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From the President

Spam Note

Are you missing out on rally invitations and news from your president? Please be sure to check your spam folders for emails from "President - South Coast CA Airstream Club":

scc airstreampresident@gmail.com

Call for articles

Do you have something to say?

Please submit all articles of interest to our membership for publication. Ideas include news, travel, RV tips, campsite reviews, pet stories, recipes, photos.

Email the editor at:

socalairstreamnewsletter@gmail.com



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COMING IN JANUARY: PECHANGA

In January we return to Pechanga for some relaxing camping, wine tasting and maybe a flutter at the casino. There is a lot to do around Temecula: Old Town, wineries, hot air ballooning, horse riding, and a couple of ice-skating rinks set up for the holidays.

President's Corner

BY MIKE BIAGI

Hi everyone,

Marla and I hope you all enjoyed celebrating Thanksgiving with family and friends. It was a beautiful day in Southern California, and a special time to reflect upon the many blessings we have as Americans.

Next week we install our new slate of officers for the upcoming calendar year. I'm very excited about the strength of the Executive Board and I know they have some exciting things planned in the new year.

As I mentioned in an earlier email to you, we have moved away from PayPal to a new payment platform called Stripe. This new payment system is secure and allows you to pay with your credit card when you sign up for a rally.

I had heard from many of you regarding concerns using PayPal, so thanks very much to our incoming webmaster Jaye Steinbrick for researching and recommending this new payment system. As a result of moving to this new secure credit card system, we will no longer be accepting any alternative forms of payment. That means we will not be accepting checks for Airstream business.

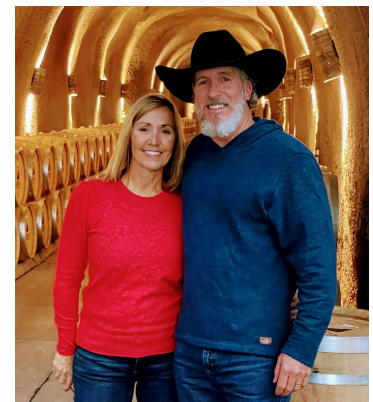
I'm sure you have all seen the invitation for the January rally and I hope if you haven't signed up you will join the Club down at Pechanga. It's always a great event. You will also note that the President email address has changed. This was due to a technical glitch that locked us out of our old email address. Please make sure you add this new email address to your contact list so you don't miss important information coming from Mike Griswold, our 2023 president. The new email address is scc airstream president@gmail.com.

As the month of December is upon us, I hope you will take some time to reflect on the special joy that comes during this time of year and reflect on all the good things that are a part of your life.

As we look ahead to 2023 the horizon is bright, and Marla and I wish you all the best for a joyous Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Merry Christmas!

Mike Biagi (and First Lady Marla)



2022 Officers and Committee Chairs



Image credit: Andi Matsumoto

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2022 SOUTH COAST AIRSTREAM CLUB RALLY SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	HOSTS / CO-HOSTS
December 4	Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers, San Clemente	Bob and Cathy Adams with Dale and Susan Cram

2023 RALLY SCHEDULE

January 6 - 8	Pechanga RV Resort, Temecula	Todd and Cindy Rapp with Jay and Beth Huckabone
February 3 - 5	Rancho Jurupa Regional Park, Jurupa Valley	TBD
March 16 - 19	Trailer Village, Grand Canyon AZ	TBD
April 13 - 16	Flying Flags, Buellton	Larry and Carrie Suggett
May 5 - 7	Newport Dunes, Newport Beach	Mike and Marla Biagi with Gabriel and LeAnn De La Cruz
May 18 - 21	Brown's Town, Bishop	TBD
June 2 - 4	Golden Shore RV Park, Long Beach	TBD
June 24 - 30	International Rally, Rock Springs, WY	N/A
June 30 - July 7	Fishing Bridge, Yellowstone, WY	TBD
July 6 - 8	Ruby's RV Park, Bryce Canyon, UT	TBD
July 14 - 16	Skypark Camp RV Resort, Skyforest	TBD
August 6	President's BBQ	TBD
September 8 - 10	Vail Lake, Temecula	TBD
October 6 - 8	Costa Vista RV Resort - Sun Outdoors, Chula Vista	TBD
November 10 - 12	The Springs at Borrego, Borrego Springs	TBD
December TBD	Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers	TBD

South Coast Past Presidents

Clarence Mason	1968	Wayne Sorenson	1991
Hank Sanford	1969	Dolores Irwin	1992 and 2002
Dick James	1970	Mary Gough	1993
Mac McPeak	1971	Jack Engle	1994
David Hayes	1972	Howard Cram	1995
Roy Slate	1973	Les Chillcott	1996
John Riley	1974	Ralph Irwin	1997
Wesley Gough	1975	Dale Cram	1999 and 2000
Bill Williams	1976	Robert Kirksey	2002 and 2004
Jack Scott	1977	Susan Cram	2003 and 2012
Doug Gist	1978	Steve Carmichael	2005 and 2008
Walter Brooks	1979	Philip Terhorst	2006
John Ashe Everest	1980	Marshall McFie	2007
Bud Davis	1981	Robert Michler	2009
Harold Buck	1982	Lynda Terhorst	2010
David Fletcher	1983	Robert Smith	2011
Jack Ortberg	1984 and 2001	Scott Weddle	2013
Mac McCue	1985	Louise Weddle	2014
Don Conner	1986 and 1998	Bill Ball	2015 and 2016
Lois Kloprien	1987	Robert Kirkpatrick	2017
Bob Barlow	1988	Bruce Barefoot	2018
Clara Buck	1989	Mark Miller	2019
Roberta Williams	1990	Marya Barefoot	2020
		Diane Sommerville	2021

