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August 22-27, 2026 69th WBCCI Intl Rally, Minot, ND

Oct 28 - Nov 1, 2026 Region 12 Rally, Oasis RV, Las Vegas, NV

President's Letter

ONE GREAT ADULT ADVENTURE FEST!

Cali Rally, the only Airstream Rally where even the cows are impressed!

Welcome, shiny trailer enthusiasts! If you've ever dreamed of sleeping under an aluminum roof with 170 of your closest friends (and about 200 curious cows, countless squirrels, and a few red-tailed hawks), then the Parkfield V6 Ranch Cali Rally was the place to be!

Set three miles north of the bustling metropolis of Parkfield, California with a population of 18, the V6 Ranch and its gracious owners, **the Varian Family**, played host to a convoy of Airstreams so long, bright, and determined, others on the road had to adjust their course just to get out of the way. We headed into the beautiful Cholame Valley for one long weekend where Airstreamers enjoyed the kind of peace which is only interrupted by the gentle rattle of the "party central" bell's call to us that the next round of fun is about to begin. Not even the occasional hum of far away generators and the clomping and mooing of our neighborhood cows could break our spirit!

First, the thank you's! Thank you to the committees whose work over the past 18 months was instrumental in getting this done! Event hosts, **Teresa and Tom Tighe**. Activities, **Mira Zimet, Tracy Adams**. Crafts, **Nancy Jackson, Nancy Murphy**. Bikes, **Eric McHenry**. Decorations, **Diane Ellis**. Entertainment, **Pam and Dennis Pall**. Bingo, **Denny Kennedy**.



Cowboy coffee and fire pit, **Maureen and Kevin Wallace**. Welcome Bags, **Shawn Blom**. Signage, **Margaret Handshoe**. Hope I didn't miss anybody? Thank you, all!

As a side note, we didn't even mind having to hire a team of lawyers to explain the release and waiver forms that the Ranch asked us to sign before coming to the event. I suppose it was the V6's way for us avoiding TSA checkpoints.

The Welcome Committee: From the time we passed under the V6 Ranch sign, we were greeted by an unending wave of greeters! Not that we were annoyed. On the contrary. Friends, all, these greeters took the time to share event details and escort us to our parking spot of choice. While not everyone could park on a level pad, watching those who were not "pad gifted" level their rigs was part of the fun. Guests were greeted with a handshake, a "chip clip," a schedule of events, a bandana and a smile.

Food: Never before has a single boon docking event supported so much food. No Airstreamer left hungry, though a few might have left with a gentle hangover and new recipe ideas courtesy of our own, **Alicia Andrews**.

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Membership Update

We're proud to be one of the most exciting Airstream clubs around! As of April 1st, we have grown to 130 total families — 90 members and 40 affiliates.

Our membership comes from across California, stretching from San Diego all the way up to the Central Coast and into Oregon, Arizona and Texas! Our affiliates join us from even farther away, including Vermont and Colorado, plus many friends and neighbors from all around California.

What makes us so popular? In my opinion, it's simple: We're a genuinely fun, active club filled with adventurous people who love traveling together. We organize rallies monthly and based on the amazing locations, most fill up quickly! If you haven't yet joined in on a rally you are truly missing out. We extend a warm welcome to join us and hope to see you at a rally....soon!

Thank you to our members and affiliates for making our club what it is today. We appreciate all of you!



Alicia Andrews, Membership

Have you heard this one? Former GLAAC member Jim Cahill shared this song recently which he created using AI and completely captures our Airstream adventures. Enjoy!

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Oh, there was plenty to do during the day. Besides the age-old meet and greets with our friends and neighbors, we were treated to refreshing treats – Yoga and Massages, a Swap Meet, Craft Fair, Wine Tasting, Beer Tasting, Line Dancing with **Roberta Peeples**, Hitching Up with **Mona Watts** (not the marrying type of hitching), Whisky Tasting, hikes, Bike Rides led by **Eric McHenry**, trail rides (with V6's Happy Horses), Rock-pot cooking with **Alicia Andrews**, Sorein Power Station introduction (how appropriate), with **Rich Luhr**, calf roping and crafts! And, of course, Airstream and Cowboy Bingo with **Denny Kennedy**.

Evening entertainment: As the sun set, guitars and woodwinds came out (thank you, **Denny Kennedy and Bryan McCann**). Also appearing were various iterations of whisky, beer and root beer. We did iron "branding" of our table decorations and the cheese boards! (don't ask). Thank you, **Catherine Landaker and Andromeda Stevens**. There was line dancing, open grills (bring your own), and a movie! Finally, who can forget **Michael Jackson** leading the "not so silent" auction FOR THE CHILDREN!

