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IN ROCK SPRINGS, WYOMING

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Greetings!

The snow melt has rivers flowing (in some cases, flooding, unfortunately) and camping is open in many lower elevation areas. We met Diane & Bryan in Markleeville and for me, it felt like summer has finally arrived (albeit in a cool and windy way). Alas, it's also time to start planning a rally schedule for 2024.

The Airstream Club Region 12 Rally is already booked for next year, September 11-15, 2024-County Fairgrounds, Bishop, CA. Love that area and I can't wait to join in the gathering.

The Sierra Nevada Unit is your club and we want to plan a calendar that gets you out and about in this great country of ours! Sierra mountains, lakes, desert, parks, hiking, cycling, sitting, birding, reading, ghost towns? Know of a wonderful campground or area? Please, please, please - contact me and let me know. Call, text, email. They all work!

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Cheers! —Jeni Root

2023 ROCK SPRINGS, WY INTERNATIONAL RALLY NEWS

Look for a Special Edition Airstreamer in your email box soon!

JULY SNU GLASS CREEK RALLY — Monday July 10 thru Thursday the 13th and beyond

Our rally site, Glass Creek Campground, is a free Inyo National Forest campground (donations gladly accepted) found at 7600 ft elevation on the easterly flank of White Wing Mountain. There are more than 60 sites dispersed throughout the pine forest with shade, partial shade or sun to choose from and many can fit two rigs or more. It is a dry campground with modern clean pit toilets so come prepared with a full freshwater tank and empty black and grey tanks. We'll try to group everyone together so we can share a spot for coffee, conversation, meals and maybe a campfire.

Activities; Hiking, biking, fishing and exploring backcountry roads are available from the campground; some of us may hike the Glass Creek Meadows Trail in the Owens River Headwaters Wilderness or visit Obsidian Dome, an SNU favorite dispersed rally site. We'll visit our choice of nearby Hot Creek Geologic site (hot springs), maybe Indiana Summit or Bald Mountain. The really adventurous might take the Mammoth Scenic Loop following the historic Sawmill Cutoff and shop in nearby Mammoth Lakes! We also accommodate your desire for horizontal aerobics, either inside your rig or on a recliner in the shade.

Meals: Sit with us outside for breakfast to enjoy the forest and plan our day. Meet again in the evening to dine with your own cuisine or share a potluck with us. "NO PROMISES" but maybe a fellow camper can be enticed to serve scratch made sourdough pancakes for one of our breakfast.

Directions: Glass Creek is located approximately 160 miles south of Reno on US-395, just 6 miles south of June Lake Junction and 9 miles north of Mammoth Lakes. Mary Swirsky noted there is road construction scheduled on 395 near Topaz Lake. Take an easy detour via NV-208 south of Holbrook Jct. east and then south on NV-839 and NV338 across Sweetwater Summit (another favorite SNU dispersed site) to reconnect with 395 in Bridgeport CA. Enjoy.

Weather: The 10 day forecast is daytime highs 80F, night time lows 50F and no chance of rain; *wink, wink, afternoon rain storms may occur throughout the summer!*

RSVP to snu157@wbcci.net

Click the link for the [Interactive Inyo National Forest Map](#) to find out more about the area!



Sierra Nevada Unit Board

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THE VOTES ARE IN!**The newly elected 2023-2025 Executive Council members are:**

Eric McHenry AA6EM #153
 Per Hamnqvist #154
 Terri Warren #284
 Kathy Geese #236
 Jim Cocke N5RTG #4822
 Jenifer M. Schnettler #6594
 Marcia Howes #30400
 Millie O'Donnell #11417
 John Becker #2048

The newly elected Council and Region Presidents will meet later in the summer to elect the Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President and President of the IBT. The balance of the elected Executive Council would act as board members on matters before the IBT.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY GLASS CREEK RALLY, MAMMOTH LAKES, CA (MOVED FROM CRAG'S CAMPGROUND); Monday July 10th - Thursday the 13th; Bridgeport, CA. RSVP snu157@wbcci.net. Glass Creek is a **free** Inyo National Forest campground located at 7600 feet elevation 175 miles south of Reno.

August Lyons County Fair & Rodeo Rally, Thursday August 17th - Sunday the 20th; Weed Heights RV Park, Yerington, NV.

