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Membership Meeting

Sat Nov, 5th 8:00am Susie's Country Oaks Cafe 500-G Cirby Way Roseville

Director's Meeting

Tues Nov. 8th, 7:00 pm Race Place Motorsports 3130 Bradshaw Road 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



This is the penultimate newsletter column I'll be writing, only two months left in my tenure as president. I said that only to use the word "penultimate" in a sentence, something I don't often have the chance to use in casual conversation. I'll probably use it again at the next club meeting; I'm going to get the most out it while I can. Penultimate. There it is again.

I have two things to say about our Manchester Beach campout, and those are: excellent food and rain. Lynn and Cheryl Clark went above and beyond, cooking up a batch of Texas style beans and cornbread for Friday and on Saturday a feast of pork sirloin BBQ with all the fixin's to go along, including some scrumptious rice pudding for dessert. The only damper (pun intended) on the weekend was RAIN! Apparently it decided to rain only on the coast that Saturday, but fortunately it cleared up just in time for the meeting, raffle and the gourmet dinner. I know I served a great deal of Bloody Marys to a good amount of our members, and I think I opened the eyes of more than a few, both literally and figuratively. We had 89 people attend this year, and I'll bet that 40 of them tried the World's Best Bloody Marys.

Look for some changes coming next year, however, as we are going to try a new location at the KOA in Cloverdale. The current thinking is to alternate between the two KOAs each year, as we still do love the campground and the people at Manchester, but it might be time for something new. Let's try it next year and see how

much we like it. More information to come as we finalize the particulars.

Look further down in this newsletter for an article on our toy run for December. Suffice to say it is about time we do our own run again and it should be a good one for the Sacramento Children's Receiving Home.

The November meeting is going to be jam packed with things going on: Not only will we have all the usual stuff, we are going to be voting on a number of things, not just new officers and directors. Most are actually running unopposed, but there is always the chance of a dark horse candidate getting a write-in victory. The other items on the November slate are a change to our by-laws and the new logo. So vote early and often as they say in Chicago, and have a say in club matters.

The planning meeting is also on the agenda for November, and Gordy is busy getting ready for it and the club Christmas party, which is on the same day as the toy run. Look for more information further down in the newsletter. The planning meeting is THE PLACE TO BE if you want to take part in what the club is going to do next year. So if you have an idea for a ride, want to organize a weekend event, or just want to help out somewhere, show up at the Round Table Pizza on Madison on November 20th

To quote another of my favorite songwriters, "In the field of opportunity, it's plowing time again". Bonus points if you know whom that is being quoted.

Take care, be safe out there, and ride well.

2012 RCB Activity Planning Meeting

Location: Round Table Pizza, 9500 Greenback Ln # 1, Folsom, CA 95630-2091

Time:

Sun, 11/20/2011 - 5:00pm -7:00pm

Organizer: Gordy Olson

Contact Number: (916) 642-2221

Every year around this time a number of RCB members huddle around a table to plot next year's ride calendar. We'll be looking for a mix of slab and off-road rides, a mix of one day and overnight rides. and a mix of camp and motels rides. We'll also consider other club's activities and try to minimize RCB picks up the pizza and soft overlap. In the end, we hope to generate our 2012 ride calendar.

The meeting starts at 5PM and usually runs for two hours or so. Mem-

bers propose rides (or rides they would like) and together we try to fit this jigsaw puzzle together. Even if you don't have a ride to propose, it's worth it to stop by just to see how things come together. Hey, it's YOUR club, after all.

drinks and it's not a bad way to spend a Sunday evening.

Progressive International Motorcycle Show

San Mateo County Event Center 2495 South Delaware Street San

Mateo, CA 94403

Parking: Motorcycle parking is free: Attendee Parking: \$10

Show Hours: Friday, November 18 4:00pm - 9:00pm

Saturday, November 19 9:30am -

8:00pm

Sunday, November 20 9:30am -

5:00pm

Adults:

1-Day (Online Advanced Purchase) \$13

1-Day (Online General Admission) 3-Day (Online Only), \$10 \$15

1-Day (Box Office) \$15

3-Day (Online Only) \$30

Children:

1-Day Age 6 to 11, \$6

2-Day Age 6 to 11, \$10

Ages 5 and Under, Free

THE RCB TOY RIDE IS BACK FOR DECEMBER 3!

We are going to bring back our own toy run for a charity we have supported in the past, the Sacramento Children's Receiving Home.

It's a very deserving charity that takes care of children suffering the effects of neglect and/or abuse. It is a non denominational charity

and has no political agenda, just a very worthy recipient of our generosity.

We will be going to the home after our meeting and it will be the club ride for the month. We will have plenty of time to hang out at A&S beforehand as we are scheduled to

arrive at 11:00 AM, just in time for lunch.

