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Important message from our Treasurer/Membership – Deborah Bede

Happy Fourth of July everybody! I hope you are all enjoying a great camping season.

As some of you know, I am moving to Portland Oregon this month – a big change! I've enjoyed being the Treasurer and Membership person for the WDCU, but it doesn't make sense for me to continue remotely so I'm putting out a call for a volunteer to take this on. The job is very easy – there is a flurry of renewals in late summer/early fall, but most people are renewing online these days so it's not much work. WBCCI headquarters is now sending out badges to new members. Maintaining the checkbook and a spreadsheet of the membership are the main duties; I write fewer than 20 checks a year. We chose Bank of America for our bank so that there would be a branch nearby wherever you live.

Please consider stepping up and helping the WDCU.

My email and cell phone will stay the same: deborah.bede@gmail.com, (603) 748-0688. My new address is 7543 N. Oswego Ave., Portland OR 97203 – I will have courtesy parking so please visit when you are in the Northwest!

Deborah

WDCU 2019 RALLY SCHEDULE -

July 11-14, 2019 - George Washington Birthplace National Monument – Hosts Mary-Lou Gatward & Harley Muse. This is the Pre-International rally and meet up for the caravan to International. See the rally info at the end of the newsletter.

July 20-27 - International – Doswell, VA -. The caravan entrance date is July 16 11:00 AM. If you want to caravan into International with us, please contact Mary-Lou Gatward dmlgatward@yahoo.ca. If you can't make this caravan in but want to meet up with others that want to go in together, contact Kim Alaniz daneekim@yahoo.com who is planning a later entrance into International. If you come in together, they will park you together.

August 15-18 – Knoebel's Rally – J&D Campground ,973 Southern Dr, Elysburg, PA 17820 – Hosts Erica and RJ Marquette rjm1@yahoo.com - The contact person is Laurie if you have any questions. They reserved 22 spaces. Come January reservations will need to be made and a check must be sent to the campground to reserve the space. They do not take credit cards until March or April. Checks must have the dates you plan to attend and for it to say Airstream Group.

September 19-22 - Jersey Shore Haven – Hosts Nancy and Carl McDowell – Jersey Shore Haven, 728 Dennisville Rd, South Seaville, NJ 08246 Website: <http://www.jerseyshorehaven.org/>. Contact Nancy for more information. giommi1@gmail.com **UPDATE:** To make a reservation, please email Tina Davis tmdavis214@yahoo.com with your name, address, cell phone, WBCCI # and trailer length.

THIS FROM NANCY: Thinking ahead to September's "Down the Shore" Rally. It'll be \$10 per person, thank you very much! We will hold a happy hour on Thursday, bring your favorite appetizer; Friday happy hour and pot luck dinner; Saturday bring a side or dessert dinner-we will supply the main dish; And continental breakfast Fri, Sat and Sunday mornings. If anyone has a tent set up they could bring, that would be fab. And a coffee maker. We only have a 12-cupper. For your entertainment... Cape May is a few miles from Jersey Shore Haven. Lots to see and do there. It could be nice enough to sit at the beach, we won't be far from the coast. And if you'd like to know where the closest breweries are, Carl will be able to advise on that! Carl and I will be there early, grabbed our spot for early September, so if you're coming early, find us. We'll be in a spot near the rally field.

Let me know if you want any more details. Nancy.

Installation Rally – October or November - Looking for a host for this rally. Please contact Erica or any officer on the Officer list.

RALLY REPORT- June 8-15, 2019 – Floyd, VA – Hosts Diane Sheridan & Elaine Clark - Rally report

submitted by Rob Sunde

Hey there WDCU folks. Gayle and I, along with grandson Aidan, just returned from a fun filled week in Floyd, Virginia. The weeklong rally was hosted by Elaine and Jim Clark, and Diane Sheridan.

The campground is fairly new and is set on a beautiful hillside with gorgeous vistas about 6 miles out of the town of Floyd.

We left home on Saturday (6/8) with temperatures in the low 70's and partly cloudy skies. We had high hopes of a pleasant 6 or 7 hour drive. Somewhere on I-81, about 150 miles from our destination, it started to rain. If you have ever traveled on I-81, you know that it is heavily populated with big trucks. Mingling with big trucks like that to drive fast is bad enough, throw in some rain and it becomes a chore. On top of that, I had just spent a week re-polishing the trailer. Now it was getting lots of rain and road dirt from the truck tires. I was not real excited about this, however we arrived at the Chantilly Farm campground and had more fun by having to hook-up in the rain. We did get there in time for happy hour which was held in the Clark's trailer. Fortunately, there were only 7 of us there at that time.

Sunday morning we awoke to --- rain. After breakfast Gayle, Aidan and I drove to Roanoke to go through the Virginia Transportation Museum. It houses a lot of old steam locomotives, antique cars, scale model train layouts, and early aviation items. A very interesting place and is a highly recommended site to visit if you are in that area. Luckily for us the rain did not follow us to Roanoke that day. That evening, we trundled off to the Dog Town Road House in Floyd to listen to some music. It was "open mic" night with some good and some not-so-good performances.

