

IDAHO AIRSTREAM CLUB

a word from our president

It seems like most of my great ideas for this message were a few days ago, and I put my duties off until now, and the ideas can't be recalled. I have an excellent "forgetter". That's where Annie usually steps in. But she is off on holiday in Ireland at the moment, and I get off track. She is more than the Idaho Unit 35 Secretary. As such, she keeps track of the minutes of the Executive Board meetings and dutifully sends them out to each board member. And she reminds me of my core responsibilities and duties in my role as President, and helps me get them done on time. She also proofs my writing and makes suggestions for changes or points out things that aren't clear. But above all, she is my collaborative partner. Ah Ha! This was the message that I had a few days ago, that I wanted to address!

Progress happens through collaboration. As much as we have been taught about the American "rugged individualism", if truth be known, our greatest achievements were accomplished through collaboration. I needn't mention examples, because common sense tells us this. It just seems to slip our mind. We need to recognize these truths and call them into action.

We travel together because we can meet unexpected problems collaboratively. We know that the weight of a disaster can be carried better by a group than by a single individual. We know that fun is best when shared. And this brings to mind the second part of my message--the fun in store with this year's Rally Schedule. It is presented to you in the pages that follow, so please look it over and plan on attending as many as you possibly can. And be sure to join us, because we collectively WILL have fun!

It occurs to me in reviewing this message to you, that once again, Annie has helped me recall what I need to get done.

See Ya Down the Road,

Bill Sargent

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTHLY UNIT BREAKFAST

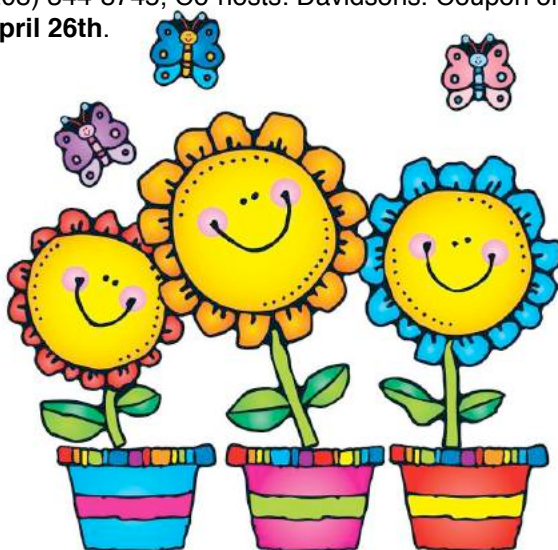
8:30am on 2nd Saturday of every month. Golden Corral, 8460 W. Emerald St, Boise, ID. Marilyn Usselman (208) 863-2926

APRIL BREAKOUT RALLY

April 23-26. Breakout Rally & Business Meeting. Ambassador RV Resort, Caldwell, ID. Hosts: Settles (208) 695-3003, Co-hosts: Falks. Coupon on Page 6, **due by April 1st.** Only 5 spots left!

MAY BRUNEAU DUNES RALLY

May 21-26. Bruneau Dunes State Park, Mountain Home, ID. Hosts: Burkes (208) 344-8745, Co-hosts: Davidsons. Coupon on Page 7, **due by April 26th.**



CELEBRATIONS

March Birthdays

05--Duyane Canada
06--Vicki Taylor/Tom Usselman
07--Ann Lindley
10--Kim Blackburn/Faith Dawson
11--Carrie Cook/Stephanie DiNunzio
12--Ray Hoem
15--Dave Johnson
16--Mark Whitham
20--Jerry Settle
22--Sue Norris
24--Lucille Allen/Tigray Allen
27--Frank Roman
29--Judy Canand/Chuck Goss/Rita Szczotka

March Anniversaries

22, 1986--Jim & Kelley Hobart

April Birthdays

02--Gary Betts
03--Jim Hobart
05--Vincent Falk/Niels Vernegaard
11--Jennifer Carr
17--Bryan Mann
18--Baylen Heuvel/Steve Oliver
20--Danny Robinson
23--Sharon Jacobsen
24--Betty Burke

