

# The Urban Update

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## President's Message:

Hello all GLAAC members,

Are you tired of not being able to see your Airstream friends? Have you finished all those projects around the house? Do your dogs miss their Airstream buddies? If you answered yes, it looks like there is a break coming. After self-isolating for three months we are planning to travel again. Campgrounds are opening up. Our Event Committee, chaired by Paula Hammer, is constantly updating the events tab on our website. Keep checking for current updates.

Our rallies will start again, with some changes due to concern for Covid-19 protocols: no host rallies to start, no shared food and social distancing around campfires or when getting together. Even with these limitations, we will still have a great time.

The Executive Board has been meeting via Zoom over the past months to make sure the Club business does not fall through the cracks. (By the way, minutes of the Executive Board meetings are available under the membership tab on the GLAAC website.) Some items currently discussed are:  
--How does the Club compensate members for the slow down during the pandemic?

--Pamela Pall, Jim Polk and Alan Amundsen were selected to be on the nominating committee to enlist candidates for the open positions in 2021.

--How can the Club support the organizations that we depend on i.e: State Parks, Local Parks, National Parks, Firefighters, etc.

Additionally, the Club received an email from Region 12 President Cecelia Stansbury regarding a challenge from Region 8. All region 8 Clubs are going to identify and donate to charities that have been stretched



*GLAAC President, Tim Murphy, making the most of down time.*

to support pandemic-related issues.

The challenge is not about the total amount of money but rather about the Airstream Clubs' support of our local and state non-profits. Your Club's Executive Committee has suggested that our Club give the amount of \$20 per membership amounting to a total of \$1,180 from our treasury. We are suggesting the American Red Cross. Please let me know if you agree with this proposal.

The International Rally in Loveland was cancelled and therefore the delegate voting that would normally take place at the rally will be done electronically. You will be receiving an email or survey monkey ballot from me in the next few weeks to vote on the items. I will then tally them and as our Club's delegate send our vote to Headquarters. Please take the time to respond when you receive the ballot.

As you can see from the picture, I am in the process of getting our Airstream ready to roll again. I installed new fans, a new skylight, along with running the generator, checking all systems and dreaming of being with our Airstream friends.

Keep safe and I will see you soon,  
Tim



## Shelter in Place Rally, April-June, 2020

GLAAC members are resourceful and are making use of “down time.” But we are all looking forward to Airstream adventures, REALLY SOON!



*Bob Hawkins dug in at South Padre*



*the Landakers at the beach,*



*and the Schelcts snuggling in at home.*



*The Perris are busy working on “Blue,” their new vintage Airstream*



*Tom & Melanie are getting outside, while Pierre glamps at home with Loretta’s cuisine, and Glenn becomes a grandpa!*



*Ken Rees crafted this Airstream mailbox, Jean’s making masks, and the GLAAC Board is meeting on Zoom.*

## 2020 EVENTS

We are continuing to make plans for monthly rallies while responding to the changing requirements of being socially distant! The activities at the rallies may change but we are hopeful that we can still gather while keeping the space. Plans for 2021 are in the works. The first two rallies have been announced. Someplace new and a National Park that I can't wait to visit. Safe Travels!

Paula Hammer, Events Chair

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### July 2nd – 6th Flash Rally Rincon Parkway, Ventura

Dry Camping – Reserve Your Own Site

No Host Event

Here's a flash rally if you are looking for a camping adventure over the 4th of July weekend.



Sites are on a scenic stretch of roadway that offers outstanding views of the Pacific coastline and the Channel Islands. The parkway is just north of the city of Ventura on Highway 1. It's a great place to enjoy the view right from your site. It's a No Host event but come prepared for Happy Hour Gatherings and Pot Lucks! Ventura has lots to offer:

Cycling, surfing, wining, dining, shopping, breweries and entertainment.

This is a boondocking event. Sites are spartan, no hookups, no tables or fire rings, no dump, no water. Chemical toilets on site.

For the July 4th weekend:

- \$32 per night
- \$35 per Sat or Sun night
- Reserve April 1, 2020 at midnight for Wednesday, July 1 and beyond
- Reserve April 2, 2020 at midnight for Thursday, July 2 and beyond

“No Fireworks” will be strictly enforced, according to Ventura County Parks Dept. Dogs allowed. 6 ft leash required and \$1/ day fee

Check the website for more information and reservations <https://www.venturaparks.org/mbl/camping>

Over a holiday weekend, sites will book quickly. Sites can be reserved for 5-day blocks. Each account can reserve only one site. Check the website in advance of the reservation dates and setup an account. Interested campers should email [helen.perri@gmail.com](mailto:helen.perri@gmail.com) with questions, and to coordinate reservations. Please include your cell number.

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**August 13 – 17: Holloway’s RV Park in Big Bear**  
10 Full Hook-Up Sites. No-Host Event



Enjoy one of the most romantic and family fun getaways in the Big Bear Mountains with your private RV site sitting right at Big Bear Lake with spectacular views. There is a convenience store within walking distance and many restaurants and attractions nearby. Plus, of course, you’re directly next to Holloway’s Marina where you can rent boats, go fishing, take a tour of the lake and more!

Due to current social distancing rules, this will not be a typical hosted event with potlucks and provided meals. Jo Salzer is a Big Bear resident and is working closely with Holloway’s. She is available to field any questions @ [909-702- 5095](tel:909-702-5095).

To make reservations, contact Holloway’s directly at [909-866-5706](tel:909-866-5706), Thursday- Monday during business hrs of 8:00 am – 7:30 pm. and ask for Sue. Tell her that you are a member of GLAAC and would like to make a reservation for the club event. The sites are \$60/night. Payment information must be provided at the time the reservation is made. ALL RESERVATIONS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE. If we have a waitlist, there is a possibility of transfers. If there isn’t a waitlist, you will be able to reschedule for 2021 or later this fall if space is available.