Monday morning we awoke to, you guessed it, more rain. Yuck. Still only 7 of us, we ate breakfast in the Clark's trailer. After breakfast, some of the group went in search of "treasures" at the local junk shops and antique stores. The weather held off for happy hour but then the rain returned around the time we wanted to cook dinner.

Tuesday morning arrived with --- a beautiful blue sky and sunshine. Hooray, hooray. After another wonderful breakfast prepared by our hosts, Gayle, Aidan and I went in to Christiansburg for some activity. We ended up at the local bowling alley where Gayle and Aidan bowled a couple of games. I sat this out because one of my knees was bothering me. When we got back to the campground, we were happy to see that Star and Peter had arrived. Linda Bell started a nice campfire for us to enjoy that evening.

Wednesday was another beautiful day with more exploring of the local area. Breakfast today was bacon and eggs. Another day was spent exploring the area. Just as happy hour ended, it started to rain again. We all returned to our respective trailers and had dinner. No campfire tonight. It rained all through the night, but ---

By daybreak Thursday, it was another spectacular sunny day. Breakfast that day consisted of sausage gravy and biscuits. Yum. That afternoon, we greeted a former WDCU member and his wife. Garnet Horner heard that we would be in Floyd and he wanted to catch up with the group. It was great to see him again and to meet his wife (Shanda, not sure of the spelling). They now reside in Lynchburg, VA and are getting ready to do some camping around the country. Thursday evening, Elaine had managed to line up some entertainment for us. A local bluegrass/country/gospel group (ages 16 to 20) played a private performance for us on a stage at the campground. They were an outstanding group of musicians and they were scheduled to be the opening act on Friday night at the Floyd Country Store Jamboree. This night we had another great campfire.

Friday, another beautiful day, arrived with much anticipation for going into Floyd that evening for the Jamboree and other street performers. Today's breakfast was country ham and french toast. Gayle, Aidan and I spent much of the day flying kites. There was always a nice breeze at the campground and lots of room to fly. After dinner, the group went to the Floyd Country Store where every Friday night they have their Jamboree. They usually showcase a lot of the local musicians at this event. It is always well attended and the seating fills up fast. At the same time as the Jamboree is happening, there are a number of groups that play outside on the sidewalk. I listened to about 4 or 5 very talented groups. All in all, it was a great evening and a fabulous week.

We wish to thank our hosts, Elaine, Jim and Diane for all of their efforts in putting on this rally. They picked an outstanding campground located on 200 hundred acres of rolling and wooded land. The facilities are extremely well maintained. It was an unexpected pleasure to have such great breakfasts provided each morning. For those of you who were unable to attend, you missed a great time. Hopefully, we can convince our hosts to do this event again and we can convince the rest of you to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Rob Sunde

[Join Us / Renew](#) – 2019 WBCCI Membership Renewal Information

It's time to pay your WBCCI and WDCU dues for 2019; \$65.00 for WBCCI and \$1.00 for WDCU. The best and easiest way to do this is to go to the WBCCI web site and pay with a credit card: <http://wbcci.org/component/rsform/form/12-renew-your-wbcci-membership>.

If you prefer, you can pay me directly at a rally; cash or checks are both fine.

Or, you can mail me a check for \$66.00.

Life members of WBCCI and Affiliates of WDCU can send their WDCU dues to me, or give them to me at a rally.

If you want to be listed in the 2019 WBCCI Directory, dues need to be paid before November 30, 2018. If you have any changes to your Directory information, please note them on your renewal form or notify me.

Please note that the WDCU PayPal account we've used in the past has now been closed.

If you have any questions, email me at deborah.bede@gmail.com.

See you down the road!

Deborah Bede
196 Old Warner Road
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Questions, comments and Suggestions: Contact Deborah Bede Deborah.Bede@gmail.com

WDCU Renewal Information – How dues are calculated during the year.

WBCCI membership runs for the calendar year, January 1st through December 31st. Renewals begin in August of the preceding year and can continue throughout the membership year. If you want to be listed in the Membership Directory, your renewal must be in the WBCCI office by November 30th of the preceding year.

If you renew after January 1st, at any time during the year, you will pay the full amount of \$65.00 plus \$1.00 for WDC Unit dues. But – if you renew after July 1st, you will also need to pay in full for the following year. So if you don't renew for 2017 until July 10, for example, you will pay \$132.00 instead of \$66.00 and your dues will be paid through 2019.

If you don't renew at all in 2018 you can reinstate your membership if you renew in the first half of 2019.

It is easiest for everyone if you renew through the WBCCI office, whether by mail or online.

