

Hudson-Mohawk News

JULY/AUGUST 2018



Indians watching Henry Hudson's ship The Half Moon along the Hudson River.



Presidents Message

It's good that summer is here and we have had two rallies, Alumapalooza and Region 2 Rally and some of our members are off to International.

We have rallies each month this summer and hope everyone can make some of them because everyone has a great time.

The Starks are selling their trailer and I would like thank Bob & Claudia for all they have done for the Hudson Mohawk Unit. They have held too many offices to even count and have participated and contributed to every event they have attended, always with a smile and helpful attitude. It is hard to explain how much they will be missed and all that they have done for this club.

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Airstreams at Region II Rally

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HUDSON-MOHAWK NY 2018 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



JULY

19-22, Stevens, Picnic Rally, Sampson State Park, Romulus, NY

AUGUST

16-19, Schultz, Sasquatch Rally, Lake Bomoseen KOA, Vermont

SEPTEMBER

13-16, Vettovalli, Installation Rally, So-Hi Campground, Accord, NY

OCTOBER

4-8, Whittle, Pot Luck Rally, Salisbury Beach State Reservation, Salisbury, Ma.

NOVEMBER

Steen, Luncheon, Dinosaur Bar-B-Que, November 10th, 12 Noon

DECEMBER

Vettovalli, Holiday Party, TBA



Please join us around the camp fire



Send pictures, rally reports and club information to:
HUDSONMOHAWKNEWS@gmail.com for the newsletter.

Pictures can also be sent to Dana King at:
GODOGS@frontiernet.net for our web page.

Would love to see your pictures on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/528607020682777/>

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May Issue—April 15	November Issue—October 15

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Arrowhead Rally May 11-13, 2018

We had a nice little rally, if we could only figure out how to arrange for nicer weather! John & Wendy Vettovalli hosted, with a total of five trailers for the rally: John & Wendy Vettovalli, Dan & Pat Steen, Geoff & Sue Whittle, Bill & Barb Schultz and Hartwell & Polly Herring. It was good to see everyone after the longest winter ever.



Friday night, we shared "heavy hors d'oeuvres" (I had to Google how to spell that!), with everyone bringing something good to eat. Dessert around the campfire, then everyone back to their trailers to warm up and snuggle in for the night. Saturday morning we had a French Toast breakfast, with Geoff and John manning the griddles; then a Unit meeting. The rainy drizzle started up just as we were finishing the meeting. We all hunkered down in our trailers for the day and met up again for supper. Lisa & James Butler (John & Wendy's daughter & son-in-law) joined us for Rotisserie Chicken and more goodies from everyone there. We cleared up from supper; then gathered around Geoff's gas fire to stay warm. Dan brought out two scrapbooks from the Hud-Mo Historian files and we enjoyed looking through activities from years gone by. It was really interesting to see and read about how things were done in the past.



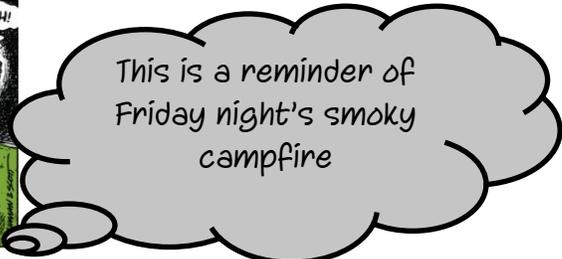
Sunday morning we all packed up and headed home to dry out and plan for our next adventures! Thanks to all of you who came and helped make it a fun, though chilly, weekend. (Wouldn't you know, as I sit here writing this, the sun is out and it's turning into a nice afternoon to end the weekend.)
Wendy Vettovalli



Photos taken by Dan Steen



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Alumapalooza 9 May29-June3, 2018 Jackson Center, OH



This was our first Alumapalooza and it was great. We've never been out to Jackson Center before and that made it even better. John and I and Randy and K.C. Boelsems were there from our club and we all had a great time. We met plenty of new people and everyone enjoyed it from beginning to end. When we arrived we were given a "Survival Guide" that explained a lot and provided a schedule of workshops, bicycle tours (not us), factory tours (yes, us!) various meals and entertainment.