What was missing? I suppose we could have had a backup trailer contest for speed and accuracy? Points and beers could have been given for precision parking, creative use of hand signals, and, perhaps, parallel parking your rig between two cow stanchions or bewildered squirrels? But maybe next time! The event was, as it always will be, wonderful! I truly enjoyed the time off the grid and hope those who attended did also. The next Cali Rally is scheduled for April 2028. If you haven't attended, you won't want to miss it!

Whether you came for the scenery, stayed for the friendships, or just got lost on the way to San Francisco, the V6 Ranch Cali Rally was a rolling success.

Safe travels, happy trails and may your wheels stay round!

Meet a Member!

submitted by Jeanette Webber & Barbara Howard-Jones

Fellow Airstream travelers, this is our story. Sitting at home in Cardiff, California, Barbara peruses the Spring 2002 Penny Saver magazine. After a sip of coffee, she turns a page to an ad offering a 1987 28-foot Sovereign Airstream Trailer for \$10,000. After a quick call to a friend in Fallbrook, they found the Airstream in the front yard of a nearby home. "Can I borrow 10K?" Barb's asks her friend Diney. "I promise to pay you back".

Both Barbara and Jeanette have family hotel business connections in Carlsbad and Santa Barbara, respectively. Barbara's father Tony Howard-Jones, originally from the United Kingdom, was a good friend of Jeanette's and her family, and immigrated to Santa Barbara from England in 1956. Barbara was a fellow hotelier and good friends with Jeanette's mother Pamela, yet Jeanette and Barbara never met each other until a chance meeting at a Best Western Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, in the year 2000 on the deck of the USS Missouri.

Barbara and Jeanette were soon towing their new (old) Airstream to C&G Airstream Trailer in Bellflower. The trailer was missing the turn signs and other lighting so Barbara's high school friend, turned LA County Sheriff, escorted their rig with a full regalia of lights and sirens. "Serenity Now" (their 1987 Sovereign) was parked next to Tom Hanks' 30-foot Airstream dressing room which was awaiting a full renovation. Several months later Barb and Jeanette had their first Airstream ready to go.

After a couple of camping trips, Serenity Now became the go-to accommodations at Rancho Oso a beautiful Thousand Trails campground in the mountains behind Santa Barbara. Jeanette, a life long horse enthusiast, kept her horse Vaquero, at the Oso Stables. There she met and become fast friends with Maureen and Kevin Wallace and her horse Shadow. The Airstream and its permanent surrounding deck became "Party Central" for drinks and fun after rides and hikes.

Airstream travel fever set in with Barbara and Jeanette taking more time off of work, but the mistake was in the brand new 2013 Christopher C. Deam 23-foot trailer sitting on the lot at Sky River Paso Robles. The CCD International was a weekend trailer, easy to pull and stylish, but a bit too small for any more than a week. Who knew what was ahead, but Alaska here we come!

Maureen and Kevin soon bought their 25-foot Flying Cloud Airstream after unknowingly parking next to Jim & Lynda Polk at a rally in 2014 and quickly joined the newly formed Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club. "We met the most interesting and fun people", Maureen exclaimed, recounting the recent Airstream trip, "this guy named Michael Jackson was a hoot! You guys have to join!". She kept pestering me, Jeanette says of her insistent friend Maureen.



Barbara & Jeanette

"The next thing I remember is sitting in a Santa Barbara hotel meeting room with all these people I had never met before and we were the Newbies!" The guys and gals were talking about tires, converters, HAM radio equipment, attaching yoga mats to the Airstream windows, and of course, miles and miles of maps." We were signed up to go to Alaska with the GLAAC, but, Oh NO! our Airstream was way too small!" Jeanette recalls thinking.

Moving to the Santa Ynez Valley in 2015, Barb and Jeanette finally had room on their ranch for a new trailer. Conveniently, a Santa Barbara Airstream dealership was right around the corner. Trading in the cute little 23 ft Christopher C. Deam for a 27 ft Airstream International was the ticket to Alaska.

Fourteen adventurous people, seven trailers and 10 doggies comprised our GLAAC travel group through the northern United States, British Columbia, Yukon Territory and finally Alaska. It was the trip of a lifetime where we would become lifelong friends with each and every participant. The Airstream dream trip with each awing mishap, bear and moose sightings in Denali, salmon and halibut fishing on the Kenai Peninsula and unbelievable family-style dinners under the stars was spectacular. There was always someone to assist with an issue or at least give advice. We cooked supper, made campfires and even enjoyed cocktails in the rain.

