

# River City Beemers



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### Membership Meeting

Sat May 7th 8:00am  
Western Coffee Pot  
Auburn near Greenback Ln  
Citrus Heights

### Director's Meeting

Tues May 10th, 6:30 pm  
Western Coffee Pot  
Auburn near Greenback Ln.  
Citrus Heights

### Breakfast - Be There!

Every Saturday 8 am  
Western Coffee Pot  
6233 Auburn Blvd  
Citrus Heights

### Weds. Coffee Social Meet between 5-7pm

Leaves every Wednesday  
evening at 6 pm from The  
Coffee Republic in Folsom

## The President's Corner by Gary Stofer



Hope you're watching the calendar and planning for some great rides this year. Our first campout is this month; May 13 & 14 to be exact. See information elsewhere for the details but make sure to let Jack Klauschie know if you plan on attending so he can have plenty of food. Cost to you is \$10. Jim Cyran's GS ride will also be based at the campground so if you're hankering to get that new GS dirty, here's your chance. If you just want to go up for Saturday, I'll be leaving after breakfast from Western Coffee Pot and you're welcome to tag along.

If you're an MOA member, did you enter this year's mileage contest yet? Mike Paetzold is still accepting the forms and verifying mileage. Bring your form to the May membership meeting. Make sure you have your MOA membership number (it's on the ON address label) on the form and make sure you identify yourself as an RCber. Our MOA club number is 210. If you looked at the results from last year you'll see that RCB accounted for 31 of the 79 entries from California and had the 5<sup>th</sup> largest club participation nationwide. If just an additional 10 of you would participate we would be in 2<sup>nd</sup>. It's all just for fun, by the way.

I think I've neglected to mention it but NorCal BMW's 49er rally is Memorial Day weekend May 27-30. This year it's in Sonora at the fairgrounds. We always had a large number of RCber's when this event was held in Quincy but many stayed away from the Auburn rally. After all, the best part of going to rallies is the ride. Now it's a few hours away again and there are some great roads around Sonora. Hope to see a lot of members there. They usually have a fair amount of vendors and a great beer garden. The Saturday evening meal is optional to keep the cost down.

The semi-organized ride to Chief Joseph rally June 16 is a go. We'll leave from Western Coffee Pot at 8:00 AM. The route has not been decided yet but I intend to use 2 lane roads wherever possible and would like to travel through Lassen if the roads are cleared. Hunter Hot Springs Resort is booked up for Thursday night so some of us are staying at the Best Western in Lakeview, others at the Budget Inn. The rooms are surprisingly pricey considering where you are. Then it's just a quick 200 miles into John Day Friday morning. We might be there early enough to get shaded camping, but I doubt it. The registration fee at the Chief Joseph includes dinner both nights so don't be shocked at the price. There's a \$10 discount if you pre-register by May 15.

Get your bike ready for the long rides. Make sure you start with fresh tires. The last few 32nds of tread wear off much faster than the first few. Don't expect any great deals on tires at a rally. All you'll end up doing is tying up your bike for a day and allowing complete strangers to do the work. And yes, for those of you who know my history, I will mount up my new tires before leaving this year. In fact, if you're going to need more than 1 set of tires this summer, you might think about buying that 2<sup>nd</sup> set now and putting them away. Some sizes and types of tires are already in short supply. The new GS's are selling like hotcakes and I don't think the tire manufacturers were ready for the demand. After all, you have to have good rubber if you're going to...

Ride Safe

Ride Often

Got Mufflers?

# Excuses not to attend Thunderhill June 5th

Excuses  
by Greg Gibson

Excuses, I've heard the excuses. As one of the instructors for the RCB Rider Improvement Day at Thunderhill Raceway, I've heard so many of the excuses so many times, that I thought I'd list them here. Perhaps if I can force you to come up with a more creative excuse, you will just give up and come on out to the track. For those too lazy to come up with a new excuse, you can try one of these, but I probably won't listen to it.



thing (except what all those guys in front of you know)

The excuses I've heard (and the response you get):

- 1) I'm not a racer (neither am I, so what)
- 2) I never intend to ride that fast (you probably go faster on I-80)
- 3) It's too expensive (more expensive than emergency room treatment?)
- 4) I can't afford new tires (but you can afford the above?)
- 5) I'm too busy (everybody has their own priorities)
- 6) I don't want to crash (you won't)
- 7) I don't have a racing/fast bike (doesn't matter)
- 8) From women: I'm scared ( everybody is the first time)
- 9) I don't like being watched when I ride (you'll get over it)
- 10) I've been riding for 30 years and already know every

And the unspoken excuses I suspect, but won't comment upon:

# May GS Campout May 21-22

## NorCal 49er in Sonora May 27-30

Pre-registration for the 2005 edition of the '49er Rally is now open. Pre-registration fees are \$28 for adults, \$16 for children under 12, children 6 and under admitted free.