In my opinion, the best workshop was given by Zip-Dee, showing us the proper way to open and close the awnings, how to take the arms apart and lubricate them and all the joints. (Apparently, you're supposed to lubricate them every month-how about once in 5 years?) All of us and many others went right back to our trailers and lubricated them and practiced the awning procedures. To top it off, they actually replaced parts on ours for free that have been improved since ours was manufactured. Great customer service and information from Zip-Dee.

Colin Hyde conducted a workshop on finding leaks-the water kind that come through the skin to cause havoc on the inside of our Airstreams. That was also very good, but not quite so hands-on as the Zip-Dee workshop. He answered lots of questions and encouraged us to work on fixing up the 79-80 motorhome given to us by Bob Carnute, that was crunched on the rear end by a tree.

There were other workshops on electrical and propane systems, polishing an Airstream, solar ovens, cooking with a dutch oven, changing a tire and others, as well as nightly star gazing. A detail company came in and washed our truck and Airstream, along with many others, for \$40 per rig. Ours needed it badly and it was well worth it.

Airstream provided, and their management people grilled and served hamburgs & hot dogs for supper Tuesday night for all attendees; WBCCI sponsored a pizza for lunch on Wednesday; and our admission to the rally included a full buffet dinner with cake for dessert on Saturday night. There were between 150 and 200 Airstreams there and there was plenty of food at all of those events.

We met some wonderful new friends who were parked next to us in the field: Gina & Chris Fox, Ann & Blain Myhre and Katherine & Jamie Kingseed. We had a blast with campfires Friday and Saturday night. We shared experiences and helped each other out with problems with our trailers. John & I are looking forward to seeing Gina & Chris again at the 2019 International WBCCI Rally in Virginia.

Airstream worked on many of our trailers while the rally was going on. They listened to problems, wishes and all. They did fit in repairs to quite a few trailers that were not pre-scheduled for the week. The factory tour was amazing. I can't believe they let us all walk right through and around their production floor, but I loved it.

I don't know that I'd go every year, but I'd go again if it worked into our schedule and I'd encourage anyone with any interest at all to try one of these rallies.

Wendy Vettovalli



Ann & Blain, K.C. & Randy, Katherine & Jaime, Wendy & John, Gina & Chris

21st Annual Betty & Don Whittle Memorial Buddy Rally

21st Annual Betty & Don Whittle Memorial Buddy Rally took place on May 31-June 3, 2018 Lake George RV Park. Geoff & Sue Whittle with their Daughter Jennifer & Granddaughter Haley hosted the event. In attendance were the Herrings, Kings, Sheridans, Whittle buddy George & Kathy Brizzell, the Lyons Family from the Finger Lakes Unit & Sue Cronin from Watchung NJ Unit. As always the food & camaraderie prevailed. A continental breakfast & a pancake breakfast were served and heavy hors d'oeuvres happy hour on Friday were delicious! Italian potluck dinner & ice cream sundaes Amazing. Thank you to all who attended and thanks for the wonderful contributions for happy hour & Saturday dinner. We have been hosting this rally for 21 Years and Betty and Don Whittle hosted this rally for 28 years. It is held the same time every year. After nearly 50 years of success we stand by our date. Please join us next year and bring a buddy, next year's date is 5/30/19 - 6/02/19.

As always any members from any units are always welcome to join us at any of our activities. Mark Your Calendar and see you down the road, Geoff & Sue Whittle



