

GOOD LIFE NEWS

Third Annual Tom Moore Memorial Rally

October 25 – 29, 2012; Daytona Beach KOA; Port Orange, FL

During Hurricane Sandy the Florida Unit enjoyed a great Rally at the KOA in Port Orange, FL. The strong winds, pouring rain and falling tree limbs didn't keep this group from having a good time.



Photo by Randy Godfrey

There were 15 rigs in attendance. The two motor homes, two B-Vans and eleven Trailers represented a full range of great Airstreams.

The Rally started off with a Happy Hour to distribute welcome bags which included the agenda, "Free Things To Do in Daytona," a recipe for Stone Soup and Trick or Treat candy for our sweet tooth.

We started the first day off with breakfast hosted by Susan & Howard LaRose. The continental breakfast included bagels with cream cheese, tropical fruit cup, donut holes, breakfast meat, pastry and lots of Dave Wenger's special coffee.



Photo by Vic Smith

Breakfast was followed by a free day to tour Daytona. Some of our folks visited the Flea Market, Chocolate Factory, Rockefeller Home Tour, World Famous Dayton

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This Could Be Your Last Issue!

If you haven't renewed your WBCCI and Florida Unit membership, this will be your last issue. It may be too late now to get your name in the WBCCI Directory without calling in some favors, but it's never too late to renew for 2013.

Please mail your dues check (\$75.00 for full members, \$10.00

for affiliate members to: Frank Carson; 82 Midlane Pl; Melbourne, FL 32934. Call Frank at (321) 704-2568 if you have any questions.



From Our President

Well, this has been an exceptional year, especially for your President! I was enjoying my year as President and our rallies were great. I especially liked the Key West rally: great location, good food, good friends, and good happy hours under the big live oak. I even got to jump in the Gulf, west side of the highway. Thanks Frank! We were all signed up to go to the International Rally in Sedalia, MO, when my doctors told me we weren't going. That took care of this year.

But, the Florida Unit has kept on, getting things done and enjoying our Airstreams. Here are some good things that have happened. First, I guess Vic Smith being named Chairman of the Florida State Rally for 2013 was big plus. I know from his emails, he's working real hard and Larry Scovotto is backing him up. Good luck guys.

Then I was looking at the various contests that are held at the International, specifically the Bulletin Board and Newsletter. I talked to several club members about competing, got three back issues of our newsletter printed out, put them in folders and when we couldn't go to Sedalia, our very capable 1st VP duo of Ron & Chris Allen took them out there. They also entered a bulletin board. Well, lo and behold, we walked away with some top honors for the newsletter. Congratulations to Randy Godfrey, our newsletter editor and to Vic Smith our webmaster.

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A Big Welcome To Our Newest Members!

Joining the Florida Unit as a Full Members:

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(813) 758-9797
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WBCCI #4892

Gary & Floy are new to the WBCCI, and Ed & Linda are transfers from Members At Large. Ed and Linda have a lease in Land Yacht Harbor in Melbourne, FL. Ted & Melinda bought a 2009 23' International.

We hope to see and get to know all of our new members at a rally soon!



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FROM OUR PRESIDENT (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

I know that Ron & Chris Allen and Dave & Betty Wenger went on the Southwest Caravan. I understand they had a great time. Randy & Pat Godfrey spent about 5 months on the road, joining up with the Alaska Caravan. And, George & Pam Millis went on a one trailer caravan to Alaska! I'm sure there were others out on the road this summer. I'd love to hear from you about your travels, as I'm sure we all would.

Our next rally is at Fort Christmas. Frank & Joan Carson always put a lot into this rally. Why don't you come over? You can't beat the price and there is always some fun. And, I understand our Region 3 President and First Lady, Jay & Elna Thompson will be there as well.

So, we stayed home this summer. After my surgery in June, I went on chemotherapy in July. I've had 5 rounds, one every three weeks and now have to wait and see what my next PET scan looks like. The chemo and I didn't get along and each course was more difficult. As I write this, I just got home from the hospital after four days of treatment for a blood or other internal infection. Not a good summer at all.

