

### SNU FORT CHURCHILL RALLY

APRIL 21ST - 24TH AT  
THE SAMUEL  
BUCKLAND'S  
CAMPGROUND



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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

As I write this, I am in the midst of another Miracle March - blizzards happening all around - and it's good to remember April and the start of the Sierra Nevada Unit camping season are right around the corner. If you haven't been to Ft Churchill State Historic Park, it's a wonderful little campground tucked in the trees along the banks of the Carson River. We have a ranger-led tour scheduled for Wednesday, April 23 during the day and hope you can join us for one or all the camping days. Wondering what to do at Fort Churchill? Fishing, Buckland Station tour, mountain/gravel cycling and dark sky viewing are options. This is a great "close to home" opportunity for a "shakedown" camping trip. The Roots have reserved campsite #13 April 21-24. Feel free to make your own reservation or given this is mid-week, just show up.

For May 26-29, we have a more remote trek to Wild Horse State Recreation Area (60 miles north of Elko). The Roots have reserved site #8 and it's been suggested the best views are in Loop 1, sites 9 & 10. From what we've heard, this is a great place for getting on the water (bring your fishing gear) and enjoying another trip of dark sky nights. We'll also be celebrating my 60th - come celebrate with us!

Jeni & I hope your winter has been good to you and yours and we look forward to a great camping season!

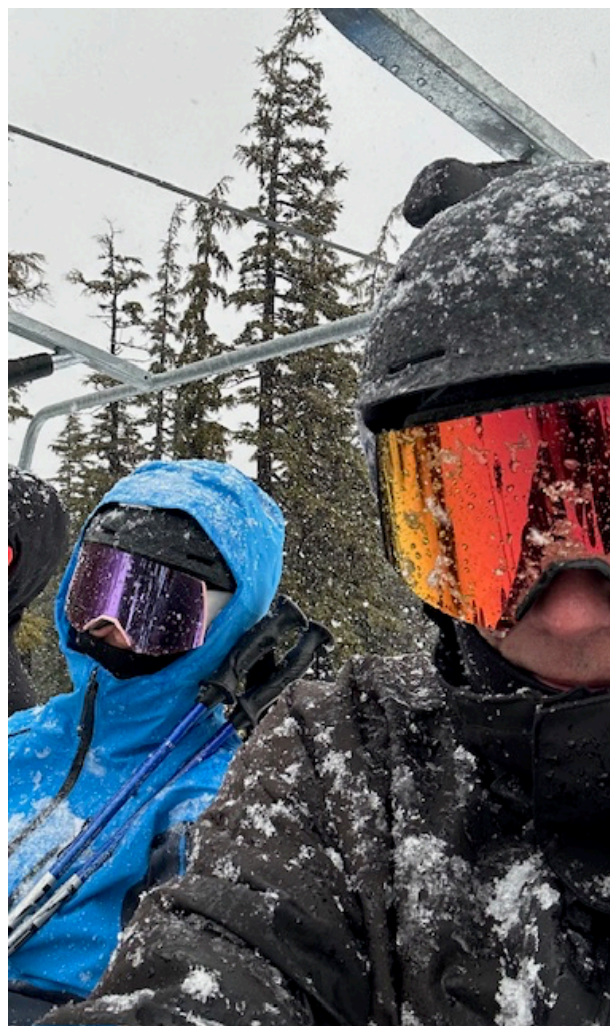
*Brian*

## SNU MEMBER NEWS

Membership in the Sierra Nevada Unit continues to grow with Robyn & Del Mitchell, WBCCI # 8914 moving from affiliate to full members; renewals by Judy & David Searles #29935 and Lisa Ryan #3355. We'd also report that we are sorry to see Charlie & Essie Fasso are no longer Airstreaming; we're sorry to see them move on to a new chapter in their lives.

## JAN. SNU LUNCHEON

The Roots promised soup & salad plus Airstream themed door prizes at the January Luncheon hosted at a home in Reno. The food, door prizes and comradely must have been good because it was attended by seventeen Airstream souls busy greeting, eating and sharing stories, future plans and dreams. I got no notes for an article but maybe the photos are worth more than 1000 words!









## AIRSTREAM'S "LIVE RIVETED" BLOG

With a two month gap during the off season editions, there's more to catchup in the Live Riveted <https://www.airstream.com/blog/>. Here's a quick summary since January:

- [Adventure and Comfort](#) for two in an Interstate GT;
- [Meet the new Airstream classic 28RB](#) (rear bedroom);
- [A Love Affair with Aluminum Art](#);
- [All Electric Basecamp 20 Xe](#);
- [Alumination](#) (Airstream, American Icon documentary);
- [Outland Edition Interstate 19X LE](#), almost Overlanding in an Airstream;
- [Airstream Interstate 24 comparison guide](#),

Click on any of the [blue links](#) to read these posts and more.

