

31st National Hobo Rally
Colorado River Fairgrounds, Blythe, CA
Feb 6 - Feb 12, 2012



*Come on down to Southern
California and enjoy the
warmth of sunshine and
the fun of friends at the
2012 National Hobo Rally*

FOR MORE
RALLY INFORMATION:
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Region 12 invites you to the 52nd Hobo Rally in Blythe, California from February 6 - 12, 2011. Blythe is located 130 miles from Phoenix, 220 miles from Los Angeles, 150 miles from Laughlin, and 20 miles from Quartzsite.

Here are some of the interesting and fun activities:

- The whole week will lead up to the fabulous Hobo Stew that you will long remember. The finale celebration is the Hobo Parade and the Hobo Stew that has been in preparation for days.
- **REMEMBER** that a hobo was typically a person of the road, **NOT** a bum, clown or person of ill repute. Hobos were **CLEAN**, although their clothes may have been old and worn. Start assembling your outfit and enter the contest.
- A great favorite of the rally is the entertaining Hobo Band. **BRING YOUR MUSICAL INSTRUMENT AND JOIN THE BAND FOR A MUSIC MAKING FUN TIME FOR ALL.** Check the box on your coupon so we will look for you.

PARKING

- Six nights of parking on mostly grass, water, limited electricity and loads of FUN.
- Handicapped parking is available.
- No free Bullpen Parking

MEALS

- Monday, **ARRIVAL DAY**, a dinner will be served so you won't have to cook after a long day of riding the rails!
- Toast with jam and/or peanut butter, coffee or tea will be available most mornings.
- A special breakfast will be served by the Region 12 officers
- Saturday is our **Famous Hobo Stew**.

ENTERTAINMENT

- Two nights of **GREAT professional entertainment**.
- The famous Hobo Band entertains 3 nights (**bring your musical instrument**).
- **Bingo** with **ALL** proceeds going to the winners!

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- Orientation for First Time Hobos
- Vintage Trailer Open House
- Seminars: Wheel Packing; Electrical; Makeup and Hairstyles for the Traveling Woman; Stew Can Preparation
- Competitions: Hobo King and Queen; Indoor and Outdoor Games; Hobbies and Crafts Show; Best Beard grown **since January 1st, 2012**; Tall Tales, Stew Can Judging.
- Door Prizes (times will be listed in your program)
- Swap-N-Sell - Flea Market - your junk may be someone else's treasures; so bring it with you.
- Tours: Cibola National Wildlife Refuge, Local Agriculture and Chuckawalla Prison ***NOTE**: For the prison tour (40 maximum) **EACH PERSON planning to attend will need to fill out a security clearance form and SUBMIT IT BY JANUARY 1, 2012**. Forms can be requested from the Rally registrar (check the box on the rally coupon) or from the Region 12 web site www.region12.wbcci.net.
- Start thinking about the **TALL TALE** you would like to share with your fellow Airstreamers during the Tall Tales Contest. The Tall Tales Master of Ceremonies will limit each tall tale to two (2) minutes. Off color stories or stories which demean ethnic backgrounds or religions are not acceptable.
- A variety of workshops and seminars will be held. The topics, locations and schedules will be listed in the Rally program.
- As a part of the Hobo Rally's Community Service Program, please bring an **unwrapped NEW TOY** to the rally for a child between the ages of 8 to 16. The toys will be presented to the Chuckawalla State Prison Employees Association to give to needy families during the holiday season. Be sure to check the box on your coupon.
- What else is there to do?
 - * Blythe has many restaurants where you, your friends, caravan groups, or units can enjoy a meal and/or meeting.
 - * Quartzsite is just across the Arizona border.
 - * Joshua Tree National Monument, Salton Sea and the General Patton Museum are local attractions.
 - * Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument is in Arizona and London Bridge can be seen at Lake Havasu City.
 - * For those who enjoy gambling, Laughlin is just a few hours up the road!

The Hobo Rally has a history of being a laid back rally, providing many planned activities, along with plenty of time for Airstreamers to socialize and just relax. Typically, the days in Blythe are warm and the evenings are pleasantly cool. Be prepared for a week of **FUN** in the **SUN**!

- Golfers, **BRING YOUR CLUBS** because there's a great golf course nearby.
- If your pet travels with you, there will be a Pet Show for your fellow Airstreamers to meet your pet and ask questions.



- Enter your art and/or handicrafts in the Hobby and Craft Show.
- Bring your bicycle and have fun in the Bicycle Rodeo.
- Men - start growing your beards **beginning no sooner than January 1st, 2012**. That's the requirement for entering the Best Beard Contest.
- Bring a large can to the rally (wide mouth highly **recommended**—such as a #10 food can) for the Saturday Night Hobo Stew Dinner. There will be a Stew Can Construction Workshop and you can enter your decorated stew can in the Decorated Stew Can Competition. All you long time hobos, please remember to bring extra cans to help the new attendees.

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Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip _____
WBCCI # _____ Phone (____) _____
E-mail _____ Check any below that apply
First Timer ___ Vintage Club ___ Classic Club ___
Committee Member ___ Chair ___ Early Worker ___
Name of Committee _____
Adults # ___ Children # ___ Handicap Parking ___

Send me a Prison Tour Security Form (I'm including a self addressed stamped envelope)

Yes, I will bring a NEW TOY!
(unwrapped, for a child ages 8 - 16)

I am bringing my band instrument and it's a

RALLY FEES

Airstream with 2 adults @ \$225 \$ _____
Airstream with 1 adult @ \$210 \$ _____
Adult guests (15+ years) # _____ X \$50 \$ _____

Early Bird Fun SAVER Special
(Must be postmarked by January 1, 2012)

Yes, We/I want to **SAVE** \$5.00 per person by registering **EARLY**:

Deduct # _____ X \$5 \$ (_____)

Total Amount Due \$ _____

Make your check payable to: **Region 12 Hobo Rally**
Mail check with coupon to:

Kathy Hampel, Hobo Rally Registrar
794 Grace Street, Livermore, CA 94550

SAVE! COMPLETE & MAIL TODAY!!

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN
BLYTHE!**