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***Happy and Safe Holidays
Everyone!***

President's Message

By Fabian Mills

Hello Oregon Airstream Club members,



Fabian Mills, President

As we wrap up another wonderful rally season, I want to take a moment to reflect on where we have been, express my gratitude, and share a bit about what is ahead for our club. Stepping into the role of President is both an honor and a privilege, and I am grateful for the warm welcome I have already received.

First, my heartfelt thanks go to Rachel Collins, whose steady leadership guided our club through another year of memorable rallies, new connections, and shared adventures. I truly have big shoes to fill, and I am grateful she still takes my calls when I have questions. I also want to recognize our dedicated Oregon Airstream Club Board. Their behind the scenes work often goes unnoticed, yet it is absolutely essential to the success of our events, our communication, and our community. I am

fortunate to work alongside such committed volunteers who care deeply about keeping our club strong.

Many of you know parts of my story, but I would like to share a little more about how Danielle and I found our way here. We purchased our first Airstream in 2019, a 2006 19-foot Safari. At the time, we were hosting an exchange student from Germany and wanted a way to explore Oregon and the surrounding region with a bit more comfort than our tent camping days. Danielle initially preferred a tent trailer, while I was firmly team Airstream, which I believe was a very fair debate. The moment we stepped inside the Airstream, the decision was clear, and our adventures began.

That first year we crisscrossed the state, explored the Olympic Peninsula, and traveled to Reno to visit family. By the time our exchange student returned home, it was obvious that our Airstream journeys were just getting started. After a bout of two foot-itis and eventually upgrading to our third trailer, we officially joined the Airstream Club. Our first rally was the Newbie Rally at Casey's, which I now have the privilege of hosting this year. Shortly after that, thanks to some well-timed encouragement from Bob Hazleton, we hosted our first rally, the Cinco de Mayo Rally at Bay Point Landing.

In the years that followed we attended many rallies, made lifelong friends, and built relationships that feel like family. Experiences like these are exactly why I am proud to serve as your President, and why I look forward to meeting even more of you in the year ahead.

Looking forward, we have an exciting year coming up. Our 2026 rally managers have already booked about 90 percent of next year's rallies, and work is underway to prepare the 2026 Rally Handbook, which we aim to distribute by the end of 2025. We are also thrilled that the Region 10 Rally will be held in Hood River. To ensure fairness across the region, we will hold a lottery for spots, and registration information will be sent out early next year.

I would also like to extend deep thanks to Norma (Massier), Rhonda (Levine), and Donna (Thorson), who will publish their final newsletter this November. Their dedication has shaped the heart of our club's communication. We are excited to welcome Vicki Villaire as our new publisher and are currently seeking a newsletter editor. If you enjoy writing, layout work, or helping connect our members, please consider volunteering.

As Wally Byam reminded us, “Adventure is where you find it, any place, every place, except at home in the rocking chair.” Here is to another year of open roads, shared meals, laughter around the campfire, and silver reflections on Oregon’s backroads. I look forward to seeing you all down the road.

“To strive endlessly to stir the venturesome spirit.” — Wally Byam

Notes from Your OAC Rally Coordinator

By Mike Burnett



Nancy & Mike Burnett

As I am writing this article, the 2025 camping season is quickly coming to an end. Once the Annual Friendsgiving Rally is complete, the 2025 camping season will be “in the books”. This has truly been a phenomenal year with many memories created, new friends gained, and lots of miles successfully and safely “under the wheels”.

This has also been a year of positive change with the Rally Coordinator role being modified to become the leader of a five-person Rally Committee. This new organization has the Rally Coordinator assisted by four Rally Managers.

Once an overall Rally Plan is in place, each Rally Manager is responsible to plan, reserve, and manage approximately ten assigned Rallies for the coming year. The Rally Managers serve a nominal two-year term since Rallies are often reserved a year or more in advance and then, each Rally Manager manages each of their assigned Rallies during the coming camping season until they are all complete. The Rally Managers are assisted and mentored by the Rally Coordinator who maintains over-all responsibility for all Rallies and mentors the Rally Managers to assure a consistent approach for all OAC Rally activities.

This new Rally Committee organization has been working well, the 2026 Rally Plan is in place, and most Rally sites have been reserved for the 2026 camping season. A few Rally Hosts are still needed. A list of the 2026 Rallies still needing Hosts was recently sent as an All-Member email. The response has been good with several volunteers stepping forward to Host during 2026. **More 2026 Rally Hosts are still needed. Contact me at jaembe123@comcast.net if you are interested.**

Preparations for the 2026 OAC Rally Handbook are also well underway. As normal, the plan is to mail the 2026 Rally Handbook to all current members of the OAC before the end of the year. Once complete, the Rally Handbook will also be available on the OAC website.

2026 OAC Rally Registrations will be held during mid-January. All OAC members will receive an email, well prior to the registration date, which will contain all necessary details regarding the 2026 OAC Rally Registration schedule and process. We will continue to use a three day registration process with Hosts registering for their own Rallies (Day 1), Hosts registering for their “Thank You” Rally, one for each Rally Hosted, (Day 2), and General OAC Member/Affiliate Registration (Day 3).

Finally, believe it or not, planning for the 2027 Rally season will begin shortly with Jennifer Neumann in the position of 2027 Rally Coordinator working with her team of four Rally Managers. I will continue as the 2026 Rally Coordinator and will be available to assist Jennifer in any way needed as she and her team prepare for the 2027 camping season.

Wishing everyone a happy and safe Holiday Season!!

Membership

By David Doughty

As of November 11th, the Oregon Airstream Club had 413, total memberships comprised of 773 individuals.

Location	Members	Partners	Total Individuals
CANADA	9	8	17
USA	404	352	756
Grand Total	413	360	773

Below is a geographic breakdown of the memberships by Country and State / Province.

