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**For more information, including
rally coupons, please check out our
website:**

www.centralcoastairstream.org

Message from Paula Poll, President

Dear Fellow CCCers

We have just returned from the Pismo Beach rally hosted by the Bradleys and the Minders, featuring delicious food and a Melodrama entertainment in Oceano that was enjoyed by all. The serious rain forecast failed to materialize and we enjoyed perfect weather. We welcomed new members, met up with members we haven't seen in some time as well

as several regular suspects. We had so much fun, the new members signed up for our next rally in December at Flying Flags in Buellton. How is that for customer satisfaction?

At the Business meeting on Saturday morning, we held our annual election of officers and the nomination committee's slate was adopted. I am pleased to announce the officers for 2018 to be installed at the December rally/.

President-Linda Hollenbeck
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Membership Chair-Gary Mellinger
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Secretary-Carol Cunningham
2 Year Directors-Ruth Coffin and Judy Bremer



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Our current 2 year Directors-Mark Griffin and Mike Gross will be 1 year Directors

Webmaster-Walt Bremer

Tattler Editors-Michael and Marsi Peterson

And I will continue to serve as Past President.

We still have a few rallies for next year that are in need of hosts.....please consider signing up to host and let the Bremers know. Speaking of rallies, our Installation of Officers will be at the December 8010 rally at Flying Flags in Buellton. Hosts are the Tighes and Lawsons. We are going to have "Fun with Flags" As of now the rally is sold out but you may still be able to snap a spot or get on the waiting list. This will be a very festive rally. Don't forget to bring a gift for the holiday exchange (\$20 max).

Paula Poll, President

Central Coast California Unit #20, Region 12, WBCCI

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310-418-9323

Contact your Board and other information: The Central Coast California Unit encompasses the scenic California coastal counties of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura but our members come from all around Southern California! We are an active, social group which participates in local, regional and international rallies. We are dedicated to the Creed created long ago by the Airstream founder, Wally Byam. Though Wally has passed, the words and wisdom of his Creed lives on in the many Airstream Clubs which remain active to this day. Established on April 10, 1965, we continue to enjoy "Fun, Friendship & Camping" throughout California.

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Central Coast California Website

www.centralcoastairstream.org

CCC Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/169080673115778/> WBCCI

Region 12 Website

<http://region12.wbcci.net>

WBCCI International Website

<http://www.wbcci.org>



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

NEW FRIENDS

Hello fellow Central Coast California Airstream Members,

In case you missed our November Rally at Pismo Coast Village, we had the privilege of welcoming and inducting 2 new rigs and their owners into our friendly group. Dave Temple of Bakersfield received his



Left to right, Dave Temple, Gary Mellinger, Jeff Williams, Lena Williams

badge, as did Jeff and Lena Williams of Santa Ynez. In CCC tradition, Dave Temple was already sharing his latest modifications to his 25'FB, and as it turns out he already had an acquaintance and fellow co-worker, Mark Griffin, in our club. Small world. Jeff and Lena shared, that Lena had searched and found their dream "Eddie Bauer," which had only briefly been used as mother-in-

quarters. Lena related that the oven and shower had never, even been used. Both of our newest member families had decided to attend a rally, very soon after joining our Airstream Club. Also, Jan DeWitt and Charlene Huston participated in their first CCC Rally in November as well. It was so nice to meet and greet them too.

RENEWAL and PARTICIPATION

Having been our CCC Membership Director for more than 10 years now, I am able to see a distinct trend, regarding our members. Those who participate in our Club activities, as well as attend rallies- especially participating in a rally soon after joining- tend to stay in the Club and get the most out of what our Club has to offer. Also, developing friendships early on, seems to be an important factor of membership retention. I

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strongly encourage all of our members and affiliates to join in with, and come out camping with, us. Come and enjoy camping locations that you might never find exploring on your own. Discover which locations might become your favorites; conversely, ones you might wish to avoid in the future. Learn and share with fellow Airstreamers the best, easiest and/or most difficult modifications that are possible, and which you might consider, making to your rig. And most of all, Christa and I have discovered a great many new friends, whom we would never have been privileged to meet, had we not become Central Coast California Airstream members.

With all of this, we are brought to the subject of renewal. It's time now to get your MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL in to Jackson Center. The easiest way to renew is to just go to <http://wbcci.org> and click the "Renewal" tab, halfway down the page. Be sure to list Central Coast California Unit as your home Unit. TIME IS RUNNING OUT to renew and enjoy, all that this wonderful camping club has to offer.

On behalf of our membership, all our officers, as well as Christa and I, every one of you is wished a Happy Thanksgiving!! And, we hope to see you down the road, as we are all, "gettin' away."

