

IDAHO UNIT OF WBCCI

a word from our president

Hello Unit 35 members,

Another month has passed and the weather is warming; what a great year for water! When you live in the desert, water is king, and it looks like this year we have an abundance. I hope any of you living near rivers are prepared, and wish you the best.

We plan to meet in Wilder this month May 19-21 on the banks of the Snake River for our Buddy Rally. For those of you who may not know, WBCCI rallies are Airstream-only events, and a Buddy Rally is an event that you can invite a friend who owns Some Other Brand of RV to join. Always watch the news letter for upcoming rally information. Our editor, Cara Goedeking, tries hard to keep us up to date with every thing happening in our unit. Thank you Cara.

We had a very productive and lively general business meeting last month at our Vale rally. We approved the Region 10 proposal for WBCCI Units in Region 10 to co-host the Region biannual rallies. Our Unit 35 executive board will select a date in the future for our unit to co-host the region rally in our state. We also selected our new Unit 35 logo. The Executive board will chose a flag design to back this logo, then the proposed flag and logo will be presented to the IBT at this year's International Rally for WBCCI sanction.

Our fun activity on Saturday in Vale was a visit to the Eagle Trainers aviary. They offered wonderful entertainment. At the end of their very informative presentation, our Unit 35 board donated \$150. Our members very generously also gave them support for their efforts to save the endangered Philippine eagle, which is the most rare eagle on earth. What fun!!

I want to thank all of you who attended the Vale business rally for your support and response. It is indeed good to know there is real support for this club going into the future.

The proposed Unit 35 logo is shown below (not official yet, see page 3 for more details).

Thank you,

Your President

Fonny Davidson



IDAHO UNIT OFFICERS

PRESIDENT - Fonny Davidson

1ST VICE PRESIDENT - Peter Goedeking

2ND VICE PRESIDENT - Tom Usselman

SECRETARY - Mim Davidson

TREASURER - Earl Brace

PAST PRESIDENT - Michael Archer

TRUSTEES - Ben Campbell, Andy Falk,
Charlie Burke, Pete Petersen



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UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTHLY UNIT BREAKFAST

8:30am on the 2nd Saturday of every month. Golden Corral, 8460 W. Emerald St, Boise, ID. Marilyn Usselman (208) 322-8155 on Lawrence, Co-Hosts: Larry & Gail Conn. Info on page 5.

MAY "SILVERS" 2017 OLYMPICS BUDDY RALLY

May 19-22 Rivers Edge RV Park, Wilder, ID. Hosts: Duyane & Judy Canada, Co-Hosts: Tom & Marilyn Usselman. Coupon and Itinerary on Page 6. **Coupon deadline has passed.**

JUNE BANBURY HOT SPRINGS RALLY

June 8-11 Banbury Hot Springs, Buhl, ID. Hosts: Ray & Sherry Hoem, Co-Hosts: John & Myrna Merell. Coupon & Info on Page 8. **Coupon deadline is May 20th.**

JULY HEYBURN "WOBBLY" RALLY

June 30-July 3 Heyburn Riverside RV Park-Make Your Own Reservations. Hosts: Pete & Cara Goedeking, Co-Hosts: Pete & Fay Petersen. Info on Page 9.



IDAHO UNIT SUNSHINE NEWS

May Birthdays

01--Bill Lawrence/Pete Petersen
04--Marilyn Collins
09--Wendy Taylor
10--John Merell
11--Lisa Holes
12--Kelley Hobart
13--Joe Ambrose
14--Phyllis Pullman
21--Bill Wilkinson
22--Gary Ellwein
23--Bernard Dawson/Joyce Werner
27--Floyd Tschacher

May Anniversaries

06, 1954--Lester & Mine Schmidt
28, 1955--Jerry & Phyllis Voigt
31, 1986--Earl & Marlene Peck

June Birthdays

02--Margaret Gorrissen
03--Gretchen Falk
05--Audrey Falk/Mitch Mitchell
11--Lisa Holes
12--Lynn Ellwein
15--Jerry Collins/Marlene Peck
16--Cara Goedeking

June Anniversaries

07, 1973--Bob & Faith Simms
10, 1967--Richard & Vivian Schultz
15, 1968--David & Rebecca Jauquet
16, 1973--Terry & Martha Graybeal
18, 1983--Jim & Dori Halbert
20, 1981--Michael & Kim Schanze
20, 1981--Jerry & Linda Settle
25, 1960--Bill & Joyce Werner

IDAHO UNIT COMMITTEE LEADS

- Budget**—Earl Brace
- Calling Coordinator**—Marilyn Usselman
- Caravan**—Darrell Ostyn
- Directory**—Gail Conn
- Hospitality/Sunshine**—Marilyn Usselman
- Legislative**—Charlie Burke
- Newsletter**—Cara Goedeking
- Rally Coordinator**—Sharon Lawrence
- Membership**—Mim Davidson
- Web Site**—Benji Mellish
- Historical**—Betty Burke
- Constitution and Bylaws**—Charlie Burke
- Safety**—Open
- Community Service**—Judy Canada

MAY RALLY UPDATE!

