

The Tattler

Central Coast California Unit – Region 12



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Airstream
"Adventure is the formula for
everlasting youth."

– Wally Byam

2019 Rally Schedule

- MARCH 29-30 – Flash Rally at Ridgecrest touring Petroglyph Canyon
- APRIL 5-7 – Pechanga RV Resort, Temecula
Hosts: Yvonne & Jim Savage, Mike & Roxy Gross, and Dave Temple
- MAY 3-5 – Lake Lopez (Quail Loop sites 25 through 43) – Make your own reservations | Hosts: Minder, Cunningham, Temple
- AUGUST 28-SEPTEMBER 12 – No. Cal Coast-to-Sierras Caravan
Coordinators: Bob & Linda Minder
- SEPTEMBER 12-15 – Boulder Creek RV, Lone Pine
Hosts: Dave Temple and Mark & Shelly Griffin
- OCTOBER 4-8 – Balloon Fiesta, Albuquerque NM – Caravan
Register online | Talk to Tom & Teresa Tighe or Gary Mellinger
- OCTOBER 9-13 – Region 12 Rally at Bakersfield RV Resort
Sponsored by the Lake Tahoe Airstream Club
- NOVEMBER 15-17 – Morro Dunes RV, Morro Bay
Hosts: Valley and Yeoman, (Business Meeting & Elections)
- DECEMBER Date TBD – Channel Islands Harbor, Make your own reservations, Hosts: Mike & Roxy Gross – Co-Hosts Needed



Central Coast Unit WBCCI

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 that 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 live on in the many Airstream Clubs that remain active to this day. Established on April 10, 1965, we continue to enjoy "Fun, Friendship & Camping."



President's Message

Pam Lindsay

Happy Spring from the Lindsays!!!

Keelin, Bailey, and Oliver are very happy to see the longer days.....it means more walks for them! I am overjoyed to see the sun again! Life is good!

At our last business meeting we were given the opportunity of suggesting rally destinations/ideas for the Tighe's to work with for 2020. If you have any ideas along those lines, please be sure to let them know. You can email them at tdhuxford@earthlink.com. I'm sure they would appreciate your input!

I hope the spring weather offers more opportunity for each of you to join in on more rallies! Our rally 'season' will take a break for the summer after Temecula this month and Lopez Lake in May. We restart our regular rally program again in September with our Lone Pine Rally. Come join us in the Alabama Hills.

Let's talk "Flash Rallies." For those that don't know what they are here is a quick overview. A member finds a great location or event that they are planning to go to and would like to share it with others. They simply put out an invitation to the Unit. With no host and no meal service requirements, flash-rallies are easy to create. It's the fun and friendship that is the key. Take a look at the recent Flash Rally report on the Coso Petroglyphs in this edition for a good example. And, as another example, Bob & Linda Minder just announced a Northern California caravan ending up at the September rally in Lone Pine. Read about it in the announcements.

Central Coast California Airstream Club

2019 Officers

- President – Pam Lindsay #4585
- Vice Pres. – Tom Tighe #3662
– Teresa Tighe
- Secretary - David Temple #5851
- Treasurer – Mark Griffin #1872
- Past Pres. – Linda Hollenbeck #4818

2019 Directors:

- One Yr. – Judy Bremer #3884
– Lynn Valley #3012
- Two Yr. – Gary Mellinger #2002
– Dave Lawson #5036

Operations:

- Membership – Bob & Linda Minder #4195
- Webmaster – Walt Bremer #3884
- Tattler – Mike & Marsi Peterson #2638

Club Website Links:

- [Central Coast CA Unit Website:](#)
- [CCCU Facebook Page:](#)
- [Airstream Region 12 Website](#)
- [WBCCI Airstream Club Facebook](#)
- [WBCCI International Website:](#)
- [WBCCI Twitter Feed:](#)



So, If you are planning any trips this summer and would like some company....let us know by sending out an email to the unit! Sometimes the impromptu gatherings are the best!

– Love to see you soon!



2017 Rally enjoying the Alabama Hills in the Spring



Join us at a Rally!

Membership Report

Bob & Linda Minder, Membership Directors

The Central Coast California Unit is happy to announce that we have two brand new members. Larry and Judy Rutter not only joined our Unit in March; they have already attended their first rally at Wine Country less than a week after we received their membership from International. Within in a couple of days after joining, they were a part of our private Facebook page. Living in San Luis Obispo, they are friends with Walt and Judy Bremer. We love their energy and commitment. The Unit also welcomes Randi Fogle and Jeff Poe who live in Paso Robles. And, a last-minute addition is John Allan who lives in Visalia. Welcome John.

The CCC also welcomed two families who are new affiliates. John and Carolyn Tomlinson live down south in Poway, CA. Members of the Greater Los Angeles Unit, they are now also part of the Central Coast California Unit. The second family, Frank and Sharon Bortugno live up north in Oakhurst, 20 miles from the west entrance of Yosemite. They are members of the El Camino Unit.