Cheers

Gary Mellinger

Membership Director, Central Coast California Unit of the WBCCI

WBCCI MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2018

As admirably stated by our Membership Chairman, WBCCI International is accepting membership renewals. Members of the Central Coast California Unit should begin to renew their membership for calendar year 2018. International dues remain at \$65.00 and the Central Coast California Unit dues remain \$15.00. **The fastest way to renew** is through International, using WBCCI's PayPal or you can use a credit card.

Unfortunately, it is too late to have your membership information in the January issue of the Blue Beret. International does offer a later 2018 edition on line that will feature all 2018 members at that time.

There are several ways in which to renew your membership:

1) Sending \$80.00 directly to International in Jackson Center, Ohio. The web address is <http://wbcci.org/>. Click the tab, Renew Online Today, answer the questions, and make sure the unit you select the Central Coast California Unit. Our unit is under Region 12 and the Unit number is 20. The form automatically lists the International Dues at \$65.00 and the Unit dues at \$15.00.

When you complete the information and hit submit you will be taken directly to PayPal where you can use your PayPal account or pay by credit card.

You can also print out the form and mail a check for \$80.00 directly to International:

WBCCI Central Office
803 E. Pike Street
P.O. Box 612
Jackson Center, OH 45334

2) Renewing on the Central Coast California website: <http://centralcoastairstream.wbcci.net/> Click on the Membership tab and complete the form. Once the form is complete and you hit submit, you will be taken to the unit PayPal. If you do not have a PayPal account, you can set one up or use a credit card to pay. Under this system, the Unit will release the funds from PayPal into the CCC bank account. The Unit will retain the \$15.00 and forward through Bank of America bill pay, the International Dues to International in Ohio. The Unit will prepare the paperwork to submit to International. If you use the Unit PayPal, add an additional \$2.70 (total \$82.70) to cover the costs charged by PayPal.

3) At the Central Coast California website, you have the option to print out the membership form in a pdf (Adobe Acrobat) version. Complete the form and then mail it with an \$80.00 check to:

Robert Minder
CCC Treasurer
7170 Impala Drive
Ventura, CA 93003

The check should be made out to Central Coast Unit WBCCI.

The entire check will be deposited to the Unit Checking Account and the International dues and Renewal paperwork will be forwarded to International in Jackson Center, OH.

4) Affiliates need to renew by check. International does not accept Unit dues by themselves. The renewal fee is \$15.00 and the check should be made out to Central Coast Unit WBCCI and sent to:

Robert Minder
CCC Treasurer
7170 Impala Drive
Ventura, CA 93003

In order to remain an Affiliate with the Central Coast California Unit, the member must insure that they renew their full membership with their host unit. Those dues can be sent to International directly or to the appropriate address of their host unit.

5) Any individual who no longer owns an Airstream trailer or RV is still eligible for either full or affiliate membership as long as they do not purchase a non-Airstream trailer or RV.

The Central Coast California is looking forward to having all of our wonderful members and affiliates back with us for 2018 and new adventures in Airstreaming.

Bob Minder
Treasurer
Central Coast California Unit 20, Region 12, WBCCI



Members/Affiliates NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Steve Wark has a November birthdays, day unknown
Roxy Gross – November 2nd, Pam Lindsay – November 3rd
Doris Goldstein -- November 10th, Gary Mellinger — November 20th

Want your birthday in the Tattler. If you have not provided your birthday for the Membership Roster, we cannot list it here. To make sure, contact the Tattler Editor, Linda Minder, lminder@msn.com or the Unit Treasurer Bob Minder, rkinder@msn.com



Tattler always needs information...if you has any info, pix, "good" comments, articles...please submit. to the Editors of the Tattler. Images should be .jpg of a reasonable size. Please email submissions lminder@msn.com In the Subject Line...please add Tattler + subject or nature of entry. If there are versions or resubmissions...add version 1, 2, etc. Also include version # on files. Coupons should be formatted. PDF files are great. Articles don't need to be formatted unless it's important. Often I make changes to formatting to make things fit. Don't forget submissions are due before the end of the month. Travel safe..... Linda Minder

Rally Schedule – 2017

Participation is the key to a successful rally.

RALLY IS FULL

December 8-10

Flying Flags Resort, Buellton,
CA Hosts Tom and Teresa
Tighe & David and Mary
Lawson

**Rally help just around the
corner**

<http://centralcoastairstream.wbcci.net/files/2013/07/Rally-Planning-Guide-2014-v4.pdf>

2018 Preliminary Rally Schedule on Page 8

See the many CCC and Region 12, International events, starting on page 8

FLASH RALLIES

They are not official rallies. These are spontaneous events triggered by one or more members asking other members to join in an adventure, pay as you go! NO HOSTS. Scheduled in between scheduled rallies. Welcome others to join in. Plan a trip, invite members and affiliates; use our Facebook page. Have a different Airstream adventure!!

