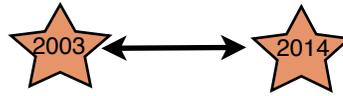




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# The NorCal News

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## Escape to Bodega Bay

Arrive Nov 4 - Depart Nov 8  
Bodega Bay RV Park  
Bodega Bay, CA

Hosts: Jane K, Lee & Jackie K

Escape to Bodega Bay. Enjoy the solitude of the ocean and view amazing sunsets before the crazy holidays begin. Bring something to serve for Happy Hour, which will be assigned on arrival. Each day there will be a game, maybe two! We have fun

activities lined up.



**Wednesday:**  
Arrival and settle in with Happy Hour and announcements

Enjoy a pulled pork dinner, macaroni salad and green salad dinner.

The Clubhouse will be open until 10 pm.

**Thursday:** Start your day with PB&J and hot coffee. Get your "Thursday" puzzle-of-the-day. Line up to carpool at 9:15 am for our docent-led tour of the UC Bodega Marine Lab. Bring a picnic lunch or stop by the Spud Point Crab Co. for chowder or a crab sandwich. Choose your pleasure for the rest of the day. Walk to the beach and explore tide pools. Hike through the hills, build sand castles or fly a kite. We will have lots of recommendations available at the information table.

Want to learn about that game everybody seems so eager to run off and play each evening? It's called Joker! Learn how to play and see what all the fuss is about at 3:00 pm. Happy Hour at 4:00 pm and game! Prizes for the victors.

Dinner on your own. Clubhouse Open until 10 pm.

## NEED TO KNOW

**PARK AMENITIES:** E/W/S, WiFi, most sites with cable, meeting room, dog walk, restrooms and showers, laundry, pull-thru and back-in spaces.

**DETAILS:** [www.bodegabayrvpark.com](http://www.bodegabayrvpark.com) or 707 875-3701.

**DIRECTIONS:** . 38.340566, -123.049214. 2001 Hwy 1, Bodega Bay, 94923. *Caution with GPS.* From Hwy 101 North: At Petaluma take the East Washington exit. Turn left at the light, and proceed West on Washington. West Washington becomes Shoreline Hwy, stay on all the way to Bodega Bay.

From Highway 101 South: At Santa Rosa take Hwy 12 exit west to Sebastopol. In Sebastopol follow the signs to Bodega Bay.

From Highway 80 East: Take Hwy 37 exit to Vallejo/Marine World. Stay on Highway 37 until Hwy 101. Go north on Hwy 101, and follow the above instructions.

In Town: 1.2 Miles north of the Union 76 Station on Hwy 1.

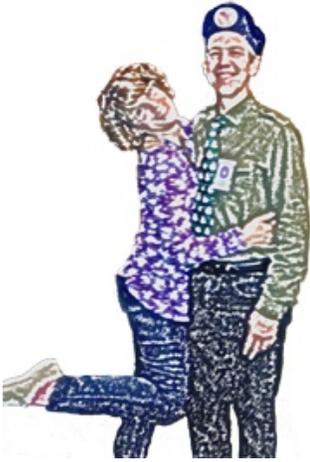
**Friday:** Come & get your "Friday" puzzle-of-the-day and enjoy your coffee and PB&J. Enjoy the day on your own exploring the area. Check out the information table for recommendations.

*(See "Bodega" p. 7)*

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## Bits from Brian

Dear NorCal Unit Members,

I'm obliged to call a unit business meeting for our rally in November (Bodega Bay) to conclude the election of our 2016 Executive Board, and to deal with other matters that may come up between now and then.. It's a beautiful time of year to visit the coast and conduct a little Airstream business!

This is the busy time of year for domestic travel in our Airstreams and usually everything goes as planned with no glitches. But glitches happen and it's good to be flexible to respond without losing too much time, patience and enjoyment. Juliet and I missed the August rally at Prosser Campground due to an unexpected electrical snafu in our 2006 Safari! Thankfully, with the good advice of fellow NorCal members, I was able to make the repairs myself and we are looking forward to the September rally. This demonstrates an additional benefit to being a member in WBCCI. The club (especially NorCal) has an amazing resource with the knowledge and helpful nature of our fellow members! Don't hesitate to ask for assistance or information – just keep your directory handy or speak up at a rally or caravan. We want to extend a special personal word of thanks to John W who helped us get back on the road.

