



OKLAHOMA AIRSTREAM

Oklahoma's WBCCI Unit 88 Newsletter

Your Journey Awaits



Twilight at Lake Tenkiller

Photo by Wes

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Rallies and Events

Oklahoma Unit Fall Rally
Grove, OK
October 20-23, 2016

Wichita Mountains Campout
Lawton OK
November 3-6, 2016

Oklahoma Unit December Rally
TBD

Welcome New Members

Since the publishing of our last newsletter, we've had 9 new members join our Unit. A big welcome to: James Taylor (Tulsa), Ken & DJ McCoy (OKC), Don & Norma Durgin (Fletcher), Walter & Doris Wilkerson (OKC), and Bradley & Sandra Buresh (Edmond OK).

We've also had two new Associate Members join us. Region 9 President and First Lady, Grady and Keith Ferry.

Thank you for joining the Oklahoma Unit and we hope you will join us at one of our upcoming rallies and campouts.

Where has the time gone! My apologies for not getting a newsletter out sooner. After the severe weather of Apr and May, seemed we moved right into the hot summer. Several of our members, including Jackie and I, hit the road to find cooler temperatures. I hope all of you had opportunities to get out and enjoy those Airstreams. Please, share your Airstream adventures with us. Just send me a few pictures with a short narrative and I will put them in our next newsletter for all to enjoy.

Oklahoma Unit Fall Rally, 20-23 Oct 2016

Our fall rally has been set and is quickly approaching. I hope you will mark your calendars to attend? Since we had to cancel our spring rally at Grove due to weather, we decided to try Grove again for our fall rally. The rally will run from Thursday through Saturday with a Sunday departure. If you wish to arrive early or stay longer, no problem, just call and schedule your additional days with the RV park office. No need to call to reserve a site unless you intend to come before or after the rally dates listed.

Cedar Oaks RV Park
1550 83rd Street NW
Grove, OK 74344
(918) 786-4303, (800) 880-8884
Group discount is \$24.95 a night with payment by cash or check

If you can't make it Thursday because of a work or school schedule, that's okay. Come Friday; or even Saturday. We'd love for you to attend as much as possible! Our ultimate goal is to bring members together to socialize, to meet fellow Airstream enthusiast and to share Airstream experiences and lifestyle....and to have fun and make new friends. Jackie and I hope you will join us and be a part of this event.

The fall rally also serves as our unit's annual business and officer nomination meeting. The business meeting will be held on Saturday. If you are interested in an officer position, please consider throwing your hat in the ring. New officers bring in new and fresh ideas which will help our Unit grow. I hope you will consider volunteering!

I will be sending out a proposed rally agenda in the next few days so be sure to watch for it.

Also, to make sure we have enough spaces for everyone, please e-mail me if you plan on attending. Thanks, -Wes-

Wichita Mountains Campout, Nov 3-6, 2016

Are you ready for a good-o-fashion campout? Come join us at Camp Doris in the Wichita Mountain National Wildlife Refuge in November. November is a great time to enjoy the cool crisp air and fall colors in the Wichita's. Cookouts, campfires, hiking, sightseeing; there's plenty to do and see.

Camp Doris (Loop E) has 13 electric hook-up sites. No water at individual sites but there are water faucets located in convenient locations throughout the campgrounds. Shower facilities are also available. 18 semi primitive sites are located directly across the road in Loop A (paved but no elect hookups). A dump station is located at the entrance/exit of the campground. Sites are "first come" so arriving early will improve chances of getting a good spot. Electric sites are \$20 a day (\$10 with America the Beautiful pass). Semi primitive sites are \$10 (\$5 with America the Beautiful Pass). Semi primitive sites work great for those with generators or solar.

December Rally - TBD

The date and location of our December rally will be discussed and decided at our October fall rally. If you are not going to be able to attend the October rally but have a suggestion as to when and where you'd like to see the December rally held, please e-mail me your suggestions. We will include them in the October discussions.

Additional WBCCI Rallies

In addition to the OK rallies and campouts scheduled, there are several other WBCCI Unit events you might want to consider.

Oct 28-30, 2016 - HOTCU October Halloween (Boondocking) Campout

The Heart of Texas Camping Unit has invited the Oklahoma Unit to join them for a Halloween boondocking rally in the LBJ Grasslands, Texas in October. This is a great opportunity to test your boondocking skills with the comfort of knowing you have many long-time boondockers there to help you with most things that may come up or answer about any question/concern about boondocking and Airstreams. At the same time you will get to meet wonderful people in the Airstream family. If interested, we will forward their itinerary to you so you can plan and prepare for a good time.

Mar 20-26, 2017 - WBCCI Region 9 Rally

The 2017 Region 9 "Airstream Aloha" Rally has been scheduled for March 20-26, 2017, at Mitchell RV Park, in Perrin TX. Perrin TX is about 35 miles NW of Fort Worth on Hwy 281. Activities will include entertainment, seminars and games. And of course lots of fun, food and socializing!

I am providing the link to the region 9 rally brochure. I hope you will take a few minutes to look it over and sign up to attend. <http://region9.wbcci.net/files/2013/02/Airstream-Aloha-Brochure.pdf>

So, mark your calendars now and don't miss a minute of what promises to be another great Airstream Region Rally!

Apr 20-30, 2017 - Arkansas Razorback WBCCI Unit "come-n-go" Caravan and Rally

Paul Moore of the Arkansas Razorback WBCCI Unit has invited the Oklahoma Unit to join them in a short 8 day caravan and rally, April 20-27, 2017. If you've never been a participant in a caravan this would be a great opportunity to try one out. It will start at Lake Charles State Park in Powhatan AR and end at Village Creek State Park outside Wynne AR. As the "come-n-go" term implies, you can participate in part, or all, of the caravan. I will be sending out Paul's e-mail with additional details for those that are interested.

