

# UWAC Pinedale Rendezvous - July 11-15, 2024

*Hosted by Kelli & Ron Araujo, Holly & Ron Jorgensen*

UWAC had a great turn-out with 24 trailers and over 40 members in attendance at our rally held in Pinedale, Wyoming over 4 nights in partnership with the Wyoming Airstream Club. The rally was held during the big community Green River Rendezvous celebration in town. The opening reception (photo below) was a delicious barbecue event where attendees were presented with rally stickers and souvenir book. Special thanks to our co-hosts, Kelli & Ron Araujo, and Holly & Ron Jorgensen for a great rally!!

On Friday morning, a subset of the group gathered under a tent at the Museum of the Mountain Main to discuss the book “The Fur Trade & Rendezvous of the the Green River Valley” with local expert Jim Hardee. Jim was very gracious with his time with the round-table discussion, museum tour, and auto tour (Saturday) of historical sites in the Green River area. Jim is extremely knowledgeable about the history of the fur trade and area, as well as a fascinating speaker with numerous great stories and anecdotes.

On Friday, attendees also visited the Cowboy Country Distillery just south of town for a tasting of a broad spectrum of locally produced products, even maple syrup! The owner, Tim Trites, had traveled the world and visited major producers across the globe and had the knowledge and excellent products to show for it. He was an interesting and welcoming host — the group enjoyed tasting a wide variety of great product.

On Sunday, a number of attendees went to the Green River Rendezvous Pageant at the Pinedale Rodeo Grounds. The show tells the basic historical outline of the fur trade and rendezvous and was done in full costume complete with horses, wagons and dozens of actors — really spectacular and fun!!

Of course, folks had a number of informal gatherings, meals, hikes and bike rides into nearby Pinedale. If you’ve never been to Pinedale or the nearby Wind River mountains, please be sure to add it to your list of places to visit.

Here are pictures from our Pinedale Rendezvous rally — hope you join us soon!! [p.s. - see the UWAC or UWAC Events & Photos Facebook page for many more photos.]



