



# OKLAHOMA AIRSTREAMERS

Oklahoma's WBCCI Unit 88 Newsletter

***WBCCI Region 9***

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## ***Rallies and Events***

WBCCI Region 9 Rally

Abilene, TX

April 9-15, 2018

**Your Journey Awaits**



"The Gate" BLM Campground, north of Lake City, CO

## Welcome New 2017 Members!

A big welcome to all our new members that joined in 2017: Daniel & Miranda Beatty (Norman), Bill & Joanne Braunbeck (OKC), Kathy & Rick Coody (Skiatook), Caleb Cope (Tulsa), Mike & Suzy Gist (Duncan), Steven Langridge (Keifer), Jerry & Joyce McNeil (OKC), John & Nicki Ohlheiser (Guthrie), Calvin & Wanda Pryor (OKC), Thomas Reams (Crescent), Ronald & Barbara Wilder (Guthrie). Also, Rusty & Jamie Whitson (Elk City) who joined in Dec 2016.

Thank you for joining the Oklahoma Unit. If you haven't already done so, we hope you will join us at one of our upcoming outings this coming year.

## Officer Election Results

The Votes are in! Votes for our 2018 Officer positions have been tabulated and the results are as follow:

President. - Larry Walters  
Secretary. - Kathy Walters  
Treasurer. - Jackie Anderson  
1st Trustee - Jerry Jack  
2nd Trustee - Wes Anderson

New officers will assume their respective officer positions 1 January 2018.



Larry and Kathy Walters

Congratulations and thanks to all the new officers for volunteering to fill these critical officer positions. Your support is greatly appreciated!

## **Time to Renew WBCCI Memberships for 2018 !**

If you haven't already done so, **you must renew before 30 November to ensure you are listed in the WBCCI Digital Directory!** Don't be left out, renew today! Renewing before the end of November will ensure you are included in the Blue Beret membership book. Renewing on-line is easy. Just go to [www.WBCCI.org](http://www.WBCCI.org) and click on "Renew Online" and follow prompts.

Not comfortable signing up on line? No problem. Just print out a membership application form from the WBCCI web site (<http://wbcci.org/component/jdownloads/send/6-membership-documents/63-membership-application>), fill out and mail to: Membership, P.O. Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334. Make your check payable to "WBCCI". Be sure to include your WBCCI membership number on your application form.

Please, don't let your membership expire. **Don't wait! Renew today!**

### **Apr 9-15, 2018 - WBCCI Region 9 Rally**

The 2018 Region 9 "Love Peace Airstream" Rally is just a few months away. If you haven't attended a Region 9 rally, you're missing out. They are great events. The rally is scheduled for April 9-15, 2018, at the Expo Center of Taylor County, Abilene TX. 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.

[www.region9.wbcci.net/files/2016/03/PeaceLoveBrochure-2018.pdf](http://www.region9.wbcci.net/files/2016/03/PeaceLoveBrochure-2018.pdf)

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



## Oct 25-28, 2018 - Region 9 Texas Country Air Rally

The Texas Country Air Rally, formerly sponsored by the Texas Plains Unit and held in Quanah TX has been re-designated a WBCCI National/Special Event Rally sponsored by Region 9. This year it is scheduled to be held in Brownwood TX, at the historic Santa Fe Railroad depot and event center. Brownwood is considered the geographic center of TX



The Texas County Air Rally is an Urban boondocking rally. Airstreams will be parked around the rally site and along streets. Our streams can easily handle three days of boondocking so I hope you will consider attending.

The rally site will be held at the old Santa Fe depot which has been restored and includes a large ball room for the entertainment. Connected to the depot is a historic Harvey House. The upstairs includes a restored Harvey girl's bedroom with period decor. Across the street is the Martin and Frances Lehnis Railroad Museum. If you enjoy train history you'll really enjoy the museum.

Registration for the rally will begin 15 Jan 18 and will be limited to 200 rigs. There are approximately 40 electric sites so if you're planning on attending and want an electric site, register early! Otherwise, unless you have solar, bring your generator to recharge those batteries!





