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Membership Meeting

Sat June 2nd 8:00am
Western Coffee Pot
Auburn near Greenback Ln
Citrus Heights

Director's Meeting

Tues June, 12th, 7:00 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. Dinner Ride

Meet between 5-6:30 pm
Leaves every Wednesday
evening at 6:30 pm from The
Coffee Republic in Folsom

The President's Corner

by Gary Stofer



Welcome to the June edition of my monthly ramblings. By the time you read this the 49'er Rally at Auburn will be history. Hopefully some of our members, particularly those of you new to BMWs, had the opportunity to attend some of the events there. Motorcycle camping is a bit of a challenge, even more so if you're traveling 2 up. Lately you may have noticed more RCB events involve motel camping—the so-called 'Cement Tent'. As the aging bubble of baby boomers moves through the motorcycle industry I'll bet you see more and more of these comfort events. Motorcycle manufacturers in general, as well as HD and BMW in particular, are trying to appeal to younger riders. BMW has many new powerful and sporty offerings but still put off new riders based on cost. Short riders also need not apply at the BMW booth. HD might have better luck since more and more young people have already damaged their hearing with MP3 players, I-pods, etc. At least their product line offers low seats—I'll resist the temptation to comment further on HD attributes.

At any rate, make sure to get your reservations for upcoming motel rides. For the Chief Joseph rally we will be spending the night of June 14 in Lakeview, Oregon at the Best Western. There are other less costly motels nearby. The camping at the rally itself is not too bad but if you planned ahead you may have scored a room in John Day. We could have a special treat on the trip this year. The road through Lassen Park opened last weekend; so barring any June snow storms I intend to take that

route. Leave from Western Coffee Pot—clutch out at 8:00 AM, June 14. I'll post details of the planned route on the RCB forum. Also, get your reservations for the Eureka ride July 6-8. Friday night we'll have dinner at the Eel River Brewing Co in Fortuna. The Comfort Inn (across the street from ERB) has no more rooms available. However, there are rooms available at the Holiday Inn Express—just next door. Saturday night plans are for dinner at the Samoa Cook House. Some riders will be staying in Eureka and some will be spending the 2nd night at the Holiday Inn. A group of us will be leaving Friday July 6 from Western Coffee Pot—clutch out at 8:00 AM. Planned route is SR 65-70-99 to Red Bluff and then motorcyclists' nirvana (SR-36) to Fortuna. The Saturday ride to Eureka will leave from WCP after the membership meeting & probably take the same route.

Don't despair, campers. The track day at Thunderhill offers free camping Saturday night. Don't be left out on this unique opportunity to improve your riding skills. There were still a few opening left as I was writing this column. Last, but definitely not least, don't forget the High Sierra spaghetti feed at Indian Creek Reservoir June 22-24. This is a free event but an RSVP to Stan Davis would be appreciated. Also at that event, we are required to have all tents on the tent sites. So if you select a larger site make sure to leave room for additional campers. After all, we want to have enough room so that everyone can:

Ride Safe

Ride Often

Got Mufflers?

RIDE TO EUREKA JULY 6 - 8

RIDE TO EUREKA JULY 6 - 8 ON ONE OF THE BEST MOTORCYCLE ROADS IN THE STATE!!

This is the chance for those of us (myself included) who prefer to camp at the Motel 6 or the Best Western rather than in a tent to participate in a great club ride and overnight stay in Eureka.