SEPTEMBER EAGLE LAKE RALLY, EAGLE LAKE NORTH CAMPGROUND; Sunday September 10th - Wednesday the 13th

JUNE CARSON RIVER (BUDDY) RALLY

The Carson River Resort is right across the road from the Carson River. Just down the road is the turn-off to the boondock area. The access road went up the hill to a relatively flat open area with mountain view all the way around. Although only Brian and Jeni Root and Bryan and Diane Leipper made it to the rally site, we had a nice weekend. We caught up with all Brian and Jeni's adventures including their recent trip to Italy. Despite being a little windy, we were able to have dinner outside on two nights. On Sunday, friends of Brian and Jeni came for a visit and stayed for a very special dinner. Brian cooked pizza in his outdoor oven. He had started the pizza dough which was made from special Italian flour, on Friday and let it slowly rise till Sunday dinner. The pizza was delicious!

Brian and Jeni took a nice bike ride up to Ebbets pass which still has a lot of snow. The wildflowers were in full bloom. Fields of mariposa lilies, poppies, lupines and other flowers close to the campsite really enhanced the scenery. Good friends, good food, and decent weather made for an enjoyable few days in the mountains. — Diane Leipper #772

AIRSTREAMER JUNE LOOK BACKS, 10 & 20 YEARS AGO

(CLICK THE BLUE LINKS TO BE TRANSPORTED BACK IN TIME!):

The **June 2013 SNU 'Airstreamers'** newsletter featured:

- A report on the recent Green Creek Rally under president Wheels Wheeler's guidance; beautiful setting, fishing almost from the campsite (skunked, no fish caught).
- Upcoming Weed Heights Rally.
- WBCCI International Rally Report from Farmington, NM penned by a future Airstreamer editor!
- Flying, properly called "Presenting", the Nation's Flag along with other flags on your Airstream.
- The upcoming Cantaloupe Festival Rally in Fallon, NV.
- Brief article on the "TVAN," a rather unique teardrop type trailer built especially for off-roading in Australia." Note it's still being produced today; <https://www.tracktrailer.com.au/tvan/> .

The **July 2003 'Airstreamers'** newsletter covered:

- The June Boca Reservoir Rally report, camped on the north east end of the lake (this dispersed area may. Be closed now).
- July's upcoming picnic.
- August's upcoming Crag's Campground Rally near Bridgeport; reservations were strongly recommended even 20 years ago.
- Tip of the month, wheel bearing maintenance and brake check.
- A draft 2024 Silver State Rendezvous (caravan) proposed by Milan Wright #10268. This dream may be unfulfilled, Milan and Eloise later sold their Airstream to Anita Leipper.

CLUB SUPPORT & SERVICE NEEDED

Please step up and volunteer or accept the request to serve your club; rally planning and 2024 officers are needed.

Don Williams #14207, Newsletter Editor & Past President

OCTOBER WALKER RIVER ANNIVERSARY RALLY; Walker River State Recreation Area, Yerington, NV, Thursday October 19th, 2023 – Sunday the 22nd

REGION 12 PISMO BEACH RALLY; Wednesday October 25th - Sunday the 29th; Pismo Beach, CA. The 2023 Region Rally will be held at the beautiful Pismo Coast Village RV Resort, October 25-28th 2023 (departure on Sunday Oct 29). Cost is \$380 for camping (\$210 for the weekend only) plus meal costs. **Sold out**, signup for the Wait List at: <https://airstreamclub.org/region-12-2023-rally-pismo-beach>

PLAN AHEAD! 67TH (2024) WBCCI INTERNATIONAL RALLY, SEDALIA, MO, Saturday October 5th to the 11th; The 2024 International Rally will be held at the Missouri State Fairgrounds, 2503 W 16th St, Sedalia, MO, 65301. <https://airstreamclub.org/2024-international-rally-o> .



REALLY REALLY LONG RANGE PLANNING - 68TH WBCCI INTERNATIONAL RALLY, YORK, PA, Friday August 23rd to the Wednesday the 28th, 2025. The 68th International Rally will be held in the 87-acre York Expo Center, August 23 – 28, 2025, with a potential for 1200 campsites with connection to power/water and additional options for boondocking; <https://blog.airstreamclub.org/2025-68th-international-rally-press-release/> .

Editor's Comments on this 4th of July

Gail and I sit here in Rock Springs, WY, literally encircled by the fireworks surrounding the Sweetwater Event Center, the venue for the 66th WBCCI International Rally which came to a close this past Friday night. We celebrate and enjoy our country's freedom's everyday as we travel across this land, born 247 years ago in 1776. We make it a point to visit the heart and homeland of America, not only along it's freeways but along the myriad of smaller US, State, County and backcountry roads. Whether you enjoy travel close to home, pounding along on the super slabs or backcountry byways we wish you a grand old fourth and the chance to see our Nation. — Don & Gail Williams #14207

JUNE'S CARSON RIVER RALLY COLLAGE — [click this link for the full Carson River Gallery](#)