April Anniversaries

01, 1978--Rob & Rochelle Bunnett
02, 1971--John & Terry Burke
21, 1977--Steve Lockwood & Molly O'Reilly
23, 1971--Tom & Marilyn Usselman
25, 1981--Jon & Becky Brougher

IDAHO UNIT COMMITTEE LEADS

- ☐ **Budget**—Larry Conn
- ☐ **Calling Coordinator**—Marilyn Usselman
- ☐ **Caravan**—Darrell Ostin
- ☐ **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

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Marty & Marcia DeWing
from Nampa, ID

Robert & Donna Keegan
from Concho, AZ



Membership News

As I read the March issue of the *Blue Beret*, I recognized important information that reflects some of the challenges and benefits of membership in the Idaho Airstream Club as well as the greater International group. Here is an excerpt from Terri Warren's column.

It is truly a leap of faith to try that first rally, isn't it? Most of the time, new members don't know anyone in the local club at that first rally or luncheon. Unless you are quite the extrovert, we all will feel some apprehension the first time you show up at something new where others have known each other for years. You might not be great at backing up yet and will have to endure what you perceive to be several sets of eyes watching you take several shots at the site before getting backed in. Or there might be 10 people telling you exactly how to do it correctly. But once you get parked and start to meet people, the apprehension turns into relief and that, in turn, often leads to enthusiasm.

But still, how specifically do we get from joining the club to that first rally? Many clubs offer one free rally or at least some part of it is free. Or there might be an offer of some money discounted from the price of a rally. Financial incentives help. Clubs that offer both weekend and weekday rallies make it easier for people to find something that works time-wise for them. Being able to sign up and pay online make it so easy and all clubs can use software from International that works smoothly and quickly. And even more is coming from our technical team to make all of that even easier.

Some clubs allow people to come to a rally even if they are not yet members of our club. It's reasonable to want to "kick the tires" of a new group before putting down the money. Let's make room for that approach.

But for now, to all you new folks, give it a try. And if you find that the club you joined doesn't fit for you, try another or be a member at large and attend functions at a variety of clubs.



Mim Davidson, #30657
Membership Chair
Email: u.035.mc@wbcci.net



NEW MEMBER INTRO

New members **David and Antoinette Roth** introduce themselves: We have a 2019 Flying Cloud. It is our first RV. We look forward to getting involved with the club!

David is recently retired from the aerospace industry, and Antoinette is a Real Estate agent. They have 2 young boys, ages 12 and 10.

SUNSHINE REPORT

From our Sunshine gal, Marilyn: A card was sent out to Kathleen Archer after the last breakfast in February, as she recently had surgery on her back. A card was also recently sent to Linda Galeazzi for illness.

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.

A NOTE FROM KATHLEEN ARCHER:

To our Airstream Friends,

Thank you very much for the card you sent me after my surgery, I greatly appreciate it. My recovery is going well and I look forward to being mobile again.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Archer

COURTESY PARKING (Part 3 of 3)

by **Mim Davidson**

This is the final installment describing our Club's best kept secret... Courtesy Parking. If you missed them, the other CP stories are in the November/December and January/February newsletters.

Charlie and Betty Burke share a story about one of their Courtesy Parking (CP) experiences: *Our first chance to use CP was after the Cajun Country Caravan. On previous occasions we had the opportunity to visit New Orleans and this caravan left us so close we wanted to go again. At the end of the caravan we talked to the caravan leaders, Larry & Judy, about a place to stay. Just our luck the caravan leaders offered CP. After a brief conversation we made arrangements to stay at their home in Thibodaux, La. Finding their home is one good reason to have GPS navigation, either on your phone or a navigation device.*

Before going to their house we had stopped to fuel up. At the station were a couple of fellas selling fresh shrimp. We purchased about 20lbs from them. When we got to Larry and Judy's home they showed us a way to store it, long-term.

