

Spring 2019

THE CLASSIC NEWSLETTER



The Classic Airstream Club is an IntraClub of the Wally Byam Airstream Club

The **Classic Airstream Club** has just been reorganized and we welcome new members.

Our IntraClub membership is opened to all members of the Wally Byam Airstream Club who own an aluminum Airstream Recreational Vehicle (trailer or motorhome) with the iconic aerodynamic shape, regardless of its age (not exclusively “Classic” models but Flying Cloud, Sport, International, Globetrotters and all other aluminum models).

Whether your trailer is one, two, or three axles, you qualify!

Our club members enjoy informal get-togethers, affordable rallies and caravans organized by local members from all parts of the North American continent.

Hosts and caravan leaders are all volunteers from the Classic Airstream Club. We currently have three caravans “under construction” heading to or following the 2019, 2020, and 2021 International Rallies. Caravans may “pop up” anywhere, anytime. ...

Who knows, you may become our next caravan leader!

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CAC President's Message



By Pat Shaw
President
#6318

Spring greetings!

What an unusual winter this has been. We have had blizzards, floods, and tornadoes throughout the country. It reminds me of winter 2010. For those of us in the northern states, we had an over abundance supply of snow land at our doorsteps. We had 71 inches of snow by the end of February and had to hire an end loader to clear a path for our Airstream. We were preparing to join a CAC caravan in Louisiana. It was the “Let the Good Times Roll” caravan led by John Landry and co-leader Lynn Conner. It was a short seven day caravan filled with information, entertainment, and camaraderie. What a great time we had! John led us around the Cameron, Louisiana, area where we discovered so much history, ate interesting southern dishes, and saw sites that cannot be viewed in the north. It was one of our favorite caravans, and we would love to see such a caravan offered again.

Another caravan that ranks high in our memory banks was the “Travelin’ the Trace” caravan led by Tom & Arlene Simmons. It was a ten day caravan through the Natchez Trace Parkway. It is a National Parkway that extends 444 miles from Natchez, Mississippi, to Nashville, Tennessee. It is a scenic drive on an historical trail where many American Indians, slave traders, and soldiers travelled. There are a variety of stops to visit on the journey. It was a very historical step back in time and another caravan that definitely needs to be repeated.

After enjoying several CAC caravans, we decided it was time to step up and try to lead one ourselves. So, in 2013, we led the “Meandering Minnesota” caravan with Dave & Beth McCall. We scheduled the caravan to begin after the International Rally in South Dakota. (We found that it was very convenient to schedule it directly following the International as many Airstreamers could easily travel from South Dakota to Minnesota.) It did take some planning, but found the accessibility on the internet very beneficial.

We are “keepers” of our trips, so I still have all the details concerning these three caravans.

I would be willing to share my information if someone would like to try repeating one of the aforementioned caravans. It is my hope that this article will “entice” some of you to step forward, volunteer and lead a CAC caravan. I would be more than happy to give guidance to anyone who is willing to become a CAC leader.

You may call me (515)368-4379

or email me theshaws1@gmail.com.

**Let's get some CAC Caravans
on the 2019/2020 calendars!!!**



CAC 2018–2019 Officers



From left to right:
Gary Burnham, Dave Shaw,
Pat Shaw, Don McKelvay,
Marie Efira, Kay Corder.

President - Pat Shaw #6318

1 yr. Council - Jim Johnson #3996

Vice President - Don McKelvay #205

2 yr. Council - Marie Efira #5495

Secretary - David Shaw #6318

3 yr. Council - Gary Burnham #16471

Treasurer - Kay Corder #17774

Meet us in Doswell, VA



Come and join us this summer during the WBCCI International rally in Doswell, Virginia.

<https://doswell.wbcci.net>

If you want to learn more about the Classic Airstream Club we invite you to attend a presentation July 22nd at 1:30 PM

“History and purpose of the Classic Airstream Club”

Contact: Kay Corder kayceelsmo@gmail.com

We are also planning a Classic Airstream Airstream Club get-together. Date and location will be communicated to you very soon on our website <https://classicairstream.wbcci.net>
Sign up for the event at the Classic Airstream Club table at the rally.

