

# The NorCal News



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## President's Message

The April Rally was an Olympic success with some great competition and skills displayed by some, not to mention some fairly bad ones thrown in by yours truly. Thanks to Dave and Jill Wilson and Greg and Janet Motta for hosting a fun rally.

Our May Rally is at Red Bluff KOA Journey, not to be confused with Red Bluff RV Park. Be ready to drink beer, dance your feet off and putt a golf ball around. It sounds like it is going to be another great time to be with our fellow Airstreamers as the Ungermans and the Maffeis have been busy planning the event.

For any rally, please do not make your own reservations with the park as it confuses the process and leaves you without WBCCI liability insurance. Use the online registration form or call Lori Bibby, the registrar, if you need help with registering.

We are still in need of several rally hosts. We have one couple who is interested in hosting the December Rally, but would like a co-host. Contact me to volunteer.

I have GREAT news! Michael Havill, our own Bella Grace Winery host from the April rally, has volunteered to be NorCal's delegate in Maine at the International Rally! Thank you very much Michael! In the event Michael cannot make it, Mike Minadeo will be the alternate Delegate. NorCal is covered!

There is a WBCCI election from June 1 – 15th, so be on the lookout for a jot form to vote. See pages 10-11 for more information on the election.

Almond facts: 80% of the world's almonds are grown in California. No other state grows them commercially. There are currently 6500 almond growers in the Golden State, and 72% are family-owned farms. The rest of the world's almonds come from Spain and Australia.

*Bob Verdegaal*

*"I haven't been everywhere, but it's on my list."*

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# From the Editor

This issue celebrates the California Poppy, a cool-season annual plant native to California, our Club's symbol and the namesake of the Club Newsletter. While March is generally the month when California Poppies "pop" out, some can still be found blooming in May, especially in Northern California. We have an official California Poppy Day: California Education Code Section 37222.12(a) states "April 6 of each year is designated and set apart as California Poppy Day, a day having special significance pursuant to Section 37222." The special significance is that the Poppy was designated the state flower on that day in 1903 under Cal. Government Code Section 421.



Lancaster, California, hosts the annual California Poppy Festival that "honors the beauty of the Poppy," generally in late April. We have a State Natural Preserve of Poppies in the Mojave Desert, the Antelope Valley California Poppy Preserve, an area of natural grasslands that comes alive with Poppy blooms, typically in March, which you can access via a live cam should you not be able to personally visit: <https://www.parks.ca.gov/live/poppyreserve>. If you can make it, the Interpretive Center is open from March 1st to Mother's Day annually. But that is not the only area to observe the poppies; check out this website for a map of other areas featuring carpets of Poppies: <https://theatlasheart.com/where-to-see-california-poppies/>.

Rumor has it that it is illegal to pick or hurt California Poppies – which is true IF the poppy is on public land such as a school, park, median or even outside a courthouse. On private property they are not so protected. Finally, California poppies are NOT addictive – having no opiates. However, developing research is showing that they can have sedative qualities that come from other plant alkaloids, and thus, can be useful in dealing with symptoms of pain and anxiety, including difficulty sleeping, when combined with magnesium and hawthorn. Native Americans reportedly used California Poppies for medicinal purposes, among other uses.

This issue features the coupon and summary for the late July rally in Olema starting on pg. 3.

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# 2022 Rally Schedule

<del>March 2-6</del>	<del>Lodi Grape Festival Grounds</del>	<del>Lodi</del>
<del>Hosts: Pat Lazzereschi, Mike &amp; Phyllis Minadeo</del>		
<del>April 6-10</del>	<del>Gold Country Campground Pine Grove</del>	<del>Pine Grove</del>
<del>Hosts: Greg &amp; Janet Motta, Jill &amp; Dave Wilson</del>		
<del>April 21-24</del>	<del>Region 12 Cali Rally</del>	<del>Parkfield</del>
<del>Hosts: Region 12: FULL</del>		
May 11-15	Journey KOA	Red Bluff
Hosts: Elisa & Ed Ungerman, Bill & Cathy Maffei		
June 8-12	Emerald Forest RV Park	Trinidad
Hosts: Chris & Dean Davison,		
July 23-29	International Rally	Fryeburg, Maine
Hosts: Airstream Club International		
July 27-31	Olema Campground	Olema
Hosts: Tary & Janie Salinger, Paul & Victoria Bartelst		
Sept. 7-11	Paso Robles RV Ranch	Paso Robles
Hosts: <b>NEEDED</b>		
Sept. 15-19	Region 12 Rally	Mission Bay San Diego
Hosts: <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/2022-region-12-rally">https://airstreamclub.org/2022-region-12-rally</a> <b>Dry Camping</b>		
Oct. 5-9	Berry Creek Rancheria	Oroville
Hosts: <b>NEEDED</b>		
Nov. 2-6	Skyline RV Park	Napa
Hosts: Tary & Janie Salinger, Amy & Thomas Webster, Steve & Terri Hollifield		
Dec. 7-11	Black Oak Casino	Tuolumne
Hosts: <b>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 and payment 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.