We will be leaving the WCP after breakfast on Saturday, July 7, riding to Red Bluff, stopping for gas and then turning west on route 36 towards Fortuna. If you have never ridden route 36 before, be prepared for a real treat. It is 135 miles to Fortuna and it will take about 4 hours to cover that distance depending on traffic, your abilities and your willingness to lean your motorcycle over. It's that twisty, with a wide variety of hills, mountains, cliffs, beautiful views, sweepers, switchbacks and hairpin turns that even Jim Cyran might find challenging. Once in Fortuna there are a wide variety of choices to stay available, from B & B's to endless motels all the way to Eureka. There is also a KOA campground in Arcata for the traditionalists. You should be aware that this is a holiday period in the summer on the coast so you should make reservations early. In Eureka on Saturday evening I am hoping for a large group of us going to the Samoa Island Cookhouse for dinner (always a lot of fun with a group as the food is served family style) There is a small (but vocal and growing) group led by the Prez that is planning to leave Friday morning to stay in Fortuna and dine at the Eel River Brewing Co., then joining the rest of us at the Cookhouse Saturday. If you are interested in going Friday you should contact Gary for details.

Here is a list of just some of the motels in Eureka; I am planning to stay at the Quality Inn at 1209 4th St. There are motels all along 4th street including Econolodge, Rodeway Inn and Clarion Resort. There are several Best Westerns in Eureka, Fortuna and Arcata, and a Red Lion Inn in Eureka. There is a Comfort Inn across the street from the Eel River Brewpub

in Fortuna. The KOA campground is at 4050 N. Highway 101 in Arcata for those who insist on sleeping on the ground.

For those of us who wish to eat at the Samoa Island Cookhouse Saturday night I suggest we meet somewhere (the Quality Inn maybe, since that's where I'm staying?) around 5:00/5:30 and ride together to Samoa Island. It's only a 5 minute ride across the bridge to the island. The food is good ol' home cookin' served family style, several courses, all at one price. They do serve beer and wine. It's an authentic logging cookhouse from the 1800's and has a historical ambience and lots of artifacts to look at. You really can't go to Eureka without eating there.

The next day I believe it will be every one for him/herself, as usual. You can go back the same way over 36 back to Red Bluff; you could go south on 101 through the Avenue of the Giants, a beautiful ride but be prepared for very dark areas followed by spots of bright sun. I am planning to go north to Arcata and take route 299 back to Redding; an excellent road but a little more traffic than 36.

I can't stress enough how this ride should interest those of us in the club who prefer motels over camping. Here is your chance to experience some of the best motorcycle roads in the state, enjoy some great food and great company, and still sleep in a comfortable bed with air conditioning. I would like to get an idea of how many are planning to go the Cookhouse for dinner so I can reserve some space if possible. E-mail me please at frebeck@frontiernet.net. And sorry, no Bloody Marys this time, they will make a bigger and better return only at Manchester Beach. I know we are all motorcyclists in this club and if you want to ride your Harley that's great. We'll wait for you after the twisties. Hope to see you all in Eureka.

Fred Jewell

Indian Creek Campout June 22-24

Hot Dawgs with "West By Gosh Virginia" Hot Dawg Sauce on Friday Night. Saturday meal is the traditional RCB Spaghetti with Hot Link Sauce (a traditional sauce offered for the faint of heart).

This is a free event unless we run out of preferred adult High Sierra beverage fund at which point we'll pass the hat. All the passes are open this year so you're set for some spectacular



day rides.

Stan say's there will be lots of room for our tents. Take CA 89 and head south to Markleeville. Turn left onto Airport Rd and drive east toward Indian Creek. Turn left onto Airport Indian Creek Reservoir Rd and arrive at Indian Creek.

Ride for Cancer Patient Awareness

By Wendell "Dell" Fields

Ride for Cancer Patient Awareness

The primary purpose of article is to raise awareness. I know you are all aware of cancer but unless you or those close to you have it you may not be aware of the impact it can have on the patient's life as well as those who care for her or him. I am writing to raise awareness that cancer patients can live a full life and an R1150GSA will play a major part in my effort.

Among other things I am a colon cancer patient. I was first diagnosed in February of 2002. When my cancer was discovered it was stage III having spread to my lymph nodes. After colon surgery and chemotherapy I felt lucky to have beaten this disease. My wife and I celebrated by taking a trip to Germany. Upon our return to the States we bought a BMW K1200LT. We planned to do two-up traveling.