**Pending 2018 Flash Rallies – Lake Cachuma – Camp Comfort, Ojai
Are in planning stages – date TBD.**



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Note: The Rally Schedule locations and months are set contingent on the final reservation dates at the each location. Confirmed rallies are indicated below.

2018 RALLY SCHEDULE

(*) Indicates that location will need to be done as a group telephone marathon.

(**) Members call in their own reservations (Pinnacles Rally)

JANUARY – Port San Luis Harbor (Avila Beach) (January 19-21)

Host: Terri and Tom Reay

FEBRUARY – Death Valley (Furnace Creek) (February 23-25)

Hosts: Tom and Teresa Tighe & Mark and Shelly Griffin

MARCH – Betabel RV Park (Clubhouse) (March 9-11)

March is a Unit Business Meeting

Hosts still needed!

APRIL – Pinnacles National Monument (April 6-8) (**) New Date

Hosts: Mike and Roxy Gross & Michael and Nancy Jackson

APRIL 19-22, 2018 – Region 12 Cali Rally, Parkfield, CA.

[Cali Rally Coupon](#)

Or use coupon on page 12 of the Tattler

MAY – San Simeon State Park (Washburn Campground) (May 18-20) (*)

Hosts: Tom and Teresa Tighe & Brad and Linda Bailey

SEPTEMBER – Big Bear Lake (Holloway's Marina and RV) (Sept 14-16)

Michael and Marsi Peterson & Carol and Bruce Yeoman

OCTOBER – Lake Casitas Recreation Area (Fox campground) (Oct 19-21) (*)

Hosts: Paula and Ed Poll, Dave Temple & Cal and Peggy

Meuser

NOVEMBER – Chula Vista KOA
(San Diego) (Clubhouse) (Nov 16-18)

Hosts: Jot and Linda Hollenbeck & Bob and Linda Minder

**Business Meeting/Election of
Officers**

DECEMBER – Pismo Sands RV

(Clubhouse) (December 7-9)

Officer Installations for 2018

Hosts: Judy and Walt Bremer, Pam and Stuart Lindsay & Carol Cunningham

Hello Airstream Friends,

We still need hosts for the March (9th to 11th) 2018 rally at the Betabel RV Resort.

Please consider hosting this rally. There is a clubhouse and March is when the Central Coast California Unit hosts its March Business Meeting. If that Rally is one you would like to Host please let us know immediately so we can get the information to you. A HUGE thank you to all members who have stepped up to be hosts.

Judy and Walt Bremer -

jbremer@mac.com, wbremer@me.com

RALLY NEWS

LOOK WHAT'S COMING YOUR WAY

Flying Flags Rally, December 8 through 10 (7th, 11th and 12 also available as extra days. A favorite site for many RVer's including the Central Coast California Unit, this site is a convenient location for many in the tri-County area. Clubhouse, pool, store, level concrete sites and plenty to do. Aside from the Installation dinner Saturday night and a gift exchange, there is much to see and do in and around Buellton. **RALLY IS FULL.**



Flying Flags RV Park



Level Concrete Sites



Anderson's Split Pea Restaurant (Walking distance)



Picturesque Solvang,



nearby famous Danish village



a few miles East of Buellton



Downtown Santa Ynez



Mission Santa Ynez



Sky River Airstream



Airstreams waiting for new WBCCI Members



Firestone-Walker Restaurant-Buellton

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The V6 Ranch is a working cattle ranch comprised of 20,000 acres in south eastern Monterey County.

We'll be circling our aluminum wagons in the secluded Blue Oak Camp surrounded by oak trees with picnic tables and campfire rings. The nearest store is miles from the Ranch, so please bring necessary provisions for your stay.

The days may be warm and the evenings cool so be sure to pack a hat, boots/sturdy closed-toe shoes, sunscreen, binoculars and all you will need to enjoy the ranch lifestyle*.

This event is an off-the-grid, dry camp experience. There are restrooms and showers available in camp. Please arrive with empty black/gray tanks and a full fresh water tank. Be ready to disconnect, relax and enjoy the Ranch lifestyle!

V6 Ranch website with directions:

www.Parkfield.com

* Ranch field cleared, however, may include gopher holes, foxtails and all that comes with ranch life!

We would like to extend an invitation to join us at the now legendary Cali Rally to be held at the V6 Ranch, nestled in the Cholame Valley. Here you will experience this special event under star-filled skies and enjoy a western weekend filled with fun, friendship and adventure. The Ranch is home to miles of scenic trails to hike and trail ride.

