

# The NorCal News



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## President's Message



We are so thankful for the great times at the rallies, but I'll let the hosts write about those. I do have to say, though, that Clio was amazing with almost 100 members and over 50 rigs in attendance. Certainly challenging from a hosts' perspective, but the energy was wonderful with such great weather and activities to fill up our time. I also want to send a shout out to the many members who were so kind to our First Lady Janie when she injured herself playing pickleball. Many visited to check on her and the outpouring of ice packs, wraps, various salves, etc. was wonderful. Once again, our club showed just how special it is.

With respect to my monthly message, sometimes it's challenging to find a subject to write about. On a recent walk with Janie and Kona, I asked Janie for some inspiration for the next

"President's Message". She quickly said..."well, it's hard to write about interesting trips outside of rallies when we haven't had any." No argument there, as we both know the reason why, as our daughter and her fiancé chose a wedding date in the middle of an already busy year - in addition to hosting my 50th High School Reunion. We've literally been in the one day-at-a-time mode for what seems like a year, with only a handful of "free" days during that period.

Our discussion about my "message" migrated to more of a sarcastic joke telling session that I decided could possibly morph into my message. It started with a simple question "How do you know it has been too long time between Airstream breaks?" and my first answer was...our tow vehicle has spider webs on the rear view mirrors. Janie smiled and said "I think you can do better than that - even though it's true", and the challenge was on. My flurry of additional answers included "I've had more emails regarding airstream issues since our last trip than miles we've put on the rig" and "I had to look up our BRN when registering for the last rally". Unfortunately for us, my responses also included "The wines we've typically brought to rallies are now too old and have changed vintages". This fun challenge went on for awhile.

The point of my message is simple. Sometimes life gets in the way of our Airstream travels, whether it's weddings, helping relatives and friends, dealing with needed upgrades and repairs, health issues, or a myriad of other distractions that might come our way. Regardless, we can't wait to get back out there, spider webs and all, and look forward to seeing everyone soon.

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## From the Editor

Greeting Airstreamers! The big news from the Editor's Corner is that there will be a new Poppy Editor next year. Give a big round of applause for Damien Scaërou who has agreed to take on the task of keeping you informed through this publication. At Clio he was given the position's flag to make it official.

There is certainly a learning curve to being Poppy Editor and it may take a bit of time for him to get up to speed, but we hope he will be ready for his debut next year. I ask that you be patient with him as he learns the ropes, and that you are as supportive of him as you have been to me. In the meantime I remain as Poppy Editor through this year.

A lot has been going on behind the scenes since I last wrote. First VP Tom Webster has been busy fashioning a Constitutional Amendment changing the make-up of our Executive Board from four Trustees to two. It needs 2/3rds of those voting to pass. If not attending the Meeting, you will be able to vote electronically. Please see the Notice of the Special Meeting to Amend the Constitution on [page 3](#) for further details and instructions. Electronic voting will start via an email containing the ballot sent to all Regular Members starting September 27<sup>th</sup>. Regular Members: keep a look out for that.

Second, the December Rally team of Team Matteo, Lora and Tom Broad, Fitzgerald/Doornik, along with apprentices The Roblees has been hard at work planning for the annual Christmas Rally, typically our largest and most complicated rally to put on. Their summary and cost information is on pages 7 and 8 Registration opens 9 a.m. October 1st.

Third, as RV Parks change their requirements for groups such as ours, so too must the Club adapt to the changing environment. The Rally Chair and other Committee Chairs have been meeting to discuss the best way to handle this "brave new world," and to get pertinent information to you in a timely manner via the Poppy or otherwise so that you know what is happening, while keeping the stress and strain on those involved in rally registration to a minimum, no matter who they might be.

