

IDAHO AIRSTREAM CLUB

a word from our president

By the time you read this, I will have handed over the reins to Bill Sargent. Votes will have been tallied from our online ballot and thanks for participating with that. I hope to see many of you at our installation rally and business meeting at Three Island Crossing State Park. It likely is our most important meeting of the year as we take the final member vote on board members! After our installation of new officers by our guest, newly elected Region 10 President, Sharon Cairns, we will be greeting and congratulating our new president and board members. Let's all introduce ourselves and encourage our new Idaho Unit 35 president, vice presidents and trustees in their endeavors throughout the coming year.

We had great time at our Orofino Rally in July with perfect weather. Andy Falk & Susie Borowicz did an wonderful job of getting everything organized for all of us attending. The jet boat ride was outstanding and truly is something to remember! Usually for me a return boat trip can be boring but not on this amazing boat! It was just as much fun as the ride up the Snake River Canyon. What a great trip! I thank the hosts and co-hosts for making this rally a once in a lifetime experience for me! Andy, you can finally sleep well at night now!

After leaving Orofino, Marilyn and I headed north to our old stomping grounds on the North Fork of the Coeur d'Alene River. We got to see a lot of friends and family in the Silver Valley area. Old friends invited us camp at their property with electricity and WiFi for a very small fee: water their grass and flowers while they were away. What a deal! It's nice to be loved! We had spent 6 summers with our grandkids up this river, floating and hanging out shortly after I retired. We've missed it a lot. On day 2 of our arrival, I was browsing the internet looking at truck intake systems. Since I never really examined this in my truck, I decided to check it out. What a surprise! Mice had wasted no time building a large nest out of fern-like greens in my intake filtration system!!! After a clean-up, we dug out our solar and electric strings of light to put under the truck and trailer. We learned that mice and pack rats don't like lights and stay away from moving in. I guess that I'll have to keep a closer eye on our Airstream so the mice stay away. Unfortunately, that happened in our 1st Airstream. It's part of the adventure of camping, right?

Somehow it doesn't seem possible that a year has whipped by and yet this is my last newsletter as your president. I want to especially thank my first mate for all of her help and her great patience with me throughout the year. She was my newsletter editor adding substance to what I wanted to say and helped me create something that you could comprehend.

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Thank you TOM USSELMAN for leading our Unit so well! We appreciate your hard work this past year!!

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.

SEPTEMBER CARAVAN

September 10-26. Oregon Coast Caravan Hosts: Ostyn (208) 880-2042, Co-hosts: Settle.



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**—Kim Schanze
- ☐ **Safety**—Open
- ☐ **Website**—Michael Schanze

CELEBRATIONS

August Birthdays

05--Tim Jacobsen/Lance Taylor
13--Bob Caldwell
13--Bob Simms
22--Tami Lawrence
23--Terry George
30--Cindee Lantz-Miracle

August Anniversaries

05, 1999--Bill & Annie Sargent
07, 1971--Charlie & Terry George
08, 1987--Terry & Kathleen Gilton
09, 2003--Bill & Sharon Lawrence
16, 1969--Charlie & Betty Burke
22, ???--David & Becky Levi
25, 1979--Grant Clayton & Gail Madsen-Clayton
28, 1971--Bud & Catherine Langerak
30, 1958--Bob & Sue Norris
31, 1964--Darrell & Maureen Ostyn
31, 1980--Chet & Debbie Wood

September Birthdays

01--Kelly Huit
04--Sherry Hoem
06--Bill Gedris
08--Ben Campbell
14--Karen DeRuyter/Lester Schmidt
16--John Ruskauff/Roger Staats/
Barbara Brace
19--Allie Mann
20--Tracy Staats
27--Peter Goedeking
28--Danielle Heuvel

September Anniversaries

01, 1984--Larry & Gail Conn
04, 1981--Michael & Lucille Allen
07, 1968--Gary & Lynn Ellwein
10, 1966--Bill & Carolyn Gedris
11, 1998--Andy & Stephanie Falk
30, 2018--Michael & Joni Dronen



Membership News

Another summer has flown by! School has started for many. Our gardens are producing, and harvest has begun. We have enjoyed meeting many of our new members, and renewing friendships with others. The Idaho Airstream Club continues to grow and explore.

No more unit rallies are on our schedule, but many of us will continue to use our Airstreams into the fall. Some of us will participate in the Oregon Coast Caravan; others will take part in the Sun Valley Jazz & Music Fest. And we will meet every 2nd Saturday for breakfast – except for the Harvest Dinner in November.

Efforts are underway to develop a new Region 10 unit. It would be established in the Spokane/Coeur d'Alene area. I don't have an update on the progress, but last heard some executive board positions needed to be filled. This would help members in that region be more active with Airstream Club activities. Some Idaho members may transfer to the new unit while others may choose to be affiliates. It is an exciting time!

