

# LAS VEGAS AIRSTREAM CLUB

## RALLY CALENDAR

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**AUGUST 19th - 22nd**  
HOLLOWAY'S MARINA & RV  
BIG BEAR, CA  
Hosts - Jo and Ade  
[jojos.mail@hotmail.com](mailto:jojos.mail@hotmail.com)

**September -  
Social Meeting**  
Date, Time and Location TBD

**SEPTEMBER 15th - 19th**  
Region 12 Rally  
San Diego BayFair  
Information to be provided  
when it becomes available  
[https://airstreamclub.org/  
region-12-annual-rally](https://airstreamclub.org/region-12-annual-rally)

**SEPTEMBER 25TH - 29TH**  
COLORADO RALLY  
Host - Judy  
[stahlhutdp@gmail.com](mailto:stahlhutdp@gmail.com)

**SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER  
2ND**  
SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL  
RALLY  
Hosts - Dave and Lin  
[stahlhutdp@gmail.com](mailto:stahlhutdp@gmail.com)



## Sedona in the Summer

By Lynn Mate

The Sedona Rally was on May 11th-15th at the Rancho Sedona RV Park. The park is nestled in the red mountains of Sedona with the Oak Creek running behind it. The Blue Herons are living above in the trees and flying all around the campground. The babies are loud throughout the



**NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING**

Date, Time and Location TBD

**NOVEMBER 4th and 5th**

Terrible's Lakeside RV Resort  
Pahrump, NV  
Hosts - Jo and Ade  
[jojos.mail@hotmail.com](mailto:jojos.mail@hotmail.com)

**DECEMBER 8th - 11th**

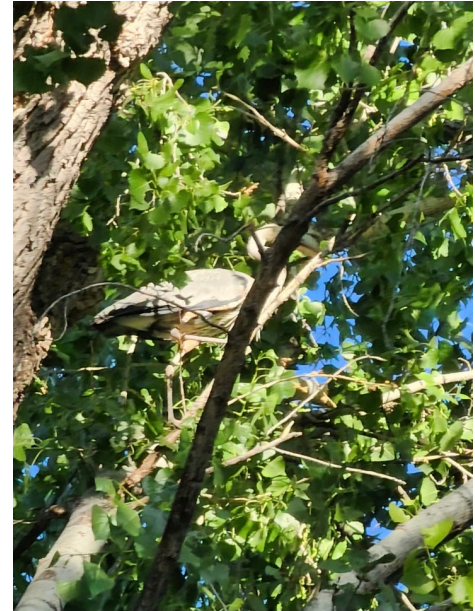
HOLIDAY RALLY  
Lake Mead RV Resort  
268 Lake Shore Rd  
Boulder City, NV  
Hosts - LVAC Board  
[musserfly@cox.net](mailto:musserfly@cox.net)

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

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



morning and night. Watch out for spaces 61-63. You will need to wash off your Airstream before leaving, from babies above. The evenings have outstanding star gazing nights. We arrived on Wednesday with a happy hour . On Thursday we had a pot luck dinner which was fantastic.



Jo made a new cocktail called "Sunset on the Pacific". It was outstanding! On Friday we headed up to Jerome to visit the town and shops. We stopped at "The Bordella" for lunch( food was outstanding). That evening Victor cooked his famous Taco's. On Saturday some of us went to Prescott for a

car show. Others went hiking. We headed home on Sunday. We all took different routes home due to Arizona highways are not the best, especially on Airstream's and all your stuff inside. It was a great camp place for some R and R!

## Moving on up...by 3 inches

By Dale Musser

We've had our Airstream for 10 years now. And since we added on a receiver hitch on the rear of the trailer for our bike rack, the trailer has scraped when pulling in and out of our driveway. Well, I decided it was finally time to do something about that. The solution was a three inch lift kit from Dexter.

Dexter is the manufacturer of our Airstream's axles. They also, manufacture a handy 3" lift kit. We have a dual axle trailer and the kit set me back about \$350. If this is something you might be interested in doing, it is recommended that you contact Dexter to give them the serial number off the axle to get the right kit for your trailer.

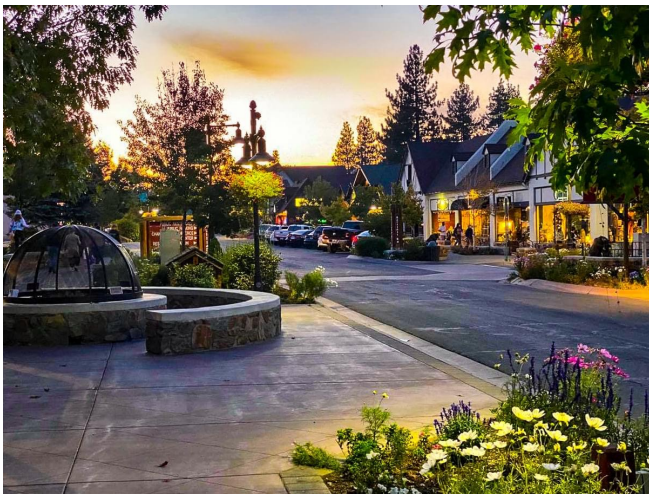
Now, with that being said, I didn't know what I was in for when I decided to do the work myself. Luckily, I was able to watch a few videos on YouTube to get some idea of what I was in for. I had to purchase four jacks stands, one floor jack and some nuts and bolts. The jacks are to support the trailer while removing the wheels. I also needed a torque wrench and a welder. Luckily, I already had those in my garage. This is where it gets exciting. There are about eight bolts that you will need to weld stop tabs onto the head. This is because you can't put a wrench on the bolt, due to the location of some of the bolts in relation to other components underneath the trailer. This is an important thing I learned from the YouTube videos. So I wasn't surprised.

