	-	



67667 Hwy 20 Bend, OR 97701 (541) 549-3021



The spectacular Metolius River – On the Agenda!

Join us in beautiful Bend/Sisters for a fun getaway!

The rally will include: Amazing scenery, history, Craft Beer, Alpacas and more! Dining will include a delicious pot luck (smoked pulled pork provided) and a

dinner at Three Creeks Brewing.







Bend/Sisters Rally Coupon (Thursday, 5/16 – Monday, 5/20, 2019) Bend/Sisters Garden RV Resort, 67667 Hwy 20, Bend, OR 97701 Hosts: Kim and Michael Schanze Co-hosts: Jerry and Marilyn Collins							
Name:							
Address:							
Number in Party	Arrival Date De	epature Date					
Phone #	Trailer Length	Using Free Ral	ly Coup	on Y/N			
Deshutes Brewery Tour (includes a reserve beer and Deschutes pint glass (\$10/participant) High Desert Museum (\$10.00/participant) – self guided tour Campsite Deposit (\$50.00). You will be responsible for additional nights @52.50/night plus tax							
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Mail coupon/check to:	Item	Cost		Attendees	Total		
Michael Schanze 4575 N Torridon Way	Registration Fee	\$50.00			\$50.00		
Boise, ID 83702	Deschutes Tour	\$10.00	х				
Cell: (208) 599-5432	High Desert Museum	\$10.00	х				
Checks should be made payable to the "Idaho Airstream Club"				Total Due			

Deadline for submission is 4/1/19. Rally space is limited to 15 sites!

2019 RALLY SCHEDULE

Tentative Schedule--Subject to Change

DATE	PLACE	HOSTS		
April 25-28, 2019 Break-Out Rally & Business Meeting	Baker City, OR	Hosts: Conn/Usselman		
May 16-20, 2019	Bend, OR Hosts: Schanze/Col			
June 20-24, 2019 CHANGE!!!	Henrys Lake State Park, ID	Hosts: Davidson/Snively		
July 19-21, 2019	Lewiston, ID	Hosts: Falk		
August 15-18, 2019 Officer Installation & Business Meeting	Ponderosa State Park, McCall, ID	Hosts: Sargent/Schanze		
September 10-26, 2019	Oregon Coast Caravan	Hosts: Ostyn/Settle		
October 2019	Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival	Hosts: Region 10		
November 9, 2019	Harvest Dinner Hosts: Sargent			



RALLY CHANGE FOR JUNE!!

HENRYS LAKE STATE PARK June 20 - 24, 2019

Located 15 miles west of Yellowstone National Park, this high mountain lake is the kind of place fishermen dream about. Many kinds of birds may be seen in this area, as well as moose and other animals.

- We are working on details, but plan to include Harriman State Park, Big Springs, some waterfalls and other activities.
- We have 18 sites reserved, including 1 handicapped.
- All sites have water and electricity. No sewer, but a dump station is available.
- Henrys Lake is @ 378 miles from Boise (about a 6 hour drive)
- Arrive Thursday or Friday; leave Sunday or Monday.
- Registration for this rally starts in early April and ends June 1.

Idaho Airstream Dealership



1705 Industrial Way, Caldwell, ID 83605 **Phone** - (208) 454-5417 Airstream Adventures Northwest **provides courtesy parking** <u>www.AirstreamNW.com</u>

On the Web (Helpful Links)

www.airstream.com www.airstreamofspokane.com www.anareservoirrvpark.com www.wbcci.org region10.wbcci.net (Region 10 website) **idaho.airstreamclub.net (our website)** www.airstreamlife.com www.tour.airstreamlife.com www.airstreamtrailers.com http://www.blueberetonline.com

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March 2019, deadline for submissions is March 4th!

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