# LAS VEGAS AIRSTREAM CLUB

## RALLY/EVENT CALENDAR

JAN 6-9 \*\*CANCELLED\*\*
REDROCK CANYON

**JANUARY 15th 2pm-4pm** Club Meeting - See page 4 for information

#### **FEBRUARY 7TH-10TH**

VALLEY OF FIRE STATE PARK Hosts -Dale and Cheryl musserfly@cox.net

#### **MARCH 15TH-19TH**

CAVA ROBLES RV RESORT Paso Robles, CA Hosts - Bob and Diane <u>discotties12@gmail.com</u> Information on Page 5

**APRIL - TBD** 

#### **MAY 11TH - 15TH**

RANCHO SEDONA RV RESORT, Sedona, AZ Hosts - Steve and Suzy Suzanne.mellington@gmail.com

JUNE - TBD

#### JULY 23rd - 29th

65th International Rally Fryeberg, ME For Infor go to https://airstreamclub.org/ fryeburg

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# **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Another year has passed and it was quite a year. Our club did an amazing job of making the most of yet another challenging year.

We held nine rallies in some well loved locations as well as some new favorites. We started the year in Red Rock Canyon with gorgeous, unseasonably warm weather. We then went out to Bullhead City, Arizona along the Colorado River. We continued the water theme to March with our annual St. Patrick's Day Rally at Lake Mead. Afterwards, we headed up north to central California to check out Paso Robles. Luckily, we had such a great time, we returned to Paso Robles in October for the Region 12 Rally. During the summer, our club wanted to cool off a bit, so up to the mountains of Big Bear, California. Not everyone who was signed up for the Big Bear rally was able to attend. Graciously, our hosts Jo and Ade, held a second make up rally the following month in Big Bear for those who



## Rally Calendar Cont'd

#### **AUG - TBD**

Big Bear, CA Hosts - Jo and Ade Information to be provided as they become available

### SEPT 15th - 19th Region 12 Rally

Information to be provided when it becomes available

#### Colorado Rally

Host - Judy Information to be provided as it becomes available

#### **OCT - TBD**

Cedar City, UT Hosts - Dave and Lin Information to be provided as it becomes available

#### **NOV - TBD**

Terrible's Lakeside RV Resort, Pahrump, NV Hosts - Jo and Ade Details to be provided as they become available.

#### **DEC - TBD**

Rally information is updated regularly. For complete rally information, please go to the <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/las-vegas">https://airstreamclub.org/las-vegas</a>

For information regarding a specific rally, please contact the host indicated.

were unable to attend the first rally. Unfortunately, our September rally scheduled for Lake Tahoe, California with two other Airstream Clubs had to be cancelled due to tragic wildfires. We've heard so many great things about the area, we will get another rally scheduled for the area sometime. November saw a small but fun gathering in Palm Springs, California and we closed out the club year with a chilly holiday rally in Pahrump, Nevada.

It was a year full of pandemic restrictions, health issues for members and their families, as well as losses of loved ones. Through it all, we were able to gather safely and support one another while enjoying exploring in our beloved Airstreams.

As always, we are a resilient group that I know will manage to make the best out of this upcoming year. We have some fun rallies planned. We will also start having our club meetings again. We are planning on having meetings every other month so that we can discuss upcoming rallies and stay connected with each other.

Please make sure to keep an eye out for emails regarding events as well as our newsletter. Also, you can check out our website <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/las-vegas">https://airstreamclub.org/las-vegas</a> for rally information.

Cheers to a great 2022!!!

Cheryl Musser, LVAC, President



# HOLIDAYRALLY

The final rally of the year was held in Pahrump. We gathered to celebrate the holidays and celebrate we certainly did. Though it was quite cold, we discovered that with enough propane fire pits, we could endure the cold weather easily. Dale and Cheryl had an amazing gathering area, thanks to Jo Salzer and her method of persuasion. We set up four fire pits and had plenty of room for the twenty members who attended the rally, and of course the three food tables



that are necessary for any Airstream gathering.

The first night of the rally was cold and grey clouds kept threatening rain. As a result we all hunkered down in our trailers that evening. The second evening, Friday night, we had a potluck with so much tasty food. Our club has some amazing cooks!

During the day, members broke into smaller groups. Someone to death Valley, some to the Pahrump Valley Museum, others visited the area wineries, and while others went rum



tasting. We hear it was a delicious time.

On Saturday night we had dinner in the RV Park clubhouse. I think it is unanimous. We need to go for Italian next year. Did I hear someone say Pizza Party? Here we also had our gift exchange and gathered toys for the Marine Corp Toys for Tots. As always the gift



Toys for Tots donations with some of our club's Veterans.

exchange included lots of well natured stealing of gifts. Such a fun time! The toys for tots drive resulted in two overflowing shopping carts of gifts for children. It was great to see the generosity of our members.

There isn't enough room in the newsletter for all of the fun photos from the rally. Please go to our Instagram page (search for lasvegasairstreamclub) to see all of the fun members had.

