



# Region 3 Hi-Lites

Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida



September 2009

To Be Shared With All Members

## The Presidents Corner



We had a wonderful International rally in beautiful Madison, Wisconsin. Region 3 was well represented and we had 135 people attend the Region 3 luncheon. Carol and Rick Bell did a great job setting up the luncheon and the food was terrific and enjoyed by all.

Region 3 can be proud of their contribution to the Community Service project at the International rally. Only 2 other regions donated more than Region 3. Thanks to all who participated. Keep up the good work and let's be number 1 next year.

We are still in need of a Region 3, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President as well as an incoming 2<sup>nd</sup> VP to be installed in 2010. Please canvas your units and send your recommendations to me. We must have officers for us to continue as a region.

Your region officers are actively preparing for unit installations and we look forward to seeing most of you before the end of the year.

We have the following events scheduled in Region 3 for 2009: Please make your plans to attend.

September 10-13 Virginia Commonwealth Rally, Salem VA  
October 14-18 Carolinas State Rally, Palmetto Cove, Cleveland, SC. The Carolinas State rally is a combined North Carolina and South Carolina rally.

Make your plans now to attend the Region 3 rally in Charleston, SC April 27 to May 2, 2010.

### GOOD NEWS FOR "FORMER MEMBERS"

Most of us know former members who are no longer active in WBCCI. Many of them are included in a "Friends" or "Newsletter Only" listing in Unit Directories. In addition to receiving Unit Newsletters, former members may want to keep in touch with WBCCI by receiving regular issues of the Blue Beret magazine. By subscribing, they will keep up with Club

news, color photos of Club events and other interesting articles. This option is available to former members by sending name, address and a check for \$25 to Blue Beret/ WBCCI, P.O. Box 612, 803 E. Pike Street, Jackson Center, OH 45334.

### The following actions were taken at the International IBT meetings.

Two motions to amend the International Constitution were adopted:

1. To amend Article III, to add Vision and Mission Statements,
2. To amend Article XII, Sec. 4, to permit a unit to appoint an Affiliate Member from the same region as its Alternate Delegate.

The following budget-related decisions were made:

1. The marketing program proposed by the Marketing Committee, which would have required a \$15,000 budget item was not adopted.
2. A motion to reduce the number of Blue Beret issues from 10 to 6 was not adopted.
3. A revised Budget for 2009-2010 which projects a loss of \$81,000 for the year was adopted..
4. A motion to increase International dues from \$55 to \$75 per year, because of substantial opposition by the IBT members was withdrawn.

### Other:

The revision of voting procedures approved by the IBT permitting the concurrent use of voting in person, by regular mail, by e-mail and by FAX in determining votes to be cast at Delegates Meetings, may be adopted by WBCCI units. However, units which have adopted or will adopt such procedures must conform their unit constitution to the revised model Constitution in the WBCCI Blue Book. It is recommended that unit constitutions be brought into compliance as soon as possible.

**IF UNITS ARE UP-TO-DATE AS TO THE STATUS OF THEIR CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS, THOSE UNITS NEED ONLY SEND IN THE PAGES TO AMEND ARTICLE VI.**

Julian Clements  
President, Region 3

## REGION 3 REPORTS

### **Rick Bell** **Region 3 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President**

I want everyone to look at our website at [www.region3.wbcci.net](http://www.region3.wbcci.net). Greg Gibson started us off several years ago by developing a website for the region. As time passed the region felt that it should be in step with the rest of WBCCI and use the same location and format that Bill Shrader had taken so much time to research and develop.

With the help of many we now have a good looking, up to date and very informative website. Joe Kolb helped me in getting the site started and it didn't take long for me to know that I was in over my head. Joe pitched in and did what he could, along with all the other duties he performs, to get the site moving. It was obvious that we needed someone with skill in the web world to get us to where we needed to be.

I put out a plea and in time got several responses. Jim Cocke became the webmaster and has done a knock out job of getting my mess straightened out and making the site look professional. If you are interested in putting your unit information on the Region 3, site send all your information to me, Rick Bell at ([3485rwbell@embarqmail.com](mailto:3485rwbell@embarqmail.com)) or to Jim Cocke ([r3webguy@gmail.com](mailto:r3webguy@gmail.com)) and we can get it posted in a timely manner. The more information we have the better we can serve you and that is the primary reason for Region 3 to exist.