Looking forward to meeting you at the rally.

CAC Business Meeting

The Classic Airstream Club meeting was held on June 29, 2018, during the International rally in Salem, Oregon.

Pat Shaw conducted the meeting. Members were informed that our IntraClub had been deactivated in 2010 for failure to update the club's constitution and bylaws. All members present agreed to reactivate the CAC intraclub.

Pat Shaw volunteered to update the C/BL with the newly elected board's approval.

It was explained that the goal of the club is to offer short (10-15 day) caravans throughout the country. Any member may volunteer to lead a Classic Club Caravan. Several members indicated they would be interested in scheduling a caravan coinciding with a future International Rally.

Since we had not been considered an intraclub in "good standing" with WBCCI since 2010, it was decided that all members who have paid dues since then will receive free membership for the year 2019. This information will be shared in an upcoming newsletter. We were pleased to have several new members join CAC at this meeting.

Bill Shay, outgoing Treasurer, held a raffle and presented new CAC flags to the winners. We enjoyed camaraderie and a great pizza dinner.

Minutes of the meeting were submitted by Dave Shaw, Secretary.



Welcome to our New Members!



David and Karen, William and Elena, Jack and Karen, Dennis and Karen, Bill and Susan, Gary and Myrna, welcome to the Classic Airstream Club

Classic Airstream Club

A WBCCI IntraClub

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date: ____/____/20____
☐ New Member
☐ Renewal

Name (Last) _____ (First) _____ (MI) _____
Please Print

(Spouse) _____

WBCCI # _____ WBCCI Unit _____

Street, P.O. Box or Private Mailbox # _____

City _____ State or Province _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

E-mail _____

My Classic Airstream is a

(CHECK ONE) ☐ Trailer ☐ Motorhome

Model _____ Year _____ Length _____

Annual Membership \$10.00 (US Funds) ☐ Cash, ☐ Check # _____ PLEASE DO NOT MAIL CASH

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CLASSIC AIRSTREAM CLUB

MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO WBCCI MEMBERS OWNING A CLASSIC AIRSTREAM AS DEFINED BY THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE CLASSIC AIRSTREAM CLUB, AN INTRACLUB OF WBCCI.

Submit to: Kay Corder, CAC Treasurer, 1002 SW Allendale Blvd, Lee's Summit, MO 64081

Membership Application

To Join the Classic Airstream Club or renew your membership, download the application from our website

<https://classicairstream.wbcci.net>

Direct link:

<https://classicairstream.wbcci.net/members-application/>

Mail your application to:

Kay Corder, CAC Treasurer

1002 SW Allendale Blvd

Lee's Summit, MO 64081

Email: kayceelsmo@gmail.com



CAC Today and Yesterday



How we became CAC Members

By Marie Efira, CAC Newsletter Editor

Our Airstream story begins in 2001... Our first trailer, a 19' Bambi unfortunately spent more time in our driveway than on the road, until that fateful day in 2004. I had carefully planned all the details of our first big trip on my computer but nobody had told us that there were tornadoes in Arizona! We were extremely inexperienced but we managed to outrun

the storm at 55 MPH on a narrow road, with the radio broadcasting warnings, and nowhere to stop to take shelter. No time to take a picture but the view of a herd of white mustangs against the red mesas with the sky turning dark green will remain printed on my mind forever.

The day we reached Monument Valley was going to be life changing for us. As we were checking in, a group of Airstreamers approached us and invited us for happy hour. We became best friends right away and followed their Classic Airstream Club "Four Corners" caravan to the Region 11 rally in Cortez, Colorado, then meandering together through the Southwest on to Albuquerque, New Mexico, for the Balloon Festival.



We want to learn more about you too.

Share pictures of your travels, of your home on wheels, your traveling pets, plants and hobbies on the road. This page will appear on every issue of our Classic Club newsletter. Please email me your photos.

So, I'll get started... My hobby? Growing plants in my trailer. Usually they are ornamental plants but I managed to get a nice crop of cherry tomatoes too.

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