# Shakin' It Up in Olema

Your Hosts: Paul and Vicky Bartelt, Tary and Janie Salinger



Did you know that Olema was the epicenter for the 1906 earthquake? We plan on shakin' it a bit in Olema as well during NorCal's summer rally, July 27-31, 2022.



Located next to the Pt Reyes National Seashore, just north of San Francisco, Olema is the ideal Airstream getaway. Whether you want to read a book on the pristine beaches, bike ride or bird watch, or even hike the Epicenter trail, this is the rally for you. Plus, your hosts have some very fun and interesting activities planned!

**Wednesday will start off with a welcome potluck dinner** where you can mingle and get to know each other a bit better. Don't be surprised if there are some games to play and other activities to enjoy. **Please identify on the Coupon when you sign up what you are bringing to the potluck**, so the hosts know how to fill in and round out the meal.

Thursday morning, we are hoping to have a ranger-guided tour of the Pt. Reyes National Seashore. The Pt Reyes National Seashore is one of the most beautiful parks in Northern California with its epic hiking trails, numerous species of birds and wildlife, and the iconic expanse of Ten Mile Beach. We are hoping for Covid restrictions to lift so we can go as a group, but tours are available at the lighthouse regardless.



Thursday evening your hosts will be cooking for you. They plan on spoiling you with a farm to table menu (including vegetarian and vegan options) sure to please everyone.

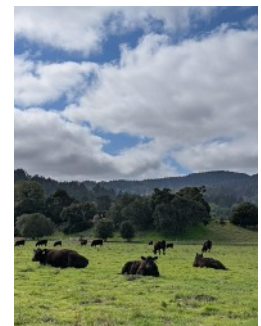
Friday, we have a Cowgirl Creamery cheese tasting and tour in nearby Pt Reyes Station. Please sign up in advance so we can accommodate everyone. Cowgirl creamery is renowned for its exceptional cheeses and



fine artisan foods.

Saturday, after a free day of exploring or relaxing, please join your hosts for an "All about Cast Iron Cooking Class". What is the hype about cast iron and why is it synonymous with camping? Well, Paul Bartelt will have the answers for that and a lot more! After the class, in the late afternoon, Ma Cuisine Catering will be on site preparing dinner cooked in black pots (Vegan/Vegetarian options are also available for this camping dinner). Throughout the cooking process, Brenda the owner, will be answering questions about everything Black Pot cooking. This is a fun experience but also amazing food!

Save the date, sign up, and join us in Olema! We can't wait to see you all and get to know you better!





# Shakin' It Up in Olema!

## July 27 - 31, 2022

Olema Campground

10155 Highway 1

Olema, CA 94950-8900

### Coupon Due May 31, 2022

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Big Red Number \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Day \_\_\_\_\_

Departure Day \_\_\_\_\_

RV length \_\_\_\_\_

Rally Nights \_\_\_\_\_ nights @ \$52 per night

Parking Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rally Fee \_\_\_\_\_ persons @ \$7.50 pp (per person)

Rally Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Wed. Potluck Dinner item \_\_\_\_\_

Wed. Dinner \$ 0.00

Thursday Cowgirl Creamery Tour&Taste \_\_\_\_\_ persons @ \$17 pp

Thurs. CC T&T \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday Farm to Table Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ persons @ \$16 pp

Thurs. Dinner \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Vegan option

Saturday Night "Black Pot" Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ persons @ \$30.00 pp