Speaking of lunch, we are going to be providing it for the children and the staff at the home by cooking hot dogs and hamburgers on the grill from A&S that we will bring with us

A&S is providing the gas and the grill and is going to share the cost of the lunch with us, a wonderful gesture on their part.

If you haven't seen the children's wish lists we have on the website. I

will be bringing some with me to the November meeting. As usual, we will need a few volunteers to assume grill duties, along with some one who would volunteer their pickup truck to transport the grill back and forth.

Contact me at prez@rcb.org if you are interested.

Love Your Battery Before It Leaves You Cold!

By Terry Caffery

Terry now lives in North Carolina after spending many years in the Sacramento area. Terry was a very active member riding with RCB.

I now have my K1200LT machine apart waiting for a starter relay!

Last week I had the battery charger on and the battery being 4 years old didn't charge fully. When I hit the starter it didn't quite start so I replaced the battery with a new one. Then when I attached the new battery, the starter motor started and wouldn't stop, even with the key switched off. So I detached the battery.

I Called Ozzie's and Mike said that if a battery is low, and the starter button is pushed, this may freeze the starter relay.

So I take the bike apart (one hour plus), find the starter relay, try tapping on the relay which is buried under the fuel tank. It may clear.

One hour plus labor later, the tap didn't work, it still didn't clear so I looked up the problem on the LT web site and it said. "connect the battery with key on, starter will be running, push the starter button once or twice and it may clear the engagement" so I tried that and it worked.

In the mean time after I had the bike reassembled, the mechanic from NC called me back and said. I was lucky it cleared but the relay is damaged and may repeat at the wrong time. So on my first and only ride, I went down to the the local MC shop for the annual inspection for License plate renewal. Guess what? The LT wouldn't start at the shop, it acted like the battery was low (new battery) so After a jump it started so I immediatetly rode the bike home and took the whole bike apart (one hour plus job), found the starter relay, removed it and I now have on order a new starter relay.

Things to learn. Do not try to start BMWs on a low battery, it may or will damage the starter relay. If it does happen after a recharge or a new battery, just replace the relay and next time make sure the bat-

is charged and the battery is correct for the bike with the required CCA.

NOTE: A starter running can heat up the wires and may cause damage to the wires that are running close to the starter wires. Keep your battery charged. I remember one of our smarter members (Gary Stofer) said he put his bikes on a charger with a timer and it charged for a few hours each day. The Battery Tender which does the same job is available at A&S.

Enjoy your winter season...it will be much nicer and warmer than my winter here in North Carolina.

Manchester 2011

By Phil Wood

The thing about Northern California's coast is there is no direct route from here to there. Any route RCB members and guests made

is going to be circuitous – All the rider needs to decide is what kind of riding he/she wants. And so, on Sep 30 and Oct 1, 80-some odd

another pilgrimage to our club's second home away from home, the Manchester Beach KOA camp grounds.

most had saddled up to ride High-



The early arrivals started showing up around noon, and by 5PM the camping areas were full of riders and tents. There may have been one or two humorous man vs. tent exercises – So far nothing has shown up on YouTube!

Friday dinner is traditionally simple, but our accommodating hosts (Lynn and Cheryl Clark) didn't get that message. There was Chili and salads, breads and desserts – I don't recall anyone leaving the table hungry.

Earlier, Will Guyan of the BMW Riders Association (BMW RA), had dropped off firewood, and the KOA had generously stocked the primary community fire pit, so as the sun slowly sank over the

ocean, warm spirits wafted



throughout the campsite. Personally, I enjoyed the community pit

way 1 either north or south.



As afternoon gave way to early evening, members were seen back in the community areas enjoying the snacks and beer set out by our attentive hosts. Fred Jewell contributed his "World's Finest Bloody Mary" to the mix (literally!) while over in the other side of the community area; Gordy Olson was laying out his record amount of bounty for the raffle.

There were B&B donations from Jim and Ayla Douglas, shirts and fleeces donated by BMW RA, the usual assortment of tools, and the



Manchester to the Central Valley. What a great weekend. The temperatures were comfortably cool, the rain minimal and the company the best

For 2012, there's a proposal to try Cloverdale instead of Manchester. More riding options, different facilities and reasonable assurance of no rain. Plus for those who want a different experience, we'll be close to Cloverdale with all its shops, B&Bs and restaurants. It's worth a try.

obligatory personalized, Kermit Chair for one lucky winner ... that once again wasn't me.

The Clarks had recruited several members to help with KP duty and it was reflected in good food, large helpings and comfortable dining ex-

perience. Pork loins and chicken were the main courses, with potato, salad and broccoli sides. There was desert but having dined so well that weekend, it had to be skipped. In retrospect, probably a mistake, but

. . .

Like the previous night, the community fire pit was a focal point of laughter and stories until midnight.

