

# The Tattler

Central Coast California Airstream Club (020), Region 12



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Sh!\*#er's Full! – Cousin Eddie, National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation

### Quick News

- The business meeting of the CCCAC took place at the November rally. The 2023 officers and other notable outcomes of the meeting are on page 3.
- There's a rally this weekend. See if you can nab a last-minute spot!
- CCC is having a caravan to International this year. Details on page 5.
- Everyone have a happy holiday season. See you in the new year.

### Upcoming Rallies (page 3)

#### December 9-11 Carmel by the Sea

- Carmel
- The rally has some last minute cancelations, contact [Yvonne Savage](#) if you want to go.

#### February 9-13 Pismo Beach

- Pismo Beach
- Make your own reservations

#### March 16-20 Refugio Beach

- Goleta
- Group site reserved. Details to be released in the new year

#### April 13-17 Smithwoods RV Park

- Felton (near Santa Cruz)
- Look for a coupon in the new year

### About Us

The Central Coast California Airstream Club (CCCAC) encompasses the scenic California coastal counties of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura; but our members come from all around the area! We are an active, social group that participates in local, regional, and international rallies. We are dedicated to the Creed created long ago by the Airstream founder, Wally Byam. Though Wally has passed, the words and wisdom of his Creed live on in the many Airstream Clubs that remain active to this day. Established on April 10, 1965, we continue to enjoy "Fun, Friendship & Camping."



## President's Message



This has been a busy year for Linda and myself, being gone for two International Caravans and the International Rally in Maine. In my second term beginning in January, as my only trip next year, I will be going to the Internal Rally in Wyoming, and I am happy to announce that our Club will have many members attending and that a Club Caravan to go there is currently being planned.

At our annual November Club meeting at the Paso Robles Wine Country Rally, we had our annual election. I want to welcome Yvonne Savage as our new Vice- President. At the same time, I want to show gratitude and a large thank you to Diane Ellis for all her hard work on behalf of our Club. She has done an outstanding job as Vice-President this year and as Secretary the year before. Her husband, Jim, continues to serve in 2023 as one of our four directors.

Big thanks are also in order, and I am proud to announce that Pam Lindsay, Dave Temple, Gary Mellinger, Walt Bremer, and Jason Grendahl are returning for 2023 as is Director Marsi Peterson. Mark Griffin will be back as a two year Director and is joined by Tracy Adams. Gary Mellinger and Jeanne Mitchell continue to monitor our private Facebook account.

The Club had two decisions to make. First, they unanimously turned down the creation of a 2nd Vice-President position. Secondly, the members approved a change to when Officer installations are conducted. Originally, election results were announced in November, and according to the By-laws, installations were to be conducted at the December Rally. The Members voted to allow installations anytime from after the November Meeting up to December 31st. The term of office would continue to be January 1 to December 31.

2023 is going to be a great year for the Central Coast California Airstream Club. Great rallies are planned, and a past traditional luncheon is being planned for a resumption. To new members who have joined us, stay tuned for a Newcomer's Rally.

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

### 2022 Officers:

- President: Bob Minder
- VP: Diane Ellis
- Secretary: Pam Lindsay
- Treasurer: Dave Temple
- Past. Pres: Teresa Tighe

### Directors:

- One Year  
Ann Smith  
Mark Griffin
- Two Year  
Marsi Peterson  
Jim Ellis

### Chairpersons:

- Membership: Gary Mellinger
- Webmaster: Walt Bremer
- Tattler: Jason Grendahl
- Facebook: Gary Mellinger  
Jeanne Mitchell

*To contact anyone on this list, please consult the CCCAC or International membership directory*





## Please congratulate and welcome your 2023 slate of officers, directors, and support staff:

ROBERT MINDER, President, BRN 4195

YVONNE SAVAGE, Vice President, BRN 4182

PAM LINDSAY, Recording Secretary, BRN 4858

DAVE TEMPLE, Treasurer, BRN 5851

GARY MELLINGER, Membership Director, BRN 2002

MARSI PETERSON, 1 Year Director, BRN 2638

JIM ELLIS, 1 Year Director, BRN 8267

TRACY ADAMS, 2 Year Director, BRN 23267

MARK GRIFFIN, 2 Year Director, BRN 1872

WALT BREMER, Webmaster, BRN 3884

JASON GREND AHL, Newsletter Editor, BRN 3064

GARY MELLINGER, BRN 2002 and JEANNE MITCHELL, BRN 3624; Facebook Admins





## Rally Page

Gray-shaded entries are not CCC events but are of interest to CCC members.  
 Updates since the last Tattler are shown in **GREEN**

