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President's Letter

By Paul Sandness



We are off to a great start with two successful 2025 rallies. Thanks to Dick & Bobbi Mathies for helping Ruth and I host the January rally at Newport Dunes. The February rally was held at Santee Lakes, thanks to Rick & Rene' Boatman and Art & Jaci Reifman for a good job hosting during trying weather conditions.

Ruth and I hope this newsletter will remind and encourage all San Diego Airstream Club (SDAC) members to participate and join us in the rallies we have planned for 2025. We hope that if you haven't been to a rally in a while you will consider joining in. If you are new to the club, please plan on attending a rally and meet new friends.

Members have stepped up and volunteered to make this a great year. I am grateful for the SDAC's officers and committee members on the 2025 board. They are bringing new ideas that will help the club improve and grow going forward.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the club and I hope to see you at a rally soon.

San Diego Airstream Club Officers and Chairpersons for 2025

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- President: Paul Sandness
- 1st VP: Kathy Swangin
- 2nd VP: Cheryl Henry
- Secretary: Zella Burk
- Treasurer: Bobbi Mathies
- Trustee: Marlene Bowman
- Trustee: Jeffrey Pincus
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- Communications & Web:
Ruth Sandness
- Newsletter: Rene' Boatman

Newport Dunes Rally, January 2025

by Pat Davison, Past President

It was a fine weekend for a Rally! The day-early arrivers enjoyed lunch at Sherman Botanical Gardens. Highly recommend the Cheddar Biscuits! We also visited Roger's Gardens, an amazing nursery not too far away. The clubhouse made for a warm place to gather for meals as nights got SoCal-chilly. Pat crushed Tom in a game of ping pong (spin it how you want Tom). There are wonderful bike trails and Ed & Rose and Bobby & Sandi enjoyed riding along the coastline and around the Back Bay of Newport Dunes while Stephen hit the path with running shoes. Pat, Cheryl, Ruth, Bobbi, Paul and Kathy safely navigated the waters in kayaks with a docent-led discussion. We saw jellyfish, a sting ray and many local birds and ducks. Later, an Elf showed up. Lisa is learning to tow (you go girl!). The Rally was over too soon, and we bid each other safe travels. Thanks to our hosts Paul and Ruth Sandness.

Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort and Marina



1st Vice President's Letter

By Kathy Swangin

Hello fellow Streamers! I am excited to be your 1st VP for this year. If we haven't met yet, here's a little background. My husband Lynn & I are both retired Naval Officers, and we have lived in Oceanside CA since 1996. As of October of 2020, we were both retired and started traveling the US. In November of 2021 we purchased our 2022 30' International and joined the SDAC. Since then, we have attended multiple club rallies, a Region 12 Rally, Cali Rally and 2 International Rallies - our third will be this year's rally in York PA. Our travel has taken us from the local area to neighboring states, National Parks, and cross country, with our longest trip to date being 82 nights! We really like our trailer - it fits us and our dog Misty perfectly.

Big on the to-do list for this year is the planning of the 2026 Rally Schedule. This year we have put together a Rally Planning Committee to accomplish this. The committee consists of Kathy Swangin (1st VP), Cheryl Henry (2nd VP), Jeffrey Pincus (Trustee) and club members Tom Newsom and Stephen & Diane Jardon. If you've attended a rally lately you have received a short post rally survey. The main purpose of the rally is twofold: 1) to gather feedback on this year's rally sites and 2) to get your input on where you would like to rally in the future (very important!!). We'll build on that information along with looking at where other Region 12 clubs have rallied to come up with a great schedule for 2026, which already includes Cali Rally at the V6 Ranch in April, Airstream International Rally in Minot ND in August, and the Region 12 Rally at the Oasis RV Resort in Las Vegas in October. This is a new committee for the club, and we are excited to have member participation in developing the schedule. We welcome your input so if you have a favorite site that you would like to see the club rally at, please contact me at kcullen1959@gmail.com.

Look forward to seeing you at a club rally this year!



Darn Good Granola

- 4 Cups rolled oats
- 3 Cups combined pumpkin seeds, sunflower seeds, pecan halves (broken up smaller)
- 1/4 - 1/3 Cup coconut oil
- 1/3 Cup honey or maple syrup
- 1 Tbsp cinnamon
- 1 tsp vanilla
- Sprinkle of salt

Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Place top rack on 2nd highest rung.

Mix dry ingredients in large bowl. Place large baking sheet out on counter.

Melt coconut oil in heatproof glass in microwave. Add remainder of ingredients and whisk together until blended.

Pour wet over dry and massage together with hands. Pour onto baking sheet and spread out. Don't overload pan - you don't want the oatmeal to steam you want it to bake. If needed use two baking sheets.

Bake ten minutes then take out and flip over the granola and bake another ten minutes. While granola is baking wash your large bowl and dry. When granola is done remove from pan immediately and put in bowl to cool.

Add whatever else you want as you store - coconut flakes, dried cranberries or cherries, etc. Play with the recipe...

