

SC Coastal Airstream Club #150

<https://airstreamclub.org/south-carolina-coastal>

A Note from The President:

Dear Fellow Airstreamers,

We had such a wonderful time and great fellowship at the April 2026 Rally at Santee State Park, I find that I am already looking forward to the May 2026 **“Streamin’ in the Mountains”** rally at Palmetto Cove RV Park. I want to give huge thanks and praise to Bob and Elena (Denise to some) Heise for hosting, including the planning and coordination with the co-hosts, the Bards and the Mansfield’s. We had a wonderful birding outing and a presentation from Bob Heise and a modge/podge craft session led by Elena Heise. Did I mention the weather? ... it was fantastic. Thanks again to the Mansfields for Friday night’s dinner, to the Bards for Saturday’s breakfast and the Heise’s for Philly Cheese Steaks. Thank you all that participated and for the great fellowship.

I want to relate a lesson learned and that is to make reservations for rallies as early as possible even if you are not sure you can attend. If you need to cancel, there is usually a minimal fee for cancelling and the site may be able to be transferred to a fellow member.

Our next club rally will be held at

“Streamin’ in the Mountains”
Palmetto Cove RV Park May 7-10.
521 Table Rock Rd., Cleveland, SC
864-836-6221

Please Call and tell them you are with the SC Coastal Airstream Club Rally. They have a group of sites for us.

<https://palmettocove.com/reservations>

The schedule for the rally is below. **Please fill out the JOT form using the link for rally registration form to RSVP for the May 2026 rally at Palmetto Cove RV Park by Saturday April 25**

[Rally Registration Form](#)

Our hosts for the May Rally at Palmetto Cove RV Park are Joe & Doreen Cash (hosts), Henry & Melinda Knight (cohosts).

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Weekend Activities

Palmetto Cove RV Park May 7th – 10th Schedule of Events

Thursday May 7th – Arrival

4:00 pm: 1st Happy Hour –Pavilion (Bring Snack/Beverage)

6:00 pm: Dinner on your own with friends. See “Food Recommendations” below

***** Weather permitting – fire at the pavilion fireplace.**



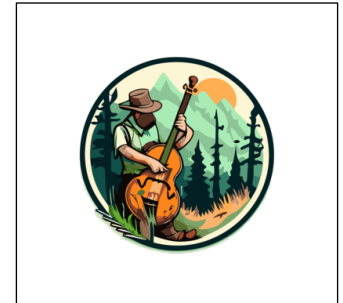
Friday May 8th

Breakfast on your own and see “Daily Activity Recommendations” below.

4:00 pm: 2nd Happy Hour –Pavilion (Bring Snack/Beverage)

5:30 pm: Dinner at Aunt Sue’s – Friday’s feature is a seafood buffet and live bluegrass music. (Dutch Treat Not in Rally Fee) Need confirmation to make reservations. – Jot Form.

***** Weather permitting – fire at the pavilion fireplace.**



Saturday May 9th

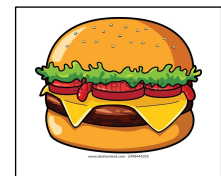
8:30 am: Continental Breakfast in the meeting hall/kitchen (Bring Set-ups and coffee to drink).

See “Daily activity recommendations” below.

4:00 pm: 3rd Happy Hour at Pavilion – Let’s travel to Mexico and have a short Cinco de Mayo party. Wear you best Cinco de Mayo attire -- Will be serving salsa, tortilla chips, guacamole, and margaritas.

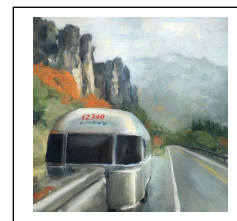
6:00 pm: Dinner at Pavilion (Bring Set-ups) – All American hamburger plate as we transition back from Mexico. (Bring your photo ID/Passport to get back in the US!)

*****Social time by the fire at the pavilion or activity to be determined.**



Sunday May 10th

Safe Travels Home on South Carolina highways & byways!



