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Membership Meeting

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

Director's Meeting

Tues July 10, 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





It's been six months since I retired from my day job and I find that I'm busier now than ever. Surprisingly, though, I'm riding less. Weird, huh? But first things first, you can take the Brown's campout originally scheduled for July 13-15 off of your calendar. We plan our events at the November planning meeting and sometimes things just don't pan out. In this case we have been unable to secure reservations and the event organizer has just run out of time. Look at it as opening up a prime weekend for other riding adventures.

Speaking of riding adventures, there were a whole bunch of RCBers at the Chief Joseph Rally in John Day last weekend. BMW riders pretty much filled up the Best Western in Lakeview the Thursday night before the rally. There were 15 of us at dinner that evening. Earlier in the day we were able to ride through Lassen Park; the roads are normally not open this early in the year. While those of you staying in Sacramento were sweating through another 100 degree day, some of us were considering stopping to put liners in jackets. We toughed it out, though, The weather in John Day was spectacular; blue skies with puffy clouds and high temps in the low 80s, A few of us took a day ride on that Saturday and toured a restored gold dredge and then witnessed a train robbery. One 17 mile section of road had either 175 or 188 turns—depending upon which map you were using. I didn't count them. The Chief Joseph rally just gets better every year.

Last month we put another RCB track day in the books. We had even more riders participating for the first time this year and hopefully they took new riding skills home with them. This is a big event that required a lot off effort to pull off. Thanks to Jim Cyran and all the other people who worked so hard. Great track, great weather, great food, and great people. It doesn't get any better that that. Speaking of great events last month, Stan & Gloria Davis hosted our Sierra Spaghetti Extravaganza at Indian Creek Reservoir. Unfortunately, the fire near Markleeville and the closure of Airport Rd during the fire fighting operations made getting there tough. If you were willing to ride a little bit of dirt road (or were in your Jeep) you could get there from the north end. Needless to say the dozen or so of us there for dinner had PLENTY of food to eat. There was even some leftover Budweiser!!

Speaking of good times, I hope a lot of you are going to participate in the Eureka/Samoa Cookhouse ride the first weekend in July. Yes, there will be a membership meeting at Western Coffee Pot as usual. Fred Jewell, the event organizer, will be leaving for Eureka afterwards. (If you're not going to Eureka, ride along with him as far as you want to-that will be the club ride for July). Your esteemed vice president Dennis Allstead will be running the show at the meeting since a fair number of us wanted to make this a 2 day event and will be leaving for Fortuna/Eel River Brewing Co on Friday morning. Hope to see a lot of you there. After all, what we do is:

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!!

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 some-



where (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

Track Day was Smokin'!

http://4theriders.com/viewpics.php?loc=/pics/trackdays/2007/thill-06.10.07/

If you want to view any of your photos from Track day then here is the link so check it out.

The RCB forum is a great place for club information and help and the chatter after the Track Day event was no exception.

Here are some excerpts from the Thunderhill thread...

Jim Cyran was the man in charge this year and summed up his thoughts in this forum email...

I just want to say thanks to Fred, Gordon and all the RCB members and others who participated. The 2007 Skills Day will go down as one of the best we have had. The weather, the food and the participants and the facility couldn't have been much better. A truly wonderful day.

I was very happy to see a very large number of new riders who were participating in their first track day.

They are the riders we most want to see at the Skills Day and I hope you all had a fun and learning experience.

Also a special thanks to Randy, Jeff and Megan from A&S who really provided a lot of support to help insure the event was a success. Providing video photographers to record the events of the day was just a wonderful gesture on their part. I'm sure we all can't wait to see the results.

Also another special thanks to the Prez, who stepped up at the last minute to fix a big logistics problem created by a misunderstanding. We are very lucky to have people like Gary associated with RCB.

Mark the first week of June 2008 on your calendars for next years event. They just seem to keep getting better and better.

Thanks again to everyone.

Bruce Hilger wrote...Greetings from Yuba Doo. I have done many RCB Track Days and am amazed that I learn more the more I come out. Our great leaders and organizers are followed by a group of unselfish, helping guys all of whom make this one heck of a day, that makes riding, that makes BMW, and BMW makes us. I would vote for massage and hot tubs next year. Thanks.

Gordon Olson wrote...Just want to heartily second the praise for the Thunderhill day! It was a real eye-opener and I have already booked a spot for next year! Many thanks to all those who worked so hard to put it all together. Cheers

Megan McLeer who is the new A&S PR person wrote where one could find track video...



Vision Wells has been working round the clock to get your one on one photos up! If you signed up to be followed by the videographer around the track, you can view yourself at http://www.visionwells.com/rcb/ If you don't see yourself, don't worry! You'll most likely be on the compilation video, that they're finishing up as we speak.

Tools that Bikers Use

Bill Watt is from Vancouver, BC and is a LD rider list subscriber and has given his permission to publish this article.

By Bill Watt

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, splattering it against that freshly-painted Fender you were drying.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned guitar calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "Ouch...."

ELECTRIC HAND DRILL: Normally used for spinning pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of Blood-blisters.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

VISE-GRIPS: Generally used after pliers to further round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub you want the bearing race out of.

WHITWORTH SOCKETS: Once used for working on older British cars and motorcycles, they are now used mainly for impersonating that 9/16 or 1/2 socket you've been searching for the last 15 minutes.

