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Membership Meeting

Sat Jul, 3rd 8:00am
Susie's Country Oaks Cafe
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Roseville

Director's Meeting

Tues Jul 13th, 7:00 pm
Perkos
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Sacramento, CA

Breakfast - Be There!

Every Saturday 8 am
Susie's Country Oaks Cafe
500-G Cirby Way
Roseville

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 Fred Jewell



We've had a rather full June this year, with a second trip (with good weather this time) to Soldier Meadows for off road riding and camping, a road ride to check out the Sequoia National Park and its camping/motel offerings, the Chief Joseph Rally and our final (for a while anyway) trip to Eureka, and it all started off with the 49er Rally in Mariposa at the end of May. July looks like it is full of events put on by others that we like to attend, namely the MOA National and the Top O' the Rockies rallies. Those two can easily take up most of a week each, and much more if you plan on attending both. That's not to say that we can't go somewhere on the other weekends, all it takes is for someone to step up with an idea for a destination. The next event that the RCB puts on for its members will be the Yerington Ride 'n' Bowl in August, the greatest bargain event of the year.

Several of us took that trip down to Visalia a couple of weeks ago to look at a possible destination to take the place of the trip to Eureka and route 36. Ken managed to find a route that took us along the foothills through some delightfully twisty roads we never heard of (shocker!) that we all enjoyed, although we were starting to call it the "Where's Larry" tour. It seems we managed to lose and re-find Larry Klein several times during the weekend, nothing any one was trying to do, it just seemed to happen. Anyway, we found out a few things: The KOA in Visalia was run by wonderful people but was not near anything but railroad crossings, the road into

Sequoia Park is undergoing construction and has a one lane section part way up the mountain, it is a beautiful ride that is well worth the trip down there. As I told the members who came along, we've been going north and west for our events a long time, it's time to go south and east for a change. This is definitely a go for next year, and we'll probably do a Friday - Sunday style event. It is possible to ride there on Saturday, camp out, ride the Park Sunday and still be home for Sunday dinner if you can't get Friday off, but getting there Friday night will leave you all kinds of time to explore the roads there Saturday and Sunday. It looks like the town of Three Rivers has everything we need: campgrounds, restaurants, gas stations and motels. Further research will be conducted to determine which campground best suits us.

I have heard from more than a few members who want to get to the MOA rally in one day on that Wednesday the 14th, so I have designated a place to meet - the 49er Truck Stop on El Camino and I-80. There is a café there for breakfast if you like (I do) and I would like to leave by 8:00 AM if possible. That will leave us enough time to get there and set up camp in the light. I am looking forward to this one, everyone says the site is excellent for a rally.

Remember, we're not bikers, we're motorcyclists. We ride far. We ride often. We ride quiet(ly)

A final note to say thanks to my Dad, he bought me my first motorcycle. Without him doing that I probably wouldn't be here writing this. Rest in peace.



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Earn your SaddleSore 1000 with RCB on July 24th. The distance from A&S' parking lot to Wendover, UT is 517 miles. Do it twice and you've ridden 1,034 miles. Do it on a motorcycle in less than 24 hours and you qualify for a SaddleSore 1000 pin from the Iron Butt Association!

OK, there are some paperwork requirements but that's where RCB comes in – If you ride on Saturday, July 24, RCB volunteers will help with routes, forms, and signatures – All you have to do is ride the 1,034 miles, save all your gas receipts and mail the paperwork with a \$45 processing fee.