## ERIC MCHENRY'S PRESIDENT'S CORNER

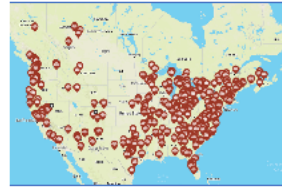
We missed two more of the President's'Corner blogs since January so we'll catch up again.

### **February's Corner - Looking forward to 2025:**

- we are celebrating our 70th year as a club!  
Founded in 1955, our Club is the largest and oldest single-brand RV club known. As we enter 2025, our membership level is at a 25-year high, and our Club camping options and benefits continue to grow:

### **Courtesy Parking Powered by Harvest Hosts**

- 336 ACI Courtesy Parking Hosts
  - 253 offer Electrical
  - 55 offer Water
  - 233 offer "Stay Extra Nights"
  - 99 offer "Same Day Booking"
  - 216 allow Generators
  - All show online booking calendars
  - 300 allow Airstreams up to 30'



### **Member Discounts and Benefits**

The list of members' benefits is growing and can be found in the member only section of [Airstreamclub.org](http://Airstreamclub.org) website.

#### Benefit Partners Include:

- |                            |                        |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| ➤ Airstream Supply Company | ➤ KOA Rewards          |
| ➤ CampersCard              | ➤ Michelin Advantage   |
| ➤ CampScanner              | ➤ Passport America     |
| ➤ CarGenerator             | ➤ RV Life PRO          |
| ➤ Courtesy Parking         | ➤ Solo Stove           |
| ➤ FCIS Insurance           | ➤ TME Travel Insurance |
| ➤ Goodyear Tires           | ➤ Zarges               |
| ➤ Griot's Garage           |                        |
| ➤ Harvest Host             |                        |



Airstream Community in our new video "JOIN";

- Showcasing and Preserving our History: Fundraising will launch in 2025 for a Historical Center at our Club headquarters in Jackson Center, OH;

- new Streaming Musicians Intra-Club;
- Rallies, Rallies, Rallies: the backbone of our Club and now some at Harvest Hosts locations;
- a new HQ location adjacent to our 30-year-old office building;
- Discover Airstream Club International: Your

## *Stay up-to-date with Rally News*



Will weather allow a Death Valley Rally at Mesquite Spring Cmpg in March?  
TBA



Warm or cold at Fort Churchill, in April, Monday April 21 - Thursday the 24th



Wild Horse (SRA) Rally north of Elko, NV  
May 26-29

## ERIC'S PRESIDENTS CORNER CONTD.

### **March's Corner - Looking Forward to Late-Winter and Spring Rallies:**

- LaVerne and I are looking forward to the start of the late winter and spring rally season. We have already started in Death Valley, CA, and look forward to more events over the next few months. It's always a joy to reconnect with fellow Airstream enthusiasts, share travel stories, and create new memories. The upcoming rallies promise exciting adventures, beautiful destinations, and the warm camaraderie that makes our community unique. Here's to another fantastic season of Airstreaming!
- NEW National Event Rally: **Silver on the River Europe Cruise**. Based on the interest in the 2025 Silver on the Seas cruise to Alaska, the National Events Rally team has partnered with Region 12 to offer a European River Cruise in 2026. To learn more about this and other National Event Rallies, visit: [airstreamclub.org/nationalevents](https://airstreamclub.org/nationalevents).
- Courtesy Parking and Harvest Hosts are now integrated with RV Trip Wizard; Follow the blue links above or read Eric's entire posts here, <https://blog.airstreamclub.org/presidents-corner-january-2025/>.

## BLUE BERET BLOG

### **CYBERSECURITY CAUTION: HAVE I (YOU) BEEN HACKED?**

This is an important one; it's not just our personal security that's challenged. It's happened for years, to different clubs, units and club officials and may become more challenging with AI. Read about spear phishing, intelligence gathering, convincing content and how to stay aware. <https://blog.airstreamclub.org/cybersecurity-caution-have-i-you-been-hacked/>

### **THE ACI ORAL HISTORY PROJECT**

Celebrating 70 years is a monumental moment for Airstream Club International, and we want to hear YOUR Airstream stories!

We're inviting all members to contribute to the ACI Oral History Project by uploading photos and videos celebrating what makes this club so special.

Follow the link for the step-by-step guide to upload your story to the 70th Anniversary Photo Album: <https://blog.airstreamclub.org/how-to-participate-in-the-aci-oral-history-project/>.

