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President's Message

Get More from Your Club – Consider Co-hosting

One of our members was seated in the pavilion and clearly enjoying the music as the band Final Eyes transitioned from one easily recognized hit tune to another. She is an “experienced citizen” with some physical limitations, and she probably hadn’t thought about dancing. But Brenda Hughey and Peggy Silvers (two past “first ladies of our club) could see that she was clearly enjoying the music and urged her out onto the dance floor, where they helped her maintain balance, and she joined in the dance festivities. I’m sorry I missed it, but I’m grateful to James Gearhart for sharing the story with me. It says a lot about us as a club!

Many members stopped by as I was hooking up Sunday morning after the Maintenance Rally. They thanked me for the informational rally presentations and the fun-filled rally activities that gave us the opportunity to reconnect with old friends and make new ones.



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They had fun at offsite activities and agreed that this was the best performance by the Final Eyes band, highlighting the Airstream of Colorado Saturday night pizza party. I thanked them for their kind words and their support of our club. I assured them that I would share their compliments with our rally co-hosts, presenters, activity organizers, hospitality co-hosts, club officers, past officers, and others who really made it happen.



Long before the Rally, Past President Tom Silvers was coordinating with new management at the KOA, and Past President Rob Hughey was working with Carolyn Beardshear and Treasurer Dayna Olivas to coordinate reservations, cancellations, and waitlist. Then there were the special efforts of Scott Kunze, Steve Libhart, and Carolyn Beardshear to engage new members and the kitchen support we received from Brenda Hughey, Peggy Silvers, Carolyn Beardshear, and others.

From the pre-rally party at Prussman's to Bar Stream stories with Luke Bernander to Sunday morning packing and loading help from Rich and Staci and Steve and Brenda, the adage was proven true again, "many hands make light work." But more importantly, working together on a rally or a luncheon gives us a chance to get to know our fellow members, build new friendships, and plan new adventures.

If you have an idea for a rally or luncheon or just want to enjoy the experience of co-hosting an already scheduled event, please contact me or any of our club officers and board members. You can co-host with an experienced host, and, as a host or co-host, you'll get early registration for a rally of your choice next season.

Mary and I are ready for Rambler Ranch and Chama and looking forward to Estes Park and Rock Springs, so I know we'll be seeing many of you soon – down the road.

Dave Rose - CAC President
Lifetime BRN 13495

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New Club Members



Welcome new members!

Michael Allen & Jeanie Hunter - BRN 3049

Ken & Michelle Christensen - BRN 8904

Gary & Kelly Forrest - BRN 30399



"Just as all the world loves a lover, it has been my experience that all the world loves a trailerite." - Wally Byam

Dealer Announcement and Update from AS HQ Highlight Maintenance Rally Presentation

The 2023 New Members and Maintenance Rally opened with a special presentation on the soon-to-open new Airstream of Colorado dealership and an update from Airstream Headquarters.

Airstream of Colorado will be an Airstream-only dealership opening its doors in Denver later this year. General Manager Corey Shaw said the new dealership, at 6045 Lipan Street, will be big enough to service 15-20 Airstreams at a time and feature two service bays dedicated to bodywork. Further, Shaw explained that the new facility would feature easy access with plenty of room to maneuver. Shaw said he didn't yet have a firm opening date for the new dealership as the remodel and construction are still working through the permitting process.

The new Airstream of Colorado dealership also promises a more comfortable indoor setting for delivering new units to customers. Shaw explained, "We'll have room for four of five units in our indoor showroom for customers to view in comfort, rain or shine."

Airstream Vice President of Sales Justin Humphreys, who flew out from AS Headquarters to join in the Colorado Airstream Club presentation, stressed, "This is a service-focused expansion." Both he and Shaw acknowledged that Colorado Airstream owners have had to wait too long for service and said that the opening of the new Airstream of Colorado dealership, coupled with an Airstream initiative to develop "five rivet suppliers" promises to shorten the time our units are out of service and waiting for parts.



Left to Right: Dave Rose, Corey Shaw- GM Airstream of Colorado, Whitney Holtz - President Windish RV, Justin Humphreys - VP Airstream Inc

Humphreys went on to explain Airstream is still recovering from the impacts of the COVID pandemic. "I can't say everything is back to normal, we're still having some supply chain issues and challenges with specific suppliers, but the supply chain issues are getting a lot better." Humphreys blamed the pandemic for production slowdowns that resulted in long waits for customers who bought new units as well as lingering recalls and warranty claims related to problems experienced by components suppliers. For example, he described a current recall for a safety-related cook stove issue that resulted in a backlog of Basecamp models out of service and waiting for parts.

