

# SACRAMENTO VALLEY *Airstream* CLUB NUMBER 8



## May/June 2026 Golden Nugget

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### President's Message

Hello Campers!

We've made it into May with beautiful camping weather as we just experienced at our Pinnacles rally. We had some great hiking led by our VP, Brian Tucker, and as usual, great food, games and friendships. I think we may have even spotted a condor or two flying high.

Our next SVAC rally is at Costanoa on August 6th. That leaves June and July open for you to check out the rallies that your affiliate clubs have listed or the National rally, Silver on the River, that has some spots still open for July. If you're new to the rally review process, just log into the ACI website and on the Main Site, open Clubs/Find a local club. Each club lists their upcoming rallies. If you're already affiliated with other local clubs, you'll get their email which is another place to see rally listings. To get the full experience of Airstreaming, you may want to sign up as affiliates with multiple clubs to visit new areas.

One thing that our club members like is playing games at rallies. We've had some energetic games of Chickenfoot and Corn Hole along with some card playing and to mix it up we want to add some new stuff. Do you have a game for groups that you think we may enjoy? Send your suggestions to [Club008@airstreamclub.org](mailto:Club008@airstreamclub.org) so we can start playing! I'd like to add some Tripoli nights myself.

We have three more months to collect aluminum can tabs for the International Rally in Minot. Get yours to me or any member that is attending the rally if you aren't going yourself. I have donations from a couple cat households that are filling my bucket quickly. Thank you!

Until next time-

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What happens when you take a long road trip and something goes wrong?

The best solution for avoiding mishaps is to regularly perform preventative maintenance. Practice proactive situational awareness, which involves identifying potential risks before they happen rather than just reacting to them.

But even in the best conditions and with everything buttoned up, emergencies both big and small can set you back.

Every Airstream should pack the following items: A Torque Wrench; A Roadside Emergency Kit; An Air compressor and Jump Starter; A Multi-Tool; and A Powerful Flashlight.



## Calls for Volunteers

## Membership

### **VOLUNTEER Opportunities:**

SVAC is seeking a member volunteer with a working knowledge of Quicken or QuickBooks who can help the club establish an improved bookkeeping system as the club continues to grow and the need to generate basic reports for SVAC's Board and ACI evolves. We don't anticipate a complicated system, only one that will provide basic record keeping and reporting abilities.

If you're such a person and are willing to share your knowledge with the Club, please make yourself known to Carol Launderville or another SVAC Board member.

### **Wanted: Webmaster Helper**

A person interested in helping the Webmaster with the club website. Contact [RogerPeeples@gmail.com](mailto:RogerPeeples@gmail.com)

The Region 12 rally is late October over the Halloween weekend in Las Vegas, NV.

**Oasis RV Resort**  
2711 W Windmill Ln  
Las Vegas, NV, 89123

Region 12 is looking for volunteers to help with committees, and you don't need to attend the rally to help.

If you're interested in helping as a member of the Sacramento Club or have ideas that the committee can use, please visit the [Region 12 | ACI Website](#) for additional information.

**Rally in beautiful Las Vegas!**

### **Members as of May 13, 2026**

85 Members  
43 Primary Members  
42 Affiliates

### **Welcome New Members/Affiliates**

We are excited to include a special addition to our latest newsletter to officially acknowledge our newest regular and affiliate members who joined us in 2026.

Affiliate – May  
Eric & LaVerne McHenry

Regular – April  
Catherine & Chris Damele  
Katie Thornton & Fran Lewis

Regular – March  
Lisa & Steve Steinlein

Affiliate – January  
Rebecca & Thomas Schapp  
Nancy Kenny

We are absolutely thrilled to have you as part of our growing community and look forward to meeting you at a future rally.

## Upcoming Rally



### **Costanoa RV Park, Pescadero, CA – August 6-10, 2026**

Costanoa RV Park in August feels like a deep breath of coastal calm. The cool Pacific breezes roll in each morning making it perfect for slow, easy outdoor days. This is exactly what's needed for some of us that will be getting ready to head out to the International Rally in Minot.

It's also a nice getaway from the heat we see in the valley. The beaches nearby are ideal for quiet strolls. It's a relaxing escape for campers to enjoy mild weather and a laid-back coastal pace.

If you've not been, here's your chance. Our initial block of sites is full as of today, but our waitlist has been activated. Use this link: <https://form.jotform.com/260425560488057> to fill out the JotForm to get your name on the list.