We look forward to welcoming you in April. Please mark your calendars and join us in our beautiful Golden State!

Jim Polk, Cecelia Stansbury, Eric McHenry

Region 12 Officers



Photos courtesy of V6 Ranch



BRUSH OFF THOSE BOOTS...JOIN THE FUN

The 2018 Cali Rally is going big with even *more* exciting new seminars and special events!
Bring the family and get ready for an over-the-top ranch experience!



THURSDAY, APRIL 19

Arrive at the ranch and settle in. Greet old friends and meet new ones! Grab a hay bale and enjoy lunch on your own under the shade of a stately oak tree. Play Corn Hole with friends, hike, bike, read. Enjoy a local brew at Social Hour and entertainment followed by a casual ranch dinner provided by our hosts. Gather around the evening's campfire and just try to count the stars!

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

Breakfast provided, followed by free time to hike, bike, explore the ranch or just relax. Join in the morning's session of Yoga Under the Trees. Gather in the Community Camp for a trail ride. Learn about the history of the ranch with owners John and Barbara. Lunch on your own, try the nearby Parkfield Cafe. Afternoon seminars include Maintenance 101, Electrical and Solar. Social hour and Chili Cookoff/Potluck. Who will take First Place this year? Evening star gazing with Alan Amundsen.

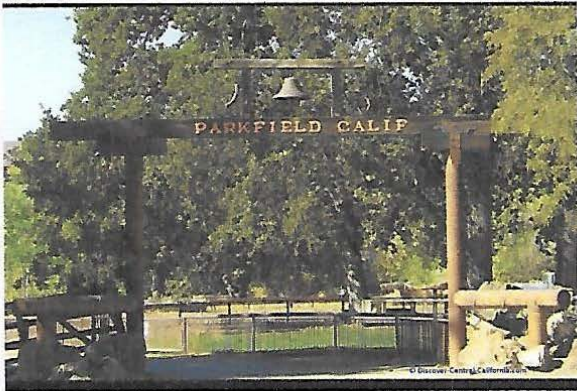
SATURDAY, APRIL 21

Breakfast provided. Gather in Community Camp for a trail ride. Yoga Under the Trees, hike, bike, nap. Lunch on your own. The afternoon seminars include Maintenance 201, Photography, useful Apps for traveling. Sample some outstanding olive oil and balsamic vinegars. In the evening we'll enjoy a scrumptious BBQ dinner, ranch style and local entertainment!

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

Coffee provided. Safe journey home!

IT'S CALI RALLY TIME!



**A UNIQUE REGION 12
HOSTED EVENT FOCUSED ON
FUN FRIENDSHIP AND ADVENTURE**

V6 Ranch
Parkfield, California
April 19-22, 2018



*Sign up early
This popular event is sure to sell out!*

Region 12 Cali Rally

April 19-22, 2018

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Rally info: This is a dry camp experience with no hookups, Verizon cell may work.

Airstream with 2 adults \$295

Airstream with 1 adult \$245

Add'l attendees (12+ yrs) _____ x \$40 = \$ _____

Total Amount Due \$ _____

Interested in 2 hour trail ride? Yes / No

\$75/pp, payable at event, age 8+, 250# wt. limit

PayPal gladly accepted at:
CaliRallyWBCCI@gmail.com

Mail check/coupon to: R12 Cali Rally, c/o Polk,
802 El Toro Road, Ojai CA 93023

CANCELLATION DATE: FEBRUARY 1

INTERNATIONAL RALLY



61st Wally Byam Airstream Club INTERNATIONAL RALLY June 23-30, 2018 ★ Salem, Oregon

REGISTRATION

Rally Fees – \$225.00 for an RV On-Site with 30amp electric, water and pump outs; \$110.00 for each Adult (18+); \$40.00 for each Youth (13-17); Free for Children (12 & Under); Lifetime Member Discount \$20.00 (limit 1 per registration); Dry Camping Discount \$3.00. There will be two (2) sections for Dry Camping: #1 – **Solar Area** (no generators permitted) and #2 – **Generator Area** where usage will be allowed between the hours of 8 am and 8 pm. Dry Camping includes pump outs. Members who arrive on site and have not preregistered will be charged an additional \$50.00. Payments by PayPal or Credit Card will be assessed a \$12.00 service fee.

Handicapped Parking – Special parking, if requested, is near the central rally area for members with a doctor-approved state/government issued permit on file with the Corporate Manager of WBCCI prior to arriving at the rally site.

Early Registrations – Through the courtesy of Airstream, Inc., all members registering for the rally on or before January 1, 2018, are eligible to participate in a drawing for up to a total of \$2,000.00 in awards. The award may be redeemed at any *Airstream Dealership* or at the *Jackson Center Service Facility* for parts and service.

