# The Tattler



Central Coast California Unit – Region 12

# Greetings from John Thornton, President

Welcome to Central Coast California 2014 Officers

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## "We are a Camping Club"

As we begin 2014, I'd like to thank the 2013 Board, past officers, and rally hosts for providing leadership, representation, and camping adventure to the Central Coast California Unit.

We will build on the excellent foundation built by recent officers, Roxy & Mike Gross and Lynda & Jim Polk, and benefit from their continuing interest and work for the success of the CCC.



The Tattler and CCC web page provide our camping club with a great way to share our club activities with members and prospective new members and affiliates. An engaging Internet presence and excellent newsletter are a "must" for any club and we now have both. Walt will continue Lynda's efforts to move CCC into the digital age. We will be segmenting content for members and for general public. We will eventually accept e-payments through such clearinghouses as PayPal. I am so glad that Walt has agreed to do this for the club-and that he knows how to do it!

Of course, the main emphasis of our club is camping! The enjoyment we receive from our rallies is in a big part due to the planning, preparation, and execution by our hosts, as summarized so nicely by Mike Gross in the Nov/Dec 2013 newsletter. I am so glad that Mike will continue to serve on the board in 2014 as past-president as I have grown to rely on his good judgment and knowledge of how things have been done.

Thanks to Paula our new treasurer, Carol our secretary, and Gary, for continuing as membership & Balloon Fiesta mini-caravan leader. I am pleased to announce that Pam Lindsay has accepted our nomination to serve as a two-year director following a January vacancy on the board, and all of the board respondents voted to affirm her nomination. Pam has been very active in the club and will bring some good ideas to the board based on her experience with hosting rallies and participating in activities of the club. Welcome Pam, and thanks for your willingness to serve the membership!

I look forward to working with board members Karen, Keith, Pam, and Walt toward making improvements in the way we handle the "business" side of the club.

VP Roger, Rosemary, and I developed the survey you recently received. We worked together on the content, but they did the printing, collating, and mailing for which I am grateful. Now all we need you to do is complete the survey and return it in the SASE. We

have received an excellent response but we won't be satisfied until we hear from 100%. If you haven't already done so, please return your completed survey today. The aggregated results will be shared with you early in the year and will help to guide the board in their activities. This is really important to us.

I credit Mike Gross for reminding us that "we are a camping club", and to be mindful of that simple charter. With this motto as our anchor, we begin the New Year! John

#### Articles

(Taken from: Motor Home Magazine, January 2014)

#### **Resolutions for RV Foodies**

By Bobbie Hasselburg

With the New Year, you're probably thinking about resolutions – those annual "exercise more, lose weight, eat healthier" promises most of us make. The RV lifestyle can play havoc with resolutions, especially when it comes to healthy eating. Too often we opt for convenience when we travel instead of eating healthy. Here are a few tips to help you eat foods that are healthy and tasty whether you're at home or on the road.

**Get Real:** If you want the best flavor and healthful foods, trying eating as close to nature as possible. Go for fresh veggies, not canned or frozen.

**Buy Local:** It will be fresher (and taste better). Local foods also use fewer resources like fuel for transportation so they're better for the planet. Try eating grass-fed beef, free-range chicken and wild-caught fish. You'll be doing a kindness for the earth.

**Go Small:** Try foods made by small, artisan vendors. Seeking out regional food producers is a great way to explore an area and get familiar with the tastes different areas have to offer. You might pay a little more, but the quality is worth it and you'll experience flavors you can't imagine.

**Get Out Of Your Rut:** There's nothing wrong with long-time favorites. But the food industry is dynamic. New restaurants are opening all the time. New food producers and artisan craftspeople are selling new foodstuffs. Ethnic flavors are more available than ever. Chefs are producing new recipes all the time. Commit this year to try new tastes, new flavors and explore the world with your palate.

Learn About Regional Flavors: When you travel, find out which foods make that area special and enjoy them, whether tamales in New Mexico, foie gras (goose pate) in Quebec, or boudin (rice sausage) in Louisiana. Shop in local markets. When you're on the road, take a cooking class. Or hire an expert to take you on a local food tour. You'll develop a much great appreciation for the history, culture and people of the area you're visiting.

