

# The NorCal News



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## President's Column

The picture to the right is one of my favorite views...that of the rear view mirror reflecting our Airstream hitched-up. It seemed appropriate for the start of our rally season this month, with our first rally in Gilroy. We look forward to seeing those who have registered. The hosts were able to arrange dinner deliveries for Wednesday and Saturday. We also have a large outdoor area available to us for gatherings. We're slowly getting back to normal rally activities!

Rally schedule changes have almost become the norm recently - and it's already begun for this year. Bodega Bay RV Park let us know they are canceling all group reservations for the rest of the year, while Marina Dunes RV Park has new owners with new camping fee increases that are too expensive for a rally. Then we discovered that McCloud RV Resort also has new owners and they have changed various details on our June rally, namely cost. It is getting tougher to find campgrounds willing to host groups these days, and cost increases may be a sign of the times.

In lieu of Bodega Bay, Our Rally chair, Pat L. was able to secure Angels Camp RV Resort as the site of our September Rally and is working on November. In the meantime, Pat would love to hear from you if you can host any of the remaining rallies without hosts - including the upcoming June rally in McCloud. Unfortunately, this is the one NorCal rally that Lori and I will miss this year. We will be on the Springtime in the Rockies caravan during this time.

I hope everyone had a chance to see the great feature article on NorCal's Oregon Coast caravan in the March edition Blue Beret. Many of you may have also recognized Josè and Carmen's truck and trailer on the cover. Lori and I were fortunate to be on that caravan, and we had a fabulous time.



There is now talk about the next NorCal caravan. But with all the great options, where to go and what to do? Our Caravan Chair Bob V. has submitted a great article about unit caravans for this month's Poppy. I invite you to click the link to a short member survey on page 4. Everyone's input is valuable for planning future unit/club caravans.

Enjoy your Airstreams. We hope to see you down the road in the coming year.

*John Bibby*

*"Life is better with Airstreams, great adventures, and good friends"*

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## From The Editor

It is officially Spring; definitely time to pack up the Airstream and roll down the road. For us, that road leads to the Gilroy Rally, our first time out in four months, since we were at Black Oak in December. We will be able to try out our new cherry-wood dinette table, courtesy of [Archer Woodworks](#), and maybe our new Blackstone griddle we bought for Christmas. Perhaps you too have new additions to your Airstream or camp site to try out?

When I started putting together this issue, I wondered what I was going to do for content, since our March Rally was canceled. But then John Bibby sent me the Star Report (page 3) featuring those members who receive their longevity stars this year, roving reporter Carmen Ortiz submitted her story on their recent adventures to Valley of Fire State Park in Nevada, with stops in Arizona and Anza Borega State Park in Southern California (page 11), and Bob Vasser came up with the idea to highlight past NorCal Club caravans with a photo history, dating back to 2003, to accompany his caravan survey (page 4). Great stuff! A huge thank-you to all of them for their submissions and I trust you will enjoy them. Remember – if you have a submission to the newsletter on anything to do with Airstreaming or the club, let me know and I can work with you on possible publication here.

Summary and Coupon for the June Rally begins on page 10. This year, the rally is at McCloud RV park, right next to Mount Shasta. McCloud has a very interesting history, and is close to other interesting small towns, and several outdoor activities. Check it out.

Finally, Happy Easter to Everyone (Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup>) and do not forget to enjoy California Poppy Day, celebrating our club symbol, on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

— Elisa Ungerman



Anza Borego State Park during  
All Terrain Caravan 2019

## 2021 Rallies/Gatherings

4/7-11	Gilroy Garlic RV Park	Gilroy
Hosts: Carole & Bob Echols Steve & Yoshi Deiwert		

4/22-25	Cali Rally-V6 Ranch	Parkfield
<b>POSTPONED TO NEXT YEAR</b>		

5/5-9	Lassen RV Resort	McArthur
Hosts: Billie & Bob Verdegaaal		

6/9-13	McCloud RV Resort	McCloud
<b>HOSTS NEEDED</b>		

7/17-24	International Rally	Lebanon, TN
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8/4-8	Pioneer RV Park	Quincy
Hosts: Dan & Gail Crutchfield, Phyllis & Mike Minadeo		