QUICK TIPS

Use cotton batting between dishes to prevent rattling and scratches, especially in your Airstream. Batting works well as "pan protectors" or "dish protectors" when stacking dishes.

Elena Tucker suggested using coffee filters as well; and Roberta Peoples uses tea towels. What do you use?

**Please share your Airstream Rally Pictures on our SVAC's Facebook page!  
We'd love to see your Rally Memories.**

# Cali Rally – V6 Ranch, Parkfield, CA

**Host: Region 12**

April 16-19, 2026



Peoples Campsite Near the Clubhouse



Checking In



Cowboy Coffee Sign



Registration



Lassoing

Roger & I had the privilege of attending the Cali Rally as volunteers, teaching line dancing and leading during the evening dance. Although the Cali Rally is dry camping, there is a central group of flush toilets and a great group of showers that really help the capacity of our tanks.

It was fun to go in a day early on Wednesday and watch the well-organized Cali crew get ready for the opening day. What a fun group to work with!

On Thursday the registration & “RAT” parkers’ ability to get all 80 some-odd trailers tucked into their spots in that small valley on Thursday was amazing. By Thursday afternoon we had Beer and Root Beer tasting, then a hamburger dinner with amazing sides & desserts. Roger & I had 30 minutes after dinner to teach 4 line-dances. Afterward there was a country singer with a great voice..... but we couldn’t dance to him!

Friday was a Burrito breakfast day, Yoga with Chris Martindill, bike riding with Eric McHenry, line dancing with Roger & Roberta, a swap meet, a presentation by Vinnie, then wine tasting by J. Paul Rosales Winery.... Loved the Chardonnay and the Syrah! Roger & I sneaked out during the day to view the bridge outside of Parkfield that shows explicitly why Parkfield is the earthquake capital of the world! For dinner, great sides were provided and everyone brought their own meat to grill under the guidance of the V-6 Grill master. He’s, by now, an Icon! Wally B. and the Band played in the evening and kept us entertained and dancing. I was proud of all those line dancers!

Saturday started with a Region 12 Officer Q&A, a hike or yoga, Rock Pot Cooking, Horse Trail Ride, Hitching up with Mona Watts, Off Grid by Rich Luhr who discussed the advantages of portable batteries and portable solar power, then Calf Roping crafts, Photos, Whiskey Tasting, a BBQ dinner and a great presentation by an 11-year old Parkfield 4-H member. What poise! Raffles & fundraisers throughout the rally benefited the local 4-H program.

Sunday, we said our goodbyes and headed home. I’d encourage everyone to attend the Cali-Rally at least once as it’s a great experience. We had many people come, who had never dry camped before, and they did just fine.

**Article & Photos  
Submitted by Roberta Peoples**



Mona's Talk



Chatting



Diamond Art



Wine Tasting



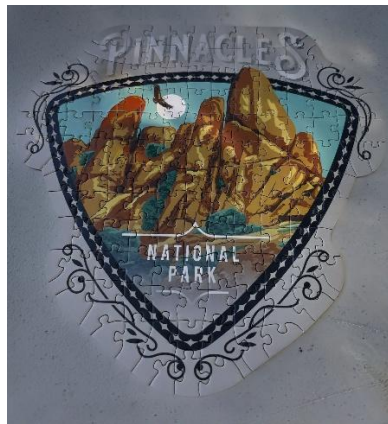
The Grill Masters

# Pinnacles National Park

Hosts: Brian & Elena Tucker / Co-Hosts: Nadine Collepari & Josh Holbrook

May 7-11, 2026

WOW, what a great weekend. Great people make great rallies! It was wonderful to get together with everyone at Pinnacles National Park. We had about 10 trailers from Sac Valley and our sister club Greater Bay area. We hiked, we ate, we enjoyed. Two hikes, the 'easy' hike was a 2.5-mile hike, but the climbing and crawling was intense. The long hike was 6.4 miles, but relatively flat. The potluck was amazing as always, but the diehard 'empty the fridge' potluck was off the hook! Blue Fin Tuna, raw and seared fresh from San Diego! More Tuna, Tri Tip sliders... Too much to mention. Nadine Collepari Holbrook (co-host) rocks were off the hook as well... OMG she could make so much \$\$\$ selling these. Her rendition of the Pinnacles spires is just so amazing... I do have favorites, and this is one of them - Thank you Nadine! In honor of Mother's Day we had an Egg Benedict and Mimosa breakfast on Sunday - Thank you, Bob for helping at the 'Cafe'. I really did not want the weekend to end... Looking forward to seeing a bunch of you at the Calistoga Rally!  
**Submitted by Brian Tucker / Facebook**