Location	Affiliate	Regular	Grand Total
CANADA	7	2	9
AL	1		1
BC	6	2	8
USA	119	285	404
AZ	3	2	5
CA	18	4	22
CO	2		2
ID	7	4	11
ME	1		1
MI		1	1
MO	1		1
NV	3		3
OR	9	215	224
SC	1		1
TN		1	1
TX	1	2	3
UT	3		3
WA	68	56	124
WI	1		1
WY	1		1
Grand Total	126	287	413

Airstream – The early years

Wally Byam, born in 1896 in Oregon, grew up living in a donkey-pulled wooden wagon on a sheep farm—an experience that planted the seed for mobile living.

In 1929, to make camping more enjoyable for his wife, he built a tent on a Model T chassis.

This early rig was a simple tent frame and fabric stretched over a shortened automobile chassis, more like a portable shelter than a factory trailer. Google provided the image below. It was clunky and impractical, so he replaced it with a **teardrop-shaped permanent shelter** featuring a stove and ice chest. It was called the Torpedo (shown below) and drew attention from fellow travelers, prompting Wally to publish DIY plans and eventually build trailers for sale. For more information, see the [Evolution of Airstream](#)



Torpedo Car Cruiser circa 1933



OAC Social Gatherings – If you reside close enough and you haven’t already done so, you may want to take advantage of several Oregon Airstream Club informal monthly get togethers. Dates and times may occasionally vary, so please contact the [Membership Chair](#) to be put on individual mailing lists for any of these events.

Portland Breakfast – Held on the first Saturday of each month at 9 am at the **Old Market Pub and Brewery** located at 6959 SW Multnomah Blvd, Portland, OR 97223. The host of this event is [Micki Goldstein](#).

Corvallis Coffee – Held on the second Saturday of each month at 9am at **Market of Choice Corvallis** located at 922 Northwest Circle Boulevard #110, Corvallis, OR 97330. The host of this event is [Norma Massier](#) and [Rhonda Levine](#).

Vancouver GAM – Currently on hiatus until sometime next spring, it is held on the second Saturday of the month. We are currently looking for a new venue so if you have any suggestions, please the [Membership Chair](#).

Rallies

Wooden Boat Festival – September

Port Townsend WA

By Mike and Nancy Burnett

The Annual Wooden Boat Rally in Port Townsend, Washington, was well attended again this year. Everyone enjoyed the “caravan parking” among the Jefferson County Fairground buildings with the tow vehicles parked away from the campers. This was mainly for safety reasons (propane near wooden structures), but it also gave the Rally a much more “intimate” feel. Every site had power and water with a waste dump available upon departure. The Fairground staff, as always, did a wonderful job making sure everything was just right!

Every year the Wooden Boat Show presents the perfect opportunity to marvel at wooden vessels of every size, shape, and origin. They arrive, literally, from all over the world. Many of the smaller, hand-crafted boats looked too pretty to put into the water. The larger vessels were simply majestic. The owners don't worry about any of that as these boats are not only exceptionally well crafted but extremely durable as well. There was food and drink available at the festival to satisfy every "discerning palate". My personal favorite is the hot, mini donuts. Both good and good for you!! 😊



For the most part, our Rally campers enjoyed seasonal and beautiful weather during our stay. The dedicated shelter was, however, enjoyed and provided both shelter and warmth (thanks to several propane fire pits) during our delicious and plentiful potluck dinner.

The highlight of the whole Rally was joining Patricia and George Robertson in celebrating their 55th Wedding Anniversary! They even provided Champagne (or sparkling cider) and cake for their celebration. It was a special night!!

Enjoy a few pictures taken during the Rally.



Pendleton Roundup (ACI National Rally) – September

Pendleton OR

By Fabian Mills

59 Years of Tradition: Airstreamers at the Pendleton Round-Up



For nearly six decades, Airstreamers have rolled into Pendleton, Oregon every September to take part in one of the West's most historic celebrations: the Pendleton Round-Up. This year marked the 59th consecutive rally alongside the Round-Up, continuing a tradition that began in the 1960s and has since become one of the longest-running Airstream gatherings in the country.

The Pendleton Round-Up itself, first held in 1910, is one of America's premier rodeos — famous for its grass infield arena, unique pageantry, and the

timeless motto: “Let ’er Buck!”. Pairing this iconic event with the fellowship of Airstream life has created something truly special: a rally that blends history, western heritage, and our enduring spirit of community.

Rally Highlights

Monday – The Rally Begins

Members gathered at the Chuck Wagon (our central gazebo) for a welcome Meet & Greet. Old friends reconnected, new faces were welcomed, and the evening concluded with a hearty fajita dinner to set the tone for the week. This year's rally drew Airstreamers from across the country, as far east as New Hampshire and as far south as Arizona, a true testament to the draw and legacy of Pendleton.



Tuesday – Royalty & History

Breakfast at Roosters Country Kitchen was especially memorable this year, as attendees were joined not only by local royalty but also by national ambassadors. Present were the 2025 Happy Canyon Princesses, Avery Quaempts (Hánnit wa tumult — “Generous Heart,” Cayuse) and Korie Spencer; the Pendleton Round-Up Queen & Court: Queen Sydney Dodge with Princesses Alexis Bowen, Rowdy Israel, Myranda Spicknall, and Lexi Thompson; Miss Rodeo America 2025, Callie Mueller, who serves as the official spokesperson for American professional rodeo; and Miss Rodeo Canada 2025, Codi Wilson of Alberta, a fourth-generation cowgirl dedicated to celebrating and preserving western tradition. These distinguished women each contribute their leadership, grace, and commitment to rodeo culture, enhancing the sense of heritage and inspiration we experienced throughout the day.

The day continued with a backstage tour of the Pendleton Round-Up Arena, built in 1910 and famed for its one-of-a-kind grass infield. Generations of cowboys, Native American performers, and rodeo fans have filled these stands. In the afternoon, attendees explored Pendleton's colorful past on the Pendleton Underground Tour, where guides shared stories of hidden tunnels, Chinese immigrant history, prohibition-era saloons, and the city's rougher frontier days. Dinner back at camp capped off a full day of culture and history.



