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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! As we turn the calendar page to a promising New Year our Colorado Airstream Club officers and trustees are busy putting together a schedule of events that promises great camaraderie, fun, and adventure for all!

Last October we gathered at Cinzettii's for a wonderful post-COVID return of regularly scheduled club luncheons during the colder weather months. Our program featured the showing of a documentary highlighting Wally Byam and the impressive history behind our Airstreams.

In December we were back together celebrating the Holiday Season with great food and fellowship at Ptarmigan Country Club in Windsor. Newly elected officers were installed by Past Region 11 President Patti Reed.

January 28th we will be back at Cinzettii's. Joining us digitally, our special guest will be Dale Schwamborn, who was a teenager traveling with "Uncle Wally" on the famous WBCCI Cape Town to Cairo caravan. [Registration for this luncheon event](#) is open.



March 4th we'll come together again in Colorado Springs for a catered barbecue luncheon at the historic Patty Jewett mansion, now known as the Peel House at First Lutheran Church in a part of Colorado Springs known as the "Old North End." The address is 1515 North Cascade Avenue. Our program features little collective nostalgia with a look at the early days of television. Looking back it sometimes seems like everything was better in black and white.

Our 2023 rally schedule starts **March 27** in Casa Grande Arizona and continues through October! Details are still being worked out for the March rally as well as several other planned events. The Arizona rally is already on the Events Page and If you bookmark this site in your computer browser you can check back easily for updates.

April 24-29 there will be a CAC Rally at Carlsbad Caverns where we will likely be joined by some fellow Airstreamers from the New Mexico club. Registration opens on February 15 and details are available on the Events Page.

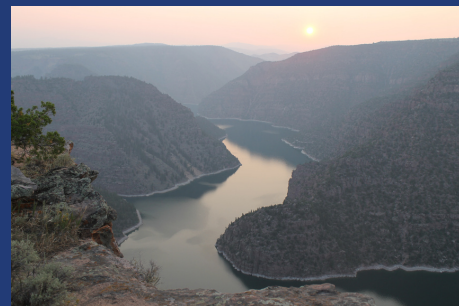
Also on the events page, you will find more details on our annual Maintenance Rally in Fort Collins. This year it's **May 18-21** and we will add back to the schedule some shared meals that had to be deleted during COVID. There will also be a block of free time with no maintenance classes or presentations so we can venture offsite for tours and activities in the area. Stay tuned for an announcement when registration opens.



Early in June CAC will have a limited number of parking spaces available at the Rambler Ranch in Elizabeth, Colorado. Members will enjoy just camping along with tours of what is likely the largest private collection of American Motors Corporation vehicles anywhere. If you, like me, fondly remember Nash, Hudson, Ramblers, Rebels, Ambassadors, Gremlins, Eagles, and Pacers, you won't want to miss this rally. More details coming soon on the Events Page.

June 5-9 we'll be in Chama, New Mexico. One of the best-preserved historic railroads in the country operates between Chama and Antonito, Colorado. The area is breathtakingly beautiful in southern Colorado and northern New Mexico. Registration is now open.

Many of us have already registered for the 2023 International Rally June 24-30 in Rock Springs, Wyoming. We're still working on opportunities for coordinated travel to and arrival at Rock Springs. ACI 2023 registration is full but you can still get your name on the wait list. This is your link to everything concerning the international club including guest parking, special rallies, and caravans.

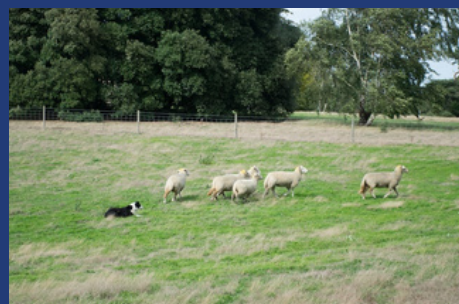


There is room in the summer schedule for an additional weekend "campin only" rally in mid-July or early August. We are looking at a possible return to Carter Lake. If you have any suggestions, please share them with any of the officers or trustees. Our contacts are at: airstreamclub.org/Colorado/cac-officers-and-coordinators.

July 31 - August 4 CAC returns to Granby with the Rally at Sun Outdoors Rocky Mountain Resort. This is a fantastic location with onsite entertainment options and easy access to Rocky Mountain National Park.

August 27-31 the town of Carbondale is calling. Just a few minutes from Glenwood Springs or Aspen, Carbondale is a fantasyland for hiking, biking, kayaking, and dining. Look for updates on the Events Page.

September 7-10 the Meeker Classic Sheepdog Trials Rally in Meeker Colorado. You guessed it-details on the Events Page.



September 18-22, for the second year we are invited to circle the wagons at the Wagon Wheel Rally in Creede. The registration deadline will be September 1. Keep an eye on the Events Page.

It's hard to beat the turning colors in Ouray in October. Registration opens March 1 for the Ouray Fall Colors Rally **October 2-6**. Co-Hosts are also needed for this rally to help Caroline Beardshear and Mike Zimmermann. This is a great opportunity to learn how to host from two of the best.

Officers and board members are working hard to make this a year to remember. But you are the life of the party. We need volunteers to be a rally, luncheon, happy hour, and coffee hosts. These hosts greet and register members at our events and help organize activities and supplies. We also need volunteers to generate more photos for content in our newsletters.

We are already one of the largest Airstream Clubs with a proud history. Chief among our goals and objectives for this year:

- Improve communications
- Actively engage more of our members as club volunteers
- Restore the camaraderie of regularly scheduled luncheons and programs

Let's all get together and have fun down the road!

Dave Rose



POP QUIZ!

Did you know that the 2023 ACI Rally in Rock Springs is fully registered? There is still time to get on the waiting list. There will also be additional dry camping locations available to club members.

How many full hookup RV spots (50A, water, and sewer) are at the Sweetwater Events Complex?

- A) 750
- B) 916
- C) 1,200
- D) 2,100

(Answer Below)



BOOKMARK YOUR ONE STOP RESOURCE FOR ALL CAC EVENTS

<https://airstreamclub.org/colorado/colorado-event-information>



NEW PERK FOR EVENT HOSTS

If you've been thinking about hosting a rally or luncheon, here's another good reason to volunteer.

Rally and luncheon hosts and co-hosts will have priority early registration for one event of their choice (in addition to their own event).

Hosting is easy. Start by volunteering to co-host an event that's already scheduled.

By learning the ropes with an experienced host, you can guarantee your spot at the front of the line for your favorite event next year. It's not difficult, if you've ever hosted a cocktail party or backyard barbecue, you're the perfect rally host!

Reach out to [Dave Rose](#) or any other member of the board to get started.



BALLOON FIESTA RALLY LOTTERY

The 51st Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta National Rally is **October 6th- October 10th**. Registration is open from **January 15 - January 21st**. There is no need to be the first to register - those who register first will be in the same lottery as those who register on the last day.

This event is extremely popular. Don't miss this opportunity to [register for the lottery for the rally](#).



QUIZ ANSWER

The Sweetwater Events Complex has **1,200** full hookup RV spots. During the [December ACI Membership Campfire Chat](#), the team announced that the event was fully booked and has since reached capacity. There will be additional boondocking spaces released and you can still get on a standby list for the full hookup sites.