9/8-12	Angels Camp RV Resort	Angels Camp
<b>HOSTS NEEDED</b>		

9/28-10/2	High Sierra RV Park	Oakhurst
<b>HOSTS NEEDED</b>		

10/6-10	Cava Robles Resort	Paso Robles
Region 12 Rally - Info TBA		

11/3-7	To Be Determined	
Hosts: Carmen & Jose Ortiz, Tari & Janie Salinger		

12/2-6	Black Oak Casino RV Park	Sonora
<b>HOSTS NEEDED</b>		

### The Fine Print

New info shown in **green**. Dates are arrival and departure, although you can often request early arrival or Monday departure. Sign-ups are accomplished by submitting a completed Registration form by the due date to the club Registrar. "Buddy" events allow you to invite a non-member even if they don't own an Airstream. Events lacking hosts or the minimum number of campers may be cancelled. Rallies are subject to COVID restrictions and protocols.



## NorCal Club Contacts

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<https://airstreamclub.org>

### Region 12 on the Web

<https://airstreamclub.org/region12>

### NorCal on the Web

<https://airstreamclub.org/northern-california>

## NorCal Club Membership Snapshot

158	Unit/Life Members
<u>23</u>	Affiliate Members
181	Total Members



## 2021 STAR REPORT

Wally Byam Airstream Club members earn a red star for every five years of membership. If desired, the stars may be displayed aside the club decal (above big red numbers) on the front and rear of your Airstream. The stars are provided by WBAC free of charge, and presented to members at club rallies and events. The following NorCal members have earned new stars with membership anniversary dates in 2021:

**Sue Campbell** #4727 -  
7th star (joined in 1986, 35 years of membership!)

**Bob & Carole Echols** #3464 -  
2nd star

**Eric & Jan French** #4254 -  
2nd star

**Teri & Greg Bradburn** #4957 -  
1st star

**Chris & Dean Davison** #2440 -  
1st star

**Frank & Diane Gould** #3445 -  
1st star

**Glenna Lee & Chris Stephan** #2069 -  
1st star

**Josè & Carmen Ortiz** #17655 -  
1st star

**Don Taylor & Laura Lind** #10111 -  
1st star

**Bob & Billie Verdegaal** #4970 -  
1st star

Congratulations to all on your 5 year membership anniversary!





## Airstream Unit/Club Caravans Are Special

Nor Cal has a rich and extensive history of providing opportunities for members to participate in fun, interesting, and safe caravans. I'm guessing there is no other WBCCI unit that can match the scope of Nor Cal's caravanning. Traveling with friends is fun, builds community, and is a significant benefit of owning an Airstream. Ours is one of the largest, most active units in the WBCCI. Planning caravans that match the interests of unit members is the most important factor that influences participation.

It's been quite a while since a caravanning interest survey has been undertaken by Nor Cal. Let's do it this month!

There are generally three kinds of caravans. **Destination caravans** travel to a specific location to participate in activities or events. Caravanning to an International Rally is good example. **Touring caravans** travel to places of interest and plans time for participants to enjoy special attractions. **Special interest caravans** travel to areas where caravanners have opportunities to have fun doing something of personal interest. Fly fishing, golf, and birding are popular activities that could be the focus of a

caravan. Destination and special interest caravans just about always include stops for sightseeing and touring whenever possible.

In order to match future unit caravans with the interests of Nor Cal members, I put together a simple survey that will provide valuable information for anyone planning to lead a unit caravan. I encourage you to complete the eight question survey by clicking on the following link

<https://form.jotform.com/210697086073056>.

**Please complete and submit the survey by Friday, April 16th.**

Kudos are extended to Carolyn Beardshear for her time, energy and creative thinking. We brainstormed the survey questions and then she formatted the survey and created the link. Her quality work is truly appreciated.