And so, on Sunday morning, tents were broken down and good byes were said as the 80+ participants found yet another way to get from

For now, Manchester 2011 is in the books and pictures are posted at the RCB website. Our collective thanks to the Clarks for this magnificent weekend!





19,500 miles in 36 hours!

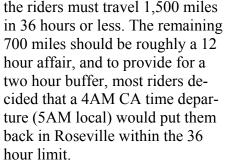
By Phil Wood

It was the early morning hours of September 17 and 14 riders were congregated in the A&S parking lot. They were fully laden with fuel, fluids and clothes, had all checked in, logged their odometer readings, and were waiting for 6AM. And then they were gone. Each riding at his best pace because today would represent 12-13 hours of highway riding to get to Beaver UT, a mere 800 miles awav.

Their route would take them 290 miles down Hwy 99 to Bakersfield. From there, a slight left turn onto CA 58 took them another 130 miles to the desert outpost of Barstow. And from there, it was an easy (?) 380 Interstate miles to Beaver, UT. Except for one straggler, all arrived before sunset and settled in for some local grub and a Iron Butt Association's Bun good night's sleep.



Day one of RCB's Sin and Sand Ride was complete – The riders were halfway to completing the Burner 1500 ride, a ride in which



This second morning was to be just a little more confusing. Instead of continuing up I-15 to intercept US 50, the route required a short eastbound dogleg to Salina (I-70) to satisfy the 1,500 mile requirement. After Salina, the riders were to turn west on US 50 then south on I-15 and then west on US 50 again for the long trip through the high Nevada desert.

What seemed simple on paper confused a couple groggy riders who missed one or more turns and added 60 miles or more to their



rides. (Now the two hour buffer looks pretty smart, eh?)

A couple hours out of Beaver, the first, and fortunately only, problem crept up. Lynn Clark's K1200GT decided it didn't want to start after a planned stop at the Border Inn on the Utah/Nevada border. After securing the bike and leaving Lynn at the Inn, the remaining thirteen riders continued through Nevada, crossed over to I-80 near Fallon and came down the hill from Truckee.

The first rider back to A&S was Bruce "Rocket" Azzarito on his K1200LT in 33 hours and 48 minutes followed by the only Harley participant, Mitch Lester in 34:06. (Guess I'm not going to be able to make as many Harley jokes as I used to!) Fred "Long Distance" Jewell was third ten minutes after that Bob Brown finished fourth and Stan Paolini, only 81 years young, finished fifth. Peter

Sandberg, Ernesto Rivera, Marty Gittleman, Lynn and Jey Yelland, Rich Gay and Joe Hogan finished sixth through 12th. Finally, Jim Wilson, an RCB charter member pulled up at 5:46PM with only 14 minutes to spare. Except for Lynn Clark, everyone who started also finished in time to satisfy the ride requirements

Congratulations to all! You have joined a very exclusive group of riders who appreciate that long distance riding opens your world to more motorcycle roads and vista throughout the western United States.

19,500 miles? Well, it's 13 times 1,500 miles, of course!



The big Three-Oh

By Phil Wood

If you were one of the lucky 80 Manchester Beach attendees, then at some point you were handed a small pin with our logo on it ... Across the logo is a banner that says 1982 – 2011.

Yes, unless you've been living under a rock, you've probably heard that RCB is turning 30 years young and we'll be celebrating throughout the year. By using the old logo, we're honoring and re-

membering the 30 years of volunteers, thirty years of activities, thirty years of rides, and of course, the thirty years of members that got us here.

There are a limited number of pins so there a limit of one per membership and they'll be first come, first served. If you would like one, they're being distributed at our next two Saturday monthly meetings, our November planning meeting and our Christmas party. When they're gone, they're gone!

Happy Birthday, RCB!





Dear BMW Riders,

Our colleagues at the BMW RDC in Stockton are very excited to have you as their guests this Friday. Although we'd originally planned for about 50 riders, we now have over 125 registered for the event. This has necessitated some adjustment but we'll have

sufficient gift bags and of course, food for everyone.

Sincerely, Laurence Kuykendall

And so the word got out fast. Phil Wood got a quick list together and at least 25 riders from RCB attended this event.

The stunt riding of Chris 'Teach" McNeil was incredible and after the show, Teach signed posters to everyone who wanted one.

BMW corporate wants to do this event next year...if they do then if you missed it this year, don't make that mistake next year.

