

# ROUNDUP

# **QUICK NOTES**

#### Wickenburg Rally Tom and Deb MacWilliams, Hosts

Lisa Parr has offered to run a Bingo game at the Wickenburg Rally, and we need prizes. Please bring a "White Elephant" (one per rig) to be offered as a prize. Definition of a White Elephant: An item that you purchased when you thought it would be useful, but after a few years have found that you never use it. A nice gift that you received, but have no use for it. A White Elephant is not trash that you would throw out. Please nicely wrap your White Elephant and bring it to the Wickenburg Rally.

#### Lake Havasu Rally Rick Carmichael and many others, Hosts

If you had been on the wait list for Lake Havasu and moved up to the attendees list, do not overlook your opportunity to register for both the Pontoon Regatta (boat ride on Wednesday) and the Bridge Dinner on Saturday. They both should be great fun. See details of the rally lower down in this issue.

#### Ajo Rally Mike and Gail McBurnie, Hosts

The Ajo Rally is April 2-5th at Shadow Ridge RV Park. The registration form will be online soon. All that plan to attend must call Shadow Ridge to make reservations, only 30 spaces will be available. The number is 520-387-5055. We are planning a visit to the Port of Entry Lukeville and to the Ajo Border Patrol Station for a tour and presentation.

Corresponding Secretary

Daniella Hauptmann is our Corresponding Secretary. If you know of someone in our club who is facing serious disease, major surgery, or loss of a loved one, please inform Daniella so she can send condolences on behalf of the club. Her email address is: <u>daniella@westusa.com</u>.

# **Report of Yuma Rally January 16-19, 2020**

Shelley Randall

Our first rally of 2020 took place in Yuma, AZ at the Bonita Mesa RV Resort. This was a new location for us and 52 folks enjoyed the variety of activities available in the area as well as in the



park. The facilities in the park included a wellequipped kitchen, a spacious Club House, access to a pool and hot spa and games such as horseshoes. The rally was hosted by Bob and Val Edwards, first-time hosts, who planned a fantastic rally. Co-hosts were Jim Moser and Shelley Randall.

We gathered on Thursday for a potluck dinner, followed by the Edwards describing and providing handouts for a variety of activities available in the Yuma area. From Old Town Yuma to Gateway Park to the Territorial Prison to visiting Mexico...there was something for

everyone to see and do.

SkyMed did a presentation on Friday morning and furnished us with breakfast. All but two rigs' owners were already members of SkyMed but it was a good review for all of us. Airstreamers had the rest of the day to enjoy Yuma. For dinner, the Edwards brought in pizza from a local eatery Da Boyz

and Charlie and Jane Wright made a delicious salad; dessert was ice cream bars.

Saturday morning the RV park and staff cooked us a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage, and scrambled eggs. We ate with the people already staying at the park. This was a great way for people to learn about what Airstreamers do. Fortified, we explored the area and returned for a tasty dinner catered by Olive Garden, complete with pastas, meats, several sauces, and their famous salad and bread sticks. Desserts were plentiful and included





cupcakes and ice cream bars.

After Saturday dinner, people shared some highlights of their explorations of the Yuma area. There were so many and our appetites were "whetted" to return to this location. Some activities mentioned included the following: Martha's Gardens Date Farm and their famous date shakes (only a mile away from the RV park); the Imperial National Wildlife Refuge; Prison Hall Brewery; Territorial Prison; biking along the Colorado River in Gateway Park; Farmer's Market;

Friday evening Jazz concert in town; Yuma Proving Ground Heritage Center; Antique Mall; Wood Carving Expo; Martinez Lake with a marina, pub, and kayaking; Peanut Patch tour; Sanguinetti Historical House Museum; AZ Market Place; several restaurants including Garden Cafe with live parrots and Lutes Casino; BLM land with petrified wood; dental visits to Mexico; seeing the agricultural regions; Yuma Crossing National Heritage Center; shopping in Old Town; Yuma Art Center; and even getting an Airstream cleaned and buffed for a great price.





Sunday breakfast included a "grab and go" for those who wanted to get on the road. We enjoyed yogurt, pastries, hard-

boiled eggs, juice. Some stayed until noon check out and enjoyed the beautiful weather, visiting with friends.