*Safe travels,  
Bob Vasser  
NorCal Caravan Chair*



Photos from Norcal's most recent caravan up the Oregon Coast in 2020 - more photos of other caravans follow on pages



# Memories of Past NorCal Caravans



Memories Continued on next page





Canyon Adventure



2016



Tag-a-long to Florida Fantasy Caravan 2011

Voyage to Vermont 2003



Cable Car Capers 2014



Streaming Fun to Southwest 2015





Photos submitted by Bob Vasser and Elisa Ungerman



California All Terrain 2019





# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**Tony & Sharon Paz**

**Stacy & Forrest North**

**Jim & Susan Goudreau**



- |                  |                  |
|------------------|------------------|
| 1 Tom Smithson   | 14 Jim Gallagher |
| 3 Mike Malone    | 16 Dace Roll     |
| 6 Harold Higgins | 18 Annie Barlow  |
| 7 Fred Lyon      | 24 Fran Angerer  |
| 11 Bill Maffei   | 29 Phil Glassey  |
| 11 Peggy Spence  | 30 Bob Totten    |
| 11 Terry Totten  |                  |



According to the [Mayo Clinic](#), laughter stimulates the body's organs by increasing oxygen intake to the heart, lungs and muscles, and triggers the release of endorphins. It also helps people handle stress by easing tension, relaxing the muscles and lowering blood pressure. However, another more important benefit of laughter, especially given the pandemic, is that [laughter can increase immune cells and infection-fighting antibodies](#), thus improving your resistance to disease. So, as weird as it sounds, jokes can really help you to fight the coronavirus. Who knew?

## Happy Anniversary







# June 9-13, 2021

## MAKING MERRY IN McCLOUD

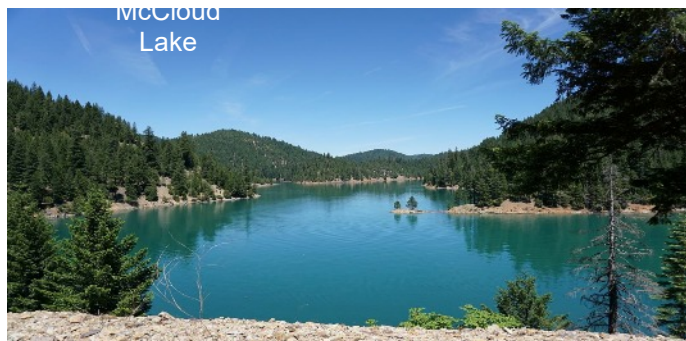
June's NorCal Rally takes us to the historical town of McCloud. Located on the south side of Mount Shasta, its roots are deeply intertwined with both lumbering and railroading, having literally been a company town for decades. The entire downtown is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Downtown McCloud



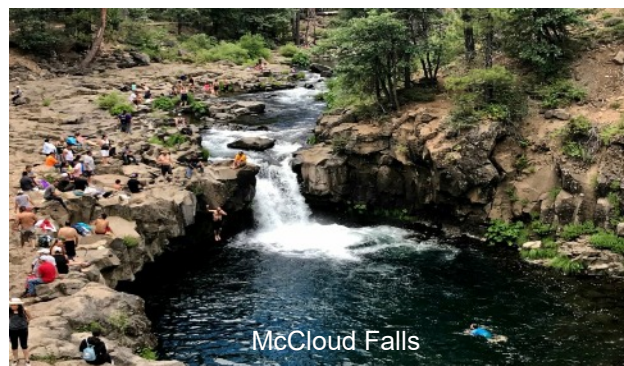
The railroad is long gone and the mill closed in 2002, but McCloud subsequently had a resurgence in tourism and outdoor activities. The scenic views are something to marvel at and the fishing is nationally recognized. Lake McCloud is 10 miles away, with fishing, boating and swimming.

McCloud Lake



There is a nearby hike to the three tiers of McCloud Waterfalls, and McCloud is close to two State Parks (Burney Falls, Castle Craigs). Mount Shasta can be seen close-up via the Everett Memorial Highway out of nearby Shasta City. And, besides Shasta City, nearby Dunsmuir

is also worth a visit, as is Lake Siskiyou which has boating, canoeing, paddle boats and the like.



McCloud RV Resort advertises itself as a "park like setting" and the photos bear this out. Temperatures in McCloud this time of year average 78 for the high and low 40s for the low, with minimal chance of rain.



