



August 2018 Airstreamer's Newsletter

The Sierra Nevada Unit will host its August Glass Creek Rally, Thursday August 16th through Sunday the 19th at Glass Creek NFS Campground, located halfway between June Lake and Mammoth Lakes, California. We'll likely take a car/truck pool to nearby Obsidian Dome, one of the SNU's favorite rally sites (saved for another year) and tour some of the backcountry on Saturday. Need more, hiking and OHV trails, forest roads and scenic highways provide opportunity to visit Crowley, June, Mammoth and Mono Lakes, Devil's Post Pile National Monument, Inyo Craters and scenic viewpoints found between the Sierra Nevada Mountains, Crater Mountain and Bald Mountain. Too tired, the pine forest surrounds the campground so find a shady spot and catch some ZZZ's. We won't promise a repeat of Jerry's Nevada Surf & Turf at Weed Heights, but our shared and potluck meals often have some surprises (you can bring one). Expect daytime temps between the mid 80s and 90s; nights should be cool, 50s and 60s. The rally Kitty donation is \$5 per rig per day. I seem to remember a modest camping fee but the NFS web page says free; be prepared just in case.

Late arrivals are welcome. Glass Creek is located just downstream of Obsidian Dome although you can't navigate that OHV trail with our trucks and trailers. Instead take US-395 south 5.9 miles past the June Lake turnoff and turn west on Glass Creek Road. Look to the left for the shiny stuff, if not circle around until you find us. For those trusting their GPS use latitude/longitude: Lat: 37.7522 Long: -118.9898.



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SNU Business - None this month.

Other Unit News and Needs:

- **Registration was still open for the October Region 12 Rally at the International in Salem.** Follow the link to signup now: <http://region12.wbcci.net/region-12-calendar/2018-region-12-rally/> .
- **SNU Anniversary Rally at Lassen RV Park** - Join us on September 20th at the Lassen RV Resort and Bistro; yeah they have camping too but if your travels are only remotely dictated by fine cuisine you'll come for the food alone! We'll enjoy camping with hookups in an Oak forest. Want something to do while in Lassen, here's a hint: Mt. Lassen, Eagle Lake, Lava Beds National Park, Burney Falls State Park, fishing on the Fall River, Pit River, Hat Creek, McArthur, museums, shops and more.

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- **October Region 12 Rally** – The rally will be held on the outskirts of Las Vegas at Oasis Las Vegas RV Resort starting October 3rd. Let's have another big showing of SNU rigs and then we'll breakaway on Sunday for an SNU caravan from Death Valley back to Fort Churchill.
- **SNU Death Valley Caravan** – Join up with us in Death Valley from the Region rally or your home base for an end of the season caravan through Death Valley and the nearby mining areas as we head north to Fort Churchill; caravan hosts are Don & Gail.
- **Fort Churchill Rally on October 11th** - We'll close out our official rally season at Fort Churchill; mark your calendar and keep in touch for more details.
- **2019 is less than five months away!** – We'll work on our rally and event schedule for 2019 at Glass Creek and Lassen. Give us your ideas for rallies and travel throughout the Eastern Sierra Nevada and Nevada's Great Basin. Shall we venture east to the Rye Patch Recreation Area, Hickison Petroglyphs, Great Basin NP? Send us an email or better yet bring your ideas to one of our rallies and help pick next years spots. Rally sites should accommodate 5 to 10 rigs. I have a couple of ideas but list your favorites before I tip my hand.
- **Rally coordinator, second Trustee, Newsletter Editor and Web Master** are still needed (it only needs to be a couple of pages). Our Unit can't survive without participation and shared ideas; volunteer and help us grow.

Rally Reports:

Weed Heights Rally: Gail and I were absent having C & G fix a few quirks in the repairs and cut in a larger piece of vinyl flooring but we'll have it next week in time to make Glass Creek. Our and your absence was felt at Weed Heights, only four rigs and one of them a B-van tow vehicle; Anita and Gary, Diane and Bryan, Dyann and Jerry. Check out their food show on Facebook: <http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/memories/rallies/18jy-weedheights/gallery.html>

Little Known Facts or Known Only to a Few – Community service has always been a part of belonging to WBCCI. The SNU has done a variety of community service projects over the years. Everything from cleanup in dispersed campsites at Obsidian Dome, Ham Radio Field Day (Amateur Radio is a service that by FCC regulation strongly encourages public and emergency service; I worked 12 hours shifts in the County emergency operations center and at my home station from July 25th through 31st), providing a Bambi for a Trailer Park Troubadours concert, volunteering for the Lyon County Fly In. We've kind of gotten out of the habit in the last year or two but it's something we can and should incorporate in next year's rallies (ideas people).

Wally Byam's Creed wasn't originally numbered but which one or more is your favorite? I like them all and retirement lets Gail and I fulfill most every year although I don't want to keep identifying the improvement needs noted in number 8 if it means more tire failures!

1. To place the great wide world at your doorstep for you who yearn to travel with all the comforts of home.
2. To provide a more satisfying, meaningful way of travel that offers complete travel independence, wherever and whenever you choose to go or stay.
3. To keep alive and make real an enduring promise of high adventure and faraway

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lands... of rediscovering old places and new interests.

4. To open a whole world of new experiences... a new dimension in enjoyment where travel adventure and good fellowship are your constant companions.
5. To encourage clubs and rallies that provide an endless source of friendships, travel fun and personal expressions.
6. To lead caravans wherever the four winds blow... over twinkling boulevards, across trackless deserts... to the traveled and untraveled corners of the earth.
7. To play some part in promoting international goodwill and understanding among the peoples of the world through person-to-person contact.
8. To refine and perfect our product by continuous travel-testing over the highways and byways of the world.
9. To strive endlessly to stir the venturesome spirit that moves you to follow a rainbow to its end... and thus make your travel dreams come true.

– *Wally Byam*

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What do you want to be in life, a spectator or a participant?

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