One given is that every RV park or rally venue has different requirements for groups wishing to use their sites. As a result, every rally registration will be different. Some will follow the legacy format of rally registration opening two months in advance, others will open registration six months or even a year in advance; some will be self-registration, some not; some are difficult to work with, others quite helpful. The Rally Chair is trying to disseminate information on each individual rallies, but again, while she has confirmed the amount of sites for each rally location, she does not know the particulars from every venue at the moment. Please be patient as the Rally Chair tries to juggle all the balls in the air, and we attempt to deal with the consequences of the changing environment to the Club and its volunteers while keeping what makes NorCal rallies unique. The Chairs hope to be able to streamline the registration process as we move forward, but that currently is a work in progress. [Continued page 4](#)



## 2025 Rally Schedule

### March 5 - 9

—Paso Robles RV Ranch, Paso Robles—

Hosts: Fritz/Ames & Websters, apprentices: Team Matteo

### April 2 - 6\*

V-6 Ranch, Parkfield—

Hosts: The Ungermans \*(Dry Camping) Buddy Rally

### May 7 - 11

—Lassen RV Park, McCarthur—

Hosts: The Hurleys

### June 4 - 8

Grass Valley RV Resort, Grass Valley—

Hosts: The Mottas & Maffois

### Aug. 6 - 10\*

—Schmoeville, Fortuna—

Hosts: The Schueuers, Team Paz, The Sallingers as pizza cooks; Apprentices: The Villaires  
\*(partial dry camping)

### Aug. 23 - 28

—York, PA—

—International Rally - Airstream Club International Rally—

### Sept. 10 - 14

—Clio RV Resort Clio—

—Camp Counsellors: The Sallingers & Bartelts—

### Oct. 8 - 12

Tahoe Valley Campground, S. Lake Tahoe

Camp Counsellors: The Sallingers; Apprentices: Sandra Carr and Janet Margolis

### Oct. 15 - 19

Bonelli Bluffs RV Park, San Dimas

Hosts: Region 12

### Nov. 5 - 9

Boulder Creek Mobile Home & RV Park, Lone Pine

Hosts: The Echols & Deiwerts; Apprentices The Daubers

### Dec. 3 - 7

Black Oak Casino, Tuolumne

Hosts: Team Matteo, the Broads, Fitzgerald/Doornik; Apprentices: The Roblees

### The Fine Print

New info shown in **green**. Dates are arrival and departure for planned rally, although you can often request early arrival or Monday departure. Sign-ups are accomplished by submitting a completed Registration Jotform and payment to the Club Registrar. If a rally is full, there is a wait list. "Buddy" events allow you to invite a non-member even if they don't own an Airstream. Events lacking hosts or the minimum number of campers may be cancelled.



# Notice of Proposed Constitutional Amendment

At the beginning of 2025, a suggestion was brought to the Board that we consider reducing the size of the Board by two Trustee positions. The thought was that the Board was too large and that our built-in development track towards becoming President was too long, discouraging people from serving. As First VP, I headed a small committee to investigate the viability of such a change. After interviewing several current and past officers of the Club, it was decided to create a plan to reduce the Board size from 4 Trustees to 2 Trustees. I then moved forward and drafted a proposed Constitutional amendment to Article V, Sec. 1, which was presented to the Board at the Clio Rally Executive Board Meeting. The Board agreed to present the Constitutional Amendment to the Regular Membership for a vote.

**Consequently, there will be a Special Meeting for the sole purpose of voting on the proposed Constitutional Amendment at the Tahoe Valley Campground, 1175 Melba Dr, South Lake Tahoe, Ca at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup> behind sites 235/236 (e.g. during the Tahoe Valley Rally).**

## The Current Language for Article V - Section 1: Officers and Their Election:

"The officers of the Club shall be Regular Members and shall consist of a President, a First Vice President, a Second Vice President, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and four Trustees."

## Proposed Constitutional Amendment for Article V – Sec. 1:

"Commencing in 2026, the officers of the Club shall be Regular Members and shall consist of a President, a First Vice President, a Second Vice President, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and two Trustees."

All Regular members will have the opportunity to vote electronically before or in person at the meeting. (Affiliates are ineligible to vote.) A vote will be either in favor of or opposed to the above proposed amendment of Article V - Sec 1. If this amendment is passed by 2/3rds of those voting, assuming a quorum, the roster of officers will include three Trustees in 2026, then two Trustees in 2027. The current Trustees will continue serving per the Constitution and subsequent elections.

**Electronic voting will start via an email blast sent to all Regular Members on September 27 and will end on October 6.** Any electronic ballots sent in after that date

will be invalid. Those not voting electronically will have the option to vote in person at the meeting in Tahoe. All votes will be tabulated at the special meeting in Tahoe and the results announced.

