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Weed Heights Rally

What a wild start to the 2011 rally season, at least weather wise! The cold stormy weather was just not conducive to prepping the Airstream, never mind getting ready for, or traveling to a rally. Never the less, a few of us did make it to Weed Heights, It turned out to be an interesting first SNU rally for Rich and Marian. They were assisting with the Friends of NRA dinner on Saturday so the rally served a dual purpose for them. They got a sample of the SNU's flexibility and adaptability. The other rally participants were Jerry & Dyann and Bryan and Diane. Our hosts, Mike and Cindy weren't able to come because Mike got the flu. Wes and Roy were also planning to come but their dog Sam needed a little surgery on Friday. We missed them all. We hope that Mike is feeling better and that Sam's surgery went well. We made a few changes in the rally plans. Instead of doing omelets in a bag, we did scrambled eggs with sausage, mushrooms, cheese & olives. Since Rich and Marian were going to be involved with the NRA dinner Saturday, we moved the crock-pot pot luck to Friday so they could participate. We were delighted to have Wheels and Doris drive out on Saturday for the afternoon and join us for dinner. Anita stopped by on Sunday on her way up to Goose Lake. The weather was windy most of the weekend which made us really appreciate the nice warm club house. Thursday there was a good snow flurry but it didn't stick. Saturday we were rocked to sleep by wind gusts. The activity level at this rally was anything but wild. It was a great weekend just to visit, to do some reading, take dogs for walks, take some inspirational naps, and play cards. One of the most exciting highlights was a card game between Wheels & Dyann on Saturday. Check the link in this newsletter to see the video – don't fall asleep! All in all it was an enjoyable weekend. We are all looking forward to April at Boca. Hopefully by then spring really will be here.



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Summit
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Hickison
Petroglyphs Site

Sierra Nevada Unit - Do You Know?

The SNU has had an interesting history. It has some great members, done some neat things and had some exciting adventures. To spark your memory, find out what you know and what you might learn about the SNU by seeing how many of these questions you can answer. For more questions and for the answers with links to further details, check the [link](#) in this newsletter.

- * Each WBCCI Unit has a number. What is the SNU's number?
- * What year did the SNU hold a Caravan covering parts of Northern and Central Nevada?
- * Name three current SNU members (or affiliate members) who have participated in WBCCI caravans.
- * Which two current members have been members of the SNU since before 1995? (hint last names begin with "G")?
- * Who has played an instrumental role in planning both the 30th and 35th SNU anniversary events?
- * Who was it that came up with the famous words, "It's the Airstreams that bring us together but it's the people who keep us together" now considered the SNU motto?
- * Name four current members (or affiliate members) who have attended Region 12 rallies.
- * Name three community projects that the SNU has been involved in.
- * Name four current members (or affiliate members) who have attended other WBCCI Unit rallies.
- * Who made the special Airstream shape cookie cutters used for the 35th Anniversary event?
- * Who has the oldest Airstream in the SNU?
- * What three WBCCI principles are the foundations of the SNU?

For web links discussed in this newsletter including info on the April rally at Boca Rest.
please [Click Here](http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/2011/11news/index.html) <http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/2011/11news/index.html>

Notes from the Prez

Dyann Thornburg

Well the SNU's first rally for 2011 is now history. It was windy but we all had a great time. It seems to have been a long winter but it's now spring and I'm sure the weather will improve before too much longer. Sorry we didn't see more of our members there but it was understandable. Hopefully we will have better attendance at future rallies. For our potluck on Friday night Diane fixed a blackberry dessert cooked in her crock pot that turned out excellent as did my cranberry and orange pork tenderloin roast. We are sure coming up with some creative recipes that turn out great. Doris told me about a pair of female Shetland Sheep dogs that need new homes. The owners are having to move and can't take the dogs with them. Apparently Doris is taking one of them but would like to find a good home for the other. If anyone would like to adopt a little 2 year old sheltie let me know and I will pass on the info. (I would love to but already have 3 dogs and Jerry says no more.) Next month we will be having the rally at Boca Rest or Lahontan depending on the weather. Be sure to either check the website or call before leaving to make sure where we will be for this rally.

Upcoming 2011 Events

Thursday April 28 – Sunday May1, 2011 Boca Rest

Thursday May 19 – Sunday May 22, 2011 Ft Sage

Thursday June 23 – Sunday June 26, 2011
Sweetwater Summit

Thursday July 21 – Sunday July 24, 2011
Hickison Petroglyph Site

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

June 28 - July 4, 2011 WBCCI International Rally,
DuQuoin Illinois

Thursday September 22 – Sunday September 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 17 – Sunday November 20,
2011 Death Valley Mesquite Campground