RCB will have three volunteers at the checkpoints:

1. A&S Parking Lot – 4:30-5:00 AM – Pick up your packets including witness sheets, logs and maps.
2. Wendover Airport – 12:00-1:30 PM – Bottled water and snack bars available.
3. A&S Parking Lot – 7:30-10:00 PM – Have your

arrival witness form signed. Some other ride details:

- Two sets of segment lengths have been planned – One assumes ten segments of less than 130 miles, while the other assumes six segments under 180 miles. All stops are at Chevron stations with good freeway access.
- Your bike must be in good condition. While IH80 is well-traveled, there aren't very many BMW motorcycle repair shops along the way. Tire condition?
- Riding Speed– Completing the route by 10:00 PM assumes no more than 90 minutes of stops and average speeds within 5MPH of posted speed limits (65MPH in CA and 75MPH in NV). Please don't at-



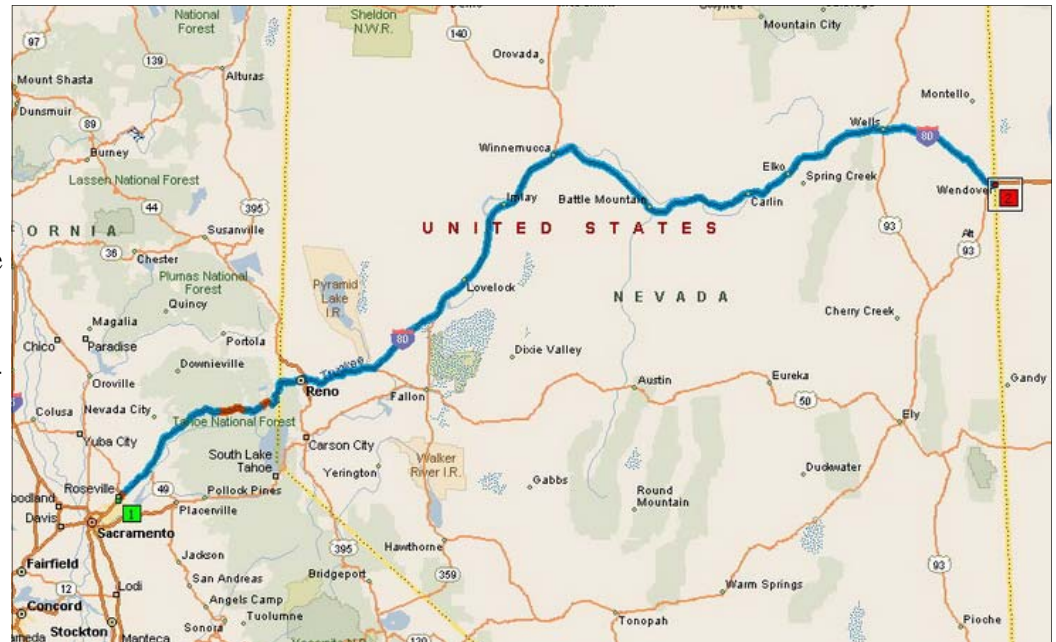
tempt this ride if you aren't comfortable with and capable of 70+ MPH highway speeds

- We're planning two sweeps – One will depart A&S after 5:00 AM and ride the full route, the second will join in and depart Wendover no later than 2:00 PM and just ride home.

One compromise was to accept hotter days for longer daylight-period days. Wear layers for this mid-summer ride. Also consider that you will be riding into the setting sun – A darker shield or sunglasses will come in handy.

Last Friday, a member travelling at speed limit average and making two stops (10 min fuel stop and 20 min fuel/food/bio stop) completed the one-way distance in 7 hours and 30 minutes. A 15-hour round trip is achievable.

We'd like a minimum of



ten riders – Contact Phil Wood (treasurer@rcb.org or 916/673-3456) to participate.

Note: Wendover is actually in MDT, but to keep all the times simple, everything here is listed in PDT.