Bull Pen – Every attempt will be made to park you on your assigned parking date. Members arriving after 5:00 pm can spend the night in the Bull Pen at no cost, but with no services.

FEE REFUND POLICY – Refund requests must be postmarked by April 30, 2018 and **must** include the Rally pass if issued. All cancellations are assessed a \$50.00 administrative fee. Refund requests after May 1, 2018 are subject to a 50% penalty. **NO** refunds after June 1, 2018.

Checks payable to: “WBCCI” US Funds Only
Mail to: WBCCI, P.O. Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334

Rally Parking: Passes will be sent Spring 2018
Notes: Handicap Parking subject to verification by HQ

FOR REGISTRARS ONLY: Registration Date: _____ Rec'd By: _____
Payment Type: ☐Cash ☐Check ☐Card ☐PayPal Amt Paid: \$ _____ Check #: _____

61st Wally Byam Airstream Club International Rally

June 23-30, 2018 ★ Salem, Oregon

WBCCI #: _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Email: _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State/Prov: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Rally Attendee(s)	Quantity Info	Quantity	Rate	Amount
RV On Site	Yes = 1 No = 0		\$225.00	\$
Adult (18 & Over) (Each)	Enter number		\$110.00	\$
Youth (13 - 17) (Each)	Enter number		\$ 40.00	\$
Child (12 & Under)	Enter number		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Dry Camping Discount	Yes = 1 No = 0		\$ -30.00	\$
Lifetime Member Discount	Limit 1		\$ -20.00	\$
PayPal or Credit Card Fee	Yes = 1 No = 0		\$ 12.00	\$
GRAND TOTAL:				\$

Information	Yes	No
VAC Parking:		
First Time:		
Handicap:		
Dry: Solar OR		
Dry: Generator		

Registration Date: _____ Rec'd By: _____
Registration Source: ☐Mail ☐Online ☐Officer ☐Rally Handicap Permit: ☐On File ☐Update Requested ☐Update
Payment Type: ☐Cash ☐Check ☐Card ☐PayPal Amt Paid: \$ _____ Check #: _____

2018 International Rally Salem International Rally

Registration Update

Although the rally site has plenty of capacity remaining, the rally committee has suspended sale of registrations for 30 amp sites for the 2018 International Rally. At this time you may choose to:

1. Register for a dry camping site (either solar or generator) on wbcci.org.
2. Place your name on the standby list for a 30 amp site AND register for either solar or generator sites on wbcci.org. Be sure to check YES for "Add to Stand By List" on the Registration Form.
3. Place your name on the standby list for a 30 amp site only, at no cost, by calling Julie Rethman at 937-596-5211 or email her at jrethman@wbcci.org. You will be notified if a 30 amp site becomes available. This does not guarantee you a site unless a 30 amp site becomes available.

Cancellations or added capacity will allow moving members to 30 amp sites in the same order they joined the standby list.

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Rally Parking passes will be sent in the Spring of 2018

Event Properties

Event date 06-23-2018

Event End Date 06-30-2018

Registration Start Date 07-27-2017 1:50 pm

Capacity Unlimited

Registered 346

Cut off date 05-15-2018

Location Oregon State Fairgrounds

To register: wbcci.org/activities/international-rally/2018-salem-or/rally-registration

RECAP OF THE FABULOUS 395 CARAVAN



The critiques that were collected at the end of the caravan were tallied and the results were: Everyone thought the caravan was a success and would participate in the next one – time and budget permitting. Some of the suggestions were more free days, pot lucks, planned restaurant dinners and planned hikes. It was also suggested that there be fewer social hours – don't need one everyday.

There are a few discussions starting already, about a 2018 caravan up the California coast as far as Oregon. Keep your ear to the ground and I am sure you will hear more in the future months.

WHAT IS IT?

It's heavy and pretty expensive to buy. Why is it so important to own one? It's just one MORE thing to haul around for the Airstream. How often is it needed?

All of the above information and questions can be filed under the "Tire Maintenance" chapter in your own "how to keep my silver baby at her (or his) best". If you have had to change a tire on your silver baby, you must finish tightening the lug nuts to the factory spec. The correct torque is extremely important. Under the right amount of tension, the wheel is drawn to the brake hub face and the lug bolt will be well mated with the lug nut. Too much torque and lug bolt will be stretched, and eventually break. Too little tension and the lug nut can work off.

Instructions on how to use your torque wrench should come with it. On late model Airstreams, aluminum and steel wheels have torque specs running from 95 to 115 foot-pounds. Older trailers or those with replacement wheels may have other torque specifications. Check your owner's manual for the correct torque for your trailer. I have a 2014 International 25' and its torque should be 110 foot-pounds. Remember to check your lug nuts after the trailer has been towed for a while. Reset your torque wrench back to zero when you are done with it. HAPPY TOWING!