Sat. Dinner \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Vegan option

TOTAL RALLY COST \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Either directly register online using the jotform link: <https://form.jotform.com/221075576535156> or follow the 'Register for the Rally' link on the webpage, or send this form and payment to the registrar at [norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com](mailto:norcalregistrar3854@gmail.com). **It is preferred you register online**, which makes it easier for the Registrar and Treasurer to keep track of rally registrations.
- **Send all 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. Note: All online payments have been suspended pending implementation of the new online payment system.
- **Refund Policy:** Cancellations and/or changes to registration must be received no later than Wednesday of the week prior to the rally, in other words, a week before the start of the rally. Refunds will be available depending on funds recovered in all categories. Parking fees are refunded according to RV park cancellation policy. Meals, tours, rally fees, etc., are refunded if money has not been spent by the hosts.
- **Please contact the Rally Registrar if you have ANY changes to your registration**, or wish to register after the deadline. **973-270-4132.**
- **Under no circumstances are members to contact the RV Park with changes or cancellations.**
- NorCal abides by the federal, state and local COVID19 mandates to keep not only its members safe but also 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.





# Go for the Gold Rally!

## Pine Grove, Ca April 6-10, 2022

The second Rally of 2022 was held at Gold Country RV Park in Pine Grove. Nestled amongst the trees, it was a beautiful setting for the twenty-eight Airstreams that made the trip. The clubhouse was quite a walk from the sites, and attendees got their exercise going up and down the hill!

cupcakes and carrot cake for dessert. Thursday morning the games began. There were some first timers for the cornhole game, and some veteran throwers as well. The airplane toss was a “soaring success.” Results were as follow:



### Cornhole

Gold	Paul Bartlett & Jeff Intemann
Silver	Doug Fitzgerald & Dave Wilson
Bronze	Dan & Gail Crutchfield

The theme was “Go for the Gold.” Being in Gold Country you might have thought panning for gold would have been an activity. Not the case. It was actually for the “Olympics” which consisted of stiff completion in both cornhole and balsa wood airplane toss. Close to thirty people signed up for those competitions. Plus a version of hot potato that was quite entertaining.



### Airplanes

Gold	Gary Rich
Silver	Jeff Intemann
Bronze	Doug Fitzgerald



Wednesday evening saw Janet Motta and Jill Wilson serve up Chinese chicken salad with

Friday had forty plus visiting the Bella Grace Winery, where we were graciously hosted by owners and fellow Club members Charlie and Michael

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Havel/Kraft. We were treated to both wine and olive oil tastings. Both were fantastic. On a side note, they had just sold their Airstream but were waiting on the arrival of their new 28' Pottery Barn model, with a road trip to the International Rally in Maine on the horizon.



People took advantage of the location with trips to Sutter Creek, walking the dogs around Lake Tabcaud, or fishing. The trio of Steve Irey, Dan Crutchfield and Dave Williams ventured down to the Mokelumne where Steve hooked into a sixteen inch brown trout.



Saturday closed the rally out with pizza, salad and cookies. The "awards ceremony" was a laugh for all. The crowd hummed the Olympic theme when the music hiccupped. The evening closed with everyone passing the faux torch and the winners being the last not to hold it. Thanks to all who attended to make it a fun rally!



*Gregg Motta*

More photos pg 12

Thanks to Lori Bibby, John Bibby, Darlene Winchell, Marget Williams and Jill Wilson for submitting photos!



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 Constitution & Bylaws  
 Membership  
 Newsletter Editor  
 Directory/Audio Visual  
 Webmaster  
 Registrar  
 Rally Chair  
 Caravan Chair  
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 Jim Christie  
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**Airstream Club  
 International on the  
 Web**

<https://airstreamclub.org/>

**Region 12 on the Web**

<https://airstreamclub.org/region12>

**NorCal on the Web**

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

## Welcome New Members

Norm Burkowski

David & Cindy Vance

Janet La Rochelle

Christian Baxter

## Welcome New Affiliates

Gene & Dru Quesnoy

Vic & Anita Cushing

### NorCal Membership Numbers

165 Unit/Life Members

43 Affiliate Members

208 Total Members

## Editor Continued

It sounds like the Salingers and Bartelts are teeing up another winner rally, this one in the pastoral hills of Olema and surrounding Marin County, that no doubt will be much cooler than the Central Valley at that time.