## Wichita Mountain Fall Campout Memories

Our Unit fall campout was held at Camp Doris in the Wichita Mountain Wildlife Refuge. We had 5 trailers attend. Whether it was hiking up Mount Baldy, biking the grounds, or visiting around the camp fire, I think I can speak for all when I say we had a great time! Lots of fun, food and camaraderie. As usual at the Doris Campground, we were welcomed by it's camp wildlife looking for handouts!



Welcoming Committee

Photo by Jackie



Fireside Chat

Photo by Jerry Jack



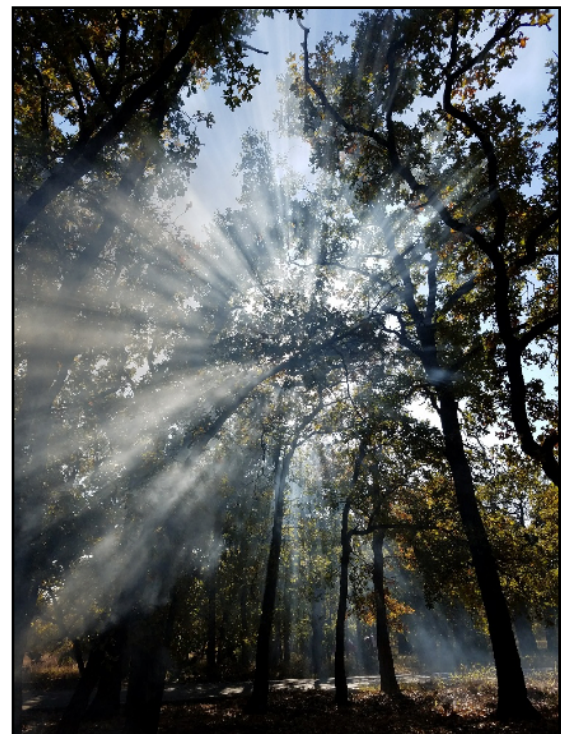
Doris Campgrounds

Photo by Wes



Quanh Parker Lake, Wichita Mts.

Photo by Joanne Braunbeck



Doris Campground.

Photo by Joanne Braunbeck



## Airstream Travels

This past summer Jackie and I hit the road to find some cooler weather. Following are a few of our favorite camping sites from that trip.

Arkansas River Bridge Campground, just north of Buena Vista, CO. It's a state campground and requires reservations. No hookups but it does have primitive toilet facilities. Beautiful scenery and right next to the river for fly fishing and river rafting.



We were on our way to Buena Vista and were a day early for our reservations at the Arkansas River Railroad Bridge campground so we needed a place to spend the night. Found this little campground not far from Buena Vista. Clear Creek Reservoir, San Isabel National Forest. Great overnight stop.





Two other spots in Colorado were the Continental Ranch, about 30 miles west of Creed CO, and Cascade NF campground, San Isabel National Forest. Both were dry camping but well worth the visit.



After about 3 weeks in Colorado we traveled to Cloudcroft NM to meet up with some fellow Airstream friends. Cloudcroft is in the Lincoln National Forest. And has lots of free BLM camping. Although there are RV campgrounds in the area with hookups, we chose to dry camp. We stayed there 6 nights, honing our boondocking skills! While at Cloudcroft we drove to the White Sands National Monument (which we learned is actually made up of gypsum, not sand).



## **Pictures?**

Have you taken a trip recently? Do you have pictures you'd like to share with the Unit? If so, please send them to me for inclusion into the next newsletter. We'd love to see them!

## **Rally Suggestions?**

What type rallies, campouts, events would you like to see the Unit schedule? Do you have any good camping areas you can share? We're interested in the type and location of rallies you'd like to see us schedule so please, tell us your thoughts! Is anyone interested in a December or January outing? We'd love to hear your comments and suggestions. Just send me an email with your comments.

## **Oklahoma Unit 88 Website**

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. [www.oklahoma.wbcci.net](http://www.oklahoma.wbcci.net)

Thanks,

-Wes & Jackie-