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Upcoming Events

2018

This tiny space cannot detail all the wonderful events still on tap for this year. Check out pages 5-8 for a complete schedule of the exciting adventures for the rest of this year!

President's Message

It looks like 2018's spring, summer and winter seasons are all askew! In January I recall searching for shorts to wear, while here in April we continue to enjoy our fireplace in the evening. However, with the International Rally on the horizon, our true summer and some excellent adventures are not far behind!

At our December business meeting the Board approved another year with two Event-Free-Free events in 2018. What this means to you as members is you will pick up the cost of camping, but the club will provide funds, up to \$25/Airstream, to our hosts to cover the cost of food for the event. If you simply attend these two events, you now have a dues-free club. Look for this great club perk at our August and September events!

In mid-April our Region 12 Officers along with the Cali Rally Planning Team will welcome 75 Airstreams to the sold out event at the V6 Ranch in Parkfield. We are excited to experience this new location along with some great additions such as trail rides, movie night, lasso demonstration, and a ranch hike hosted by V6 owner, Barbara. Also new this year you'll find shiny, new Airstreams to tour courtesy of our Cali Rally sponsors, Bay Area Airstream Adventures in Fairfield, California and South Bay Airstream Adventures in their recently opened location in San Martin, California. Stop by and check them out while at the Cali Rally or make your way to their dealer locations!

Right around the corner we look forward to caravanning to the 61st International Rally to be held in Salem, Oregon, June 23-30. Several club members will participate in the Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club caravan while a few other members will arrive in Salem on their own



Lynda & Eleanor

This year's rally theme, 'Living the Dream' is appropriate as it's exactly what we as Airstream owners experience all year long. Be sure to check out the [schedule](#) of Presentations and Round Table Discussions and join in the fun! Are you on Facebook? 'Like' the rally's [Facebook page](#) for more information added weekly!

Another exciting event for Airstream owners is the Region 12 Rally to be held at the 5-star Oasis RV Resort in Las Vegas, October 3-7. Our club is the proud sponsor of this year's region rally where we look forward to working together to provide a great event for our members in California and Nevada. Register for this event today on our Region's website! <http://region12.wbcci.net/region-12-calendar/2018-region-12-rally/>

Congratulations to Rudy & Linda who no longer have 5' envy after moving into their brand new 30' Flying Cloud! I would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest members, Diane & Jim of Huntington Beach and Dwight & Kellene of Malibu. We look forward to seeing you at our events this year!

Lynda



Palm Springs Event February 22-25, 2018

By Lynda Polk



Under a perfectly clear blue desert sky we made our way to the posh Emerald Desert RV Resort in Palm Springs where we gathered with friends and welcomed brand new members Vincent & Kathleen and Phillip & Jeanne to our club. The month of February brings the always-popular Palm Springs Modernism Show where our club members were anxious to enjoy the sunshine and camaraderie. Specifically what drew us to this desert mecca was the Vintage Trailer Event, a one-of-



a-kind show with each beautiful vintage trailer participating by invitation extended by curator Mona Heath, WBCCI's 2nd International Vice President and affiliate member of the Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club. This event is especially close to my heart because it was at the



Vintage Trailer Show several years ago that I met Mona who has become a very dear friend of mine. When we met at the show, Mona was participating with her 1969 Tradewind Airstream.

There were several scheduled activities to enjoy at the PS Modernism Show in addition to the Vintage Trailer Event. These activities included mid-century modern home tours, walking tours and double-deck bus tour highlighting Palm Spring's mid-century modern architecture. Add to the mix the beautiful RV resort with it's swimming pool and our own well-appointed clubhouse and there was very little downtime. With the resort's location on Frank Sinatra Drive what



cocktail was enjoyed during our evening get together? Martinis, of course! We participated in our first ever martini-making experience and enjoyed four different styles of this 19th century creation including the Classic Martini, a Dirty Martini, the



popular Lemon Drop Martini and sweet Pomegranate Martini.



The weekend vintage trailer show was well attended and enjoyed by over 3,000 people who toured the trailers while learning of their history by a knowledgeable docent assigned to each trailer. Attendees also participated in the Peoples Choice Award, which was presented to a beautifully restored 1954 Silver Streak Clipper. Hats off to club members, Deborah and James, who are Rancho Mirage residents and participate as docents in the PS Modernism show each year.