Useful Websites

Airstream Club International: <https://airstreamclub.org/>

Region 12 Website: <https://airstreamclub.org/region12>

South Coast California Airstream Club website: <https://airstreamclub.org/south-coast-california>

South Coast California Airstream Club Facebook Page:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/147077952451972/>

Airstream Hunter (buy and sell): <https://www.airstreamhunter.com/>

Campendium's Campsite Reviews: www.campendium.com

Airstream Life Magazine: <https://www.airstreamlife.com>

Borrego Springs Rally Recap

By: Andi Matsumoto



Image credit: Andi

Our October rally saw us back at The Springs at Borrego out in the Anza Borrego desert. Perfect weather welcomed us. Our host team consisted of Larry and Carrie Suggett with Brad Berry and Mark and Connie Miller. We had the use of the clubhouse which was perfect for the Saturday night Mexican potluck dinner. The desert sunsets never disappoint. Night time swims in the hot springs felt luxurious. After recent rains, there were some wild flowers blooming at this unusual time of year.



Gracious hosts Connie and Carrie.



Are there any good dogs here?

Borrego Springs (Continued)



Shiny vintage

Desert blooms



Serenity by the pool

One of the Galleta Meadows sculptures



Welcome New Members

By: Carrie Suggett, Membership Chair



Please welcome the new member who was not previously recognized in the newsletter. We hope they will join us at a rally soon.

- Matt & Julie Eklund of Aliso Viejo in their 1998 Excella 28'

Time to Renew

If you haven't already renewed your club membership, now is the time!

Well, a quick explanation... If you have been a member for more than one year your renewal date is December 31, 2022. If you joined us in the last year your renewal date is one year from your joining date.

Airstream Club International recently sent a reminder that each member needs to be current on their membership to have their information included in the directory, so don't delay! Get it done now so you have one less thing to do this holiday season!

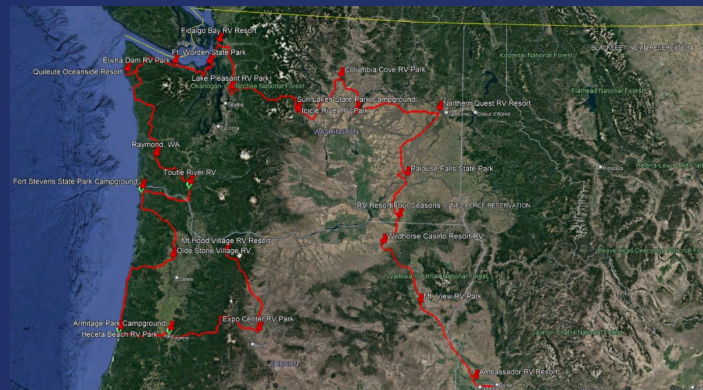
To renew your membership, go to Airstreamclub.org and log in. You can renew from there.



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'Discovering Cascadia' Caravan to Idaho, Washington, and Oregon

By: Mark Miller



Mark and Connie Miller were on the "Cascadia" Caravan from August to October and this article is extracted from their blog.

This is the view that greeted us at Shoshone Falls Park. Entry was \$5, but waived with the Senior Parks Pass that we have. Sixty miles west of Twin Falls is the little town of Glenns Ferry, Idaho. It was a famous spot along the Oregon Trail. Glenns Ferry was one of the most famous and treacherous river crossings on the Oregon Trail. Pioneers forded the Snake River at the Three Island Crossing until 1869, when Gustavus "Gus" Glenn constructed a ferry about two miles upstream, primarily to expedite freight but also for emigrants. His boat, which could hold two wagons, cut nearly twenty miles from the former route. In 1871 the city of Glenns Ferry was established. Construction of the Oregon Short Line Railroad through the town in 1883 gave the city its first major employer. The interpretive center there was quite interesting and well worth the trip. An RV park is there which looked very inviting. Perhaps another time. And the town itself was cute as a button.



Shoshone Falls Park, Idaho

Nor' East to Nova Scotia Caravan

By Ross and Kristi Turner



Image credit: Ross Turner

Kristi and I have really enjoyed traveling in Airstream Caravans. We have done several and will travel on more this coming summer. Caravans are well planned with the itineraries and campgrounds all set. Most caravans also arrange for a variety of tours and dining options along the way. We have made many new friends from our caravans.