#### Happy foodie traveling!

Editor's Note: I thought this was an interesting article. I believe we do a wonderful job of catering to different food needs on our rallies. Our meals are always delicious and plentiful. We have had events sampling the local fare in olive oil, cheese, wine and farmer's markets. We've had host-provided meals, restaurant meals and pot luck meals. Maybe one of our rallies could have a cooking lesson. Sounds good to me.

#### New Campground in Death Valley National Park

Furnace Creek Resort in Death Valley National Park has added 26 full-hookup RV sites and created the new 35-site Fiddlers' Campground adjacent to its golf course. Located at The Ranch at Furnace Creek, both facilities are within easy reach of the Borax Museum and visitor center. All resort amenities are available to guests staying in the RV sites, including the Ranch's spring-fed swimming pool, shower facility, laundry, WiFi, tennis, shuffleboard, volleyball, Bocce ball and basketball court.

The 26 full-hookup RV sites accommodate rigs up to 35 feet, 45 feet and 50 feet long, and most of the new sites have shade trees. The rate is \$37 per night. The 35 dry camping sites at Fiddlers' Campground can accommodate 40 and 50-foot rigs and feature community barbeque pits and picnic tables. The rate is \$25 per night. Campground reservations can be made by calling 800.236.7916.

Furnace Creek is centrally located in Death Valley National Park. To the south is Badwater Basin at 282 feet below sea level, Artist's Drive and a variety of geologic formations. To the north are sand dunes, wagon wheel trails, Ubehebe Crater and Scotty's Castle.

For more information call 760.786.2345 or visit <u>www.furnacecreekresort.com</u>.

#### **December Rally – Ocean Mesa**

Submitted by Mike

Twenty-eight rigs gathered at Ocean Mesa RV Resort for a fun-filled coastal rally in December. Ocean Mesa was a wonderful venue for our December rally and installation meeting. The park hosts arranged for us to have the entire upper section of the park all to ourselves. Relatively easy back-in sites within comfortable walking distance from the yurt (wood frame tent), which we used for meals and the installation meeting on Saturday night. The weather was perfect - 70s with a gentle breeze. The central coast of California is the best!

The rally was hosted by Jane & John and Judy & Walt, who really outdid themselves! The setting was ideal, the chicken enchiladas were magnificent (thanks to all who volunteered your ovens), and the weekend couldn't have been better. Our hosts made it easy to spend time catching up with old friends and meeting new ones! As is customary we had numerous rigs decorated for the holidays – as usual Gary & Christa went way overboard!

Saturday was a time for biking, hiking, wine tasting or relaxing with a good book. The installation of our board was impeccably conducted by Past President Lynda, stepping in for Roxy who was home ill. Many thanks to those who have stepped forward to serve our unit this year, both on the board and in volunteering to host a 2014 rally. Your willingness to serve is what makes our unit one of the best in the country. If this rally was any indication, we are off to a great camping year. Be sure to sign up for future rallies and join the fun.



So that's a Yurt!



Plenty of room to enjoy meals and meeting



Welcome to our newest members Pat & John, Gary Membership Chair), Ed & Marie



Past President Mike, incoming VP Roger and incoming President John ready for 2014



Rallies are the best way to: Make new Friends Camp at new Places Share Airstream Knowledge

#### January: A Rose-Filled Rally

Over a much too short but summer-like weekend with warm sunshine and perfect temperatures, 25 Airstreams from Idaho, Washington, California, Arizona, Oregon, Missouri and New Mexico gathered in Pasadena for Region 12's annual Rose Parade rally. Hosted by Region 12 Officers, Bob Stansbury, Tom Smithson and Jim Polk, guests were warmly welcomed to Pasadena for a true urban camping experience.

Tucked behind the Pasadena District School Offices in a quiet area just a short walk from busy Colorado Avenue, site of the 125<sup>th</sup> Rose Parade, members came together for fun, camaraderie, a parade and the opportunity to welcome in the New Year together. Several guests attended ticketed events prior to the Parade including Band Fest where you are treated to a preview of the Parade's outstanding high school and college marching bands. Also offered was an opportunity to preview the floats as they were being outfitted in flowers for this incredible event along with a post-parade viewing opportunity. Other guests took an evening driving tour of some of Pasadena's stately homes beautifully decorated for the holidays.