Their courtesy parking was in their paved driveway next to their home with 30A electric and water. For this they asked for nothing but we gladly shared some of our Idaho Gold cheese along with showing them how to fry it. Something they had never had.

I hope you'll try Courtesy Parking! These hosts are friends you haven't met yet...

member **spotlight**

Doug & TJ Joseph

from Boise, ID

Tell us about your family... We have two sons, Dean (22) living in Salt Lake City and studying Network Engineering and Dennis (20) studying Finance in Boston.

Tell us how you two met... Wandering the streets in DaNang, Vietnam in 1993, an angel appeared from behind a store counter.

How long have you been members? One year.

What kind of Airstream do you have? Have you ever owned any other trailers/Airstreams? We have a 2018 16 ft Bambi. We purchased our Bambi from the Gulfport, MS dealer after deciding it would be a fun adventure to fly east and drive back to Boise, Airstream style.

What did you name your Airstream and why? We have yet to name our Airstream and welcome suggestions.

What was the best thing you've bought or made for your Airstream? Magnets from state and national parks we visit adorn our magnet board.

Why did you join the Idaho Unit/who asked you to join the club? The sun reflection off the Schanze's Airstream parked in their driveway blinded us. We figured, if you can't beat them, join them.

What have been your favorite trips/rallies as a part of the club? We have only attended one rally to date in Bend, OR. We're looking forward to the International Rally and Wallowa this year.

What is the most interesting place you've visited (can be a "field trip" experience that was part of a rally)? Parked like sardines at an RV Park in Key West on the wrong side of the lot.

Besides traveling in your Airstream, what are your hobbies/interests? Pickleball is our newest interest. We plan on hitting tournaments around the west while enjoying the comfort of our Bambi.



Springtime in Treasure Valley Rally

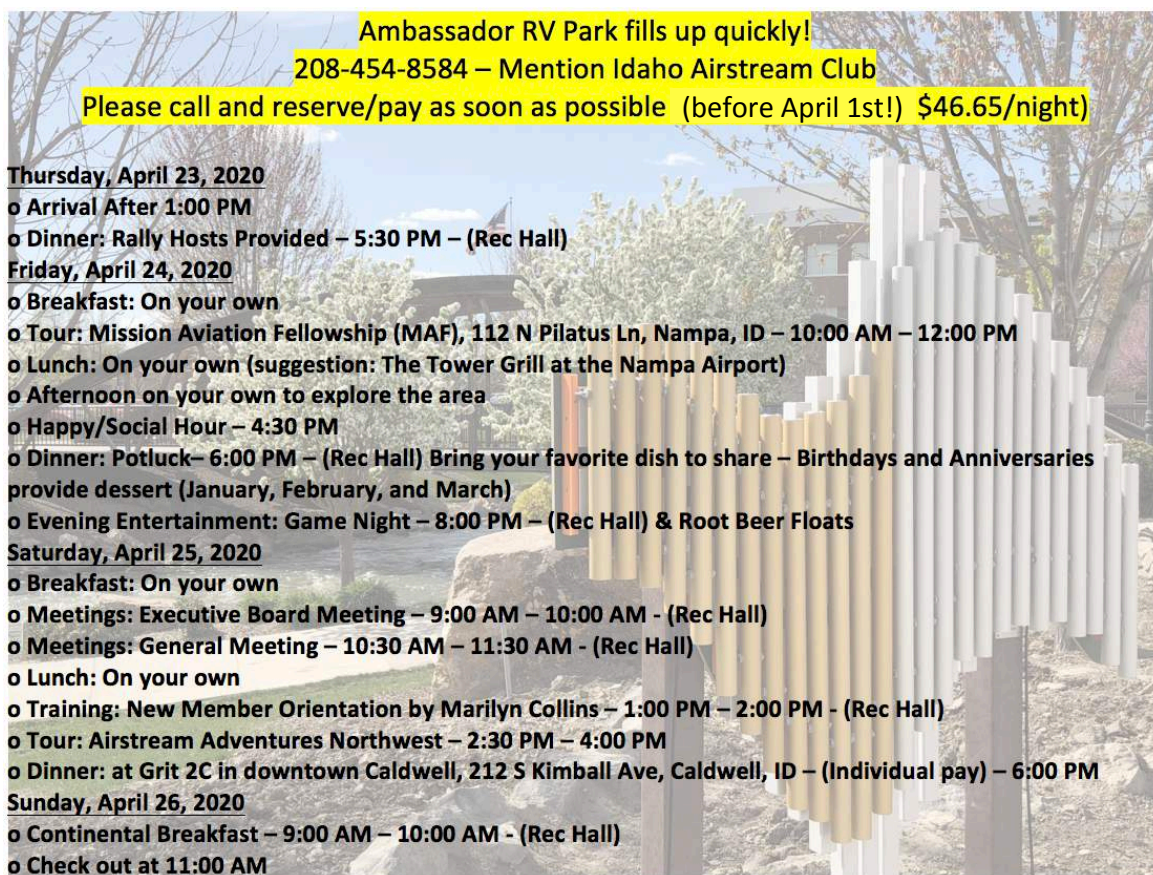
Only 5 spots left!

