

SD Streamer

Official Newsletter of the San Diego Airstream Club
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Welcome!

NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT:

BRN	Member and Partner Name	City
04633	Kurtis and Araceli Woods	La Mesa
13000	Don and Ganit Ollerton	Escondido
04915	Pedro Rodriguez and Tresa Lombardi	San Diego
19586	Gregory Gastaldo	San Diego

President’s Letter

By Kathy Swangin

As I sit here writing this, it is July first, hard to believe the year’s half over!

Our club rallies have been going well, and we’ve had several new members in attendance. It’s always a pleasure meeting our new members and hearing how they got into this wonderful world of Airstreaming!



San Diego Airstream Club Officers and Chairpersons for 2026

- President: Kathy Swangin
- First VP: Cheryl Henry
- Secretary: Lisa Sciabica
- Treasurer: Diane Jardon
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- Communications: Pat Davison
- Constitution and Bylaws: Jana Wilson
- Membership: Lee Havens
- Newsletter: Rene’ Boatman
- Webmaster: Paul Sandness

President's Letter, continued

By Kathy Swangin

Our upcoming July Rally at Serrano Campground at Big Bear Lake proves to be a memorable event. It will be a joint rally with the Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club (GLAAC) and the first time we've done a joint rally with another club in a few years.

Shortly, some of our members will be on their way to Minot, North Dakota, for the 69th Airstream International Rally in August where over 1,000 rigs will be in attendance. If you've never been to an International Rally I highly recommend it. Next year, the 70th Airstream Club International Rally is set for June 26-July 1, 2027, returning to the Sweetwater Events Complex in Rock Springs, Wyoming, where it was held in 2023. Registration is now open and there's talk on our Facebook site (San Diego Streamers) about a club caravan to the event. Going in as a group ensures members will be parked together. If you want to see what that looks like, the picture at the top cover of the newsletter is our club caravan at International in 2023! Wyoming is a great launching pad for visiting the national parks in Utah, Wyoming and Colorado. If you've never been and have questions, reach out to another club member - there's enough of us around.

Registration for our September Rally at Mission Bay RV resort will be coming out in July. As if there isn't enough to do in San Diego, we will be there at the same time San Diego's Bayfair event is taking place - September 18-20. Bayfair is Southern California's largest annual beach festival and powerboat competition, featuring H1 Hydroplane and Gran Prix racing boats, music and vendors. For more information go to <https://sandiegobayfair.org/>

As of this writing, there are still a few sites open for the October Region 12 Rally in Las Vegas! Region rallies are always a fun event and a great way to meet other Airstreamers from other clubs. Registration covers 4 nights of full hook-up camping, 2 dinners and 1 breakfast. There will be fun activities and many opportunities to spend time with your Airstream family and friends. Rally arrival is October 28 and departure on November 1. A day before the rally and/or a day after can be booked directly with the park at the same group rate. Contact Oasis RV directly for the extra days at (800) 566-4707. While club members can caravan to the rally I have been told that the resort is assigning parking.

See you down the road Kathy

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San Diego Airstream Club Upcoming Rally Schedule

JULY 16-19 (3 nights) Serrano Campground, Big Bear Lake, CA
Hosts: Cheryl & Steve Henry, Pam & Mike Davis. Joint Rally with GLAAC

AUGUST 22-27
ACI International Rally,
Minot, North Dakota

SEPTEMBER 18-20 (2 nights)
Mission Bay RV Resort, San Diego
Hosts: Diane & Stephan Jardon,
AJ & Evie Jackson

OCTOBER 28-November 1
Region 12 Rally,
Oasis Las Vegas Resort,
Las Vegas, NV

NOVEMBER 12-15 (3 nights)
The Springs at Borrego Springs RV
Resort, Borrego Springs, CA
Hosts: Ray & Jane Barger,
Jeffrey & GiGi Pincus

DECEMBER 4-6 (2 nights)
Sun Outdoors Chula Vista, CA,
Hosts: Dan & Carie Seigenthaler,
Rose & Ed Harris



Pinezanita Rally Recap

by Veronica Hernandez

Our Pinezanita Rally weekend was full of great company, good food, lots of laughter, and the kind of memories that make Airstreaming so special.

FRIDAY HAPPY ARRIVALS

Friday Rigs rolled in throughout the day and before long, camp was buzzing with hellos, hugs, and happy arrivals. Friday Happy Hour kicked off the weekend with members sharing their favorite drinks and appetizers—everything from signature cocktails to tasty bites. Later, we fired up the grill for hamburgers and hot dogs, then gathered around the campfire for stories, laughter, and a relaxing evening under the pines.

SATURDAY COFFEE, ADVENTURE AND SO MUCH FUN

Saturday morning started with coffee and conversations as members wandered from trailer to trailer visiting, catching up leading up to our two scheduled seminars.

These two great seminars added a practical touch to the weekend. The first seminar was a First Aid presentation on how to use a tourniquet giving members helpful guidance and hands-on tips - thank you to one of our newest member for leading this - Allan Bombard, retired military MD.