As with all Airstream rallies there was no shortage of good things to eat. Region officers provided breakfasts and a New Year's dinner of homemade lasagna. And with Trader Joe's just a few steps away, our Social Hours were filled with goodies! In addition, the tables were festively decorated by Central Coast California unit's Yvonne Savage of *My Garden Party* to ring in the New Year.

This year's parade, *Dreams Come True*, found us making our way on January 1 to reserved bleacher seating where we settled in for this colorful event along with 800,000+ other fans. We found the streets were lined with parade enthusiasts who had camped out the night before thereby scoring front row seats. Led by Grand Marshall Vin Scully, the voice of the Los Angeles Dodgers, the event with its gorgeously decorated floats smothered in roses and other flowers, along with marching bands from across the United States and various equine troops, kept us entertained and applauding.

When the time came to say goodbye, we wished all a safe journey and headed towards home. This event is truly special and I would encourage everyone to place it on your Bucket List!



Photo taken from on top Mike's MoHo



Have you had your Flu Shot? Believe me, it's worth it!

#### February Rally – Morro Dunes FULL

Hosts: Lynne & Keith and Carol C

In February we are returning to the Morro Dunes RV Park, right across the street from a beautiful stretch of coastal beach. This is a wonderful spot for walking along the shore or into town, or taking a leisurely bike ride, or wine tasting or getting your supply of avocado oil. There is a lot to do and see in and around Morro.

This year we are going to celebrate the Chinese New Year. 2014 is Year of the Green Wood Horse and it will arrive on February 4, 2014 in China Standard Time.

Friday night will be a traditional Chinese dinner provided by the hosts. Saturday you are free to wander around the area followed by a potluck dinner and campfire. Meet for breakfast on Sunday before heading back home.

This rally is full. If you wish to attend, call Keith to be put on a wait list. The coupon on page 6.

#### March Rally – Lake Lopez

Hosts: Pam & Stuart and Carol & John

Our March rally will be at Lopez Lake located approximately 10 miles outside the town of Arroyo Grande. The campground is in a rural setting where you may see deer, quail, wild turkeys, or even bear! For the most part you will not have cell, Internet, or TV reception unless you have 'special equipment'. BUT you will have full hookups!! And, as the luck of the Irish would have it, Pam and Carol will be providing a traditional Irish dinner Friday night (vegetarian alternate available) followed by a rotating game night! Several rigs will 'host' games (short and sweet!) so we can rotate every 45 minutes.

On Saturday we will have a special Ranger presentation, a special wine tasting with food pairing on site (thanks to Carol and John!), and our Business meeting right after Saturday's pot luck dinner. Fill out the coupon on page 7. We have limited amount of spaces and every time there is a change/cancellation we will incur a \$9 fee, so check your calendars....if we know ahead of time we MAY be able to get more sites reserved. The rate for each night will be \$43 which includes Friday dinner, Sat and Sunday breakfasts, and wine tasting with food pairing on site Saturday afternoon.

#### April Rally – Anza Borrego

Hosts: Mike & Roxy and Joe & Myung

April is a visit to the desert setting, The Springs at Borrego. We have 21 sites reserved, with a possibility of a couple more, if we know soon enough. The Springs is a top-rated RV park with full hook-ups, saltwater swimming pool, hot & healing mineral baths, tennis and pickle ball courts, state-of the art fitness room and more. There is plenty to do in the area, especially if the wild flowers are in bloom. It is also a short trip into the town of Julian for their famous apple pies.

The theme for this weekend is: "Golf is for Everyone!" We are holding a 9-hole Best Ball Tournament on Saturday morning; so if you golf at all, be sure to bring your sticks. Best Ball is the easiest of games where you hit from the best shot. There will be time for another 9-holes if interested. Not a golfer, join us for a fun putting contest. There are prizes! We'll bring extra putters if you don't have one.

Saturday afternoon you will have time to explore the wonders of the desert. The Anza Borrego Desert Visitor's Center, the Wind Caves or the Well of Eight Echoes are must-stops if you are new to the area. And there are lots of other places to see. Check it out at <u>www.anzaborrego.net</u>. Or just take the time to relax and enjoy the comforts of the resort.