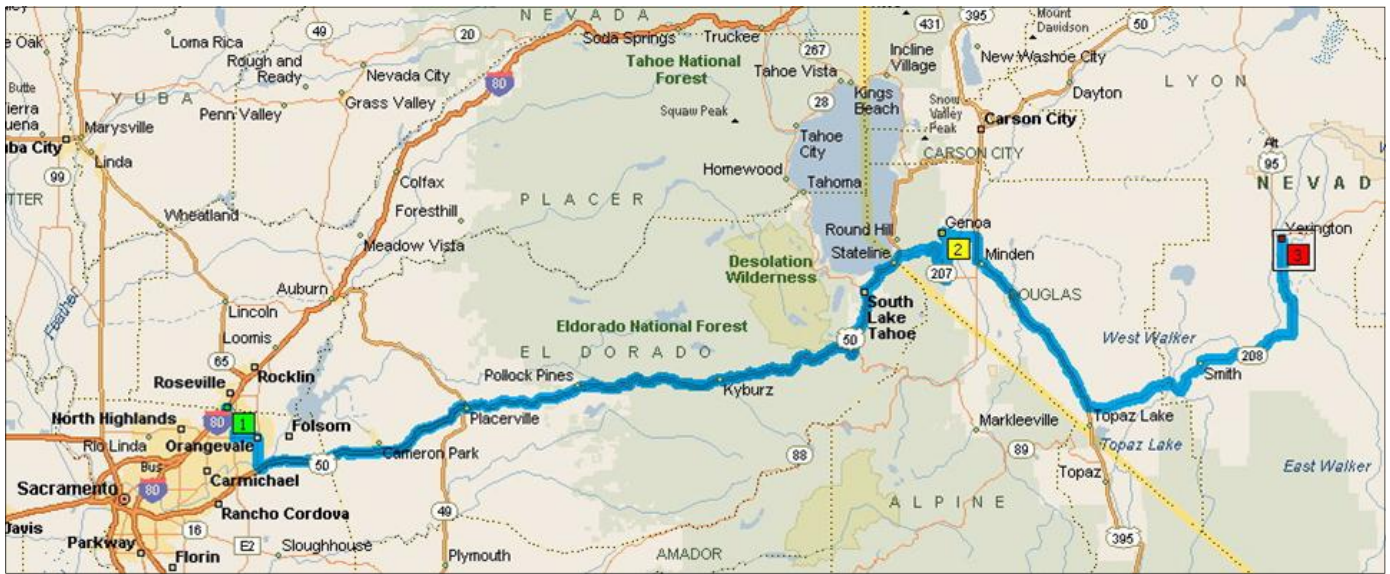
Yerington ... What? Where? Why?

RCB Bowl 'n' Ride, August 7 & 8

Among the lesser known RCB destinations is a farming village in Western Nevada. This eight-block long town has a NAPA store at the south end and a Shell station at the north, and not much else between them except for ... our destination, the Casino West! But I'm getting ahead of myself here.

Last year we had enough participants to have five different riding groups – Leaving Susie's around 9AM, we had a spirited group, a leisurely group, a "Let's go via Monitor Pass" group, a "We got lost" group and one other I don't recall – About the only thing they had in common is that they all seemed to





arrive at the Genoa Country Store around lunch. Several riders that couldn't spend the weekend away still rode to Genoa – The Country Store sandwiches are really that good!

After lunch and conversation, riders left individually for Casino West, still about an hour away.

Let me get the bad stuff out of the way first – Smoking is permitted in the Casino. But if you can see past that, prepare to watch your dollar get stretched. For



starters, rooms at the Casino West run \$20/singles and \$30/doubles. Even better, that price includes a full dinner buffet! The Casino also offers a free movie (when enough people show up), and free bowling if you feel so inclined. And yes, we have a couple ringers in the club.

If you're so inclined, the bar charged an outrageous \$1 for beer and \$2 for mixed drinks, although I recall a \$1 extra cover charge when the band started playing around 9PM. I recall spending another \$5 or \$6 for breakfast but that was it – Excluding gambling losses (which we won't talk about here), RCB riders enjoyed room, two meals and recreation for less than \$30/person. Incredible!

This year the ride is scheduled for Aug 7/8. Ridemaster Kim Rydalch promises a good time for all. To join us, you have to make your own reservation at Casino West. Call 800-227-4661 and ask for Kelly. Warning to the wise – The best rooms (and there are some) go first.

Yerington – No it isn't as crazy as it sounds ...

Memories of Eureka

As Eureka will not be appearing on the 2011 RCB Ride Calendar, it's time to take a look back. Even though a warmer weekend was picked for the 2010

Ride, attendance was down from 2009 – Another sign it's time to replace Eureka on the calendar.