Saturday December 17, 2011 Overland Basque
Restaurant , Fallon

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

Sierra Nevada Unit Anniversary Rally

2011 is the 35th Anniversary of the SNU. We will be holding a special rally Thursday September 22 to Sunday September 25, 2011 in South Lake Tahoe, CA. The rally will include a dinner cruise on the Tahoe Queen. This cruise will be a 3 hour cruise on Lake Tahoe with live entertainment. Dinner will include such goodies as dungeness crab & avocado salad, sweet chili chicken sate, prime rib carving station with brandied mushroom ragout, ahi shrimp provencal with penne pasta & alfredo sauce, and deconstructed cheesecake. The SNU has reserved camping sites in loop B at the [Campground by the Lake](#) which is just west of downtown SLT. Space is limited both for the campsite and the cruise so this rally WILL require rsvp's from those who wish to participate. We need to receive your rsvp no later than September 1, 2011. We will also need to know the length of your Airstream so that we can ensure you will be parked in the proper sized campsite. Campground by the Lake is conveniently located off Hwy 50. It is across the street from the Lake and within walking distance of the Lake Tahoe Visitors Center, the Lake Tahoe museum, The El Dorado County Library and other points of interest. There are two nearby bike paths. It is also close to the Bijou Golf Course. We are arranging shuttle service to the Tahoe Queen for our dinner cruise. You can email your rsvp to hq@sierranevadaairstreams.org. Don't miss out. Mail or email your rsvp today! Check the [link](#) in this newsletter for more information on this rally.



Sierra Nevada Unit Business Meeting

SNU President, Dyann mentioned that she has received the 2011 delegate information. If any SNU member plans to attend the 2011 WBCCI International rally in DuQuoin IL and would like to represent the SNU at the delegate meeting, please contact Dyann at president@sierranevadaairstreams.org. Diane reported to the President, that Randy has now confirmed reservations for the September Anniversary rally and deposits made.

Welcome

David and Cheryl Denzler, WBCCI #1374 from Gilroy CA have joined the SNU. David and Cheryl were previously with the Monterey Bay CA Unit. They have been active members of the MBCU and WBCCI for several years. We are looking forward to their participation in the SNU and hope to see them at a rally soon.

A Team Effort

The SNU newsletter is truly a team effort. It starts with contributions by SNU members. Diane collects the articles, augments those submitted by SNU members with information gathered from other sources and sets up a draft for review. Dyann and Rick review this draft, provide editorial comments and other suggestions. Rick does all the layout. He figures out how best to set up all the articles and include any photos while keeping the newsletter to the four page limit. (sometimes a tough job) Rick then sends a first draft for review. After incorporating any changes or corrections, Rick then prepares the final copy. Diane posts the finished newsletter on the website and emails the link to the UPS store in Fallon which prints out the snail mail copies. Dyann, who has printed out labels and prepared envelopes, then picks up the printed copies and mails them to those on the SNU snail mail list. Dyann and Diane work together to ensure the snail mail list is current. Meanwhile Bryan has sent an email to those subscribed to the SNU announcement list notifying them that the current newsletter has been posted. While this may seem like a cumbersome process, in fact it works extremely well. It has proved to be efficient, timely, and effective. Good communications among all members of the team enhance this effort. By dividing up the tasks, each piece of the puzzle is more manageable and less time consuming for everyone. We encourage all SNU members become members of the team. It is your contributions, stories of your travels, experiences, and adventures that make the SNU newsletter informative, entertaining, and enjoyable. To learn more about the SNU newsletter check the [link](#) in this newsletter.

April at Boca

Thursday April 28 to Sunday May 1, 2011 the SNU will hold a rally at Boca Rest. The campground is just east of Truckee off I80. The road is paved all the way to the campground. The campground itself is hard packed dirt and gravel. Boca Rest sits right on Boca reservoir. If the fish decide to cooperate this will be a good opportunity to check out your fishing equipment. Boca is also a great place for hiking, bike riding, and for just sitting back and enjoying the scenery. Note: Although we fully expect to hold this rally at Boca, due to the heavy snow accumulations around Truckee, Lahontan will be our backup site for this rally. Contact the SNU prior to the rally to confirm the location. Directions and other details for the Boca Rest rally are on the website.



Rallies at Thanksgiving

Bobbie from the San Fernando Valley Unit said that group is planning a rally at the Furnace Creek Campground for the long Thanksgiving weekend. This year, they will be arriving on Thanksgiving Day and leaving that Sunday. The reservation window opens 6 months from the date of arrival and you can either call 1-877-444-6777 or reserve online at: www.recreation.gov. Bobbie says they are going for sites in the back of the camp - say Nos. 54-62 - they are all nice big, wide pull thru sites. They have also invited members of the San Diego Unit to this rally. Since this rally is a week later than the SNU rally scheduled for Mesquite campground, (unless we hear otherwise from SNU members) we will cancel Mesquite and join the SFVU at Furnace Creek. If you would rather go ahead with Mesquite, let us know ASAP. For those of us who won't be going to Death Valley, we are planning an unofficial rally over Thanksgiving, either at Scout Camp or Lahontan. We'd be glad to have others join us for this outing. Note: be sure to check the link in this newsletter for information on other special rallies



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