

IDAHO AIRSTREAM CLUB

a word from our president

Thank God for April! Marilyn said not to talk about the flu but I'm sure that it was trying to kill me. I persevered somehow. Got sick on Monday after last breakfast (passed it onto Marilyn, too) and the coughing and sneezing didn't seem to want to end until April, but enough of that. Here's hoping all of you are staying well.

This month is the start of our camping rally season. Our Breakout Rally is April 25-28th with our open business meeting on Sunday 29th AM and departure at noon. A sample of the topics we will discuss at the meeting will be: encouraging committee involvement, selecting rally sites for the 2020 season, reviewing and voting on the club International and Regional officer candidates, as well as nominating a delegate and alternate from our Idaho Unit to take our vote to the International Rally in Doswell, VA this summer. Please note the list of nominees on Page 8 of this newsletter for International positions.

As of this writing, we have 14 units attending the Breakout Rally in Baker City OR which includes new members. Saturday supper plans have changed to a Mexican restaurant in Baker City. If you cannot make it to this rally, we have rallies monthly ending in October with the Special Event Rally-Sun Valley Jazz and Music Festival hosted by our own Region 10. As co-hosts for the Sun Valley event, Marilyn and I already have received several coupons with payment. At our last breakfast, the Goedekings and Burkes volunteered to organize and host the newcomer rally that I mentioned in last newsletter which will probably be held in September. They will work in tandem with our local dealership on this particular rally. Thanks for volunteering. We will add dates to our rally list when details are available. I encourage all of you to start thinking about ideas for our next year's rallies as that needs to be completed by November.

Please plan to attend one or more rallies sometime this year so we can get acquainted if you've not done so in the past. We have a lot of fun traveling, sightseeing, visiting, playing and of course, enjoying meals together. This is the time of our lives to make some great memories and build friendships.

See you at breakfast on April 13th and in Baker City!

Tom Usselman

phone: (208) 322-8155, email: usselmant@hotmail.com



Tom and Marilyn Usselman

IDAHO UNIT OFFICERS

President - Tom Usselman

1st Vice President - Bill Sargent

2nd Vice President - Larry Warren

Secretary - Ann Sargent

Treasurer - Larry Conn

Past President - Peter Goedeking

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—there are still a few spots left, please contact host!**

MAY RALLY

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

JUNE RALLY

June 20-24, Henrys Lake State Park Rally. Hosts: Davidson (208) 859-2921, Co-hosts: Snively. **Info and Coupon on Page 9—due 5/24**

JULY RALLY

June 18-22, Orofino Rally. Hosts: Falk (208) 938-9329, Co-hosts: Borowicz. **Info & Coupon on Page 10—due 6/1**



CELEBRATIONS

April Birthdays

02--Gary Betts
03--Jim Hobart
04--Phil Nelson
05--Vincent Falk
05--Niels Vernegaard
11--Jennifer Carr
17--Bryan Mann
18--Steve Oliver
20--Danny Robinson
21--Douglas Draves
24--Betty Burke
25--Merrilee Nowlin

May Birthdays

01--Pete Petersen
01--Bill Lawrence
04--Marilyn Collins
10--John Merell
11--Bob Galleazzi
12--Kelley Hobart
12--Shane Compton
14--Phyllis Pullman
21--Roy Nowlin
22--Gary Ellwein
23--Bernard Dawson
26--Julie Hickenlooper

April Anniversaries

01, 1978--Rob & Rochelle Bunnett
21, 1977--Steve Lockwood & Molly O'Reilly
23, 1971--Tom & Marilyn Usselman
25, 1981--Jon & Becky Brougher

May Anniversaries

05, 2005--Ron Jessick & Sandy Maack
06, 1954--Lester & Mine Schmidt
17, 2000--Terry & Cindy Little
24, 1970--Phil & Debbie Jimenez
24, 1980--Geoff & Rita Dean
31, 1980--Lance & Vicki Taylor
31, 1986--Earl & Marlene Peck