*First VP, Tom Webster*

## News from ACI



Airstream Club International has a new Club President: Jenifer Schnettler. She is a retired dentist with some impressive credentials. You can read her first blog post at: <https://blog.airstreamclub.org/presidents-corner-september-2025/> She is looking for ideas, so if you have any, you can email her on the address at the end of the blog.

For the first time, the Club has an International Finance Director: Alan Rabb. You can read his blog post at:

<https://blog.airstreamclub.org/finance-directors-report/> The information presented is

very enlightening, not only because the Club has a balanced budget for the first time in more than eight years, and has paid down its debt while increasing its reserves, but that it is including credit card fees in the costs passed on to the members, which has enabled the Club to save \$150,000. Personally, I could go on and on about the bane of credit card fees (that are used to provide loyalty points to card users, thus encouraging more use of credit cards, generating more fees that continue to increase at the consumer's expense, but that cat is long out of the bag and companies and vendors are left to deal with it. As fees and costs increase, the only option for businesses and vendors is to pass that cost onto individual consumers who in theory get the benefit of the fees. The most palpable way to do that is blend the fee cost in with the entire rally or caravan cost as the International Club is doing. This is probably the route NorCal will go once the logistics are worked out. (See "ATTENTION" on page 8 of this issue.) Read his blog for more information on ACI finances.

*Editor*

## Editor Continued

Stay tuned to future announcements about rally registrations and PLEASE READ the registration information about each rally as it probably will change from rally to rally.

On page 3, I have added some news from the Airstream Club International in which you may be interested, and see below for some thoughts on the new Frank Lloyd Wright Airstream Trailer. Speaking of Airstream trailers, I recently saw a video by Colonial Airstream featuring the 2026 16ft Bambi whose MSRP starts at \$63,400. With options such as lithium batteries, it sells for \$70,000! Wow. Can you say, "buy used?" When Ed and I started looking seriously at Airstreams in 2016, a Bambi was \$42,000, with rock guards. And I thought that was a stretch at the time. What a difference 10 years makes. Well, that is it for now. Hope to see you in Tahoe, if not at the Christmas Rally.

*Elisa Ungerman, Poppy Editor*

## New Limited Edition Airstream



You may have heard the news about the newest Airstream Trailer: The Frank Lloyd Wright Usonian Limited Edition Trailer. This trailer is built on the 28 foot trailer platform. i.e., couch in the front, bed in the rear, separate dinette on the side. But it is unique. Airstream is limiting production to 200 units, with a starting price of \$184,900.

Evidently, Airstream designers spent time at the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation's headquarters located in Arizona, delving into the core design elements of Wright's Usonian houses. Airstream designers incorporated the iconic use of wood, light, various Wright-related patterns and furniture styles used in his Usonian houses in the 1920s and 1930s.

Some of the features are pretty cool. I love the bed that starts as twins, can become separate couches or can become a king size bed with "the push of a button." (I don't know how comfortable it is though.) The wardrobe closet looks very nice. The rear hatch in the bedroom could be a plus. And the trailer does capture the Frank Lloyd Wright architectural style, containing it in an Airstream trailer that was initially designed in the same era's as Wright's Usonian houses. Together, the design elements are attractive.

But I cannot imagine ANYONE actually using this as a travel trailer. Notice the total lack of any lockers in the trailer. Lockers, both in the front of the trailer and in the back have been completely eliminated. In their place are shelves with fancy lighting boxes "where you can display your travel souvenirs." Yeah, right. Try travelling with your "travel souvenirs" on the shelves and see how that works for you.

Lockers over the galley area are also totally gone. Where do you store your food, glassware, plates, bowls, cooking pots & utensils, odds and ends, or clothes other than in the one wardrobe is beyond me. Plus, while attractive, the inside, including the furniture does not appear sturdy enough to withstand the rigors of the road. I can easily imagine it being trashed without much effort on the owners part.

The only thing I can come up with is that buyers will purchase this or a he/she shed, B&B or ADU, where it will be permanently hooked up and never go anywhere. Or they will buy it and put in a garage for an investment only. While beautiful in a Frank Lloyd Wright sort of way, it is totally impractical as a travel trailer, imop. Definitely "form over function." But you make the call. <https://www.airstream.com/travel-trailers/frank-lloyd-wright-usonian-limited-edition/floorplans/28rb/>

- Editor

# Save The Dates!

## 2026 NorCal Rally Schedule

The following is the planned NorCal Rally Schedule for next year, beginning in March 2026. Also included are the Region 12 Rally dates. Asterisk means you self reserve at park.