TWEEZERS: A tool for removing wood splinters and wire wheel wires from your hands.

E-Z OUT BOLT AND STUD EXTRACTOR: A tool

ten times harder than any known drill bit that snaps off in bolt holes you couldn't use anyway.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST: A tool for testing the tensile strength on everything you forgot to disconnect.

CRAFTSMAN 1/2 x 16-INCH SCREWDRIVER: A large pry bar that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end opposite the handle.

AVIATION METAL SNIPS: See hacksaw.

TROUBLE LIGHT: The home mechanic's own tanning booth. Sometimes called a drop light, it is a good source of vitamin D, "the sunshine vitamin," which is not otherwise found under motorcycles at night. Health benefits aside, it's main purpose is to consume 40-watt light bulbs at about the same rate that 105-mm howitzer shells might be used during, say, the first few hours of the Battle of the Bulge. More often dark than light, its name is somewhat misleading.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids and for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

AIR COMPRESSOR: A machine that takes energy produced in a coal-burning power plant 200 miles away and transforms it into compressed air that travels by hose to a Chicago Pneumatic impact wrench that grips rusty bolts which were last over tightened 15 years ago by someone at the Motor Company and neatly rounds off their heads.

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to cut hoses too short.

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive

parts not far from the object we are trying to hit.

MECHANIC'S KNIFE: Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic EXPLETIVE: A balm, also referred to as mechanic's bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

DAMMIT TOOL: Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling "DAMMIT" at the top of your lungs. It is also the next tool that you will need.

lube, usually applied verbally in hindsight, which somehow eases those pains and indignities following our every deficiency in foresight.

2007 Calendar of Upcoming Events

Check often because events are always being added or changed.

July 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. All members and guests welcome.

July 10th, 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

- Fortuna-Eel River Brewing / Eureka-Samoa Cook House, Fred Jewell. Jul 6-8
- **BMW MOA National** Jul 12-15
- 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.
- Rooms are sold out! It's a busy weekend and the entire Casino West is booked! Never fear Aug 4-5 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 Sacra mento 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: Progressive rate fork springs for 1970 to 1984 R model BMW motorcycles. New 69.95 plus shipping at Bobs BMW - barely used 50.00. Tom Moe 916-919-6770 (6/12)

LADY'S BMW AIRFLOW JACKET, size US 10R / EU 40 Red and Grey, Never worn, like brand new. Cost \$425. Asking \$300 OBO Call Jim 530-478-0688 (6/5)

1973 R60/5, 42K miles, runs great, well maintained. Small dent in top of tank. Includes R90-type fairing. \$2,500 OBO. Email Dave at dswoodwrights@pacbell.net. For pictures, go to http://www.kodakgallery.com/I.jsp? c=8q1j96t3.a3j0ymrb&x=0&y=l8j4em (6/5)

Tour Master Cortech Lite Jacket, Mens small, includes: shoulder, elbow and back armor Good condition \$50 Call Mark 916-834-7190 or email rtbmr@yahoo.com Pictures at http://home.comcast.net/%7E055kscott/For%20sale% 203.htm (5/30)

BMW tank map pocket for R1200C tank mounting strap and map insert pocket. Not a tank bag, just a map pocket. BMW part 71 60 2 342 271 & 71 60 2 342 274. Free to RCB Home. Call Tom 916-919-6770 or tom.moe@sbcglobal.net (5/29)

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. 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 re laced 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 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: bogeybeech@sbcglobal.net (2/27)

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)

R1150R Ohlins Shocks - Used front and rear Ohlins shocks. Shocks are in excellent condition and have

7,000 miles on them. Front is part number 36DRL. Luftmeister fairing and Krauser luggage. I would like Rear is part number 46DRS. \$700. Call Teri 415-608-1444 or email thmeadows@comcast.net (12/07)

> 1998 K1200RS Parts: Stock BMW right side saddle bag, excellent condition \$150; stock exhaust system \$150. Call Mark 916-444-5696 or email msetzer@setzerforest.com (12/01)

> 1982 R100RS 82k miles, great shape, recent major service at Ozzie's, has tank protector & bag, saddlebags, needs nothing, email Steve for pics \$3350 k12rc51@sbcglobal.net (9/27)

1998 BMW F650, 37,918 mi, new tires, some cos-Womens XS BMW Riding Gear: This Cordura Jacket metic damage, runs great, must sell \$2500 obo. Call Zak 530-644-2382 or 530-277-5699 (cell) (9/13

Kim's Korner

I'm looking for product articles for the newsletter. Send me comments about your favorite jacket, pants, gloves, helmet or motorcycle. Tell me why you like it and how much it was. Include any features that you like about this item and why it is better than what it replaced. Send digital pics if you have them other wise I can usually snag a photo from the Internet.

The June issue of <u>Bike</u> magazine has motorcycle sales results for 2006.

Europe's best selling bikes

- 1. Yamaha Fazer- 26,015
- 2. BMW R1200GS-12,309
- 3. Kawasaki Z750- 12,309
- 4. Suzuki Bandit 650- 11,320
- 5. Honda Hornet 600- 10,904

2006 R1200GS sales by country which made the top five in sales

UK-4th with 1980

Germany- 1st with 6779, it was also the best selling bike overall

Italy- 5th with 4095



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