

SIERRA NEVADA UNIT, WBCCI

AUGUST 2004 *Airstreamers* NEWSLETTER



Picnic at Spooner Lake - What a great day! The weather was perfect for a picnic in the pines. The park is a beautiful place to spend the afternoon. Lots of great hiking and biking trails nearby. SNU members had a good time sharing ideas and information and making plans for the Twin Lakes rally in August. To see pictures of the picnic go to <http://sierranevadaairstreams.org> and click on Spooner Lake photo album.

Rally at Twin Lakes - Plan to join the SNU for a 2 day Rally at the Twin Lakes Crags Campground group area, near Bridgeport, CA, for the August 27-29 weekend. Members and guests welcome. This scenic and peaceful area is great for hiking, boating, biking, or just observing the deer browsing nearby. Popular activities include creative relaxation, Airstream maintenance and restoration, and pink flying gopher watching. The board meeting on Saturday is open to all. For more information go to <http://sierranevadaairstreams.org> and click on Twin Lakes Rally. Cost: \$10 rally fee which helps cover the camping costs for the group site.

Events and activities: Morning coffee klatch is from about 7 to 9 on Saturday and Sunday. Happy hours will likely occur on Friday and Saturday starting about 5 p.m. The unit meeting will be held Saturday at about 1 p.m. following the pot luck lunch. Star gazing, picture taking, trout fishing, natural hot springs, and hiking are among the other activities we can enjoy.

Some might like to come down on Thursday. Don and Mary Lou will be there, and we would meet you Friday morning for breakfast at the Hays Street Café in Bridgeport where they have wonderful pancakes. There is also a great bread bakery in town. That also would allow a side trip to Bodie State Park, a preserved ghost town about 20 miles south of Bridgeport.

We look forward to seeing you at Twin Lakes. If you can't make it for the entire time, feel free to join us for a few hours, one day, or whatever time frame fits your schedule. There haven't been any mosquitoes at the campground, but you might want to bring insect repellent if you want to go hiking.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUESTED. E-MAIL TO HQ@SIERRANEVADAIRSTREAMS.ORG, SEND IN THE ATTACHED FORM, OR PHONE DIANE AT 775-972-9392, OR FRED AT 775-266-3435

SNU takes action - After our rally at Dayton State Park in May, members of the SNU decided to write to the Nevada Division of State Parks. We hoped to encourage them to consider adding a group area to Dayton as well as other State Parks. A group area would make it much more likely that the SNU as well as other RV groups would utilize the parks. We got a very positive response from the Administrator. He even offered to attend one of our future meetings and get some first hand information. To read both the letter we sent and the response we received go to <http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/index.html>

Freedoms

In the April newsletter we discussed a letter we had written to WBCCI regarding the freedoms outlined by Wally Byam, the founder of the organization. Wally Byam perceived these freedoms as benefits of owning an Airstream. Another freedom as interpreted by the SNU in our letter is the Freedom to discover and to know. Here is what we said - Northern Nevada has lots of great history and geological points of interest. Our rally schedule is planned around something of interest to our membership. For instance our May rally is planned to coincide with the Civil War re-enactment at Fort Churchill and our October rally is near the historic Bower's Mansion. No matter where we are there are places to explore and opportunities for hiking, biking, tours, or other activities The SNU exercises the freedoms outlined by Byam at every rally. Join us at Twin Lakes and see for yourself.

It is about that time! - It is just about time to start renewing your 2005 membership in WBCCI & the SNU. Complete the enclosed renewal form and get your dues in early. If you haven't yet joined, plan to do so now. If all the indicators of the past 9 months are any clue, 2005 will be a great year for the SNU.

New Members - The SNU would like to welcome our newest members. Since June our Unit has added Richard and Judy Jaggard - Minden NV, Chuck and Judy Fell - Bridgeport, CA and Fran Reid - Sun Valley, NV. All have Airstream trailers that fit in the vintage category. We are delighted that you have chosen to join us and look forward to your continuing participation in the SNU

The September meeting is a picnic on the 16th at the Leippers. Come sit and watch the Air Race planes fly over. More info in the next newsletter.

August Birthdays

Milan Wight - 30th

August Anniversaries

Unless I missed someone, there were no August brides.

Planning for 2005 - Put on your thinking caps. We need to start thinking about where we want to hold rallies in 2005. We plan to hold between 6 and 8 rallies next year and will probably include some old favorites as well as new discoveries. Currently under consideration are Boca Springs, The Douglas place near Austin, Fran Reid's place near Lahonton, Pyramid Lake, Twin Lakes or maybe Virginia Creek, and Davis Creek. If you have ideas or suggestions please pass them along to SNU. Here are some views of the fantastic rallies and picnics we have enjoyed in the past year.



