# California 'Streaming

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#### From the President

#### Spam Note

Are you missing out on rally invitations and news from your president? Please be sure to check your spam folders for emails from "President - South Coast CA Airstream Club": 019President@wbcci.net

#### Call for articles Do you have something to say?

Please submit all articles of interest to our membership for publication. Ideas include news, travel, RV tips, campsite reviews, pet stories, recipes, photos.

Email the editor at: socalairstreamnewsletter@gmail.com



#### COMING IN JUNE: SUN OUTDOORS SAN DIEGO BAY

New, upscale resort on San Diego Bay. They have a fabulous pool area, a playground, dog park, cabins for rent, and it is close to a bike path that goes around the bay. They have bocce ball, pickleball and basketball. Located next to the Living Coast Discovery Center where you can take a free shuttle to learn about the coastal ecology.

Photo credit: Andi

### President's Corner

BY MIKE BIAGI

#### Hi everyone!

I hope you are all getting ready for the beginning of summer. For most folks around the country spring is the beginning of camping season, but for us in Southern California camping season never ends! We have an exciting slate of rallies extending into December for the South Coast California Unit. Hopefully many of you will be able to join us at one or more of them.

Marla and I just returned from the Cali Rally, which was held at the V6 Ranch in Parkfield, CA. It was our first regional rally, and I must say it was a great time. You can read all about it in the additional write up that can be found on the pages of this newsletter. We have been members of WBCCI for nearly 6 years and I am kicking myself for not going to a region rally sooner than this. We learned a lot, met some great folks and it was such an enhancement to our overall Airstream experience. I would encourage anyone who is able to attend a region rally, the International Rally or a caravan.

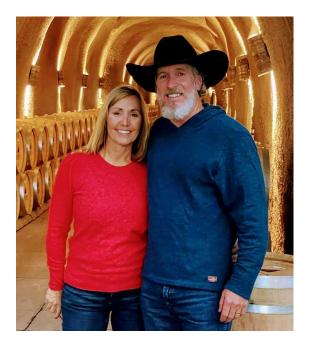
For those of you who will be attending the Newport Dunes Rally we have a special surprise in store for you. I'm not going to give it away but I'm sure you will see pictures of it in our newsletter next month. Bring your beer stein!

I will close this message by saying thanks to so many of you who voted online in favor of our new Constitution, and those who attended the member meeting at the Paso Robles rally. For those in attendance at the meeting I appreciate your patience as we waded through some of the business dealings of the club. These meetings are an important part of our participation as members.

I hope y'all have a good month and I will see you down the road.

Mike Biagi

2022 President



#### South Coast California Airstream Club Newsletter

#### 2022 Officers and Committee Chairs



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### 2022 SOUTH COAST AIRSTREAM CLUB RALLY SCHEDULE

| DATE                | LOCATION   | HOSTS / CO-HOSTS   |  |
|---------------------|--|--|--|
| May 6-8             | Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort & Marina,<br>Newport Beach | Mike and Marla Biagi with Gabriel and<br>LeAnn De La Cruz              |  |
| June 3-5            | Costa Vista Sun Outdoors RV Resort, Chula Vista            | Mike and Mia Griswold with Andi<br>Matsumoto                           |  |
| July                | No Rally   | N/A  |  |
| August 7            | President's BBQ, Laguna Niguel                             | Tim and Diane Sommerville  |  |
| September 9-11      | Vail Lake, Temecula  | Rudy and Linda Calderon with John and Deborah Eertwegh                 |  |
| September 15-<br>19 | 2022 Region 12 Rally<br>San Diego Bay                      | Region 12  |  |
| October 7-9         | Flying Flags, Buellton                                     | Tom and Jeannie Alich with Richard and Stephanie Valorosi              |  |
| November 5-7        | The Springs at Borrego, Borrego Springs                    | Larry and Carrie Suggett with Brad<br>Berry and Mark and Connie Miller |  |
| December 4          | Annual Meeting and Election of Officers, San<br>Clemente   | Bob and Cathy Adams with Dale and Susan Cram                           |  |

Right: So Shiny at the Paso Robles Rally. Fabulous aerial shot.

