

IDAHO UNIT OF WBCCI

a word from our president

Hello Unit 35 members,

Today is March 30th and as many of you know it's chilly and raining hard here in the Treasure Valley. Bill Lawrence called me this morning to visit about our April 21-22 break-out-business rally to be held in Vale, Oregon. We hope this event be well attended.

We have two main issues to discuss and vote on during the business meeting to be held Sunday morning April 23rd. First: We must decide which logo design we want for our official Unit 35 logo. Second: We must decide if our Unit wishes to support the Region 10 proposal for our unit to co-host a Regional biannual rally.

Contained in this newsletter there is an absentee ballot (pages 8 and 9) for these issues. If you are not able to attend the Business meeting held on April 23rd in Vale, please fill out the ballot and send it in so we have it no later than April 20th. The how-to-reply information is on the ballot.

As to other business, we have rally registrations and breakfast Saturday, April 8. Our active season has begun. We hope to see you all in Vale for the Business rally. The Lawrences and the Conns have a great time planned for us.

Enjoy,

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

APRIL BREAKOUT RALLY

April 21-23 Vale Trails RV Park, Vale, OR. Hosts: Bill & Sharon 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 is May 1st.**

JUNE BANBURY HOT SPRINGS RALLY

June 9-11 Banbury Hot Springs, Buhl, ID. Hosts: Ray & Sherry Hoem, Co-Hosts: John & Myrna Merell. Coupon & Info on Page 7. **Coupon deadline is May 15th.**

The May "Silvers" 2017 Olympics Rally has been designated as a "BUDDY RALLY", meaning you can invite your non-Airstreaming friends to join you for the weekend. (they must still fill out a coupon and pay the fee)

idaho unit **SUNSHINE** news

April Birthdays

02--Gary Betts
03--Jim Hobart
04--Larry Peterson
04--Phil Nelson
05--Vincent Falk
18--Gene Harding
20--Linda Mitchell
24--Betty Burke
25--Sarah Googe

April Anniversaries

04, 2008--Jay & Debbie Rolls
14, 1956--Floyd & Donna Tschacher
18, 1980--David & Penny Libbey
21, 1977--Steve Lockwood & Molly O'Reilly
23, 1971--Tom & Marilyn Usselman

May Birthdays

01--Bill Lawrence/Pete Petersen
04--Marilyn Collins
09--Wendy Taylor
10--John Merell
12--Kellee 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

IDAHO UNIT COMMITTEE LEADS

- Budget**—Earl Brace
- Calling Coordinator**—Marilyn Usselman
- Caravan**—Darrell Ostyn
- Directory**—Kathleen Archer
- 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



APRIL showers
bring **MAY** flowers



bits, bites & rivets

RV-RELATED LEGISLATIVE ACTION re: Liquid Propane Cylinders

provided by Charlie Burke

The following is an excerpt from the RV Travel Newsletter I get each week. The full article can be found at <http://rvtravel.com/new-federal-regulations-have-some-affect-on-rvers/>

There were some changes in federal regulations, put forth by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration. The regulations apply to portable LP cylinders – like ones found on trailers and truck campers. The regs have NO effect on motorhome tanks – these are ASME Certified containers, and don't require re-certification.

Do the changes affect RVers? Yes and no. First off, under the old rules, all cylinders had to be inspected and re-certified within 12 years of their date of manufacture. Under the new regs, that date is down to 10 years. So, if your LP cylinder was made in 2007 or older, this year you'll have to have it re-certified. But when it comes to re-qualification, the question is how?

Under the regs, a cylinder may be re-qualified by one of three ways: Proof pressure testing, volumetric testing, or visual inspection. The first two, performed by an authorized firm, will then require a re-certified tank to be rechecked in ten years. The latter, the one most of us RVers will get done, requires a recheck five years later. By the way, just what does a "visual inspection" look for?

- Excessive rust, corrosion, or pitting on the cylinder, particularly near the bottom.
- Dents, bulges, cuts or cracks in the surface.
- Missing or damaged cylinder footing, cylinder neckring (collar), or valve cover.
- A leaking or defective valve or pressure relief device.

It's a good thing not to wait for an inspection – all of us can look over our own LP cylinders, because all of these items are safety issues.

Got a problem? Get it fixed, or get a new cylinder.

Bottom line? In terms of re-qualification times, most of us will still have to have our older LP cylinders checked out every five years. All of us, when we buy a new cylinder, will need to look ahead to a decade, not 12 years, for our first re-qualification.

LIQUID PROPANE FAQS by Charlie Burke

Liquid Propane Gas or Propane as we know it is a primary source of portable energy for an RV. It supplies energy for cooking, heating our water and/or space, and conversely cooling our food stuffs.

The portable tanks we store LP in are a particular safety concern to many. Over the last nearly 20 years an increasing level of management has been applied to the handling and use of LP. Beginning in 2002 the National Fire Protection Association has issued guidelines regarding the design and use of portable propane tanks. Most areas of the country comply with these guidelines.