Mart Plaxco stepped forward and volunteered to assist in any way he could to help with the web site. The site was lacking in nice up to date photographs and the space to include them. Mart developed a satellite site that is linked to our Region 3 site so that when you click on photographs you go to another site but never know it. It is painless and fluid. This is a wonderful place to show the other units and the rest of WBCCI what we do, where we live and the fun and fellowship that we have at our rallies. Do your unit and our region proud and send your photos to Mart Plaxco [jmplaxco@bellsouth.net](mailto:jmplaxco@bellsouth.net) so that they can be displayed.

On behalf of the officers of Region 3, I

want to thank everyone that has helped in putting our website on the net. Tom Tisdell got the ball rolling and from there it has developed into a working site. With your help we can keep it up to date and let those that visit know what is going on in our region. It is nice to work with people that take pride in their work and you can easily see the pride and professionalism in the Region 3 Website.

Rick

### **From the September 2009** **Florida Treasure Coast** **Pirate Patter**

### ***Recall***

According to RV Business magazine, The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has issued recall notice number 2052 for 2002 thru 2009 model year Airstream Bambi, International, Safari, 75th Anniversary, DWR and Ocean Breeze travel trailers.

These trailers do not meet requirements of the Federal Motor Safety Standard No.108 because they do not have rear reflex reflectors.

Airstream will send dealers separate reflectors to the affected customers and dealers along with instructions for proper installation. Customers will have the option of installing the reflectors or taking the travel trailer to the nearest Airstream certified dealers. This will be done free of charge.

Owners may contact Airstream at 937-596-6849. They may also contact the national highway traffic safety administration's vehicle safety hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (tty 1-800- 424-9153), or go to

<http://www.safercar.gov> .

## REGION 3 Rallies

### 2010 Tidewater Virginia Unit Rally "Attentive"

**REVISED 10-7-09**

**ALL Dates Subject to Change**

**Ones in red Still Need Host**

**January** – TBD usually local – Host: Quades ???  
**February** – TBD usually local – Host: Lassiters Dinner  
**March – 20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>** Break out Rally – Newport News Park Campground Host: The Messersmith's  
\*\*We called and they can take us as a group. Would love to have us. Call and ask for Lindsay Myers in the Fall. 1-757-886-7912  
**April – 8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>** New Point Campground 1-804-725-5120 or Gwynn's Island RV Resort 1-804-725-5700. Host: Germans Need Co Host:  
\*\*We called and they do take groups Both run by the Morgan Mgmt. And would love to have us. Call them this fall.  
**April – 27<sup>th</sup> to May 2<sup>nd</sup>** Region 3 Rally, Lanson, SC Zip: 29456  
**May – May 20<sup>th</sup> to May 23<sup>rd</sup>** "Joint Rally" with ENCU at Trav-L-Park, Virginia Beach – Host: Simpsons (need a co host please)  
**June – 4 days 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>** Joint with Mid-Atlantic Unit, Endless Caverns, New Market Virginia. Host: Simpsons (need a co host please) will be a *Joint Rally*  
**July – 4 days 22<sup>nd</sup>, to 25<sup>th</sup>** Camp Hatteras – Nags Head 1-252-987-2777 Can make it up to 5-6 days if you wish. Host:  
**August – 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>** Buddy Rally KOA - Fredericksburg  
Host: Simpson's Co host:  
**September** – TBD Commonwealth Rally -Joint Installation Rally Hosted by:  
**October** – TBD – May be another Buddy Rally  
Host: co host:  
**November – 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>** Gloucester Point Family Campground 1-800-332-4316 Host:  
  
\*\*We called and they do take groups and would love to have us. Call and talk to Eileen Gedicke suggests come visit 1<sup>st</sup>.  
  