As of this writing, no activities or meals are planned, but McCloud is a wonderful location to get away and enjoy friendship in the outdoors with your Airstream.  
-editor



# ***MAKING MERRY IN McCLOUD***

*McCloud RV Park  
480 CA-89  
McCloud, CA, 96057  
June 9-13, 2021*

**Coupon Due April 30, 2021**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ WBCCI# \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Day \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Day \_\_\_\_\_ RV length \_\_\_\_\_

Rally Nights: # nights \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75 each Parking Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rally Fee: # persons \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5 per person Rally Fee(s) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL RALLY COSTS**

**TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

● Either register online at <https://airstreamclub.org/norcal-mccloud-rally-june-2021> and follow the 'Register for the June Rally' link whether paying by check or credit card, or send this form and payment to the registrar at [norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com](mailto:norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com). *It is preferred you register online regardless of payment method.*

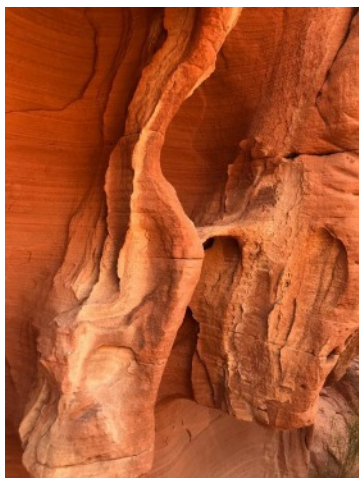
● **Send all check payments directly to the Registrar.** Make your checks payable to WBCCI/NorCal and mail to NorCal Registrar Lori Bibby, 3029 Black Hawk Ln., Lincoln, CA 95648-7716. Credit Card payments are solely handled online.

● Refunds are available depending on funds recovered in all categories. Please contact the Rally Chair if you have any changes to your reservation after the deadline, or wish to register after the deadline. There are no refunds for credit card fees.

● NorCal abides by the federal, state and local COVID19 mandates to keep not only its members safe, but the employees of the RV Parks and the communities we visit safe, which in turn allows us to continue to rally during the pandemic. If you are unable or unwilling to do so, please do not sign up for this rally. If you are ill or not feeling well, please stay home and get better. Thank you for your courtesy in this regard.

● Please inform the registrar if you need a handicap accommodation, or if this is your first NorCal rally.





Back in September of 2020, as the pandemic was raging and while leading the Oregon Coast Caravan, Carole Echols and I started dreaming of a winter escape. It had to be to a place with less people, warm, and if possible, somewhere we had never been before. "I've been wanting to go

to the Valley of Fire in Nevada" Carole said. I had no idea where that was. She had heard that it was a beautiful place with huge red rocks, dark skies and tranquility. It sounded like the best place to be during the pandemic. We still had a caravan to finish, so we decided to wait and see how things were in the following months.

By the time we got to the November Rally in Pismo Beach we were ready for our next adventure. The weather was stormy with winds and threat of downpours. We looked at each other and said, "Let's get out of here in the coming winter." With maps in hand, we charted a tentative plan. We would possibly invite two other couples and add a few other stops. From Valley of Fire, Carole and Bob wanted to go to some hot springs, while Jose and I wanted to go to Phoenix and Tucson for bicycle riding with a possible stop in the California desert.

By mid-December we added Bill & Cathy Maffei, and Joanne Valerio & Cliff Roblee, and figured out a final plan. After checking with everyone, we decided that February 9, 2021, would be our departure day. I was worried about being able to secure four campsites at Valley of Fire since sites on regular campgrounds are on a first-come-first-serve basis. With four trailers in tow, I thought it was too much to be left to chance. I quickly secured what turned out to be the last group site (there are only three at the park). Everyone agreed that this was a bright idea! (While there we could see lots of RVers driving around waiting to get into any newly vacated site; some possibly turned away.) We felt really lucky to have secured our spot. And as a bonus, we would be dry camping.

For our first rendezvous location we chose Orange Grove RV Park in Bakersfield. We caravanned with Cliff

and Joanne. The Echols' and the Maffei's would meet us there. We had our happy hour in full swing when Bill and Cathy showed up and joined us. Carole and Bob had a late start and arrived after dark. The next morning we had a "drivers meeting."

Due to an accident the previous weekend, I-15 to Las Vegas was closed right after the turn from I-40 E. We decided to continue on 40 E to 95 N, just before Needles, CA. That detour added at least three hours to our trip.