Initially they required a tank must have an Overfill Protection Device (OPD) in place of the old style valve. This change included the new valve, new pigtail hoses, and a shutoff float. They work to prevent the tank from being overfilled and eliminate the possibility that a portable tank could release its entire contents at once.

In addition to the OPD valve portable LP tanks must be inspected and re-certified. The interval for new tanks is 12 years, old tanks every 5 years. The extent of the inspection and the cost vary in different parts of the country. For most inspections it is a visual one at minimum cost.

In the Treasure Valley I have found two resources for getting LP tanks re-certified. Suburban Propane at 8550 Franklin West of Town Square Mall. They charge \$15 plus the cost of a fill of propane at \$3.75 a gallon. The other is Norco at their 850 W Gowen Rd location. They charge \$20 plus the cost of a fill of propane at \$1.49 a gallon.

For general refills of propane the best deal in town is Bretz RV off the Boise Broadway Exit. Their March to September price is \$.99 a gallon.



member **SPOTLIGHT**

Jerry & Linda Settle
from Nampa, ID

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

We are a family of 2. Between both of us we have 7 siblings and 10 nieces and nephews.

Tell us how you met.

We met at the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo. Of course, it was in our favor that Jerry's sister introduced us.

How long have you been members?

This May will begin our 20th year of being Airstreamers.

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

Our first Airstream was a 1996 Classic; 28 ft. We now enjoy our 2002 31 ft. Classic and are thankful for the 3 additional feet.

Why did you join/who asked you to join the club?

We took advantage of the Airstream Co. free lifetime membership offer when we bought our first trailer. Vern Kuehlmer was Unit President at that time and invited us to the Breakfast. And the rest is history...

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

The 2014 Boise Urban Rally and the 2011 Death Valley Caravan were excellent adventures. Of all our trips, it's difficult to name a favorite.

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?

We are lifelong learners, so any and all places/field trips have been most interesting.

Any places that we haven't gone as a club that you would recommend to others (campgrounds, parks, etc)

The Pendleton area has many places to explore for a Rally.

Besides traveling in your Airstream, what are your hobbies/interests?

We both enjoy browsing antique shops for old highway maps and travel books. Jerry enjoys working with stained glass, fused glass, pine needle baskets, and detailing our trailer. Linda enjoys knitting, reading, sewing and letter writing. Best of all is spending time outdoors with friends.

The Breakout Rally & Business Meetings



April 21st–April 23, 2017

Vale Trails RV Park
511 11th Street N
Vale, OR 97918
541-473-3879

Hosts: Bill & Sharon Lawrence (541-212-9400)
Co-Hosts: Larry & Gail Conn

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

Check In; 1:00pm

5:00 Happy Hour

6:00 Hamburger/Hot Dog BBQ-Host Supplied. Bring side dish to share with dinner. January & February Birthdays & Anniversaries to provide desserts.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

Breakfast is on your own

9:00–10:30 Executive Meeting

Lunch is on your own

1:00 Depart for afternoon presentation by Master Falconers Joe & Cordi Atkinson of Corjo Wildlife Productions. The Atkinson's work has been published in National Geographic & Nature Magazines, as well as TV & Documentary Specials.

5:00 Happy Hour

6:00 Dinner from Willowcreek Cafe

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

Breakfast is on your own

9:00–10:00 General Meeting

Check Out: Noon



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

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

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 Travel

Registration Coupon-MAY "SILVERS" OLYMPICS BUDDY RALLY

Come join the "Silvers" to win the gold at Rivers Edge RV Park!

Name(s) _____ WBCCI # (or Buddy)? _____

Address _____ Email _____

Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____ Number in Party _____

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____ Trailer Length: _____

Pets: Y / N How Many? _____ Will you be using a Free Rally Coupon? Y / N

Please send this coupon and registration fee of \$25.00 payable to WBCCI Idaho Unit **by May 1st** to:

Tom & Marilyn Usselman
4821 N. Mtn. View Dr.
Boise, ID 83704

Banbury Hot Springs Rally

Buhl, ID

June 9th - 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 Stolzfus Farm and Dairy
Canoeing, Fishing, Swimming (additonal cost for hot pool)	Fish Hatchery Tour (10-1 pm)	Optional activites 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 – Friday, June 9 – 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 15 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

Absentee Ballot for April 2017 Idaho Unit WBCCI Business Meeting

If you are unable to attend the general business meeting on Sunday, April 23 at 9am, you may submit an absentee ballot. **Each member number shall have one vote**, except co-owners.

- Print these pages, fill in your name and membership number. Make your selections. Place your ballot in an envelope and address it to *Mim Davidson, Idaho Unit Secretary, 3422 Tamarack Dr. Boise ID 83703*. Ballots are due no later than Thursday, April 20, 2017.
- Send email votes to mimad@cableone.net Type Absentee Ballot in the Subject line. For Topic 1, indicate if you approve or reject. For Topic 2, indicate your preferred option number. Include your name and member number.