Too bad – The year, Ken "Random Route" Caruthers led his band of merry men up low traffic roads through the valley, and all the way to Red Bluff where the group stopped for fuel and sustenance.



(Ed.: I'm still surprised a Chevron deli can turn out such good sandwiches!) Refreshed, individual riders tackled SR299. For the uninitiated, SR299 is two-plus hours of twisties, climbs and descents. While not overly technical, two hours can take its toll on anyone, and it showed on the rider's faces as they arrived at the Fortuna motel.

Arriving from the south, one passes through the eerily quiet, dusty, dry towns of Honey Dew and Petrolia – Petrolia has six buildings, one of which triples as General Store, Fire House and Post Office. But seven miles out of Petrolia ... First the wind speed shoots from calm to very gusty, then the temperature drops from "remove the jacket liner" hot to "Where's my Gerbing" cold. And through this transition, the most beautiful, virgin beaches and fields unfold before your eyes. Even better, you can pull over, enjoy the pristine views, smell the fresh air, and not see another human for hours. The place is magical and only 10 minutes from dry, dusty Petrolia. Ah, the Lost Coast of California.

More sustenance was consumed at the local brewery, lies were told, and then it was time to call it a day. At breakfast the next day, riders proposed destinations and routes. Most headed north to Crescent City, the Rogue River valley or the Oregon coast in search of roads, vistas and fresh seafood. A couple others headed south in search of the Pacific Ocean and its hidden beauty along the Lost Coast.

One such destination is Shelter Cove. Only 22 miles from Garberville, it can easily take an hour of riding the "Dramamine Highway" (aka Shelter Cove Road) to reach. Protected by steep cliffs, this little peninsula has beaches, camping, fishing, coffee shops and ... a wonderful little bait shop that coincidentally serves the best "Fish and Chips" this side of the Mississippi.

Just 10-15 miles north of Shelter Cove is Mattole Road, the only road other than CA1 and US101 to

parallel the coast. The difference? Everyone knows CA1 and US101, but not many know Mattole Rd.

Another 30 minutes of twisties puts you in Ferndale, and five minutes later you can be back at the Fortuna motel.

But not to worry – Even if you missed Eureka, you have another chance to join your RCB buddies on the Northern Coast. Mark your calendar now – Oct 1-3 are our Manchester Ride dates. And while we won't be as close to the Lost Coast as Eureka was, it's still easily a day ride from Manchester. Better get out your mark-

er pens – Oct 1-3 in Manchester!



RCB is riding to the MOA...are you?

Mike Robles is the one to call at 916-718-1514 for up to the minute details.

The specific group camping meeting place at the Fairgrounds is at Gate 4, section 11-A, where the chartered club camping area is.

If you'd like to ride up with a group then Wed. July 14 is the day. Meet at the 49er Truck Stop on El Camino and I-80 and be ready to leave at 8am! There is a café there for breakfast if you'd like to eat before beginning the ride. The route will be I-5 and CA 97 straight to Redmond, OR. It should take about 8 hours. See you at the truck stop.

Corser and BMW S 1000 RR on the podium again!

In hot and humid conditions at Misano circuit, BMW Motorrad Motorsport's Troy Corser scored the team's second podium finish of 2010, clearly showing the continuing progress of the ever-improving S 1000 RR in this year's Superbike World Championship.



World Champion and looked fast and confident on the S 1000 RR before a rare mistake on lap 18 allowed Carlos Checa through.

These were the positions that race one ended in, with Corser happy to have scored the team's second podium finish of the year, but frustrated to be still chasing that elusive first victory for BMW Motorrad Motorsport.

Having qualified in pole position after setting the fastest ever WSBK lap around Misano, Corser made a great start to race one and led comfortably for 16 of the 24 laps, before championship leader Max Biaggi slipped past. Corser then tracked the four-times 250cc

Team-mate Ruben Xaus was forced to retire from race one after eight laps with a suspected mechanical problem, although this later proved to only be a split oil pipe.