Rockin' the Region



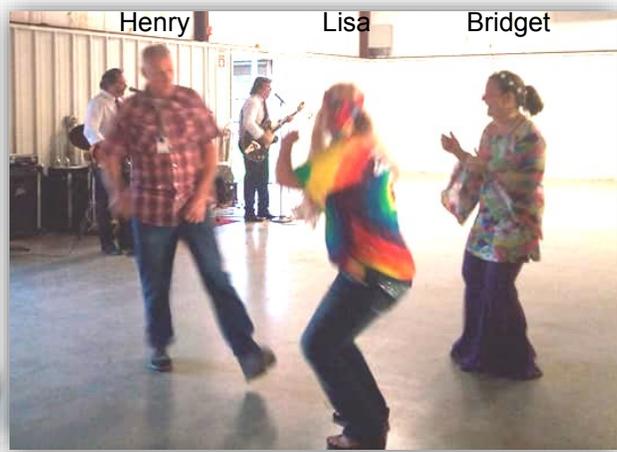
Region 2 Rally 2018
May 31-June 3

The Schultz and Crandall's arrived Thursday afternoon at Ulster County Fairgrounds ready to "Rock the Region". We were directed into our parking spot and find Henry and Nuri are right behind us. It was so nice to meet Bridget & Lisa Beebe from our club, this was their first Airstream Rally. There were more than 70 rigs, that means over 140 new friends to meet. There was a Social Media seminar that provided a lot of information, cast iron cooking and Caravan Leader training. Friday night was heavy appetizers & desserts. After all the great food we were entertained by a singer/guitarist. Saturday morning we were served oatmeal and ice cream for breakfast. SAY WHAT!! You have to try it,, It's great! The Crandall's & Bilodeau's went to the Maintenance seminar after breakfast. Saturday evening we were treated to a catered Italian meal with cannoli for dessert. "The Mustangs '65 Band" played 60s music until late in the night. I think Henry & Nuri danced to every song. Those two really know how to move. Many people participated in the costume contest. 1st place went to Bridget & Lisa. They went all out, or should I say" Far out" with their outfits. I have to tell you this was a great Rally. We met so many people, learned a lot, had delicious food and made wonderful memories.

Barbara Schultz



Camille & Art



Henry Lisa Bridget



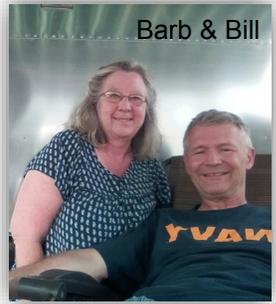
Lisa & Bridget



Nuri & Henry



Sally Barb



Barb & Bill

ON THE WAY TO SALEM

John & Wendy Vevetovalli



June 10

Route 16 on our way to Yellowstone

Camille & Art Crandall



June 8

First stop on our long journey—
Fairview, PA.

Dan & Pat Steen



June 12

Made it to South Dakota. 1600 miles in
four days. Tomorrow the Badlands. —
at [Kennebec KOA Jour-](#)



June 14

Driving through/ by the Grand Tetons



June 14

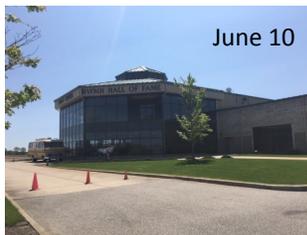
Snow on mountain tops
in Rocky Mountains in
Wyoming. Meanwhile 91
degrees while we were
driving in the high plains.



June 14



*What a fun adventure our friends are
having on their way to Salem, Oregon
for the 61st WBCCI International
Rally. They are "Living the Dream"
and taking in all the sights on the
journey across the United States.*



June 10

Went to RV Hall of Fame in
Elkhart, IN this rainy day.

Yesterday, after moving west
to find a more centrally located
base of operations, we did Mt.
Rushmore and Deadwood. Mt
Rushmore was as expected,
Deadwood would have been
better left to the HBO version.

Today we went to the
Badlands National Park. It was
spectacular and very hot. Hit
106!

Tomorrow we are on the move
again toward Montana.



The Hudson Mohawk contingent is ready to check in at
the International Rally tomorrow.

at [Silver Spur RV Park](#)

June 19



June 16

Our site for the night. Two days of rain and low
temps as we cross Montana. It is down to 48
degrees today! We are right on a river.



July

CELEBRATING

August

2nd Leslie Schulitz
 5th Barbara Schultz
 11th Eric Pearson
 28th Camille Crandall



4th Eric Bergquist
 15th Maria Volpe
 20th Bob Abraham
 28th Gary LaMothe

Happy Anniversary



July 4th Bridget and Lisa Beebe
 July 16th Bob and Carol Abraham
 August 5th Dan and Pat Steen
 August 12th Roger Smith and Jennifer Whittle
 August 17th Eric and Diane Bergquist
 August 23rd Dana and Sue King



Welcome new Friends

Bridget & Lisa Beebe
Graig & Cheryl Arons
Gerald & Evelyne Carreau
Bob Howard
Bob Spetla & Carol Frey
Kevin & Kathleen Sweeney

Happening
JULY
19-22, 2018
SAMSON STATE PARK-ROMULUS, NY

Picnic Rally



AGENDA

Thursday: 5:00/ Happy Hour! Bring a heavy appetizer to share. 7:00 Campfire and dessert

Friday: Cook out Dinner/Bring what you want to cook on the grill and a side dish to share. Don't forget your table setting & drink. Campfire and dessert to follow.