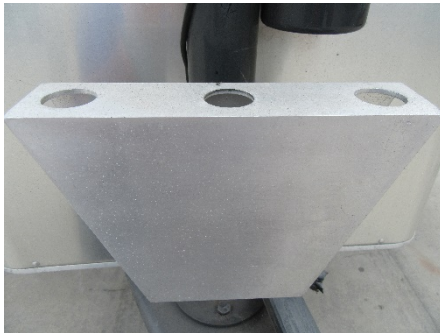


The Tattler Classified's

Contact Keith or Lynne Valley
klvalleyfamily@gmail.com,
805-452-5478

27,000

1993-21' Airstream Sovereign
Oak interior, large ref/freezer, large tanks, solar, new
faucets and batteries, day/night shades, forced air
and catalytic heater, Sony AM/FM/CD player, corner
bed plus couch/fold out bed, custom wheels, alum.
LP tanks



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John@leakesantiques.com or call (803) 684-5651 for
more information. WBCCI #3892. **Hitch must be turned
sideways to install flag holder.**
May not work on newer Airstreams.

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Central Coast California Unit Nylon Flag



Central Coast California Unit Flag being held by Brynley and Xander Mellinger, children of Gary and Ashley Mellinger and grandchildren of Gary and Christa Mellinger.

The Central Coast California Unit flag **ARE NOW AVAILABLE!**

To pick up the flag you ordered or to get it mailed to you, please contact Pam Lindsay at lindsay7043@sbcglobal.net. There are some extra flags available; more can be ordered. Contact Pam Lindsay to purchase one.

They were seen flying at the 395 Caravan & at Jackson
Don't be left out!

BUY & FLY THE UNIT FLAG PROUDLY AT OUR RALLIES.

CCC Members Coast to Fun and Friendship at Pismo



What a rally! 19 Airstream trailers, 2 Airstream motorhomes, 40 members, 33 of them attending *“The Phantom of the Melodrama”* at the Great American Melodrama in nearby Oceano. Who were these Central Coast members who made this rally a fun filled experience.

Gary and Christa Mellinger, Ed and Paula Poll, Stuart and Pam Lindsay, Jose and Anne Morales, Carol Cunningham, Joe and Myung Deering, Cal and Peggy Meuser, Adrian, Vickie and Edward Corbett, Mark and Shelly Griffin, Jan Dewitt and Charlene Huston, Jot and Linda Hollenbeck, Michael and Marsi Peterson, David and Mary Lawson, Tom and Teresa Tighe, Walt and Judy Bremer, Bruce and Ann Smith, David and Julie Hale. A very special welcome to Jeff and Lena Williams and Dave Temple, brand new members at their very first rally.

What is so great about our newest members is that they have all signed up for the next rally at Flying Flags at Buellton. So too have Bruce and Ann Smith. Pismo was their second rally, having been welcomed at the Jackson Rancheria Rally in September. Another wonderful welcome belonged to Jan Dewitt and Charlene Huston. They were unable to be at the Jalama Beach rally and we missed them being there, however, it was wonderful seeing them here at Pismo. We did miss Mark and Lora Knepp who had circumstances arise that kept them from the rally and the melodrama. We hope to see both Mark and Lora and another CCC rally real soon.

We were also blessed by guests. Everyone was thrilled to see Ruth Coffin. Our other special guest appearances were Bruce and Carol Yeoman, John and Jane Thornton and Keith Valley.

After Saturday breakfast, the second Board Meeting of the Central Coast California was held. President Paula Poll conducted the meeting which including the reading and approval of the March 2017 meeting, Treasurer’s report, Membership Chairman’s report and both Gary Mellinger and Linda Minder reported on the fantastic 395 Caravan in September. Election of officers rounded out the meeting. We welcome the new and returning officers for 2018.

Linda Hollenbeck – President, Bruce Yeoman & Lynne Valley, co-Vice Presidents, Carol Cunningham, Secretary, Bob Minder, Treasurer, Gary Mellinger, Membership, new two year Directors, Ruth Coffin and Judy Bremer. Mark Griffin and Mike Gross remain on the Board, serving the second year as Directors.

Virtually all of those who stayed Sunday night ventured to the Cracked Crab for a wonderful seafood dinner. It took two rows of five or more tables to seat everyone, but it was the perfect end to a great rally. Brad and Linda Bailey, Bob and Linda Minder as hosts, Jot Hollenbeck as the unit minstrel accompanied on guitar by Gary Mellinger, Michael Peterson as the captain of the campfires all added to the rally. The meals and the campfire and sing-a-long were all well attended. Several complimented the hosts, but it takes everyone who attends to make a rally a huge success. Congratulations to ALL.