Journeys

Did you take a trip this past summer? Please share some of pictures and experiences of your trip with the rest of us. We'd love to hear about it! A special thanks to the Cavness' and Jacks for sharing some of their pictures!

Joel and Jamie Cavness and Family

Joel and Jamie are Oklahoma Unit members from Westville OK. A few months ago Joel had a serious accident which resulted in several months of rehab. Fortunately, Joel is doing much better. Jamie reports: "The summer was hard but Joel is well on his way to recovery! We were able to take our trailer to Lake Fort Smith state park for Labor Day weekend! First time since the accident!"



Fort Smith State Park

Photo by Jamie Cavness

The Cavness' are planning on being at our fall rally so let's give Joel a big "congrats" and well wishes for his continued recovery!

Colorado Mountains

This summer Jackie and I headed to Colorado to find cooler weather and visit Jackie's son who lives in Denver. We chose Brainard Lake, northwest of Denver, as our nesting place. The elevation of Brainard Lake is 10,300 feet and offers breathtaking scenery. Tucked away amongst the Colorado Cedars and Aspens, we had cool nights in the low 40's and highs in the mid 70's.



Brainard Lake, Ward CO

Photo by Wes



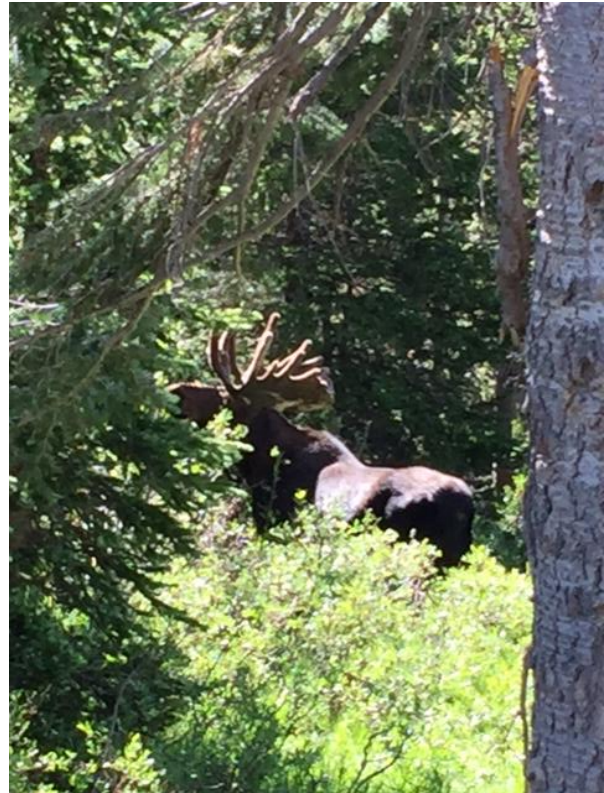
Brainard Lake Recreation Area

Photo by Wes



Brainard Lake

Photo by John Lugafet



Brainard Lake

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While visiting Jackie's son in Denver we stayed a couple of nights at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds, Golden Colorado. The Jefferson County Fairgrounds RV Park is a great place to stay if you are interested in only having a staging area while you tour Denver and the surrounding area. With water and electric at each site and a dump station available, it's a great alternative to the higher priced (and less convenient) RV parks around the Denver area. It can get crowded so be sure to call ahead to schedule your visit.



Jefferson Co Fairgrounds

Photo by Wes



Garden of the Gods, CO Springs

Photo by Wes

The Jacks visit Pagosa Springs and Durango

Jerry and Marsha Jack, members of our Oklahoma Unit, are currently on the road traveling. They recently camped at Pagosa Spings in Colorado and moved on to Durango. They sent a few pictures to share their journey.



Marsh Jack hamming it up with the 4 Amigos Photo by Jerry J



RV Park in Durango Photo by Jerry



Echo Canyon Reservoir Photo by Marsh Jack



Pagosa Springs RV Park Photo by Jerry

West Texas

The end of August, Jackie and I had the opportunity to visit some friends in West Texas. Although it's normally hot and dry in August, we were fortunate to have cloudy skies which kept the temperatures down. And with the higher than normal rainfall, the country side was unusually green.



Robert Lee, TX

Photo by Wes



Robert Lee, TX

Photo by Wes



Jackie Skeet Shooting

Photo by Wes



West Texas Sunset

Photo by Jackie

Recipe of the Month

Need a quick hors d'oeuvre for a gathering or dinner? Try this. Jackie made this during our recent trip to West Texas. It was a great success.

Cheese Logs, Cheese Balls or Cheese Porcupine

2 lbs. Velveeta cheese, one 8 oz. cream cheese, ¼ t. garlic powder, mix well. Add 1 c. chopped pecans and mix well again. This can be made into cheese logs, cheese balls or as in the picture with a little imagination a porcupine. The porcupine quills are pretzels with the ends cut on a slant, the eyes are just end pieces of pretzels. After completing your cheese (?) sprinkle with chili powder and serve with crackers.



Delicious!

Campout and Rally Suggestions

What type of rallies or campouts do you want to see our unit hold? I am sure we all have our favorite places to camp and things to do and see. Please share them with us. One of the things we will be discussing during our October business meeting is the type and frequency of rallies. I would love to have your input for this topic. If you won't be attending the business meeting, please send me your input via e-mail so we can include it in our discussions.

Oklahoma Unit 88 Website

As always, don't forget to check out our Unit's website at www.oklahoma.wbcci.net
Past newsletters can be found on it as well as upcoming events and contact information.

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Do you know anyone with an Airstream that's not a WBCCI member? Tell them about our Unit and ask them to check out our website.

Thanks,

-Wes & Jackie-