Your registration fee entitles you to three nights of camping, two drink tokens, a rally pin, door prize entry and access to a multitude of '49er Rally activities. A BBQ dinner is available Saturday night for an additional \$15. You must pre-register for this dinner, as tickets will not be sold at the Rally.

<http://www.bmwnorcal.org/49er/registration.html> If you click on this link you'll get the registration form and save valuable time and save money.

Real, honest to gosh paper registration forms are available by sending a stamped, self addressed envelope to Z Ortiz at the address below.

**Contact:**

BMW Club of Northern California  
49er Rally Pre-Registration  
2540 Maywood Dr.  
San Bruno, CA 94066

Additional information is available by calling Scot Marburger at (925)829-3483.

However you get your forms, please print clearly and use a sep-

arate form for each motorcycle (make as many copies as you need!). Please write one check for everything. Stuff it all in an envelope and mail it to Z Ortiz at the address above.

**Pre-Registrations must be post marked by May 15, 2005, so don't delay!**

**Gate Registration is available at the Sonora Site!**

Gate Registration is \$32 for Adults, \$20 for Children under 12, children under 6 admitted free and includes a rally pin (while supplies last), door prize drawing entry, camping for the duration of the Rally, and two drink tokens. With very limited exceptions, you must be riding a BMW motorcycle to be admitted via gate registration. Day passes are available for \$25, and are valid until midnight of the day purchased. Day pass registrations include a rally pin (while supplies last) and two drink tokens. Day Pass riders will be required to leave their motorcycles at the gate.

**We look forward to seeing you at this year's '49er!**

## FOSTER'S BIGHORN RESTAURANT

By John G. Sulpizio



If you've ridden the Delta and haven't eaten at Foster's Bighorn Restaurant, then you've missed a Delta icon. Foster's is among the best and most interesting eateries in the lowlands. Located at 143 Main Street in Rio Vista, it offers lunch and dinner with a "safari theme". Lunches run \$7 to \$10 with hearty choices. I had the

Bacon Bleu Cheese Burger served with fries for \$6.95. Dinners run \$13 to \$25 with a great choice of steaks, ribs, seafood, pasta and poultry. There are good appetizers (try the wedge of lettuce with blue cheese, bacon bits and Thousand Island dressing) to get you started, and delicious desserts to top off the meal.

Complimenting the meal is a restaurant with "roots". Bill Foster came to Rio Vista in 1931, a former bootlegger so the story goes, to start a new life. The bar and restaurant business must have been good, because it provided Bill the opportunity to



make eight African safaris and ten hunting trip to Canada and Alaska. In those trips he bagged enough game to fill the walls of the restaurant with more than 300 trophies. Pictures lining the walls of the bar room tell his story and those of people he met along the way.

Bill Foster was a fanatic about taxidermy. John Jonas, a renowned African taxidermist accompanied Foster on his African trips. Al Hilbert, a North American taxidermist joined Bill on his trips to Canada, Alaska and Montana. Both assured scrupulous methods of preservation from the time of the kill to the mounting. As a result, for the price of a libation you can view one of the finest collections of taxidermy in all of North America.

There are more than a dozen varieties of deer, antelope, hippopotamus, rhinoceros, lion, bear and buffalo. The last and largest specimen in the collection is the head of a full grown African elephant, measuring 13 feet from its base to the tip of the trunk. Its ivory tusks weigh 110 pounds each. Another rare specimen is a giraffe, one of less than a dozen like it in the world. Another is a moose that Foster claimed to be the largest in the world with antlers spreading more than six feet. Foster shot 95% of the game and spent thousands of dollars to preserve it. The taxidermy for the elephant cost \$4,000 in 1952 dollars. Bill Foster died of pneumonia in 1963, but the restaurant and its collection live on under the management of local owner, Howard Lamothe.