Friday night dinner amid an array of silver. Left, front to back, Mary Lawson, Christa Mellinger, Linda Hollenbeck, Mike Peterson, right front to back, David Lawson, Gary Mellinger, Marsi Peterson, Jot Hollenbeck.



Paula Poll and Peggy Meuser are all smiles, Linda and Jot Hollenbeck are in the back.



Adrian Corbett and Tom Tighe hiding behind their sunglasses



Pam Lindsay and Carol Cunningham certainly look like they are enjoying the rally



Charlene Huston and Linda Hollenbeck, happy campers



Walt Bremer, Ed Poll and Gary Mellinger converse.

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Left to right, Judy Bremer, Ed Poll, Linda Hollenbeck, Paula Poll and Jot Hollenbeck enjoying each others company at the Pismo Coast rally. While earlier weather forecasts predicted rain, the skys above show clear, beautiful blue skys. It is a testimony to Central Coast Airstreams that bad weather is not be allowed at a rally. It is not that this philosophy works everytime, but it certainly did for this weekend. Thankfully the need for many canopies disappeared. Only two were employed where the food was being served.

Friday night had Chili and New England Clam Chowder and carrot cake for desert Fresh fruit, orange juice and yummy cinamon rolls and delicious bunde cakes on Saturday morning.

It has been said before, that if anyone in the Central Coast California rally leaves hungry, they have only themselves to blame. Everyone stayed and talked and gathered throughout the weekend.

Great food and wonderful people. Does not get better than that. Another large rally at Flying Flags in December. Way to go CCC!



Cal Meuser checking his gear on his Airstream Interstate. Edward Corbett is on the run again with Tom Tighe on the chase, giving parents Adrian and Vickie a well-deserved break. Those little feet can move.



A huge congregation of silver dots the landscape at Pismo Coast Village. It is a great debate whether the campers bring the trailers or the trailers bring the campers. But there is no mistaking that all those Airstreams represent a rally.





Myung and Joe Deering had so much fun, they decided to stay another night. Teresa and Tom Tighe are shown trying to convince his sister Kathy Brown that she needs to get an Airstream. After being exposed to the fun and friendship, sure makes getting an Airstream and joining the CCC a great idea.



New members Jeff and Lena Williams enjoying their first rally. Coming to Flying Flags in December for their second. The duck on the left is not a member. Since this was not a buddy rally, we are not sure who invited the duck. But he and his friends sure made themselves at home. Even the ducks had a fun time at the Pismo Coast Rally.



The rally featured the finest in outdoor dining. No expense was spared including decorations and colorful fall colors for the tables. Thank you Carol Cunningham for providing pumpkins as added décor. The hosts also thank the strong, able bodied members who helped move the five picnic tables together and then helped move them back after Sunday breakfast. One of the special parts of a rally are all the various members who chip in and help. Plus wonderful dry weather was specially ordered for everyone. The hosts disavow anything to do with the band practicing nearby. Jot and Gary yes; band no.



Christa Mellinger smiling and relaxing at the rally, Jose Morales strolls through the canopies, Joe Deering and Cal Meuser sitting at the fancy outdoor rally restaurant, new member Dave Temple poses for the Tattler at his first rally as a new member. Dave will be at Flying Flags in December for his second rally and we hope to see Dave at a great many more rallies in the future. Part of the demands of a new Airstream.

Melodrama memories





Christmas is coming next month. Here is a picture of Santa “Claws” getting ready for his Christmas Eve trip around the world. He is planning on enjoying a meal at the Cracked Crab Sunday on night at the Pismo Coast Rally (Picture courtesy of Michael Peterson).



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Why I joined the CCC

By Dave Temple



Airstreams have caught my eye on the road and in campgrounds for as long as I can remember. I think a seed was planted back when I was a kid when I remember seeing a shiny converted Airstream trailer used as the Mobile Quarantine Facility for the Apollo 11 astronauts when they returned from the moon.

Prior to purchasing my Airstream, when I'd see one on the road or groups of Airstream owners camping together, I'd think to myself "I want to be one of them". (*I wanted to be one of you!*) It was a deep desire of my heart that I wasn't sure would ever be fulfilled.

This past August my dream to own an Airstream came true. Shortly thereafter I joined the Central Coast California Unit and, as many of you know, I attended my first rally in November. As the rally weekend progressed, I quickly realized that buying an Airstream didn't automatically make me one of you. **YOU** made me one of you by warmly

welcoming and embracing me. I immediately felt included and part of this special group. As we sang around the campfire Friday night I thought to myself, "This is what camping is supposed to be like".