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1985 R80 RT Selling it because I don't ride it enough. Motorcycling just wasn't for me. Asking \$3500 or best offer. The speedo say 70,000 I have owned it about a year and half so can't say if it is accurate. Everything runs well has new windshield (clearview), new battery, and newish tires. Great bike, very comfortable, matching keys, hard luggage cases. Can include helmets and jackets too. The bike is in Davis.

Thanks, Bill Williams davisbiker(at)yahoo.com (7/28)

Misc: 2004 Rallye 2 Jacket grey with yellow piping. Also matching original fanny pack. Men's size 54 with matching pants. Perfect. Includes Gore rain liners. \$600.

2004 BMW Heated Vest with plug. Grey/black. Size XL. Never worn. \$125.

2006 Schubert Flip Face Helmet. Size 57M, 7 1/8. Color Grey. Perfect. Includes soft TourMaster bag - black. \$150.

2006 BMW BoxerCup Gloves. Size 9 to 9 1/2 Perfect. \$40.

2006 BMW GoreTex Gloves. Size 8 to 8 1/2. Black.

Perfect. \$50.

All these items purchased by me from A&S. Sold my K1200s over two years ago. Not riding anymore. If you buy all of it, I will make a better deal. Call Jeff at 530 401-7468 (7/28)

Wanted: R100RS Seat, Krause bags w/racks, K75RS handle bars and stack header pipes. Let me know what you have. Call Steve Hartshorn, 530-277-6630 (6/14)

2010 Calendar of Upcoming Events

Check often because events are always being added or changed.

- Jul 3rd, Sat General membership meeting at Susie's Country Oaks Cafe, 8 am, 500-G Cirby Way, Roseville, CA 916-786-0274. There will be a day ride afterwards so have a full tank of gas before starting. All members and guests welcome.
- Jul 13th, Tue Director's meeting at Perkos Restaurant, 7:00 pm, 9647 Micron Ave, Sacramento. All members welcome.
- Wed. Ride Weds. Dinner Ride, Meet between 5-6:30 pm, Leaves every Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm from the Coffee Republic in Folsom.
- Thur. Ride Meet up for a weekly Thursday day ride, "Because We Can Ride". Meet at Brookfield's at Sunrise and Folsom, eat at 8am and ride at 9am. For all retired, independently wealthy or just plain sick of work!
- Jul 10 Death Ride, RCB provides moto support, call 209-521-8425 for information
- Jul 15-18 BMW MOA Rally, Redmond, OR, BMW MOA
- Jul 22-25 Top O' The Rockies, Paonia, CO, BMW of Colorado
- Aug 7-8 Ride 'N' Bowl, Yerington, NV, Kim Rydalch, 800-227-4661, ask for Kelly, \$30 for 2 and 2 free dinners, \$20 for one and free dinner. Call early for the largest rooms. See you there!
- Aug 14-15 Sierra Nevada Brew Ride, Chico, Ray Trujillo
- Aug 21-22 Tahoe Chill South Lake Tahoe, Challinor, Olson, Sweeney
- Aug 29 Thunderhill RCB Motorcycle Skills Improvement Day**, more news to follow
- Aug 31-Sep 3 Curve Cowboy Reunion, Killington, VT, Curve Cowboys
- Sep 3-5 Gold Wing Rally, open to all brands of bikes, Mammoth Mountain Resort
http://www.gwrra-ca.org/dist_rally/dist_rally.html
- Sep 3-6 NorCal BMW Club, Range of Light Tour
- Sep 5 Vintage Bike Show, A&S BMW, 1-5 pm
- Sep 17-19 Beemer Bash, Quincy, Central Cal BMW
- Oct 1-3 Northern Coast II, Manchester Beach
- Oct 2 Membership Meeting Manchester Beach
- Oct 10 Five Passes Ride, Sierras, Ken Caruthers•
- Nov 7 2010 Planning Meeting, Fred Jewell
- Dec 5 Christmas Party, A&S, Dennis Allstead



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