Autumn is an excellent time of year to tour Northern California so let's get out and enjoy!

Brian

## Avisios

### Registration = Coupon

The term "Coupon" is often puzzling to new members. Starting now you will see the word "Registration" where you were accustomed to seeing "Coupon". Same meaning for us, just hopefully a clearer term for everybody.

Oh, and "pp" means "per person", not whatever you thought. Just accept it.

### On the farm...

Stanford University recently celebrated the life of Wally Byam, Class of '21, with an article on their alumni site: [Our Favorite Mobile Device](#).

Thanks to Steve D for this link.

### How America Learned to Love the Airstream Again

Bloomberg published an interesting article on the recent surge in Airstream sales: click [here](#). Thanks Ron H for the link.

### Membership Musings Redux

We sent you an e-blast, an e-mail or a letter letting you know membership renewals are due and the process has changed. Many of you came through. Thank you! Compared to 2014, the rate of renewals is amazing! All our life members have renewed. Twenty-eight unit members have renewed so far, and of those, twenty-six took advantage of "renew online today."

So if you haven't already done so, it is your time!

Simply go to [www.wbcci.org](http://www.wbcci.org)

Click the button that says "Renew online today." Choose the option that says your information has changed. Fill in the blanks and proceed to the next screen. In just a couple of days, the treasurer will receive a copy of your dues receipt. NorCal will receive your unit dues via direct deposit. This should be easier for all concerned: you, the central office and your treasurer.

If you have questions, please contact the treasurer by e-mail ([fohedda@gmail.com](mailto:fohedda@gmail.com)) or at her mobile number (916) 996-7865).

Hedda

### Rose Parade Rally Dec 28th

All spots are taken, but you can get on the waiting list by visiting ([www.region12.wbcci.net](http://www.region12.wbcci.net)) to register and send a deposit in case there is a cancellation.

## Sunshine

The drums are silent so far this month, which we take as good news.

## Membership Totals

To date in August, we have 138 members, plus 23 non-voting affiliates, for a total of 161. We have gained 8 since July 1.

As of the Farmington rally, there were 117 units in WBCCI, the largest being Washington with 313 members, then Georgia (266), followed by Ontario (181), Four Corners (179), and NorCal (129 at that time).



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**Notes from your Rally and Caravan Chairs**

The **Canyon Adventures Caravan** Jan 28 - Feb 10 is filled, but you are welcome to join the stand-by list. Send your registration, no deposit necessary. See the August issue or NorCal's website for a description and registration, but note this update: it is now a "buddy" caravan, so your non-member buddy is welcome.

The **Vacaville Octoberfest** should be a blast, but note that your registration (due Sept 15) must be sent to Vickie G (as noted on the registration) and not John W. Also, Vacaville is a "buddy" rally so invite your buddy.

There is still space at the Region 12 **"Taking Silver Back to the Comstock"** rally in Minden NV. See sign-up information page 9.

Jackie is looking for **hosts for 2016 rallies** and can partner first-time hosts with veterans. No host, no rally. Join the fun.

Larry L, John & Lori B, and Jackie will be hosting the Octoberfest rally in Vacaville in - natch - October, featuring among other activities a tour of the air museum at Travis AFB.

Jane K, Lee & Jackie offer a respite near the water with the ever-popular Bodega Bay as their destination in November.

The year will finish with our annual holiday celebration and installation rally in Jackson, hosted by Larry & Kathy, Bob & Elaine V, and Barry and Shirley W.