If you are an Affiliate member of the WDCU or a Life member of WBCCI, you can pay your Unit dues of \$1.00 per year for more than one year at a time if you pay it to the WDCU Membership person, me. So, you can give me \$5.00 and it will be good for five years. Regular members of the unit can only pay one year at a time; again, it is easiest if you do this directly to WBCCI when you renew your WBCCI dues.

New members' dues are prorated if they join later in the year. There is a schedule on the WBCCI web site; after July 1st new members pay the prorated amount for that year plus the full amount for the following year.

Deborah Bede

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Trustee 4 – Carl McDowell

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Webmaster – RJ Marquette #13270 – rjm1@yahoo.com

One Moore Thing...

IT'S JULY and it is SUMMER!

THE CHALLENGE – To date, I have received two articles. Both of those names will go into the drawing for a Penzey's three bottle spice gift box. If you send me one article you get one entry into the drawing, send two and you get two entries and so on. The article must be RV related, how to make RVing easier/better/more enjoyable, how to fix a problem, how you got into Airstreaming, great camping destinations you have been to and rally reports. The ideas are limitless. Remember, no string theory articles please. So far Paul Waddell and Rob Sunde are in the drawing.

Next up, the Pre-International rally hosted by Mary-Lou and Dave Gatward at Harley Muse home at Washington's Birthplace. Tuesday the 16th is the meet up and entrance into International in Doswell, VA. Please contact Mary-Lou if you plan on meeting her caravan to International. Her email is dmlgatward@yahoo.ca.

Don't forget to sign up for the Region 2 luncheon, see you there.

Please submit any newsletter articles for the next newsletter by **Aug 1, 2019** for submission in the August newsletter. The file you send must be a Word doc. Send to lindamoorenh@comcast.net.

Just campin', Linda



July 11-14, 2019 - PRE- International Rally - George Washington Birthplace National Monument – Colonial Beach, VA - Hosts: Dave & Mary-Lou Gatward & Harley Muse Address: 532 Bridges Creek Rd Colonial Beach 22443

This rally is limited to 20 Airstreams.

We are unable to park on the National Park land, but Harley has offered the use of his land to hold the rally therefore the number of trailers is limited.

We will be staying on the beautiful property owned by Harley Muse. Harley lives in the National Park. This rally will have limited water and no electric, be prepared to boondock (generators are recommended). No dumping at the site but there is a dump station at Westmoreland State Park 6 miles from Rally.

The rally ends on July 14 but anyone attending International will stay two more nights until we caravan to Doswell VA.

We will be making reservations at a restaurant in Colonial Beach for supper on the Friday night, please indicate if you would like to attend. We will have a pot luck on Saturday.

Cost: \$10 per person. Please pay Mary-Lou when you arrive at the rally.

Please email Mary-Lou dmlgatward@yahoo.ca the following information:

<p>Name:</p> <p>Number of attendees:</p> <p>Total amount due:</p> <p>WBCCI #:</p> <p>Email:</p> <p>Estimated arrival date:</p> <p>Reservations for Friday’s supper (Yes/No): Number of reservations:</p> <p>Caravanning to International (Yes/No):</p>
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Places to visit in the area:

- George Washington Birthplace visitors center and visit the colonial farm
- James Monroe birthplace
- Stratford Hall – Robert E Lee birthplace
- Walk along the Potomac River
- Visit the quaint town to Colonial Beach

July 16, 2019 – Caravan to International from Colonial Beach to Doswell VA

Caravan Leader: Dave & Mary-Lou Gatward

Contact: Mary-Lou – dmlgatward@yahoo.ca

July 20-27, 2019 – WBCCI International Doswell VA. <https://doswell.wbcci.net/>

From Mary-Lou Gatward for the caravan into International in Doswell, VA July 16, 2019. dmlgatward@yahoo.ca.

----- Original Message -----

From: Dave & Mary-Lou Gatward <dmlgatward@yahoo.ca>

To: Linda Moore <lindamoorenh@comcast.net>

Date: March 27, 2019 at 10:00 AM

Subject: Caravan to International Broadcast

Hi Linda,

Could you send a broadcast to the WDCU membership about the following information:

The official parking date for the WDCU caravan to International in Doswell, VA is **Tuesday July 16 at 11:00**. If you plan on parking with our unit please arrive at the **bull pen between 10:30** so we are all gathered prior to being parked.

Please contact Mary-Lou dmlgatward@yahoo.ca if you plan on parking with the group as the parkers want to know the numbers of trailers in the group.

Thanks,
Mary-Lou



AND LASTLY...

REGION 2 LUNCH

WHEN

July 22, 2019
12pm – 1:30pm

WHERE

Meadow Pavilion

62nd VABCCI International Rally, Doswell, VA

FEATURING · BBQ Pulled Pork & Pulled Chicken · Cole Slaw
· Mac & Cheese · Baked Beans · Squash Bake ...plus
Rolls, BBQ Sauces, Sweet and Unsweet Tea, Dessert
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Region 2 Officers:
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Hammer
Rich & Kathi Short

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