March 4-8th Jackson Rancheria, Jackson, CA

April 8-12th River Point Landing, Stockton CA

April 16-19<sup>th</sup> Region 12 Cali Rally V6 Ranch

May 6-10th Vinnie's Ranch, Wilton CA

June 10-14th Hat Creek Resort & RV, Old Station CA (Lassen area)

July - no rally

August 5-9th Klamath River RV Park, Klamath CA

August 22-27 International Rally at Minot, ND

Sept. 9-13th Village RV, Truckee CA\*

Oct. 7-11th Flying Flags, Avila Beach CA

Oct. 28 -Nov 1 Region 12 Rally, Las Vegas NV

Nov. 4-8th Benbow KOA Holiday, Benbow CA

Dec. 2-6th 49er RV Park, Plymouth CA

The date when registration opens for each of these rallies varies but will occur at least two months out from the rally start date, if not longer. Pay attention for upcoming announcements in the Poppy or via an email blast.

**We are looking for hosts for The Jackson Rally, Hat Creek Rally, Klamath River Rally, Village RV Truckee Rally, Benbow Rally, and the Christmas Rally at 49er. Please contact Rally Chair Juliet Scheuer if you would like to host a rally. Remember, hosted rallies don't just happen - they need a host or two.**



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Challis, ID 83702

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Cathy & Mike Mygrant  
Danville, CA 94506

### Welcome New NorCal Members

Emilia & Steven Mrak  
Twain Harte, CA 95383

Shelley & Greg Stelzner  
Chester, CA 96020

Edourad Lagache  
Orinda, CA 94563

## NorCal Membership Numbers

179 Unit/Life Memberships  
95 Affiliate Memberships  
 274 Total Memberships



## President's Message Continued

If you were in Clio, you are probably aware of First Vice President Tom Webster's proposed constitutional amendment reducing the number of Trustees by attrition in order to streamline the Board. His proposed change and the notice of a Special Meeting to determine the outcome of his proposal is in this issue of the Poppy. Regular members (not affiliates) will be able to vote either electronically before the Special meeting or in person at the Meeting, to be held at the Tahoe Valley Rally. The outcome will determine balloting for next year's officers. See the notice on [page 3](#) for more details.

Remember that our Christmas Rally is just a short couple of months away and the Auction organizers are already putting together some great lots and planning an amazing raffle. We started selling raffle tickets at the Clio Rally and will continue until

the Christmas Rally. Save up your money as the first prize is an amazing Rad Foldable E-bike. All proceeds from the auction will go to this year's charity: San Rafael Guide Dogs for the Blind. Checks should be made out to that organization.

*Your NorCal President Tary Sallinger*

PS (From the First Lady) As a reminder, Janie and Vicky would love some recipes sent their way (to [tjsalinger1@comcast.net](mailto:tjsalinger1@comcast.net) or to the NorCal Registrar). They are looking for recipes that you enjoy on your rig – including cocktails, appetizers, sides, mains and desserts. They would love you to include any tips you may have for preparation or things you do at home, prior to taking off, to prepare your recipe. There were many appetizers served at Clio that would be worthy.



1 Jim Christie  
1 Linda Myers  
8 Scott Lehman  
10 Brad Naves  
14 Sandy Higgins  
22 Sarah Curl  
23 Catherine Lemieux  
24 Ted Edwards  
26 Polly Krauter  
26 Linda Ackerman  
26 Larry Warren  
28 Sudha Foote  
31 Leslie Irey  
31 Dan Margolis



8 Bob & Linda Minder  
18 Kirk/Joanne Reistroffer/Hilliard  
23 Dwain & Trisha Christensen

**Airstream Club International on the Web** <https://airstreamclub.org/>  
**Region 12 on the Web** <https://airstreamclub.org/region12>  
**NorCal on the Web** <https://airstreamclub.org/northern-california>

NorCal would like to recognize the birthdays and anniversaries of **all** our Members and Affiliates. To ensure you are included in the Poppy, please send Marget Williams (NorCal Membership Chair) an email with your Name (First and Last) and your

Birthday and Anniversary (Month and Day only). [norcalmembership@comcast.net](mailto:norcalmembership@comcast.net). We have noted that many attending rallies claim birthdays or anniversaries but are not on the list - so call or email Marget to check if you are!