**Claudette & Deanna**

**2016 Rallies & Caravans**

Dec - Jan	35th Rose Parade Special Event Rally** host: Region 12/Tom S <i>Filled, see Tom about waiting list.</i>	Dec 28 - Jan 1
Jan - Feb	NorCal Canyon Adventure "Buddy" Caravan Tom & Deanna B and John & Elaine W <i>Filled, stand-by welcome.</i>	Jan 28 - Feb 10
Mar	49r RV Park - Columbia Hosts: _____	Mar 2 - 6
Apr	Olema Ranch Campground - Point Reyes Hosts: _____  Region 12 Cali Rally Camatta Ranch, Santa Margarita Hosts: Region 12	Apr 4 - 10  Apr 21 - 24
May	Durango RV Resort - Red Bluff Hosts: _____	May 4 - 8
Jun	Clio's Rivers Edge RV Park - Clio Hosts: _____	Jun 8 - 12
Jun - Jul	(Tentative ) Caravan to Lewisberg, WV Leaders: _____  WBCCI International Rally Lewisberg, WV	Jun ?? - 28 Jun 28 - Jul 5
Aug	Lassen RV Resort - McArthur Hosts: _____	Aug 3 - 7
Sep	Alumafandango Jackson Rancheria (possible unit rally prior to Alumafandango) Hosts: _____	Sep 20 - 25
Oct	Pomo RV Park - Fort Bragg Host : _____  Region 12 Rally Golden Village Palms RV Resort - Hemet <a href="http://www.region12.wbcci.net">www.region12.wbcci.net</a> (sponsor: El Camino Real Unit)	Sep 30 - Oct 4  Oct 12 - 16
Nov	Almond Tree RV Park - Chico Hosts: _____	Nov 4 - 8
Nov - Dec	Installation Rally - Plymouth Far Horizon 4934 Village RV Resort Hosts: _____	Nov 30 - Dec 4

**2015 Rallies & Caravans**

Sep	Maxi Rally - McCloud RV Resort 480 CA-89, McCloud CA Pat L, Jim & Vicki Gallagher <i>Registration due Aug 18</i>	Sep 2 - 7
Oct	Vacaville Octoberfest! <i>Buddy Rally</i> Vineyard RV Park - Vacaville Larry L, John & Lori B, Jackie K <i>Registration due Sept 15</i>  "Taking Silver Back to the Comstock" Region 12 Rally Silver City RV Resort - Minden/Carson City NV <a href="http://www.region12.wbcci.net">www.region12.wbcci.net</a>	Sep 30 - Oct 4  Oct 6 - 11
Nov	Escape to Bodega Bay Bodega Bay RV Park - Bodega Bay Jane K, Lee & Jackie K <i>Registration due Oct 20</i>	Nov 4 - 8
Dec	Jackson-Installation Rally Jackson Rancheria RV Park - Jackson Larry & Kathy W, Bob & Elaine V, Barry & Shirley W <i>Registration due Nov 17</i>	Dec 2 - 6

Note: New info shown in **green**. Dates are arrival and departure, although you can often request a day-early arrival (usually Tues). Sign-ups are by submitting a completed Registration form by the due date. "Buddy" events allow you to invite a non-member even if they don't own an Airstream. Events lacking hosts may be cancelled; See Jackie to host a 2016 rally. Do not exceed the recommended dosage.

# Vacaville Octoberfest!

Arrive Sept 30 - Depart Oct 4, 2015  
 Vineyard RV Park - Vacaville  
 Registration Due Sept 15  
 Hosts: Larry L, John & Lori B

Buddy Rally!



It's "Octoberfest"! Pack your lederhosen and head to the Vineyard RV Park. Bring something to serve for happy hour, which will be assigned on arrival.

**Wednesday:** Arrival and settling in with Happy Hour. A Lasagna dinner awaits your arrival, can you smell the garlic?

**Thursday:** Start your day with a healthy PB&J. Then we'll line up at 9:00AM for a docent led tour of the Travis Air Force Base Museum. Please make certain you bring your California Drivers License (CDL) and drivers make sure you have your car or truck registration which is required to get onto TAFB. The tour will last about 3 hours. Happy Hour, dinner on your own, and games in the evening.

**Friday:** Start your morning with some fresh-brewed coffee and PB&J. Line up at 9:00 am and head off to the Jelly Belly Factory for a tour. Can you think of a flavor of jellybean they won't have? Lunch is on your own. Larry reports there is a nice lunch available right at the factory, or you can go out on your own. Just be at Anheuser-Busch Brewery at 1:00 for a tour. It is Octoberfest so now is the time to sample the brews & celebrate. Come back for Happy Hour at 4:30. Dinner is on your own. At 7:00 pm its movie night, showing .....wait for it! ....."The Sound of Music", accompanied by big handfuls of Popcorn.