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*****Food Recommendations*****

Victoria Valley Vineyards (<https://victoriavalleyvineyards.com/>)

- **Distance:** ~2.7 miles | ~6 minutes
- **Address:** 1360 S Saluda Rd, Cleveland, SC
- **Lunch** – Call to confirm (864-584-2766)
 - 11am – 3pm lunch is served.
 - 3pm -5pm only appetizers are served.
- Relaxed patio wine tasting with panoramic views and minimal walking.

Aunt Sue's Country Corner (This is Friday's dinner)

- **Distance:** ~3.2 miles | ~6 minutes
- **Address:** 107 Country Creek Dr A, Pickens, SC 29671
- **Dinner** – Call to confirm (864-878-4366)
 - **Friday evenings only**
 - 4pm – 8pm Seafood Buffet
 - 6pm – 8pm Bluegrass music.
- **Style:** Country comfort food

Sidewall Pizza

- **Distance:** ~18.5 | ~27 minutes
- **Address:** 8 S Main St, Travelers Rest, SC
- **Lunch/Dinner** – Call to confirm (864-610-0527)
- **Style:** Artisan pizza, salads
- **Good for:** Groups, casual sit-down

Monkey Wrench Smokehouse

- **Distance:** ~17.8 miles | ~27 minutes
- **Address:** 129 S Main St, Travelers Rest, SC
- **Lunch/Dinner** – Call to confirm (864-610-2236)
- **Style:** BBQ
- **Good for:** Brisket, pulled pork, casual atmosphere.

Activity Recommendations

Caesars Head State Park – Scenic Overlook

- Breathtaking mountain views with a short, paved, accessible walk—no hiking required.

Wildcat Wayside- Hiking and Water Fall

- 5500 Geer Hwy, Cleveland, SC

Campbell's Covered Bridge: A historic 1909 landmark.

Scenic Drive on Highway 11

- One of South Carolina's most beautiful drives, enjoyed entirely from your vehicle.

Fred W. Symmes Chapel ("Pretty Place"): An iconic outdoor chapel with breathtaking mountain views. –

Check online calendar to make sure there are not events that day. Contact Joe Cash if interested and he can check their calendar. (<https://www.campgreenville.org/visitation-schedule>)

Victoria Valley Vineyards –

- Great for lunch, wine tasting, and panoramic views.

Table Rock State Park (Lakes Area)

- Flat lakeside paths, benches, and peaceful mountain scenery.

Swamp Rabbit Trail – Travelers Rest – Several eateries along the route

- Wide, paved, level trail—walk a little or sit and enjoy the scenery.

Downtown Travelers Rest

- Compact, walkable Main Street with cafés, shops, and plenty of seating.

All locations are within ~25 minutes of Palmetto Cove RV Park.

A Brief History of Palmetto Cove & Its location.

- Palmetto Cove RV Park was founded in the early 1970s as a member-owned, nonprofit campground, originally designed for Airstream owners and large rally gatherings.
- The park celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2021, reflecting decades of community-focused camping rather than commercial development.
- Palmetto Cove sits at the edge of the Blue Ridge Escarpment, where South Carolina's foothills rise dramatically into ancient Appalachian Mountains.
- Long before modern roads, the land was part of the Cherokee homeland, crossed by trading paths later known as the Cherokee Path or Keowee Path.
- That ancient route eventually evolved into today's Highway 11, now called the Cherokee Foothills Scenic Highway, just minutes from the campground.
- In the mid-1800s, settlers developed mountain retreats nearby, especially at Caesars Head, drawn by cooler air and sweeping views.
- Hotels and health resorts once stood atop Caesars Head, making the area an early destination for mountain tourism in South Carolina.
- Much of the surrounding land was preserved between 1976 and 1986 as state parks and wilderness areas, including Caesars Head and Table Rock State Parks.
- Palmetto Cove grew alongside these conservation efforts, helping ensure the landscape around it remains unchanged today.

Today, Palmetto Cove RV Park stands as part of a much longer story—one shaped by ancient mountains, Cherokee travelers, 19th-century mountain visitors, and generations of campers who came seeking beauty, quiet, and connection.