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From the President

Spam Note

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Do you have something to say?

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

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COMING IN JUNE: INTERNATIONAL RALLY - ROCK SPRINGS WY

In June, many members of our club have registered to go to the International Rally all the way up in Wyoming. The rally is sold out, with a waitlist, but people cancel up to the last minute so spaces open up. This is going to be quite the adventure. Safe travels to all who are heading out.

President's Corner

BY MIKE GRISWOLD

May was an eventful month for our club. We started off the month strongly with a great rally at the Dunes. The Biagis and the De La Cruzs did a fantastic job hosting and those who attended had a great time biking, hiking, and doing water sports in the bay. We then had an alternative rally at Browns Town in Bishop. I wasn't able to attend this one, but I heard from someone who did that it was a lot of fun. I look forward to reading about it in the newsletter. Camping in the Sierra's is on my bucket list, so I'm glad to hear that Sharon is planning on another rally there next year. We finished the month doing something that we may never have done before by cancelling our rally at Golden Shores in early June. Only eight families signed up for the Golden Shores rally and the resort was trying to take punitive measures against us for the low attendance so we felt it best to cancel the rally. We have burned a bridge there and will not be holding a rally there in the future.

June is going to be a busy month for many in our club. Even with several cancellations, we still have 24 families registered to attend the International rally in Rock Springs, WY. I have never attended an international rally and am really looking forward to seeing over a thousand airstream trailers in one place. From there, 17 of the families are going on to Yellowstone to spend a week at Fishing Bridge. Somewhere around 10 of us are then stopping at Bryce Canyon for a couple days to break up the ride home.

We have started our summer break and will not have a rally again until September. We are going to have the Presidents Bar-B-Que in August and will be sending out information on that soon. For those of you not attending the International rally, I look forward to seeing you in August or on one of the rallies in the fall. I hope everyone enjoys your adventures over the summer and look forward to hearing about them.

Thanks,

Mike Griswold (and supporting first lady Mia)



2023 Officers and Committee Chairs



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2023 RALLY SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	HOSTS
June 24 - 30	International Rally, Rock Springs, WY	N/A
June 30 - July 7	Fishing Bridge, Yellowstone, WY	N/A
July 6 - 8	Ruby's RV Park, Bryce Canyon, UT	N/A
August 6	President's BBQ Laguna Niguel	President BBQ - Tim and Diane Sommerville with Jay and Beth Huckabone
September 8 - 10	Vail Lake, Temecula	Mike and Mia Griswold with Andi Matsumoto
October 6 - 8	Costa Vista RV Resort - Sun Outdoors, Chula Vista	TBD
November 10 - 12	The Springs at Borrego, Borrego Springs	Bill and Joanne Fallon with Oscar and Kookie Abad
December TBD	Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers	TBD



Spring has sprung in California, with our state flower, the poppy, in bloom everywhere.

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
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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
		Mike Biagi	2022

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>

May Rally Recap: Brown's Town

By: Brad Berry



In May we had two rallies. After Newport Dunes, a second rally was held in Bishop at Brown's Town Campground. The views were the star of the show: from the back side of our Airstreams, looking at Tioga Pass from the Aspen Campground and the still-snowy streets of Mammoth. I have never seen so much snow in the month of May in the Owens Valley area. All the water filling up rivers and streams to the over flowing stage will have an impact on us living in Southern California.



May Rally Recap: Newport Dunes

By: Andi Matsumoto



May saw our club return for what has become an annual Cinco de Mayo celebration at Newport Dunes. Mike and Marla Biagi with Gabriel and Leann De La Cruz did a fabulous job hosting and putting on a Mexican themed fiesta for Saturday night dinner. The full moon rising made for a lovely evening.



Membership Corner

By: Carrie Suggett, Membership Chair



We have been blessed to have many new members join SCCAC so far this year! Here is some information for our new friends that may help you know what to expect as you plan to join us at a rally.

- To attend a rally, you sign up through our club, not the campground. You will receive an email from our president approximately six weeks before the event. A sign up link is included in the email from him.
- Sign up for a rally as soon as you receive the email from our president opening our sign-ups. Our rallies fill up quickly! Don't miss them, they are so much fun!
- Once you are signed up, a bit closer to the rally, you will receive an email with a Perfect Potluck link. This is where you sign up to bring food to our gatherings. Typically, you only need to sign up for one item.
- We have a happy hour on Friday night. Please bring a heavy appetizer to share and your drink of choice.
- We have a coffee station on Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings. Often there is also fruit and baked goods. Bring your own cup and any specialty add-ins you desire. Feel free to contribute to the goodies if you'd like. Come and enjoy!
- Saturday night we meet for dinner. Bring the item you signed up to bring, along with serving utensils, a little early.
- To all gatherings you will want to bring your own chairs, plates, utensils, etc.

We have great fun together! I hope you will join us often as we would all love to get to know you!

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

- Vince & Nanette De La Pena of San Clemente in their 2008 Safari Bambi, 19'
- Brian & Katie Lindstrom of Laguna Niguel in their 2023 Basecamp 20X, 20'
- Robert Michler & Bruce Nalder of Palm Springs in their 2008 Safari, 25'



Michelin Advantage Program

By: Larry Suggett



Image credit: Michelin.com

I'm sure that most of us have heard that our trailer tires should be replaced every 5 to 6 years, no matter how good they look or the abundance of remaining tread. Well, our tires were 5 ½ years old and figured we should take the advice. So, I called local tire shops and went online to get pricing for 5 Michelin tires. All the quotes were within 10 to 20 dollars of each other, but priced higher than I expected. Inflation!