**Saturday:** Still some PB&J left and there will be fresh coffee waiting. The NorCal board will meet at 9AM and all members are welcome to join in and see how the board acts on your behalf. A lot of people work behind the scenes to make sure the club runs smoothly and has something to offer everyone. New faces and fresh ideas are always welcome. Afterward, you have the day to yourself. Perhaps a little retail therapy at the Vacaville/Nut Tree premiere outlets. Christmas isn't too far away. Two gun ranges are nearby if you'd like some practice. Green Valley is also a great area to cycle! The Western Railway is a short distance away in Suisun City. Drop in at Bay Area Airstream in Fairfield and lust at the 2016 models, or pick up needed parts. Scoot over to Napa Valley for wine

## NEED TO KNOW

**PARK AMENITIES:** WiFi, pool, cable, meeting room, dog walks, restrooms and showers, propane, pull-thru and back-in spaces.

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tasting. Just be back in time to change into your lederhosen for Happy Hour and a little oom-pah-pah followed by an Octoberfest dinner of a variety of brats + 'kraut by Fraulein Lori and Herr John! Fraulein Lori and Frau Costco have prepared some delicious Apple Pie for dessert.

**Sunday:** Checkout is at 11:00 am. **Auf Wiedersehen!**  
Larry L, John & Lori B, and Jackie K

## Vacaville Octoberfest!

Arrive Sept 30 - Depart Oct 4, 2015  
 Vineyard RV Park - Vacaville  
 Registration Due Sept 15, 2015

Buddy Rally!

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a "buddy", who is your host? \_\_\_\_\_

Circle nights parking: T W T F S S  
 If arriving after Wednesday 5PM, indicate arrival day \_\_\_\_ and circle time:  
 9-noon noon-5 5-10PM.

Pkg \_\_\_\_ nights at \$41 per rig per night \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pets: \$1/night per dog \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Dogs not allowed to be left outside RV when owner away from the site.)

### Rates below are per person

Rally Fee \_\_\_\_ @\$5 pp \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Wed welcome lasagna dinner \_\_\_\_ @\$8 pp \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sat Octoberfest dinner \_\_\_\_ @\$8 pp \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

How many attending Travis AFB tour? (n/c) \_\_\_\_\_

How many attending Jelly Belly tour? (n/c) \_\_\_\_\_

How many attending brewery tour? (\$5pp pay at door) \_\_\_\_\_

### Send Registration coupon and check payable to WBCCI/NorCal:

Vacaville Registrar - Vicki G  
 211 E 2nd St.  
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 (707) 980-3827 [norcal-registrar@att.net](mailto:norcal-registrar@att.net)

For e-mail confirmation check here: \_\_\_\_\_

For reservations after the deadline, call the Park (866) 447-8797 and the NorCal registrar. No club-provided food refunds after Wednesday of the rally. Other refunds depend on the cancellation policy of the contractors. Requests for refunds should be in writing.

**Complete below only if this is your first NorCal rally or there are updates since your last NorCal event.**

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

WBCCI # \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap Y N 1st NC rally Y N

Trailer \_\_\_\_ MoHo \_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_ Lic# \_\_\_\_ Tow Vehicle \_\_\_\_ TOAD \_\_\_\_

Lic# \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

**(From "Bodega" p. 1)**

Happy Hour at 4:30 pm followed by BBQ burgers for dinner. Our guest speaker this evening is Jim McElroy who will tell us about search and rescue activities along the coast.

Clubhouse will be open until 10pm.

**Saturday:** Election Day for NorCal! No PB&J this morning. We're starting the day Chicago style with coffee, fruit, bagels & schmear! Don't forget to pick up your last puzzle of the day. Grab a cup of coffee before the general meeting at 9:00 am. Don't be too quick to run off after the meeting -Jane & I have plans. There will be an activity right after the meeting. The rest of the day is on your own but be back in time for Happy Hour at 4:30 followed up with a BBQ tri-tip dinner & fixings. After dinner the Jeopardy game will be returning! Clubhouse will be open until 10pm.

Jane K, Lee & Jackie K

**"Escape to Bodega Bay"**

Arrive - Depart Nov 4 - 8, 2015

Bodega Bay RV Park - Bodega Bay

Registration Due October 20, 2015

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

Circle nights parking: T W T F S S M  
 If arriving after Wednesday 5PM, indicate arrival day \_\_\_\_\_ and circle time:  
 9-noon noon-5 5-10PM.