Anza Borrego Desert State Park is the largest state park in California and the second largest in the entire country. Come see why, at 600,000 acres, this park draws record numbers every spring.

For those that wish, you can come a day early (Thursday) or stay a day late (Sunday) at the same group rate of \$56 (about half the normal rate.)

Hope you can join us. Fill out the coupon on page 8.

## Central Coast California Unit WBCCI Rally Morro Dunes Travel Trailer Park Feb. 21 – 23, 2014

1700 Embarcadero, Morro Bay, CA 93442 Hosts: Keith & Lynne Valley and Carol Cunningham Phone: home (805) 772-9565 or cell (805) 452-5478



Tentative Schedule

5:00 Happy Hour

5:00 Happy Hour

Campfire sing along

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday:

Theme: Chinese New Year: Year of the Horse

6:00 Chinese Dinner provided by hosts

6:00 Potluck Dinner – Bring a dish to share

8:30 Continental breakfast provided

8:30 Continental breakfast provided

11:00 Clean up and depart for home

11:30 a.m.: Check out time



GUNG HAY FAT CHOY!!!

# **Rally Information**

*Meals Included in Fee*: Friday Dinner, Saturday & Sunday breakfasts.

*What to Bring*: Happy hour goodies, any alcohol you prefer, coffee, and a dish to share for Saturday night.

Check In: after Friday noon Check Out: Sunday 11:30 A.M.

**Directions:** From Hwy 1N or S: take Hwy 41 exit in Morro Bay west (toward the ocean) to camp ground, past the high school and sewer plant. Campground on left.

# **Morro Dunes Coupon**

FULL - Call Keith for Availability

Name			WBCCI No.	
Address				
City, State, Zip		Email		
Phone	Cell			Rig length
Emergency Contact: Name			Phone:	

#### Reservations must be made through Hosts; please send coupon & check before Jan. 20.

Nights Present:Friday []Saturday []@ \$45/night\$\_\_\_\_\_\_Additional nights:Thursday []Sunday []@ \$45 / night\$\_\_\_\_\_\_Rally Fee:\$ 25/rig\$12.50 single\$\_\_\_\_\_\_Rally Fee for non-members:\$30\$\_\_\_\_\_\_TOTAL ENCLOSED\$\_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Make checks to: Central Coast California Unit Send coupon and check to: Keith Valley, 438 Arbutus Avenue, Morro Bay, CA 93442

# Central Coast California Unit WBCCI Rally March 14-16, 2014

# Lopez Lake Recreational Area

6800 Lopez Dr., Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

Hosts: Pam & Stuart Lindsay and Carol & John Taggart (805) 368-6972 or (626) 840-6434

# **Tentative Schedule**

Friday:

4:00pm social hour

5:00 pm Traditional Irish dinner provided by hosts (w/veggie alternative).

6:00pm Luck and nostalgia! Rotating Game night! We'll rotate every 45 min from rig to rig playing anything BUT monopoly!

8:15 ish campfire at the hosts site

#### Saturday:

8:30 Breakfast provided

Fun filled day exploring Arroyo Grande/

Lopez Lake on your own! Hiking, biking, kayaking, or just kicking back!

SPECIAL RANGER PRESENTATION!

Time and subject matter to be announced.

4 pm Special wine tasting with food pairing!

5 pm social hour & potluck dinner. Bring your favorite dish to share: main, appetizer, side or dessert

**Business meeting** 

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7:30/8:00 ish- campfire

#### Sunday:

8:30 am Breakfast provided-Irish Oatmeal? 11 am Check Out



# Rally Information

General Information: Lopez Lake is a rural setting, but camping in Quail will bring full hookups & a great opportunity to enjoy the local wildlife! For the most part there is no cell service/internet, so it's a great place to truly escape for the weekend! Check in time is 3:00 pm, check out 11:00am. Please contact to park directly for any variance.

Meals Included in Fee: Friday dinner, Sat. and Sun breakfasts.

What to Bring: A dish to share for Sat pot luck, your own drinks for Friday/Saturday Happy hour, your own coffee, and a flexible nature since March weather can be 'a bit off'.