What I have truly come to love about our Airstream and joining the WBCCI are the unexpected friendships that develop with time. Little did I know when we purchased our very first Airstream, the amazing opportunities, fun and friendships that would come with owning an Airstream. One of those lasting friendships was meeting Mona several years ago. I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to Mona, on behalf of our club, for her gracious gift of tickets for our members to attend the show. And Mona's award at the Palm Springs Vintage Trailer Event all those years ago? The much deserved and coveted Peoples Choice Award for her beautifully appointed '69 Tradewind!

Alabama Hills, March 22-26, 2018

By Jean Amundsen



What to do when the weather channel is predicting the biggest winter storm of the season? Well, if you're a member of GLAAC, it's highly likely that you'll head for the hills- the Alabama Hills, to be exact. And that's just what happened on a recent blustery long March weekend. Twenty-three people in 12 Airstreams, with a passel of puppies and one kitty cat, braved the elements and a few miles of washboard road to gather for fun, friendship, and adventure.

Our intrepid scouting party, Dennis & Pam and Steve & Paula,



ventured into the BLM land on Wednesday to secure the ultimate Airstream-friendly campsite. Others of us arrived and waited overnight at full-hookup Boulder Creek RV Park in order to get an early Thursday start. We had a few raindrops and plenty of wind that evening, but by morning the



wind had died down considerably and we were ready to embark on our adventure.



By mid-day Thursday, most of us were comfortably parked and set up, hoping that the clouds would hold off long enough for us to have an evening campfire and share heavy hors d'oeuvres (a delicious GLAAC tradition,) meet new members and renew friendships. Mother Nature was kind and it was not until around 8 pm that the raindrops began to fall. The evening turned rainy and

windy, but we, snug in our silver cocoons, settled in for the night.



Friday dawned gloriously clear and crisp, with snow-covered Mt. Whitney looking down on us. What a magnificent sight! Breakfast and a day of exploration were on our minds, so we headed for the Alabama Hills Café & Bakery in Lone Pine with its mouth-watering menu of wonderful entrees. The cooks and friendly young servers took our invasion in stride and we had a very pleasant experience.



After all that food we needed a little exercise, so we headed down the road to the Lone Pine Film Museum for a guided tour arranged by Pam, our intrepid Events Chairperson. What a treat for all of us not-so-youngsters to learn about where the Western movies and TV series that we grew up on were filmed. Lots of memorabilia and fine exhibits. Next time you're cruising up highway 395, stop in and prepare to be impressed.

We spent the rest of Friday in personal explorations, some to the Manzanar National Historic Site, some to the ghost town of Cerro Gordo, and others back to camp for an afternoon of relaxation



before a BBQ dinner of personal main dishes and shared sides. As usual, there was delicious food aplenty (another GLAAC tradition.) After dark, it became chilly, so we bundled up and gathered around the campfire. And, who would have thought, the three little propane

campfires held us rapt just as much as the larger wood fire.



The old saw, "Time flies when you're having fun," was certainly proving true. We started Saturday with a delicious camp breakfast featuring Nancy's famous "scrambled eggs in a bag," tortillas for making burritos and all the fixins. Come to find out we have another dutch-oven chef extraordinaire- Steve- who whipped up a mouth-watering egg casserole for us to savor.

It was another beautiful day, which we spent pursuing our personal interests until it was time to, of course, eat

again! Hosts Jeanette & Barb and Tim & Nancy pulled out all the stops for a fantastic Cowboy BBQ of tri-tip, chicken, baked beans, cornbread, and salad, finished up with a bit of Bailey's around the fire.



Giving our hosts some well-deserved time off, we spent Sunday on our own once again. We all met for cocktails, "leftovers" and our final campfire of a wonderful long weekend. On Monday morning it was time to break camp, leaving nothing but footprints and happy memories, and head for home. A huge "thank you" goes to our hosts for making this another weekend to remember.



2018 GLAAC Events Schedule

We have a full schedule of activities for the rest of this year, so please hitch up the aluminum and join us!