Be forewarned, especially if you play host to someone else at Foster's. Not all appreciate this incredible collection of magnificent beasts. Some may even find it "politically incorrect". It's a remnant of a bygone era, and thanks to Bill Foster, we

## **2005 Calendar of Upcoming Events**

*Check often because events are always being added or changed.*

- May 7th, Sat General membership meeting at the Western Coffee Pot, 8 am, 6233 Auburn Blvd (just north of Greenback), Citrus Hts 916-722-0811. There will be a day ride afterwards so have a full tank of gas before starting.
- May 10th, Tue Director's meeting at the Western Coffee Pot, 6:30 pm, 6233 Auburn Blvd (just north of Greenback), Citrus Hts 916-722-0811. All members welcome.
- May 13-15 Mystery campout, location is at the Little Bear Group site at the Bu-Shay ( deer ) campground at Lake Mendocino. Jack Klausie
- May 21-22 GS Campout, location TBD Jim Cyran
- May 27-30 NORCAL BMW 49er Rally at Sonora

### **Jun. 5**

### **Thunderhill see application**

- Jun 17-19 Chief Joseph Rally
- Jun 24-26 Indian Creek Spaghetti Feed/Campout Stan Davis
- Jul 7-10 Moto GP at Laguna Seca
- Jul 15-17 Top O'the Rockies Rally
- Jul 21-24 BMWMOA National Rally, Lima Ohio
- Jul 24 RCB Picnic Linda Stofer
- Jul 30 RCB Poker Run starts from A&S 10:00 AM Jim Cyran
- Aug 6-7 Ride and Bowl, Yerington Nevada, ride leaves from WCP at 9:00 AM or meet in Genoa, NV at the corner of NV206 and NV58, (across from the Mormon Station Historic Monument) for a deli lunch and then ride to Yerington. Gary Stofer will lead a ride from the Western Coffee Pot at 9am to Genoa. Lots of fun and interesting roads between Sacramento and Yerington for you to ride. Don't miss the bargain of the century! Same prices for the past five years, \$30 for two-people/two dinner buffet tickets/two breakfast buffet tickets. \$20 for one person/ one dinner buffet ticket/one breakfast buffet ticket. The Saturday night bowling extravaganza begins at 5-7pm. The Saturday dinner buffet is Baron of Beef and the Sunday breakfast buffet are the traditional favorites, eggs, biscuits, bacon, sausage, fruit and fresh carved Virginia ham. Call Sue Collins at 800-227-4661 ext 112 and mention River City Beemers for your room reservation. The earlier you reserve the bigger your room will be. 24 hour notice for room cancellation. Kim Rydalch, coordinator 209-521-8425.
- Aug 19-21 Dornan Beach Campout Jim Cyran
- Sep 2-5 NORCAL BMW Gypsy Tour
- Sep 16-18 Central Cal BMW Beemer Bash, Quincy
- Oct 2 RCB Five Passes Ride Larry Morris
- Oct 7-9 Manchester Beach Campout Joe Meyers
- Oct 15 MOA mileage contest ending documentation Mike Paetzold
- Nov 13 2006 Planning Meeting, Bryan & Marji Wright
- Dec 3 RCB Toy Run to Children's Receiving leaves A&S @ 10:30 AM
- RCB Christmas Pot Luck Time/location TBD Dennis Allstead

#### Unscheduled Event ideas:

- GS Day ride and/or Prairie city
- Progressive Dinner Ride
- Afternoon Ice Cream Social
- Geocaching Contest



The new HP RGS coming this summer. "Look Ma, no TeleLever, just good 'ole forks!"

## Member's Classified Ads

**Classified ads are free to members, and usually will run for 3 months give or take a bit, unless you email back and tell us to pull it. Send the text of your email to [classified@rcb.org](mailto:classified@rcb.org) and it will be included in the web site and also in the newsletter**

**Misc:** Aerostich Roadcrafter 2 pc, like new, red with black patches, 46R, \$500. Schubert Sytem helmet, Black, fits same as Shoei/Arai XL. Worn 10x \$250. Multivario Tank Bag for R100PD (special PD mount) and complete bag and plate to fit older k bikes, \$125 ea. OEM BMW gray/black/red bag liners for older K bikes, as new, \$75/set. National Cycle full windshield with lowers, will fit UJMs and some beemers. \$40. Attn restorers: Set of Heinrich bolt-on lowers (knee protection) for older R bikes (/6,/7) as new \$250. Complete 3-pc set Ken Cra-ven luggage with luggage rack, white with stainless steel accents, removed from R90/6 in 1977 and in storage since. Perfect condition \$1000. Greg at 530-271-7103 or [grgibson@mindspring.com](mailto:grgibson@mindspring.com) (4/12)