Colorado Airstream Club members noted that nearly every slide in Corey Shaw's presentation included the line, "We need help finding technicians. Everyone in the RV industry seems to agree there is a critical shortage of RV technicians. It's particularly difficult to find techs with the broad range of training, skills, and experience it takes to build and service RVs. So much so that the industry is actively engaged in programs nationwide designed to expand RV training and certification programs into high schools and community colleges. Windish President Whitney Holtz says she is working directly with schools and colleges in Colorado to train and recruit more technicians.

The New Airstream of Colorado dealership was a supporting sponsor for the 2023 New Members and Maintenance Rally. Their financial support helped to underwrite costs associated with the closing night Pizza Party and the Final Eyes band. CAC President Dave Rose thanks Corey Shaw, Justin Humphreys, and Whitney Holtz for their support. Shaw and Rose said they would stay in touch and plan to put together a CAC luncheon, tour, or similar event marking the grand opening of the new dealership.



The Colorado Airstream Club is excited about our new partnership with the new Airstream of Colorado. Stay tuned for announcements about the Grand Opening later this year.

Facebook Group

You can find the group on Facebook and request access. This is a private group for CAC members only.
The group is not a formal communication channel.

FB Group membership is not required. All CAC members receive formal email communications.

However, it is a great place to interact with fellow club members.

Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/colorado.wbcci>

Or search for "Colorado Airstream Club" on Facebook.



Pop Quiz!

You must be a member of the local club that hosts a rally to attend the event.

True or False

(Answer Below)



Bookmark Your One Stop Resource for All CAC Events

<https://airstreamclub.org/colorado-airstream-club-information>



Rally Recipe

Air Fried S'Mores

@dailywithdeana on Instagram

You can find this and other great recipes from rallies [here](#).

1 graham cracker
1 chocolate bar of your choice
2 campfire marshmallows
Chocolate chip cookie dough - 4 pieces

(Makes two s'mores)



1. Break the graham cracker in half and place on foil
2. Place chocolate from your bar on each half of the graham cracker
3. Smoosh a campfire marshmallow on top of the chocolate on each graham cracker
4. Combine two pieces of cookie dough and flatten on top of each s'more
5. Bake in your air fryer at 350 for 8 minutes
6. Enjoy!

This is a lot of chocolate. You can omit the chocolate bar to reduce the richness.
You can substitute the cookie for any cookie dough of your choice.
There are lots of options for this play on a campfire classic.

Do you have a recipe to share with the club? Reach out to the [newsletter editor](#) and submit your great recipe!

Big Red Number Mod

Jim Doering put his engraving skills to work to enhance a solar-powered Big Red Number light he purchased from [Airboard Shop](#). A Fellow Airstream Club member created the product.

Jim's mod made the light face show "red" numbers during the day or night!

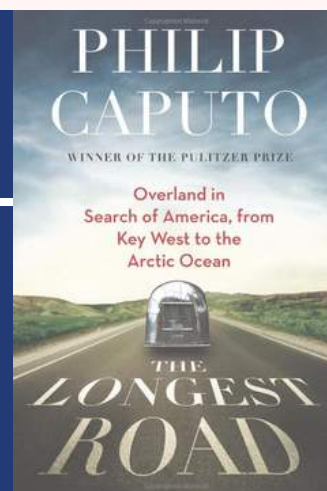


Book Recommendation

The Longest Road: Overland in Search of America from Key West to the Arctic Ocean
by Philip Caputo

"The Longest Road" is a captivating book by Philip Caputo, a renowned American writer, that details his extraordinary journey across the United States. Motivated by his curiosity about what unites and divides such a diverse and expansive country, Caputo embarks on a cross-country adventure with his wife and two English setters, towing an Airstream trailer.

Do you have a great book to share with the club?
Reach out to the [newsletter editor](#) with a recommendation.



Quiz Answer

False!

As a member of WBCCI (ACI), you can attend any Rally, even if you are not a member or associate member of the local club hosting the event.

Joining a club as an associate member will guarantee that you are on the information distribution list and get updates about club-hosted rallies.

You can find rallies across the country at the [Airstream Club Events](#) page.



Perk for Event Hosts

As an event host, you have the option to register for one rally of your choice (other than your own) before the form opens to all members.

Hosting/co-hosting more than one event entitles hosts to only one (1) early registration per year, not multiple.