We also have the report from the Pine Grove Rally hosted by the Mottas and Williams, which by all accounts was “really fun.” Speaking of rallies, the Club is still looking for hosts for a few of the rallies – please don’t be scared as it has gotten much easier to host than in years past, and no one will judge you if don’t have the “perfect” rally. The rally manual has been updated and can be accessed through the link this page. Sign up and if you need help – just ask. And ...the fun calendar is back. Be sure to have a moment of silence for all those lost socks on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you to everyone who expressed support in light of my back fracture – it was very kind of you. And the card our Sunshine Rep Cathy Maffei sent me was so cute! The Vertebroplasty was an amazing success, relieving the pain from the fracture and stabilizing the vertebrae. Now just to get my muscle strength back!

*Elisa Ungerman*

## Updated Rally Hosting Manual Now Available Hosts Still Needed!

As can be seen on page 2 - we are still in need of hosts for our rallies as Paso Robles, Berry Creek, and the Holiday Rally in December. There appears to be a host for the December Rally but the couple is looking for a co-host before committing, so if you are considering co-hosting, this one may be for you. Contact Bob Verdegaal for more information.

Keep in mind that you can do a little or a lot, be creative or not, have gift bags, table décor, or not, - choices are yours. You are not in competition with anyone! Plus, there are many people out there to help you, so you are not alone.

It might help you to know that NorCal has updated its Rally Planning Guide, which is essentially “The Book” on hosting rallies. Follow it and you cannot go wrong. Many thanks go to John and Lori Bibby, Mike Minadeo, José Ortiz, and Kent Schroeder who helped Hedda Smithson revise and update the Rally Planning Guide. The image of our logo replaced the picture of the truck and trailer. Language was included to reflect the new policy of a “Fun Fund”. Examples of worksheets and the Expense Claim Envelope, and the latest inventory of supplies and equipment available from the storage shed are included. A well-designed chart that guides the planning process is supplemented by comments. Follow the link below:

<https://airstreamclub.org/sites/default/files/2022-04/NorCal-Rally-Planning-Guide-Apr-2022.pdf>



**MAY**

- 6 Cam Murray
- 13 Larry Delorefice
- 14 Bob Verdegaal
- 15 Claudia Marson
- 17 Pat Lazzereschi
- 17 Paul McKay
- 18 Jim Foster
- 21 Bobbie Rowlands
- 25 Janet Motta
- 27 Sue Campbell
- 27 James Curl
- 31 Cathy Maffei



- 4 Zimm & Angela Udovich
- 5 Ed & Elisa Ungerman
- 6 Rosemary Yull & Larry Kier
- 23 Dennis & Karen Richardson
- 24 Larry & Martha Jones
- 16 JP & Claudia Sherry

NorCal would like to recognize the Birthdays and Anniversaries of **all** our Members and Associates. NorCal was previously able obtain this information when it directly handled membership applications. But now, application forms are processed through the International Club, not NorCal. Their form does not ask for this information. Therefore, if you have joined within the past year, our Club records do not include your Birthday and Anniversary. To ensure you are included in the Newsletter, please send Marget Williams (our Membership Chair) an e-mail with your Name (First and Last) and your Birthday and Anniversary (**Month and Day only**). [norcalmembership@comcast.net](mailto:norcalmembership@comcast.net).



## THE "BLUE BERET 2022 MEMBERSHIP EDITION" IS OUT!

Sierra Nevada Unit Membership Chair and Newsletter Editor Don Williams #14207

*Ed Note: This article was first printed in the Sierra Nevada Unit's Newsletter and with permission has been reprinted here with some editing for clarity.*

Wally Byam Headquarters promised our Membership Edition of the Blue Beret would be sent out in February and they delivered, albeit it took awhile through the US Mail. It lists the WBCCI members and their Big Red Numbers, chartered clubs, regions, and other important info on the Wally Byam Airstream Club.



Don't just set the issue aside, or quickly peruse between the covers and when you're done fix your WBCCI numbers to your rig so [the SNU Membership Chair/Newsletter Editor and his wife] can mark you down and send a note when [they] see you flittering around the countryside. There is plenty more inside: names, photos, email addresses and phone numbers for our HQ Team who handle all the WBAC business and paperwork. Page through more thoroughly and you'll find supporting dealer and vendor ads, Code of Ethics, the Wally Byam Creed that the [Sierra Nevada Unit] incorporates via Wally's simple words throughout [its] club activities and organization. Keep reading and you'll find the WBCCI Constitution, our corporate officers and committee chairs.