Directions: Driving north or south on Highway 101 take the Grand Ave Exit in Arroyo Grande. Turn east onto Grand Ave and head towards the mountains. You will drive through old town Arroyo Grande to Huasna Road. Turn right onto Huasna Road. Huasna Road becomes Lopez Drive. Stay on Lopez Drive for approximately 10 miles. At this point the road ends at the entrance to Lopez Lake. (Signs are posted along the way.) Park is on your left hand side.

Additional fees to be paid individually upon arrival: \$3.50 per pet per day. Motorized boats \$10, non-motorized boats \$5, sailboards \$3. If you intend on bringing any type of boat, follow the inspection procedures found on: www.slocountyparks.com/information/quagga\_info\_asof\_4\_6\_10.pdf

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Phone	Cell	Rig length	
Emergency Contact: Name		Phone:	
Camping Fee: [] Thursday [] Friday [] Saturday [] Sunday @ \$43.00 per night Rally Fee: Free for members \$20 for affiliate members/non members Total Enclosed			
Game night sounds fun! Count us in! Yes() No() I'd like to volunteer to host a game in my rig Fri night: Yes() No() Maybe()			
Please mail coupon and check (payable to <b>Central Coast Unit WBCCI</b> ) by <b>February 28th</b> to: <b>Pam Lindsay, 484 Heidelberg Av, Ventura, CA 93003</b> Questions: Contact Pam (805) 368-6972 <u>lindsay7043@sbcglobal.net</u> or Carol (626) 840-6434 <u>jtag@sbcglobal.net</u>			

# Central Coast California Unit WBCCI Rally April 11 – 13,2014

#### The Springs at Borrego

2255 DiGiorgio Road, Borrego Springs CA 92004 Hosts: Mike & Roxy Gross and Joe & Myung Deering 805.531.1042



# **Tentative Schedule**

#### Friday:

5 pm social hour 6 pm Host-provided dinner Golfer's special

After Dinner campfire at the hosts site

#### Saturday:

8:30 Breakfast provided9:30 Best Ball Golf TournamentAfternoon to Explore the area: hiking, wildflowers, museums, massage

#### 4 pm Putting Contest

5 pm social hour & potluck dinner. Bring your favorite dish to share: main, side or dessert

After Dinner campfire

#### Sunday:

8:30 am Breakfast provided 11 am Check Out

#### **Rally Information**

*General Information:* The Springs at Borrego is in a beautiful desert setting with lots of opportunity for hiking and viewing wild flowers and birds. It is also a top-rated resort with swimming, massages and GOLF!

Meals Included in Fee: Friday dinner, Sat. and Sun breakfasts.

*What to Bring:* A dish to share for Sat potluck, your own drinks and an appetizer for Friday/Saturday Happy hour. Your golf clubs.

# Directions: (Be sure to check resort's website, pull out your maps and charge your GPS!)

From Los Angeles, and from experience, the easiest way is to: Take I-10E to Hwy 86S just past Indio and head south toward the Salton Sea. Exit onto S22 at Salton City and head west. Note: first 4 miles of S22 is full of whoop-dee-doos. Take your time. If you take I-15 south to Hwy 79S to S2 then S22, drive *slowly and with care* down the 8% Montezuma Grade.

#### The Springs at Borrego Coupon

Name		WBCCI No		
Address				
City, State, Zip				
		Rig length		
Emergency Contact: Name		Phone:		
Camping Fee: [] Thursday [] Fri Rally Fee: \$25 per rig. \$12.50/sing Total Enclosed		[] Sunday @ \$56.00 per night		
Golf Tournament? Number of peop Putting Contest? Number of peop		(\$30 with cart/ \$25 if you walk. Payable at Pro Shop)		
•		ntral Coast Unit WBCCI) by March 10, 2014 to:		

Questions: Contact Mike (805) 531.1042 or mgross@roadrunner.com

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## It's time to send in your reservation for the Balloon Fiesta, only 100 spots remain!

The Four Corners Unit & Central Coast California Unit proudly present the

## **Balloon Fiesta National Rally**

Albuquerque, New Mexico October 3-7, 2014



Photo ©PaulBuescher

#### **Schedule**

Friday, October 3 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Caravan to the Balloon Fiesta Field

#### Saturday, October 4

5:30 am Dawn Patrol 7-9:00 am Mass Ascension 5:00 - Happy Hour

#### Sunday, October 5

5:30 am Dawn Patrol 7-9:00 am Mass Ascension 5:00 pm Happy Hour & Parking Staff Recognition

#### Monday, October 6

**Balloons** Fly Free Day! Visit the International Balloon Museum Tour Old Town Albuquerque Museums, restaurants and more!