# Winter Celebrations Around The World

## December 3 - December 7, 2025.

### The RV Park at Black Oak Casino Resort

As fall ends and winter arrives, pumpkins give way to mistletoe, pumpkin spice lattes transform into eggnog, and we all get ready for winter celebrations and family gatherings. So please join our NorCal Airstream family for this year's Winter Celebrations Around The World Rally! At Black Oak Casino in Tuolumne. After we're all leveled, hooked up, decorated, and ready to sit down after a day of travel, we start our celebrations on **Wednesday, December 3rd**, with Happy Hour at the clubhouse at 4:30 pm, and on to Pizza Night at 5:30 pm, if you wish, for \$12 per person.

As usual, we will assign members their appetizer night for Happy Hours (to be finalized in the coming weeks). Come with your best to enter our friendly appetizer contest! Prizes will be awarded on Saturday night.

**Thursday, December 4th**, starts bright and early with coffee and breakfast at 8:00 am. The highly anticipated Cookie Exchange happens at 10:00 am at the clubhouse; please bring at least 4 dozen cookies to the party. We enjoyed so many great contest entries last year, so expectations will be running as high as our sugar levels!

Happy Hour will take place at 4:30 pm, followed at 5:30 pm by our Past President's Dinner to celebrate Tary Salinger and the great, fun year of 2025 under his leadership. There will be no chili cook-off this year, but, in the spirit of celebrating different traditions from all around, we instead encourage Airstreamers to bring their favorite family holiday dish (casserole, dessert, you name it) and share with the NorCal Airstream family.

Please note that for Thursday night only, and in honor of Tary's wish for our NorCal Airstreamers to get to know each other better, we will mix our members around and everyone will pick their assigned table from a hat!

Then join us for a fun white elephant game after dinner. Bring a gift from one of the following categories: Airstream, Tasty Treat, or Silly/Joke; please try to keep the value around \$20.

Just like last year, the Charity Auction will happen on Friday, so please come to the clubhouse on Thursday between 12:00

pm and 4:00 pm to drop off any suitable auction items you would like to donate.

**Friday, December 5th**, brings coffee and breakfast again at 8:00 am and Happy Hour at 4:30 pm. In the evening, dinner is up to you, and you can enjoy the "Million Dollar Quartet Christmas" musical at 7 pm at the East Sonora Theater in Sonora, CA. Seats will be available for \$30. No child under 4 will be admitted.

Our Charity Auction, benefiting Guide Dogs for the Blind of San Rafael, will run throughout the afternoon. You will be able to drop by the clubhouse and enter your bid(s) from 12:00 pm until the silent auction closes at 5:30 pm. Darlene Winchell (one of our members) is a professional photographer and has offered to take photos of club members in front of her decorated Airstream for \$50 each, or \$75 if you prefer pictures in front of your own trailer. Darlene will donate all of the proceeds from the sessions to the auction. Photo sessions will take place on Thursday and Friday, weather permitting. Only 15 slots will be available so you will have to sign up early on the JotForm if you want a spot!

There is a trailer decorating contest. Hosts will walk around the sites after sunset to select the best decorated trailers. Winners will be announced on Saturday night.

**Saturday, December 6th**, begins with a Q&A with Vinnie at 8:00 am, fueled with coffee (no breakfast will be provided but you are welcome to bring your own), followed by the board meeting and the general meeting. Auction winners can pick their prizes up at the clubhouse from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

We will end our rally with a Happy Hour at 4:30 pm, moving on to the incoming President's installation. To celebrate the new president, Tom Webster, we will then offer a fabulous organic steak dinner for \$35 per person. A vegetarian option will be provided as well (special order only).

Happy Holidays to you all!