Your Membership team is actively working to recruit eight new Airstream owners living in the Central Coast from Ventura to Santa Barbara to Morro Bay. We have also not given up on getting 2018 members who have not rejoined yet, bring them back in the fold. The word fun has three letters, and so does CCC. That means CCC=FUN.

— Bob & Linda Minder



Member Profiles

Jim & Jeanne Wade Members

Hi, we are Jim and Jeanne Wade from Santa Paula. We have been part of the CCC club since 2004 when Jeanne woke up on her almost 50th birthday and declared that she was done with tent camping and sleeping on the ground!



We purchased our 2005 25' Safari from Sky River RV and have never looked back. We have made our little nest work for us for these many years. We are both still working, but only for a few more years. We try to attend as many rallies as we can with keeping to family obligations. Jim and I have been married for 43 years, we have one son, a beautiful daughter in law, and 2 gorgeous grandchildren. However our fur babies Tavish and Petal rule our life.



We enjoy taking our canoe with us when we can and getting on the water. Life as an Airstreamer has been great! Hope to see you down the road!

Jot & Linda Hollenbeck Fun Profile from 2015



Hi, I'm Linda Hollenbeck, and this cutie is my granddaughter Elizabeth. My husband, Jot, and I became Airstreamers in Dec. 2007. We joined the CCC unit soon after. We enjoy traveling, sailing, tennis and being grandparents. I love to quilt, hike and enjoy good food and wine. I'm currently the editor of *The Tattler* and Jot is the traveling musician for many CCC rallies. We have been as far as Monument Valley, and plan to head to Mount Rushmore and surrounds late this spring. We really enjoy our 25' Oceanbreeze and welcome you to stop by and say hello.

(That was 2015. Today, Jot and Linda live in Sedona, AZ, having moved there from Rancho Palos Verdes at the end of 2018. Linda served as the CCCU's President for 2018 and Jot has been our campfire guitarist/minstrel at campouts for many years. We miss their active participation. Below is a current picture with Elizabeth and Victoria.)



Club Membership:

- New Members in 2019: 8
- Total Members: 67 families, 16 affiliates = 83 unit members

Annual Membership Fees:

- WBCCI Membership = \$65 + CCCU Membership = \$80 total
- Join or renew at <http://wbcci.org>



Latest New Members

- Rick & Cheryl Cline, Ventura
Join 1/19 | 2018 25'
- Bill & Carol Munger, Felton
Transfer 11/18 | 1965 Safari 22'
- Martin & Julie Johnson, Templeton
Join 1/19 | 2017 Int'l 27'
- Mike & Karen Lopez, Thousand Oaks
Join 1/19 | 2017 Sport 16'
- Larry & Judy Ruttler, SLO
Join 3/19 | 2019 Flying Cloud 25'
- Randi Fogle & Jeff Poe, Paso Robles
Join 3/19 | 2017 T-Bahama 27'
- John Allan, Visalia
Join 4/19 | 2019 Classic 30'

Paso Robles, Wine Country RV Park Rally Report

March 22-24, 2019

Sun Communities' Wine Country RV Resort in Paso Robles was the setting for our Unit's March Rally. Despite a few raindrops, the party-cipants enjoyed mostly good weather during our small, but convivial, 10-rig gathering.

I believe a grand time was had by the attendees. Much credit is due to co-hosts Jason & Andrea Grendahl and Mary Lawson (the Wagon-mistress) for their organizing and extensive planning. At the rally site, these three worked day and night to ensure a successful gathering. And once the dust settled, we were blessed with the able decision-making of our club's president, Pam, and club's treasurer, Mark. Together, we were able to come in below budget for the rally (yay!)

In addition to the co-hosts, the rally campers included Chuck & Janie Alberti, affiliates Glen & Jane Gold, Mark & Shelly Griffen, Pam Lindsay, Gary & Christa Mellinger, Paula Poll (who showed up sans motorhome when enroute she had to leave it in Buellton for repairs), club newcomers Larry & Judy Rutter, and Bruce & Ann Smith.

Plus, we were visited by members Dan Jones and John & Jane Thornton. Their added participation in the club house was much appreciated.

The Resort Clubhouse: what a dream setup! For those of you unaware of Wine Country Resort's amenities, the spacious and valley-view meeting hall and vast kitchen (three ovens!) made the co-hosting duties easy to perform. And if that weren't enough, the Resort people (snaps especially to Alyssa) worked hard to make our stay physically and financially comfortable. They love us! And despite all our many last-minute negotiations, the Wine Country Resort staff said they are looking forward to seeing our club again soon.

