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### SNU Rally at Scout Camp

After two rather atypical rallies (The South Lake and the Region 12 Rally) it was great to have the October SNU rally at Scout Camp. This rally was unique too in that it had a very special happy ending. Scout Camp is part of the Ft. Churchill State Park. It is a dispersed area right on the Carson River. The weather was absolutely perfect, in particular, no wind! By Friday there were six of us at the rally. The Thornburg's and Leipper's arrived at Scout Camp on Monday afternoon. We all decided a few extra days in the boonies was a great way to relax after the Region Rally. We did get some work accomplished though. The park service had made a large pile of tree limbs and logs earlier in the year. There was still a large



pile left so we loaded it in Jerry's truck and hauled it to our campsite. Jerry got out his electric chain saw and went to work. We had enough wood to keep a nice campfire going all week and burned the last of it on Sunday morning. The rally was the usual SNU event with morning coffee and goodies, inspirational naps, short walks along the trails, shared dinners, and all day camp-

fires. We had evening serenades by cows and coyotes. We spent a lot of time visiting and sharing ideas and information including reviewing the Region Rally and winterizing your rig. The big project for the weekend though ended up being power systems. Wes and Roy woke up Friday morning with no electricity. Jerry and Bryan soon discovered it was a faulty GFI circuit breaker. After some clean up and tweaking, Wes and Roy were back in business. Paul, the Ranger came by every morning. His new assistant is a young woman named Kim. She apparently had lots of plans for tours and other activities at Ft Churchill and at Buckland Station. They would stop by for coffee when making morning rounds and we had a great time chatting with them. We had noticed that there was what appeared to

be a stray dog roaming around. Wes and Doris had put out some food for it. Not long after Gene and Carmen's grandkids arrived, they had managed to befriend the dog. The dog seemed to be less than a year old, a mixed breed with huge paws. Needless to say, all of us took a liking to him and knew we couldn't leave him at Scout Camp.



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- ♦ November 24 27 Death Valley Furnace Creek
- ◆December 17th Overland Resturant in Fallon
- ◆January 28thBlack Bear Dinerin Fernly

#### Notes from the Prez

Dyann Thornburg

Wow, what a month October was! We first went to dinner with the NorCal Unit on the 8th. Bryan Leipper, Diane Leipper, Bob and Cecilia Stansbury as well as Jerry and I attended. The NorCal unit was holding a rally in Coleville, CA. A lot of tours and short road trips to places like Bodie and Mono lake were included. J.T.'s was a recommendation from the SNU and it seems that the NorCal members enjoyed it as much as the SNU does. We had a wonderful time and a fantastic meal and it was great to meet a lot of the members from NorCal.

Then there was the Region 12 Rally in Jackson, CA. Bryan, Diane, Gary and Anita Haskett attended along with Jerry and I. The weather was great and what a beautifully RV park! It was something different for us to be parked side by side on concrete and asphalt with little to no leveling to do. There were many activities to participate in if you chose to do so. There were several tours and seminars as well as a couple of concerts at the evening gettogethers where door prizes were given away. I attended the Regional Business Meeting and represent the SNU. All four motions up for a vote passed but only after having several of them come up for a very lengthy discussion. The Denver motion (as it is being called) was discussed. It would add a new amendment to the WBCCI Constitution stating the delegates would have a vote and input in changes to the Bylaws and Constitution. All the units need to make sure they have voted on this and returned it to the WBCCI.

Bob Stansbury has approached the SNU about doing the Region 12 Rally in 2015 here in No. Nevada. He has asked for our assistance in putting it together. First on the agenda would be to find a suitable location. So if anyone knows of a place that could hold around 50 or so Airstreams please let me know. Bob says we could make it a "boon-docking rally" which I thought opened up the prospects a lot. He also said the SNU could just do a meal. If we do one or the other we would need the members to volunteer to help. This is several years away but it is something for us to discuss and think about. I'm not sure how soon the location would need to be decided on but I'm going to assume either a year or more in advance.

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For web links discussed in this newsletter including info on the November Luncheon at B.J.'s BBQ please Click Here http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/2011/11news/index.html