On a personal note: Jim's and my first time camping experience with the AZ Club was in January 2011 at the Fairgrounds in Yuma. The Club was celebrating their 50th Anniversary and we were "newbies" to Airstreaming and to the folks in the Club. Through the years, the Club has periodically returned to Yuma. The fairgrounds are no longer available to us because of the commitments of the fairground to local groups. We are delighted that Bonita Mesa RV Resort was found by Jack Frost and that Jim Moser could set up this camping location for 2020. It is a great location with an indoor Club house, especially welcome when it is so cold in other parts of AZ and also when it is difficult to find a

location during the busy "snowbird season" of January-March. The management and personnel at this RV park couldn't do enough for us to make our stay enjoyable. They want us to return and so I hope in the future, we can make this one of our stops in either January or February. We began our Airstreaming with the AZ Club as Affiliates in 2011, knowing no one. We continue our Airstreaming as Primary members of the AZ Club and now have met so many wonderful people who are our friends. That's what Airstreaming is all about.



### **New Members**

Bob Doster, Membership Chairman

I am sending an update on new members that have joined our Club in January. I believe all are in our on-line Directory so I will not include contact information. Sam and Kathy Brandes have been members at large as they traveled the US towing their newly acquired Airstream. This past year they decided to permanently locate in Apache Junction so they transferred from members-at-large to a member of our Club.

Susan Evante recently acquired Lady Bird, a 1966 Overlander. Susan is going to park Lady Bird in her backyard and use her for an Airbnb while she gets acquainted with her new trailer. Susan lives in Phoenix, and she has asked for help in learning how to hook up utilities and to tow her trailer. If you can help, please contact her.

Greg and Debi Vandivier live in Kingman, Arizona and have been members of Nevada Airstream Club but after reviewing our Rally schedule elected to transfer to the Arizona Airstream Club for year 2020. They are planning on attending our Lake Havasu Rally.

## Lake Havisu Rally "Spring Break for Grownups"

*Rick Carmichael* **7-day rally: March 2nd thru March 9th, 4-day rally: March 5th thru March 9th** 

Lake Havasu State Park, 699 London Bridge Rd, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

#### (\$25 per day early check-in for 4-day campers payable at park without reservation)

#### **Camper Instructions, the Do's and Don'ts:**

- Bring shoes suitable for powdery white sand with hats, sunglasses and sunscreen.
- Comfortable and functionally appropriate shoes will make tour activities more enjoyable
- Bring two chairs per person: One to save your festival spot overnight; One for the Flamingo Club, our very own private spot on the beach.
- Be a few minutes early for your excursions so as not to delay your group.
- Pets won't be visiting with us on our white sandy beaches, the park won't allow it; there are numerous other places they will enjoy. This is a pet-friendly park.
- Generators are allowed except during quiet hours between 10 PM and 7:30 AM.
- The Park will ticket us for blocking emergency boat launch safety lanes (at any time).
- Bring yard ornaments; preferably gaudy pink flamingos; we need to decorate our club.
- Always dispose of trash in garbage facilities before departing the beach or Flamingo Club.
- Musical instruments are encouraged for campfire songs.
- Let your hosts know if you plan to arrive on any day other than Monday or Thursday.
- Register for golf before February 11th even if you aren't a competent golfer (928) 855-4777.
- You may be able to borrow or share clubs and range balls at the rally.
- Be sure to always wear your festival arm band starting Thursday.
- Mark your festival chair with tape so you can locate it, maybe with your WBAC number.
- Set up your festival chair as early as Tuesday at noon. It will remain in place thru Sunday night.
- Arrive at the beginning of an act to use your chair; you may ask someone seated in it to move.
- After a music set starts, if you are not present, folks can sit in your chair thru that set.
- Have a great time with your old and new Airstream friends every single day and every night!

Your hosts will provide more details at your arrival celebration at the Flamingo Club.

#### **Itinerary:**

Monday March 2<sup>nd</sup> (Lot 3 Campground check-in time is 2:00 PM)

5:00 PM "Spring Break for Grownups" arrival celebration – BYOB, happy hour hors d'oeuvres and sides or a dessert

5:15 PM Announcements and rally bag distribution

6:00 PM Smoked Meat and Ribs Dinner with potluck side dishes and desserts

#### Tuesday March 3rd

8:00 AM Continental breakfast at the Flamingo Club, bring your own coffee, dishes and utensils 10:00 AM Lake Havasu Museum of History Tour (\$8, under 12 free) 1:00 PM – 2:45 PM Group London Bridge Tour, LHC Visitor Center, moderate activity level Dinner on your own

#### Wednesday March 4th

Breakfast on your own 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Pontoon Boat Regatta, picnic lunch and drinks provided, meet at Flamingo Club (You may provide your own alcoholic beverages; Glass containers are not allowed on the boats) 4:30 PM Private educational tour of Mudshark Brewery and tasting five different craft beers 5:00 PM Stay for happy hour and order dinner from their menu or arrange dinner on your own