Lastly, let me mention some of the many activities we all participated in during the Thursday afternoon to Monday morning outing. Wineries were visited (Mary and I enjoyed a tour of nearby Eberle's wine cellar). A number of campers traveled over to the coast for beach time in Cambria. On Sunday, I rode my recumbent trike to work-off the accumulation of delicious pot-luck hors de oeuvres (Friday dinner) and a Cahoots-catered meal on Saturday evening: sausage, chicken, and veggie lasagna along with Andrea's feta-enhanced tossed salad. Those staying on for Sunday's evening meal were treated to left-over lasagna, Pam's marinara pasta, and a visitor's pesto pasta and clafoutis dessert. (Look it up. It's worth it to get the recipe for clafoutis.)

— David Lawson, Rally Wagonmaster



Paso Robles Area Activities

- Wine Tasting Tours
- Mission San Miguel
- Explore Lake Nacimiento and the surrounding countryside
- Drive to Hearst Castle or Cambria on the coast
- Museums
- Have fun at the RV Park



Jason Grendahl enjoying the Potluck

Ridgecrest, Coso Petroglyph Flash Rally Report

March 29-31, 2019

Why would anyone go to the Ridgecrest Fairgrounds for a Rally? The answer is because of the Maturango Museum's tours into the Coso Mountains on China Lake Naval Weapons Center. Hiding high up in the Coso's are canyons with the highest density of Indian petroglyphs (rock art) in the Western Hemisphere. It is a rare treat to be able to visit "Little Petroglyph Canyon" and to view the high-quality petroglyphs dating back thousands of years.

We arrived on Friday and explored the Maturango Museum first. That was very instructive and got us all prepared for what we would experience on Saturday during the tour. Friday evening we shared a campfire and a dessert potluck. And then, on Saturday, the tour group met at 6:30AM and spent the entire day on a guided tour of the canyon. We concluded Saturday with a group dinner at a local Japanese Teppan Yaki restaurant. Sunday, we all packed up to return home via new adventures such as Death Valley (Thorntons) or the Poppy Preserve (Petersons).



The legendary Airstream group support and comradery was very present as we had two repairs to deal with that needed multiple hands. The Peterson's awning support pole broke while extending it and took emergency repairs. And, on Sunday, after pulling out and driving away, the Hale's heard a tell-tale noise when driving by a block-wall. They came back to the park where we diagnosed a brake spring failure in the passenger-side rear wheel. To our amazement, David produced all the tools and parts required and we disassembled and rebuilt the brake system right there. It was great teamwork and a lesson on preparedness.

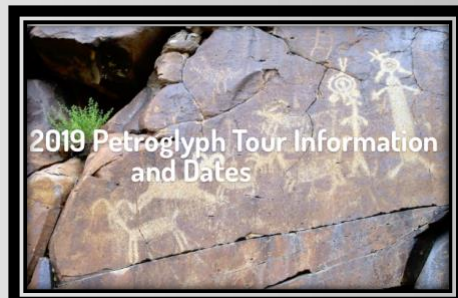


Attendees at this rally were: Mike & Marsi Peterson, David & Julie Hale, John & Jane Thornton, and guests Don & Marilyn Endicott from San Diego.

— Mike Peterson

Ridgecrest Area Activities

- Petroglyph Canyon Tour
- Maturango Museum
- Drive to Death Valley
- Drive to Owens Valley
- Enjoy the Superbloom happening throughout the desert



Mike Peterson & Gracie at the Antelope Valley Poppy Preserve

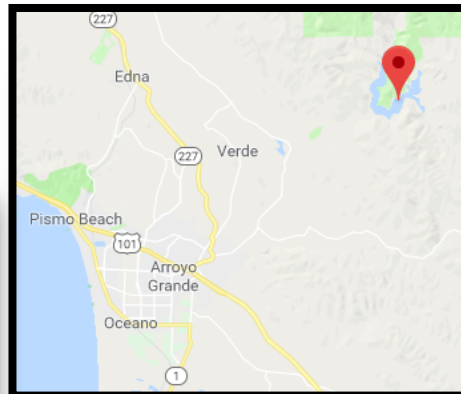
Upcoming Rally Information

Plan to come to these rallies!