But in fact my battle had only just begun. My cancer soon returned but this time it had spread to my liver.

Again I had surgery to remove the more of my colon and part of my liver. More chemotherapy followed. Again my liver tumors returned and I participated in a clinical trial at Stanford University Medical Center that seemed promising until new tumors began to grow and the cancer spread to my lungs. Over the past five years I have had four different types of chemotherapy, two colon resections, five liver tumor ablations, one lung tumor ablation, and two chemo embolizations. The list of ancillary issues such as fistulas, picc lines, mediports, effusions, neuropathy, vaso vegas, anaphylactic shock, and much more goes beyond the scope of this article. It is sufficient to say that cancer has been a tremendous challenge to my body and soul. For my wife it has meant five years of emotional stress, care giving, and support that have been extremely hard.

I, like most people, thought that a diagnosis of cancer meant life as I knew it was over. I thought I would be confined to a bed, my hair would fall out, fatigue would be unbearable, nausea and all the other side effects would be tortuous. In fact there is some truth to this but I am writing to tell you that it is possible to

live a full life even with this disease. I am writing to tell you cancer patients can do anything they make their minds up to do.

To demonstrate this on June 16th at 10am Doug Holck and I will be getting on our BMW R1150 GS Adventures and heading north to the Arctic Circle. We will end the first phase of our adventure on the dirt of the Dempster Highway. We intend to continue our journey by visiting the Arctic Circle a second time; but this time on the Dawson Highway in Alaska.

Many motorcyclists do this trip every year. It is challenging but for the most part, if well planned, it is not physically demanding and there are certainly other routes or trips we could have chosen that would be harder. The route we have chosen is an example of



Dell is on the left and Doug is on the right

how I am dealing with the challenge of cancer. Clearly my cancer side effects will make this trip harder than it would be for a healthy person but for me it should be doable.

It is my hope that many of you will link to <http://www.dellfields.com/ArcticCircle.html> to learn more about our trip.

Our ride has three objectives: to enjoy ourselves, to raise awareness that cancer patients can live full lives, and to raise money for the Sutter Roseville Cancer Center. Please join us at A&S on June 16, 2007 at 10am as we begin our journey.

Lake Mendocino Campout Sweeter than Wine!

There were close to 40 RCB campers and most rode the GS ride lead by Jim Cyran. The Klaushie's planned another great campout! Nathan took these photos, but I don't have any captions. Just enjoy the scenery and see you next year.



2007 Calendar of Upcoming Events

Check often because events are always being added or changed.

June 2nd, 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. All members and guests welcome.

June 12th, Tue Director's meeting at the Western Coffee Pot, 7:00 pm, 6233 Auburn Blvd (just north of Greenback), Citrus Hts 916-722-0811. All members welcome.