May 17-20—Pismo State Beach North Beach Campground (Vintage Trailer Show)

Usually sells out quickly, but some cancellations may have occurred. Check at www.reservecalifornia.com. No host event.



Dry camping sites that accommodate tents to large RV's. Very well spread out, right on the beach and right next to Pismo Coast Village RV Resort—the location of the Pismo Vintage Trailer Rally.

June 7-11—New Brighton State Beach—Capitola/Santa Cruz

Reserve your campsite at www.reservecalifornia.com. Host & co-host needed.



The beach features picnic areas, swimming, fishing and a nearby forest of Monterey pine and coastal live oak. The camping area is on a bluff overlooking northern Monterey Bay and contains 10 full hook-up sites and 101 dry campsites.

*******Please note that there will be a mini caravan from New Brighton State Beach to the 2018 International Rally in Salem Oregon. Contact Pamela Pall at Events.GLAAC@gmail.com for more information*******

June 23-30, 2018: 61ST WBCCI INTERNATIONAL RALLY

Oregon State Fairgrounds, Salem Oregon **WAITING LIST!** Online Registration www.wbcci.net

Announcing a New “Short Stay” Option



February 1, 2018: A new option is available for the 2018 Salem International Rally for members not already registered for this Rally. We are offering a “**Short Stay**” option for members who want to attend the rally and stay three (3) nights or less. Members choosing this option will have a choice of Solar or Generator Dry Camping and will receive all amenities for the days they attend, including the rally “Goodie Bag”. The cost will be \$120 for the facilities and camping fee plus \$55 per person. Members can register on-line at wbcci.org or print the registration form and send it to WBCCI Headquarters.

Click [Short Stay Registration Form](#) for more information and a “Short Stay” registration form.

August 2-6—Olema Campground (Point Reyes National Seashore)

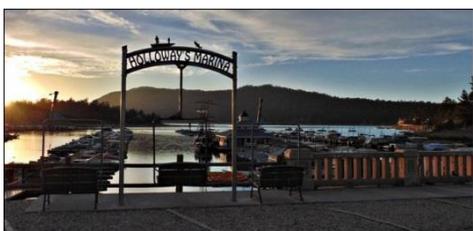
12 full hook-up sites reserved. Host & co-host needed.



Located next to the Point Reyes National Seashore, just north of San Francisco. This is an ideal place to enjoy different outdoor activities like bird watching, hiking, kayaking or just relaxing on the beach.

September 6-9—Holloway RV Park (Big Bear Lake)

12 lakeside full hook-up sites reserved. Host: Jo & Ade Salzer with co-host needed



This marina and RV Park is located on the water of Big Bear Lake in Metcalf Bay. All sorts of water sports abound.

October 4-7—Oasis RV Park (Las Vegas, Nevada) Region 12 Rally

Host: Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club



Experience the exciting environment of Las Vegas' most spectacular RV resort. The Oasis Las Vegas, with its tropical "Casablanca" theme, helps guests relax in sunny Las Vegas by day and see the bright city lights by night in complete comfort and style.

October 7-28—Mini Caravan to Zion, Bryce, Capitol Reef & Arches (after Region 12 event)

Stay tuned for future meetings to plan routes/campgrounds/events.



Take off from the Region 12 Rally in Las Vegas to four beautiful National Parks!

- ❑ **Zion National Park** is a southwest Utah nature preserve distinguished by Zion Canyon's steep red cliffs. Zion Canyon Scenic Drive cuts through its main section, leading to forest trails along the Virgin River. The river flows to the Emerald Pools, which have waterfalls and a hanging garden. Also along the river, partly through deep chasms, is Zion Narrows wading hike.
- ❑ **Bryce Canyon National Park**, a sprawling reserve in southern Utah, is known for crimson-colored hoodoos, which are spire-shaped rock formations. The park's main road leads past the expansive Bryce Amphitheater, a hoodoo-filled depression lying below the Rim Trail hiking path. It has overlooks at Sunrise Point, Sunset Point, Inspiration Point and Bryce Point. Prime viewing times are around sunup and sundown.
- ❑ **Capitol Reef National Park** is in Utah's south-central desert. It surrounds a long wrinkle in the earth known as the Waterpocket Fold, with layers of golden sandstone, canyons and striking rock formations. Among the park's sights are the Chimney Rock pillar, the Hickman Bridge arch, and Capitol Reef, known for its white sandstone domes. In the north are the towering monoliths of Cathedral Valley.
- ❑ **Arches National Park** lies north of Moab in the state of Utah. Bordered by the Colorado River in the southeast, it's known as the site of more than 2,000 natural sandstone arches, such as the massive, red-hued Delicate Arch in the east. Long, thin Landscape Arch stands in Devils Garden to the north. Other geological formations include Balanced Rock, towering over the desert landscape in the middle of the park.