I want to sincerely thank those who sent cards and emails of encouragement and prayer. Believe me, it helps to know there are folks thinking of you during the tough times.

Good luck to Ron & Chris as you take on the presidency next month. I know you'll do well. And, my best wishes to all the officers and members of FL 027. Have some good times and travel safe.

Last, but not least, I want to publicly thank my wonderful wife Doris who has been with me all the time. She is a stern caregiver and is always looking out for my welfare as well as waiting on me hand and foot. Thanks Babe, I love you.

-Phil Drugge

THIRD ANNUAL TOM MOORE MEMORIAL RALLY (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

Beach, plus much more.

Saturday was our Annual Business meeting

where our 2013 Executive Board Members were voted in by the attending members. The schedule also included our Wounded Warrior Fundraising Program kick off, an overview of the great things to



Photo by Vic Smith

expect at the Sarasota Rally by Vic Smith, new member Jim McClure was inducted into the club,

awards and certificates were handed out and lots of participation by all. No meeting would be complete without food so a Publix sandwich lunch was enjoyed by all.



Photos by Vic Smith



Saturday night we were all treated to an Italian Pasta meal prepared by Janet, Brad, and Robert McGloin. We had two pasta dishes to select from with meat or chicken, red sauce or white sauce, fresh garden salad, toasted garlic bread and topped off with homemade rum cake. Yum, Yum!

Along with pasta we had game night with the Airstream famous Joker games. Larry Scovotto played for the first time and Janet McGloin had a refresher course. Larry entertained us all with his excitement about the game and his slick moves forward and backwards!

Sunday night we all contributed a can of soup for our Stone Soup meal prepared by Betty Wenger and Linda Scovotto. Who would believe that adding all flavors of soup would make such a flavorful hardy meal.



Photo by Vic Smith

Thank you to all who attended and helped make this Rally a success by serving, washing dishes, cleaning up, preparing meals and participating in the meeting.

-Ron Allen

Our Last Event in 2012

CRACKER CHRISTMAS VOLUNTEER AND INSTALLATION RALLY

Please mail your registrations to me: Frank Carson; 92 Midlane Place; Melbourne, FL 32934. Remember if you are coming for the whole time, rally fee is \$16.00 per person. This includes your parking and meals.

There will be two pot lucks meals where the meat is supplied. Please bring a bring a side dish, dessert, etc. to feed 6 to 8 people. If you are only coming for the weekend, there is no rally fee but you will need to prepare for the pot luck on Friday and Saturday.

If you are only coming for the Installation dinner on Thursday you must still register with me as I have to make arrangements for the meal. The only drink supplied for Thursday's meal will be coffee. You may bring another beverage if you like.

The rally dates are November 28 to December 3, 2012 with early parking on Tuesday November 27. Water and 10 amp electric will be supplied. Remember, **You Must Register** to attend any of the functions, or partake in the meals.

I will return to Florida on November 11 after an extended stay in a cool wet Jackson Center. More on that at the rally. Hope to see a lot of you at Fort Christmas.

If anyone would like to open their Airstream up for visitors at Fort Christmas please let Chris Allen know. The open houses/tours would be to benefit the Wounded Warrior Program. We are hoping to take donations from those visiting the park that would like to see our rigs. Chris can be reached by email ronchrisallen@bellsouth.net or by calling (904) 534-9896.

-Frank

Coming Soon in 2013

CANOPENER; JANUARY 4 - 6; TOPSAIL HILL PRESERVE STATE PARK; DESTIN, FL.

This is not a WBCCI sponsored rally. It was started by one of our own members, Steve Martin WBCCI #6637, but is now hosted by another of our members Russ Drake WBCCI #11740. Everyone makes their own reservations at the State Park. Several of our members have been attending this event and it is always fun. More information can be found by following this link:

<http://www.airforums.com/forums/f288/canopener-2013-january-4-6-a-87328.html>

JACKSONVILLE JANUARY RALLY; JANUARY 17 - 21; HANNA PARK

Start 2013 off with your Airstream friends at the Jacksonville January Rally. There will be special events, camp fires and plenty of time to see the area and visit with old friends and new. Mark your calendar today to arrive on Thursday, January 17, 2013 and depart on Monday, January 21, 2013. Be prepared to have some fun! We will send the exciting agenda upon registration. Registration form can be found at the back of this newsletter.

