



**LESS THAN A WEEK TO  
WALKER RIVER RALLY  
JUNE 10TH - 13TH!**

## AIRSTREAMER

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Airstreamers,

I enjoyed the Boca Rest despite the weather because a day camping is better than a day at home. The weather was not too cold and the off and on snow made the landscape beautiful. I watched chipmunks and birds digging around for food and it was very peaceful. Social distancing sure was not a problem. <See collage page 4, editor> I had worked on small issues with my rig and everything was a OK. No list of things to do from this trip so I am ready for the next rally. I hope to see more of you taking advantage of it. We have some new members this Spring, Jennifer & Jacob Baryol and Anita & John Hara; welcome to you and please join us at Walker River. We also have many resources including some very knowledgeable members to help you. The spirit of our founder is alive and well in us all. Peace, Be safe and stay active.

**Regards, Gene and Carmen**

### NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

The Sierra Nevada Unit is still growing. Let me introduce and welcome new members:

Jennifer and Jacob Baryol #3348, Reno, NV

Anita & John Hara (378, Reno, NV



### Vote for International Board of Trustees Officers and Constitutional Amendments

All SNU members will receive a separate email with your ballot for International Board of Trustees Officers and constitutional amendments. Ballots are due by Sunday June 13th or deliver in person at the Walker River Rally by Saturday June 12th.

### WALKER RIVER RALLY - THURSDAY JUNE 10 TO SUNDAY JUNE 13RD!

Walker River is Nevada's 2nd newest state park. Both Walker River campgrounds are open. You should find us a Quail Run Campground with water and electric hookups. Drive past the Visitor Center and past the turn to Riverbend Campground, then keep your eyes peeled because we will be lounging straight ahead in Quail Run. I am told the campgrounds sometimes fills up on the weekends but we can fit two Airstreams in most of the spots so if you get there on Wednesday or Thursday get a site near a peer that has enough space incase we need to double park an extra Airstream with you.

This week's weather forecast "promises", okay predicts, mid 80s daytime and mid 40s at night with sunny days and no rain in sight. Don't worry about battery management, we have power and even if you don't hook up these nighttime temperatures are warm enough to minimize furnace use.

Come out and share Walker with us. Can't spend the entire weekend; remember Wally's 1st of the Four Freedoms – Freedom from Arrangements! No Reservations required, come out for just two days or even make a day trip of it. Walker River SP is only about 90 miles and less than 2 hours from most of our members.

We'll have lots of activities at our beck and call at Walker River; fishing, wildlife viewing, canoeing/kayaking (the adventurous should bring their own), four wheeling and an advanced scoping visit to nearby Sweetwater Summit. In the evening we'll enjoy our shared meals and or desserts, potluck (Saturday), stories and maybe a SoloStove fire pit to warm us. However, feel free to social distance and eat your own meal if you prefer.

The best approach from Reno is:

Take I-80 east from Reno and head south on NV-439 to the Silver Springs area.

Follow US-95A south from Silver Springs to Yerington and continue south on NV-339.

#### **Sierra Nevada Unit Board**

**Gene Baleme, president**

**Jeni Root, secretary**

**Gail Williams, treasurer**

**Jerry Thornburg, trustee**  
**vacant, trustee**

**Don Williams, membership chair**  
**& newsletter editor**  
**[all links clickable](#)**

Turn left on NV-827 just as you enter Mason, drive 1.5 miles and then turn right on NV-208.

Drive 5.5 miles south on 208, turn left on East Walker Road and drive 4.2 miles to the park entrance (large gateway and driveway flanked by small trees on both sides).

(Note, If coming from Carson City take US-50 east to the Silver Springs area and then follow bullets 2 thru 4.)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**SNU Walker River Rally - Thursday, June 10 - Sunday, June 13th**

**SNU Twin Lakes/Crags Rally - Thursday July 15th - Sunday July 18th**

**SNU Crocker-Beckwourth Rally - Thursday Aug 19th - Sunday Aug 22nd**

**SNU 45th Anniversary Rally - Tentatively Thursday, August 26th to Sunday, August 29th at the Fallon Cantaloupe Festival** - Yes it's shortly after Crocker-Beckwourth but what better place to celebrate the Sierra Nevada Unit's 45th anniversary the the Cantaloupe Festival!

## LOOK BACKS

### **20 YEARS AGO:**

<http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/news/archives/01jn-nwsltr.pdf>

June's one page newsletter reported that May 2001's rally morphed into a luncheon at the Airport Plaza; only one rig was actually ready to begin the rally season and even the luncheon was sparsely attended; the Damoths, Burhams and our still current member Bryan Leipper! Three member and their rigs ( no one drove or flew in back then) were reported to be attending the International in South Dakota. The Sick, Lame & Lazy was included (was it politically correct the??) Although beyond legitimate illnesses no one was labeled lazy. Lastly, only a luncheon at the Bowers Mansion and no rally in June with the International falling in the same month.

### **10 YEARS AGO**

<http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu/2011/11news/11jn-snu-nwsltrb.pdf>

June's 2011 2 page issue reported on:

- Changes to the Unit's constitution and member voting;
- The May Fort Sage Rally, "Once again, it was clear why we don't let weather forecasts impede rally plans. Even though it seems yet another frontal system or two were supposed to move in over the weekend, we had a great rally at Ft Sage. For the most part the weather was moderate and wind was minimal." Wish that's all they predicted for Boca Rest last month!;
- The SNU Rally Planning Guide.;
- Flyover leads to future Airstreamer visit.

## BOCA REST RALLY REPORT

Okay we wimped out on the May Boca Rest Rally. Two nights predicted at 19F and the next night in the 20s with rain and snow. Some like me, let their local volunteer activities overwhelm them and the need to foster a small hummingbird baby that would not survive the nighttime temperatures at Boca affect their better judgement! Even after buying a small propane heater to use in the Airstream your editor could not overcome his concern about driving 500 miles one way to camp in the cold and wet! But Gene and Carmen Baleme, your president and first lady did. Little written diatribe but take a look at their photo gallery in this month's issue to see what you (we) missed.

## 2021 WBCCI INTERNATIONAL RALLY IN LEBANON, TENNESSEE REGISTRATION IS OPEN

### **It's Time for Family – Fun – Music in Lebanon, Tennessee**

Registration is still OPEN for the 64th Annual Wally Byam Airstream Club International Rally in Lebanon, Tennessee. The Rally is set for July 17 to July 24, 2021.

Join us in the beautiful city of Lebanon, Tennessee, located in Wilson County. Only 30 minutes east of Nashville with a ton of amazing things to do in the area. Here you will find friendly faces, historical places, endless shopping, diverse dining, distilleries, wineries, beautiful lakes, state parks, and outdoor adventure, just to name a few.

Rally fees are \$265 per RV on-site with 30 amp electric, water, and pump-out. \$125 per adult, \$40 for youth 13 to 17 and kids under 12 are free. Keep an eye out for more information.

Sign up today to reserve your spot by visiting [airstreamclub.org/Lebanon](http://airstreamclub.org/Lebanon).

Hope to see you there!

Andrew Selking, International President





Walker River







Boca Rest April 2021