Watch the Calendar monthly for updates and more details of upcoming events

- Jun 10 Thunderhill rider skill days, Phil Challinor, see application on page 7.
- Jun 15-17 Chief Joseph Rally
- Jun 22-24 Indian Creek Spaghetti Feed/Campout, Stan Davis.
- Jul 6-8 Fortuna-Eel River Brewing / Eureka-Samoa Cook House, Fred Jewell.
- Jul 12-15 BMW MOA National
- Jul 14-15 We have enough SAG riders for this years event. Thanks to all who have volunteered. If you were thinking about it and haven't participated before then try again for the 2008 Death Ride bicycle endurance race with RCB club SAG motorcycle assistance. We are the eyes and ears for the race staff on the closed highways SR 89 and SR 4. For information or to satisfy your curiosity call me, Kim Rydalch at 209-402-7714 or email the newsletter editor. Check out the web site at www.deathride.com.
- Jul 13-15 Brown's Campground, Bishop, Jack Klaushie
- Jul 19-22 Top O'the Rockies Rally, Paonia, CO.
- Jul 20-22 Moto GP @ Laguna Seca raceway, Monterey, CA.
- Aug 4-5 Rooms are sold out! It's a busy weekend and the entire Casino West is booked! Never fear you can still participate and bowl with us. Call the Copper Inn @ 1-775-463-2135 for a room. I've personally stayed there and they are great and about two blocks away. Victoria Rose @ 775-463-2164 is another choice that is close by. I don't know what the rates are so good luck. 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. The Saturday night bowling extravaganza begins at 5-7pm. Kim Rydalch, coordinator 209-521-8425.
- Aug 24-26 Campout @ Doran beach, Roy Ulfsrud, details TBA.
- Aug 31-Sep-3 NORCAL BMW Gypsy Tour, details TBA.
- Sep 14-16 Central Cal BMW Beemer Bash, Quincy.
- Oct 5-7 Manchester Beach Campout, KOA, Jack & Lynell Klaushie
- Oct 14 RCB Five Passes Ride, Larry Morris / Ken Caruthers, details TBA.
- Oct 15 MOA mileage contest ending documentation Mike Paetzold.
- Oct 20 A&S Vintage Days
- Nov 11 2006 Planning Meeting, location to be announced.
- Dec 1 RCB Christmas Pot Luck @ A&S BMW, Dennis Allstead
- Dec 8 RCB Toy Run to Children's Receiving leaves A&S @ 10:30 AM.

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, and it will be included in the web site and also in the newsletter. Please format similar to ads below. Limit 75 words.

Misc: Custom 3 small bike or 1 larger "BMW RT size" trailer. Middle ramp is customized with wheel clamp and wide channel. great condition. \$600; 1985 Honda XL350R dualsport 7000+ miles, \$2395 obo. 2006 V-STROM, Under 800 miles. Not dropped, great condition, just broken in. Need cash \$\$\$\$. Special tint windscreen + original. Tank cover and handguards brand new never installed, not shown. Givi "type" topcase and backrest. Call Alan 916-203-4032, 916-421-4032 e-mail alanretired@sbcglobal.net (4/20)

1974 R90/6 Approx. 37k miles. Dual disc front brakes with stainless brake lines. San Jose fork brace & upper triple clamp. R90S fairing with clock & voltmeter & taller Gustaffson tinted windshield. Recent new valves, guides & rings. Wheels recently relaced with stainless spokes. Hard bags & tank bag included. LED tail light. Odyssey battery. Later model swing arm with cushioned drive shaft (smoother shifting) e-mail pictures avail. \$3700. Call Larry 707-446-1859 or email delinesoup@aol.com (4/16)

Misc: Eureka Assault 3 season 2 person tent plus footprint. Has 2 doors & 2 vestibules \$60. Sierra Designs 3 Season 2 Person back packing tent. Packs reasonably small & goes up fast \$40. Womans black Hein Gericke leather jacket with snap out liner. Size 42 VGC \$75. Mens Marsee leather bib overalls Size 32 with a 29" inseam (Were worn by my wife) VGC \$75. Womans black leather BMW motorcycling boots VGC Metric size 39 about US size 9, \$50. Call Larry 707-446-1859 or email delinesoup@aol.com (4/16)

R1200GS custom seat: From Rich's, like Cost over \$600 asking \$450. Pictures on request. Call Duc or Michele : 916-635-9840 or email: duc.ngo@comcast.net (3/25).

Wanted: I bought a 1975 R90/6 that came with a

Luftmeister fairing and Krauser luggage. I would like to sell or trade the aftermarket stuff for original equipment. (headlight, turn signals, etc). Call Mark work: 916-255-4378, home: 530-644-6942 (3/25)

2004 Road King Harley-Davidson FLHR: Carburetors (not injected), 3,000mi, black, tour-pack, w/ backrest (detachable), screaming eagle pipes, extra chrome. Standard features include Hard bags, windshield, floorboards, etc. Asking \$14,900. Extended warranty, to 2011 is available for \$950 extra. Bike is like new. Call Don 916-983-0628, or E-Mail: bogey-beech@sbcglobal.net (2/27)