#### **Tuesday, October 7**

Depart for home

# **Information**

We are pleased to announce the 43rd Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. The site, just steps from the field, is a dry camping experience. Water and Honey Trucks are available. Bring your (quiet) generator. Join Airstreamers from around the country at this colorful event as hundreds of balloons take to the sky! At this rally you are not sitting on the sidelines but are part of the festivities beginning with the early morning Dawn Patrol through the evening Balloon Glow and fireworks!

- You will have in/out access in your car after arriving

- Vendors are on the field serving tasty treats and coffee

- Two tickets to the Field provided per Airstream, additional tickets may be purchased at the event

This always-popular event is expected to fill up quickly!

Send your down payment today to reserve your spot! Once filled, a wait list will begin.

Note: Balloon Fiesta refund policy: \$10 charge through July 14; 50% charge July 15-August 31; No refund after September 1.

**Balloon Fiesta National Rally Coupon** 

Name(s)	
Email address (only means of communication!)	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Airstream model & length	
Cost per coach (includes two tickets to all the action!)	\$340.00
Rally Fee	\$ 10.00
One half (\$175.00) due March 31, 2014	
One half (\$175.00) due August 1, 2014	

#### TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

Please mail coupon and check for rally (payable to Four Corners Unit) by MARCH 31, 2014 To: Ken Johansen, Rally Chairman, P. O. Box 424, Durango, CO 81302 Questions? Please contact us at: BalloonFiestaRally@hotmail.com

#### Rally Schedule for 2014

#### 2014 Fun Ahead, and You are Invited!

Central Coast California Unit has great plans for 2014, and we invite you to join in the fun, fellowship, and camping! Our success starts with our great members who make it happen by selecting group camping venues, planning, and hosting. Just glance at the schedule for the upcoming year and you'll find an opportunity to come join us!

This year started off with a celebration of the annual Rose Parade, in Pasadena CA, sponsored by Region 12. Campers had front row seats – read a report on the Rose Parade, in this issue.

**Coming up in February**, we will return to Morro Bay, a favorite over the years. Keith & Lynne Valley and Carol Cunningham are planning a good time for campers at the Morro Dunes RV Park, right across the street from a beautiful stretch of coastal beach. The theme of the rally is "Celebrating the Chinese New Year" since the date coincides. 2014 is Chinese "Year of the Green Wood Horse." February 21 - 23; coupon on page 8.

**In March**, campers will enjoy the campsites around Lopez Lake, in a beautiful SLO County park. Hosts Pam & Stuart Lindsay and Carol & John Taggart have a great time planned for us. The campground is in a rural setting with plenty of wildlife and nature viewing opportunities. A fun Irish dinner and games are planned. What a way to spend a weekend!

The **April** rally takes us to Borrego Springs in a golf oasis surrounded by the rugged beauty of the desert hosted by Roxy & Mike Gross and Myung & Joseph Deering. They have a "golf is for everyone" event planned. Bring your sticks and join in the fun. Golf clubs not required for putting contest.

**May** rally to the Vines RV Park in Paso Robles, hosted by Karen & Dan Jones, Lynne & Keith Valley, & Carol Cunningham. This is the weekend of the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Paso Robles Wine Festival.

In **September**, we will go to Pechanga RV Resort in Temecula, CA. Nancy & Michael Jackson will host this rally with Jim & Yvonne Savage. They have reserved 20 sites, starting Sept 12<sup>th</sup> and departing Sept 14th. A casino, gold, and great restaurants!

It is never too early to plan to attend the **October Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta**. This event fills up early and is a unique experience. See Gary's informative report of the 2013 Fiesta in the last newsletter.