This past summer, we joined the Nor' East to Nova Scotia Caravan which departed directly from the International Rally in Fryeburg. This was a short caravan of 18 days and 6 different destinations. It was organized by the Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club and there were twenty-five trailers in the group. Caravans are organized and managed by volunteers who act as the Leaders or Wagon Masters. They do the pre-trip planning and also take care of the finances. Each trailer pays a "kitty fee" prior to the beginning of the caravan that will cover all of the expenses. At the initial meeting of the group the Drivers Manual is passed out and it provides pictures and biographies for the participants, a duty roster, an overview map of the caravan and stop by stop information and driving directions or coordinates.

We loved driving through the USA and Canadian Northeast. The beautiful mountains, rivers, lakes, farms and picturesque little towns are fun to visit and explore. In Caravans, each trailer is free to travel on their own or join others and set their schedule and stops on driving days. This provides opportunities to personalize the caravan.



Nor' East to Nova Scotia Caravan Stops

- **Herring Cove Provincial Park, New Brunswick and Campobello**, the famed summer home for FDR. A beautiful little island.
- **Moncton, New Brunswick**. The highlight was a day long visit to Hopewell Rocks with the unusual rock formations called “flowerpots”. This area is in the Bay of Fundi with the remarkable 54’ tidal changes each day.
- **Hammonds Plains, Nova Scotia**. We did a bus tour of the beautiful rocky shores of Peggy’s Cove and Halifax. We were intrigued with the connection of Halifax to the Titanic tragedy and visited the Titanic Cemetery where many of the men are buried. Halifax was the closest port to the disaster.
- **Louisburg, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia**. Louisburg is one of the oldest settlements in eastern Canada and we visited the Fortress at Louisburg. The Fortress of Louisburg is a National Historic Site and the location of a one-quarter partial reconstruction of an 18th-century French fortress at Louisburg on Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia.
- **Bras D’or Lakes and Baddeck Nova Scotia**. This was our favorite area to visit. Bras D’or Lakes is the largest inland sea in Canada and covers over 424 square miles. The village of Baddeck is charming and was the summer home for Alexander Graham Bell. Many of his inventions and accomplishments were achieved while he was in residents in Baddeck. There is a wonderful museum in town. The famed Cabot Trail starts at Baddeck and is a long but beautiful drive.
- **Prince Edwards Island**. Our last stop and a very beautiful place to visit. A great end to a wonderful caravan

During our travels through New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edwards Island we experienced a variety of cultures, remarkable natural environments and interesting historical settlements. European settlements date back to the 1800’s although there is evidence of early Vikings visiting hundreds of years before. The English, the French and the Scots all helped to colonize the area. We visited with many local RVer’s in the parks from Quebec. The locals were friendly and loved to talk, especially with someone all the way from California.

New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edwards Island are stunning. We hope to make a future trip to the Atlantic Maritime of Canada to spend more time in the areas we discovered.



Nor' East to Nova Scotia Caravan (Continued)



Youth Corner: EAA Young Eagles

By: Andi Matsumoto



Image credit: Andi

Airstreaming with two kids necessitates creative thinking about how to keep them busy and discovering new things during our travels. During the November rally at Borrego Springs, we took advantage of the relative proximity to Palm Springs and made the drive. We had signed up for the Young Eagles Day at Palm Springs Airport's Signature Fixed Base Operations Center. This is a program run by the Experimental Aircraft Association and is designed to encourage the next generation of pilots. The program is offered by various EAA chapters and many do the flying days once a month. Launched in 1992, the Young Eagles program has dedicated 30 years to giving youth ages 8-17 their first free ride in an airplane. It's the only program of its kind, with the sole mission to introduce and inspire kids in the world of aviation. Nearly 2.3 million young people have enjoyed a free introductory flight through the Young Eagles program. These flights are made possible through the generosity of EAA member volunteers. For our young eagle, Jacob, he got to actually take the controls of the plane, saw the San Andreas fault from the air and did a behind the scenes tour of the flight control tower. For more information to sign up your young pilot, please see their website: <https://www.eaa.org/eaayouth/free-ye-flights>



Updated Rally Payment Method

By: Mike Biagi and Jaye Steinbrick



Image credit: stripe.com

The South Cost California Airstream Club has recently updated the payment method for rallies.

Over the last year some members raised scam and security concerns about using PayPal. So, with the guidance and assistance from our new Webmaster, Jaye Steinbrick, we have moved away from PayPal to a more secure platform called **Stripe**. This is a proven platform that is used by many other organizations.

Going forward we will require all payments to be made online via credit card (no more checks). Our club is too large and it's too much for our Treasurer to manage if we do it any other way.

You can learn more about Stripe at their website at <https://stripe.com> . Top companies using the Stripe payment gateway include Amazon, Lyft, Salesforce, Zoom, Google, and many others. All data is fully encrypted during the payment process. Anyone involved with the processing, transmission, or storage of card data must comply with the [Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards](#) (PCI DSS). Stripe has been audited by an independent PCI Qualified Security Assessor (QSA) and is certified as a [PCI Level 1 Service Provider](#). This is the most stringent level of certification available in the payments industry.

Also, Apple Pay and Google Pay alternative payment options are **coming soon** for our members who prefer a completely digital secure payment method without entering credit card information.



Two good dogs.