# Upcoming Events for 2011 and 2012

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 Restaurant , Fallon

Saturday January 28, 2012 Black Bear Diner, Fernley

Saturday February 25, 2012 Overland Basque Restaurant, Gardnerville

Thursday March 22 – Sunday 25, 2012 Rally at Mason Valley Wildlife Area

Thursday April 26 to Sunday 29, 2012 Pyramid Lake, Pelican Point

Thursday May 17 to Sunday 21 Eagle Lake, Rocky Point

Thursday June 21to Sunday 24 Crocker Campground

Thursday July 19 to Sunday 23 Weed Heights RV Park

Thursday August 10 to Sunday 13 Obsidian Dome

Thursday August 30 to Monday September 3 Fallon Cantaloupe Festival

Thursday October 25 to Sunday 38 Hickison Petroglyphs

Saturday November 17 Gold Hill Hotel

Thursday November 30to— Sunday December 2 Death Valley Mesquite campground

Saturday December 15 Louis Basque Corner, Reno

#### Region 12 Rally Review

The SNU members who planned to attend the Region Rally all caravanned to Jackson using 2 meter ham radio for on the road communications. The Rally was organized by affiliate SNU members, Bob & Cecilia Stansbury. Rich & Marian Reggo, also SNU affiliate members were in charge of door prizes. The Rally was held at the Rancheria RV Park and Casino. It is a fairly new facility that sits on top of a hill with panoramic views. It has all the amenities of a high end RV Park. There were almost 90 Airstreams at the Rally from all over Nevada and California as well as from other parts of the country. The rally schedule was chock full of activities, formal and informal. There were breakfasts and dinners hosted by different Units. The RV Park hosted a hot dog lunch one day. The rally organizers wanted to utilize as much local talent as possible. There was a quilting workshop by an nationally recognized quilter, There was demonstration of kitchen gear by a very popular local kitchen store. Friday night participants were entertained by Todd Paul, a comedian/magician from Las Vegas. Saturday nights entertainment was provided by the Speak Easy Jazz orchestra from Amador County. Sunday entertainment was provided by Over the Edge musical trio. There were also tours of nearby attractions. Diane had brought the SNU diorama. It was prominently displayed right inside the front door of the clubhouse. Everyone who saw it was impressed. SNU President, Dyann Thornburg had an opportunity to share some of the SNU philosophy about membership at the business meeting. Her comments were greeted with enthusiasm. Saturday SNU members and San Fernando members got together for Happy Hour and then we all headed to the clubhouse for dinner. Gary attended a workshop on trailer maintenance. He and Anita also attended all of the evening entertainments. Dyann won a beautiful glass bowl and an travel entertainment food tray as door prizes. Bryan had brought along a box of miscellaneous trailer parts which he set up at the swap meet. He sold a few items and ended up donating some plumbing parts to the RV park as they were of a type that the park needed but didn't have. We all headed home on Monday. The leaves had changed color and the drive over Carson Pass was absolutely beautiful. Since we wanted to drop off the diorama, Randy and Vicki invited all of us over to their house for lunch. We very gratefully accepted. We had a very enjoyable lunch and filled Randy and Vicki in on adventures at the Region Rally. We got to see Randy's finished entryway and some of the other projects he has been working on. There was plenty of room to park three Airstreams which enabled us to keep an eye on various animals. It was a great way to end our trip to Jackson and a great beginning of our adventure at Scout Camp.



## Lunch at B.J.'s BBQ

Ready for some great BBQ? The SNU November lunch will be at B.J.'s BBQ in Sparks. The date is Saturday November 19, 2011. Time, 11:30 am. Please RSVP to hq@sierranevadaairstreams.org or call 775 972 5011. We need to know how many people to reserve a table for. B.J.'s is located on North McCarran at East Prater Way close to a CVS pharmacy.

#### SNU Rally at Scout Camp - continued

As it turned out, Wes and Roy ended up taking him after the pup had met with the initial approval of Sam, Lilly, and Hugo. Talking to Roy a week after the rally, she says that "Scout" has adapted very well, is gaining weight and that recently Sam took his ball to Scout to get him to play. The ultimate sign of acceptance. We'll all look forward to seeing Scout at many more SNU rallies, watching him grow and be a happy healthy dog with a family who loves him.



#### Notes from the Prez - continued

Next Bryan, Diane, Jerry and I went to Scout Camp and spent the week leading up to the October rally there. What a complete difference from what we had at the Regional. It was great to be able to let the dogs get out and run a little after being penned up for the previous week. Besides the four of us, the attendees to this rally were Wheels and Doris Wheeler, Wes and Roylaine Warn, Gene and Carmen Baleme, and Anita Leipper. It was great to see Anita again. It had been awhile with her traveling throughout the western states and working in Oregon as a camp host. We also had the election for SNU officers. Everything will remain the same for 2012 but we need to start thinking about 2013. My two years will be up and we will need a new president. If you are interested please let us know.

This month we will be having a luncheon on November 19th at B.J.'s BBQ in Sparks. Please come and join us the BBQ ribs there are fabulous. There is also the Death Valley Rally the 17th – 20th. If you are interested in attending this rally please contact Diane Leipper because I believe there have been some changes made to the location. And finally there will be a few of us getting together for Thanksgiving at Scout Camp. We will be doing dinner on Thursday and be staying until Sunday. We did this a couple of years ago and had a great time. So if you can make it please come and join us. The more the merrier.

It looks like the holidays are approaching fast. Where has the year gone? I hope you have a great month and a very Happy Thanksgiving.

For information on 2011 rallies check this **website:** http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/2011/events/doc/11-rallyschedule.html

For information on 2012 rallies check this **website:** http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/2012/12-events/docs/12-rallyschedule.html



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