Middle School Cross-Country Team in honor of Wally Byam, members cheered the opening Grand Entry and rodeo competitions, immersing themselves in the energy and pageantry of this historic event.

Thursday – Native Heritage & Pageantry

The day began with a guided tour of the Tamástslikt Cultural Institute. This world-class museum honors the Cayuse, Umatilla, and Walla Walla tribes, preserving their history, traditions, and perspective on western expansion.



That evening, Airstreamers attended the Happy Canyon Night Show, an outdoor pageant first staged in 1916. For over a century, it has told the story of the American West, beginning with Native life, through settlement and the Oregon Trail, to the founding of Pendleton. The spectacle remains one of the most cherished traditions of Round-Up week.

Friday – The Parade and More Rodeo

The day began with the Westward Ho! Parade, one of the only non-motorized parades in the country. Horse-drawn wagons, Native American families in full

regalia, rodeo royalty, and cowboys filled the streets of Pendleton, creating a living tapestry of western heritage. The afternoon featured more rodeo action for those with tickets, while the evening brought everyone back together at the Chuck Wagon for dinner and camaraderie.



Saturday – Finals & Farewell Feasts



Saturday was rodeo championship day, with finals in every event and the thrilling (and often hilarious) Wild Cow Milking competition. The rally's raffle drawing generated over \$1,200 in donations to be split between the respective charities of the Pendleton Round-Up Queen and the Happy Canyon Princesses.

The Golden Circle of Champions supports children diagnosed with cancer and their families, offering not only financial help but also opportunities for kids to be honored as “champions” at rodeo events, recognizing their courage and resilience. Learn more:

<https://www.goldencircleofchampions.com>. - Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center provides comprehensive healthcare to the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation. Their programs promote wellness, honor traditions, and deliver medical, dental, and behavioral health services to strengthen the community. Learn more: <https://yellowhawk.org/about-yellowhawk>

The day concluded with a hearty sendoff dinner of beef and chicken chili, sides, and dessert before one last evening under the oak trees.



Sunday – Until Next Year

All too soon, it was time to say goodbye. As trailers pulled away, members reflected on the friendships rekindled, the bonds newly formed, and the joy of being part of a tradition that has carried on for 59 years.

Why Pendleton Matters

The Pendleton Round-Up Rally is more than just a chance to camp together, it's a living link between Airstreamers, American history, and a proud western tradition. Whether watching the Grand Entry, sharing a meal, or

laughing together during Happy Hour, the spirit of Wally Byam's vision was alive: Adventure, Community, and Tradition.



As we look toward the 60th year of Airstreamers at Pendleton, we celebrate not just the past, but the bright future of this rally and the friendships it continues to inspire.

Let 'er Buck, and we'll see you next year in Pendleton!

Cascade Locks – September

Cascade Locks OR

By Gary and Nancy Kneisel



before the Bonneville Dam was built.

This very nice, small campground is run by the Port of Cascade Locks on the site of the locks. We had 10 of the 16 sites, all located on the river with a view of the old locks, Columbia River and the surrounding mountains. The Locks were constructed in the late 1880s to allow river boats to go around the ancient slide area

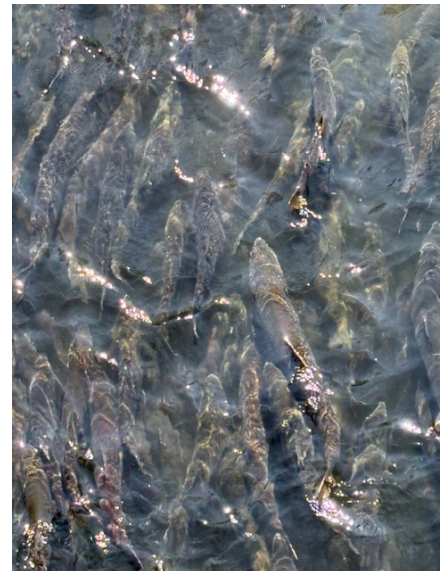


The Thursday night dinner/barbecue/ potluck featured Gary's ribs and brisket. Friday night dinner was Oregon seafood...Coho salmon and Dungeness crab. Saturday happy hour was PNW wine and beer.

There is so much to see and experience in this area. The Cascade Locks Campground is open year around.

We also celebrated two birthdays - Davis Cook and Gary Kneisel! We love chocolate cake with candles. Lots of new faces . Weather was unpredictable but the evening campfire was

relaxing and a pleasant end before bed. Must come back.



Joint OR/WA (aka Lovefest Rally) – September

Bend OR

By Kathy Geese



Lovefest 2025: Peace, Love & Airstreams!

The 2025 Joint Oregon/Washington “**Lovefest**” Rally rolled into Bend, Oregon this past September at the beautiful **Sun RV Resort Bend** — and it was far out, man! Nearly 60 happy campers joined in, split evenly between the Oregon and Washington clubs. Our far-out hosts — **Lori Grassi** and **Lesa**

Welker from the Washington club, and **Kathy Geese** and **Janet Schober** from the Oregon club— made sure the weekend was packed with fun, laughter, and plenty of good vibes.



Upon arrival, each groovy guest received a themed SWAG bag stuffed with retro goodies like coasters, stickers, and more. Attendees were encouraged to channel their inner flower child — think **bellbottoms, tie-dye, and headbands galore**. Several of the guys even managed to “grow” full heads of hair for the occasion (see photos for proof)!

Sun RV Resort Bend turned out to be the perfect venue — complete with fire pits, a giant hot tub, pickleball courts, and a cozy clubhouse. Our shiny rigs surrounded a big, grassy gathering spot where we met up each evening for **social hour**. The final night was the ultimate throwback party: 70s costumes, themed potluck dishes, and tunes curated by DJ Lori Grassi had everyone **dancing on the lawn like it was 1975**.