## Rally Schedule

2026	Dates	Group	Location	Hosts	Co-Hosts
July	15-22	National	Southern France	Jason Grendahl	
August	6-10	SVAC	Costanoa RV Park 2001 Rossi Road at Hwy 1 Pescadero, CA 94060	Carol & Bob Launderville	Laura & Dean DeCocker
October	10/28-11/1	Region 12	Las Vegas, NV	Region 12	
November	5-9	SVAC Installation	Parkway RV Resort 6330 County Road 200 Orland, CA	Carol & Bob Launderville	Susan & Dan McKellar

## International, National, and Region Events



**Register for the 2026 Airstream Club International Rally**

<https://airstreamclub.org/rally2026/registration>

Airstream Club International has announced the Rally 2026 Community Service Project in support of **Minot's Backpack Buddies Program**.

ACI is requesting monetary and food contributions with the goal of achieving a \$10,000 matching donation and is also seeking volunteers to assist in packing 2,300 backpacks.

Visit the [Rally2026 Website](#) for more Volunteering and Giving Back details

**SAVE your beverage AND pet can tabs.** Airstream Club International (ACI) collects tabs to raise funds for the Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC), supporting families with hospitalized children. This long-standing tradition enables members to turn in accumulated aluminum tabs at rallies to be recycled, providing revenue for local RMHC chapters while supporting charitable efforts.

If you are not attending the International Rally, give your tabs to a club member who is attending the Rally.

Jason Grendahl, the host of the **National Event Rally, Silver on the River** is spreading the word about the exclusive 7-day river cruise in France for ACI members. It is scheduled for **July 15-22, 2026**, sailing from Lyon to Avignon on the Rhone River. It is arranged by a travel agent who is an ACI member, with pre- and post-cruise group options.

**SEE Travel Agent Letter, Next Page**



Visit the event website link  
(<https://airstreamclub.org/silver-river-2026>), for additional information, or contact Jason at [jasongrendahl@gmail.com](mailto:jasongrendahl@gmail.com)

Airstream Club International  
**Region 12 ~ 2026 Rally**  
Las Vegas, NV  
**October 28 – November 1**  
Visit the [Region 12 | ACI Website](#)



Hey fellow Airstreamers!

This July, we have an exclusive Airstream group cruise, Silver on the River, sailing through southern France on the Rhône River aboard the Riverside Ravel, one of the most luxurious river cruise ships in Europe. We sail July 15–22, 2026, traveling from Lyon — the culinary capital of the world — to Avignon, a UNESCO World Heritage site in the heart of Provence. And yes, we depart the day after Bastille Day.

This isn't your typical river cruise. I personally chartered the entire ship for the Airstream Club, which means custom events, a floating community of like-minded travelers, rooftop deck BBQs, live local music, and evening DJs. Think of it as a moving party through one of the most beautiful regions on earth. Jason Grendahl, our NER leader, and I are working together to ensure this unmissable event will be talked about for years to come!

Along the way, you'll explore medieval castles, Roman ruins, Van Gogh's beloved Arles, and the legendary wine village of Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Every shore excursion is included in the price — and we mean all of them. Wine tastings, cooking classes, cave art, truffle farm, eBike adventures, kayaking, perfume workshop, and a grand finale dinner at a private Rhône Valley estate under the stars. You simply choose what calls to you.

Here's what makes the value so compelling: nearly everything is covered. Pricing starts at \$10,400 per suite (double occupancy) and goes up to \$28,000 for the top-tier Ravel Suite. That includes:

- All meals across three dining venues, plus snacks available all day
- Premium beverages and a stocked in-suite minibar
- 24-hour room service
- Butler service and twice-daily housekeeping
- Your choice of excursions at every port — no premium surcharges
- All gratuities, on and off the boat
- Transfers to and from the ship on embarkation and disembarkation days
- Fitness room, indoor pool, bicycles
- Nightly onboard entertainment, including a live local band
- Complimentary self-service laundry with iron and steamer

The main things not covered are airfare, trip insurance, pre- or post-cruise extensions, and personal incidentals like spa services. That's it!

Our pricing cannot be beat! We are about \$2000 less per suite than other 7-night Riverside Ravel sailings this summer with the Premium All-inclusive package with shore excursions.

If this sounds like your kind of adventure, visit the [information and booking page](#). Solo travelers, reach out to me directly, and we'll work something out.

Hope to see you on the river!

- Mel Richardson, BRN3269

With warm regards,

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