So here we are today, having just returned from the fun-filled 2026 Cali Rally at the V6 Ranch in Parkfield, now lifelong GLAAC members. You are our best friends, our family, and we're so glad we found you!

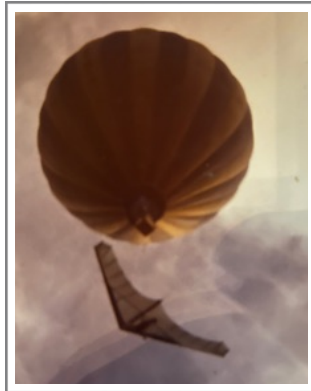


Not all Adventures are in an Airstream!

submitted by Jeff Ingersoll

Decades before I owned an Airstream my passion was hang gliders which I learned to fly in Santa Barbara in 1976. After returning to New York in 1977, I operated a hang gliding school for a number of years.

In the 1980s I traveled to Mexico, Venezuela and Brazil on numerous gliding trips with friends. I was even towed up under a hot air balloon and released to fly down for a television commercial.



In 1980 I started flying and teaching powered flight in Ultralight Aircraft and received my Private Pilots license. I have built and flown a number of Ultralight and Light Sport aircraft.



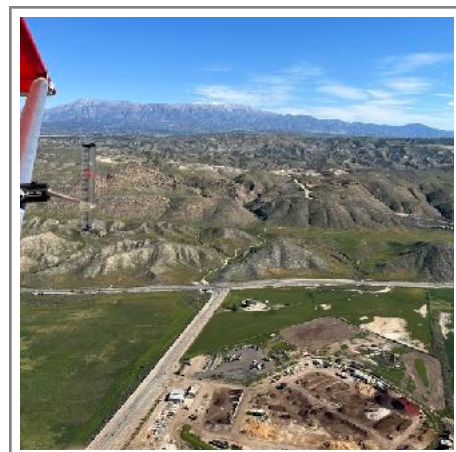
Back in the day...



Jeff Ingersoll

Today, Sandy and I split our time between the southwest and Hammondsport, New York where I volunteer at the Glenn Curtiss Museum Restoration shop, the Cradle Of Aviation. Our team is currently restoring a WWII B-25 bomber at the Elmira, New York Chapter of the Experimental Aviation Association (EAA).

I continue to enjoy flying and have a single seat Quad City Challenger based in Perris, California along with a two-seat Experimental Challenger based in Hammondsport.

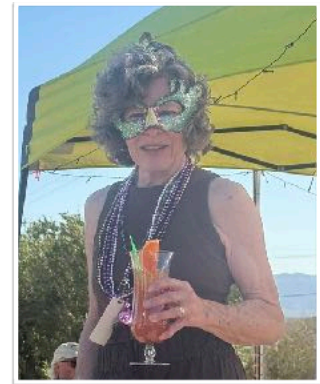


2026 flight north of Hemet, CA

GLAAC on the Go!



Mardi Gras at Joshua Tree!



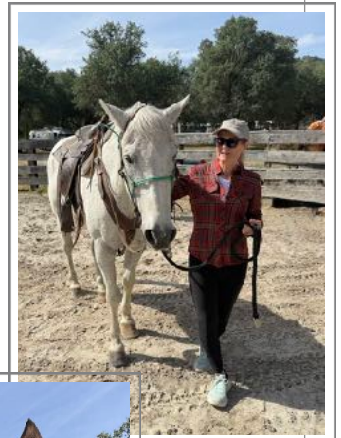
Cali Rally at the V6 Ranch!



GLAAC is at the Ranch!



The Cali Gang's all here!



Garden Flags, GLAAC Website, Members-only Facebook Page & Club Photo Directory**How to Order a Personalized Garden Flags online from Zazzle**

Create a Zazzle account or log into an existing account then click on this link: <https://www.zazzle.com/z/a5n6453x> and select 'Edit this Design'.

A new page will appear with a white box to the left of the screen. Delete the sample text and add your name(s) and your Big Red Number.

Use the large, blue 'Next' button in the upper right corner to move you to the back image for editing and the remaining steps as this is a two-sided flag.

Do not select the 'Add a new Text Box' button as this will overlay a new box on top of the club's logo.

Carefully review your text changes on the front and back side of the flag, then select the blue 'Next: Options' on the top menu. This will bring you to a new screen where you will want to add a flag stand, if needed.

In the upper right of the screen, select the blue 'Next: Review' button and when ready, select the yellow 'Add to Cart' button and your order is complete!

Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club Website

Wonder where we're rolling next? Want to reach out to a club member? Do you have an interest in Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club history?

Use the link below to access the Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club's website with everything you need to know about the club including officers, Event Schedule, and past issues of the Urban Update. Also included is the club roster and photo directory in the Members-Only section. Note: this link can be found on the last page of all issues of the Urban Update.

<https://airstreamclub.org/greater-los-angeles>

Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club's Members-Only Facebook Page

Do you know we also have a members-only Facebook page where you can share photos, your travels and ask questions? To get on board, reach out to Laurretta Smith via email at: MissMoorea@gmail.com.

Member Photo Directory

Our membership photo directory is available on our website. For help accessing the directory, please reach out to Carolyn Keep via email at: KeepRLN@icloud.com

2026 GLAAC Events (subject to change)

**Watch for more information coming to your inbox as events are
firmed up and registration dates/info are provided!**

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| Jan 22-25 | Lake Havasu State Park, Lake Havasu Balloon Festival |
| Feb 19-23 | Santee Lakes, San Diego |
| March 12-16 | Joshua Tree National Park, Joshua Tree Lakes RV |
| April 16-19 | Region 12 Cali Rally at the V6 Ranch, Parkfield, CA |
| April 19-22 | San Simeon Creek Campground, San Simeon, CA |
| May 14-18 | Sequoia RV Ranch, Three Rivers, CA (Reserve your site <u>NOW</u> through the resort's website https://www.sequoiarvranch.com/ and send an email letting us know: events.glaac@gmail.com) |
| June 11-14 | Lake Casitas, Ojai, CA |
| July 16-19 | Serrano Campground, Big Bear, CA |
| Aug 22-27 | 69th Airstream Club International Rally, Minot, North Dakota |
| Sept 17-20 | Crystal Cove/Moro Campground, Laguna Beach, CA |
| Oct 22-25 | TBD |
| Oct 28-Nov 1 | Region 12 Rally, Oasis Las Vega RV Resort, Las Vegas, NV |
| Nov 12-15 | Sun Outdoors, Santa Barbara, CA |
| Dec 4-7 | Pechanga RV Resort, Temecula, CA |

Wally Byam's Code of Ethics and Event Pet Policy



WBCCI/WALLY BYAM'S CODE OF ETHICS

To be ever mindful of our responsibility to Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and through conduct, indicate to the public that membership in this organization is an assurance of our courtesy on the road and good will to all peoples and countries.

To be ever mindful of what we say or print with respect to the affect on others so as to avoid disharmony and ill feelings among club members and to dedicate ourselves to the work of cementing together the members of WBCCI in bonds of good fellowship and mutual understanding.

To conduct ourselves in a manner to inspire others engaged in recreational vehicle travel to a full appreciation of the intent and meaning of this code. To maintain our camps in an orderly manner and leave them in the same way.

WE LOVE OUR FOUR-LEGGED AIRSTREAMERS...

Well-behaved pets are always welcome at rallies! To make the rally enjoyable for all, please observe these important points:

- A. Members traveling with pets are responsible to know and follow the pet policy at each individual RV Park or campground location.
- B. All pets must be under control on a leash when outside the Airstream. Owners must pick up after their pets.
- C. A size-appropriate pet containment system may be used at the campsite, unless not allowed by RV Park rules.
- D. Pets are not permitted in buildings, or at outside gatherings while food is served. At club events, pets are permitted at outside gatherings after food has been consumed.
- E. Service animals will be allowed according to State laws and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) policies.



Editor's Note

While our club newsletter is formatted, edited and delivered to your inbox by the editor, it is truly *your news* which makes it interesting. With this in mind, I am reaching out to all our members for participation.

- 1) With each issue we'll have an opportunity to *Meet a Member!* Members will be tapped to find out what you enjoy about Airstreaming; how it all began; any lessons learned on the road; what you did prior to club life. Maybe share something we don't know about you!
- 2) We have also incorporated *My Favorite Campground and Harvest Host* locations where you simply share a few sentences about your favorite site and include a photo taken at the campground. With all the rolling we do, this will certainly inspire club members to try a new location!
- 3) Have an adventure story or camping lesson learned you would like to share? We would love to hear from you!

Feel free to participate in your newsletter and send these items to me at anytime to be included in future issues of the Urban Update.

- Lynda

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Editor's Note: Thank you to our members who submitted photos for this edition and to those photographers whom I pulled photos from Facebook. And a special *Thank You* to those who provided an article, you make the Urban Update the outstanding club newsletter that it is!