Saturday: 8:00AM Pot Luck Breakfast. Bring a dish to share, your table setting & drink.
Evening: Campfire & Dessert.

Sunday: Wow! It sure has been fun, but it is time to pack up and say Goodbye until next time.

If you're planning to come to the Picnic Rally in July, **the sites at the NYS Park are open for registration. You need to make your own reservations on-line.**

Samson State Park - Romulus, NY

<http://www.reserveamerica.com>

Sites are available with gravel trailer back-in sites up to 40 foot, with 30A electric. No water or sewer hook-ups, so make sure your trailer has a full water tank and empty gray and black water tanks when you arrive!

Suggested sites are Loop 2, sites 74-94.

The outside sites tend to be more level and a bit larger: the inside sites are sometimes on a uphill slope.

No Rally fee

For information about Samson State Park:

Joan and Bob Stevens
jstevens008@nycap.rr.com

Wine and Food

The [Seneca Wine Trail](#) The [Cayuga Wine Trail](#) The [Keuka Wine Trail](#)

[New York Wine and Culinary Center](#) [Finger Lakes Beer Trail](#)

[Finger Lakes Cheese Trail](#)

Museums, Parks, and Recreation

The [Parks in the Finger Lakes Region](#) are some of the most beautiful. Parks near Seneca and Cayuga lakes include Sampson State Park, Seneca Lake, Cayuga Lake, Deans Cove, Taughannock Falls, Butter Milk Falls, Robert H. Treman and Watkins Glen (Just to name a few!)

[The Seneca White Deer](#)

For the most amazing bird watching visit the [Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge](#)

[Rose Hill Mansion](#) [Corning Museum of Glass](#) [The National Women's Hall of Fame](#)



Happening
August
16-19, 2018

Sasquatch Rally

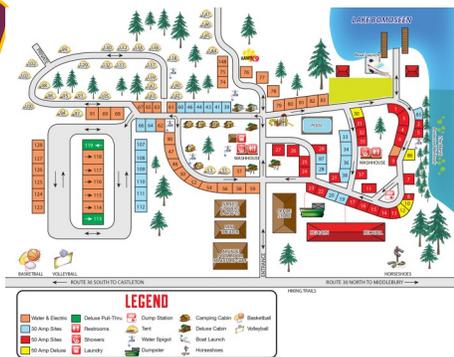
August 16-19, 2018

Hosted by Bill and Barbara Schultz

LAKE BOMOSEEN, 18 Campground Dr., Lake
Bomoseen, VT.



camplbc@aol.com



Please make your campground reservations directly with the campground.

802-273-2061

Let them know you are with The Hudson-Mohawk Airstream group and that Barbara Schultz is the Wagon Master.

I have 10 sites on hold for our group (66,64,62,90,47,48,50,52,54,56) These sites have water/electric and are very

shady. Take a look at their website: camplbc@aol.com

There is a lot information about the campground and things to do in the area.

AGENDA

Thursday/4:30pm Hot Dog Social, campfire & Dessert.

Bring your table setting & drink.

Friday/8:00am Continental Breakfast, bring your table setting & drink.

Spend the day looking for Sasquatch

Afternoon Happy Hour, Pizza & salad for dinner, Bring your table setting & drink.

Campfire & Dessert

Saturday/8:00am Breakfast Sandwiches, Bring your table setting & drink.

Spend the day Exploring

Afternoon Happy Hour

Pot Luck Dinner, Bring a dish to share, your table setting & drink.

Campfire & Dessert

Sunday/Time to pack up, say goodbye and see you down the road.

RESERVATION FORM

Name & Site # _____

Rally fee \$20 per Trailer

Barbara Schultz, 1650 State Rt. 40, Greenwich, NY 12834

518-409-2565

hudsonmohawknews@gmail.com

This area is know for Sasquatch sightings, so keep a look out you never know where one will show up!!

