July - Oct 2022

ARIZONA AIRSTREAM CLUB ROUNDUP



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> Bob & Mary Doster Buckeye, AZ

A r i z o n a Airstream Club and Vintage Airstream Club joined rallies in Dolores, CO

June Rally: Dolores, CO by Trish Bigler

The first weekend in June was the 2nd joint rally with the Arizona Airstream Club (AAC) and Vintage Airstream Club (VAC) held at the Dolores River Campground in Dolores, CO. Rally hosts were AAC President Mike McBurney and VAC member Kandi Smith.

The event opened with a happy hour complete with potluck-style appetizers. This year's mixer was a photo scavenger hunt with flamingo inspired prizes courtesy of AAC member Sherri Ewing. Campfire chats, live music and the legendary Flamingo Lounge were a nightly occurrence.

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Kimberley Hash tg4jc@mac.com Included in the rally fee were two morning coffee hours with pastries or yogurt parfaits organized by AAC members Sherri Ewing and Trish Bigler; plus a catered BBQ.

Friday was a full day of presentations by VAC members. But I have to say, a favorite was AAC's member Heidi Vail presenting "Culinary Arts on the Road" (pic bottom left). AAC members Kimberley Hash and Diane Rumbo assisted Heidi in preparing amazing passed appetizers during the presentation. Attendees were treated to fresh berry spritzers, jerk chicken sauté skewers, chicken sausage with roasted tomato & basil, pimento cheese on cucumber or celery, cantaloupe/prosciutto/mozzarella/basil skewers and peanut butter chocolate snaps. And yes, they prepared everything in the Vail's Airstream!

On Saturday, a group of Airstreamers attended the Annual Dolores River Festival. Mesa Verde Country also provided unlimited outdoor recreational opportunities, historical exploration, shopping and craft breweries.

Plans are underway for another joint rally next year as a prelude to 66th International Airstream Rally in Rock Springs, Wyoming. Be sure to reserve your space for June 15-18, 2023 with RJourny's Dolores River Campground as we expect another full rally.





Social hours are always so much fun! Our first social hour included a short update meeting.



Ya Don't See This Everyday!



Sometimes you see the coolest things when heading to a rally. The drive is all part of the adventure! Heading to the Dolores Rally, Sherri Ewing and Trish Bigler drove through a cattle drive.

Vintage Airstream Club Co-Rallied in Dolores



Rod and Lisa Sly's beautifully restored 1956 Safari.

1948 Airstream. Candace and Pat Phippen in front of their vintage trailer.



Of course, the Dolores Rally fell during the Dolores River Festival. There were bands, beer, and just a great excuse to relax and hang out.



July: International Rally in Fryeburg Maine—Pictorial Highlights

Twenty-six Arizona Airstream Club Members attended the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine! If you haven't attended an Internationally Rally, you should consider doing it. It is quite an experience to see so many Airstreams in one place. The small town of Fryeburg didn't know what hit them!



Arizona Airstream Club was well represented.

Pictured here are several of our members. Unfortunately, getting everyone together for a group picture proved a little too hard.



What do you do when you have so many AZ Airstreamers together? Have social hours, of course!





[Left] Kristen Smith posing with the AZ Airstream Club flag.

[Right] Sam Brandes represented the Marines at the opening ceremonies.

[Bottom Left] John Holly blew everyone away with his performance of The Music Man. He also sang The Star Spangled Banner at the opening ceremonies.

[Bottom Right] Steven Parr was installed as the new Region 11 President, and Ken Johansen was honored as the outgoing President.









Ed Hash, (see if you can pick him out in the lineup) poses with the Motor Booty Affair band. They were our entertainment for the last night and we ALL got our groove thing on!







What do you do in Maine when there is an extreme heat wave? You hit the coast and eat a ton of lobster! As in *almost* every day! It just never got old!! And you take a boat ride or two!





September: Williams Rally

By Diane Rumbo

The Williams rally was a wonderful opportunity to escape the heat of the valley and to see some beautiful northern Arizona sights. The rally was hosted by Sam & Kathy Brandes and Jim & Diane Rumbo and started with a fun pizza party the night everyone arrived.





It was a chance for us to meet first time "ralliers" Dennis & Delight Connelly and David & Kat Jerde, and to get reacquainted with people we haven't seen for a while.



First timers Dennis & Delight Connelly





First Timers David & Kat Jerde





We spent the evening around a large campfire, tended by Jim Rumbo. It was a great time to tell stories and laugh with one

another. The second day, several members took the train to the Grand Canyon, while

others rode the Canyon Coaster or strolled through town, seeing the all the historic Route 66 shops and restaurants. We finished an enjoyable day with a potluck, where Heidi and Troy Vail grilled chicken to go with everyone's dishes. Yum!



Troy Vail waves to the train as it passes by. A favorite pastime



The Canyon Coaster was a real thrill!

Summer Sangria

of many.

1 bottle dry rosé wine
1/2 cup St. Germain Elderflower liqueur
1/2 cup simple syrup
1/2 liter seltzer water or lemon lime soda
1 lemon thinly sliced
1 cup strawberries, blueberries, raspberries.