Name: _____ Membership #: _____

TOPIC #1

A Proposed Addition to Region 10 Policy Proposal for the Units in Region 10 to Co-Host Region Rallies on a Planned Schedule

Purpose of the Policy Addition

There are several purposes for the Policy Addition

1. It will ensure that all Units co-host a Rally (in their areas of operation) at least every few years.
2. It will provide "guaranteed" assistance for the Region President and Executive Board that is certain and known long in advance.
3. It will encourage Units to work together and to increase their identity as part of Region 10.
4. It will provide all Region Units the opportunity to experience co-hosting a major rally.
5. It will provide Region Members a reason to attend a Rally in areas they might not otherwise do so.
6. Finally, the proposal is intended to give prospective candidates for Region Office more certainty of assistance with their Rally Hosting duty.

Details of the Proposed Policy Addition

1. Region 10 Rallies will be planned and executed every two years by the Region President and Executive Board with the assistance of one or more of the Units in the Region.
2. The Region Board will develop a seven-year Rally Planning and Execution schedule that assigns the responsibility to Units assisting (co-hosting) in Rally Planning and Execution.
3. At each Region 10 Business Meeting or at a meeting scheduled for the purpose, the Rally Planning and Execution Schedule will be updated and approved.
4. Region Rallies will continue to be funded by the Region Treasury; net profits from Region Rallies will be deposited in the Region 10 General Account after the Rally Financial Report is reviewed by the Region Board. Net losses will be the responsibility of Region 10.
5. Sponsorships will be the responsibility of the Hosting Unit or Units.
6. The Hosting Unit or Units will be granted 1/3 of any Rally net profit. The formula for sharing any profit should be part of the Rally Budget and approved by the Region Board as part of the approval of the budget for the Region Rally.

Circle your vote: Approve

Reject

Topic #2

Please circle the logo design you prefer to officially represent our unit.



Option 1



Option 2



Option 3



Option 4

VOTE WILL OCCUR AT APRIL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING FOR 2017-18 REGION 10 OFFICERS

In addition to these two topics, we will also be asked to submit a vote as a UNIT for the Region 10 Officers per the **WBCCI Bylaws**...as they read:

1. Not later than January 31 of the year in which the election is to occur, the Region President shall mail to each Unit President within the region the official ballot which shall contain the name for each position as listed in the Nominating Committee report. The official ballot, which also contains space for write-in candidates, shall be returned by the date as stated in paragraph 2 below. (1/21/94) (for official ballot see page 9 of appendix 9.)
2. **Each Unit President shall be entitled to cast one vote, based on unit instructions, for one candidate for each office for which a vacancy will occur and all votes shall be cast by use of the official ballot.** All ballots shall be mailed to the region secretary prior to April 25. Ballots postmarked after that date will not be counted. All ballots shall be counted by the region secretary in the presence of at least one incumbent region officer(s). The candidate for each office receiving a plurality of the votes cast shall be declared elected. In the event a tie vote occurs, the Region President shall break such by casting a vote.

(see next page for sample of Official Ballot)

**WALLY BYAM CARAVAN INTERNATIONAL
REGION 10
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ELECTION OF REGION OFFICERS FOR 2017/2018**

Listed below are the names of those individuals selected by the Nominating Committee for the Region 10 offices for 2017/2018. Provision is also made for write-in candidates for each office.

Indicate your Unit preference for each candidate in the space provided and be sure your Unit name and number is entered in the appropriate space. The form must be signed by the Unit President or Secretary to attest to the votes as cast. Failure to identify your Unit or to sign the Ballot will invalidate the ballot and your vote will be lost.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>WBCCI No.</u>	<u>Unit Vote</u>
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President:

Terri Warren _____ (____) Write-in _____ (____)

First VP:

_____ (____) Write-in _____ (____)
sample

Second VP:

_____ (____) Write-in _____ (____)

_____ (____)

(Unit Pres. or Secretary)

(Unit Name & No.)

(Date)

Voting for write-in candidates is permissible provided their written consent to serve has been obtained. Vote one name only for each office.

ALL BALLOTS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE REGION SECRETARY NOT LATER THAN APRIL 25, 2017.

Mail to: Mr. Ray Schmitt , Region 10 Secretary
 200 Walnut Hill Avenue, Unit #28
 Hillsboro, Texas 76645
 USA

2017 RALLY SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	HOST & CO-HOST
April 21-23	Break-out Rally & Business Meetings, Vale Trails RV Park, Vale OR	Lawrence & Conn
May 19-22	Rivers Edge RV Park, Wilder ID (cabins available if needed)	Canada & Usselman
June 9-12	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.anareservoirrvpark.com

www.wbcci.org

www.wbcci10.org

idahounit.wbcci.net (our website)

www.airstreamlife.com

www.tour.airstreamlife.com

www.airstreamtrailers.com

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