**December** – TBD – usually local – Host: Whitacre

### The Florida Unit announces it's 2010 Rally Schedule

## 2009

**November 18, 2009** *Florida Unit Election Luncheon*  
Cracker Barrel Restaurant Kissimmee, FL  
**December 2-7, 2009** *The Cracker Christmas Volunteer and Installation Rally* at Fort Christmas FL. **This rally is by reservation only.** This is a volunteer rally to help the Orange County Parks and Recreation folks prep the buildings and act as docents at the various houses and the fort.

## 2010

**January 21-25, 2010** *Florida Unit Rally* at the Life Enrichment Center Fruitland Park, FL  
**February 16-21** *The Florida State Rally "A Pirate Invasion"*. At the Sarasota Fairgrounds.  
**March 17-22** *The Blue Grass Volunteer Rally*. Fort Christmas Historical Park; Christmas, FL  
**March 30 – April 5** *National St. Augustine Easter Rally* St. Johns County Fairgrounds Elkton, FL. Rally Fee \$185 includes 6 nights parking with **30amp electric** and **water**, (**dump station** on grounds), **1 dinner**, **2 breakfasts**, professional **entertainment** nightly, tour of the **Villa Zorayda**, 4 day use of the Red Train w/free parking downtown during the 4 days, **Matanzas River cruise**, **prizes**, **rally plaque and games**. After the **Easter Sunrise Service** at the Castillo De San Marcos will be the **Easter egg hunt**, followed by the **Easter Parade** including free parking for the parade. **Easter Sunday supper** follows the parade. **This rally is limited to 55 Airstreams due to meeting/dining space.**  
**April 27 – May 2** *Region 3 Rally* Exchange Park, Ladson, SC  
**May** TBD  
**June 25 – July 5** *53<sup>rd</sup> International Rally* Gillette, Wyoming  
**September** TBD  
  
**October 21-25** *Daytona Election Rally and Luncheon* at Daytona Speedway/Airport RV park.  
**November** TBD  
**December 2-7, 2009** *The Cracker Christmas Volunteer and Installation Rally* at Fort Christmas FL

**2009 International Rally  
Region 3 Contest Results**

<b>Contest Category</b>	<b>Contest</b>	<b>Prize</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Unit Name</b>
<b>Bulletin Board</b>	Originality	1st Place	Georgia Unit	
<b>Bulletin Board</b>	Rally Theme	3rd Place	Florida Treasure Coast Unit	
<b>Hobby Show</b>	Crocheting A	1st Place	Barbara Grimes	South Florida Unit
<b>Hobby Show</b>	Jewelry A	1st Place	Dawn Hammond	Florida Treasure Coast Unit
<b>Hobby Show</b>	Jewelry C	1st Place	Inabelle Sides	Carolinas Unit of North Carolina
<b>Hobby Show</b>	Quilting Hand	3rd Place	Sheryll Norris	Florida Sun Coast Unit
<b>Hobby Show</b>	Sewing Reg.	1st Place	Sharn Fore	Georgia Unit
<b>Hobby Show</b>	Sewing Reg.	2nd Place	Sheryll Norris	Florida Sun Coast Unit
<b>Indoor Games</b>	Manipulation	3rd Place	Jones, Jimmie	Tidewater Virginia Unit
<b>Outdoor Games</b>	Women	1st Place	Mary Lynne Plaxco	Florida Treasure Coast Unit
<b>Outdoor Games</b>	Women	2nd Place	Carolyn Rosendale	Florida Treasure Coast Unit
<b>Outdoor Games</b>	Holeyboard - Women	1st Place	Mary Lynne Plaxco	Florida Treasure Coast Unit
<b>Outdoor Games</b>	Horseshoes - Women	1st Place	Mary Lynne Plaxco	Florida Treasure Coast Unit
<b>Outdoor Games</b>	Horseshoes - Women	3rd Place	Carolyn Rosendale	Florida Treasure Coast Unit
<b>Parade</b>	Float Theme	3rd Place	Tampa Bay Florida Unit	Tampa Bay Florida Unit
<b>Pet Show</b>	Dogs - Best Looking	3rd Place	JoAnne Topham	Georgia Unit
<b>Unit Publications</b>	Newsletter B&W	1st Place	Wilbanks	Georgia Unit

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