### **CELEBRATING 70 YEARS OF AIRSTREAM ADVENTURES!**

Hold onto your blue berets, Airstreamers – we're hitting a major milestone! In 2025, Airstream Club International (ACI), is celebrating 70 incredible years of adventure, camaraderie and exploration! And trust us, this is one road trip you won't want to miss! Click to read more: <https://blog.airstreamclub.org/celebrating-70-years-of-airstream-adventures/>.

### **MAKING CONNECTIONS THAT COUNT: ACI SHINES AT THE FLORIDA RV SUPERSHOW**

<https://blog.airstreamclub.org/making-connections-that-count-aci-shines-at-the-florida-rv-supershow/>.



Sheldon Wildlife Rally  
Virgin Valley Campground  
west of Denio, NV  
June 16 - 19



Markleeville Rally  
Centerville Flat Dispersed  
Campground  
July 14th - 17th



Lower Twin Lakes Rally  
Bridgeport, CA  
August 23rd - 28th



Hope Valley Dispersed Area,  
Markleeville, CA  
September 15th - 18th



## SNU POP-UP RALLY FOR MARCH?

It's looking slim that we'll have a pop-up rally in March. Daytime temps in the Reno area appear to be mild and night time are mostly in the mid 30s but who has un-winterized their Airstream? My wife Gail and I had hoped to be out and about in Death Valley but our Airstream is lounging at Vinnie's Northbay Airstream Service for its Spa day, some system and creature comfort updates and some repairs and service needed for it's next 160,000 miles of "streaming" (yes, one 2012 has over 160K miles). Headed out anywhere in March, contact your club officials and invite a few Airstream friends along; your editor will do the same if the opportunity arises!

## SNU APRIL FORT CHURCHILL RALLY

The Sierra Nevada Unit will host its first official rally of the year, Monday April 21st through Thursday the 24th at Fort Churchill State Historical Park. As Brian said in his president's letter, it a great early "shakedown" trip "close to home". Everything you forgot can be had in nearby Yerington or Fallon.

Fort Churchill offers us the opportunity to visit the historic ruins, walk the [American Discovery Trail](#) along the Carson River to fish or view wildlife, make a Saturday visit to Buckland Station or ride the local roads (pedal power). The Nevada state park website says, "Built in 1870



from materials from Fort Churchill Army base that was abandoned in 1869, Buckland Station was a Pony Express stop, a supplier for western emigrants, a boarding house and a home for the Buckland family until 1885. "Did I mention our shared meals and potluck dinners, we'll have those too! The weather is cooling, we'll likely have mid 60 temps in the daytime and 30s to 40s at night so no worries about heat!

Find us in the Samuel Buckland's Campground past the fort ruins on the west side of US-95. Fort Churchill is only 50 miles from Reno, 40 from Carson City and 25 miles from Yerington; come out and camp or visit with us even if you can't stay the whole week.

## REGION 12 NEWS

Region 12, made up of 11 California and Nevada units/clubs, held an online meeting for all presidents February 19, 2025. While I didn't get the exact numbers, it seemed well attended with representatives from the clubs and the existing Region 12 board (15- 20 attendees, give or take).

Elections for board members (2-year term starts July 1) have been communicated via email (please ensure your membership is up-to-date with an accurate email address). A nominating committee is active in recruiting nominees and occasionally members will step up on their own. Of 2400 voting Region 12 members, they expect less than 20% will vote. If you find your email, please take a moment and participate. It is your Region and your votes are appreciated.

The Region Rally Planning Committee is busy getting ready for San Dimas, CA Bonelli Bluffs, October 15-19. Registration is expected to open in the spring 2025. Our region rally is planned and hosted by Region 12, not a specific club. If you have suggestions for goodie bags, entertainment, etc, please contact me and I'll put you in touch with the proper folks. And last but not least, if you find you are on a waiting list, please know that there are always cancellations and usually everyone who wants to attend, can.



Two other large rallies which attract many different members are the Rose Parade and Cali Rally. These are hosted by specific clubs and often sell out within a day, so if you're interested, be sure to register immediately or get on a waiting list!

If anyone is interested in traveling with other Region 12 members to the International Rally in York, Pennsylvania (23-28 August), please let me know and I'll put you in touch with a contact. *Jení*

## WBCCI 68TH INTERNATIONAL RALLY

Let's Make History at the 68th Airstream Club International Rally in York, Pennsylvania: August 23-28, 2025.

Embrace the timeless traditions of adventure and friendship while exploring and enjoying the sites and sounds of the Mid-Atlantic at the 2025 ACI Rally.

Note, the Sierra Nevada Unit needs members to represent us at the International for the Flag ceremony; contact you president Brian Root at [club157@airstreamclub.org](mailto:club157@airstreamclub.org).



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