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Fort Sage Rally



Six rigs spent an enjoyable weekend at Ft Sage despite some less than perfect weather. Randy and Vicki, Wheels & Doris, Jerry & Dyann, Wes & RoyLaine, Bryan & Diane, and Gene and Carmen participated in the rally. Jerry and Dyann were a little delayed in getting to the rally. They stopped to get gas before leaving Fallon and apparently the Motorhome decided to take off without getting fuel. It rolled right into the ditch in front of the gas station. Apparently the parking break wasn't quite set. Nobody was hurt and the MoHo wasn't damaged. After the tow truck came and pulled the MoHo out, Jerry and Dyann finally got on the road and arrived safely at the rally. Weatherwise we had a little bit of everything including wind, rain, wind, snow, wind, and even some sun. There was an additional rig that should be included in the rally. Tom and Kristy Guy with their kids Brien and Patrick attended the pre-rally. They got so excited about finally getting their 1975 Tradewind all fixed up and ready to camp they showed up at Ft Sage the weekend prior to the scheduled rally. I think maybe we should have followed their lead though as they had great weather for their first campout. Pictures of their Tradewind at the Ft Sage rally are posted on the website. Check the link listed in this newsletter. Tom and Kristy assure us that we will get to meet them at a rally sometime before the end of this year. We look forward to

that. Gene and Carmen had four grandkids with them. They had recently arrived from the Philippines. This was the first time they had seen any snow. The kids also had a great time taking Andy, the Wheeler's sheltie on walks all around the campground. It was nice to have Carmen for the whole rally. Hopefully she and Gene and the grandkids will be able to come to rallies more often. Gene was directly impacted by the wind. One gust blew the cover off his air conditioner. Thankfully Randy had a ladder and Gene was able to get on top of his Airstream and secure everything. On the other hand, Gene got the gas valve on his heater replaced and working. This greatly improved the function and effectiveness of his heater. Thursday evening was probably the nicest so to take advantage of the relative calm we had a delightful evening around the campfire. This rally was a testament to the flexibility of the SNU. Friday, the weather encouraged us to change plans and instead of our usual shared meal we did our own dinners individually. Saturday, again because of iffy weather we changed our shared meal to lunchtime and had leftovers for dinner on our own. We were able to have other campfires during lulls in the wind. We had coffee and goodies on Saturday morning. Randy and Vicki enjoyed hiking over hill and dale and getting a close up view of the wildflower display. The wildflowers were truly amazing, especially the paintbrush and the lupine. The hills were covered with them. When the weather got a little much we visited in each others trailers or spend some quiet time reading, and enjoying the views out the windows. Ft Sage is definitely a place for fantastic views and weather watching.



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Rally and events schedule

Click on a rally below for details

- ◆ June 24 - 27 Unionville
- ◆ July 22 - 25 Crocker/ Beckworth
- ◆ August 26 - 29 Eagle Lake - Rocky Point
- ◆ Sept. 23 -26 Obsidian Dome
- ◆ Region 12 Hemet Rally

Fifth Annual Unionville Rally

For the fifth year in a row, the SNU will hold a rally at the county park in Unionville. Dates for the rally are Thursday June 24 to Sunday June 27. Although we don't have any definitive plans to celebrate the 5th anniversary at this site, possibilities might include a special waffle brunch and a roast cooked on Jerry's special campfire spit and maybe one or two surprises. Be sure and bring wood for campfires.



For Sale 2005 Airstream Classic!

2005 Airstream Classic, 31ft trailer. Jerry and Dyann Thornberg have decided to keep the Airstream Motorhome and sell their trailer. They bought the trailer new and have kept it in excellent shape. For details and price contact Jerry at tbolt1@cccomm.net or via phone at 775 867 2797. To see pictures of their Airstream, [click here](#).



For information discussed in this newsletter including the May Rally at Fort Sage, please [Click Here](#)

Upcoming 2010 Events

Thursday June 24, – Sunday 27 Unionville

June 27 - July 4, 2010 Gillette, WY WBCCI International Rally WBCCI

Thursday July 22 – Sunday 25 Crocker/Beckworth

Thursday August 26 – Sunday 29 Eagle Lake - Rocky Point

Thursday September 23, – Sunday 26 Obsidian Dome

For more information on upcoming 2010 rallies, [Click Here](#)

Region 12 Rally Hemet, CA

Thursday October 21 – Sunday 24 Lahonton

Saturday November 20, 2010 Pioneer, Fernley

Thursday November 18 – Sunday 21 Death Valley

Remember you can now pay your rally kitty fees on-line! [Click Here](#)