The second led by Abe, covered a DIY Airstream maintenance, along with a discussion of useful items to keep on hand in your trailer for everyday camping, quick fixes, and general preparedness and Q&A. Both sessions were well received and gave everyone a chance to pick up a few new ideas to take on the road.

As the mid-day afternoon continued - some took to the hiking trails, some headed into town while others stayed around camp swapping travel stories and enjoying the mountain setting. As happy hour evening came, this brought one of the highlights of the rally—our Hobo Attire Contest. Creativity was definitely on full display, with costumes ranging from classic hobo looks to characters so convincing some members were nearly unrecognizable. Everyone got into the spirit and had way too much fun with it.

Saturday Happy Hour brought everyone together again with more favorite drinks and appetizers to share before the main event: Abe's Famous Fish Tacos. Abe and Veronica fried fish fresh on-site, and the tacos were a huge hit. With all the toppings and sides laid out, everyone enjoyed a fantastic taco dinner before ending the evening around the campfire.

SUNDAY A SWEET SEND- OFF

Sunday morning wrapped up the weekend with a continental breakfast, one last round of conversation, and plenty of hugs before heading home. It was another wonderful weekend with the San Diego Airstream Club—full of friendship, fun, laughter, and community.

Thanks to everyone who came, shared, food tasters, laughed and made this rally so special. Until the next adventure!

Pinezanita Rally Photos



Taco dinner spread with all the fixings



Group rally photo under the pines



Hosts Abe and Veronica frying Abe's Famous Fish Tacos



Hobo Attire Contest photos — members clearly had too much fun with this one

Pinezanita Rally Photos





San Diego Airstream Club
2027 Rally Schedule (Updated 7/5/2026)

*Rally Date 2027	Campground	Location	Hosts	Notes
Jan 15-17 (F, Sa)	Pechanga RV Resort	Temecula	Stephanie Akens-Gunn/Yolanda Daly	
Feb 19-21 (F, Sa)	Sweetwater Summit Regional Park	Bonita		
Mar 19-21 (F, Sa)	Guajome Regional Park	Oceanside		Annual club picnic on Saturday for all members, whether or not you are camping that weekend.
Apr 18-25 (7 nights)	Flying Flags RV Resort / Pismo Coast Village RV Resort	Avila Beach / Pismo Beach	Ray Barger/Jeffrey Pincus	Wine Quest event occurring every other year. For 2027, pre-rally at Avila April 18 th -21 st , followed by main rally at Pismo April 21 st -25 th . Contact hosts now for reservation instructions (make your own).
May 14-16 (F, Sa)	William Heise County Park	Julian	Lee and Nancy Havens/Thurmon and Linda Dalrymple	This is a popular location. If you are interested in extra nights, please contact hosts in January.
Jul 15-18 (Th, F, Sa)	Lighthouse Trailer Resort and Marina	Big Bear Lake		
Aug 20-22 (F,Sa)	Malibu Beach RV Park	Malibu	Stephen and Diane Jardon	Sign-up email will be sent out in May.
Sep 16-19 (Th, F, Sa)	Crystal Cove State Park Moro Campground	Laguna Beach		Make your own reservation through Reserve California. Instructions will be sent in March.
Nov 12-14 (F Sa)	Camp Pendleton	San Onofre Beach		
Dec 2-5 (Th, F, Sa)	Sun Outdoors San Diego	Chula Vista		Annual officer installation luncheon on Saturday for all members, whether or not you are camping that weekend.

* Sign-up emails are sent out 60 days before the rally, except in special cases as noted above.

First Vice President's Letter

By Cheryl Henry

Springtime in the Rockies Caravan

Steve and I just returned from Airstream's "Springtime in the Rockies" caravan. One of the most surprisingly wonderful aspects of the trip was the number of beautiful places that we not only had never been to, but hadn't even heard of! Maybe we're just living under the proverbial rock, but did you know about Colorado National Monument?

Hint: it's not a "monument", it's a 20,000 acre canyon area, including Rim Rock drive. It's just outside of Grand Junction, which is a great town to visit in its own right. On the rim rock drive, you can look over steep cliffs, see amazing red rock formations, spot big horn sheep, and ooh and ahhh your way all along a winding 23-mile road.

The caravan led us to do things we really wouldn't have done on our own, like the white water rapids (class III rapids!) down the Green River in Dinosaur, or going out at 11 P.M. at night to the observatory in Gunnison to clearly see deep sky objects through their many small telescopes as well as their large domed telescope. The caravan took us through four National Parks (Rocky Mountain NP, Black Canyon of the Gunnison NP, GrandTeton NP, and Yellowstone NP), and several other beautiful parks: Colorado National Monument, Dinosaur National Monument, Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area, Garden of the Gods National Landmark. The drives were nearly as stunning as the destinations, as we traveled on Colorado's, Wyoming's, and Utah's most scenic and historic byways.

I encourage anyone thinking of going on one of the many Airstream caravans to do so. This was our second and it won't be our last!



Prado Regional Park, Chino, CA Rally by Lisa Sciabica

Prado Rally Recap: Great Friends, Great Food, and Great Memories!