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
- ☐ **Hospitality/Sunshine**—Marilyn Usselman
- ☐ **Legislative**—Charlie Burke
- ☐ **Membership**—Mim Davidson
- ☐ **Newsletter**—Cara Goedeking
- ☐ **Rally Coordinator**—Open
- ☐ **Safety**—Open
- ☐ **Website**—Michael Schanze

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Johnny Bolton
from Ketchum, ID

Steve & Vikki Mattis
from Boise, ID

Lance & Vicki Taylor
from Boise, ID

Mark & Donna Whitham
from Idaho Falls, ID



Membership News

from Mim Davidson, Membership Chair



Membership Update:

	International	Idaho Unit
• New Members since 1/1/2019:	356	9
• Total Current Members:	7024	94

Abundant thanks to Airstream Adventure Northwest for their enthusiastic support of the Airstream life! Many of our new members receive their first year's membership from the AANW dealership in Caldwell.

We are thankful for every member. We look forward to meeting you – at a rally or breakfast or somewhere down the road.

I hope to see you down the road!

Mim Davidson, #30657

Membership Chair

Email: u.035.mc@wbcci.net

UNIT FLAGS STILL AVAILABLE



Just a reminder that we still have quite a few new Idaho Unit flags available for purchase. The cost is \$58. Please contact Pete Goedeking at (208) 891-9083 by call or text if you are interested in purchasing one.

SUNSHINE REPORT



Since the last issue, Marilyn Usselman, our Sunshine gal, has sent on our behalf:

March - a sympathy card to Michael Schanze (his mother passed)

NOTE: If you know of any of our members who may be “under the weather” or need a little comfort, please contact Marilyn Usselman so that the appropriate wishes can be made and cards sent. Either call Marilyn at (208) 863-2926 or email her at usselmanm@hotmail.com.

NEW MEMBER NEWS

FROM NEW MEMBERS LANCE TAYLOR & VICKI LUNDIN-TAYLOR

After two years of talking about it, we pulled the trigger this past winter and bought our first Airstream, a 2019 27' Tommy Bahama. Before we even set foot in it, our AS traveled on its own from Seattle to Portland, over the Blues, and finally to Boise. We picked it up a couple of weeks ago and took it on her Maiden Voyage to Bruneau Dunes for a long weekend. And yes, she is a "she" as we're looking forward to naming her "Tiny Bubbles". Thankfully she forgave all of our missteps and we promised her we'll be better to her in the future. Certainly, with the advice and mentoring from our fellow Idaho WBCCI compadres, we'll be even more comfortable and knowledgeable.

Vicki continues her career as an online adjunct professor at Sofia University in Palo Alto and as a Leadership Transformative Coach in private practice. Lance is retired from the Idaho State Tax Commission and from a career in television production.

While we think traipsing around the countryside with Tiny Bubbles will take up most of our time this summer, we are both fair-weather golfers tearing up the fairway (literally chunks of grass flying everywhere) at Warm Springs Golf Course in Boise. Now that we have wheels, no golf course in Idaho/Oregon/Nevada will be safe. Lance also volunteers with Stage Coach Theatre, a community theater in Boise. Then there are the four granddaughters in Portland who already have dibs on the convertible bed in Bubbles.

FROM NEW MEMBERS MARK & DONNA WHITHAM

The 2017 Sport is actually our 3rd RV. We graduated from a four season backpacking tent to a VW Eurovan and got our feet wet with an A-frame pop-up. When we got tired of literally getting wet and cold in the pop-up, we decided to get a real trailer.

I am retired and Mark is semi-retired. We travel to show or trial our 3 Pyrenean Shepherd dogs in conformation and Scent Work, visit family, and to attend stock car races whilst visiting other parts of Canada and the United States. We also enjoy local trailhead camping, hiking, birding, snowshoeing, XC-skiing, and as Idaho Master Naturalists: Volunteering for various state and federal agencies.



member spotlight



Bob & Faith Simms of Boise, ID

Tell us about your family (including 4-legged members)...