It is time to renew your membership for 2020. WBCCI membership is based on a calendar year. The easiest way to renew is [online](#). You can update information if you have a new address or bought a new Airstream. If you're an affiliate, we provided a paper form on our [website](#) (or see Page 8). We hope you'll renew early. We're working on next year's rallies. Who knows where we'll go and what we'll do! See you down the road!!

Mim Davidson, #30657

Membership Chair

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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It's been a joy to meet those of you from around this great state, region and beyond. I feel so much gratitude to all of you who have taught and supported me on this year-long journey with wisdom, experience, cooperation, humor and friendship! As I learned more about the club, I became even more proud to be a member! I have received so much more than I gave. Well, great friends of the Airstream Club, what a good time I have had with all of you! (And will again, soon!) It has been an honor and a privilege to serve!

Your (now Past) Idaho Unit President,

Tom Usselman

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SUNSHINE REPORT

Per our Sunshine gal, Marilyn, these cards were sent out recently:

John Merell, pneumonia
Pete Peterson, infection
Susie Borowicz, foot injury

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 Intro

From Craig and Emily Quarterman from Boise, ID:

We are so excited to be Airstream owners and part of the Idaho Airstream Club.

Here's a little about us: We've owned a camper in the past but this is our first Airstream.

Craig and I have 2 fun loving girls age 10 and 7. They, along with our 2 dogs, keep us busy. We both grew up in the Pacific Northwest and have lived in Boise for 8 years.

We enjoy anything outdoors! Love to snow ski in the winter and raft in the summer. Hope to use our Airstream year-round!

We look forward to meeting you at a breakfast. Thanks again for such a warm welcome to the group.

2019 EVENT SCHEDULE

DATE	PLACE	HOSTS
September 10-26, 2019	Oregon Coast Caravan	Hosts: Ostyn/Settle
October 15-21, 2019	Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival	Hosts: Caldwell/Upton/Usselman
November 9, 2019	Harvest Dinner Smoky Mountain Pizza Parkcenter Blvd, Boise, ID	Hosts: Sargent

From the Editor

Thank you for your patience with the newsletter this month. I try hard to get it out before the breakfast meeting each month, but this month Pete, Ellie and I were out of the country on a European vacation till late last week...and upon my return I experienced some serious jet-lag (or the flu? many of the same symptoms).

I appreciate your understanding,

Cara Goedeking

Idaho Unit Newsletter Editor



Pete with his blue beret

member spotlight

Rob Centeno & Carrie Cook
of Boise, ID



Tell us about your family...We're a Brady Bunch blended family with 6 kids and 2 dogs. We have 5 sons and a daughter between 22 and 15 years old. Four of our sons are in California attending college. The two youngest are here at Boise High. Our two dogs, Boba and Jengo Fett (Star Wars nerds?), keep us busy and getting our exercise in the foothills near our North-end home.

Tell us how you two met...We met on Match.com last year and it was a whirlwind romance. We got married this year on May 31st, after a heartfelt wedding shower and send off from our Airstream friends while at the Bend, Oregon rally.

What kind of Airstream do you have? Have you ever owned any other trailers/Airstreams? We bought our engagement Airstream in November 2018, no kidding! Who needs fancy jewelry when adventure awaits?! We bought a 2018 25' International Signature, it was our first Airstream and our first joint purchase. We both owned a motorhome and a pop up tent in the past. There's no comparison and we're so happy with Teddy (Bed Zeppelin).

Why did you join the Idaho Unit/who asked you to join the club? Where do you want to visit that you haven't yet? The dealership in Caldwell recommended the club to us. We mailed in our applications and got a warm, personal welcome from Mim. Both an email and a call. It made all the difference in getting us to actively participate in the club. We look forward to every breakfast and event.

What have been your favorite trips/rallies as a part of the club?

All of our rallies have been fun but the most memorable was our first rally in Baker City, Oregon. We were novices and everyone helped us to set up and feel comfortable. We couldn't ask for a better group.

What is the most interesting place you've visited (can be a "field trip" experience that was part of a rally)? We really enjoyed the museum tours (see pic of us with Wally himself!) and Adler House in Baker City, Oregon.

Any places that we haven't gone as a club that you would recommend to others (campgrounds, parks, etc)? We've mostly travelled with the club so far. We've heard a lot of great things about Eastern Idaho and would like to spend some time there.

Besides traveling in your Airstream, what are your hobbies/interests? We like to hang out together! We belong to the same gym and schedule our workouts around our busy work days. We also enjoy yoga, paddle boarding, biking around Boise, playing guitar and ukelele, singing duets, karaoke, board games, live music and dancing. We enjoying trying new things.