Date	Location	Hosts	Notes
December 9-11	Carmel by the River RV Park; Carmel-by-the-Sea	Yvonne Savage and Joel & Cynthia Mattsson	Rally full, but last-minute cancellations are possible. Contact Yvonne ( <a href="mailto:happyglampergal@gmail.com">happyglampergal@gmail.com</a> ) to check for open sites.
February 9-13	Pismo State Beach, North Beach Campground; Pismo Beach	Jim & Diane Ellis and Rick & Cheryl Cline	<a href="#">Make your own reservations</a> . Type "Pismo SB", click it in the list. Select your dates on the next page. Try to be near site 81.
March 16-20	Refugio State Beach; Goleta	Yvonne Savage and Jim & Diane Ellis	Group site. Do not book your own site. More info to come.
April 13-17	Smithwoods RV Park; Felton (near Santa Cruz)	Bruce & Ann Smith and Scott & Tracy Adams	Coupon not yet available. Watch your email inboxes in the new year.
May 11-15	Angels Camp RV Park; Angels Camp (gold country)	Jason & Andrea Grendahl <b>Bob &amp; Linda Minder</b>	Joint rally with Greater Bay Area Airstream Club. <b>Registration not open yet.</b>
<b>June 18-23</b>	Informal caravan to International	Gary Mellinger	<b>16 club members so far. Contact Gary (<a href="mailto:garymellinger@icloud.com">garymellinger@icloud.com</a>) if you want to join. More info on page 5.</b>
June 24-30	International rally; Rock Springs, WY	International Rally	Registration is online at <a href="#">this website</a>
September 18ish	Informal caravan on Hwy 395 (east Sierras) to June Lake / Silver Lake.	Gary Mellinger	Exact dates TBD. 7-10 days duration. Contact Gary ( <a href="mailto:garymellinger@icloud.com">garymellinger@icloud.com</a> ) if interested.
October 12-16 OR 19-23; TBD	Lake Cachuma; Santa Ynez	<b>Hosts Needed</b>	
November 16-20	Flying Flags; Buellton	<b>Bruce and Carol Yeoman</b> Co-host(s) wanted	Business meeting
December TBD	San Simeon State Beach; Cambria	<b>Hosts Needed</b>	Cambria Christmas market. Exact dates and more info to come in 2023.







## Caravan to International June 2023



As of 10/4/2022, we have 16 caravanners committed to the CCC caravan, traveling to the International Rally.

Our Caravan Committee consists of our VP Diane Ellis, and Rally Committee members Jim Ellis, Bruce Yeoman, Mark Griffin, Bruce Smith, Walt Bremer, Yvonne Savage, and Gary Mellinger.

Collectively we have chosen the following itinerary:

1. June 18, one night: Calico/Barstow KOA. One night. Contact Amanda (800) 562-0059.
2. June 19 & 20, two nights: McArthurs Temple RV, St. George, UT. Contact Francis (435) 673-6400.
3. June 21 & 22, two nights: Mountain Valley RV, Heber, UT. Contact Julie (435) 657-6100.

We will arrive to the International Rally on June 23, which is one day earlier than the official starting day of the rally. You will need to register for the rally as such or if you have already registered and need to change your arrival date, please contact ACI HQ at (937) 596-5211.

**Anyone choosing to join our caravan will need to contact Gary Mellinger at [garymellinger@icloud.com](mailto:garymellinger@icloud.com) to let us know that you are joining our caravan.** The rally parkers at International will not allow you to enter with our Caravan unless you contact Gary and are added to our entry list that is kept updated with Airstream Club International.







## Member Trip: Oregon Coast

The Neel family headed up the Pacific Coast this summer. They took 10 days from Ventura to Everett, WA and back. It was their first trip to the area.