April 23, 2020 – April 26, 2020

Ambassador RV Resort, Caldwell, ID

Hosts: The Settles & Co-Hosts: The Falks

Though it already feels like Spring around the West, ACTUAL Spring is around the corner! Dust off our stored beauties or reacquaint the rigs down South with Idaho! The Settles have planned an outstanding Rally in our own backyard allowing an easy pull and a West Valley immersion that will break new ground for many.



Ambassador RV Park fills up quickly!
208-454-8584 – Mention Idaho Airstream Club
Please call and reserve/pay as soon as possible (before April 1st!) \$46.65/night)

Thursday, April 23, 2020
 o Arrival After 1:00 PM
 o Dinner: Rally Hosts Provided – 5:30 PM – (Rec Hall)

Friday, April 24, 2020
 o Breakfast: On your own
 o Tour: Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF), 112 N Pilatus Ln, Nampa, ID – 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
 o Lunch: On your own (suggestion: The Tower Grill at the Nampa Airport)
 o Afternoon on your own to explore the area
 o Happy/Social Hour – 4:30 PM
 o Dinner: Potluck – 6:00 PM – (Rec Hall) Bring your favorite dish to share – Birthdays and Anniversaries provide dessert (January, February, and March)
 o Evening Entertainment: Game Night – 8:00 PM – (Rec Hall) & Root Beer Floats

Saturday, April 25, 2020
 o Breakfast: On your own
 o Meetings: Executive Board Meeting – 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM - (Rec Hall)
 o Meetings: General Meeting – 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM - (Rec Hall)
 o Lunch: On your own
 o Training: New Member Orientation by Marilyn Collins – 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM - (Rec Hall)
 o Tour: Airstream Adventures Northwest – 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM
 o Dinner: at Grit 2C in downtown Caldwell, 212 S Kimball Ave, Caldwell, ID – (Individual pay) – 6:00 PM

Sunday, April 26, 2020
 o Continental Breakfast – 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM - (Rec Hall)
 o Check out at 11:00 AM

SPRINGTIME IN TREASURE VALLEY RALLY COUPON

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 \$25 payable to **WBCCI Idaho Unit by April 1st to:**
 The Falks 807 South Heron Pointe Way Eagle Idaho 83616



Feeling Groovy Rally May 21-26, 2020 Bruneau Dunes State Park

Hosts: Charlie/Betty Burke and Fonny/Mim Davidson

We will send a complete rally schedule to those who register. It will include meal plans – a mix of on your own, shared potluck, etc. There will be more info about our activities, including dune sledding, fishing, sky watching, tie dye, and time to explore or chill.