Pkg \_\_\_\_\_ nights at \$43 per rig per night  
 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Rates below are per person**

Rally Fee \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5 pp \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Wed pulled pork welcome dinner \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$7 pp \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thur UC Bodega Lab tour \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5pp \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Fri BBQ burger dinner \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$6 pp \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sat BBQ tri-tip dinner \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$9pp \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Send Registration and check payable to **WBCCI/NorCal:**

Registrar  
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 Sacramento, CA 95821  
 (916) 485 3359 or [norcal-registrar@att.net](mailto:norcal-registrar@att.net)

For e-mail confirmation check here: \_\_\_\_\_

For reservations after the deadline, call the Park (530) 964-2252 and the NorCal registrar. No club-provided food refunds after Wednesday of the rally. Other refunds depend on the cancellation policy of the contractors. Requests for refunds should be in writing.

**Complete below only if this is your first NorCal rally or there are updates since your last NorCal event.**

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Tow Vehicle \_\_\_ TOAD \_\_\_ Lic# \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

**Thunder and Lightning and Bears, OH MY!  
 Boondocking in Cool Truckee**

August 5 - 9, 2015

Diane & Bryan/ Don & Gail (SNU), George & Claudette (NorCal)

The summer Sierra is gloriously cool, and home to sudden thunderstorms and wildlife sightings, as 21 Airstream attendees learned in this joint rally with the Sierra Nevada Unit (one of the smallest) and NorCal (the 5<sup>th</sup> largest). It was a successful example of communication, collaboration and compromise between units with very different styles. Prosser, 10 miles from Truckee, was a great location - not too civilized, which pleased the 5 attending SNU members (they got to boondock), and easy access to activities (appreciated by the 13 attending NorCal rigs); the 3 prospective members settled in nicely.

Wednesday night's campfire and BBQ potluck set the tone. By Thursday nearly everyone had arrived including an uninvited mama bear and her cubs, the wildlife paying us a return visit Friday night. A few tent campers lost food and left early and some Airstreamers were reminded why you don't leave coolers outdoors, but this did not deter the general sense of enjoyment.

The SNU folks shared their boondocking practices with NorCal. Each day started with 7 am coffee provided by SNU's Bryan L, muffins by NorCal, and a campfire that drew everyone from their trailers to warm up for the day. Thursday night a few NorCal folks went to "The Fantasticks" at Sand Harbor. Others attended the Truckee Nights street fair. On Friday morning all shared stories of nighttime awakenings due to thunder and the bears. Friday Ray B, Claudette, Tom & Deanna, and John & Elain went to Perazzo Meadows to view a bird banding project. Others hiked, went to Hot August Nights in Reno, or just enjoyed the peaceful cloudy day at camp. Friday's potluck was rained out, but the campfire was lit and everyone enjoyed an evening of visiting until only embers remained.

The next morning we awakened to an SNU campfire and coffee, with an added treat: Don W of SNU assisted by John W of NorCal prepared a wonderful from-scratch sourdough pancake breakfast. An amazing variety of fresh fruit appeared including peaches from guests Bob & Karen W of Redding, Fallon cantaloupes from SNU's Jerry & Dyann T, and strawberries and blueberries from Baxter and Mariene of SNU. Bacon & sausage were thanks to Don & Gail W, and Diane and Bryan L.. After breakfast Don W did a tech session on AS Electric Power Management. A large group then carpoled to Independence Lake Preserve for a guided walk by the Nature Conservancy. This gem was just one of the several "finds" of the August rally.

That night we brought out Friday's potluck items, burned more wood, and continued making new friends while watching Don W's photos from the Alyeska caravan. All went to bed hoping mama bear wouldn't return. She didn't; but many of us have vowed to return to Prosser and Independence Lake for another adventure.

PROSSER FAMILY CAMPGROUND



Ray found bird banding was fun for all ages.



Mornings and evenings we warmed ourselves to campfires and gathered to share stories.



Dinners were so good bears came visiting two nights.



The Nature Conservancy's Independence Lake Preserve.



Region 12's Pancake Kings, John W of NorCal and Don W of SNU, made Doris' to-die-for from-scratch sourdough pancakes.



Bob W just retired from a state tourism bureau - can you tell?



Ralph and Lorena from San Jose checked us out.



The Nature Conservancy gave us a great tour of Independence Lake.