FLORIDA STATE RALLY; FEBRUARY 13 - 18; SARASOTA, FL

See next page.

THE KEYS TO THE TROPICS RALLY; APRIL 4 - 8; MARATHON, FL

Just another reminder to keep our Unit rally in the Florida Keys on your calendar for April 4 - 11, 2013. The cost per site will be \$30.00 per night which includes water, 30 or 50 amp electric, sewer and cable. The estimated rally fee is \$5.00 per vehicle based on 1 or 2 per Airstream. We'll have two-day tickets for the Conch Trolley Tour this time and we're looking at \$20.00 per person. You will have on and off privileges for two days. You can chose your days you wish to be at the rally, and you can stay longer at the same price per night. More on this coming soon.



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FLORIDA STATE RALLY

PRESENTS

A SALUTE

TO



OUR

ARMED FORCES

February 13 - 18, 2013

Sarasota County Fair Grounds

Sarasota, Florida

See the
Wounded Warrior
Project
Presentation

See
The Last Patrol
Presentation

Daily 50/50 Draw-
ings for the
Wounded Warrior
Project

Food Drive
Blood Donation
Opportunity

Seminars
Galore

Trade Show

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Door Prizes
Games
Arts & Crafts
Something for Everyone

First Annual
Sarasota RV
Show!!
On-Site

Nightly Entertainment
Sunday's Headliner
Antsy McClain and
Trailer Park Troubadors

A Full
Weekend of Activities
Arrive on Wednesday
Leave on Monday



ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS REPORT

The annual meeting and elections was held on Saturday, October 27, 2012, 1:00 p.m. at the Daytona Beach KOA recreation hall located in Port Orange, FL. The following candidates for Florida Unit Officers were voted in by those in attendance:

- J.Ron Allen, President
- Christina Allen, Recording Secretary
- Frank Carson, Treasurer
- Larry Scovotto, 1st Vice President
- Brad McGloin, 2nd Vice President

Joan Carson Corresponding Secretary
 Daniel Maciejczyk, 1yr Trustee
 Tom Maciejczyk, 1yr Trustee

An amendment to our Florida Unit Constitution was proposed. Please see below. This will be voted on by the membership at our meeting on Thursday, December 5, 2012 at Ft. Christmas.

The rally and meeting schedule for 2013 was presented by Ron Allen. Please see below.

Minutes will be published when available.

WBCCI FLORIDA UNIT RALLY AND MEETING PROGRAM FOR 2013

Date	Location	Host
January 17 – 20	Unit Rally; Hanna Park; Jacksonville, FL	Ron & Chris Allen
February 13 – 18	Florida State Rally; Sarasota, FL	FSR Committee
March 13 – 18	Unit Rally; Bluegrass Rally; Christmas, FL	Frank Carson
Apr 4 – 11	Unit Rally; Florida Keys	Frank Carson
April 23 – 28	Region 3 Rally; Stone Mountain, GA	Region 3 Officers
June 27 – July 4	International Rally; Huron, SD	International Rally Cmte.
October 24 – 28	Unit Rally; Daytona Beach KOA; Port Orange, FL	Larry Scovotto
October 26	Annual Meeting; Port Orange, FL	Ron Allen
Dec 4 – 8	Unit Rally; Cracker Christmas; Christmas, FL	Frank Carson
December 5	Unit Dinner/Meeting, Installation of Officers; Christmas, FL	Ron Allen & Frank Carson

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FLORIDA UNIT CONSTITUTION

Current Language:

Sec. 1 The officers of the Unit shall be Regular members of the Unit and shall consist of:

- President
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President
- Corresponding Secretary
- Recording Secretary
- Treasurer
- Four Trustees (6/23/01)

Sec. 3 The Trustees shall be elected at the annual business meeting, each for a term of two years, but arranged so that only one-half such Trustees terms expire in any one year. No Trustee shall serve more than one two-year term consecutively. (1/19/07)

New language:

Sec. 1: Change “Four” (4) in Trustees to “Two” (2).