This and That

SNU's 35th Anniversary in 2011

In addition to the proposed rally in South Lake Tahoe and the dinner cruise on the MS Dixie, is there someone who would like to create a 35th anniversary logo for the SNU? Don Damoth designed the logo for the 30th anniversary. It, along with other SNU logos can be found on the SNU website. [Click here](#). Once we have created a logo we can set it up like our current logo items on Aluminitis. Then any individual could purchase a special anniversary T-Shirt, hat or any other item that they might want. We would also have cards and other items that could be very useful. So if you are interested in creating a 35th anniversary logo let us know. The sooner the better.

IBT President's May Newsletter

Tom Collier, WBCCI IBT president has written a monthly newsletter to assist in communicating with the membership. In the most recent newsletter, he discusses some of the changes that have been implemented for the upcoming WBCCI International Rally. He also has an excellent piece on the eight steps to building a successful Unit. All of the President's newsletters are available in the members only section of the WBCCI forum.

Region 12 Newsletter

The May Region 12 Newsletter is also very informative. Amongst other things is a calendar of events with information on the Region 12 Rally, The Rose Parade Rally and the 2011 Hobo Rally. There are also some tidbits from various Region 12 members and pictures of various activities and events.

Both newsletters can be reached through the link listed in this newsletter. [Click here](#).

Airstream Restorations

The SierraNevadaAirstreams.org website attracts the attention of a variety of Airstream enthusiasts. Two such contacts are in the process of restoring vintage Airstreams. One is a 1951 Cruisette. The other is a 1958 Traveler. Both of these Airstreams are rare and very unique. The owners of both have provided pictures of their Airstreams in their current condition. They plan to keep us updated and when their restorations are complete, to sharing more pictures. The 1958 Traveler has a special interest to the Leipper family. It was at the 1960 WBCCI International Rally in Colorado Springs. It was in the front row, right where the parade went by and it was smack in the center of our Granddad's field of vision when he was taking pictures of the parade. Needless to say, the current owners were very excited to see their Airstream as it was originally. [Click here](#) to see photo galleries of these Airstreams.

Australian Dream RV's

Ken and Jeanette Sellars were introduced in the May newsletter. They have recently sent pictures of what a lot of Australians consider their dream RV. [Click here](#) for more information.

Preliminary Draft of the 2011 SNU Rally Schedule

2011 is shaping up to be an interesting rally year for the SNU. While we still have some details to work out and we still need member input before this schedule is finalized, there are some events that are pretty solid. These include the March rally at Weed Heights, June at Sweetwater, July at Hickson, August at Obsidian, and September at South Lake Tahoe. The June rally at Sweetwater will be a repeat of the SNU's 2009 Amateur Radio Field Day Rally. July at Hickson will be checking out a new rally site and some great petroglyphs. August at Obsidian will be a special joint rally with the San Fernando Valley Unit. Recent conversations with Bobbie and Victor Kingsland indicate they are as excited about this joint rally as we are. They will start promoting it with the SFVU. September at South Lake Tahoe will be the SNU's 35th Anniversary celebration rally and will include a dinner cruise on the M.S. Dixie. Plans are moving ahead to solidify this rally.

We'd like to hear about any special activities that members might want to include in any of these rallies.

- ◆ Dec 28, 2010 to Jan 1, 2011 Region 12 Special Event
- ◆ Rose Parade Rally
- ◆ Saturday, January Bavarian World, Reno
- ◆ January 31, 2011 to February 6, 2011 Region 12 Hobo Rally, Blythe, CA
- ◆ February, El Charro Carson City 35th SNU anniversary luncheon
- ◆ March, Weed Heights RV Park
- ◆ April, Boca Rest on the reservoir
- ◆ May, Ramhorn Springs
- ◆ June, Sweetwater Summit Field Day
- ◆ June - July WBCCI International Rally
- ◆ July, Hickson Petroglyph near Austin
- ◆ August, Obsidian Dome
- ◆ September, South Lake Tahoe rally and cruise
- ◆ October, Region 12 Rally Hemet, CA
- ◆ October, Ft Churchill Scout Camp
- ◆ November, B.J.'s BBQ in Sparks
- ◆ November, Death Valley
- ◆ December, Overland Fallon

Please take a few minutes to read through the survey posted on the web regarding the South Lake Tahoe rally and dinner cruise. We need your input into how best to celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the SNU. [Click here](#) for the survey.



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