The potluck was pure nostalgia: **Twinkie bites on flamingo toothpicks**, a **Pringles blind taste test**, and of course, **little Smokies in crescent rolls** (gone in minutes!). My personal favorite? A neon green Jell-O salad that somehow turned even the skeptics into believers.

When not partying like it was the disco era, attendees explored **Bend’s endless attractions** — biking, hiking, shopping, wineries, farmers’ markets, and perfect weather all weekend long.

We wrapped up the rally with a spontaneous **open house**, where members showed off their trailers — from lovingly restored vintage beauties to creatively personalized modern rigs. It was the perfect way to end a weekend full of laughter, peace, and Airstream love.



We're already thinking about the next **Joint OR/WA Rally in 2026 — this time in Washington!** Until then, keep the good vibes rolling!

McMinnville Airshow – September

Dundee OR

By Jay Conroy

The McMinnville Airshow Rally, September 25-28, was a unique Airstreaming experience for the 27 attendees. Held at the very comfortable Dundee RV Resort (full use of their clubhouse, full hook-ups, plenty of space, and a doggie park, too,) we had 13 rigs from the Portland area, Willamette Valley and as far away as Crescent City and the Bay Area (CA) to the Land Yacht Harbor in Olympia.

We shared great pizza and a gourmet's sampling from nearby olive oil producers (dipped in tasty French bread), a movie night under the stars hosted by the resort and plenty of good conversations. But the highlights were the great airshow, the nearby numerous wine offerings and the chance to explore the McMinnville/Dundee/Lafayette communities.



The Oregon International Air Show in McMinnville on Friday and Saturday was truly spectacular with perfect weather and precision performances by many individual pilots and flight teams. Both days were

filled with aerobatic stunts that defied gravity, the laws of physics and our imagination. The demonstrations and walk-around displays featured some of our military's most advanced aerial technology including flyovers by the Oregon Air National Guard's F-15s, a demo flight by the US Navy's F-16s and the EA-18G Growlers team out of Whidbey Island Naval Air Station.

Showcasing how far technology has advanced in 80+ years, some perfectly restored classic planes including a B-25 J Mitchell bomber, a Grumman F-6 Hellcat and a Douglas SBD Dauntless, took to the sky. The crowd was clearly touched as old met new when a beautiful vintage P-38 Mustang performed wingtip to wingtip alongside its modern-day F35 counterpart in the highly anticipated "Heritage Flight".

The show concluded with the world-renowned Canadian Armed Forces Snowbirds flying 9 of their CT-114 Tutor jets in synchronized and complex aerial maneuvers; the sound and the power of these "birds" was impressive.

One of our own club members, Paul Ware from Vancouver, even got to sit next to a retired jet fighter pilot who was "THE" Leader of the F-16's demo team for three years' worth of show tours around the US and in other countries. What a special afternoon of personal commentary and insights he got, along with a personally autographed poster—lucky ticket and memorable for sure.

For anyone who loves the sights, sounds and even the idea of flight, and for Airstreamers looking for a great Fall Rally with plenty to see, sip (Cabernets and Pinots) and explore, this is an event not to be missed.

Riverbend County Park – September

Foster OR

By Bob and Sherry Hazleton



The day we arrived it had rained earlier in the day but had cleared up in the afternoon. The weather for the rest of the rally was beautiful. The theme of the rally quickly became the 23 foot trailers and Road Flare Rally. As we pulled in, we were quickly told that with our International 23 footer, all four of the trailers were 23 ft. The rally was setup for six trailers in the group camp area. With two cancellations we were down to four. This did not deter the group from having a good time.

Evening entertainment was provided by Steve McClure who used road flares to start the camp fire. See the Oregon Airstream Facebook page to see Steve's handiwork. Steve apparently has a box full of flares handed down to him from his father who worked on the railroads.

With just four couples we thought that the two potlucks might be a problem. Not so, Airstreamer Rallies always seem to have a variety of good food. On the last night Bob grilled flank steak and

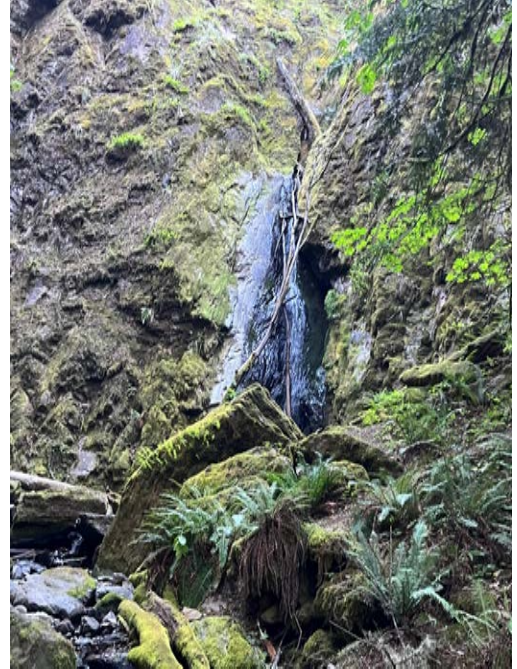


pineapple rounds. The pineapple was kept away from the flank steak so as to not taint the pineapple with beef grease.

Upper Soda Falls in Cascadia was a recommended short hike. Not anymore. The Doughtys turned around after encountering a log across the path and recent rain made it slippery. Bob also hiked the trail and decided early on that this is not recommended for someone his age!

The Hazleton's and the Hills found a connection both having lived in the Washington, DC area. John Hill was in the Air Force and worked at Bolling Air Force Base while Bob was at work at Bolling Field in 1950.

The last we saw of the Doughtys was David trying to contact the camp host because he couldn't get the dump station cover to open. On the way home we remembered that there was a dump station just outside of Sweet Home...we hope David was able to find a working station.



Joseph Alpenfest – September

Joseph OR

By Rachel Collins and Karen Ferguson



The Alpenfest Rally was a great success again this year. Folks seemed to really enjoy the Foundry Tour and the Bavarian show. I was so impressed with the craftsmanship we were privileged to witness at this foundry in this tiny little town surrounded by the majestic Wallowa Mountains. Joseph also has some lovely shops and art galleries with amazing talent exhibited.