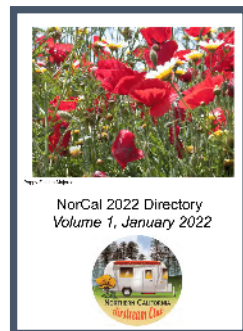
You need to read on and find the listing of past International Presidents, Rallies and Attendance; did you

know that the largest rallies drew 4000 rigs or more: Bozeman, MT (3909) '73; Notre Dame, IN (3943) '74; Brandon, Manitoba, Canada (4209) '75; Louisville, KY (4493) '76; Bozeman again (3949) '77, Ames, IA (3993) '78. There were several Internationals afterwards that drew over 3000 rigs followed by up and down numbers through the years. Brandon, Manitoba drew 2263 rigs the second time in '94, then the WBCCI experienced a slow slide until an upturn in 2016 with 668 rigs at Lewisburg, WV, growing to 748 rigs at Lebanon, TN last year. The WBAC is pushing for 1000 rigs at Fryeburg in 2022 and they may make it.

There is even more club history and culture in these pages, listings of International events like the Mid-Winter IBT meetings, National Caravans and their leaders, Region Rallies, Region officers, members, units, clubs and some of the most important info for those of us that criss-cross the country, the Member Listing and the U.S., Canada and Europe Courtesy Parking! Next you'll find the Founder's Award Recipients (recruiting more than 100 new WBCCI members) and the Numerical Member Listings for identifying you as we pass on the highway. Read on and get a better feel for the club history: did you know there were nine caravans to China thru 1988 and 48 other Overseas Caravans thru 2007. There have been few out of the Country or at least our hemisphere caravans since 2007 but they've intermixed with the other 500 or so National and 280 or more Regional Caravans. Feel free to count them all but a good estimate would be over 1250 with the unit caravans added in. We're not done: the Airstream Company conducted 265 caravans to Canada, Latin America and Mexico and four more in the States! There's more, but I couldn't find the list of Airstream Factory Homecomings in the current book. Happy reading!

## NorCal's Own Membership Directory

Several times a year, NorCal digitally publishes its own Membership Directory, which is disseminated via email to NorCal Members. This directory is chock full of Club information, such as Club officers, events, website access information, and significant Airstream resources, as well names and photos of our burgeoning membership. If you have not



received a NorCal Membership Directory, contact Tom Smithson at Tscats@mac.com and he will send you one. Also - if you see the club logo by your name(s), then you have not provided a photo to him for inclusion in the Directory and we do not know what you look like. This is very important when it comes to welcoming you at rallies by your name, or getting your name correct in the Poppy, etc. So please take the time to provide a selfie or other digital photo to Tom so he can insert it into the your entry in the NorCal Membership Directory.

Editor



## AIRSTREAM CLUB CONSTITUTION

**Awareness Before Action: Delegates  
Vote to Represent YOU on July 27**

**LEARN MORE HERE**

# INFORMATION ON NEXT MONTH'S ELECTION

Next month (June) there will be an election on two amendments to the Airstream Club's constitution. **All** members of the The Airstream Club (with separate emails) are entitled to vote. The vote within NorCal will be done via email, electronically only. However, if you need a paper ballot, contact Tom Smithson at [Tscats@mac.com](mailto:Tscats@mac.com).

Voting on these issues is especially important as the outcome of the election will have a large impact on The Airstream Club's management going forward. It is hoped that all members vote, regardless of which way.

The Airstream Club has begun educating its members on the vote. You may have seen recent emails about it. Some of that information is reprinted here, in case you missed it:

### WHO IS VOTING AND WHEN?

Each of our 104 local clubs will send a Delegate to carry its members' votes in favor/not in favor of motions that our International Board of Trustees (IBT) approved to pass along for an all-member vote at the Delegates Meeting.

Q: Who is your delegate?

A: Usually, this is your local club president and in the case your president cannot attend rally, an alternate representative should be sent. If your club needs help identifying a delegate, contact your region president.

Q: How does your delegate decide how many votes "yes" and how many votes "no"?

A: Gather by the campfire and talk to your club officers NOW to gain/confirm understanding of how your local club gathers its votes between now and July 27. **[Ed note: NorCal will have a digital election via email between June 1 -15.]**

Q: I'm a member at large, so how do I vote?