- We reserved 23 sites. Use this form to reserve one for your family.
- Let us know if you're interested in the special Thursday 5/21 observatory program, starting @ 9pm. See the night sky as you've never seen it before! View a planet, nebula, or a galaxy through the "Obsession" 25-inch Newtonian Reflector telescope. If 15 people sign up, cost will be \$5 per person. If fewer than 15 sign up, we'll check costs with you before confirming the special program.

Feeling Groovy Rally, May 21 - 26, 2020

Name(s): _____ WBCCI #: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Arrive date: _____ Depart date: _____

Contact Phone#: _____ Text phone#: _____

Number in Party: _____ Handicap tag? Yes / No _____ Trailer ___ MH ___ Length: _____

Idaho State Parks Passport # _____, Exp. date _____

Idaho RV sticker # _____ Thursday observatory interest # _____

Please send this registration form and rally deposit

payable to **Idaho Unit – WBCCI** to:

Charlie & Betty Burke

2621 N. Dayside Av..

Meridian, ID 83646

208.344.8745

cbburke199@gmail.com

Non-refundable expenses = \$30.00

Total Rally Deposit = \$30.00

Optional rally costs include weekend observatory visits and tie dye activity.

Registration due by April 26.

Complete your registration form and

- Specify your arrival and departure dates.
- Provide your Idaho State Parks Passport and Recreational Vehicle sticker numbers for final rally fee discounts.
- If you are a new member or guest, include your *Free Rally Fee* coupon with your registration. Your final rally fee will include your campsite costs, but most shared expenses are covered by the coupon.

The final rally fee will be calculated and collected before the rally ends. It will include remaining campsite costs as well as shared items and activities that were not included in the rally deposit.

If you cancel, rally deposits are refunded to the extent that the Unit does not have to pay the costs.

- Pre-paid activity reservations or expenses may be non-refundable.

State Park camp sites have water and electricity, but no sewer hookups. A dump station is available.

JUNE WALLOWA LAKE RALLY

SAVE THE DATE!

June 4-8, 2020

Wallowa Lake, Joseph, OR Rally

Registration opens April 1st on our Website!

Park at the River RV

15 sites available, so register ASAP!

Discover gorgeous mountain scenery, pristine Wallowa Lake and lots of enjoyable activities.

Your Hosts, Michael & Kim Schanze, Pete & Cara Goedeking



2020 Rally Schedule



Idaho Airstream Club

Date	Location	Host/Co-Host
April 23-26	Break-Out & Bus. Meeting Ambassador RV Resort, Caldwell, ID	Settle/Falk
May 21-26	Bruneau Dunes State Park, Mtn. Home, ID	Burke/Davidson
June 4-8	Park at the River Wallowa Lake, OR	Schanze/Goedeking
June 20-27	International Rally Loveland, CO	N/A
July 9 - 12	Smiley Creek Lodge Sawtooth City, ID	Conn/Taylor
July 21-26	Region 10 Rally Lynden, WA	N/A
August 21-24	Officer Installation & Business Meeting: River Pond RV, Crouch, ID	Canada/Archer/ Centeno
September 17-20	The Narrows RV Park Princeton, OR	Betts/Lawrence
October 14 - 18	Sun Valley Music and Jazz Fest	Caldwell/Usselman
October	Halloween Party Boise, ID	
November	Harvest Dinner	Warren



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Airstream Adventures Northwest
provides courtesy parking

www.AirstreamNW.com

On the Web (Helpful Links)

www.airstream.com

www.airstreamofspokane.com

www.anareservoirrvpark.com

www.wbcc.org

region10.wbcc.net (Region 10 website)

<https://idaho.airstreamclub.net> (our website)

www.airstreamlife.com

www.tour.airstreamlife.com

www.airstreamtrailers.com

<http://www.blueberetonline.com>

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NEXT NEWSLETTER:

April 2020

Deadline for submissions is
Sunday, April 5th

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