Even with all the activities and the amazing food and socializing, we still found some time to get out on the beautiful Wallowa Lake in our kayaks. You just can't get enough of that view! Others went to the top of the tram and enjoyed that view as well. There was a bit of smoke that drifted in from somewhere unknown on the second day, so those that did the tram the first day were grateful for the clear skies. Other attendees did some hikes, enjoying a few of the many trails just steps from the RV Park.





The RV Park was also beautiful, and the Club House was perfect for our group gatherings. The Wallowa River runs along the border of the park and had spawning Kokanee swimming upriver. And there were deer everywhere.

If you have never been to this area of Oregon, this rally is a must do!

Gary and I love to kayak, and my girlfriend from elementary school and old roommate, Cheryl from Boise, also loves to kayak. In June, she sent me a photo of Wallowa Lake with kayaks with

nightlights... Cheryl said "that is my bucket list". I said, "we are going to the rally at Wallowa, meet us there"! Cheryl quickly reserved a day off of work in September, to meet us with her kayak! We ordered the night lights on Amazon and hooked them on. we ate at the wonderful potluck and then ran to the lake at sunset and floated out with the cool lights with remote control! We were laughing the whole time that we did it! The moon and the glass water and warm air was a wonderful memory. ready for the next lake!



Elkamp – October
Mineral WA
By Mike Burnett





Once again, this Rally was a sell-out! Airstreams shined among the beautiful evergreens which define this RV Park. As a bonus, we were treated to mostly dry weather for our stay. This park is so quiet that you can hear the wind in the trees, the birds singing, and the occasional Owl. This made for an enjoyable mix of quiet relaxation and conversations with Airstream friends, old and new. On the weekend mornings, we were even treated to the shiny new “Airstream Coffee Stand” near the Park Office run by the Park Hosts, Tom and Brian.

During our last night, after the delicious pot-luck meal provided and enjoyed by all our campers, the QUIET WAS BROKEN.... Once again, the White Elephant Exchange was a HUGE HIT!! Normally quiet personalities became stage performers and stand-up comedians while selecting and/or “stealing” gifts. This “no holds barred” competition gave rise to laughter that carried throughout the Park. A good time was had by all.

During the prior days of the Rally, our group split off to pursue their individual interests. At the head of the excursion list was Mt. Rainier. For early visitors, the MOUNTAIN WAS OUT in all its glory. Others enjoyed exploring the surrounding rural communities of Elbe, Mineral, Ashford, and others to discover historic restaurants, General Stores, shops, and maybe a local tavern or two.

As group activities, several of our group rode/peddled their Mt. Rainer Rail Cycle for a round trip of 7 miles (3.5 uphill and a “coast” on the way back). Good exercise and a “rail-view” of the surrounding countryside. On the following day, a large group enjoyed a relaxing and nostalgic ride on the Mt. Rainier Scenic Steam Train Excursion. The scenery was beautiful but, on this day, due to overcast skies, there was no view of Mt. Rainier in the distance...maybe next time.

All-in-all, the weather cooperated, and a good time was had by all. As always, it was great to see old friends and to make new ones, the Airstream way.

Fall Festival in Bend – October

Bend OR

By Rhonda Coleman



Central Oregon summer weather was abruptly replaced by a chilly autumn weekend just in time for the Bend Fall Fest Rally held at Bend RV Resort, October 2-5, 2025.

Some RV parks in Oregon play fast and loose with the word resort, but this one really earns the title. The new Bend RV Resort has immaculate spaces, gorgeous clubhouse, pickleball courts, the cozy “Hub” fire pit area and great room; a nice fitness center, and even framed whimsical artwork in the campground bathrooms.



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Some sites offer fenced dog “pawtios”, and big propane fire pits. Robot Roomba-style mowers prowl the grounds at night, keeping the lawns



trimmed—a couple of pink plastic flamingos standing on the grass in the wrong place at the wrong time met their maker! (See photo).

It was a choose-your-own-adventure rally—we gathered each day for happy hour (and a final night potluck) but had lots of free time to venture out and explore Bend on a fun-filled seasonal weekend. Some went to the annual Fall Fest and First Friday downtown; others rode bikes or hiked Shevlin Park and Tumalo Falls; a few enjoyed the High Desert Museum; and everyone had the opportunity to shop and dine around town. Airstreamers took over the Wildwood Bar and Grill in the upscale Box Factory shops on Friday night, and the party included many local Bendite ‘streamers who came over to meet and greet and raise a glass with the rally group.



Dungeness Crab & Seafood Festival – October

Port Angeles WA

By Mike Burnett



This was the first annual Dungeness Crab Rally and it lived up to expectations. It was an opportunity to experience everything the Pacific Northwest has to offer...rain, sunbreaks, beautiful scenery, wildlife, and most importantly delicious Dungeness Crab!! What more could you ask?

Elwha Dam RV Park was the hub for our activities. The RV Park staff was terrific in providing everything we needed, including heaters under the outdoor shelter. Once at the Festival location in Port Angeles for the Dungeness Crab Festival in Port Angeles, Washington, it quickly became obvious that this was “not their first rodeo”. The Crab Festival was well orchestrated, and

the large crowds moved effortlessly in and out among the food and craft vendors while music filled the air. Everyone had a great time, a LOT of crab was “picked” and consumed while under the large tent shared with several hundred of your “close friends”. The tables were kept immaculately, and the tables were regularly cleared by an energetic group of Festival Volunteers.

While not eating crab, or one of the many other seafood offerings, at the Festival (or the awesome mini donuts), everyone took advantage of the many things to see and do on the Olympic Peninsula. The Olympic Mountains were snowcapped, the salmon were running, and the trails led to beautiful sights. While the weather was variable, as expected during this time of the year, we still managed to have group gatherings each evening to



share of day's adventures with friends old and new. The potluck meal of soup and chowder accompanied by a variety of salads, and finished with GREAT desserts, was enjoyed by all and no one went away hungry. Until next year.....:-).

