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# UWAC Club News

## Utah's Wasatch Airstream Club News

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

JIM POWELL

As March winds down we are all tired of winter, COVID-19 restrictions and politics. But spring is upon us, days are getting longer and we are ready to go camping! It's time to make those repairs to our rigs, shine it up and plan your summer / fall trips. Though some of our rallies have been cancelled, restrictions won't last forever and we can still get outside in small groups and enjoy many of our parks and beautiful camping spots in our area.



Barb and I spent February in our Airstream in Casa Grande, Arizona enjoying warm days golfing, playing pickleball and biking—the longest time we've spend in our trailer! We can attest to the positive effects that sunshine, physical activity and socializing does for your mental state. We feel quite refreshed and blessed to have that opportunity. So let's hope these virus restrictions end soon and we are back to normal.

Warm Regards,  
Jim Powell

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# Stories from the Road...

## AZ skies... Lake Havasu Rally

**“Spring Break for Grownups” — March 2 to 9, 2020**

**by Ron Jorgensen #1218**

Holly and I decided to kick-off the camping season early this year by paying a visit to our southern neighbors in the Arizona Airstream Club. We had a great time over the 4 days we attended the rally, along with club members from 10 states across the country. There were options for a full week of camping with hook-ups and a shorter 4-day “dry camping” stay. The location and timing of the rally were selected to coincide with the very popular Blue Grass on the Beach music festival that was held at this location over the 3-day weekend. The rally venue was Lake Havasu State Park (excellent place) and several of our rally get-togethers were held on the white sand beach near the camping.

We knew we’d made a good choice to travel and attend when we were treated to an opening happy hour and fiesta dinner on the beach. The club held a pre-festival music jam featuring popular songs from the 60’s through 80’s performed by a couple of club members (both musicians) including a full-size standup bass. The Arizona sunsets certainly didn’t disappoint (here’s a photo from our first evening at the rally):



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The weather was ideal, and the location at Lake Havasu City afforded lots of opportunities for dining-out and recreation beyond just the music festival. The Arizona club did a great job with a mix of rally meals and activities, along with lots and lots of music. For three days, the music festival featured national Bluegrass artists who performed sets from late morning through early evening. The music festival was well-attended, particularly by the many “snowbirds” who frequent the area this time of year. The rally agenda included several optional off-site activities like breakfasts, dinners, tours and golfing. Lake Havasu has a number of good restaurant options, so we also enjoyed the opportunity to dine-out particularly at the fun commercial area around London Bridge. We took another sunset picture (below) the 2nd night from the bridge.

One of the benefits of membership in the Wally Byam Airstream Club is the chance to participate in rallies and caravans across the country. We met a large number of great AS folks and look forward to seeing many of them again this summer at the International Rally in Loveland, Colorado. Be sure to join the fun — locally and beyond!





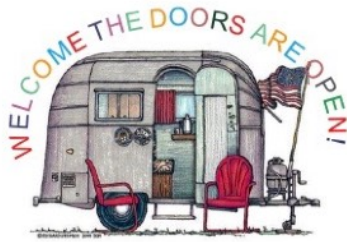
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# EXCITING IN 2020

## Welcome, Welcome To Our Newest Members

Please make our new members welcome and introduce yourselves at every opportunity.

Kevin and Elizabeth Bueller  
Larry and Tammy Finch  
Robert and Pene Herman  
Sterling and Carrie Martel  
Michael and Laurie Parsons  
Daniel & Ann Nackerman  
Lynell Elminger



Charles and Jane Field  
William and Carolyn Gedris  
Kirk and Robin Lang  
Les and Karen Munchie  
John Wynne & Allison  
Nerges  
Ian Wade & Ginger McKenna

## 2020 Rally Schedule

Loveland 2020 International Rally June 20 – 27

# CANCELLED

## Monument Valley -

April 30th - May 3, 2020

*\*This event has been cancelled due to a request by the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. They have requested that all Club sponsored events be cancelled for the next 60 days.*

**For further questions about the Rally, please contact Keith Lund**  
**mobile : 435-602-9817 email : kslund@aol.com May: Monument Valley**

Dates: April 30-May 3 (3 nights)