**Ohlins Shocks R1150GS** front and rear, used on a R1150GS for about 3K miles \$750 Please call Marianne or Wayne 530-885-0802 (4/12)

**Garmin Bare Wire Power/Data** Cable for 60, 72, 76 series. Never used. Use this to hook up GPS unit to DC power source (the bike). New \$20-30 + S&H, asking \$15 pick up only or at RCB club meeting. email Daniel at [danielzuhlke@hotmail.com](mailto:danielzuhlke@hotmail.com) or 916-983-0610 (4/12)

**Metz Karoo front tire**, 110/80/19 Karoo, new, ready for adventure. Price: \$75 plus \$5 for FedEx ground Contact Kim, Home 209-521-8425, Cel 209-402-7714, email [kcrydalch@comcast.net](mailto:kcrydalch@comcast.net) (3/30)

**2003 F650 GS**, 2900 miles, Black with factory silver side cases and black top case, mint condition \$7,450. Call Pete at 530-477-8067 (3/21)

**2000 R1150GS** - Black, System cases, Two Brothers Full Exhaust, Ricky Bars /mounts, Heated grips, ABS, Centerstand skid plate, Micatech light bar w/Hella 500's. 31,000 miles. Redline oil/Tranny fluid, New fork seals (Nov.04). Bike runs and looks good \$8500 obo. Pics at <http://dino2000.smugmug.com>. See R1150GS gallery. Call Deano 916-595-1908 (2/20)

**1991 K75S**, 55,000 miles. Maintenance records, new Corbin seat, new cases. Rare purple color. \$3500 obo. Enjoy! Call Felicity 916-739-0642 or 916-718-1373 or [felicitywood@yahoo.com](mailto:felicitywood@yahoo.com) (2/20)

**Z-Technique SS Exhuast** system for a 2004-R1150RT, Like new, only 500 miles on system. Purchased at A&S. Gary 707-448-4700 Vacaville, CA (2/6)

**2001 R1200C** Sport edition. Excellent Condition (garaged

all year round) 2900 miles, Color Charcola\Orange, One owner. Asking \$11,900. Call Helbert 916-789-8753 night, 916-748-7001 day (2/6)

**2004 R1150RT** Silver 6300 miles Excellent Condition (Always garaged and never down) New home ownership compels sale. Registration through Feb 2006! Many extras Asking \$13,900. Call Greg 916-267-4387 or email [g\\_servis@yahoo.com](mailto:g_servis@yahoo.com) (1/22)

**2002 R1150RT** 16K miles, Silver, top bag, A&S purchased and services. New Tires, never wet or down. \$10,900. (Below Blue Book).Call Kevin 916-240-6099 or [kevin@zurichtech.com](mailto:kevin@zurichtech.com) (1/22)

**1996 1100RT** Pearl White, 28,000 miles excellent condition, new metzlers front and rear, new BMW gel battery, 24,000 maint done, AM/FM cassette, Electric windshield, hand grip warmers, locking side bags. Must see. \$5,800 OBO. Ask for Tom 916-825-6079 or e-mail to [twilbert@pacbell.net](mailto:twilbert@pacbell.net) (12/28)

**New Gerbing Electric Gloves.** Worn once. Excellent condition. Cost \$139. Asking \$100 OBO. Call Jim 530-478-0688 and [jpsmith@infostations.com](mailto:jpsmith@infostations.com) (12/28)

**1984 R65** - Metallic Blue, windscreen, new exhaust and speedo, hand guards, new battery, excellent condition, too many bikes, must sell, 70K mi, \$2100 obo, Call Brian 916-939-4350 or [bbt95762@yahoo.com](mailto:bbt95762@yahoo.com) for pics. (12/7)

**2004 R1150RS** - Blue 9300 mi, heated grips, 6 yr warranty until 3/09, ABS, BMW luggage, dealer serviced \$11,300. Call Todd 916-834-9846. (11/20)

**1993 K1100 LT** Good Condition, 54K miles, electric Blue color, black Corbin saddle, three pieces of color matched hard BMW luggage. Heated grips, adjustable wind shield, stereo radio/ cassette player. Includes BMW tank bag (\$350.00 value, new condition), touring bike cover. Professionally maintained at A&S. \$4800 obo. Jim @ 916-564-1498 or [warndoggy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:warndoggy@sbcglobal.net) (10/7)

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