When we arrived at the park it was close to dusk; the ranger booth was already closed. The western sun deepened the hues of the red rocks. We deposited our money in the drop box and drove in, looking for our group site. Since we arrived late, we did not get a park map to guide us, but we figured that it couldn't be that hard to find our spot. José and I were leading the caravan. The dark skies were closing in. The only lights were from our tow vehicles. We followed a sign for "Campgrounds" and kept driving since we did not see anything about group sites. That's when we found ourselves driving on very narrow, gravel road; dust everywhere, no cell phone service. We couldn't turn around as there was no room to turn around four trailers on the narrow road, big rocks everywhere. We had no idea where we were.

We all got out of our vehicles. Cathy had the foresight to print a trail map of the park before she left home and using our phone flashlights, we tried to figure out where we were. Everyone had a different interpretation of the map and our location. The only thing we agreed on was that we were on a "scenic loop."



*The park map we did not have when we arrived.*

So, we drove the length of the loop and, as expected, got back to the main road. It was a relief, but we still had to find our group site. We went back to the same road labeled "Campgrounds", this time slowly, and we saw the small sign on the left side of the road stating "group" in



## Winter Escape continued

in lower case. We had missed it the first time around. We knew we were supposed to go through a gate, which we were told was closed, but not locked, and that we were supposed to close every time we went in and out. We all got through the gate onto a straight paved road. There were no signs for the actual group sites 1-3.

As we continued, we encountered a woman holding up her hand, telling us to STOP. She told us that this was the end of the road and it was their site, number 3. She was part of group of solo women from Oregon. Of course, there was no easy way to turn around. They were incredibly helpful and moved some of their vehicles out of the way so José could make a u-turn. The other three trailers backed up. One of the women told us which one was our site and walked in front to guide us. We had passed it on the way down but not did think it was a site; it was already very dark. The next hurdle was getting our 4 trailers in the site shaped like a 'U'. We figured we would just do the best we could for the night, in that we would not disconnect our trailers and would re-park in the morning when we could see where we were.

It was already 8:30 p.m. when we finished that process. We could not see anything, except for the stars above. In short order, we brought out chairs and lights and started our happy hour. We laughed at our adventure; everyone was very happy to have made it and sighing with relief, "tomorrow is another day."

And what a beautiful day it was! What we saw when we came out of our trailers, cups of coffee in hand, was spectacular: everything that was hiding in the dark the night before appeared before our very eyes. The sun was just rising, and Cliff was already out and about snapping pictures. We feasted on the sights for a while.



After breakfast, we decided that we did not have to move the trailers; just disconnect the tow vehicles and park them out of the way. We made a plan to stop at the Visitor's Center, get maps and try to get to as many spots as possible in the next two days.



The Valley of Fire State Park is 58 miles east of Las Vegas, in the Mohave Desert, just west of the Lake Mead Recreation Area. It derives its name

from red sandstone formations, formed from great shifting sand dunes during the age of dinosaurs 150 million years ago. The formations are a remnant of the sand left behind by the wind after inland seas subsided and the land rose. Early humans moved into southern Nevada as far back as 11,000 years ago. The most obvious evidence of occupation are the petroglyphs carved into the rocks by the Basketmaker culture about 2,500 years ago, followed later by the Early Pueblo culture. Paiutes were living in this area in 1865 when Mormons settled at nearby St. Thomas, at the south end of the Moapa Valley. Farming, ranching and mining occurred in the region along a narrow stretch of water.

A rough road was built through this area in 1912 as part of the Arrowhead Trail, connecting Salt Lake City with Los Angeles. This road allowed people to travel through what became known as Valley of Fire. In the 1920s the name was coined by an American Automobile Association (AAA) official traveling through the park at sunset. This person purportedly said that the entire valley looked like it was on fire; hence the name. It was also during the 1920s that the archeological richness and recreational possibilities of the area were recognized and about 8,500 acres of federal public domain, the original Valley of Fire tract, were given to the State of Nevada. On Easter Sunday in 1934, Valley of Fire was formally opened as Nevada's first state park.

On our first day, Joanne, Cliff, José and I went on the White Domes Trail. From this trail you can see beautiful sandstone formations with magnificent contrasting colors and shapes.