Your Hosts: Team Matteo, the Broads, Fitzgerald/Doornik  
Host Apprentices: The Roblees



# Winter Celebrations Around The World

**December 3 - December 7, 2025.**

**The RV Park at Black Oak Casino Resort,  
19400 Tuolumne Rd N, Tuolumne, CA 95379**



## Upfront Cost Information

- \$10 pp rally fee
- Rally site parking fee: \$89 per night - available Tues to Sun (if you want additional nights, those will have to be reserved separately with park

- \$12 Wed Pizza Dinner pp
- Thursday White Elephant Sign-up
- \$30 Friday Musical Tickets pp
- Friday Photo by Darlene @ trailer sign-up
- \$35 Saturday Organic Sirloin Steak Dinner pp

**Registration for this rally opens at 9 a.m. on October 1st, 2025.** At that time, you may access the Jotform registration page via the Club's webpage:

<https://airstreamclub.org/norcal-december-2025-rally>

Or directly via this link:

<https://form.jotform.com/252614212594151>

**PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT MORE THAN ONE JOTFORM** as multiple jotform submissions make it difficult for the registrar and others. If you make a mistake or have new information to add, directly contact the registrar with your changes via [wbccinorcal.registrar@gmail.com](mailto:wbccinorcal.registrar@gmail.com). Once you submit the Jotform you will receive an automatic confirmation from Jotform that you completed the Jotform, with a listing of the information you submitted. This is NOT a confirmation that you are in the rally, only that your Jotform was received. If you do not receive the automatic confirmation - check spam or other email accounts where it may have been sent.

Attendees are chosen on a first-come-first-serve basis based on the time the completed Jotform is sent to the registrar. After sending the Jotform, wait for **an email from the registrar either** confirming that you got into the rally or informing you that you are on the rally wait list.

If you got in, you may either pay for the rally via Zelle to the NorCal Airstream Club or send a check for the full amount directly to the treasurer before the deadline given to you. If you are placed on the wait list, do not pay until you hear from the registrar that you are confirmed for the rally. She will update your status via email.

Zelle is currently the preferred payment method. You must access Zelle through your banking institution's app or online platform. Most banks and credit unions offer payment through Zelle. If unsure, call your banking institution for information and instructions.

If using Zelle, **make sure to add your name and rally location in the "memo" or "message" area before sending** payment. If you pay by check, make your checks payable to "WBCCI/NorCal" and mail directly to

**Treasurer Gordon Krauter, 4672 Sarah Ct, Livermore, CA, 94550.** Your registration is incomplete and not fully confirmed until we receive BOTH your registration and payment. Please pay by the deadline provided to you in the confirmation email or you may lose your spot. If you do not hear back from the registrar on the day you register, *contact her within 48 hours* via:

[wbccinorcal.registrar@gmail.com](mailto:wbccinorcal.registrar@gmail.com).

Contact the registrar to if you have ANY changes to your registration or wish to register after the deadline, which is October 31st. Best to email her at the email above. She will contact you as soon as she can.

**Cancellation Policy:** Cancelling your reservation on the day of or within 3 days prior to arrival will result in no refund. Cancellations 4 or more days will receive a full refund minus the 1 night deposit.

**Pet Policy: Please abide by the NorCal Pet Policy.**



**ATTENTION:** The Board voted at the latest Board Meeting in Clio to move to a "credit card only" method of payment for rallies, if workable. There were many reasons for this, including the results of the survey offered to all members a few months ago, where a clear majority of those who responded said they didn't care about the payment method, and the lack of Zelle availability to all members.

However, before this policy becomes a reality, NorCal needs to investigate the various platforms available to it in order to offer the best deal for its members while keeping the rally transactions simple for the volunteers most impacted by rally registration such as the treasurer and rally registrar. Consequently the policy of "credit card only" will not be implemented until the investigation has been completed and decisions made on the best way to proceed. That will not happen until sometime next year. Please contact Tom Webster or any Trustee with your questions or concerns.





# Camp Clio Recap

## September 10-14, 2025

Wow—what a weekend! With 51 rigs rolling in, this was one of the bigger rallies in recent memory, and the fun didn't disappoint.

The rally opened on Wednesday afternoon with the hosts providing front window washing as rigs arrived. Some attendees who arrived early departed the park so they could come back through the entrance and get their truck windows cleaned by Tary and Paul. A NorCal Rally First!



Thursday and Friday morning fuel-up: Coffee and PB&Js were a huge hit, though we did manage to retire the Bell's 40+ year-old coffee pot in the process. (Sorry, Ray and Carrie!). Don't worry—if you know Ray, you know it'll be back in working order before we even made it home. The Hurley's very tasty grilled sausages were gone in a flash.