Harvest Bounty Installation (aka Year End Meeting) – October

McMinnville OR

By Rachel Collins



Our Harvest Bounty/Installation Rally was attended by folks far and wide. We had new friends from the Montana Club join us after picking up their 'Fawn' from Ultimate! We had another couple that was getting repairs done at Airstream NW who joined the social hours and meeting whilst their trailer was still being tended to till the last evening when they got to bring their trailer.

I appreciate the support and eagerness to participate at our year

end Board Meeting and witnessing the installation of our new officers. It was so nice to see all the Board Members and Committee members in person together! But Alas, no photos were taken of us all together by me.... Dang!

Our annual fundraiser this year was a raffle for 3 baskets and goodies sent by Airstream International. Proceeds will be donated to Oregon Humane Society, which amounted to over \$1100. Thank you to all who participated!

We were so lucky with the weather! Rain held off till the last evening and cleared in time to pack up. The highlight for me was introducing our newest family addition to our Airstream family. I do believe Annie (our puppy) was loved on by almost every attendee!



great team!

Congratulations to Fabian Mills, our new president. JD Young our 1st VP, and Jen Peatman our 2nd VP. Thank you to Susan McPhee for attending our event and holding the installation ceremony in person. We truly have a



This was also my first time attending a rally at Olde Stone RV Park, what a fabulous venue!

Sea Perch #2 – October

Yachats OR

By Florence Tramoni



Never know what we're going to get in late October at the beach... and Mother Nature did not disappoint: one beautiful day, one so-so day and one day with an inch of rain, steady 30mph wind gusting 50. It was delightful!!! So many of our participants had never been to Sea Perch before. It is always so wonderful sharing this location with first timers. It remains the "gem of the

Oregon coast" as described by the Chamber of Commerce.



The weather was conducive to exploring the shops in Yachats, playing board games or just reading with the surf crashing 100 yards from the back of our Airstreams. We make sure Sea Perch 2 remains a food centric rally: Mexican fiesta on night one with mountains of guacamole, dinner out at the eclectic Drift Inn with live music, and Corky's almost world famous Brazilian moqueca (coconut milk seafood stew) on Saturday.

While there are only 10 sites for this rally, get on the waitlist! I went through the entire waitlist this year and even got to welcome the Kellers from the Inland Northwest Club just a week before the rally. It is always so wonderful seeing old friends and making great new friends.



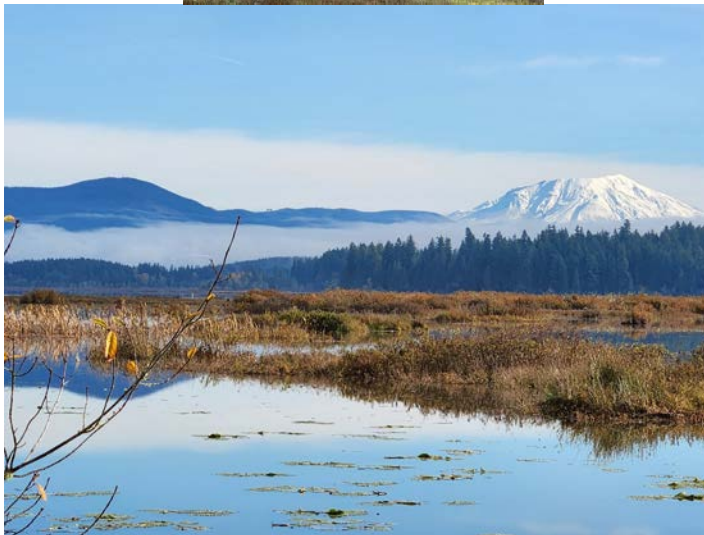
Friendsgiving – November

Silverlake WA

Pictures submitted by Rachel Brown and Donna Thorson







Sequest State Park and the Marsh trail with
Mt St Helen's view



Upcoming Rallies – 2026 rallies will be distributed late December / early January

Board Meeting Notes

By Rhonda Levine

Today the Board gathered for the annual meeting to go over any issues that have recently come up, to get updates from the coordinators, get news about new Board members and then to hear from our Region 10 President and finally install new officers.

We heard from outgoing President Rachel Collins, Rally Coordinator Mike Burnett,



Outgoing Co-Editors Rhonda Levine and Norma Massier

Region 10 President Susan McPhee and a word or two from others. Norma and I tendered our official resignations as newsletter editors with few to no tears expressing our desire to see someone take it over. We've heard that new President Fabian Mills will do it if no one steps up.

New officers were installed in a short general meeting following the Board meeting and then we all went our ways doing various activities on our last day of the Harvest Bounty rally.

Airstream Pin Up



Sharon & Charlie Wieder, Rockaway Beach

Tips, Tricks, Interviews, Recipes, and More Useful Travel Apps¹

Recipe: Dinner Rolls

By Lise Driggers



Makes 2 – 2 ½ dozen rolls

4 to 4 ½ cup all-purpose flour
1 pkg active dry yeast
1 c milk
1/3 c sugar
1/3 c butter (margarine or shortening)
1 tsp salt
2 eggs

Oven 375F

- In a large mixer bowl, combine 2 cups of the flour and the yeast
- In a saucepan, heat milk, sugar, butter and salt until warm (115F to 120F) and butter mostly melted, stirring constantly
- Add to flour mixture
- Add eggs
- Beat at low speed for ½ minute, scraping sides of bowl constantly
- Beat 3 minutes at high speed
- Stir in as much remaining flour as you can mix with a spoon
- Turn out onto a floured surface
- Knead enough remaining flour to make a moderately stiff dough that is smooth and elastic (6 to 8 minutes total)
- Shape into ball
- Place in greased bowl, turning once
- Cover, let rise in warm place until double (1 hour)
- Punch down
- Divide dough in half, covered
- Let rest 10 minutes
- Shape into desired rolls
- Cover, let rise until double (30 minutes)
- Bake 11 – 15 minutes or until golden

OAC Corvallis Coffee (October 2025)

By: Rhonda Levine

Yesterday (October 11) a few of us “regulars” met for our monthly gathering in Corvallis. It was a lively bunch and we discussed rallies, the newsletter, a new tow vehicle, memories and who was attending what...and that was only what I could hear!