We will be having a "**Parts and Pieces**" exchange along with the book and magazine exchange at the May Rally.

Bring any Airstream items or travel related products you no longer need or want; to be shared with your Airstream friends who might be looking for your cast off treasures. This will include both inside and outside items, male or female items. If it is too large to bring with you, take a photo and we will post it. Most of the items should be free - however larger items may carry a price tag. Let's have fun with this! Bring along your treasures and take a different one home.

bits, bites & rivets

For Sale by Member: 2012 ltd classic in excellent condition. New tires, upholstery and head rails, new carpet. \$64,500. Larry and Colleen Kling 208-867-8274 or 860-3922.



FOR SALE 6-12 volt LED lights for RV use to sell \$5 each.
They all fit 1141-1157 base.
5 warm white 2.4 watt 1 bright white 2.4 watt
Contact Fonny 336-8325

APRIL BUSINESS MEETING RE-CAP

Six families represented by the Executive Board; 8 families submitted absentee ballots and 13 families that attended the meeting - that means nearly 1/2 of our membership participated in the April Business Meeting. Thank you to those who took the time to engage in the business part of WBCCI. Minutes from those meetings will be posted on our website within the next week.

We made two important decisions at these meetings. First, we decided to support the Region 10 proposal to share biannual Region Rally responsibilities. Historically, the Region 10 president and volunteers organize this event. We have questions about some of the details, but agreed to support the concept. Each unit will know the hosting schedule well in advance.

We selected a new logo to represent our Unit. This logo and a flag design will go to the International Board of Trustees (IBT) at this year's International Rally in Michigan. Because Thor Industries owns all things 'Airstream', there is some concern that new logo proposals will be tabled. We will wait for the IBT decision before ordering any items that display the new logo. ***UPDATE:** WBCCI has signed an agreement with Airstream so we have been given the go-ahead to submit our new logo for official approval!

Thank you again for being a part of the 'business'. You contributed to our unit's health by taking the time to review and vote on these issues.

Mim Davidson, Secretary, Idaho Unit WBCCI



MEMBER

spotlight

Tom & Marilyn
Usselman
from Boise, ID



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

We have 2 sons in their 40s whom we raised mostly in Boise. One is a construction superintendent in the Bay Area and one is a photographer in the Treasure Valley. And we have 2 tall teen grandsons. We spent about 7 years taking those city slicker grandsons away for at least a month to camp beside and float on a beautiful N. Idaho river. They picked huckleberries, played in dirt with our 2 Bichons and are now official river rats.

Tell us how you met. We met in Wallace ID at a New Year's celebration.

How long have you been members? We joined the Idaho Unit in April of 2016.

What kind of Airstream do you have? Have you ever owned any other trailers/Airstreams?

Truthfully, our first campout was 2 sleeping bags on the ground. Then we had a truck camper, trailers named Shasta, Apache, Nash, then a couple of 5th wheels. Our first Airstream was a 1971 Safari 23' trailer, bought in 1990. We parked the old Airstream in mountains nearby and reveled in the fact that we had a freezer for the 1st time in the middle of the forest. We now have a 2007 Limited Edition Safari 27' trailer.

Why did you join/who asked you to join the club? The International Rally at the Boise fairgrounds in the 1980s was close to our house. We met a few members and thought the club would be a lot of fun...someday. A couple of weeks after we bought our last trailer, we hunted Peggy Campbell down and asked her how to join.

What have been your favorite trips/rallies as a part of the club? We really enjoyed the caravan and Regional Rally in Kalispell MT. Visiting Glacier National Park is always a favorite with us.

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 National Monument at Idaho National Laboratory (INL) was very fascinating to us both. The tour was so much more than we expected. Unfortunately, we are not ready for the test so might have to go back one day.

Any places that we haven't gone as a club that you would recommend to others

(campgrounds, parks, etc) So many come to mind: Olympic Peninsula in WA, Priest Lake ID, Harris Beach St. Park near Brookings OR, the museums and waterfalls in Great Falls MT, Heyburn State Park near St. Maries ID, the Missouri River all the way through Montana with stops at any site that mentions Lewis and Clark.

