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President's Message

Colorado Airstream Club Wrapping up Record Rally Season

I've just gotten home from our a "Circle the Wagons Rally" on the beautiful Dabney Ranch a few miles outside of historic Creede, Colorado. It's hard to find words to properly express our thanks to Club members Michael and Becky Carmichael for opening up their beautiful ranch, and rally hosts Carolyn Beardshear and Mike Zimmerman. Our days were filled with hiking, sightseeing, good food, and great camaraderie.

Creede was Colorado's last silver mining boom town, growing from fewer than a hundred residents to more than ten thousand in less than three years from 1887 to 1890, and just as quickly came the bust when a change in laws reduced the federal price support for silver. I was privileged to lead a driving tour of the "Bachelor Loop," where several of the area's richest mines pulled silver from one of the richest veins of high-grade silver anywhere.



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In researching the area, I learned that legendary writer and lawman Bat Masterson had managed a gambling hall and saloon in Creede briefly in its boom days and that Robert Ford, the man who became known as “that coward Bob Ford” for shooting outlaw Jesse James in the back was later shot and killed in Creede by a friend of the James family. Mary and I have parked the Airstream a number of times at a beautiful Missouri State Park adjacent to Jesse James’ farm.



Apparently, I was worried needlessly when our club wound up with two rallies at the same time. Both were filled. Carter Lake in the foothills northwest of Denver was favored by members looking to stay closer to home, hike, and bring out the kayaks, boats, and fishing poles. While other CAC members traveled to Meeker in the northwest corner of Colorado for the annual Meeker Sheepdog Trials competition. The “Sheepdog” Rally at Meeker filled the area’s largest campground this year with folks on the waitlist. Host Steve Libhart is working to secure a second campground for next year to expand the Meeker Rally next year.

CAC is wrapping up a record-setting rally season for the Colorado Airstream Club with a celebration of fall colors in Ouray, Colorado. Activities for this sold-out end of the regular season rally will include fly fishing, Jeep tours, the hot springs pool, and more. And there are a lot of great rallies already “in the works” or “set” for 2024. But, some of our members have hosted three or more rallies this year, so we need more hosts for our rallies and luncheons next year. The more the merrier; many hands make light work, and it's fun, and it's absolutely the best way to get to know your fellow club members. If you're new to hosting, you can co-host with an experienced host, and there are a number of experienced hosts on the Executive Board who want to act as mentors. Please let me know if you may be interested in hosting an event next year. We have club members willing to act as mentors to make it easy and fun, or you can simply be paired as a co-host with someone who has done it before.

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Plans are still pending for a fall luncheon to preview the new facility for Airstream of Colorado. As is typical in the "post-pandemic" era, construction is behind schedule on the new dealership.

Later this month, Colorado Airstream Club will elect its new slate of officers and trustees who will be installed at the December 2 holiday luncheon at the Ptarmigan Country Club in Windsor. The nominating committee has identified an excellent slate of members willing to assume leadership of our busy and growing club in 2024.

Voting will be done by JotForm with notification by email.

All CAC events can be found at [Colorado Airstream Club | ACI](#)

Dave Rose - CAC President
Lifetime BRN 13495



CAC Officers

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New Club Members



Welcome new members!

Karen & Eric Daugherty - BRN 11576

Richard & Michelle Nelson - BRN 7770

Sandilee & Marijane Pasquale - BRN 7769

Kate Sartain- BRN 5258

Paul & Jill Fedorko- BRN 10304



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

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.wbccj>

Or search for "Colorado Airstream Club" on Facebook.



Pop Quiz!

How many Rallies did Colorado Airstream Club host in 2023?



Bookmark Your One Stop Resource for All CAC Events

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



Thank You for Helping the Food Bank of Meeker!!!

Willie Delgado has ties to Meeker, and when his partner, Steve Libhart, decided to host a Rally in Meeker, he knew he wanted to bring the giving spirit of the Colorado Airstream Club to help the community.

Willie worked with the Food Bank of Meeker, his close friends and family, and the Colorado Airstream Club to coordinate a food drive that brought in a truck-load of food and cash donations. This community outreach is impressive and shows how an organization like ours can help the communities we visit.

In lieu of gifts for a recent milestone birthday, Willie asked his friends to support this food drive. They gave with their hearts and greatly increased the donations to the food bank. Willie also encouraged participants to decorate their donation boxes, to add to the joy of giving.

If you have an idea for a community outreach project, please reach out to a board member. These events are a great way to show the communities we visit that we care.



Indoor Storage Special For CAC Members

MasterTech RV has a few indoor storage spots available. These spots are climate controlled, include electricity and valet service. If you store with MasterTech, repairs and maintenance are also a breeze. Units can be moved from storage to the repair facility easily.