## Member Trip: Eastern Sierras

From Christa and Gary Mellinger:

Our Eastern Sierra trip started out uneventfully, until we had a trailer flat 10 mi. N. of Mojave. Changed it out along the side of the road in 100 degree heat, thankfully cloudy. We made Twin Lakes by dusk and found a first come-first serve site near the creek. The next day we found an even better one closer to the water. Days were in the mid 70s and nights, high 30s. Not fishing, only saw a few the entire trip during our daily 2 mile creek walks. Our neighbor camper was kind and gifted us two 14" rainbows, which soon landed on our plates. Our flat ended up being a new tire in Mammoth Lakes while we enjoyed lunch at the Warming Hut in town (highly recommended). If you've not visited Annette's Mono Village, you might just be missing out on great hikes, picturesque vistas and exciting hikes. We hiked the fire road, ran across fresh bear scat, and the alpine forest, and ate a delicious dinner at the restaurant and bar there, also highly recommended. Talking about bears, the dumpster across from our rig was tipped over by 2 bears on two separate nights and our dinette window had bear paw prints on the glass. One night a camper had his truck-



shell window smashed by a bear grabbing his bag of Cheetos. We had a really relaxing time in our fav Happy Place on the creek. Oh, and on a side note, we were able to squeeze out 9 days on about 30 gallons of fresh water. \$14 per night USFS senior rate per night. We hope that you all were able to get away and enjoy God's gifts.











## Member Trip: Tour Buzz Festival, Paso Robles

The Lunds went to the Tour Buzz Festival at the Paso Robles Event Center (Mid-State Fair Grounds). The hookups were great for a big dirt parking lot. The festival was convenient, music was great - overall excellent weekend.







## Member Trip: Around the USA

From Jan and Ron Smith

Ron and I just got back from a 15,000 mile, 4 and a half month journey across the US in our brand new 2022 25' RT Flying Cloud. We took possession on March 12 and headed out on our cross-country trip on May 30 from Morro Bay. Some of the things we did along the way: 1. Family wedding in Columbus, OH; 2. Michigan; 3. Finger Lakes, NY; 4. International Airstream Rally in Fryeburg, ME; 5. Alumapalooza in Jackson Center, OH; 5. Route 66 all the way from Chicago to Santa Monica. We spent the night in 21 different states and passed through 23.







# Member Trip: Fall Colors Trip

From Ann and Bruce Smith







## Do It Yourself Improvements

From Cynthia and Joel Mattsson:

There was a recent email from the Airstream store regarding new custom curtains that are available which caught my eye and we ended up ordering some for our dinette area. Now they are advertising wallpaper!



Another great improvement that we did was to install a pop up outlet socket with three 120v outlets and 2 USB ports in our dinette table. It was under \$30 on Amazon. It was easy to install. The hardest part was deciding whether to make a hole in the table. We don't regret it for a moment. We no longer must crawl under the table to plug in anything.







# Member Trips: California Travelling

From Cynthia and Joel Mattsson







## Birthdays

Don't see your birthday here but it should be? Let the CCC know by emailing the [Membership Chair](#) or the [Treasurer](#).

### October

Jane Thornton	
Lynda Polk	14 <sup>th</sup>
Bill Almas	24 <sup>th</sup>

### November

Roxanne Gross	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Pam Lindsay	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Gary Mellinger	20 <sup>th</sup>
Tom Reay	20 <sup>th</sup>
Beth Kerfoot	23 <sup>rd</sup>









### December

John Thornton	
Judy Bremer	8 <sup>th</sup>
Carol Yeoman	12 <sup>th</sup>
Keith Valley	16 <sup>th</sup>
Fredric Sloan	18 <sup>th</sup>
Ariadna Neel	23 <sup>rd</sup>



## New Members

Welcome these new members and affiliates since the last Tattler!

-  John and YuSon Handy ..... #6920
-  Beth Morrissey and Greg Whitney ..... #2616
-  Jennifer Foraker and Aaron Eichman ..... #711
-  Scott and Renee Meznarich ..... #7192
-  Elizabeth and Matthew Keyser ..... #5164
-  Scott Jewett ..... #7592
-  Rebecca Sager and Mark Wingate ..... #7340
-  Kirt Smith and Shelley Alexander ..... #4631

### Stay Connected!

#### Facebook Pages

- [CCCAC](#)
- [Region 12](#)
- [International \(WBCCI/WBAC/ACI\)](#)
- [Airstream Inc.](#)

#### Websites

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- [Airstream, Inc.](#)
- [Airstream service and owner's manuals](#)

#### Twitter:

- [Airstream Club Int'l / WBCCI](#)
- [Airstream, Inc.](#)

### Club Resources and Links

- Many member resources are now found online at the WBCCI International website. Login to your WBCCI account here: <https://airstreamclub.org/members/login?destination=/members/dashboard>
  - Membership roster (search, filter, and sort)
  - Renew your membership, international or affiliate
- Read past issues of *The Tattler* newsletters
- Access rally coupons online - [CCCAC event page](#) or [CCCAC Facebook](#)