Besides traveling in your Airstream, what are your hobbies/interests? A former race-walker, Tom still enjoys speedy long walks and 3 days/week on the ski hill when he can. He also likes fishing, tinkering around the house and RV. I like to read, especially historical things (biographies, old cookbooks), work on family trees and scan old family photos loaned to me by family. I grow a few vegetables and like to bake.

april rally re-cap by Gail Conn

After a long, challenging winter, it was great to hit the road and head off to Vale, OR for our Break-Out Rally. Along with hosts Bill and Sharon Lawrence and co-hosts, Larry and Gail Conn, we were joined by the Davidsons, the Usselmans, the Goedekings, the Canadas, the Burkes' the Ostyns, the Braces, the Campbells, the Jauquets and first-time ralliers, the Libbeys. This rally combined great weather (with a little wind), business meetings, sightseeing and of course, great food and conversation!

Most of the group arrived at Vale Trails RV Park on Friday, April 21st. Sagebrush Saloon & BBQ catered our pulled pork sliders and baked beans for dinner. We had a potluck of wonderful side dishes and an array of delicious desserts provided by January & February birthdays and anniversaries. The evening concluded around the campfire.

Saturday morning was when the Executive Board held their meeting. During this time there was an assortment of activities to chose from, some of which included; the Vale Mural Walk (29 hand painted murals), Keeney Pass National Historic Site and Owyhee Dam-Lake Owyhee. Lunch was on your own.

At 1:00pm we headed off for our presentation by Master Falconers, Joe & Cordi Atkinson of Corjo Wildlife Productions. The Atkinson's work has been published in National Geographic and Nature magazines, as well as TV & Documentary Specials. Joe and Cordi introduced us to Widow, a golden eagle, and they also detailed their involvement with training Philippine eagles, helping save them from extinction. Before leaving, we presented the Atkinsons with a donation for their organization.

The rest of the afternoon everyone was free to continue exploring Vale. Some of these activities included visiting the Old Stone House Museum. This building opened in 1873 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Some of the more adventuresome of us even hiked part of the Oregon Trail.

Saturday's dinner was smoked tri-tip and smoked chicken catered by Willowcreek Café. Willowcreek Café sustained severe damage during Snowpocalypse 2017, so we were happy to be able to support them and enjoy our meal at the Grange Hall. We finished the evening playing a lively few rounds of Bunco!

Sunday morning we were back at the Grange Hall to conduct the general meeting. We discussed and voted on our new Unit 35 logo and if our Unit wished to support the Region 10 proposal for co-hosting a Regional biannual rally. After the discussion & voting, we also officially welcomed David and Penny Libbey into our unit.

Following the business meeting, most of the group went back to break-up camp. After 5+ months of not being on the road as a unit, it was a great start to the upcoming season. Great fun was had by all!





Business Meeting at the Vale Grange Hall



Dave & Penny Libbey are officially inducted into the Idaho Unit by Unit President Fonny Davidson



The group enjoying the presentation at Corjo Wildlife Productions... especially Widow, the golden eagle.

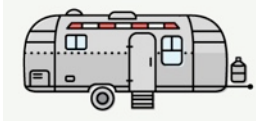
a note of THANKS from Cordi Atkinson

Dear Fonny, I just wanted to thank you and your club for coming out to see the eagles and hear our 'story'.

We always enjoy sharing! And thank you so much ... your group donation was very generous - a total of \$655, which is very much appreciated.

Please tell them all that I send my thanks.

Best wishes for a fantastic camping year...Cordi



THE "SILVERS" 2017 OLYMPICS RALLY



It's a BUDDY RALLY!!! May 19-22, 2017

Rivers Edge RV Park, 28522 Lower Pleasant Ridge Road, Wilder ID 208-482-6560
(located on the beautiful Snake River between Wilder and Homedale)

Hosts: Duyane and Judy Canada, Co-Hosts: Tom and Marilyn Usselman

Camping fees are \$15.00 per night. New camping cabins are available for \$60.00 per night.

All sites are on grass with river views.

Please bring your own table service and beverage to each meal Please: No animals at any food venue

FRIDAY, MAY 19th

Check In: ANY time of the day (AM/PM)

5:00 Happy Hour (Beverages only)

5:30 Weiner Roast & Cookies (Host Provided) Please bring side dish to share

SATURDAY, May 20th

8:30 Breakfast Biscuits & Gravy (Host Provided)

10:00-12:30 WBCCI Olympics Opening Ceremony Let the Games Begin

1:00 Lunch (Host Provided)

2:00 Book/Magazine Exchange AND "Parts and Pieces" Exchange (see page 2 for details)

4:30 Happy Hour (Beverages Only)

5:30 Line up to go to Dinner

6:00 Dinner @ Alejandro's Mexican Restaurant (Dutch Treat)

8:00 Bonfire

I. SUNDAY, May 21st

8:30 Pot Luck Breakfast Juice Provided

10:00 Olympic Closing Ceremonies

12:00 RV Park Sponsored BBQ Please bring a side dish to share

March & April Birthdays and Anniversary's people please bring cake or ice cream

Afternoon: Visiting, Fishing, Napping

4:30 Happy Hour Bring Snacks

5:30 Left over potluck for those staying over

MONDAY, May 22nd

8:30 Breakfast at the Orchard House?