Sec. 3: One Trustee shall be elected at the annual business meeting for a term of two years. No Trustee shall serve more than one, two-year term consecutively.

Rational

Four Trustees in the past have not been assigned any duties. We have been able to assign duties for two Trustees. If we cut the Trustees down by two it will enable us to conduct business throughout the year. Currently it is impossible to conduct any business because we don't ever have a quorum.

ALASKA FOR THE SUMMER - JOURNEY'S END

My last dispatch was from Prince George, BC where the Alaska Caravan ended. The day after the newsletter was published, we said our good-byes and began our trip home on BC-97 heading south.

At the border, BC-97 becomes US-97 and we followed that all the way to California. In southern BC we found ourselves in vegetable growing areas, and the highway was lined with fresh food stands. That turned to apples and peaches in Washington, and then vineyards. We spent a couple of nights in Yakima, WA to get the truck serviced, and spent a day wine tasting and stocking our cupboard with excellent wine. As we traveled south down the center of California, we found ourselves in olive, and then almond growing regions. We were well stocked when we made our turn east on Route 66.

As we came south through the far western states, we stopped at Crater Lake, Lassen Volcanic, Yosemite, Sequoia, and Kings Canyon National Parks, and a couple of National Monuments too. The further south we went the warmer it got. By the time we reached southern California, the thermometer was pushing 100°! A big change from the 28° mornings in Alaska.

The temperature finally broke, and we headed east on Route 66. We made our last National Park stop at the Grand Canyon in early October. We made a three day stop in Albuquerque, NM where we use to live back in the 70s, and while we were there, we met up with the Southwest Caravan. Dave & Betty Wenger, and Ron & Chris Allen were on that caravan and we all had dinner together one evening in Santa Fe, NM.

When we left Albuquerque, we were ready to get home. Our daily routine was: drive 250 miles, then stop for the night. That worked our pretty good and we arrived in Atlanta, GA fairly well rested and one day ahead of our schedule. After spending the weekend there with our son and daughter-in-law, we continued southeast to Savannah for a short visit with our daughter and son-in-law. We arrived home on October 24.

We drove 16,292 miles over the last five months. I'm still sorting the almost 3,500 photos and movie clips I took. Watch for a slideshow at one of our Unit rallies soon.

-Randy Godfrey

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Elma Craft

We have received this note from Elma's son:

I am Bobby Craft, son of Elma & Ike Craft WBCCI #9770. Ike & Elma are WBCCI Members for over 40 years. Dad passed away several years ago and my Mom, Elma is in the hospital. Mom talks all the time about her wonderful friends, and times they had with all of you. It would make my Mom so happy if you would take a little time and share your good times together. This would be a good time to tell her "Good Bye" and you will be seeing her at the "Big Rally in the Sky." You all meant so much in their lives as I hope they have in yours. Thank you all, Bobby.

Marie Moser went to see Elma and reports:

I talked to Elma Craft and she is in Life Care Center and under the care of Hospice. She says everything is going well right now. Said to tell every one hello for her. She sounded good, her voice was strong and clear. I told her we would all keep her in our prayers. She said she would like that.

Joy and Don Fathauer

It is with regret to tell you we are giving up trailering. We will miss your rallies. We know you will do a great job in the years to come.

Due to health reasons, we are selling our Airstream. In March I (Joy) had a stroke, then a right carotid artery surgery. We went to Top of Georgia for two months. I developed neck and shoulder pain, and Don hurt his back. We arrived home in the middle of August. I saw a specialist on September 7th and am now in rehab for at least 10 - 12 sessions.

We enjoyed 45 years of camping, trailering, and ten caravans. We have loads of memories. We will miss coming to Cracker Christmas and Bluegrass. We enjoyed it so much.

