



Roundup

March 2021



## ON DECK

Coachella hiking highlights by @sapandjoe: Recently, we really liked Tahquitz Canyon and Araby Trail in Palm Springs, and Cottonwood Spring in Joshua Tree NP. Canyon is an easy 2-mile hike to a waterfall with little elevation gain. There is a fee to hike the canyon. Araby Trail is moderate trail with beautiful views of Palm Springs and the iconic Bob Hope house! Cottonwood Spring is an easy trail through the oasis. Joshua Tree has trails of all levels we've been wanting to try. Campsites are available.

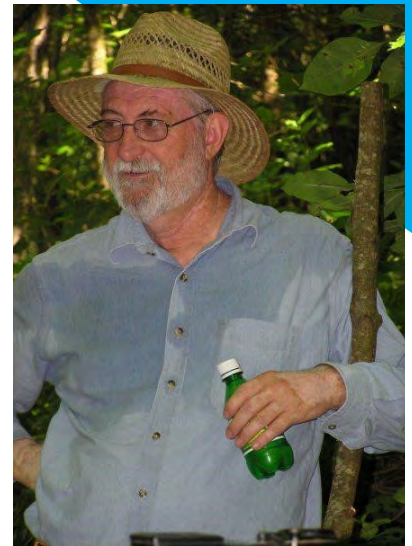
## PRESIDENT

Picacho Peak was a makeup rally for our cancelled Lost Dutchman group site, a chance to camp, hike, bike and hang out in small groups of less than six on AAC's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. The challenging hike up the peak is one of Arizona's nicest. We enjoyed our visit and AAC will return soon.



## OUR NEW TRUSTEE

Meet Wayne Madewell (right). He is our new trustee, elected unanimously to serve as a voting member on our AAC board. He served in the US Army 24 years, got his bachelor's at SE Oklahoma State, master's degrees at University of Oklahoma, earned his ThD from Newburgh Seminary, then taught at Carl Albert State College in Poteau Oklahoma. (Trustee Page 4).



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## MEMBERSHIP

In 1958 the first WBCCI International Rally was held in Bull Shoals, Arkansas with 300 Airstreams attending. It was modeled after the International Trailer Rallies that Wally Byam had attended in Europe. (International page 3).







## AAC IS ABOUT OUR MEMBERS



## Welcome our five newest sets of friends

### NEW MEMBERS

- Donald and Marilyn Sluyk, from Scottsdale, current members of the 4CU Airstream club became affiliates.
- Tammy Bose from Tucson will hopefully meet us at a rally soon.
- Phil and Deb Street from Oracle recently moved to Arizona from Colorado. They have towed for many years but are now in their first Airstream. They also go north in the summer and will be at our Rally in the Dolores River Campgrounds in June.
- Last month Tom and Linda Aufdenberg transferred their membership from member at large to the Arizona Airstream Club. Three years ago, they bought a new Airstream and began seeing the USA. Later they bought another new Airstream better suited for extended travel. When Covid-19 became an issue, they decided settled in Lake Havasu City.
- Hugh and Isabelle Lowham of Lander Wyoming are recruits, working on getting their affiliation set up, when they get back home to internet.

**Please introduce yourselves to our incredible new members!**



# AAC, an Arizona Tradition, since 1961



## INTERNATIONAL

This quickly became WBCCI's biggest annual event with the number of Airstreams attending passing 1000 in 1962, 2000 in 1965, 3000 in 1970, and 4000 in 1975.

This year, July 17-24, the 64th International Rally will be held at Wilson County Fairgrounds in Lebanon, TN, the county seat of Wilson County, Tennessee with a population of approximately 37,000. Lebanon is located approximately 25 miles east of Nashville and less than a three-hour drive to Great Smoky Mountains National Park. These days, International attracts between one and two thousand rigs.

If you plan to go, make reservations well in advance. If you need National Park campsites those are available to reserve (briefly) one year in advance. Talk to Gail and Mike Mc Burney, who will be carrying our Arizona Airstream Club ceremonial flags for the opening ceremony. Many other AAC members plan to attend so be sure to synchronize your plans.

If you can't make it to International this year, next year International will tentatively be in Fryeburg, Maine so mark your calendar for late June, possibly (I am speculating prior to formal announcement) June 18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Bob Doster, Membership Chair**





# Hosting

We really need a host for Williams. It should be an interesting small late summer rally that probably allows us to feature a happy hour and potluck. We all long for a return to hosted rallies. Unless someone signs up soon, I plan to select a group day and rail car for the Grand Canyon Railway and estimate a rally fee. The area has the Bearizona Drive-thru Wildlife Park and of course all things Route 66. If you are interested in hosting let me know. RAILSIDE RV Park does the heavy lifting on this one.

