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Hickison Highlights

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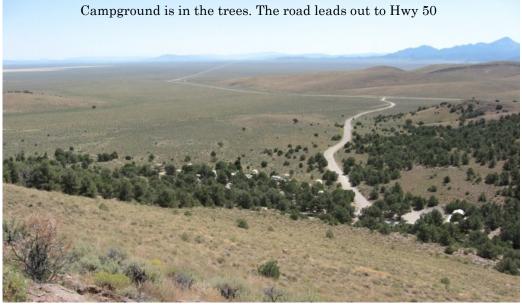
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- ♦ July 21-24 Hickison Petroglyphs Site
- ◆August25-31 Obsidian Dome & Mammoth Lakes
- ♦Sept 22-25 Campground by the Lake - Tahoe
- ♦ Oct. 13-17 Region 12 Rally in Jackson CA.



Hickison was well worth the drive out Hwy 50 past Austin. The campground sits up on pine and juniper covered hills with panoramic views of the Eastern Nevada landscape. Other than a few overnight campers we were the only ones there for the weekend. There was a well maintained interpretive trail that included several petroglyph sites and a hike along the ridges with more breathtaking views. Rally participants included Wheels & Doris, Bryan & Diane, Randy & Vicki and Jerry & Dyann. We all agreed that Hickison is definitely on the SNU top 10 rally site list. Wheels & Doris arrived first. Doris met us all decked out in her pink flamingo finery. Saturday Dyann and Vicki took turns getting photographed in Doris's flamingo vest, crown, and necklace. All in all it was nice relaxing weekend with good food, good friends, and a great location.

Doris, Dyann & Vicki



Notes from the Prez

Dyann Thornburg

Hickison was a great place for the SNU! Perfect for everyone's wants and needs. There were trees, trails to explore and a beautiful view of the valley below us. We had breezes most afternoons that kept the heat down to a tolerable level. We all decided this place is definitely on the to do again list for future rallies. Next month is the Obsidian Dome rally with an extended stay in the RV park at Mammoth Lakes. If you are planning to go to Mammoth Lakes be aware that you will need to make your own reservations. This will be a joint rally with the San Fernando Unit and I am looking forward to it. Remember to bring something to BBQ and fixins to put in your eggs in a bag breakfast. Also we will be needing firewood so please plan on bringing some. The last couple of rallies we haven't had enough wood and therefore didn't have any campfires. Hopefully conditions will permit us to do so at Obsidian Dome. I look forward to seeing all of you there. Have a great month.

> For web links discussed in this newsletter including info on the July rally at Hickison Petroglyphs. please Click Here http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/2011/11news/index.html

Meeting NorCal Unit at J.T.'s

The SNU will join the NorCal Unit for dinner at J.T.'s Basque Restaurant in Gardnerville on Saturday 8th of Oct. at 4:30. For this dinner, the SNU will make it's own reservations with J.T.'s. We will do a family style dinner rather than order off the menu. If you are interested in a dinner at J.T.'s with Nor-Cal members please let the SNU know ASAP. Email hq@sierranevadaairstreams.org or call 775 972 5011. The dinner is a great way to get to know some of our neighbor Airstreamers.

Upcoming 2011 Events

Thursday August 25 – Wednesday August 31 Obsidian Dome & Mammoth Lakes

Thursday Sept 22 - Sunday Sept 25, 2011 Campground by the Lake & dinner cruise on the Tahoe Queen

October 13-17, 2011 - Region 12 rally Jackson, CA.

Thursday October 20 – Sunday October 23, 2011

Ft Churchill Scout Camp

Saturday November 19, 2011 B.J.'s BBQ in Sparks

Thursday November 24 to Sunday November 27, 2011

Death Valley Furnace Creek Campground

Saturday December 17, 2011 Overland Basque

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August Joint Rally at Obsidian Dome