We will miss you all. Our love to everyone. God Bless

Joy and Don Fathauer



SUNSHINE LIST

Just after the last newsletter was published, we received word that Judy Hart, Larry & Marie Moser's daughter passed away from a massive stroke. If you would like to send condolences, here is their address:

Larry and Marie Moser
5806 Live Oak Ave
Melbourne Village, FL 32904
lmoser@cfl.rr.com

Vic Smith reports that he has two arteries that are between 80 and 90% blocked. He will have two stents inserted to open them up on Tuesday, November 13. He says, "This is really good news. I was having a problem, got the doctor involved, found the problem before I had a heart attack and a fix is close at hand. This is just a bump in the road."

There were no additional cares and concerns reported to your edi-

tor for this edition, so we hope everyone is well and enjoying the good life. Please let your editor know of anything that needs to be published here.

Keep Phil Drugge, Elma Craft, Larry & Marie Moser, and Vic Smith in your prayers, and everyone travel safe and stay healthy in the days ahead.

DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT EDITION OF GOOD LIFE NEWS IS 12/25/2012

Please send your editor any articles you have for publication in the January, 2013 edition of our newsletter by December 25, 2012. All news and items of interest to members of our Unit are welcome.

Email in most any form is acceptable: text files (.txt, .rtf), Word documents (.doc, .docx), Pages documents (.pages), photos (.jpg). Send photos at large or medium size so I can scale them to fit in the newsletter as needed.

Please email items to: rgodfrey@cfl.rr.com. You can also send hard copies of items for publication in our newsletter to:

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2012 Calendar

November 26 – December 3

Cracker Christmas Rally; Ft. Christmas, FL

November 29

Unit Dinner/Meeting & Installation of Officers for 2013; Ft. Christmas, FL

2013 Calendar

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International Rally; Huron, SD

October 24 – 28

Unit Rally; Port Orange, FL

October 26

Annual Meeting and Unit Luncheon; Port Orange, FL

December 4 – 8

Cracker Christmas Rally; Ft. Christmas, FL

December 5

Unit Dinner/Meeting & Installation of Officers for 2014; Ft. Christmas, FL

**Cracker Christmas/Volunteer Installation Rally
1300 Fort Christmas Road; Christmas, Florida
November 26 – December 3, 2012**

Name(s) _____
 Address _____
 Cell # _____ Email _____
 WBCCI Number _____ Vehicle type _____
 Vehicle size _____

Place a check-mark (✓) in the day you will be arriving:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Parking Crew Only				

Check here if coming for dinner only on Thursday, November 29 at 5:00 p.m.

Rally fee is \$16.00 per person if coming for the full rally. No rally fee for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday only, or dinner only on Thursday evening. Water and rally electric and free parking. Dumping can be arranged at Christmas RV Park. Rally fee includes ten meals including Thursday dinner. Everyone must be on grounds by 9:00 am Saturday. No vehicular traffic through park on Saturday or Sunday between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Remember, this is a Volunteer Rally, and your help will be greatly appreciated.

Reservations and payment if required, are due by November 20, 2012.

**Make checks payable to WBCCI Florida Unit and mail to Frank Carson, Treasurer at:
82 Midlane Pl; Melbourne, FL 32934**

**Jacksonville January Rally Registration
January 17 – 21, 2013
Katherine Abbey Hanna Park
500 Wonderwood Drive
Jacksonville, FL 32233**

Name: _____ Spouse: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Email: _____
 WBCCI # _____ Number of Guests: ____ x \$19.50 = _____
 Home Phone #: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Rally Fee: \$19.50 per person, (\$39.00 per couple). Site reservation cost \$25.43/night. You must make your own reservations with the park. To make site reservation simply call (904) 249-4700 option #8 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. daily. Be sure to make your reservation for row "M" or "N" so we can park together. If calling mention you are with the Airstream Club. Reservations and payment is required by January 7, 2013. Any questions call Ron at 904-534-9896 or email: ronchrisallen@bellsouth.net.

Make checks payable to Ron Allen and mail with this coupon to:

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