Your name will remain on the "early registration" list for each Rally until you exercise that option. Please note the opening dates of rallies and watch your mailbox for early access 2 days before. You will receive an email notification of the registration window for hosts.

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



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Date	Event	Description
June 2-4	Airstream Amblin' at Rambler Ranch	This is a dry-camping, no-host rally in beautiful Elizabeth, Colorado at the 160+ acre ranch of an internationally known private collector of over 250 AMC, Nash, Hudson, Jeep, other automobiles, plus Kelvinator appliances & more.
June 5-9	Chama New Mexico Rally	The historic Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad steam trains leave the Chama depot daily from Memorial Day weekend to mid-October. Riding the railroad is a day trip of exhilarating rugged mountain views.
June 23 - 30	Rolling to Rock Springs 66th International Rally Rock Springs, Wyoming	 <p>International Rally Dry Camping Available Waitlist Registration for Full Hookup Sites Available</p>
July 13 - 15	Estes Park Rally	Mid-July in Estes Park is teeming with fun things to do! We have 30 sites at Manor RV Park, in the heart of Estes Park.
July 31-Aug 4	Granby Rally at Sun Outdoors Rocky Mtn Resort	Get out of the heat of the summer ! Discover the ultimate vacation experience at Sun Outdoors Rocky Mountains, in Granby, Colorado. Escape to where the sky meets the mountain.
August 27-31	Biking the Roaring Fork Valley at Carbondale	Gateway RV Park sits next to the Roaring Fork River and the Rio Grande Bike Trail, We will organize some bike rides on the paved 40 mile bike trail that leads all the way to Aspen. Bring your water toys and fishing poles, and enjoy the gorgeous scenery and all the Roaring Fork Valley has to offer.

Always visit the [CAC Events Page](#) for registration dates and all the latest updates.

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Date	Event	Description
September 7-11	Meeker Classic Sheepdog Trials Rally	Join us in the beautiful and peaceful valley in Meeker Colorado for the 2023 Meeker Classic Sheep Dog Trials. These trials are the culmination of several competitions and the winner takes the grand prize.
September 7-10	Carter Lake Rally	Join us at beautiful Carter Lake. Carter Lake is easily accessible from the Front Range, about 1 hour north of Denver. There are great hiking trails around the lake which also offers bathing, boating and fishing. Campsites are situated along the lake and pull-throughs are plentiful.
September 18 -22	Wagon Wheel Rally	Hosts: Carolyn Beardshear, Mike Zimmermann, Michael and Becki Carmichael
October 2 - 6	Ouray for Fall Colors	Host: Carolyn Beardshear, Mike Zimmermann. ISO "new" hosts to co-host.



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Colorful News

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Send your articles to
chris.freeman+cacnews@gmail.com
 by the 15th of the month with the
 subject line:
AIRSTREAM NEWSLETTER

Suggestions For Topics:

Trips and Adventures:

Include itinerary, photos, captions,
 and websites of any important
 destinations

Technology Tips:

Have a new Starlink setup? Lithium
 and solar? Tell us about it!

Hacks and Upgrades:

Show us something you've done to
 enhance your travel experience

Rally Recipes:

Let us know what's cooking in your
 Airstream

Reading for the Road:

What are you reading that you
 cannot put down?

Exterior Set-up:

Do you have an outside
 arrangement that works well?

...and more.

If it interests you, share it with the
 club.

For Sale



Brand new in-the-box Olympian gas grill and cover
 given as a gift by Portland Airstream with the
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This is brand new, never opened and is too large to
 carry around in the Interstate.

Asking \$200
 List Price \$352

Elliot Actor
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Meeker Food Drive

One of our members, Guillermo "Willie" Delgado is organizing a food drive to benefit the local food bank during the Meeker Sheep Dog Trials rally in September.

Willie is requesting generous donations of grocery items, and the food bank will be providing a list of what they can use very soon. Please help support this worthy cause and let the people of Meeker see that we Airstream folks are open and giving. This is a way to show thanks to their community for hosting us.

On September 7th, our club will have a cocktail party at the rally. It will be at the Airstream of Steve Libhart and Willie Delgado. This will be where you can bring your donations to the food bank.

We also hope to have a representative from the food bank there so we can formally present them with the donations.

And.....there will be a prize (prizes) for best decorated box with food donations in it. So.....get creative and see what you can come up with to win a prize.

If you have any questions, please contact Willie at cyclonedog3@gmail.com



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