Hosts: Keith & Jeanne Lund

*\*\*Depending on how the situation develops, quite a few of us would still like to go to Monument Valley, just not under the Club umbrella.*

*Recently, Doc , the campground manager reported the Navajo Nation requested the campground be closed until April 6th to be consistent with the closure of the tribe's monument. Although nothing is absolute in today's world, Doc feels that this timetable is a realistic forecast of what most likely will happen. He promised that he would keep me in the communication loop with any changes to the above circumstances. I will also be reaching out to him weekly for any news or updates on the campground's operational status. I will email updates to those signed up with information I receive. For now our group gathering is still on and I hope as many of you as possible will be joining us in an amazing part of our western world.*

*Travel Safe, Keith*

**July:** No Host/Open

**August:** Bryce Canyon National Park (we have reservations at Ruby's)

Dates: August 13-17 (4 nights)

Hosts: TBD

**September:** No Host/Open

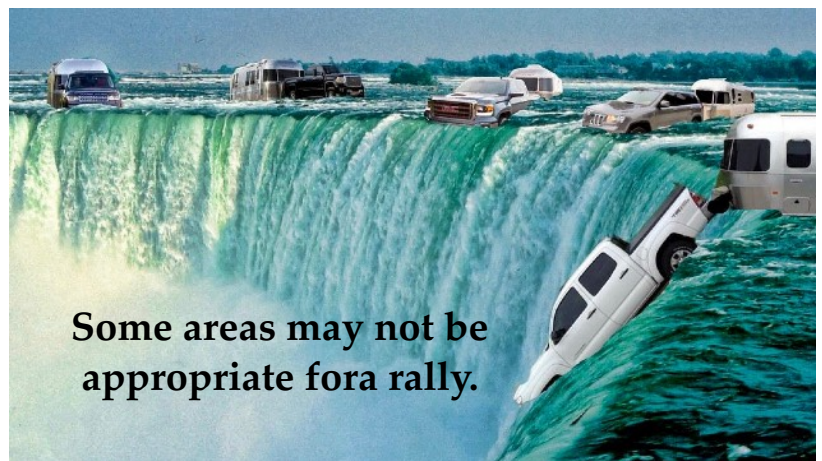
**October** 9-12 (3 nights)

Torry, UT (near Capitol Reef National Park)

Hosts: TBD

**November:** Club Dinner

We have some great rallies on the schedule but would like a couple more, and are still looking for hosts. Hosting a rally is fun, and even easier this year now that we have a Rally Coordinator: Holly Jorgensen. She is available to help plan and answer questions ([ron.holly.jorgensen@gmail.com](mailto:ron.holly.jorgensen@gmail.com) or cell: 801-599-8275).



There is a link to the new RALLY PLANNING GUIDE on our UWAC website: <https://utahswasatch.airstreamclub.net/files/2020/02/Rally-Planning-Guidelines.pdf>.

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# One Dish Recipes for the Road

## Romantic Chicken with Artichokes and Mushrooms

Easy, moist, flavorful and aromatic -- the white wine, artichokes and mushrooms make this chicken dish the way to any man's heart! Delicious served with buttered noodles and fresh greens.

4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves  
salt and pepper to taste  
1 tablespoon olive oil  
1 tablespoon butter  
1 (14 ounce) can marinated quartered artichoke hearts, drained, liquid reserved  
1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms  
1 cup white wine  
1 tablespoon capers

### Directions

Step 1 Season chicken with salt and pepper. Heat oil and butter in a large skillet over medium heat. Brown chicken in oil and butter for 5 to 7 minutes per side; remove from skillet, and set aside.

Step 2 Place artichoke hearts and mushrooms in the skillet, and saute until mushrooms are brown and tender. Return chicken to skillet, and pour in reserved artichoke liquid and wine. Reduce heat to low, and simmer for about 10 to 15 minutes, until chicken is no longer pink and juices run clear.

Step 3 Stir in capers, and simmer for another 5 minutes. Remove from heat; serve immediately.