Our recent rally at Prado Regional Park had all the ingredients for another memorable Airstream adventure... beautiful weather, plenty of laughs, delicious food, interesting tours, and the best company anyone could ask for!

We kicked things off with an appetizer potluck and catching up around the campfire on Thursday evening. Between the appetizers and lively conversations, it was the perfect way to begin our weekend together.

One of our first outing options on Friday was breakfast at Nikki's Kitchen before a visit to the Richard Nixon Presidential Library & Museum, where several members enjoyed exploring the exhibits, strolling the beautiful grounds, and learning more about an important chapter of American history. For those who enjoy spending time on the greens, a golf outing later in the day provided the perfect opportunity to work on their swings, enjoy some friendly competition, and soak up the Southern California sunshine. Others spent time chatting with other rally go-ers, shopping in town, walking or riding bikes around the lake, or just relaxing! That evening, we headed to dinner at nearby Kenwood's for yummy food and drinks, as well as some good conversation.

Our Saturday morning began for many with breakfast at Flo's Airport Café, followed by a fascinating tour of Yanks Air Museum. A special thank you goes to docent Mike, whose enthusiasm, knowledge, and wonderful stories brought the museum's impressive collection of historic aircraft to life.



Prado Regional Park, Chino CA Rally, continued

One of the most special highlights of the rally was celebrating Dick's 89th birthday with a little song, well-wishes and warm fellowship on Sunday morning! It was a wonderful reminder that our club is more than just camping—it's a community that celebrates life's special moments together.

In the afternoon, Diego and Danny from D&D Air Specialist gave an informative presentation on Airstream care and maintenance. They shared practical tips, answered a wide variety of questions, and helped everyone leave with a little more confidence in keeping their trailers road-ready.

Adding a flavorful twist to the weekend, Joe and Lisa Sciabica hosted an olive oil tasting featuring Sciabica's family-crafted olive oils. Members sampled a variety of delicious flavors while learning about the olive oil-making process. Thank you to Diane Jardon for offering homemade sourdough bread to add to the experience. As if that wasn't enough fun, we had a cookie decorating (and eating) class; a creative activity that produced plenty of smiles (and a few masterpieces!).

That evening, we had a potluck dinner at camp that featured an incredible spread of tasty appetizers and decadent desserts to compliment Kathy's homemade lasagna, which disappeared almost as quickly as it was served!

As evening settled in each night, the campfire became the gathering place. Cozy firepit conversations, shared stories, laughter, and a few favorite camping tales reminded us that some of the best rally moments happen simply by sitting together under the stars.

A heartfelt thank you goes to everyone who helped organize activities, prepared food, shared their talents, and made this rally such a success. Every event, presentation, meal, and evening around the fire helped create lasting memories. We look forward to seeing everyone at our next adventure. Until then, safe travels, happy camping, and keep those Airstreams rolling!





SDAC Needs YOU!

Ever wonder how this club manages to do everything it does for its members? It's through members who volunteer to serve on the Board of Officers, Committee Chairs or volunteer to assist on individual committees or projects. We need people next year to serve on our board or volunteer for a committee.

Here is the list of the open positions and a short description of each. If you have an interest in any of these positions, or have questions, please feel free to give me a call at 760-213-1153 or shoot me an email at kcs.sdac2026@gmail.com. Thanks in advance, Kathy

2nd Vice President - The 2nd Vice President is a learning position, as he/she will move up into the position of 1st VP, President and then Past President. The 2nd Vice President shall assist the President and 1st VP as needed, and attend all meetings of the SDAC Board.

Constitution and By-Laws Committee Chair - This position is responsible for the review of the Local Club and the International Constitution and By-Laws, to make recommendations for any amendments or additions as needed based on changes made by ACI, or recommend changes in the best interest of the Club. This position has a required commitment of 1 year.

Communications Committee - The Communications Committee Chair Pat Davison is looking for volunteers to help roll out logo gear for the club. If you have any marketing experience or have been involved in procuring logo gear for another club you've been involved with, your experience and insight would be greatly appreciated.

Rally Committee - each year the Rally Committee, lead by the 1st VP, puts together the rally schedule for the following year. We need volunteers to help put together the 2028 rally schedule. If you like to rally and would like to play a part in putting together our 2028 schedule this is for you. It's a great way to learn more about the ins and outs of where we rally and why.



Check Your Calendar

When: April 21 – 25, 2027 (SDAC Rally - 4 Nights)

Where: Pismo Coast Village RV Resort
165 South Dolliver Street Pismo Beach, CA 93449

How: Booking reminder and Rally Coupon to follow in September.

To Wine

- Experience the Beauty of Edna Valley, Paso Robles and Santa Ynez wineries.
- Try one of the many Tasting Rooms right in Pismo Beach.

Not To Wine

- Visit Hearst Castle, Morro Bay, Downtown SLO, Solvang, or Buellton.
- Enjoy Pismo Dunes, coastal activities and so much more!

Optional Pre-Rally April 18 – 21, 2027

Where: Flying Flags – Avila Beach

How: Book your own Super Premium Back-In Sites (approx... \$186/night).
We hope everyone can book in/near sites #32 - #45.