

SIERRA NEVADA UNIT, WBCCI

APRIL 2004 *Airstreamers* NEWSLETTER



The SNU is all about Airstreams. Members enjoy sharing information about their rig. Asking questions and seeking assistance with quirks and problems are a favorite activity. The SNU has enclosed a survey with this newsletter to help us become more familiar with Airstreams in the SNU. We hope to highlight a rig in upcoming issues of the newsletter and may also post them on the website. The survey is also available at:

<http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/index.html>

Thank you for taking a moment to complete this survey and return it to the address on the form.

Freedom

An article in the recent Blue Beret by the Membership Chair, WBCCI talked about the four freedoms Wally Byam envisioned for Airstream Owners. A discussion at our last SNU meeting prompted us to write a response. The SNU has gone through a lot of changes over the last year and we realized that those Freedoms were a part of why we made some of the changes we did and why we are proud of what the unit has accomplished so far. This is our response to the first Freedom mentioned in the article. To see this Freedom in action, join us at our April rally at Pyramid Lake.

Freedom from arrangements - The SNU is in the unique position of having lots of wide open space for Unit gatherings. Although we may have to reserve a site, we are usually free to park where we want and how we want. Since our membership prefers dry camping or minimal facilities, we have more options and are not dependent on high price campgrounds or RV parks. The open parking available to the SNU also means that we never have to turn away anyone, even if they haven't registered for the rally. One of the primary assets of the Airstream that Wally Byam promoted was that it is self contained and can have all the comforts of home independent of provided services. The SNU follows that example on most of our outings.

We also have a flexible rally schedule, and side trips, activities, and tours, are optional. The SNU provides a list of possibilities available for each rally but arrangements are made by the individuals not the SNU. This enables members the freedom to make their own arrangements, to come when they can, for as long as they can, and participate or not participate as they choose.

Pyramid Lake Rally at Pelican Point, Pyramid Lake. Friday - Sunday April 23-25, 2004 Two day Rally, members & guests welcome. Board meeting Saturday open to all. Watch the pelicans, visit the nearby fish hatchery or take a day trip to the Indian Museum in Nixon. Boating and fishing are favorite activities at Pyramid. Prepare rigs for summer travel. Arrival time - anytime after noon on Friday April 23.

Rally Fees: \$20 per rig payable at the rally. Camping Fees: Paid by individual to Pyramid Lake Ranger Station upon arrival.

Please take a moment to complete the rally sign up sheet attached. Information is also posted on the web:

<http://sierranevadaairstreams.org>

April Birthdays

Mildred M. Peters - 9th

Don and Mary Lou Damoth - 11th and 12th.

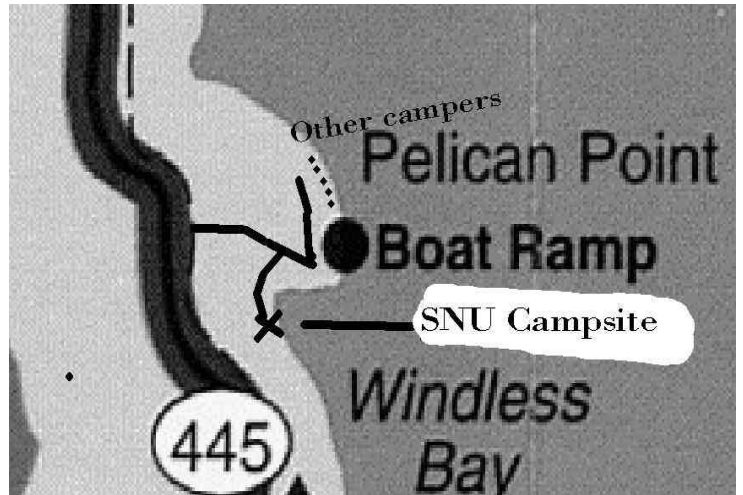
Anniversaries

J.B. and Mildred M. Peters - 27th

The May meeting will be at the Rally at Dayton State Park on May 28th-30th. Visit the Civil War Encampment at nearby Ft. Churchill or take a day trip to Historic Virginia City. Explore the historic town of Dayton, hike along the Carson River, or spend a few pleasant hours birdwatching. Camping will be in individual sites as there is no group area.

In June plan on the Boca Springs Rally on the 25th through the 27th. Historic site, hiking, plus boating, fishing and swimming in nearby Boca Reservoir.

For Sale: 94' - 34' beauty with only 52K mi. on it. Steve Treece @ 775.246.7631 - EximiusE@aol.com



Pyramid Lake Rally - Location: Northeast of Reno about fifty miles, just north of Sutcliffe. From Reno/Sparks take the Pyramid Lake Highway route 445 North. From I80 east of Reno take route 447 towards Nixon and then route 446 to merge with route 445 going North. The preferred Camp spot is near the Pelican Point boat launch about 3 miles north of Sutcliffe. While route 445 is paved, the 'road' to the beach goes from gravel to trail in the sand. Facilities: dump station at the RV park and marina just north of Sutcliffe. Look for Airstreams on the beach just south of the Pelican Point boat launch. If you want the amenities, there is a full service RV park in Sutcliffe just a few miles south on route 445. You could park there and join us by commuting. Rally fee: \$20 to help with miscellaneous supplies, coffee, or whatever.

Pay the Indians at the station near the entrance to the reservation when coming up from Reno on route 445 or at the Sutcliffe Marina near the RV park on the north side of Sutcliffe. Last year it was \$5 per night. Events and activities: The unit meeting is scheduled for Saturday at about 1 p.m. 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. On Saturday we'd like to gather for a potluck dinner about 6 p.m. All gatherings will be informal and BYO (bring your own) to share as suits your karma. If you want to coordinate and plan, then form your own conspiracy with whomever is handy!

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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.)

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