

# Spring in the Valley Rally

April 3-7, 2024

Napa Valley Expo RV Park  
575 3rd Street, Napa, CA,  
United States, 94559

Welcome to the "Spring in the Valley" rally. While Napa is known for producing great wines, a fun fact is that the Napa Valley only produces 4% of the wine made in the US. Napa is not just about wine, there is so much more to explore.

This year our rally will be located at the Napa Valley Expo, where all 28 sites are full hookups. Juliet has reserved the



entire campground for us! Your RV spot is just a short 15 minute walk or 5 minute bike ride to Historic Downtown Napa, Napa Valley Wine Train, Oxbow Public Market, galleries, world-class restaurants, wine tasting lounges, and plenty of entertainment. We will

provide you with a "Things to do in Napa" flyer when you arrive.

We will begin on Wednesday with our usual pot luck; sign up for entree, salad, or dessert on the Jotform when you register. Dinner will be served in The Pavilion. The Pavilion has very limited electrical outlets and no cooking facilities. so please plan accordingly.

Thursday morning will start with something that might be new to many of us: an hour long Tai Chi/Qigong session. Qigong, pronounced "chi gong," was developed in China thousands of years ago as part of traditional Chinese medicine. It involves using slow movement exercises to optimize energy within the body, mind, and spirit, with the goal of improving and maintaining health and well-being. Qigong has both psychological and physical components and involves the regulation of the mind, breath, and body's movement and posture. This 1hr session will be led by Darlene Meltzer, a certified Qigong and Pilates instructor who has been practicing for over 10 years. Debbie and Doug are regular attendees to Darlene's classes and encourage everyone to give this a try. Any level of fitness is welcome. Darlene will explain how different movements can benefit our overall health and well-being. There is a token \$5.00 fee to attend.



Thursday afternoon we will hold an "Ask an Airstreamer" Q and A session with tips and tricks. This will be an opportunity for members to pose questions to a panel of experienced Airstream owners. Upgrades, maintenance, electrical and plumbing issues, heating and AC will all be on the table for discussion. Come learn and share. We might even have a "let me show you what I have done" walk around the campground if there is interest.

Friday, we will start our day with a coffee tasting/lecture hosted by Master bean roaster, and local business owner, Chris Vecera. In his presentation, Chris will introduce us to some of the nuances of roasting beans, the proper procedure for preparing coffee to experience different roasting techniques, and a tasting of several coffees to enhance what we have just learned. Chris is the owner of Naysayer Coffee Roasters, and in addition, has a small but very busy coffee shop in Napa that we are all invited to visit. Chris is also the son of one of our members. Do you know who? There is a \$15 fee for this experience, collected at the rally. We need to have at least 40 participants to cover Chris' costs for coffee and materials. If you are interested *please* indicate the number of attendees on the Jotform. If we reach our 40 participants we can enjoy an educational coffee tasting together. After the coffee lecture/tasting, you are free to explore Napa for the rest of our day until our social hour followed by dinner hosted by a long time local food truck, PHAT Salads and Wraps (PHAT for Pretty Healthy and Tasty). Be advised: This is not your typical "taco truck". Vegan and vegetarian options are available.



Saturday morning, a local farmers market is located just a 10 minute walk from our campground. The Model Bakery is on the way with many fantastic baked goods. At noon, photographer and rally host Debbie Ames will hold a tutorial on the best tips and tricks for iPhone photographers. I-Phone cameras have continued to improve over the years, and Debbie will help us discover how to take the best pictures. After Saturday's social hour you will be on your own for dinner. Once again there are many dining options within walking distance from our campground.

Nate, Ryan, Debbie and Doug are excited to welcome you all to Napa. More information, driving directions, pot luck reminder, appetizer schedule for social hour, etc. will be emailed to rally participants as the rally date approaches.

Doug Fritz & Crew

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## Information Sheet

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### Rally Costs

- Rally fee per person: \$10
  - Parking fee per night: \$77.00 (4 nights only) Wednesday - Sunday. **NOTE:** Because of the popularity of this campground, arriving early or staying late here is sadly not possible.
  - Tai Chi/QiGong Thursday Morning \$5.00 per person
  - Friday Dinner - PHAT Pretty Healthy and Tasty Salad and Wraps \$20.00 per person
- COLLECTED AT THE RALLY: Coffee bean roasting lecture and coffee tasting \$15 per person but sign up for participation on the Jotform when you register.

### Rally Registration Procedures via Online Jotform Only

**Registration for this rally opens at 9 a.m. on February 1, 2024.** At that time, access the Jotform registration page via the Club's webpage <https://airstreamclub.org/norcal-napa-2024-rally> or click on the Jotform link:

<https://form.jotform.com/233366948662166>

Attendees are chosen on a first-come, first serve basis based on the time the completed Jotform is sent to the registrar. After completing and sending the Jotform, wait for an email *from the registrar* confirming that you are registered for the rally, and the amount you owe. At that point, you may either pay for the rally via Zelle to the NorCal Airstream Club (initiate through Zelle App or bank app if your bank participates) or send a check for the full amount directly to the registrar. If you pay by check, make your checks payable to "WBCCI/NorCal" and mail directly to Lori Bibby, 3029 Black Hawk Lane, Lincoln, CA 95648. If you want to pay via Zelle but do not know how or if your bank participates, check out: <https://www.zellepay.com/>.

If you do not hear back from the registrar on the day you register, contact her within 48 hours at: [NorCalregistrar3854@gmail.com](mailto:NorCalregistrar3854@gmail.com). If you are placed on the waitlist, do not pay until you hear from the registrar that you are confirmed for the rally. She will let you know your status.

**Refund Policy:** Cancellations and/or changes to registration must be received no later than Wednesday of the week prior to the rally, in other words, a week before the start of the rally. Refunds will be available depending on funds recovered in all categories. Parking fees are refunded according to RV park cancellation policy. Meals, tours, rally fees, etc., are refunded if money has not been spent by the hosts.

Please contact the Rally Registrar if you have ANY changes to your registration or wish to register after the deadline. Best to email at: [NorCalregistrar3854@gmail.com](mailto:NorCalregistrar3854@gmail.com). She will contact you as soon as she can. **Under no circumstances are members to contact the RV Park with changes or cancellations.**

Note: Your registration is incomplete and not fully confirmed until we receive BOTH your registration and payment. Typically, Zelle payments will confirm your registration quicker than sending in a check. Do not wait until the last minute to pay or you may not have a site regardless of when you initially apply. **If using Zelle, make sure to add your name, rally location, and how you accessed Zelle in the "memo" or "message" area before sending payment.**

Finally, if you are ill or not feeling well, please stay home and get better. Thank you for your courtesy in this regard.