We have two adult children. The oldest is a son married to a wonderful woman. They have given us two beautiful Granddaughters; one is 19 and the other one is 10. They also have 2 labs, one black, the other is chocolate. Their home is in Kuna. We have a

daughter who lives in Payette with the smallest chihuahua we have ever seen, less than 2 pounds.

Tell us how you two met... **We met at a lunch counter in Baker City, Oregon, over 46 years ago.**

How long have you been members? **We have been members of the Idaho Unit since 1997. Our first rally was the 1998 International in Boise, three blocks from our home.**

You've been in the club awhile. What club leadership roles have you served in? **We have both been President of the Idaho Unit. Bob has been Treasurer of both the Idaho Unit and Region 10. Faith has also been Secretary of the Idaho Unit.**

What kind of Airstream do you have? Have you ever owned any other trailers/Airstreams? **Before we owned an Airstream, we had a 5th wheel, probably 1970's vintage, and we bought it in the mid 80's; then we owned a new Road Ranger, bunk bed model trailer, and used that for several years. We have owned 3 Airstreams, the first (and best one) was a 1976 27ft Overlander. Number two was a 1998 34ft classic triple axle. Our current Airstream is what is becoming rare--it is a 2001 36 ft XC-360 motorhome. We believe it is the only motorhome left in the Idaho Unit.**

Why did you join/who asked you to join the club? **We joined the club because we enjoyed the people and because of some serious arm twisting by then President Vern Kuhlmer in 1997. :) Vern and Fay were great Airstreamers!**

What have been your favorite trips/rallies as a part of the club? **Locally, the first Sun Valley Jazz festival was a highlight. Sun Valley is a beautiful place in October. The "Autumn with the Anasazi" caravan led by Jerry and Marilyn Collins was a very memorable trip for us. We have been back to visit several of the places that we saw on that trip.**

What is the most interesting place you've visited (can be a "field trip" experience that was part of a rally) as part of a trip/rally? **The most fun "field trip" was when Ben Campbell took our rally members out to the Idaho Air National Guard and we got to go for a ride in a Blackhawk helicopter.**

Any places that we haven't gone as a club that you would recommend to others? (campgrounds, parks, etc) **We think the Idaho Unit has done a great job of exploring not only the local area for monthly rally sites but for caravan routes as well.**

Besides traveling in your Airstream, what are your hobbies/interests? **We have both been ham radio operators for many years. Bob was president of the Airstream club Amateur Radio intra club for 2 years and enjoys talking with friends all around the world. Faith enjoys volunteering at our winter home in Mesa, AZ, as well as making mats (from grocery bags) for the homeless.**

TRAVEL TRIVIA

ANSWERS BELOW--Don't Peek!

1. Which state has the most miles of coastline?
 - a) California
 - b) Washington
 - c) Florida
 - d) Alaska
2. Where is the only place you'll find penguins (in their natural habitat) in the northern hemisphere?
 - a) Alaska
 - b) Galapagos Islands
 - c) Greenland
 - d) Iceland
3. What is the highest waterfall in North America?
 - a) Niagara Falls
 - b) Havasu Falls
 - c) Yosemite Falls
 - d) Upper Yellowstone Falls
4. Where is the world's longest pedestrian bridge?
 - a) Madagascar
 - b) Costa Rica
 - c) Bulgaria
 - d) Switzerland
5. What state has both the highest and lowest points in the contiguous U.S.?
 - a) California
 - b) Colorado
 - c) Montana
 - d) Washington

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. **d) Alaska**-With approximately 33,904 miles of coastline, Alaska is the big winner. Florida comes in second with 8,436 miles. Stand anywhere in Alaska, point a random direction and you will basically be pointing at some kind of sea or ocean just miles away.
2. **b) Galapagos Islands**-The Galapagos Islands are known for their endemic species – that is, there are many animal species on the islands that you can only find there, and the Galapagos penguin is one of them.
3. **c) Yosemite Falls**-Although Angel Falls in South America has its northern neighbor beat by a couple hundred meters, Yosemite Falls' 740 meter height is nothing to shake a stick at. The highest waterfall in North America is located in California's Yosemite National Park.
4. **d) Switzerland**-If your idea of a leisurely stroll doesn't include crossing a 1,600 foot long bridge, you might want to avoid the Charles Kuonen Suspension Bridge in Switzerland. The bridge is used by hikers and helps complete the Europaweg from Grächen to Zermatt, which many people consider to be one of the most beautiful hikes in the Alps.
5. **a) California**-Inyo County is home to both Mount Whitney, the highest point in the contiguous U.S., and the lowest, Death Valley's Badwater Basin. Mount Whitney soars 14,505 feet above sea level and Badwater Basin sits 282 feet below sea level — and they are only 84.6 miles apart.