I so appreciate the many conversations, handshakes and hugs as well as the helpful tips throughout the rally weekend. It was an awesome, awesome four days. Thank you all for allowing me to hop on board this Airstream journey with you. I can't wait until the December rally!



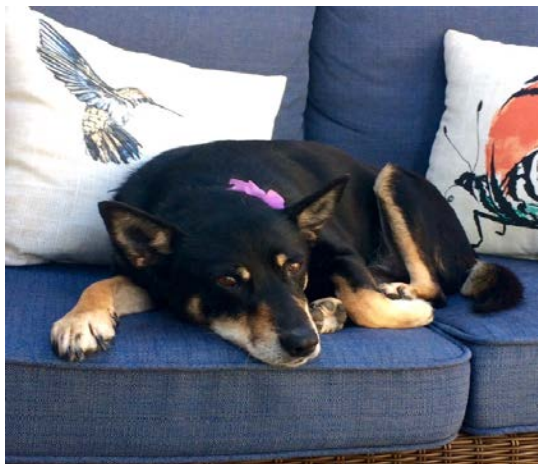
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Maggie's Story

I'll be the first to admit that I am a softie when it comes to a sad dog story. Having lost our previous dog, Thelma, an Australian Cattle Dog mix, to lymphoma cancer two years prior, grief would still always seem to visit in the smallest of ways when it came to having a dog in my life. Maggie came to me in a special way.

I was at the point of looking at dogs online at the local rescue shelter, even considering a Corgi from a breeder or a designer Labradoodle. Nothing seemed to touch my heart. Brad had promised me that I could pick out our next dog, as he had basically decided one day to go to the shelter and get our previous dog. This I was not sure about, but the one he brought home ended up to be one I loved fiercely for the next ten years.

Last January, I was driving home from Southern California after visiting my childhood girlfriends. They knew how much I had enjoyed having a dog in my life, and really encouraged me to get another dog. As I was driving north of Cayucos to my home in Cambria; Highway One goes from four lanes to two. I suddenly saw this black dog in the middle of the road, wet, dirty and seemingly confused, running back and forth stopping traffic both ways. I decided to pull over to the side and perhaps help him/her out. I opened my door calling to this dog and to my surprise she came running to the car, jumped over me and sat in the passenger seat. I laughed, and thought oh well, the mud will wash off! She had no collar and as I drove up the highway, I was thinking that I can't take you home today, plus I wanted to give her owner a chance to find her. So I turned around and stopped at a few turnouts to ask if she belonged to anyone. She seemed distraught and was whining, as if someone had left her behind.



When I arrived at the San Luis Obispo Animal Shelter, they determined she had no chip. She was dusty, dirty and smelly, a little thin and didn't seem like she had been well cared for. They said she looked like a Kelpie or Australian Cattle Dog mix. I felt sad for her, but knew in my mind this was the best thing to do.

She did her week hold at the shelter, no one claimed her and I kept thinking about her. I finally told Brad that I would like to adopt her. The shelter staff told us she was very sweet, likes people and other dogs and was very well mannered. They estimated her age to be three, although I had my suspicions she was more like five to seven years old. At her first Vet visit, he said her estimated age to be eight to nine years old. Guess we got a Senior Dog! But she is great and has fit in very well. She travels great in the car also, calmly sitting and looking out the window. I was worried about the reaction from our cat, but she took one look at Maggie and seemed to act like, "well, where have you been dog?" (in reference to our previous dog) They get along very well!



It is good to have a dog in our life again. Her breed and mannerisms reminds me very much of our previous dog. She is very loyal to us. She gets us out of the house, giving us a purpose to walk and feel the loveliness of each day. She is good companion for us empty nesters, and an added dimension to the other joys in our life. If you own or have ever owned a dog, you will know what I mean!

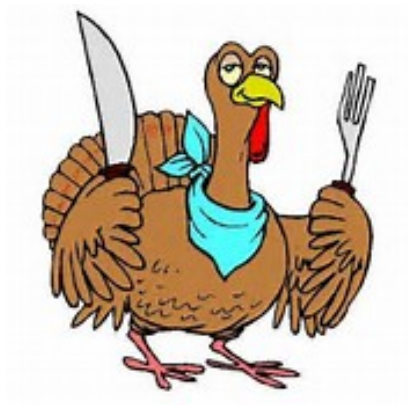
Linda Bailey - fellow Airstreamer

Another great idea from our very own, Cal Meuser



Cal has had to go smaller since trading in his Classic for an Interstate. He came up with these handy-dandy things for storing his water hose and electric hookup. They are light and budget-friendly!

THANK YOU, CAL!



The Tattler wishes everyone a very wonderful Thanksgiving. In case you plan on serving turkey, the one of the left is ready to be served. Bon Appetite.