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My apology for being late on my newsletter but a few miles occurred since I last wrote. Tobe and I had a great time in Huron, S. Dakota at the International Rally site and very happy that we missed the Tornado that went through the city just the day prior to our arrival. Lots of trees were down and damage to vehicles, homes and other structures. The city of Huron has a huge facility at the fairgrounds for holding many events. It is also the site for the State Fair that is held annually. It has a Race Car track and other events can be held there also.

It was disappointing to only have 386 rigs at the rally but with 400 anticipated, I guess it was okay. Am just remembering the many Rallies's that we attended in the past that were in the thousands, but that is "The New Approach", that we will have to contend with in the future. This will probably be the biggest one that we will see. The Rally that was decided on in 2014 will be in Gillette, WY. and very close to this one and also only held 4 years ago. The attendance may be less than this one due to the fact that many from the East won't travel to a location that is close to the one held this year.

On a lighter side, it was great seeing many of our friends that we encountered from years past, and meeting new people. This makes it a worthwhile trip. The Club meeting that was held for all members and the motor home issue was voted down by a huge margin. This will be in the next Blue Beret for your reading. Installation was held for the new officers for the upcoming year and approved by a majority. We wish all a great year and hopefully new ways for attendance will be forthcoming.

Tobe and I left on the 4th of July so did not get to see the annual parade and fireworks. We took the long way home by going to see our kids in Chicago so added some extra miles and really helped those selling diesel fuel for the total 3400 miles it took to get back home. The fun part of the trip was pulling the long trailer around the West Chicago streets and the looks we got when they saw the MT. license plates.

For added information the Ol' Wild West Fest at Fort Missoula in Missoula, MT. is still on the agenda (AUGUST 1st thru 4th) and hopefully a great attendance will be had as this is a new facility for an ongoing event that had been held for years in East Helena, Mt. A lot of work has been done by the new promoters so we hope it will be very successful. Tobe and I had a booth set up at International to help promote so the members could attend if they are in the area.

Until our next newsletter and getting ready for the annual Hands Across The Border Rally during the Labor Day week being held in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada, take care, be safe on the roads and best of luck to all.

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## News

The Montana Unit Has a new website ([www.montanaairstreamclub.com](http://www.montanaairstreamclub.com))! You can now interact with us via our new Wordpress website. Being a blogging website, comments can be made and posted. There is also a Facebook link at the bottom of the page that will take you to our Facebook page.

For those not attending the Ol' West Fest in Missoula, the Old Fiddlers Picnic, in Livingston, is a fun time and only 2 days long. The fee is a donation of \$25.00 and all the music is free. Bring your fiddle or whatever instrument you play and join the fun. It's dry camping with a pot luck picnic.

Please contact Dal Smilie at [dalsmilie@aol.com](mailto:dalsmilie@aol.com) or Tobe at [rtobeg@bresnan.net](mailto:rtobeg@bresnan.net) for more information. If you plan to attend, please contact either Dal or Tobe so we can get a head count of those attending.

Anyone who will be attending the Ol' West Fest in Missoula, follow this link to a registration form: <http://montanaairstreamclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/OL-West-Fest.pdf>. You need to register by July 25<sup>th</sup>. This is an approved WBCCI Special Event.

## New Members

There are no new members this month.

## Recent Rallies

Our travelling rally from Divide to Wisdom was a lot a fun! Below are some pics from that rally:



Montana Unit at charcoal kilns near Melrose, MT



Our Prez at campground in Wisdom, Montana

## 2012-2013 Rallies & Caravans

### Montana Old Fiddlers Picnic, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Livingston, MT.

(The 39<sup>th</sup> annual Old Time Fiddlers Picnic will be held Aug 2-4, 2013 one mile South of Livingston, Montana (I-90) on US 89. Look for the signs. See [fiddlerspicnic.blogspot.com/](http://fiddlerspicnic.blogspot.com/) and [www.montanaairstreamclub.com/activities](http://www.montanaairstreamclub.com/activities) for more details on the picnic.

### Montana Ol' Wild West Fest, Aug. 1<sup>th</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Fort Missoula Missoula, MT. **This Event is back on!**

(This is an approved WBCCI Special Event and is in the Blue Beret) Fort Missoula is the site and the parking will be free. Dry camping, of course. You can register here: <http://montanaairstreamclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/OL-West-Fest.pdf>

### Hands Across the Border, Aug.29<sup>th</sup>-Sept.2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada

(Please check <http://montanaairstreamclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/HAB-2013-Internet-Registration-e-mail.pdf> for registration info and schedule).

**That's all for now. See you next month!**