Pyramid Lake Rally, April 2004



Dayton State Park Rally, May 2004



Boca Springs Rally, June 2004



Spooner Lake Picnic, July 2004



Twin Lakes Rally, August 2003



Davis Creek Rally, October 2003

Photos from the 2003 Twin Lakes Rally



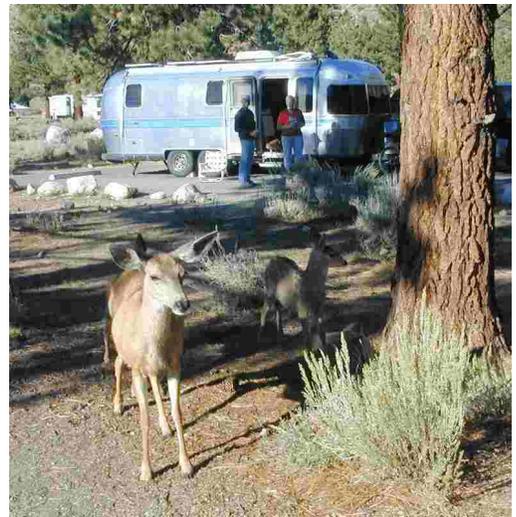
View of Mountains above Twin Lakes



It doesn't get any better than this



Group Campground at Twin Lakes



Even the deer enjoyed the rally

Let us know if you plan on joining us at the Rally - Please take a moment to complete the sign up sheet below and return it to: Sierra Nevada Unit, WBCCI PO Box 60572 Reno, NV 89506

TWIN LAKES RALLY SIGN UP FORM

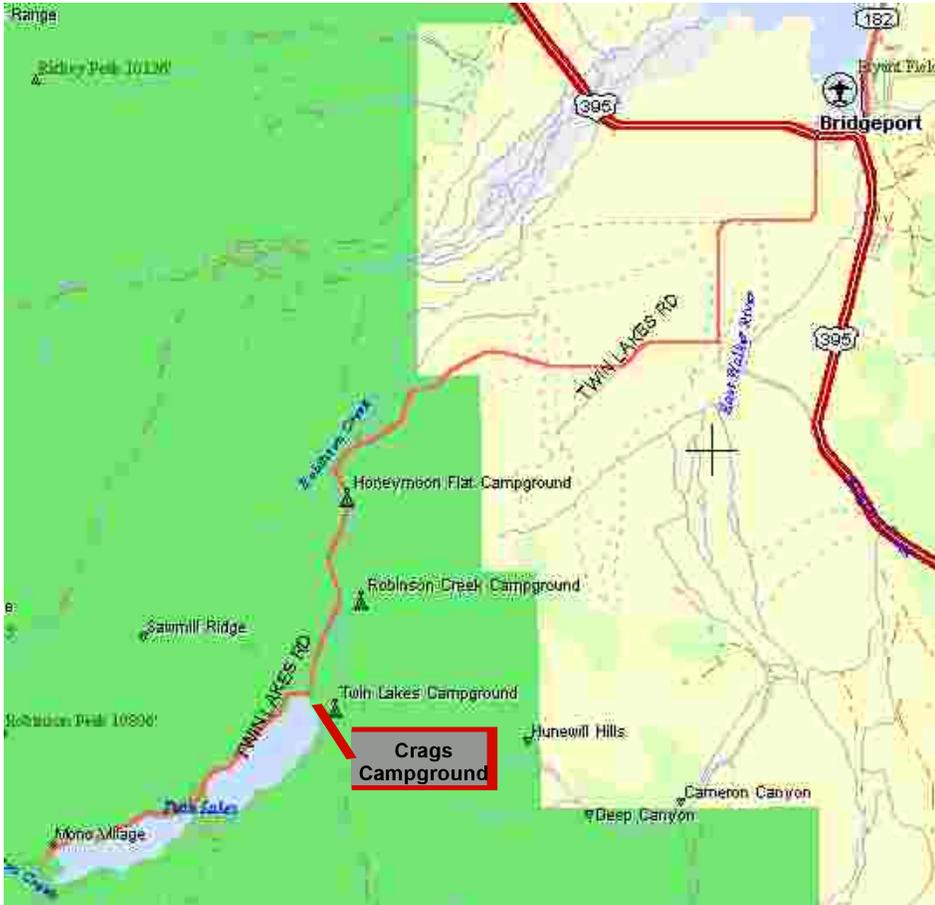
First & Last Name:		
Spouse:		Total # attending:
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone:		
Member SNU: Yes No		Guest: Yes
Arrival Date:		

DIRECTIONS TO THE AUGUST SNU TWIN LAKES RALLY

Take Rt 395 south to Bridgeport, CA, about 110 miles south of Reno. Turn right on the Twin Lakes road next to the gas station just as you enter town and travel approximately 11 miles. Turn left on South Twin road and travel about ½ mile, then turn left at Craggs Campground after you cross the bridge. The group campground is on the right after you enter the campground.



Group Campground - Craggs Campground, Twin Lakes



Twin Lakes - Near Bridgeport, CA



Falls above Twin Lakes - 30 Minute hike

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WELCOME TO THE SIERRA NEVADA UNIT of WBCCI. We are a small, friendly group who enjoy sharing our enjoyment of Airstreams, and the Airstream lifestyle, with others. You are invited to come to any of our meetings and if you like, to join our Unit. We predict that you will make many friends and relish the camaraderie of our rallies, caravans, and group activities. Our members are always ready to share their advice on equipment problems and trailering knowledge. In addition to being a member of our local Unit, you will be one of several thousand who make up the Wally Byam Caravan Club International (the Airstream RV Club.)