February 21 - 23 Morro Bay. Coupon on page 6

March 15 – 17 Lake Lopez – Business Meeting; Coupon on page 7

April 11 – 13 Borrego Springs Coupon on page 8 Check out the RV park at: www.springsatborrego.com

May 16 – 18 Vines RV Park in Paso Robles Coupon in the next Tattler Check out the wine festival at <u>http://www.pasowine.com/events/winefestival.php</u>

#### September 12-14 Pechanga RV Resort, Temecula

Also in September is the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Vintage Rally at Flying Flags in Buellton

October 3 – 7 Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta Coupon on page 9

Also in October is the Region 12 Rally in Pahrump, NV October 14-19

November 8 – 10 Wine Country RV, Paso Robles – Business Meeting Hosts: Cal & Peggy Meuser, Erlend & Ruth Coffin

#### **December TBD – Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club - Ventura** Festival of Lights Yacht Parade, Banquet, Installation, and Holiday Gathering Hosts: John & Jane Thornton and Kevin Miller

#### Streaming News

**Logo Wear:** Remember, you can order Lands' End merchandise with our Central Coast California logo on it. There is no minimum order required and special sizes (tall, plus) are available. To place an order: call the Lands' End Business Outfitters at **1-800-587-1541**. When ordering, give the representative our **logo #1213324w**. The cost is about \$9 extra per item for the logo. An order takes about 10 days to receive.

#### Friendly Reminder: Note about Member Privacy:

Member contact information is intended to accommodate personal communication between members and for the distribution of Unit materials. Email and snail-mail addresses are not to be shared with other entities or to be used for commercial purposes. Thank you so much for your understanding and consideration.

#### From Lynda: Let's be Facebook Friends

#### Face Book: To Central Coast California Members and Affiliates:

Are you a Facebook user? If you are, you can log onto our "Closed to the public" Facebook page. This way we allow only our unit members to view what's happening, when and where we're traveling. Our page is a great way to keep up on current happenings with our Central Coast California Unit. If you are a Facebook user, just contact Gary Mellinger or Lynda Polk and we will make sure that you're added to our CCC Facebook page.

Be part of the online Airstream community of friends and fans; visit the <u>Airstream, Inc.</u> <u>Facebook page</u> (click the link) and share your stories, photos, and opinions. Join the over 10,000 participants who are finding new Airstream connections and sharing trailering tips and travel recommendations. Anyone is free to post a comment. Click the thumbs-up **Like** button on the Airstream Facebook page for access to the most up-to-date engaging content; travel back in time on Throwback Thursdays, (featuring a new vintage photo each week, often never before seen), and "Like" the Fan Friday post for a chance to win an item of your choice from the Airstream store.

Did you know that Face Book has eclipsed 900 million users? That's 1/7 of the entire global population!

#### From the Editor:

Remember to use The Tattler to share with your fellow CCCers about special events (births, anniversaries, sunshine needed), your travels (whether in your Airstream or other modes of transportation), great recipes you've found (especially if it travels well and feeds lots of us). Love to hear from you.

**From Mike & Roxy:** Our move is almost complete. Mike has his golf course in the back yard and I have my sewing room ready for quilting. Can't ask for more than that. We've finished renovations on the kitchen; yard work and landscaping is next. I'm thinking lots of rose bushes. New address: 1327 Fairway Drive, Camarillo CA 93010. Stop by if you're in the area. The wine frig is always full.

#### Wine events for Charity: <a>TheJuice@LocalWineEvents.com</a>

January 23: Ventura County Wine Trail Local Food & Wine Challenge. 12 Local chefs & 12 wine makers form teams and create their best food and wine pairings. Inspired flavor combinations will be judged by both attendees and a blind panel of experts to discover who has created the "Best Food & Wine Pairing" in Ventura County! Ticket includes all the food & wine, jazz band, champagne reception and parking. 100% of all proceeds go to your local food bank: FOOD Share.

March 14: The Simply Wine Festival, Four Seasons hotel in Westlake Village. This annual benefit is bound to be one of the most popular Wine Festivals in the Ventura County region attracting thousands of foodies, wine, tequila, and beer connoisseurs, along with car aficionados. The festival is benefiting and making one wish happen for the local Make-a-Wish foundation. Expecting more than 30 wineries, 5 tequila companies, and 5 breweries. Tesla Motors, will be participating in the event by offering test drives and showcasing a vehicle in the center of the ballroom.

Love to have you join us! Just fill out the form below and send it in!



# **Member Information**

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