Indoor storage is \$22/linear foot [toe to toe] and the first month is free for CAC members with a one year contract.

MasterTech RV has been trusted by many CAC members for service and they also share knowledge each spring at the Maintenance Rally. If you are looking for indoor storage and/or a great place for repairs and upgrades, please contact MasterTech RV.



Master Tech RV

Here at Master Tech RV Repair and Storage, we are your one-stop shop to take care of your Airstream. We are RVIA Master Certified and have a Certified Airstream Technician on staff to handle any bodywork needed.

Indoor and outdoor storage available. Our indoor storage is temperature controlled and includes plug-ins.

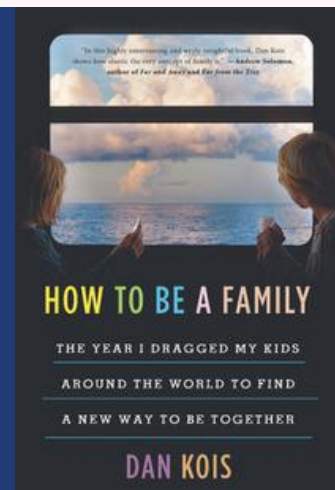
6590 E. 49th Ave. in Commerce City just north of I-70 and West of Quebec

A Book for Your Shelf

[How to Be a Family: The Year I Dragged My Kids Around the World to Find a New Way to Be Together](#)

by Dan Kois

In "How to Be a Family," Dan Kois, a Slate editor, embarks on a global journey with his wife and two pre-teen daughters to find a new way to be a family. Tired of their busy suburban life in D.C., they explore New Zealand, the Netherlands, Costa Rica, and Kansas to break free from their routine and learn how families live differently. Through witty and heartwarming anecdotes, the book explores their adventures and the lessons they learn about family dynamics and happiness while providing insights into the places they visit.



2023 Rally Schedule

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Date	Event	Description
October 2 - 6	Ouray for Fall Colors	Host: Carolyn Beardshear, Mike Zimmermann, Ian and Jeri Hasund

Stay tuned for information about the December luncheon and 2024 rallies.



“See ya down the road!”

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

Colorful News

Make this newsletter YOURS!

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.

CAC Candidates

Thank you to the following candidates for
 volunteering to run in the upcoming election.

Trustee:

Karen Meyer, Michael Carmichael,
 Ursula Hermacinski, Rick Nummi

Treasurer:

Linda Shisler

Second VP:

Jeff Cross



LEADERSHIP

Airstream, 2020 Bambi 19CB

\$47,500



2020 Airstream Bambi 19CB in great condition.

Factory upgrades include Electric Jack, Michelin Endurance Tires, Stainless Steel Rock Guards, 3" Factory Lift Kit, and significant electrical upgrades for Boondocking.

The electrical upgrades include 270 Watts of Solar on the roof with a Victron MPPT Controller, a 270AH Battle Born Lithium Battery and a Victron 3000 watt inverter that powers everything including the AC and Microwave from the battery.

These electrical upgrades add at least \$10K to the purchase of a standard Airstream and are essential if you want to stay disconnected while camping.

This Bambi floorpan has a 4 person dinette, kitchen and pantry, bathroom sink, separate bathroom and shower and queen size bed

Dry weight is 3500 lbs which makes it towable with most SUVs and small trucks.

Complete detailed information available upon request.
Email richhowarth1@gmail.com



Airstream 30' 2018 Classic Twin

\$90,000

For Sale our Beautiful 2018 Airstream Classic 30'
We have traveled less than 15,000 miles and interior and exterior are as nice as they were the day we picked it up!

Many extras are Included, a ProPride hitch, extra light 50 amp Electric exterior connection cord, snap-on water connectors for exterior water hookup and large water filter with stand. We found some of the nicer exterior features were the electric Zip Dee awning and electric stabilizers! It also has 200 watts of additional solar panels and comes with two 20 lb aluminum propane tanks which are great when toting them around full of propane!

It has Beautiful Mocha Cherry hardwood and Macadamia Ultra Leather interior!

The features are too numerous to mention so just copy and paste:

https://library.rvusa.com/brochure/2018_Airstream_Classic.pdf

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Pop Quiz! **Answer**

CAC hosted **12** Rallies in 2023 and three luncheons, stay tuned for information about the December luncheon.

Additionally, a large group from CAC attended the International Rally at Rock Springs in June.

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Casa Grande

Carlsbad Caverns

Rambler Ranch

Creede

Chama

Meeker

Maintenance Rally

Carbondale

Essex Park

Granby

Carrier Lake

Duray

Editorial Review

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