Womens XS BMW Riding Gear: This Cordura Jacket and Pants set is like new. Will Sacrifice for \$495 or best offer. Please call for more info. Tod 916-296-1507 or Evelia 916-834-5816 (02/23)

2005 R1200GS: \$15,000 firm. Ohlins shocks front and rear, Jesse bags, Remus full exhaust system, bar backs, gps mount, 12K mile service done, shop manual on CD. Yellow and grey. Call Mike 916-408-7754. (02/09)

Helmet: Arai Signet GT White, Large used 1-2 times MSRP \$428, will sell for \$150. Picture on request. Call Mark 916-444-5696 or msetzer@setzerforest.com (02/09)

Misc: Shoei RF 900 full face helmet, Black, XXS. Hardly used, like new. \$100 OBO. email Bob at bob2cycho@aol.com (01/08)

Misc: Clean Arai Corsair RX-7 helmet w/cover & 2 new clear lenses. Silver color, size small, dated 10-02. \$150. BMW Airflow II suit. Green/Blue size large top/36-32 bottom. \$250. Heavy, warm, black leather, First Gear 3/4 length coat w/liner, stone mint \$125. BMW Street Guard pants black/size 46R. I'm a 36, it was a bit big form but it still worked o.k. for me over my clothes. The tag size may be miss-marked. \$125. Jesse Barnes-916-408-4017 or jb2512lb@starstream.net (12/10)

River City Beemers
12th Annual Rider Skills Improvement Day
Thunderhill Race Park, Sunday June 10th, 2007

Participation is limited to riders of BMW Motorcycles or members of MOA chartered BMW motorcycle clubs riding street legal, licensed, insured and quiet motorcycles. No Race Bikes

Intro Class for First Time and Conservative Track Riders – Your own classes and separate sessions

Lots of instruction, ride only with your peers for most of the day

Experienced Class– Experienced Riders seeking to improve their skills

Advanced Class – Skilled Sport Riders and Repeat Track Attendees – No instruction

Your fee covers: lunch, beverages, a full day of track access. Saturday night track walk with camping at the race track. Come join us for our 12th year of educating riders in the skills that count. This is without a doubt one of the best track day values you will find anywhere.

Registration is limited. Don't wait, register now. This event usually sells out, don't miss it!

******* Registration Fee \$195 until May 20, \$210 after May 20, 2007 *******

Complete the pre-registration form below and mail with full registration fees payable to:

River City Beemers
 Attn: **Thunderhill**
 PO Box 2356
 Fair Oaks, CA 95628

Questions: contact Phil Challinor at nthshw@sbcglobal.net or Jim Cyran at jimcyran@pacbell.net or call Jim at 916-863-6014 eve. Also check the RCB website at <http://www.rcb.org> for latest information

Terms and Conditions: River City Beemer's Rider Skills Improvement day is open to members of BMW motorcycle clubs with street legal, licensed and insured motorcycles or riders of BMW Motorcycles. Rider is subject to all RCB Rider Skills Day terms and conditions. Enrollment is subject to space availability. Should you not appear on your scheduled school date, fail technical inspection, or should you be unable to complete your day due to mechanical failure or any other reason, all money will be forfeited. RCB reserves the right to refuse admission to anyone at any time for any reason.

Bike must be street legal, licensed and insured.

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 Rider Skills Improvement Day - Fee of \$195 required with this form. (\$210 after 5/20) make checks payable to River City Beemers.

Name _____ Phone: _____

Address _____ Email: _____

City, St, Zip _____

BMW Club You Belong to: _____

Bike You will Ride: (year, brand, model,cc) _____

Previous Track experience (Mark one)

I've never been on a track. I am a *Novice / Experienced* (Circle one) street rider.

I am a conservative rider and would like to ride with the Intro class.

I'm an experienced rider. I've attended an RCB or other Track day instruction _____ (number of days)

I'm an advanced street and track rider. I've attended over 4 track days.



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