In August, the SNU will hold it's first ever joint rally with another WBCCI Unit, The San Fernando Valley Unit. This is a two part rally. The first half is Thursday August 25 to Sunday August 28 at Obsidian Dome. The second part is Sunday August 29 to Wednesday August 31 Mammoth Lakes. Join us for one or both parts, whatever suits your schedule. Reservations are required for Mammoth Lakes. Contact Mammoth Mountain RV Park and mention you are part of the San Fernando Valley Airstreams. Since this is a joint rally we have a few special plans for meals. Friday the SFVU will serve pancakes, toast & eggs, sausage & bacon for breakfast. For Friday dinner, we'll have a shared meal, BBQ, everyone bring their own meat or other entrée to BBQ and a side dish. Be sure and bring your BBQ grill. Saturday breakfast, the SNU will introduce the SFVU to eggs in a bag with sausage & bacon. Saturday dinner will be the



usual SNU shared meal, everyone bring whatever suits you — entrée, desert, salad, or side dish. Lunches will be on your own. Breakfast will be around 9:30 am. Happy Hours will be about 3:30 pm. Dinners at 6 pm. See the link in this newsletter for more information on the rally and on Mammoth Mountain RV Park.

Time to Renew for 2012

Support the SNU and renew your membership for 2012. Dues are \$75 annually which includes membership in WBCCI and the SNU. Use the renewal form you receive in the mail and send your dues check for \$75 to the SNU, 714 Terra Ct, Reno, NV 89506. Or pay online. See the link in this newsletter.

Sierra Nevada Unit Anniversary Rally

See the photo gallery of the Campground by the Lake. There is still time to rsvp for the special Anniversary Rally at Campground by the Lake in South Lake Tahoe September 22 to September 25, 2011. This rally will include a dinner cruise on the M.S. Dixie. If you aren't able to come for the whole event, you

can rsvp to join us for the dinner cruise on the M.S, Dixie on Saturday September 24th. RSVP's must be received by September 1, 2011. Rally Participants who have rsvp'd and paid, keep in mind, the SNU will pay the campground fees but you will be responsible for paying the \$2.00 per night fee for your dogs. Loop B, the area the SNU has reserved includes electricity. Water is nearby and there is a dump station near the entrance to the campground. Check the link in this newsletter for a photo gallery of the campground and more information.



Sierra Nevada Unit - Members Travels



Wheels & Doris Wheeler - The picture was taken on the 24th of May on our way to the Air Force Academy to watch the graduation of one of the Cadets that had been a cadet in our Civil Air Patrol Squadron at Minden.

Don Williams & his friend John Hudec - Arrived at the start of the Alaskan Highway,

Dawson Creek, BC, Canada Saturday, July 2nd. Will be in Alaska tomorrow evening or Wednes-

day. Rode in several hours rain and cold on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Cold today but no rain, looks to be warmer tomorrow. They completed the Alaskan Highway on Wednesday, July 3rd, crossing the 1422nd mile in Cedar Junction, AK. The two will spend most of July Alaska and Canada. Don will return to California in time for the Obsidian Dome Rally.





Bryan & Diane Leipper - We drove up to Baker City, OR for a special Rally commemorating Wally Byam's 115th Birthday. Wally was born in Baker City. The rally was hosted by the Oregon Unit. It also included the opening of the Wally Byam exhibit in the Baker Heritage Museum. On the way home we toured some of the remote areas of Central Oregon and Northern Nevada.

Gordon & Susan Barber - Susan and I have not traveled with the Airstream since returning to Michigan at Christmas. We are now about to travel again. This time with our daughter Beth and grandson Noah. We are leaving Michigan July 6 and going north through upper Michigan on our way to Minneapolis for a short visit with old friends and Susan's Aunt (90) and cousins. We then head northwest through the Dakotas to Glacier National Park with a few interesting stops along the way. From Glacier we plan head to Reno and maybe stop at Craters of the Moon National Monument and Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge. If the timing is right maybe we will meet up at the Hickison Petroglyph Rally.

Ed & Paula Poll - We had a great time at the Wally Byam Birthday Rally in Baker City and are so glad we went. After leaving Baker City we went to Ogden on the way to Ft. Collins. We had brake controller issues across I-80 in Wyoming so looked for a repair person in Ft. Collins that Uwe knows. We had thunderstorms everyday there and continue as we moved south to Colorado Springs. We have 3 nights here before going to OK City. I hope we don't get hail. I miss our western US already. I think the continental divide is as far east as we need to go. To follow Ed and Paula's travels check these links. http://www.facebook.com/LawBizTour or http://www.lawbizblog.com.





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