# **January Club Meeting**

The January club meeting will be on Saturday, January 15th from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. The meeting will be held at Walter and Ariel's home, located at 8255 Las Vegas Blvd South, Unit 2019. Parking is located in front of the building. Once you enter the building, you will need to check in with the Concierge. The unit is on the 20th level. Select the PH button in the elevator. Please bring a snack to share. Water and iced tea will be provided at the meeting. Let's get together to catch up! Please RSVP (0063@wbcci.net) so that our generous hosts will know how many people to expect.



# Paso Robles in the Springtime

This year's St. Patrick's Day Rally has been moved to Paso Robles, California. The rally is officially March 15th - 19th, but some members are extending their stay. Paso Robles is known for its

wineries. However, there is more to Paso than wine. It has adorable shops, restaurants and galleries situated around a quaint town square. Paso also has golfing, horseback riding and if wine isn't your thing, there are also, breweries and distilleries. From Paso, you can explore the central coast of California. There are some cute coastal towns within an hours drive. If you are interested, please contact Cava Robles RV Resort (1-866-835-1677) for a reservation. Additional details will be provided by Diane closer to the rally date.



#### 2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In November elections were held for the Board of Directors for the 2022 club year. A huge thank you to all who have generously offered to serve the club!

President - Cheryl Musser

Vice President - Sandy LeVan

Secretary - Diane Hancock

Treasurer - Suzy Mellington

Membership - Jo Salzer



# Rally Hosts

Just a friendly reminder, if you are hosting a rally, please send all pertinent information regarding the rally to Cheryl for inclusion in both the newsletter and our website. If you are wondering what it takes to become our rally host, it's very simple.

- 1. **Find a location** Consider the type of campground and amenities available as well as available things to do in the area. Rallies are not cookie cutter. They don't have to be the same. RV resort, state or local campground, national forest boundocking. We are open to all types of locations. Also, rallies can be associated with a local event, such as a rodeo or festival. Alternately, rallies don't have to have an event at all. Relaxing or exploring nature is welcome, also.
- 2. **Choose a date** Our club's calendar is always included in the newsletter. We are not restricted to only one rally per month. The only thing requested is that two local club rallies are not held at the same time.
- 3. **Cost Estimate** Camping fees should be conveyed to the members. Members need to know if they are to make their own reservation or if the host has done that. Include whether there is to be a rally fee to cover any additional fees (i.e. group campsite fees, provided meal fees, etc.).
- 4. **Rally Announcement** Provide the assigned Board or club member with all of the pertinent rally information so that members may be informed and the website updated.

Rallies can be as complex as the annual Balloon Fiesta Rally or as simple as a few friends gathering at a nearby campground to hang out and enjoy their Airstreams. If you wish to host or co-host a rally and would like more information, please feel free to speak with Cheryl or any other member regarding hosting. Most members have hosted and can tell you how easy it can be. The added bonus of hosting is sharing a loved location or discovering a new location with you fellow club members.

## **RVTIP**

I found this checklist at Airstream Market Place and thought it was a neat list of things to do when checking out your rig after a period of storage. I thought I'd share it with our club members.

Bob LeVan



## **De-Winterization Checklist**

A step-by-step guide to prepping for travel season

Spring is the time to de-winterize, and it's not as difficult as it might sound. Follow our step-by-step checklist to get your Airstream prepped and ready to roll. And visit Airstream.com for more details about de-winterizing your Airstream.

#### 1. Examine, clean, and wash exterior

Inspect for damage, and clean off accumulated debris, dust and dirt.

- $\hfill \square$  Examine and wash exterior with clear coat safe cleaner
- Follow with exterior protectant to polish and protect
- $\hfill \Box$  Clean awnings, inspect windows, sealants, and gaskets
- Check tires for correct inflation, clean with soapy water
- ☐ Tighten lug nuts
- Check latches, lighting, and exterior accessories
- Inspect roof, A/C, skylights, and fans
- ☐ Check brake lights and turn signals
- Remove and pest traps or repellents





#### 2. Clean interior space

Clean flooring, kitchen, lavatory, and bedding.

- ☐ Sweep and clean floors
- ☐ Clean seating, fabrics, walls, and hard surfaces
- ☐ Examine interior for water leaks
- $\hfill \square$  Test CO, smoke, and LP detectors, change batteries
- ☐ Turn on appliances to ensure they are working
- ☐ Check fire extinguisher
- ☐ Use suede cleaner if needed on those surfaces

#### 3. Battery and propane

Inspect your on-board power system

- ☐ Inspect cables and clean corrosion from terminals
- $\hfill\square$  Inspect battery casing for cracks
- For lead-acid batteries, top with distilled water
- ☐ Recharge battery: Turn off storage mode and connect to shore power/generator
- ☐ Turn on propane, inspect lines, and check for leaks
- ☐ Check propane appliances to ensure they are working





#### 4. Flush plumbing system

Empty tanks to remove antifreeze and clean

- ☐ Close low-point drains, connect fresh water hose
- ☐ Open sinks and shower faucets
- ☐ Add fresh water cleaner to disinfect and remove odor
  - ☐ Fill fresh water tank and open exterior drain to flush
- ☐ Flush black and gray tank of any residual water☐ Lubricate dump handles with penetrating oil