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**September 10 -14: Fallen Leaf Campground, Tahoe**

[Reserve On-Line \(See Below\)](#)

No-host event



This campground is situated on the north shore of Fallen Leaf Lake and adjacent to Taylor Creek. The south shore of Lake Tahoe is less than a mile away. Fallen Leaf Lake is less crowded and not as well-known as Lake Tahoe, making this a great base camp for exploring the many sights and recreational activities in the area. To reserve your sites go online at: <https://www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/232769>

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**October 5 – 9: Sequoia RV Ranch, Three Rivers CA**

**Reservation Info Below**

Hosts: Jean & Alan Amundsen; Marion & Don Kuhns



Nestled in the Sierra Nevada foothills only 8 miles from the entrance of Sequoia National Park Sequoia RV Ranch offers fun and relaxing camping in a breathtaking natural setting. Open year-round, the ranch offers spacious and secluded campsites, many of which are positioned along the picturesque Kaweah River. Along with the hiking, biking, rafting, and expansive wildlife found at Sequoia National Park, a spring-fed swimming hole and a fishing hole are located on site, and nearby Kaweah Lake boasts excellent boating and water-skiing as well. To reserve your site call (559) 561-4333 or go on-line and book your stay at: <http://www.sequoiarvranch.com/>

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**October 21 – 25: Region 12 Rally—Emerald Desert RV Park in Palm Desert**

Hosts: San Diego Airstream Club

**WAIT LIST ONLY!**



Emerald Desert, located on 33 picturesque acres, is just minutes from all the fun of Palm Desert. Cool off in the sparkling pool and spa, perfect your game on the putting green or driving range, and even let your furry friends run around the fenced-in dog parks.

Registration is on the new Region 12 website: <https://airstreamclub.org/2020-region-12-rally> You can still get on the **wait list** until September 11, 2020.

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**November 12 – 16: Newport Dunes RV Resort, Newport Beach**

25 Full Hook-Up Sites.

Hosts: Steve & Paula Hammer; Jim Cahill & Linda Rendleman



Located in the heart of Newport Beach, Newport Dunes RV Resort is nestled on the scenic Back Bay, packed with unrivaled features and activities for fun and relaxation. The resort's amenities include swimming pools, whirlpool spa, beach, wave less swimming lagoon, market, watersports rentals, marina, boat launch, on-site waterfront dining at the Back Bay Bistro, and year-round recreational activities for all ages.

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**December 10 – 14: Pismo Coast Village RV Resort, Pismo Beach**

**"Event Fee Free" for Members & Affiliates**

GLAAC's Annual Holiday Party.

25 full hook-up sites. Hosts & co-hosts needed



This award-winning, nationally recognized resort is conveniently located within walking distance of downtown Pismo Beach shopping, restaurants, and the famous Pismo Pier.

Pismo Coast Village RV Resort also offers many great amenities including a General Store, restaurant, heated pool, arcade, laundromat, bicycle rentals, and miniature golf.

Relax to the sound of the surf, scent of the salt air, and the feel of an ocean breeze. It won't take long to find you have discovered a unique RV camping paradise on the ocean.

This is our annual holiday party that is filled with great food, caroling, GLAAC Academy Awards, steal-a-gift, and great times around the campfire!

## Looking Ahead to 2021!

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### January 21-24: Santee Lakes Campground, Santee CA

Full hook-up sites  
Hosts and Co-Hosts needed



Let's start out the New Year at a new location. Santee Lakes campground is part of the Santee Lakes Recreation Preserve 190-acre park. Amenities including camping, cabin rentals, fishing, boating, walking trails, and approximately 230 bird species. Santee Lakes is 20 miles northeast of San Diego so there is plenty to explore in the park and close by.

Reservations open on the 1st of the month 6 months in advance. On-line reservations can be made a few hours earlier at 8:00 pm on the last day of the month. Park office number is **619-596-3141**. Reserve a site in the Willow Loop area Sites 141-166. Send an email to [Events.GLAAC@gmail.com](mailto:Events.GLAAC@gmail.com), confirming your reservation and please include your site number

2021 Rates have not been posted but for reference, 2020 rates for a standard back-in spot are \$53 Sunday – Thursday and \$57 for weekends, plus a 10% occupancy tax. The total is due at the time of booking. <http://reservations.santeelakes.com/home.asp>

RESERVATIONS OPEN **JULY 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 pm** for online or 8:00 am for call-in on **AUGUST 1ST!**

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### February 11-15: Death Valley NP – Furnace Creek

Host and Co-Host Needed



Hottest, Driest, and Lowest National Park. In this below-sea-level basin, steady drought and record summer heat make Death Valley a land of extremes. Yet, each extreme has a striking contrast. Towering peaks are frosted with winter snow. Rare rainstorms bring vast fields of wildflowers. Lush oases harbor tiny fish and refuge

for wildlife and humans. Despite its morbid name, a great diversity of life survives in Death Valley. Our arrival date aligns with the New Moon! Fingers crossed for great stargazing.

The Furnace Creek Campground has 136 sites, some are designated for tents only. There are only 18 sites with full hook-ups, of which 3 are ADA. Most of the RV sites are non-electric. Fresh water and a dump station are available.

Sites are released for reservation on a 6-month rolling calendar. You need to book a site in **AUGUST**. Make sure to set up an account and check out the website and campsites in advance of the date the reservations open. Keep in mind that due to the rolling calendar, not all sites are reservable on a given day! Reserve your site on-line at <https://www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/232496>

Please send a note to [Events.GLAAC@gmail.com](mailto:Events.GLAAC@gmail.com) with your reservation information.