Happening
SEPTEMBER
13-16, 2018

2018 Installation Rally

September 13-16, 2018 – SoHi Campground

Hosted by John & Wendy Vettovalli

This is to give you the basics – more information about the weekend will be coming later.

You can go to their website and take a look – looks good to me!

www.sohicampground.com

Season begins May 15. I called and left a voice mail, then got a call back from the owner, Ralph.

Please make your campground reservations directly with the campground.

Tell them you are with Wendy Vettovalli and the Hudson-Mohawk Airstream group.

Ralph said he'd give us last year's rate of \$45 for water, electric & sewer. (Lower rate on their website for just water & electric is for pop-ups & tents without sewer hook-ups.)

I'm sending a check for John & I; 3 nights, 9/13-16. They take Good Sam Club for a 10% discount.

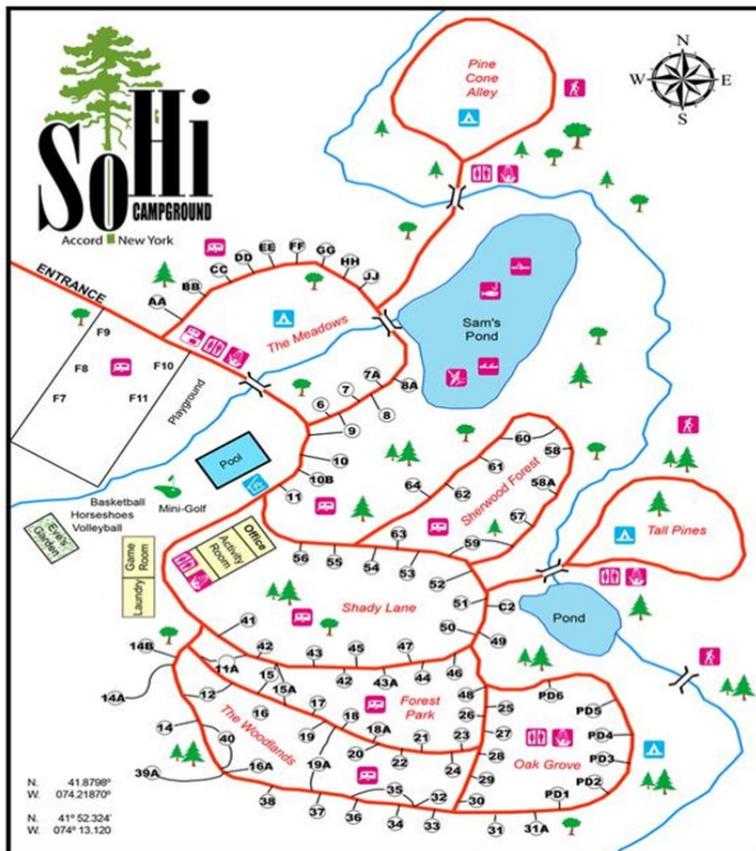
SoHi Campground - sohicampground@hotmail.com

Campground physical address: 425 Woodland Road, Accord, NY 12404

Mail address: Box 379, Stone Ridge, NY 12484

845-687-7377

(I have no idea which sites on the map they are planning for us.)





Happening
OCTOBER
4-7, 2018

POTLUCK RALLY

Salisbury Beach State Reservation

Beach Road Route 1A, Salisbury, Ma

Please make your campground reservations

@ www.reserveamerica.com

You can reserve 6 months in advance, streets D E or F higher # sites

AGENDA

October 4 -7 2018

Thursday: 4:00 pm Beach Happy Hour

Dinner on your own

Potluck desert by campfire

Friday: 8:00am Potluck breakfast/bring a dish to share and your table setting

Spend the day doing what you like

4:00pm Happy Hour and carpool to Markeys for dinner

Campfire

Saturday: Sleep late and explore all day

4:00pm Happy Hour

Campfire

Sunday: Packing up to head home or stay another day

**** Please make your reservations with reserve America*****

Please notify Geoff Whittle at whittleg06@gmail.com or [518 7831606](tel:5187831606)

If you are coming and let me know your site #