JULY RALLY RECAP

by Andy Falk, Rally Host

For those who made the trek to Orofino, THANK YOU! For those unable to join us, add this incredible area to your travel list! 15 rigs gathered on the Clearwater river to socialize, discover and adventure together, a fantastic mix of familiar faces and new friends: Emily Neumarkel and her family, Gary Betts and Kim Blackburn, Bill and Sharon Lawrence, Rich Doering and Linda Dixon in the Silver Twinkie, Tom and Marilyn Usselman (with deep gratitude from many for figuring out local dog care), Duyane and Judy Canada (who pressed on despite a trailer hiccup enroute, which we appreciated so much--it's always more fun with them!), new members Mark and Donna Whitham and their beautiful show dogs, Dave and Linda Johnson from Post Falls (helping many get to our boat dock safely and promptly!), new members Steve and Vikki Mattis (who shared their knowledge and appreciation of the area, Steve's a local), Carrie Cook and Rob Centeno and their family, Jim and Kelley Hobart from Coeur d'Alene, Steve and Sharon Wells (Sharon, talk Steve into buying an Airstream), Larry and Gail Conn (helping us keep the 'books' simple), and Donna Bortfeld (sharing her love of adventure, a perfect community service project and her beautiful Lucile 32' ageless trailer with us). Unexpected conflicts arose with Jim and Susie Borowicz and Lance and Vicki Taylor; they were missed. Susie and Jim's guidance and research made this rally what it was, both Mystic and Snake River Adventures were excellent recommendations, thank you Jim and Susie!

Arrivals began on Wednesday night and continued through Friday. Donna Bortfeld suggested we clean up a local free campground--Ahsahka received some much needed love! We hauled trash out, raked and hopefully made it a little more welcoming. Folks then ventured to Dworshak, toured the area and relaxed until we gathered for a taco potluck and a VIP visit from Clearwater Sheriff Chris Goetz and his wife Britteny who joined us for dinner. Sherriff Goetz gave us an outstanding overview of the County and hosted a quiz with collectable patches and pins as prizes, everyone got into the competitive spirit and had a ball!

Saturday kicked off with an early run up to Bark Avenue for dog care followed by a lineup for a short caravan over to Hells Gate State Park for our jet boat departure. Once underway, Eric and Randy took great care of us and made the entire trip fun and informative. We enjoyed lunch at Cache Creek Ranch, saw the confluence of the Salmon and Snake Rivers and visited Garden Creek, enjoying the deer and delicious nectarines and blackberries. Words cannot describe the experience of traveling through Hells Canyon (well, a talented wordsmith could do it). The people, topography, geology, history and river all made this a lifetime memory for all of us. Thank you again Airstream Adventures Northwest for supporting this event!

Once we disembarked, a few headed over to the Hells Gate visitor center and we all congregated at Mystic in Lewiston where we were treated to a wonderful meal and rousing conversation. And then back to Orofino and the dogs!

Sunday morning brought a quick caravan up to Dworshak Dam where Michelle led a talk and tour for many of us. It's an engineering marvel and a dizzying look down 700 feet!

Thank you again to everyone for making this a great rally!



July Rally Photos





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Cell Phone: (____) _____ WBCCI NO: _____

Membership Information:

Regular _____ Life _____ Affiliate of the Idaho Unit _____

If Affiliate, where do you pay International dues? Unit Name and #: _____

Use this section to **change** information. These details will be updated in the club records and the Unit and International Membership directories.

Changed Contact Information: ☐ Primary Information ☐ Winter Information

Street _____ Are phone changes indicated? Y / N

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

- I have Courtesy Parking (free overnight parking at my home for other WBCCI members) (Y / N)

My Airstream Changed: Trailer ☐ Motor home ☐ Year _____

Size & Model _____ Serial or VIN _____

Preferences Change:

- It is okay to list my cell phone number/s in the Idaho Unit Directory (Y / N)
- I wish to receive a print copy of the Blue Beret. (Y / N)
- I want my contact information included in the annual WBCCI printed Directory (Y / N)
- I want my contact information included in the annual WBCCI digital Directory (Y / N)

Idaho Airstream Club**2020****Rally Schedule**

Date	Location	Host/Co-Host
April	Break-Out Rally & Business Meeting Location- TBD	Settle/Falk
June 4-8	Park at the River Wallowa Lake, OR	Schanze/Goedeking
June 19-20	Caravan to International Rally	Lawrence
June 20-27	International Rally Loveland, CO	N/A
July 9 - 12	Rally and Location: TBD	Conn/Taylor
July 21-26	Region 10 Rally Lynden, WA	N/A
August 2nd or 3rd weekend	Officer Installation & Business Meeting: Location TBD	Canada/Archer
September	Rally and Location: TBD	
October 14 - 18	Sun Valley Music and Jazz Fest	Caldwell/Usselman
November	Harvest Dinner	Warren

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