## Trustee (Continued from page 1)

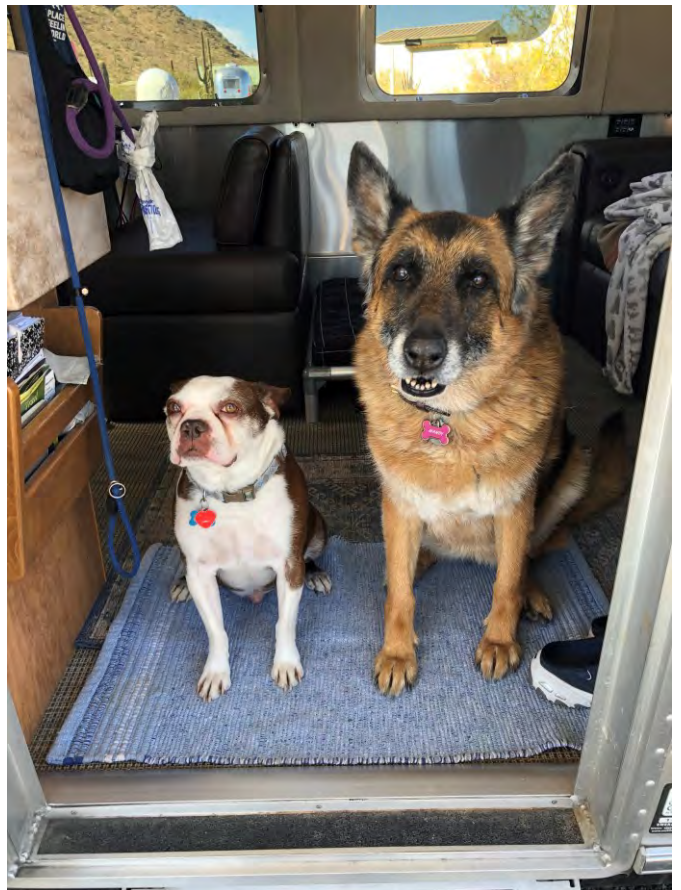
Wayne and Kay owned an automotive supply store and an antique shop. They started RV'ing in 1984 owning a Class A, Class C and fifth wheel. Their first Airstream was a 19' class B. Later they refurbished a vintage airstream and towed it to Alaska. In 2013 they purchased their current 31' Classic with big red numbers 4438. Wayne and Kay reside in Ajo Arizona.











# Rallies

Start Date	Location	Sites	Registration Status	Hosts
Jan 21st	Cave Creek Regional Park <i>Communications will be provided soon to participants regarding events and Maricopa Stat Park COVID Safety rules for AAC</i>	23	wait list 7	Rick Carmichael Sharon White Norm White
Feb 4th	<b>Lost Dutchman State Park (Group Site Cancelled)</b> <i>Replaced with Picacho Peak with AZ State Park Ranger help</i>	20	wait list 2	James Moser Shelley Randall
Feb 18th	Picacho Peak State Park (Lost Dutchman Makeup)	22	registered 22	"Just Camping"
Mar 18th	Coachella Valley CA (Shadow Hills) This will be a nice rally, John opened more sites	35	registered 30	John Holley Nancy Fisher (planner) Rick Carmichael (breakfast)
Apr 8th	Kartchner Caverns State Park <i>Watch for Special Tour registration announcement</i>	27	wait list 6	Bob Doster <b>NEED HOST</b>
May 6th	Prescott (Point of Rocks RV Campground) <i>Call campground direct to register</i>	25	registered 24	"Just Camping"
Jun 3rd	Dolores CO (Dolores River Campground) Co-Rally with Vintage Airstream Club <i>Bring your Hawaiiin shirts for Mai Tai retro night!</i>	65	registered 30	Rick Carmichael Trish Bigler (planner) VAC Hosts to be announced
Jul 2nd	Flagstaff (Woody Mountain Campground)	16	registered 4	"Just Camping"
Aug 12th	Williams (Railside RV Ranch)	16	register Soon	<b>NEED HOST</b>
Sep 16th	Flagstaff (O'Leary, Sunset Crater National Monument)	18	registered 14	Bob Doster Joe Thomas Anne Thomas
Oct 14th	Camp Verde (Distant Drums RV Resort)	28	not started	<b>NEED HOST</b>
Nov 11th	Patagonia Lake State Park	22	waitlist 7	Mike McBurney <b>NEED HOST</b>
Dec 4th	Luncheon, Phoenix (University Club Restaurant, 11 AM)	70	not started	Rick Carmichael Mike McBurney Lisa Parr, Menu Planner
Dec 4th	Tour, Phoenix (Heard Museum) (2 PM)	40	not started	<b>NEED HOST</b>

## Breaking News

**Palm Springs Aerial Tramway reopened!** Ascend two-and-one-half miles to a pristine wilderness aboard the world's largest rotating tramcar. Tickets go on sale on March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> for our Friday and Saturday Coachella rally dates. Tickets sell out quickly. <https://pstramway.com/tickets/>