Lori B goes for breakfast.



Puck and Leg, or is it Leo and Puck, wonder about their breakfast.



Nakoma Lodge, near Clio, was designed by Frank Lloyd Wright.



Truckee Thursday was popular.



Guests Roman and Melissa brought an Aviator, designed to compete with Airstream. It was their 9th RV in 3 years, a run that included several Airstreams.



Bob shows off a portable solar panel.



A pleasant day in the neighborhood.



George and Cam ruminate about the world, but end up taking naps.

For many more Prosser photos and articles about dry camping, see this [SNU link](#).

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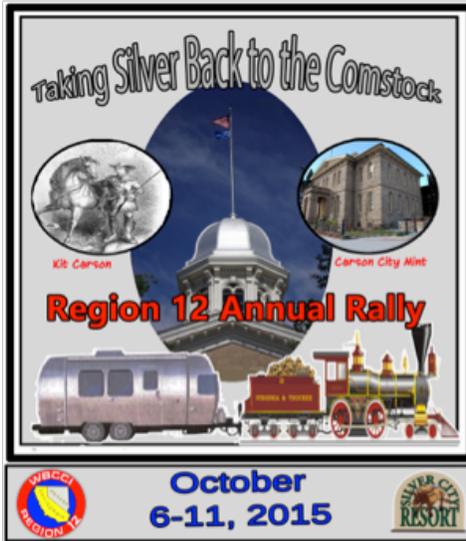
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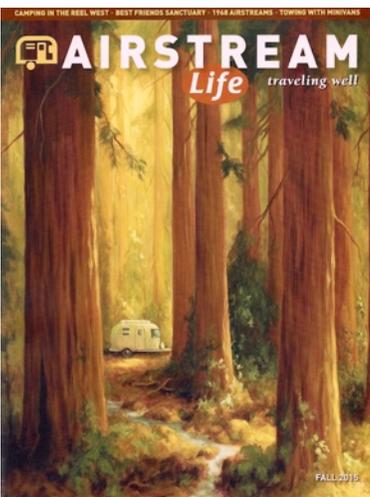
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 Carson City Museum and Mint tour  
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### Culture Stop



In a prominent art story, NorCal's own Jane K gained some recognition nationally by having one of her iconic paintings on the cover of the Fall 2015 issue of Airstream Life.

Congratulations, Jane!

Artists have always been important in Airstream culture.

Shown to the right are Donald and Nancy Featherstone, at an Ig Nobel Prize ceremony in 2012. Donald, an artist, was hired by Union Products in 1957 to sculpt animals. He first did a nice duck that nobody remembers, then later in

the year a pink flamingo that nobody can forget. He designed over a hundred critters in



plastic and eventually retired as president of Union Products, but nothing ever came close to that flamingo.

Another interesting thing about Donald: his wife made all his shirts. With the scraps, she made things for herself. For the next 35 years they wore matching wardrobes.

It is unknown if this practice ended only because of his death, or if he finally said “no”.



Dear Editor,

Look who we found at Costanoa RV Park in Pescadero. It became an impromptu flash rally! Bob & Carol Echols from Santa Cruz, joined in 2011 but haven't been to many rallies. After two happy hours and lunch at Duarte's in Pescadero, they are thinking about going to McCloud.

Then, we met Travis, Brittney, Kailee (sp?) and Jacee (so?), who live in Santa Monica. Their Bambi is admittedly a little tight, but very cute. Of course, Len & I went into low-key recruitment mode.

Jeff and his family from South Bay arrived on Wednesday. Unfortunately, we didn't get to spend much time with them.

As Bob & Carol were preparing to leave on Thursday, Len spent some time with Bob.



Lenlee Jenckes, the last member of our impromptu rally, arrived in her Bambi Thursday afternoon, and she asked Len to help her park. We chatted with her about NorCal and the McCloud rally. She, too, is interested and may pay our group a visit.

As is always the case, our impromptu rally went by quickly and ended too soon. But, hopefully, our recruitment efforts will add to NorCal's roster.

Len E & JoAnn G

**This issue was published early to avoid hassling with it in Yellowstone. October be produced in Colorado during the Rocky Mountain High USA caravan or on our way to the Albuquerque Balloon Festival. Have a great end to this summer. Drought and horrific fires are just noise.**



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