A: Members at large will be provided a separate set of instructions on how to vote: please stay tuned and informed.

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## WHAT ARE WE VOTING ON?

At the Mid-Winter IBT [International Board of Trustees] Meeting, two motions were approved to be passed along to membership for an all-member vote. They are:

**Constitutional Amendment #1** has to do with deleting the Delegates Meeting from our club constitution.

A recording of the motion as read by our Constitution and Bylaws (CBL) Chair, Tom Smithson, can be viewed on YouTube at the link here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-2RZhOsdCB8&t=1871s>

A long version of the motion can be read by clicking [this link](#).

A short version of the motion can be read by clicking [this link](#).

**Constitutional Amendment #2** has to do with restructuring the Executive Committee (EC) of the International Board of Trustees (IBT). The proposed change is to the committee structure only. There are no changes to local club or region structures involved in this proposal.

A recording of the motion as read by our International Vice President, Eric McHenry, can be viewed on YouTube at the link here: <https://youtu.be/-2RZhOsdCB8?t=7345>

A long version of the motion can be read by clicking [this link](#).

A short version of the motion can be read by clicking [this link](#).

Additional related reports and recordings are available [this link](#).

In your consideration of these motions, please remember that the social and recreational aspects that bring us all together courtesy camping, rallying and caravanning with one another and our Airstreams are made possible through the business matters of our club. We encourage your participation!

Sincerely,  
Airstream Club International Headquarters

*"To encourage clubs and rallies that provide an endless source of friendships, travel fun and personal expressions." -Wally Byam*

## AIRSTREAM ENVISIONING THE FUTURE

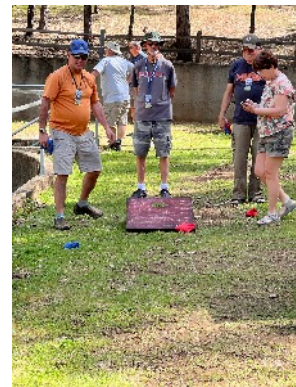


In January 2022, Airstream unveiled the 22 ft "All-Electric eStream Concept: The Future of Sustainable, Electrified Adventures." This is only a concept trailer at the moment - built by Airstream in conjunction with its parent company Thor, who recently joined forces with ZF Friedrichshafen AG, a vehicle technology company based in Germany, to engage in joint development of a high-voltage electric drive system for towable recreational vehicles.

The concept trailer has 80 kWhrs of power stored in its battery bank, allowing the eStream "to provide more than 30 times the power of the lithium batteries that are included with many Airstream models today," according to Airstream. It has dual drive assist motors integrated with the axle and reduced hitch weight that Airstream hopes will end the need for distribution hitches, plus it is 20% more aero dynamic. This allows owners to be able to operate the Airstream via remote control - either hitching up or moving into a campsite. "With remote control ability and 360-degree maneuverability, for the first time Airstream owners can envision a world where they never have to back into a campsite again" states Airstream. For more information check out:

[https://www.airstream.com/blog/the-airstream-estream-concept-an-electrifying-promise-for-the-future-of-travel-and-adventure/?utm\\_campaign=Monthly%20Newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&\\_hsmt=202965588&\\_hsenc=p2ANqtz--dtsDWz3wrLjkQQjLVPS3OIELCRsDGAvRYCNRMCUAM4eZ EQTGGukdF\\_b3FdJOWfBS2sIZVC24GTZ5ZDItdbWWP4tpSA&utm\\_content=202964381&utm\\_source=hs\\_email](https://www.airstream.com/blog/the-airstream-estream-concept-an-electrifying-promise-for-the-future-of-travel-and-adventure/?utm_campaign=Monthly%20Newsletter&utm_medium=email&_hsmt=202965588&_hsenc=p2ANqtz--dtsDWz3wrLjkQQjLVPS3OIELCRsDGAvRYCNRMCUAM4eZ EQTGGukdF_b3FdJOWfBS2sIZVC24GTZ5ZDItdbWWP4tpSA&utm_content=202964381&utm_source=hs_email)





# More Photos of Pine Grove Rally



# May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2	3 	4	5 	6	7
8 	9 	10	11	12	13	14
<b>Red Bluff Rally</b>						
15	16	17	18 	19	20 	21
22 	23	24	25 	26	27 	28
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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/>



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