Santee Lakes Rally, February 2025

by Rene Boatman, Newsletter Chair

The San Diego Airstream club enthusiasts gathered at Santee Lakes for a fun-filled weekend of community, relaxation, and a weather adventure. Hosted by Rene and Rick Boatman, with co-hosts Art and Jaclynn Reifman, the event kicked off on Thursday with arrivals and a cozy (read rainy) pot-luck campfire heater social.

Friday, Valentine's Day, started with a hot breakfast, followed by a talk from John of Blue Compass Airstream. Attendees then had the option to fish, boat, hike, or play golf (with or without rain) before a delicious tri-tip potluck dinner and an exciting raffle. Saturday offered a beautiful sunrise and a leisurely morning with two breakfast options, followed by a serene Qigong instructional session by Jaclynn. The afternoon was filled with recreational activities (without rain), including several jigsaw puzzles. Dinner featured a catered pasta dinner from Nicolosi's, and the night concluded with a well-attended fireside gathering and s'mores.

Sunday morning brought a grab-and-go breakfast before attendees bid farewell, wrapping up a memorable weekend of friendship and outdoor fun. [Santee Lakes Recreation Preserve](#)



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2nd Vice President's Letter

By Cheryl Henry

Steve and I enjoyed the Newport Dunes rally weekend in January. I especially liked the kayak tour of the upper Newport Bay Ecological reserve. Kathy Swangin was my kayak buddy and she did most the rowing while I looked for jelly fish! Steve found a nice park just a mile or two from the RV park where they had open pickleball play. You just show up and put your paddle in the next slot in the rack and when it's your turn, you jump in and play with whoever else is available. It was really fun and great exercise.

The last weekend in January we decided on an impromptu trip to Borrego Springs. We had never been and didn't have reservations but found a great spot at the Palm Canyon campground in the state park. We were hiking the trail looking for bighorn sheep, but instead saw fellow club members, Jeffrey and Gigi Pincus! What a surprise to see them heading up the trail as we were heading down! We all agreed Borrego Springs would be a great spot for a future rally! It definitely is nice to be a part of the San Diego Airstream Club! Borrego Palm Canyon Campground



San Diego Airstream Club 2025 Rally Schedule

Mar 14-16 (2 nights) - Launch Point RV Resort, Lake Elsinore - Hosts: Rose and Ed Harris WAIT LIST ONLY

Apr 18-20 (2 nights) - Stagecoach Trails RV Park, Julian - Hosts: Pat Davison; Diane and Stephen Jardon

Apr 27-May 4 (7 nights) - National Rally, Wine Quest 2025, Lodi and Paso Robles

May 15-18 (3 nights) - Bonelli Bluffs RV Resort @Puddingstone Lake, San Dimas - Hosts: Marlene Bowman; Jana Green

Jun 20-22 (2 nights) - Dos Picos County Park, Ramona - Hosts: Veronica and Abe Hernandez

Jul 17-20 (3 nights) - Guajome Regional Park, Oceanside (Picnic) - Hosts: Open - Hosts Needed

Aug 23-28 - International Rally, York PA

Sep 19-21 (2 nights) - Pechanga RV Resort, Temecula - Hosts: Sandi and Bobby Adame; Cindy and John Boaz

Oct 15-19 - Region 12 Rally, Bonelli Bluffs RV, 1440 Camper View Road, San Dimas, CA, 91773

Nov 13-16 (3 nights) - KOA at Vail Lakes, Temecula - Hosts: Jane and Ray Barger

Dec 4-7 (3 nights) - Sun Outdoors, Chula Vista (Installation luncheon) - Hosts: Open - Hosts Needed

Interesting in Hosting or co-Hosting?
Contact Paul Sandness, rsandness@yahoo.com



Membership Chair Update

by Lee Havens

We are thrilled to have you join our community of passionate Airstream enthusiasts. As a member, you will have the opportunity to meet fellow Airstream owners, participate in exciting events, and share unforgettable adventures. Our club members share a love of having fun, of travel, adventure and making new friends, along with owning one of the most classic of American RV products, the Airstream.



Membership Update

Number of Unique BRNs	101
Primary Members	100
Partner Members	89

Welcoming Our Newest Members

Joe and Stephanie Davies	BRN 01738	Carlsbad, CA
Neil and Annabel Bishop	BRN 02479	La Jolla, CA

ACI Renewal - Verify Info!

Membership renewal, please VERIFY your contact information. Is your email address for each person in your membership file correct? Is your Phone number correct? You are at risk for not receiving club information if these are not correct. We value your membership and want you to stay connected.

Have something to contribute to the SD Streamer?

Share a story or recommend a campground, a recipe, or some great photos? Let us know by sending to SDStreamerNews@yahoo.com



**SDAC's 65th Year
Kick-Off Celebration
Pechanga RV Resort Temecula, CA
September 19 – 21, 2025**

We're starting the celebration with a blast from the past ...



The Temptations and The Four Tops Live Friday Night at 8:00 PM

Tickets are on sale now \$82 - \$92

<https://www.pechanga.com/entertain/the-temptations-the-four-tops>

We'll be having a Pre-Concert Happy Hour then...

over to the Summit Theater to enjoy the show!

Join us Friday evening and/or rally for the weekend! Rally details will follow.

RSVP jeffgigi@pacbell.net if you plan to join the Pre-Concert Happy Hour.

We hope to see you there!