Big thanks to the Crutchfields for teaching all levels of pickle ball players—rookies, pros, and everyone in between. There were no snacks on the sidelines, but plenty of good, fun competition. Only one minor injury reported, which, let's face it, is impressive for this age group. Final tally: zero snacks, one injury, countless

bragging rights. On the bragging rights front, Kris Carey and Jodie Murphy are apparently pickle ball "beasts!" Go Ladies!



Lynn and Harold Hurley led a small group on a short bike ride through in and around the town of Graeagle. Not long distance, but fun nonetheless, as bikers got a chance to see some of the outskirts of the area that they wouldn't normally visit by car.



This rally's social hour each night featured an appetizer contest. Our new members stepped up as judges and took their jobs very seriously. The results? Delicious!

"Camp Counselor" Paul hosted his hiking essentials class to a packed crowd, proving that duct tape and snacks are the true essentials. Raffle prizes were awarded to those who stuck around during the presentation, but they were unnecessary to

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# Camp Clio Recap Continued



hold people's attention.

A huge thank-you to Tony and Michelle Eichers for leading one hike, while Paul and Vicky led the second.



A special shout-out goes to Tony Paz, who jumped in to lead a third group when the trails got busy. Clio once again proved itself a hiker's paradise on a perfect Fall day. Final tally: three hikes, zero bear sightings, unlimited scenic views.



In between all the fun, we also got down to business with both a Board meeting and membership meeting. The two main focuses were the upcoming 2026 officer elections and improving rally registration processes—because we all know the only thing better than a smooth check-in is a smooth margarita. (Ludmilla!!!)

The Clio rally was filled with many visitors, first time members, affiliates joining in, as well as a host of different levels of "Greened" members. We reduced that list by 4 with the **degreening of Dwain and Trisha Christensen** on Wednesday night, followed by another **degreening of Ted and Jennifer Edwards** on Friday night. Those four were immediately elevated from appetizer judges to appetizer makers—a true rite of passage in the Clio rally world!

Friday night featured Deanna Bain once again exercising her iconic wit on Birthdays & Anniversaries, more laughter, followed by a catered dinner, which was a great success. Martha's Mexican food hit the spot and had everyone smiling (and loosening their belts). [Ed note: *Best Carnitas EVER!*]



Of course, with Saturday came with the much-anticipated best appetizer awards. The winners walked away with prizes, and the rest of us walked away with very happy stomachs. Lynn Hurleys' tomato soup and grilled cheese was a crowd pleaser!



Marget Williams' Winning Entry on Tuesday Nite

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Best of all, every camper behaved—  
your camp counselors couldn't be  
prouder.

Until next time, friends—  
Paul & Vicky and Tary & Janie



Ed Ungerman and Winter- unofficial mascot of  
Clio??



Chuck Brown cuddles with his dog at hiking  
seminar



Trisha Christensen and Chris Davisen play  
games at Camp Clio



"Degreening" of Dwain & Trisha  
Christiansen



"Degreening" of Ted & Jennifer Edwards



Mike Malone choosing a raffle prize  
during Paul Bartelt's presentation



Elain White and Deanna Bain stroll the  
RV Park grounds at Camp Clio



New Members and Affiliates attending their first Norcal Rally



Lynn Hurley cooks up the fabulous sausage at coffee time!



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Members  
enjoying  
Morning  
Coffee &  
PB&J