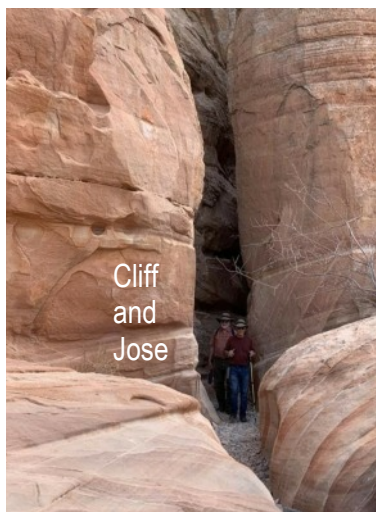


The trail took us to the “ruins” from a 1965 movie production. A sign explains that the fake ruins were used in the film, *The Professionals*. Indeed, Valley of Fire State Park has been a filming location for lots of movies like *Transformers*, *Casino*, *Total Recall*, *Star Trek: Generations*, and *Austin Powers*. Past the ruins, the trail continues south and immediately drops into Kaolin Wash.



The wash took us into a slot canyon where the walls quickly become narrow. In places, the tall walls are just a few feet apart. We saw how the rock walls have been eroded by fast moving water. Apparently, this is a dangerous place to be during a flash flood, and people are advised to avoid this trail if rain is possible. The widest narrows are only about 200 feet.

As we stepped out of the narrows, we encountered a wide wash, an open area with more sandstone formations. A very interesting characteristic of this place is that the rock formations can resemble animals or objects of different sorts, like the dome shaped like a turtle or the one resembling a molar.



One may think that looking at these rock formations is like cloud gazing. Different people may see different things, depending on their imagination. This was a short hike full of adventures and learning opportunities.

After our first full day, we gathered for a shared group meal of “foil packets” and fireside chats. We all shared what we had seen that day and made plans for our last day at the park. After cleaning up, we turned off all the lights and looked up at the sky. It was magnificent! Cliff Roblee, our amateur astronomer, guided us, pointing out the major constellations and brightest stars we could see with our plain eyes. Being at this place was a great idea!



The next morning, there were big clouds. The sun trying to get through them was beautiful. Bill Maffei said he came out in the middle of the night and folded all chairs and secured tables because it was really windy. After breakfast, we headed out. It was our last full day at the park and we wanted to make the most of it.

As suggested by Cathy Maffei, we took a drive on the Fire Canyon Road, with an excellent view of the Fire Canyon and the Silica Dome. From there we drove out east of the park to see the Elephant Rock. It was also the best place in the park with cellphone reception. We hiked to the Old Arrowhead Trail head. At one point, this trail led to a road that connected Salt Lake City to Los Angeles. About 7.5 miles of road have been preserved as a trail, traversing the park from east to west running along the south side of the Valley of Fire Road.



Of course, we couldn't leave Valley of Fire without hiking the Mouse's Tank Trail. After just one eighth of a mile you'll see the first group of petroglyphs on the left (north) side of the trail. The petroglyphs were





etched into desert varnish, a layer of dark rock on top of the sandstone. With the black layer carved away, the petroglyphs reveal the orange rock underneath. The desert varnish is a patina of iron and manganese that leached from the rock and evaporated over the course of thousands of years. Ancient Native Americans used flat surfaces of desert varnish as their canvases for rock art.

Eventually, the trail takes you to Mouse's tank. Mouse was a Southern Paiute Indian who gave other Indians and settlers in this region great trouble during the 1890s. One of his favorite hideouts was this wild and inaccessible canyon. The "tank" is a stream-worn basin hidden among the rocks that traps and holds precious water during long dry periods.

After a day of hiking, we went back to camp. As we began gathering again for happy hour and dinner, the wind started blowing so hard we had to forego the



assembly. In preparation for a drive to Phoenix the next day, we gathered as much as we could and put it back in our vehicles knowing we were leaving early. Everyone went inside for the rest of the evening

Our last morning was beautiful.



We finished gathering all our belongings, hooked up our tow vehicles and trailers, and headed out. Carole and Bob had to drive home in time to get their second dose of the COVID vaccine. The rest of us took a scenic route to Phoenix, AZ, driving through the Lake Mead Recreation Area, past the entrance to

Hoover Dam. During the only night we spent in Phoenix, we had what they call a "dust rain shower." In these parts, there is dust in the air all the time. The dry air evaporates a very light rain, leaving droplets of dust everywhere. Our trailers got the brunt of it!