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

Co-hosts: Tom & Marilyn Usselman

General Itinerary

Thursday, April 25th

Check-In After 12pm

5:00pm Happy Hour-

Bring your drink & snack to share

6:00pm Potluck Dinner-

Bring whatever you want to share
(main dish, side dish, dessert)

Friday, April 26th

Breakfast on your own

10:00am Docent Guided Tour of

Baker Heritage Museum

Lunch on your own

1:00pm Docent Guided Tour of

Adler House Museum

5:00pm Happy Hour-

Bring your drink & snack to share

6:00pm Hosts will provide Chili Dinner-

Please bring a side or salad to share

Jan/Feb/March B-days & Anniversaries

please bring a dessert to share

Saturday, April 27th

Breakfast on your own

10:00am Oregon Trail Interpretive Center

Lunch on your own

6:00pm **CHANGE**-El Erradero Mexican
Restaurant for Dinner

Sunday, April 28th

Breakfast on your own

9:00am Executive Board Meeting

10:00am General Membership Meeting

12:00pm Check-out

Costs: RV Sites are \$40 per night (30 amp)

Baker Heritage Museum \$6 Senior, \$7 General

Adler House Museum \$6 Senior, \$7 General

*If you do both tours, cost is \$10

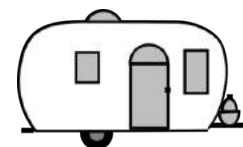
Oregon Trail Interpretive Center-\$8 General, \$4.50 Senior, or free with Senior
National Park Pass.

CHANGE-Saturday Dinner at El Erradero Mexican Restaurant in Baker City

Shared expenses will be totaled and are due at the end of Rally.

For reservations please call Gail at (951) 660-7738

Full refund for cancellations following deadline are not guaranteed.



***Please bring your own table
settings, chairs and drinks to each
meal.**

****Remember that Baker City, OR is on
Pacific Stand Time!**

Coupon for Breakout Rally & Business Meeting - April 25-28, 2019

-PLEASE PRINT-

Name(s) _____ WBCCI # _____

Address _____ Unit _____

Email _____ El Erradero Mexican: Y or N _____ # in Party _____

Contact Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____ Trailer Length _____ M/H Length _____

Pets: Yes _____ No _____ How Many? _____ Will you be using a Free Rally Coupon? _____

Baker Museum: Y or N Adler House: Y or N Both Museums: Y or N Oregon Trail Center: Y or N

Please send this coupon & registration fee of \$40 payable to WBCCI Idaho Unit ASAP to:

Larry & Gail Conn 3030 North 26th Street Boise, ID 83702

Call to confirm availability before sending at: 951-660-7738 or LGHCONN@me.com



**The Idaho Airstream Club
Bend/Sisters Rally**

Date: May 16 – 20, 2019
Bend/Sisters Garden RV Resort
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.



Hosts: Kim and Michael Schanze Co-hosts: Jerry and Marilyn Collins



**Wally Byam Airstream Club International
Slate of Nominees
2019-2020**

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Office</u>
Mona Heath	International President
Andrew Selking	International 1 st Vice President
Tye Mott	International 2 nd Vice President
Eric McHenry	International 3 rd Vice President
Vickie Courtney	International Recording Secretary
James Polk	International Treasurer
Carolyn Beardshear	Nominating Committee
Debbie Hammer	Nominating Committee

Henry's Lake State Park June Rally

HENRY'S 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; it is one of the best trout fisheries in the West. Many kinds of birds may be seen in this area, as well as moose and other animals.