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## Tech Tips

Our Airstreams give us the ability to camp in many locations with a multitude of various surroundings. One of the best parts of camping is setting up in remote spots that are quiet, peaceful and surrounded by natural beauty. Many times in order to achieve finding such a tranquil and beautiful location requires leaving crowded RV parks behind and going off grid. Commonly this is termed as “boondocking” or “dry camping”. Boondocking requires an alternative source of power such as solar replenishment of our batteries, conservation of our water supply and the ability to replenish the water storage tank and a watchful eye on our waste tank capacities.

I always found it frustrating to refill my water tank easily while in the middle of nowhere. Certainly many primitive type campgrounds may offer a water bib to fill storage bottle with but then the transfer from water jug into the Airstream’s water tank can be tedious and a little difficult due to the angle of the refill port and the size of the tank opening.

I found this handy way to refill your rig’s water tank and not spill one drop of hauled water.

These are the four things you will for your water transfer device:



Camco 10 ft Drinking Water Hose (6 ft. length would be better but isn’t made in that length)  
Camco Water Bandit  
Camco Water Tank Filler  
Some sort of water jug(s)

These 4 things can all be found on Amazon. I found mine at Motor Sports Land parts store.

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This is the device all put together.



This device in operation.





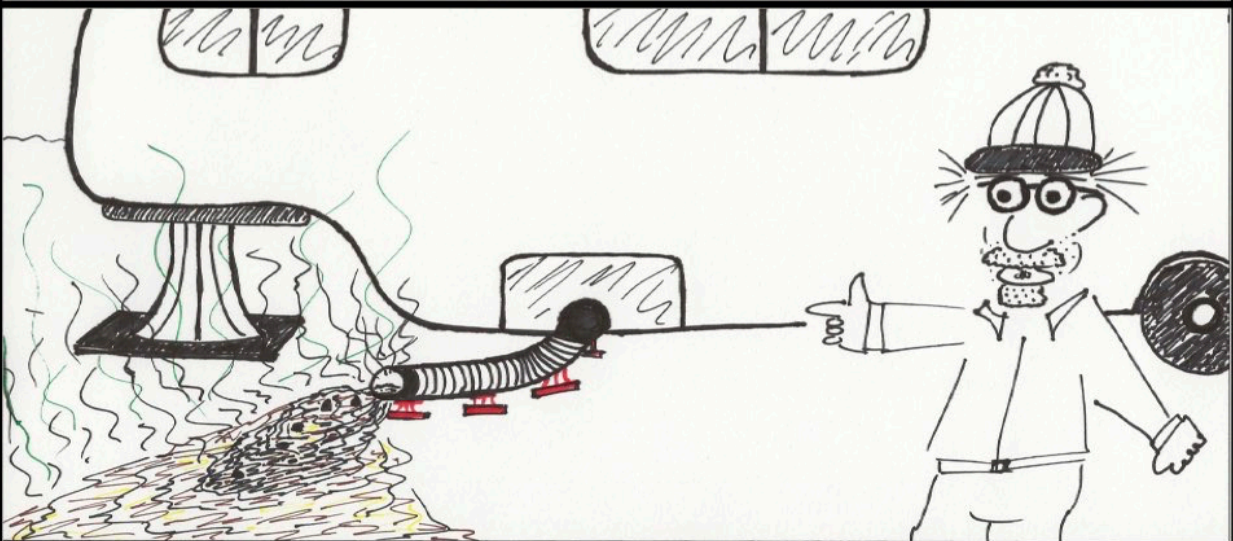
## IT IS NOW OFFICIALLY SPRINGTIME

Our next newsletter will be published in July. Hopefully, we will have been on great trips and will have news to share by then. We need the help of the members of our club to make the newsletter interesting and informative. If you have a fun trip, a tech tip, a new exciting destination or pictures you would be willing to share, we would love to include them. We all get tired of the same dishes when camping. Send in your favorite recipe for the rest of us to try. The newsletter will come out quarterly so we hope to have great new information for our July edition. Information and articles can be submitted in Microsoft, Pages, hard copy or carrier pigeon.

Email me: [jeanneL333@gmail.com](mailto:jeanneL333@gmail.com) and see me at the rallies. It's your newsletter, let's make it informative and fun. Jeanne Lund

### Festus A. Streamer

R.S. Jorgensen



Nice Spring boondocking 'til all the full-timers arrived when the RV parks all closed. New neighbor asks where to hook up the sewer hose... uh, Duh!