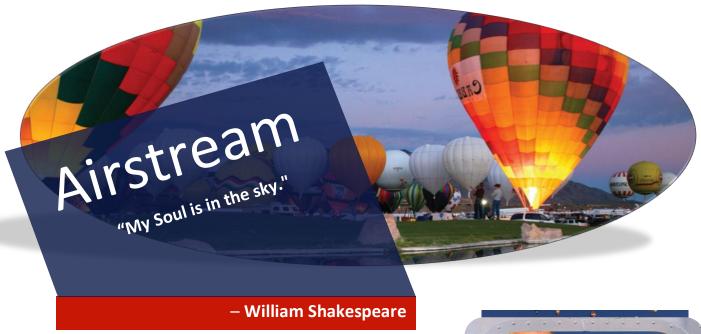
# The Tattler

Central Coast California Unit - Region 12



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# 2019-2020 Rally Schedule

- DECEMBER Date 13-15 Channel Islands Harbor, Rally Full Hosts: – Gross and Mellinger
- JANUARY 24-26 Palm Canyon Hotel & RV Resort, Borrego Springs Hosts: Diane & Jim Ellis and Pam Lindsay
- FEBRUARY 28-Mar 1 Pinnacles National Park, Paicines,
   Book own sites at [recreation.gov in Loop D] Hosts: Lawson 2<sup>nd</sup> needed
- MARCH 20-22 Pacific Dunes Ranch RV Resort, Oceano Hosts: Tom & Teresa Tighe, Cheryl & Rick Cline (Business Meeting)
- APRIL 16-19 Region 12 Cali Rally, V6 Ranch, Parkfield, WAIT LIST ONLY
- APRIL 24-26 San Simeon State Park Washburn Campground BOOK YOUR OWN SITE NOW Hosts: Karen & Bill Almas, 2nd Host Needed
- MAY 15-17 Lake Isabella KOA, Lake Isabella (Tentative) Hosts: TBD
- JUNE 20-28 WBAC International Rally, The Ranch, Loveland, CO
- SEPTEMBER Refugio State Beach, Goleta, CA (Tentative) Hosts: TBD
- OCTOBER 2-6 Balloon Fiesta National Rally, Albuquerque NM Registration opens Jan. 2020
- OCTOBER 21-25 Region 12 Rally, Emerald Desert RV Resort, Palm Desert, Registration Info Link:



# **Central Coast Unit WBCC**

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."





# Central Coast California Unit of the WBCCI **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
  - Lynne 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:

# President's Message Pam Lindsay

Hooray! The holidays are here!!

It's Thanksgiving and I am thankful for all the great friendships that I have through this organization and the fun, caring, and sharing that has been a major gift, especially this past year.

And a Merry Merry!! Tis the season to be joyful and I am certainly that! I'm looking forward to even more fun, friendship and camping this coming year and hope everyone can join in!

I keep saying...this IS a great group!!



We had a great rally at Morro Dunes and a good business meeting.

And, with that, let me introduce our new Board for 2020:

President: Teresa Tighe Vice President: Bob Minder Secretary: Diane Ellis Treasurer: Dave Temple

Membership: Gary Mellinger Jr. 2 year Directors: Chuck Alberti and

Rick Cline

1 year Directors: David Lawson and

Gary Mellinger Sr. Tattler Editor: Julie Hale Webmaster: Walt Bremer

Please welcome them all, and be sure to come to their inaugurations at the December Rally Dinner!

Cheerfully, Cheers!





#### Albuquerque – Balloon Fiesta - Rally Report

October 4-8, 2019

The 2019 Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta went off without a hitch for the most part. Members and affiliates from CCC were the Tighes, Griffins, Lindsay, Willey, Gross, Markwith, Mellingers, Palls, Tomlinsons, and Holly.

Off to Albuquerque; overnighting at Enchanted Trails RV on Thursday, with GLACC hosting a potluck. Following heavy overnight rain, the morning dawning cloudy, saw the customary staging of nearly 150 Airstreams at Camping World next to the RV Park; readying for caravanned into the Balloon Field 15 rigs at a time. Barely had most Airstreams been parked, heavy rain again pelting us, we settled in; being dined that evening- sans rain- on New Mexican food provided by the Fiesta Committee. Traveling in together, our CCC, affiliates and GLAAC were all parked together; with a really fun party and social hour every night. Our group was parked about 200' from the Balloon Museum, which was opened to us with free admittance on Sunday.