## More Camp Clio Photos



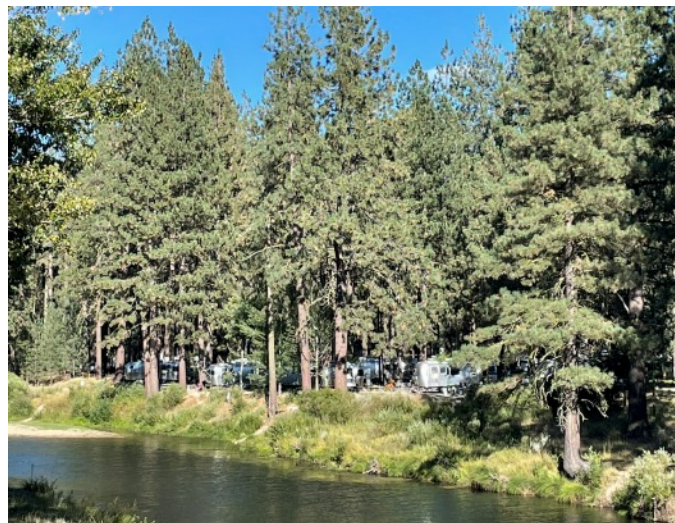
The Welcoming Committee at Camp Clio



Above and below: The Camp Clio Campsite

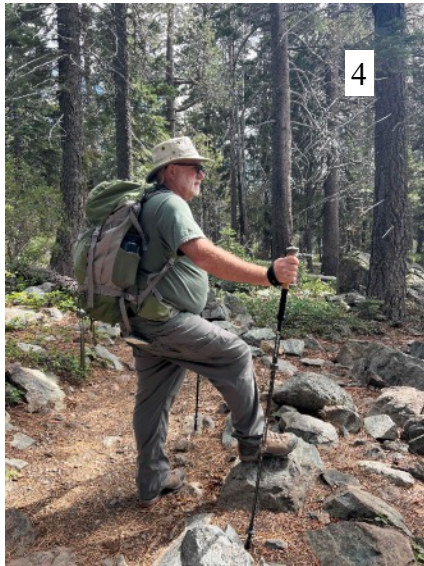
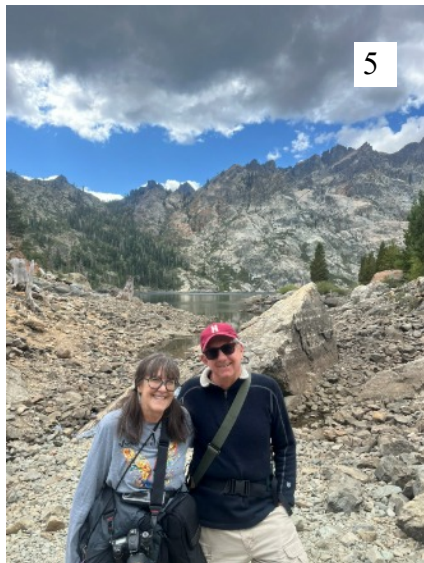


Above & Below: Happy Hour and Announcements!





More Camp Clio Photos



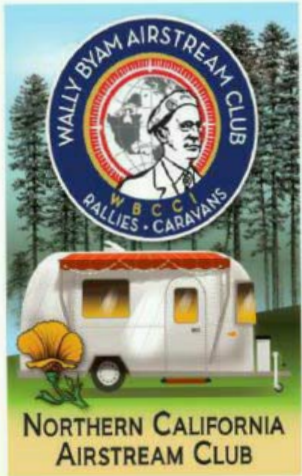
1 Nighttime at Clio; 2 Gordon and Polly Krauter with Gus and Jack; 3 Hiking scenery; 4 Bartelt in his element; 5 Doug Fritz & Debbie Ames; 6 Near Campground; 7 The Christensens; 8 Biking at Camp Clio; 9 A pay phone??? Ask Trisha if it worked; 10 - 11 Graeagle scenes. (Good hotdogs at the Outpost!)



# October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1Registration for December Rally begins 9 am	2	3	4
Electronic Voting for Proposed Constitutional Amendment						
5	6Electronic Voting Ends after today	7	8	9Special Meeting for Constitutional Amendment 5:30 pm at TV Campground	10Tahoe Valley Rally	11
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30		31Halloween				

Members: You can obtain your own colorful NorCal Membership Badge to replace your dull WBCCI badge after you have attended three Norcal Rallies. After you have been “degreened,” you will receive your badge, along with a five inch club logo sticker for your Airstream or Tow Vehicle. It has the same design shown on the masthead of The Poppy. Contact NorCal’s Membership Chair or Rally Registrar to get yours for no cost to you when you are eligible. Affiliates are eligible to purchase badges after their third NorCal Rally.



Members: The new Club Garden Flags are here. And more! They are available from our new vendor:

<https://www.youcustomizeit.com/des/Northern-California-Airstream-Club/7684778>

Don’t worry; old flags are still good, but the new flags are cool looking!