Combine all ingredients (except seltzer or soda) in a large pitcher. Refrigerate for at least 2 hours or overnight. Before serving, top with seltzer or soda and stir to combine.



Saturday was a rainy day, but many of us met in the clubhouse and spent the day playing games, watching football, and snacking on leftovers from the potluck. Kimberley Hash provided her "famous" bar, with a special treat – homemade sangria! Heidi made chicken soup from the leftovers from the night before – perfect for a rainy day! Our day ended with a group dinner at the Route 66 Cruiser Diner – what could be more appropriate for Williams? All in all, a great rally!

What do you when it rains all day? Head to the barn, play dominoes, what football, and have FUN!!









AZ Airstreamers don't mind getting caught in the rain, especially when you have a nice dry barn with a TV and place for a bar!





Club News



President's News

Wow, I can't believe how fast

Mike McBurney

this year is going. Gail and I were fortunate to get selected for the North to Alaska Caravan. What a ride! If you have never done a caravan, I highly recommend that you sign up and go. I met some fantastic Airstreamers on the caravan, some have participated in 10-12 different caravans. Check out the international web site on the different caravans offered.

Thank you, Sam Brandes, for covering for me at the International Rally in Fryeburg. We some fantastic rallies next year, let's participate and HAVE FUN, which is what we are about.

If you haven't signed up for the next international rally in Rock Springs Wy please consider going so we can have a great turnout from AAC.



Vice President's News

Sam Brandes

Kathy and I are happy to be back in Arizona after a full summer of cross-country travel in our Airstream. One of the highlights was joining the 25 other Arizona Airstream Club members that attended the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine. Although the weather was uncharacteristically hot for Maine, we still enjoyed the entertainment, education, and camaraderie which is so typical of the Airstream life. Plus, we certainly got our fill of lobster rolls.

The rally schedule is coming together for 2023. Fun times are planned for next year, and the rallies are already filling up. More rallies have been added since the last newsletter, and I encourage all of you to go onto the club website to register for the rallies or get on the waiting list for the rallies that are already full. We've added a second rally in April which will be in Borrego Springs, CA.



Membership Chair

We would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to our new members and new affiliate members.

In August and September, we welcomed the following people to our club:

- Rob & Brenda Hughey Longmont, CO
- Erica Segal Wolfe and Greg Wolfe – Phoenix, AZ
- Dennis & Delight Connelly Mesa, AZ
- Kristine & David Dutton Prescott, AZ
- Judith Hood & Doreen Spychala Surprise, AZ
- Kari & Sam Skaggs Sedona, AZ
- John Fleury Scottsdale, AZ
- Vivian Stawarz Oro Valley, AZ
- Richard Abel & Rachel Popa Tucson, AZ
- Philip & Barbara St. Raymond Scottsdale, AZ

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You need to make your reservations now at The Springs at Borrego prior to being able to register for the rally. The contact information is on the AAC website. Also, very important, is the Dolores River Rally in June. This is the pre-International Rally, and you must call the Dolores River RV Resort to make your site reservation. Again, contact information is on the AAC website.

Finally, mark your calendars for September 14-17, 2023. We have reserved 30 sites at Dead Horse Ranch State Park. Registration will be available in March. Heidi and Troy Vail have volunteered to host this rally, and my guess is that this rally will be one of the highlights of 2023.

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- Rick & Nancy Vanderwielen
 Noblesville, IN
- Meridith & Marsha Sipek Phoenix, AZ
- Debra & Kimball Edell Hartsel, CO
- Gary & Gail Spies Tucson, AZ
- Jerry & Colleen Ahlers Cortland Manor, NY
- Dave & Pamela Rawn Champlin, MN
- Cindy & Dee Hathaway Overgaard, AZ
- Edward & Sandy Brogan Alto, NM
- Baron Smith Mesa, AZ
- Ricard & Judith Baumann Tempe AZ

We are so happy to have you join us! For a list of our rallies and to register for them, go to <u>https://airstreamclub.org/arizona/</u> <u>arizona-events</u> and log in using your WBCCI login via the membership portal. If the rally is already filled, please put your name on the waitlist. We often have spots open up for various reasons. If we haven't already met you at one of our rallies, we look forward to seeing you at one in the future. Happy travels!

Upcoming AZ Airstream Rallies www.airstreamclub.org/arizona

Organ Pipe Cactus Rally

Jan 19 - 22, 2023 Hosts: Jerry and Candace Nelson 602-300-5599 Rally & Waitlist has filled

White Tank Mountain Park Rally

Feb 16 - 20, 2023 Hosts: Jim & Diane Rumbo 602-799-6903 jrumbo1@cox.net

St. Paddy's Weekend Rally on the River Usery Mountain Regional Park Rally

Mar 16 - 19, 2023 Hosts: Jeff & Gabriela Gilbert 949-887-0126 gabig97@me.com

Apr 10 - 13, 2023

Hosts: Sam & Kathy Brandes 928-978-0844 sam.brandes@mac.com