The upcoming Harvest Bounty (aka Year End) Rally is happening this week and a lot of us will gather to discuss, among other things, the new year and what it holds in the way of rallies and new officers. Norma and I will be officially retiring from our positions as newsletter co-editors. Hopefully someone will step forward to fill those roles.

Hope to see you in November for the next gathering in Corvallis.

¹ **NOTE:** The products and services mentioned in this issue are not necessarily promoted or endorsed by the Oregon Airstream Club. You should do your own research to find what works best for you.

From Your Co-Editors



Norma Massier, Co-Editor

We have spent seven plus years as your newsletter co-editors and it's time to turn it over to someone new.

Upon reflection we are remembering all that has happened to grow the publication to what it is today. We began by featuring articles of interest to us and hopefully others. This included updates from our President, Rally Coordinator, Membership Coordinator and an amazing array of rally write ups, interviews, articles about gadgets and gizmos and Tips and Tricks, your wonderful pin up photos, recipes, stories of adventures,

special features and much more.

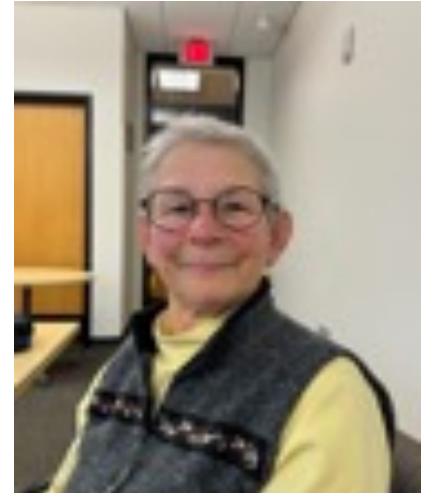
We have had three wonderful formatters/publishers over the years: Bill Massier, Geoff Cox and Donna Thorson, as well as our cartographer Buzz Blick. They have pulled together all of this material and somehow presented it in an interesting and organized way for our reading pleasure. It has been our mantra to inform and connect us all. We feel pretty good about having done that.

We are hopeful that a new Editor will step forward and join our new publisher, Vicki Villaire, to continue to inform and connect all of our members throughout the year.

We both started with very little experience other than finding all the members we met as inspiring, rally hosts, cooks, experts on all things Airstream, great story tellers, campfire builders, artists, app and gizmo researchers, volunteers and route recommenders, supporters of many non-profits, photographers, etc. We are so grateful to all of those who stepped forward and supported the club by being the best cub reporters anyone could wish for.

This will be our last issue as your editors. We hope everyone enjoys it as much as we did putting it together for all of you. This newsletter has been for, from, and about all of us.

*Thank you for reading
and now, on to the next chapter.*



Rhonda Levine, Co-Editor

Submissions to the OAC Streamer, how to

Rally write ups, articles and Airstream Pinups should be submitted as soon as possible!

Do you have an idea for an article, interview, or something else you'd like to share with the club? We'd love to hear it! The newsletter is published up to six times per year, so there are many opportunities. Our newsletter staff are all volunteers, and the articles are all written by OAC members... like you!

Submissions for the newsletter (including rally write-ups) should be emailed to Vacant () **no later than the 15th of the month before publication** (deadline for next issue: **January 15, 2026**).

2026 cut off dates for newsletter submissions: 1/15; 3/15/ 5/15/ 7/15; 9/15; 11/15. Pieces received after that date will be included in the next or future newsletter.

Did you know?!

The Oregon Airstream Board Minutes are posted on the Oregon Airstream Club website once approved. The Board meets approximately four times per year. Check it out!

Club Policies will also be posted on the website for all to review.

OAC Board & Volunteers (Updated September 17, 2025)

Contact information can be found under [Airstream Club International](#) website

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Director	Cindy Muir
Director	Rachel Brown
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OAC Website

- www.airstreamclub.org/oregon
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On Facebook:

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Region 10 Website

- www.region10.airstreamclub.net

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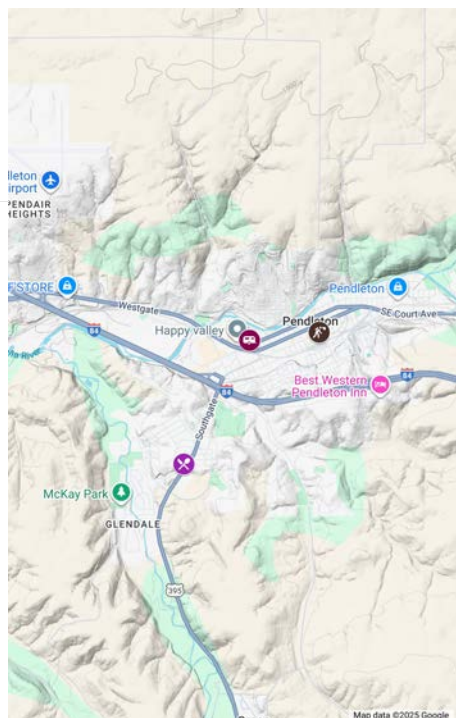
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Maps by Buzz Blick, Cartographer

Pendleton Roundup Rally - 2025

Locations

- Pendleton Roundup Grandstand
- Roosters Country Kitchen
- Pendleton Underground Tours



Cascade Locks Rally-2025

Campground

- Cascade Locks Marine Park



Bend Lovefest Rally - 2025

Locations

-  Bend RV Resort
-  Shevlin Park
-  Tumalo Falls Trailhead
-  High Desert Museum