Lake Lopez Rally – May 3-5

Hosts: Bob & Linda Minder, Carol Cunningham, Dave Temple

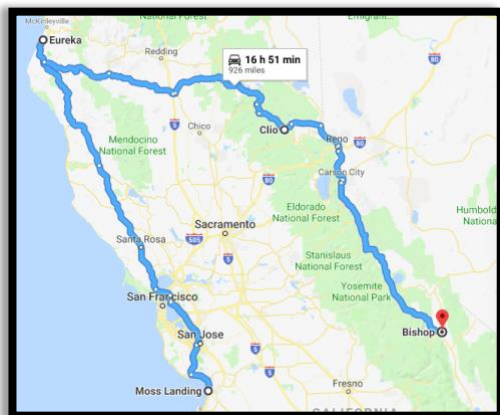
What to do here: Watersports | Kayak | Hike | Golf | Bike | Explore the 5-Cities area | Go to the beach | Shop the outlet Malls | [\(link to things to do\)](#)



Northern California Coast-to-Sierra Caravan – Aug 28-Sept 12

Hosts: None-flash rally style, Bob & Linda Minder are coordinating

The Plan: 14 days exploring northern CA from Moss Landing to Bishop ending the day before the September rally in Lone Pine





Central Coast California Unit WBCCI Rally

LOPEZ LAKE – QUAIL LOOP

(Sites 25-43)

(Make your own Site Reservation)

May 3rd - 5th, 2019

Hosts: Bob and Linda Minder

Carol Cunningham and Dave Temple

(805) 258-3901, (661) 203-6260, (661)330-7901

Tentative Schedule

Friday, May 3rd, 3 PM

Check in

5:00 Social hour

6:00 Spaghetti Dinner provided by Hosts

Saturday, May 4th

8:30 Breakfast provided

10:00 Trailer Maintenance Workshop

4:00 Board Games (bring your favorite)

5:00 Social hour

6:00 Potluck Dinner

Sunday, May 5th

8:30 Breakfast provided

11:00 Check out.

For those staying Sunday night,

Dinner at Klondike Pizza 6 pm

Monday, May 6th

11:00 am checkout

Rally Information

General Information: Lake Lopez is 17.3 miles East of Arroyo Grande at 6800 Lopez Drive. We currently have 10 of our 19 sites reserved left and encourage you to sign up early! Make your own reservations for sites, reservations.slocountyparks.com or call **(805) 788-2381**. Enjoy the Lake and the wildlife: deer, turkeys, red foxes and quails. Sites not reserved must be cancelled by 4/1/19.

Meals Included in Fee: Friday dinner, Saturday and Sunday breakfasts.

What to Bring: Table service and utensils for all meals and what you wish to drink. Hosts will provide snacks for Social Hours, bring your own drinks for the social hours, and a dish for the potluck dinner on Saturday.

Directions: Hwy From US 101 take the Grand Avenue exit in Arroyo Grande. Go East, pass through the Arroyo Grande, then turn right on Huasna Road, follow signs to Lake Lopez and you are there! . **GPS Coordinates:** Latitude: 35.1903579, Longitude: -120.4752481

Lopez Lake Rally Coupon

Name _____ WBCCI No. _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Email _____

Phone _____ Cell _____ Rig length _____

Emergency Contact: Name _____ Phone: _____

Rally Fee: \$30/rig, \$15/single \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Please mail coupon and check (payable to Central Coast CA Unit WBCCI) by March 31th
TO:

Bob and Linda Minder, 7170 Impala Drive, Ventura, CA 93003 Questions:

Contact Bob or Linda at (805) 258-3901 or rk minder@msn.com

Payments made after March 31, 2019 will not refunded.

FOR SITE RESERVATIONS, reservations.slocountyparks.com OR Call 805-788-2381

Club News and Notices



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Club Announcements:

- For Rally Coupons check our website or Facebook files
- Coming soon, Online Rally Registration instead of coupons
- Don't forget to renew your membership for 2019 – see the links below
- Co-Hosts and helpers still welcomed for 2019 Rallies – Contact Hosts and help!

Upcoming Events

- WBCCI: Region 12 Rally
Oct. 9-13 | Bakersfield RV Resort
Registration link here
- Balloon Fiesta – Oct. 5-13 2019
- Upcoming Flash Rallies:
 - August 28-Sept. 12 - NoCal Coast-to-Sierras | Contact Bob Minder for details wbcci.ccc@gmail.com

Give us your inputs for postings, notices, corrections or links for the Tattler.

Club Resources and Links

- Membership Roster and Contact List Online here:
 - Contact Walt Bremer, Webmaster, for access if you need it: wbremer@me.com
- Read Past Issues of The Tattler Newsletters:
- Access Rally Coupons online - CCCU website or CCCU Facebook
- To Join or Renew your Membership for 2019:
 - Regular Member: WBCCI International
 - Affiliate Member: CentralCoast CA. Unit Website
- Planning a Rally and Tips for hosting: Download the planning guide
- Buy CCCU Logo-Wear- instructions on website:

Airstream – Stay Connected!

Facebook Links

- WBCCI Wally Byam Airstream Club
- CentralCoast CA. Unit - Our Facebook page

WBCCI Websites

- WBCCI Region 12 Website - our parent Club
- WBCCI Airstream Club Website

Twitter Links to follow:

- WBCCI Airstream Club
- WBCCI Region 12 or #Airstream

Join us and Have Fun at a Rally!



Mary Lawson



Julie and David Hale



Gary & Christa Mellinger