No check out time, so slow down and enjoy the morning

Safe Travels

Banbury Hot Springs Rally

Buhl, ID

June 8th - June 11th

Hosts: Ray & Sherry Hoem, Co-hosts: John & Myrna Merell

Thursday, June 8, 2017	Friday, June 9, 2017	Saturday, June 10, 2017	Sunday, June 11, 2017
Early arrivals check in at Banbury Hot Springs	Scheduled arrival date at Banbury	Optional: Aqua Yoga \$8.00 Continental Breakfast	Continental Breakfast
Optional Activities:	Continental Breakfast	Ritter Island Tour	Tour Stolfus Farm and Dairy
Canoeing, Fishing, Swimming (additional cost for hot pool)	Fish Hatchery Tour (10-1 pm)	Optional activities previously listed	(Best Ice Cream in the State)
Happy Hour 4-5	Lunch on own	Wine tasting at 1000 Springs Winery 2-5 pm	Early Leavers depart after "goodbye Pizza lunch"
Dinner on your own	Optional rafting \$30 (make own reservations 208-734-4998)	No Host Dinner at Snake River Grill	
	Optional Catamaran tour \$50 (make own reservations 208-837-9006)		Monday departers optional activities to be decided later
	Pot luck dinner - Burgers provided May/June B-days & Anniversaries provide dessert		

HOT SPRINGS RALLY COUPON – Thursday, June 8 – Sunday, June 11, 2017

Banbury Hot Springs RV Park, 1128 Banbury Road, Buhl, Idaho

Hosts: Raymond and Sherry Hoem

Co-Hosts: John and Myrna Merell

Name(s): _____ WBCCI #: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Number in Party: _____ Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____

Phone Number: _____ Trailer Length: _____ MH Length: _____ Other: _____

Send Coupon and Check for total RV rates (First night Deposit): \$30

Advance fee by **May 20, 2017** to: Total Deposit: \$30.00

Ray or Sherry Hoem Continental Breakfasts Friday, Saturday and Sunday

3972 North 1400 East Potluck Dinner Friday Night

Buhl, Idaho 83316 Dinner at the Snake River Grill Saturday Night

goodsheperd1@gmail.com

July “Wobbly” Rally



Friday, June 30-Monday, July 3rd

Hosts: Pete & Cara Goedeking, Co-hosts: Pete & Fay Petersen

Heyburn Riverside RV Park-Heyburn, ID

Office: 208-431-2977

Located on the Snake River. Full service sites. New, clean showers and restroom. View of the SNAKE RIVER from the park. Paved riverfront hiking trail. Boat slips. Very good bass fishing. Camp host on site. Good Sam discount.

DIRECTIONS: I- 84, 211 exit- then turn left 2 miles to river bridge stop light- then turn left again and you are there.

MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS

IMPORTANT: We have 10 reserved sites and only 10, so call the office ASAP if you plan on attending...**you will need to let them know that you are with the Airstream Club (as part of the reserved 10 sites) to get a site.** There are no additional sites available (we tried to add some a couple months ago with no luck).

No Planned Excursions - Come & Go As You Please

Check back next month to see our meal plans

(we will have a few potluck meals together and a possible meal out together)

2017 RALLY SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	HOST & CO-HOST
May 19-22	Rivers Edge RV Park, Wilder ID (cabins available if needed)	Canada & Usselman
June 8-12	Banbury Hot Springs, Buhl ID	Hoem & Merell
June 30-July 3	Heyburn Riverside RV Park, Heyburn ID (Make your own Reservations-Wobbly Rally)	Goedeking & Petersen
July 22-29	International Rally, Escanaba MI	WBCCI
August 18-21	Solar Eclipse Totality Rally - Business Meetings & Installations Smiley Creek Lodge, Stanley ID- Coupon Available on Website	Davidson & Mellish
September 17-24	Short Caravan and Rally to Coeur d'Alene- Coupon Available on Website	Davidson & Anderson
October 18-22	Sun Valley Music & Jazz Fest, Ketchum ID (may include Trailing of the Sheep)	Region 10 & __?__
November 11	Harvest Dinner	Goedeking & Settle

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- www.wbcci10.org
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- www.airstreamlife.com
- www.tour.airstreamlife.com
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