Sadly, Saturday morning proved a no-go for balloon ascension, as the Rio Grande Valley was socked in with fog. We were, however, treated to the customary morning glow and evening balloon lighting. Saturday and Sunday evenings we viewed the best fireworks while Michael and Roxy hosted a potluck at their front-row vantage point. Sunday morning proved favorable for the customary, exciting Mass Ascension with over 600 hot-air balloons, flying right over, almost touching our Airstream rigs, triggering the inner-photographer in each of us. Some- ok, ONE- of us: Mark Griffin to be exact- even climbing on top of his motorhome, to get the closest and BEST shots: of NOT only the Mass Ascension, but of the mass of assembled Airstreams, resembling an Airstream dealership and THEN some!



After these brief balloon-gazing, sight-seeing, restaurant-visiting, and socializing-with-old-friends days in Albuquerque, by Tuesday morning, sadly, it was time to depart Fiesta.

To those of you wishing you had been able to join in all the festivities, you CAN! Next year, it begins all over again. One need merely to sign up.

Gary Mellinger

# **Albuquerque Area Activities**

- Ride the Tram to Sandia Peak
- Visit 'Old Town Plaza' and eat Hatch Chilis
- Ride a Balloon
- Visit Acoma Pueblo
- Explore Petroglyph National Park and local museums and Nature Centers
- Biking and Hiking





October 2019 - Balloon Fiesta Pot Luck



#### Morro Bay - Morro Dunes - Rally Report

November 15-17, 2019

Morro Bay continues to be a popular rally destination. The rally kicked off with a host provided dinner of ham, scalloped potatoes, salad, and desert of pumpkin and apple pie with ice cream. New members, Paul and Gale Nelson, provided a campfire at their trailer site. Saturday morning started with egg casseroles, coffee cake, and fruit. Following the business meeting, the day was spent visiting area wineries, antiquing, eating at local restaurants, walking on the beach, and visiting with friends. Saturday night potluck dinner offered a great and abundant amount of food. Sunday morning started off with a breakfast of bagels, fruit, granola, and hardboiled eggs. Many campers then packed up and headed home, others staved an extra day to enjoy Morro Bay and friends.





The rally was hosted by Keith & Lynne Valley, and cohosted by Carol & Bruce Yeoman and Jim & Diane Ellis,
with nineteen trailers attendance: Chuck & Jeanie
Alberti, Bill & Karen Almas, Dan & Lenni Clardy, Rick &
Cheryl Cline, Mark & Shelly Griffin, Marty & Julie
Johnson, Dan, Karen, & Megan Jones, David & Mary
Lawson, Pam Lindsay, Gary & Christa Mellinger,
George & Jeanne Mitchell, Paul & Gale Nelson, Dave
Temple, Tom & Teresa Tighe, and Jeff & Lena Williams.

— Lynne Valley



# **Morro Bay Area Activities**

- Kayak and Explore the Estuary and State Park
- Beach-combing
- Biking and Hiking
- Visit Big Sur and explore
- Walk the boardwalk and enjoy the seafood
- Visit Montaña del Oro State Park or the Mission in San Luis Obispo
- Fishing





Jim Ellis - Cooking for the Group



# **Upcoming Rally Information**

Plan to come to these rallies! Sign up on the Website or Facebook

# **Channel Islands Harbor Rally - Dec. 13-15**

Hosts: Roxy & Mike Gross, Christa & Gary Mellinger (Installation of Officers Dinner and Parade of Lights at Corinthian Yacht Club)

What to do: Explore Ventura and the Harbor | Beach | Boating

Tour Santa Cruz Island | fishing | kayaking | biking | Golf

Link to things to do







## Borrego Springs - Palm Canyon RV Resort - January 24-26

**Hosts:** Diane & Jim Ellis (2<sup>nd</sup> Host needed)

What to do here: Explore the Anza Borrego State Park and surrounds | Visit Julian | 4 Wheeling | Slot

Canyons | Golf | Hiking | link to things to do









### **Newest Members**

- Richard Evans & Patricia Roether | Buellton | 30' FC
- Edward & Velia Grimaldo Clovis | 22' Sport
- Gwen Weisse Newbury Park | 25' Int'l
- George & Jeanne Mitchell Thousand Oaks | 23' Serenity
- Diana Paul | Buellton | 24'
   1968 Tradewind

# **Notices:**

- For <u>Rally Coupons</u> check our website or Facebook files
- Coming soon, Online Rally Registration instead of coupons
- To renew your membership for 2020 – see the links helow

# **Upcoming Events**

- December Channel Islands Rally
   the Coupon is on <u>Facebook</u>
- February Pinnacles Rally <u>Make</u> your own reservations Now!
- April San Simeon Rally <u>Make</u> your own reservations

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 <u>CCCU website</u> 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: <u>Download the planning guide</u>
- 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

#### Meet our New Members!



Jeff & Jasmine Bauer 2019



Mike & Karen Lopez 2019



Dawn Truelsen 2019