- We are working on details, and plan to include Harriman State Park, Big Springs area, some waterfalls and other activities.
- We have 18 sites reserved, including 1 handicapped site.
- All sites have water and electricity. No sewer hookups, but a dump station is available.
- Arrive Thursday or Friday; leave Sunday or Monday.
- Provide your Idaho State Parks Passport and Recreational Vehicle sticker numbers for final rally fee discounts.
- The final rally fee will include remaining campsite costs as well as shared items and activities.
 - If you're a new member or guest, include your Free Rally Fee coupon with your registration. We'll ask you to pay for your campsite, but most shared expenses are covered.
- Call us if you have questions.

Henry's Lake Rally, June 20 – 24, 2019

Hosts: Fonny & Mim Davidson Co-hosts: Bill & Bunny Snively

Name(s): _____ WBCCI #: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Number in Party: _____ Handicap tag? Yes / No Arrive date: _____ Depart date: _____

Idaho State Parks Passport # _____, Exp. date _____

Idaho RV sticker # _____ Trailer ____ MH ____ Length: _____

Please send this coupon and registration check of \$45.00 payable to *Idaho Unit – WBCCI* to:

Fonny & Mim Davidson

208.336.8325

3422 Tamarack Dr.

mimad@cableone.net

Boise, ID 83703

Registration due by 5/24/19.

Available for printing on the Idaho Airstream Club [Rally Schedule](#) tab too.

Orofino! Idaho Rally

July 18 – 22, 2019

Clearwater Crossing RV Park
500 Riverfront Road
Orofino, ID 83544

Hosts: Falks Co-Hosts: Borowicz

Re-discover (or discover!) the hidden gems of North-Central Idaho in grand fashion!

Details to follow! Your hosts and co-hosts are planning an unforgettable adventure in this beautiful area. The incredibly accommodating folks at Clearwater Crossing look forward to our official count as their convenient, riverfront park is very popular. The core Rally dates are July 19-21 but Clearwater is happy to reserve additional days on either end of the weekend as requested by WBCCI Club members in advance.



Orofino! Rally Coupon July 18-22, 2019

Name(s) _____ WBCCI # _____
Contact Phone(____) _____ Cell Phone(____) _____
Address _____ Unit _____
Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____ Trailer Length _____
Email _____ # in Party _____
Pets: Yes ___ No ___ How many? _____ Will you be using a free Rally Coupon? _____

Please send this coupon & registration fee of \$40 payable to WBCCI Idaho Unit by June 1, 2019 to:
The Falks 807 South Heron Pointe Way Eagle Idaho 83616

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/Collins
June 20-24, 2019	Henrys Lake State Park, ID	Hosts: Davidson/Snively
July 18-21, 2019	Orofino, ID	Hosts: Falk/Borowicz
August 15-18, 2019 Officer Installation & Business Meeting	Three Island Crossing State Park Glenns Ferry, ID	Hosts: Sargent/Schanze
September 10-26, 2019	Oregon Coast Caravan	Hosts: Ostyn/Settle
September 2019 (dates TBD)	Newbie Rally-location TBD	Hosts: Burke/Goedeking
October 15-21, 2019	Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival	Hosts: Caldwell/Upton/ Usselman
November 9, 2019	Harvest Dinner	Hosts: Sargent

About the Idaho Unit Newsletter

Our Newsletter is published monthly (other than in January) in February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December (the December/January issue) for the members of the Idaho Airstream Club. Articles, pictures, safety hints, rally reports, recipes, trailer tips, travel suggestions, corrections, ideas, letters to the editor and so forth are welcome.

Submission deadlines are generally around the 1st of the month of publication but may vary month-to-month (and will always be stated in the previous month's newsletter on the last page). The newsletter will be sent to members before the monthly breakfast each month, that is by the second Saturday of each month, unless communicated otherwise.

Please submit to Cara Goedeking at caragoedeking@yahoo.com or call (or text) 208-890-0268.

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 May 2019, deadline for
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