November 15-19 (Date Change)—San Onofre Beach—Camp Pendleton

Due to the popularity of the San Onofre Event, we decided to change the dates from the Veteran's Day weekend to increase our chances of obtaining additional sites. The dates are now Thursday, November 15th to Monday, November 19th. We've requested 18 beach-front sites and are hoping that this change will allow more of our members to participate. Stay tuned for more information on this one-of-a-kind event!

Host: Pam & Dennis Pall Co-host; Nancy & Tim Murphy



Camping Sites are located right on the beach or on the bluffs overlooking the beach. Bring your surfboard and experience one of the best surf spots in Southern California.

December 6-9—Flying Flags RV Resort—Buellton

The venue for our 2018 Holiday Event has changed to Flying Flags RV Resort in Buellton. Regrettably, Tres Hermanas Winery is unable to accommodate us this year, but we located a wonderful replacement in this RV resort located close to the same attractions we found at Tres Hermanas--i.e. Solvang, Los Olivos, Santa Ynez, Foxen Canyon wineries, restaurants, and gift shops. The Flying Flags Resort showcases two outdoor pools, hot tubs, fitness center, barbecue facilities, pool and ping-pong tables and children's playground. Mark your calendars now because this is an outstanding location for our end-of-year celebration!

Hosts: Michael & Nancy Jackson, Yvonne Savage, and Bruce & Silvia Bettelyoun



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October 3-7, 2018

Oasis Las Vegas RV Resort

2711 W. Windmill Lane

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Event contact email: Lberinger@jps.net

Hosted this year by the Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club, the Region 12 Rally will be in Las Vegas, Nevada, where we'll gather with Airstreams from California and Nevada at the Oasis Las Vegas RV Resort. Region 12 Rallies are always fun and filled with adventure along with our annual Region 12 meeting. (And, if you are interested in helping out, let Lynda know; it surely will be appreciated.)

Visit the [Region 12 Website](#) where you will find complete registration information.



Are you ready for a Time Out?

The Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club's new Time Out cards made their debut at the Emerald Desert RV Resort in February. A Time Out may not be considered a good thing... unless you're an Airstreamer!

We enjoy our fellow 'Streamers, right! But if you're in the middle of a nap, taking a shower, finishing a good book or simply need a little down time, how do you let your friends know you're not available? Easy. Simply hang your Time Out card on your door or rock guard and relax!

The Time Out card comes as a door hangar but you can also have it laminated (pictured). Get yours at the next club event!

Wear your club logo with pride!



Our edgy, urban logo is available at Lands End Business to have on any apparel or accessory you would like including hats, jackets, t-shirts, bags and more. It's easy to do:

- Create an account (you'll receive offers for free mailing/free logo!)
- Check out the selection at: <http://business.landsend.com>
- Reference GLA Logo #1360294

There is a charge of \$8.50 per item to add the logo, subject to change. Occasionally you will find special offers with free logo application.

CAUTION- The logo will lose its effect on some colors, i.e. on a black or navy shirt, for instance, the palm trees disappear. Lands End is happy to work with you so that you will be happy with the final product (i.e. make the palm trees and text white.) Change up colors as necessary but the text and logo must stay together.

News From the Mother Ship



When we started work on the new Nest by Airstream, we knew it would be unlike anything we'd ever made before. So, with the April 12 Nest launch date quickly approaching, Airstream did what any smart company would do: We conducted a focus group to hear the opinions of some subject-matter experts.

Hear what they had to say, then keep scrolling for never-before-seen Nest photos.

<https://www.airstream.com/blog/nest-focus-group>