The next morning we drove down to Tucson, where we were planning to do some cycling. The city has a network of bike trails easily accessible from any point. José and I rode our bikes, everyday heading in a different direction. Cliff and Joanne visited with their longtime friends from Austin who were lucky to miss the winter storm that affected Texas. Cathy and Bill went on hikes at Saguaro National Park and wine tasting at some of the area vineyards.

The final destination of our winter escape was Borrego Springs, California. Joanne and Cliff had never been to this beautiful spot.



Hiking Palm Trail in Anzo Borego SP

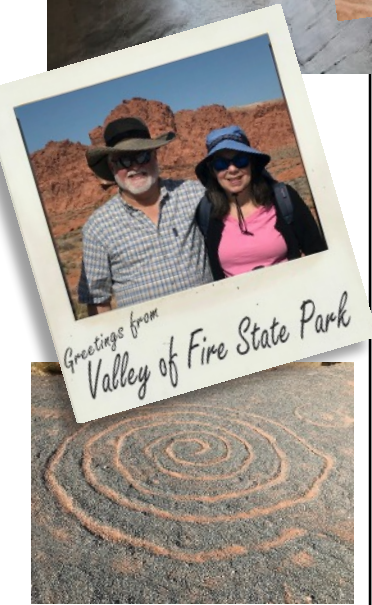
One evening we went to the Anza Borrego State Park to see the stars. There was a half moon and we took pictures of our "moon shadows." But, that is another story. Maybe I will tell you about it next time. See you down the road. Stay safe.



by Carmen Ortiz  
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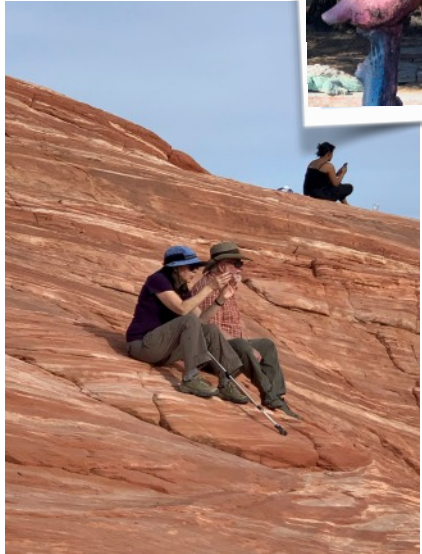
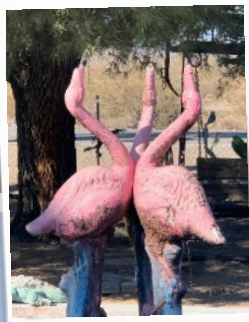
Photos courtesy of  
Bob Echols, Cliff  
Roblee and  
Carmen Ortiz





Some helpful hints If you want to visit Valley of Fire State Park:

- Regular Campgrounds are first-come-first-serve; many with full hookups;
- To guarantee a spot, it is better to make a reservation for a group site (site #3 is the best of the three sites at the park);
- Group sites supposedly can fit 12 RVs and 42 people; we found that 4 trailers was probably a good number for our site;
- Group sites have water and pit toilets; no hookups;
- Regular campgrounds have free showers and are within close driving distance from the group sites;
- Arrive at the park with a full tank of gas and bring enough water and food; the closest stores are outside of the park about 20+ miles away west and/or east;
- Best time to go is probably mid-January to March; try to avoid holidays as the park can get very busy on holiday weekends
- Stay a week - lots of things to do.





# APRIL 2021

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Source: <http://holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/index.htm>

## Garden Flag Information

You can order your NorCal Garden Flag directly from Flagology. Complete instructions are in the January Poppy issue. For any questions, the NorCal contact is John Bibby (707) 592-4891. The Flagology contact is Connor Young (855) 347-4922. Click here to order, or copy and paste in your browser:

<https://www.flagology.com/product/personalized-norcal-airstream-club-garden-flag-12-5-x-18/>



## Badge and Logo Sticker Info

You can obtain your colorful NorCal Membership Badge whenever you attend a rally. Contact Marget Williams to get yours for free, a perk of membership. Also, now available is the NEW five inch club logo sticker for your Airstream or Tow Vehicle when you attend rally. It has the same design shown on the masthead of The Poppy. Be sure to request one from Marget.

