

Oregon Airstream Club Membership Meeting
Sept.23, 2022
Cove Palisades State Park

President Carol Dion called the meeting to order. Approximately 60 members of the club were in attendance including six of the elected Board as well as Membership Chair, John Roll and Newsletter Chair Rhonda Levine.

Carol reviewed with the Membership the accomplishments of the Club in the last year. Since the Board Meeting was attended by almost all attendees at the rally I will not include that review. All Board Member minutes, once approved, are published on the OAC website for all members to review.

General Discussion

Robust discussions and comments were offered by several members. These are listed below.

1. More than one member commented on how 'welcoming' the OAC has been to them as new members.
2. Members wanted to know how to get more involved with the Club...those who commented said that they would like to host or co-host, but, they didn't want to be responsible for cooking for a crowd and they didn't know what would be expected of them. Carol assured them that hosts determine what their rally will be..food/no food. It's up to the host and reiterated that Rally Coordinator Mike Burnett is working on a Zoom meeting for all new hosts and the development of a mentoring program pairing a 'seasoned' host with a new co-host. It was acknowledged that there are some fabulous cooks in the club who really enjoy cooking for a crowd, but new hosts should not feel obligated to cook meals. Happy Hours and or potlucks are also favorites of members. Rhonda Levine encouraged members to write for the newsletter as a way of becoming more involved.
3. Some members talked about how they accidentally 'found' the club and wondered if there was a better way to publicize. One member suggested a tri-fold brochure to be placed at the two airstream dealers in Oregon, though this would not capture those owners who bought a used trailer or a trailer from a different state. One member suggested the availability of a business card that could be handed out to owners of an Airstream that one comes across while traveling. This would contain info on how to become a member, contact information etc. Mark Babcock volunteered to help develop different mechanisms of encouraging membership.
4. Some members commented on how much they liked the small gather and meet groups because they allowed them to get to know people better than in the large group setting.
5. Members asked for a list of what is in the OAC Storage Unit and how they can access those supplies. All hosts will be supplied with this information.
6. Safe Food Handling was discussed. Hosts were encouraged, though not required, to obtain a Food Handlers card...available on line from your County Health Department.

New Business:

Kathy Geese, Region 10 President installed Chris Wagner as 2023 OAC President, Janet Schrober as 1st VP, Ruby Troncin as 2nd VP and Cindy Muir Director. Returning to the Board will be Treasurer Stacey Rovinelli, Secretary Norma Massier, Directors Bryan & Michelle Stewart, and Directors Buzz and Lynn Blick. Committee Chairs joining all Board Meeting are: Webmaster Bob Crummett, Rally Coordinator Mike Burnett, Membership Chair John Roll, Membership Co-Chair Mark Babcock, Publisher/Editor Newsletter Geoff Cox, Newsletter Committee Chair Rhonda Levine

Carol thanked all the volunteers who helped make this Year End Rally a success including the silent auction organizer, Janet Schober, the swap meet organizer, Chris Wagner, the art instructor Susannah Lints, John Dion who arranged the Lithium Battery workshop speaker, Terri Warren and Hal Hendrix who are providing yummy chicken enchiladas for tonight's meal as well as all the bakers and cooks bringing side dishes and desserts.

The meeting was then adjourned by Carol Dion, President.

Respectfully submitted
Norma Massier, OAC Secretary