This isn't a job for everyone. But if you like working with your hands and have the tools, it is a satisfying job when you complete the task. I was all in for about \$500. If you have a shop do it, it will set you back about \$2000. All in all, for two days worth of work, I think in went well and was worth it. Oh one more thing, you may need to purchase an additional step for your trailer to compensate for the three inches. It's amazing how much those three inches affect the entry to the trailer, especially on a sloping terrain.



## BIG BEAR LAKE RALLY

August 19th - 22nd



Beat the summer heat and join us in Big Bear Lake, CA. Big Bear is a wonderful mountain resort community located approximately 200 miles from Las Vegas. Check it out at [BigBear.com](http://BigBear.com)

We will be camped at Holloway's Marina RV park. It is located on Big Bear Lake in Metcalf Bay, directly next to Holloway's Marina. You can sit back and enjoy the views, rent boats, go fishing, take a tour of the lake, hike, bike and more! It's just 1.5 miles into the Village which offers a number of restaurants, pubs, galleries and shops. You won't want to miss the new Moonridge Zoo & Animal Park for rescue animals and the Nature Discovery Center.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact the park directly to make your reservation. The park's number is (909) 866-5706. If you make a reservation, please email Jo at [jojos.mail@hotmail.com](mailto:jojos.mail@hotmail.com) so you can be included in any rally communications.



On Saturday, June 18th, 17 members were hosted by Jason Skinner, owner of Sin City Classic Trailers, for a maintenance Seminar. After enjoying some refreshments and mingling a bit, we got down to business. Jason spoke to us about a variety of maintenance items. He discussed water systems, tires, exterior skins and

hitches. It was a great seminar, not only for the newer members, but also for the long time members. Some information was new. But also, some were great reminders that after a bit of time towing, you might just forget about. For those who were unable to attend, a video of the seminar is available through this link. Please note that the film maker is an amateur, which will be evident when watching the video. After the seminar, we were able to check out a few of the trailers which Jason is currently remodeling. There were two vintage trailers, an Avion and a Spartan. There was also, a newer Airstream. All great examples of aluminum on wheels.

Also, if you are on facebook, please follow Sin City Classic Trailers. Jason highlights some of his trailer remodeling. He also, provides great information on trailers. You should really check out his posts on trailer electrical systems.



## **What are Rallies all about?**

So you bought an Airstream. You bring it home and you are so excited that you join the Las Vegas Airstream Club. Once you join the club, you begin receiving emails with newsletters and rally information. So what *is* a rally? A rally is simply a gathering of Airstreamers camping together.

### **How do you know about the rallies?**

The rallies are listed on our website at [airstreamclub.org/las-vegas](http://airstreamclub.org/las-vegas) . They are also, shown in the newsletter, which is emailed out to each member.

### **How do you sign up for a rally?**

In the rally information on the website or in the newsletter, the host will indicate how to sign up. Most of the time, our rallies entail each member contacting the campground or RV park directly to make their own reservation. Once that is done, the member would need to email the host to let them know they made their reservation, so they can be included in any communications about the rally.

### **What is a Rally Host and what do they do?**

The Host is the person who has chosen the rally location. He or she will provide some information for the possible activities in the area. Some hosts may provide a meal or two as a part of the rally. If that happens, there is usually a small rally fee charged to each member. That is determined by the host(s) and is conveyed to the members who have signed up to attend the rally. Closer to the date of the rally, usually 1 to 2 weeks prior, the host will contact the members signed up to attend and give them the lowdown on the rally. They will indicate if there will be any meals provided (strictly optional for both host and participant) and the rally fee (if any), if there will be a potluck meal and if there will be any group activities.

### **What happens at a rally?**

The Las Vegas Airstream Club rallies are very relaxed. During the day, members can explore the local area. Options may be recreation opportunities, shopping, museums or galleries, depending on the locale. We gather each late afternoon for Happy Hour. During Happy Hour members may chose to bring an appetizer to share with the group and a beverage of choice to enjoy yourself. Some days there is either a hosted or potluck meal, as decided by the host. Sometimes group activities are arranged. But don't fret. It's not all go go go at the rallies. Relaxing and visiting is always on the agenda at a rally.

Rallies are anywhere from 2 to 7 days long. If your schedule doesn't permit you to stay the entire time, make your reservation for the days you can stay and just let the host know which days you will be at the rally. We all understand that some members work and some have other obligations that preclude them from being gone for too many days in a row. Come when you can and stay as long as you can!

## EXTRA! EXTRA!



Can't make it to a rally? Feel like you are missing out on all of the fun? Don't worry. The Las Vegas Airstream Club has an Instagram account which fills you in on the rally excitement. You can follow us on Instagram at *lasvegasairstreamclub*.



You can also, check out the club's rally schedule and read our newsletters on our website at [airstreamclub.org/las-vegas](https://airstreamclub.org/las-vegas) . Don't forget there are countless resources on the main [airstreamclub.org](https://airstreamclub.org) website, as well.