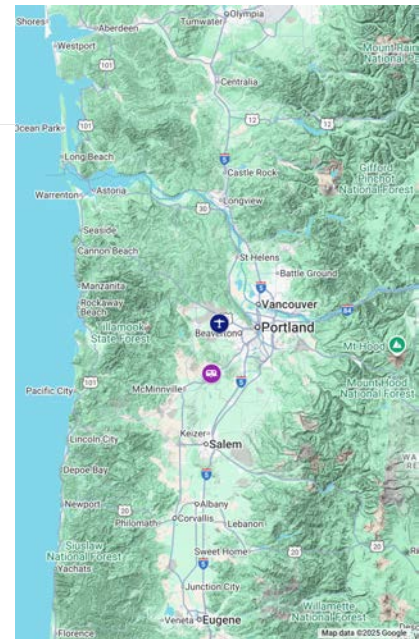


McMinnville Airshow Rally

Locations

-  Dundee Hills Resort
-  Oregon International Air Show

September 25-28, 2025



Alpenfest Rally

Locations

-  Joseph
-  Park At the River
-  Wallowa Lake Tramway Summit Grill
-  Wallowa Lake State Park

September 25-28, 2025



Elkamp Rally 2025

Locations

-  Elkamp
-  Mt. Rainier Scenic Railroad
-  Mineral
-  Elbe
-  Ashford

Mineral, WA

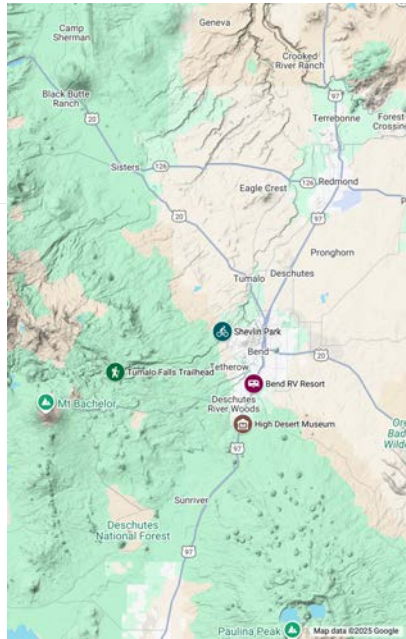


Bend Fall Fest Rally - 2025

Locations

- Bend RV Resort
- Shevlin Park
- Tumalo Falls Trailhead
- High Desert Museum

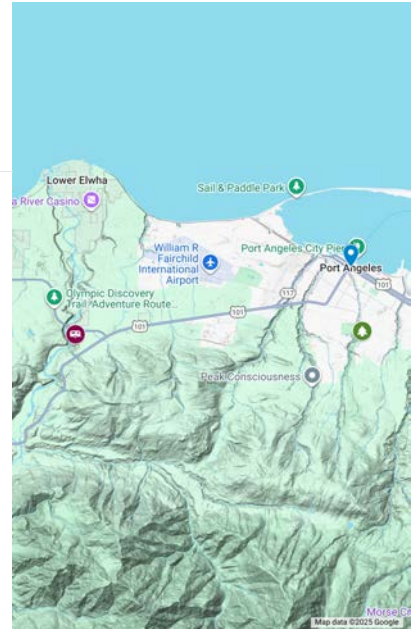
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2025 Dungeness Crab and Seafood Rally

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- Elwha RV Park & Campground
Port Angeles
Olympic National Park Visitor Center

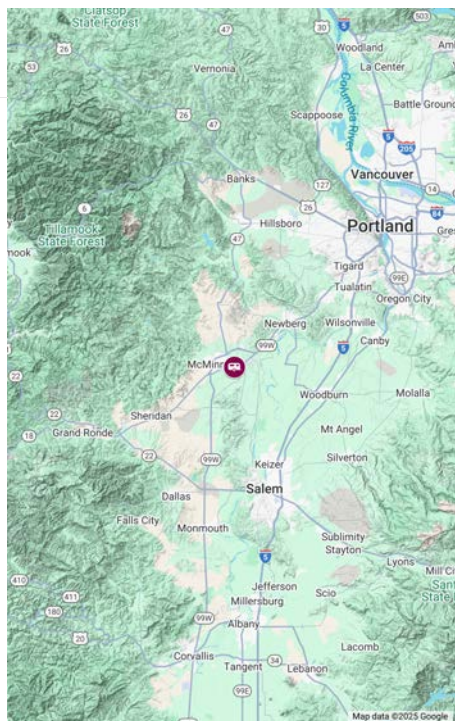


Harvest Bounty Rally

Locations

- Olde Stone Village

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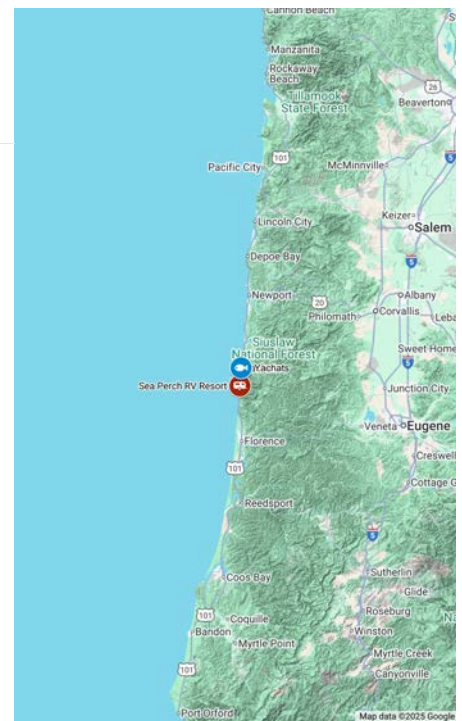


Sea Perch 2 Rally

Locations

- Sea Perch RV Resort
Yachats

October 23-28, 2025



What Norma and Rhonda said:

*Thank you for reading
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*Outgoing publisher, Donna Thorson,
working on her last Issue 2025-6*