#### Thursday March 5<sup>th</sup> (Dry Campground normal check-in time is 8:30 AM)

Breakfast on your own Airstream Tournament at Bridgewater Links Executive Golf Course (11AM – 1:30 PM) Second "Spring Break for Grownups" arrival celebration (welcome the 4-day rally participants) 5:00 PM Happy Hour. BYOB and a dessert or hors d'oeuvres. 5:15 PM Announcements and rally bag distribution 6:00 PM Fiesta Dinner with desserts that you provide 7:30 PM Campfire Songs

#### Friday March 6th

8:00 AM Breakfast at Peggy's Sunrise Café, individual checks National Anthem at 9:45 AM in Lot 4, Music from 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM 7:00 PM Group Dinner in the Barley Brother's Atrium

#### Saturday March 7th

8:00 AM Continental breakfast, bring your own coffee, dishes and utensils
National Anthem at 9:45 AM in Lot 4, Music from 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
6:15 PM Sunset Happy Hour at the Ohana Room patio, with cash bar provided for wine and beer
7:00 PM Scenic Dinner by the Bridge catered by Shugrue's. Lemon Caper Chicken or GF London Broil

#### Sunday March 8th

Breakfast on your own Music in Lot 4, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM Dinner on your own 7:30 PM Campfire songs

Monday March 9th (Campground check-out time is 12:00 noon) 8:00 AM Continental breakfast (feel free to bring leftovers), bring your own coffee, dishes and utensils

## **President's Corner:**

Jim Moser

I wish to thank Bob and Val Edwards for hosting a terrific rally in Yuma. Also, special thanks to Jack Frost who found the Bonita Mesa RV Park, a beautiful, spotless, and well-equipped venue for our

rally. Also, thank you to Charles and Jane Wright who served up a delicious salad, and to all others who helped to make this rally a success.

Ken and Tom are walking down Van Buren Street in Phoenix when they notice a sign outside a bar announcing drinks for 12 cents. They stop in and order one Manhattan each. After paying 24 cents, they order another round and Ken asks the bartender, "How can you offer drinks for such a low price?" He says he won the lottery and always wanted his own bar, so now he is building his business by offering low-priced drinks. Tom notices 25 people sitting at tables with no drinks, and asks, "What about them?" The bartender replies, "They're Arizona Airstreamers and they are waiting for happy hour to begin when drinks are half-price."

A hyperbole crashes into a bar, tears up the place, and demolishes everything!

Dates	Event	Location	Campground	Hosts	Co-Hosts	Helpers
Jan 16 - 19	AZ Club Rally	Yuma	Bonita Mesa RV Park (928) 342-2999 (801) 349-9780	Bob & Val Edwards (206) 734-8794	Jim Moser (570) 594-8585 Shelley Randall (570 594 3944	Charles & Jane Wright
Feb 20 - 23	AZ Club Rally	Wickenburg	Wickenburg Community Center (928) 855-4033	Tom & Deb MacWilliams (585) 694-5859 (585) 262-7781	Pete & Judy Vergalla (928) 231-4417 (928) 233-9353	Lisa Parr
Mar 2 - 9	AZ Club Rally	Lake Havasu	Lake Havasu State Park	Rick & Cheryl Carmichael (480) 231-7925	Dave VanGelder (520) 309-5396 Leslie Ritter Tony & Betty Sica (530) 748-9802 David & Karen Corbett (252) 230-3377	
Apr 2 - 5	AZ Club Rally	Ajo	Shadow Ridge RV Park	Mike & Gail McBurney (520) 471-4296 (520) 471-4297	Wayne & Kay Madewell (918) 839-0838	
Jun 20 - 27	WBCCI International Rally					
Sep 17 - 20	AZ Club Rally	Flagstaff	Wanderland Campground	Rick & Cheryl Carmichael (480) 231-7925	Jerry & Candace Nelson (602) 300-5599	NEED HELPERS
Sep 24 - 28	Region 11 Rally					
Oct 2 - 6	Balloon Festival					
Oct 22 - 25	AZ Club Rally	Camp Verde	Distant Drums RV Resort (877) 577-5507	NEED HOST		
Nov 12 - 15	AZ Club Rally	Tucson	Catalina State Park Loop B, Sites 50 - 74	Jerry & Candace Nelson (602) 300-5599		
Dec 5	AZ Club Luncheon					

Arizona Airstream Club Rally Schedule 2020 (update 12/9/2019)