Photo credit: Su Amsden



#### South Coast Past Presidents

| Clarence Mason<br>Hank Sanford | 1968<br>1969  | Wayne Sorenson<br>Dolores Irwin | 1991<br>1992 and 2002 |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Dick James                     | 1970          | Mary Gough                      | 1993                  |
| Mac McPeak                     | 1971          | Jack Engle                      | 1994                  |
| David Hayes                    | 1972          | Howard Cram                     | 1995                  |
| Roy Slate                      | 1973          | Les Chillcott                   | 1996                  |
| John Riley                     | 1974          | Ralph Irwin                     | 1997                  |
| Wesley Gough                   | 1975          | Dale Cram                       | 1999 and 2000         |
| Bill Williams                  | 1976          | Robert Kirksey                  | 2002 and 2004         |
| Jack Scott                     | 1977          | Susan Cram                      | 2003 and 2012         |
| Doug Gist                      | 1978          | Steve Carmichael                | 2005 and 2008         |
| Walter Brooks                  | 1979          | Philip Terhorst                 | 2006                  |
| John Ashe Everest              | 1980          | Marshall McFie                  | 2007                  |
| Bud Davis                      | 1981          | Robert Michler                  | 2009                  |
| Harold Buck                    | 1982          | Lynda Terhorst                  | 2010                  |
| David Fletcher                 | 1983          | Robert Smith                    | 2011                  |
| Jack Ortberg                   | 1984 and 2001 | Scott Weddle                    | 2013                  |
| Mac McCue                      | 1985          | Louise Weddle                   | 2014                  |
| Don Conner                     | 1986 and 1998 | Bill Ball                       | 2015 and 2016         |
| Lois Klopien                   | 1987          | Robert Kirkpatrick              | 2017                  |
| Bob Barlow                     | 1988          | Bruce Barefoot                  | 2018                  |
| Clara Buck                     | 1989          | Mark Miller                     | 2019                  |
| Roberta Williams               | 1990          | Marya Barefoot                  | 2020                  |
|                                |               | Diane Sommerville               | 2021                  |

#### **Useful Websites**

Airstream Club International: <u>https://airstreamclub.org/</u>

Region 12 Website: https://airstreamclub.org/region12

South Coast California Airstream Club website: https://airstreamclub.org/south-coast-california

South Coast California Airstream Club Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/147077952451972/

Airstream Hunter (buy and sell): https://www.airstreamhunter.com/

Campendium's Campsite Reviews: www.campendium.com

Airstream Life Magazine: https://www.airstreamlife.com

### April Rally Report: Paso Robles Wine Country RV Resort

Image credit: Mike Biagi

The South Coast California Airstream Club held its April rally up in Paso Robles, at the Wine Country RV Resort. As you might guess, it is right in the heart of wine country, allowing for easy access to tasting rooms and the lovely scenery of rolling hills and vineyards. One of the resort requirements was that we vacuum the carpet and mop the floors. Not a bad tradeoff for free use of the clubhouse all weekend! Many thanks to Gene and Connie Brunn and Todd and Cindy Rapp. Also thanks go out to the Brunns, Mike Biagi and Su Amsden for submitting photos.

The cowboy janitor



Gathering



# Paso Robles Rally Report

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Piling up the plates

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### **Welcome New Members**

By: Carrie Suggett, Membership Chair

Please welcome the new members who were not previously recognized in the newsletter. We hope they will join us at a rally soon.

Kevin Hardy of Riverside in his 2022 Interstate 24x, 24'

George and Sara Szabo in their 2022 Caravel 22'

### **Mechanics**

By Diane Sommerville

From time to time, we all have a need for a good mechanic to work on our Airstream. While the dealership mechanics are not always the most reliable, there are two that we know of who have proven themselves to be reliable, knowledgeable, and cost-effective.

The first is our own Affiliate Member, Abe Hernandez. Abe does come to OC from time to time, but he is based in Ramona (San Diego way). His number is (760) 802-3238.

The other is a mechanic that the Valorosi's used recently, and they were thrilled with the service given to them. It is Aaron's Mobile RV Service, and the number is (949) 241-7140.

If any of you has a suggestion for a good mechanic (other than the two listed above), please share with our members by sending the information to Andi Matsumoto at <u>socalairstreamnewsletter@gmail.com</u>.

""All the world was before me and every day was a holiday, so it did not seem important to which one of the world's wildernesses I first should wander." — John Muir

## **Recipe: A Tribute to Jane Weber**

By: Diane Sommerville

Our former SCCAC member, Jane Weber, recently passed away after a long illness. She and her husband, Gary, were members of our Club for 15 years (2002 - 2017) before they sold their Airstream. Gary and Jane were wonderful members of the Club, and we were sorry to see them leave our group.