A while back I looked into the Michelin Advantage Program offered to the Airstream Club International members, but didn't think the juice was worth the squeeze. But in light of the current pricing, I gave it a second shot. I logged on to airstreamclub.org, at the bottom of the first page a box contained "Member Benefits" I clicked it, and I was on my way. The members only page listed quite a few options, Michelin Advantage Program and Goodyear Tires were two of them.

The Michelin site was easy to follow and has a lot of good information. Listed on the first sheet is a matrix that list the vehicle, tire size, model, and pricing. The pricing looked a lot better than what I received, a little too good. But promising.

Next, I wanted to find a dealer because I was concerned that they wouldn't be familiar with lifting the Airstream properly. Looking through the list of dealers I was surprised to not see the normal retail tire stores. Names like Pete's Road Service, Parkhouse Tire Service, and Daniel's Tire Service were listed, all specializing in large trucks, trailers and earthwork equipment. I didn't find anything like Just Tires or Discount Tires. I contacted Pete's in Fullerton. They answered all my questions and had the 5 tires I needed. I was convinced they would do a good job, so I made an appointment. I went back to the Michelin site and selected "How To Utilize Program", called the number and set up a one-time credit card purchase.

Pete's opens at 7:00 AM on Saturday and I was there early with a hot cup of coffee in hand. The site is very large and was easy to enter with lots of parking area. I checked in, gave them the Airstream Club account number **1521194**, some credit card information and pulled my rig under an installation canopy. I reviewed the Airstream lifting procedures with the team and they began the work. The installation was about 1 1/2 hours. I paid them for the parts and installation and was on my way. I was so impressed with Pete's service and would not hesitate to take all my vehicles there for tires.

That afternoon we confirmed, our card was charged for the tires and were pleased to find out we were charged approximately 20% less than the quotes I received from the other dealers, including Pete's. Overall, we were pleased with the entire process. It took a little more effort and research up front. The installation was seamless.

Dogs of Airstream

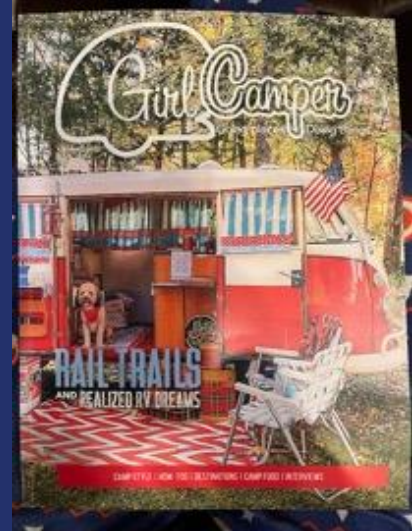
By: Andi Matsumoto

Dogs and camping go together like peanut butter and jelly! Here are a few of the hounds that joined us at Newport Dunes this month. Sorry I did not catch all of the furry friends!



Girl Camper Magazine

By: Andi Matsumoto



I am a bit of a girl and I love to go camping. I recently subscribed to this magazine by Go RVing and thought it might be of interest to share it with our club members. To be honest, it is usually me, as the mum, who ends up booking trips, arranging pet sitting, packing the clothes and linens, planning and cooking the meals, arranging activities once we arrive, making sure we have enough toilet paper and so on...

Although not specific to Airstream, it has loads of good information. The editor states, "Here at Girl Camper Headquarters we like to say that there is "No Wrong Way to Camp Like a Girl" and we mean it. All are welcome here - those completely new to camping, those returning to an old pastime or those experienced campers looking to meet like-minded friends. Car campers, tent toters, hammock hangers, RVers or cabin renters - we welcome you to join us around our campfire!"

The quarterly magazine features campsite reviews, recipes, RV technical information, décor, gear reviews, and they do rallies.

Here is a recipe from the magazine: Easy Jambalaya; it freezes well and keeps your icebox cold while traveling. When you're ready for dinner it's easy to heat up in a crockpot for cool weather camping! It has cauliflower instead of rice, making it a perfect meal for those on Keto, or you can add rice. This makes enough to serve 12, so you can divide into 2-3 containers for trips.

- 1 pound of ground beef - browned and set aside
- 1 pkg. of smoked Kielbasa (with or without Jalapeno's depending on your taste) sliced and browned, then combined with the browned meat.
- 1 large onion or 2 small ones chopped
- 1-2 tablespoon of olive oil as needed
- 1 Green pepper chopped & 1 Red pepper chopped
- 1 Jalapeno chopped; seeds removed (optional)
- 2 carrots chopped & 2 sticks of celery chopped
- One medium head of Cauliflower chopped in small pieces
- Add olive oil to pan and sauté all the veggies
- Add meat and add 2 tablespoons of flour stir in (can be optional and add tomato paste 1 tbsp) to thicken.
- 2 cups of beef broth
- 1 tbsp. of parsley
- Next, sauté veggies and add remaining ingredients, browned beef and kielbasa into a large pot
- Add 2 teaspoons of chili powder, 1 can of 28 oz. chopped tomatoes and cook on low for 90 minutes. Let cool, then pack into freezer containers.
- Add shredded cheese if desired