One of Jane's great contributions to the Club was her homemade granola, which she brought to one of our rallies and it was immediately followed by requests for her recipe. So, to celebrate Jane, here is her recipe:

| What you need:   | What you do:  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| <ul><li>2 cups raw pecans or walnuts</li><li>2 cups raw cashews</li><li>1 cup raw sunflower seeds</li><li>1 cup unsweetened shredded coconut</li></ul> | <ol> <li>Preheat oven to 300 degrees and line baking sheet with<br/>parchment paper.</li> <li>Add pecans or walnuts and cashews to food processor,<br/>pulsing until chunky.</li> <li>In a large mixing bowl, whisk together last 7 ingredients until</li> </ol>  |  |  |
| 1 cup dried cranberries<br>1 egg white, slightly beaten<br>2 TB water<br>3 TB grape seed oil<br>1/3 cup honey<br>1 tsp. vanilla                        | <ul> <li>frothy.</li> <li>Add remaining ingredients and stir well.</li> <li>Spread mixture onto baking sheet and bake 10 minutes; stir, then bake another 10-20 minutes.</li> <li>Remove from oven and let cool. Granola will get crisp when it cools.</li> <li>Store in sealable container.</li> <li>Great as a cereal on yogurt or as a topping for vanilla ice cream.</li> </ul> |  |  |
| 1/2 tsp. cinnamon<br>1/2 tsp. kosher salt  |   |  |  |

I made some minor modifications by reducing the pecans and cashews to 1 cup each and adding 1 ½ cups rolled oats for a healthier version. To compensate for the rolled oats, I increased the egg whites from 1 to 2 and the water from 2 to 4 TB. Either way, this recipe is a "keeper."

# Cali Rally

By: Mike Biagi



Howdy partners! This is your Wagon Master reporting from Parkfield California, home of the most active earthquake fault in the country -- the San Andreas Fault. That's no joke, the tiny town of Parkfield, with a population of just 18, sits right on top of the San Andreas Fault where the two plates meet. There is a USGS office in the city along with a one-room schoolhouse, a library, and a wonderful café.

The Cali Rally was put off twice because of Covid but when it finally got underway it was a huge success! There were 73 Airstreams at the event, tucked in among the oak trees and the rolling hills of the V6 ranch. The Varian family did a great job hosting us and all the Regional Officers and support staff made everyone feel welcome.

Marla and I met folks from several different units including Greater Los Angeles, Lake Tahoe, El Camino, and Northern California. All parts of region 12 were well represented. There were even some folks there from Nevada! From the South Coast club, Rudy and Linda Calderon, Richard Frauenzimmer and Marlene Bowman represented us along with Marla and me. It was a great showing! Rudy and Linda enjoy the bike ride together on one of the days and Richard even wrangled a non-venomous snake! He's a much braver man than I.

If you are ever in the area, I would strongly recommend a visit to the Parkfield Café. It's about 20 minutes off the 46, you turn right at the James Dean Memorial Interchange and head north. Most of their offerings are locally sourced and scratch made. You can't go wrong with their apple dumplings à la mode or any of their hand-formed burgers. They were amazingly delicious!

I'm not sure how often this rally is held, but if you have the opportunity to sign up for the next one, I would strongly encourage it; it's really a hoot! You'll meet new friends, see a different part of this beautiful state and heck, you might even learn how to line dance in the process.



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### Cali Rally (Continued from previous page)



Country views



Parkfield Cafe

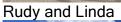


Cali Rally (Photo: Richard Frauenzimmer)



Performer Dave Stamey







V6 Ranch



## On Joining the Club

By: Su Amsden

We still consider ourselves "newbies" in the world of Airstreaming and love the process thus far! When we decided to invest in an Airstream, the thought of it was exciting and daunting at the same time! We've never towed anything, much less the behemoth 30' Classic! But my husband Neal tows like a champ! Owning a travel trailer is like having a second home but we must be our own plumber, electrician, and all-around handyman. Who says you can't teach an old dog new tricks?!

Once we had a few short trips under our belt, we decided to join the club. We weren't sure we were "club" people but said what the hey, let's do it. And we are so happy we did! We've enjoyed 2 rallies so far, Emerald Desert in March and Wine Country in April and can't wait to add others to our list. We have met the nicest folks! Nice folks who like to have fun! Nice folks who truly want to help with any issues that arise (we had a few minor ones!) And nice folks who are happy to share their Airstream experiences. Being around this group has elevated our Airstream experience to the next level. Can't wait to see what's in store ahead!

At the April rally we were taken out to the ballgame by our gracious hosts! Some of the fellas grilled up a mess of hot dogs and hamburgers and we enjoyed those alongside yummy salads and fixin's any stadium would be happy to offer. There was even a pitching game and a batting contest and let me tell you, we've got quite the athletes in this group!!! The evening was topped off with delicious desserts, peanuts and of course, Cracker Jacks!

We've never taken Buckaroo (our trailer!) outside of California and when we heard about the possibility of going to the Grand Canyon, our ears stood up like our cat's when she hears the shaking sounds of a treat bag!

We truly appreciate our club and the members we've met and hope to enjoy the company of this great group for years to come. Now let's go out and play ball!