Classified adds

Corbin seat for 2004 R1150RT. Burgundy leather with black piping. Comfy! Free to good home. Too much life left in it to toss, but too well broken in to sell. Traded in the RT for a GSA. Dave Delgardo 916-580-8858(8/29/2011)

Sargent Seat for BMW F800GS, 650GS TWIN. Less than 1,000 miles and I sold the bike! This seat is in brand new condition. Fits BMW F800GS also 650GS twin. New cost is \$495. This seat is VERY comfortable for long or short trips. Has storage built into the underside of the seat for document and tool storage. Call Sam 916-802-5829 Best offer. See pictures at http:// sacramento.craigslist.org/

mcy/2553846440.html(8/19/2011)

2001 1150GS, lots of extras including Wilbers shocks, Kaoko 9.6 2004 BMW R1150GS, yellow; gallon tank (a work of art)and throttle lock, PIAA lights, Jesse Bags, etc., \$5700.00. Contact Bob at: holleron.bob(at)gmail.com or 530-391-2831(8/17/11)

Kendon stand up trailer, 2 rails, very good condition. Can add third Bags, Hyperlites, Good Tires, rail if it's for dirt bikes. \$1000. wforider10(at)gmail.com (8/2/2011)

Wanted: Stock radio for 2003 R1150RT to fit factory wiring in fairing. Bruce Manley kymbam (at)yahoo dot com(7/26/11)

1986 BMW R80 G/S. About 100K. All original European model in excellent running condition. \$3800. Gary 916 638 3457 stonegary(at)att.net(7/19/11)

20K miles; excellent condition; a must see \$8,800.00 OBO c.zabala at comcast dot net(7/3/11)

2005 BMW R1200ST For Sale \$8,000. Very Clean, Powerful Sport Tourer, Heated Grips, ABS, Power Outlet, Adj Seat, 18K miles, Red/Black. Call Bruce, 530-671-9376. (6/22/11)

2003 Capri Blue K1200RS for sale. Approx 21,000 miles. Original owner. Many Extras included. ~\$7,499.00 gfriss(at)yahoo.com or 209-256-0268(5/2/11)

2004 BMW K1200LT. \$10,000 obo. Approx 42,00 miles. I'm 2nd owner; bought the bike June '07 from A&S, only added 6,000 miles. Black, ABS, cruise control, heated grips and seats, saddle bags and trunk, 7 CD changer. Added items are custom leather seat, PIAA driving lights, saddlebag lights, lowered driver pegs, battery tender, wireless Bluetooth helmet intercom. Wonderful bike that runs great, just no time to ride. Pictures available. John Kramer (916) 718-9937. Email sactocacpa(at) yahoo.com(3/24/11)

2005 Blue BMW K1200S with
40,033 miles for sale. This motorcycle is fully equipped with ABS,
ESA, heated grips, anti-theft alarm,
top case. I exchange the original
exhaust pipe with a REMUS pipe.
The bike is up to date on all servies
and is in excellent condition. I recently moved from Antioch, CA to
Moyie Springs, ID. If interested
email bcis64(at)yahoo.com and I
can email you some pictures.

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RAM mount fits on top of clutch reservoir cover mount. Should fit most RTs. \$20.00 Email Dave Swift (in Grass Valley) at beemerdave(at)att.net or call 530-320-4478(2/4/11)

2005 BMW 1200 RT w/ only 6,500 miles. Asking \$11,900. BMW equipment includes: ABS, ESA, AM/FM radio w/ CD, CB radio w/ intercom, battery charger, shop manual, tank bag, and large top case. I can email copy of invoice and pics on request. New bike invoice was \$18,935, which does not include much of the above equipment. Wguckeen (at) gmail.com 916-686-7625 Elk Grove CA 95624 (02/11)

Bushtec trailer, with hitch for a BMW LT. Has spare tire and wheel, garment bag, carpet lined. \$2400.00. Call Mike Miller at 916-408-7754. Located in Lincoln, CA. I also have a shop manual for a 2002 BMW LT, \$50.00 (9/1)

2002 BMW LT1200LTC, \$8,600, photos here, 28K Mi. Silver, new rear and extra brand new front tires. KBB \$8,500 + \$300 in options based on 42,850 Mi. - This bike has only 28K Mi... BMW battery tender, BMW cover, shop manual, detailed service records, factory CD, new registration and much, much more. Excel cond. Russ @ abme(at)cwnet.com call me at 530-268-3815 Grass Valley (8/30)

1983 R100RT 60th Anniversary model Pearl White, 72K in great shape and with BMW and aftermarket options. \$4,500. Dennis 530-391-5754, e-mail:clcman(at) sbcglobal.net (6/11)

2006 1200 GS Adventure 7700 miles black and silver new tires very clean \$9500 or best offer. Call Bryan at 916-847-2001(5/17)

Backpacking Tent Sierra Designs Light Year 1 3-Season. Packed size, 19" x 5" and a feather-light trail weight of 2 lb. 11 oz. A great 1-person tent. \$85. 3/4" Therm-a-Rest. \$25. Whisperlite Internationale 600 stove. Burns a variety of fuels and packs small. \$45. Dennis 530-391-

1985 R80 RT Selling it because I don't ride it enough. Motorcycling just wasn't for me. Asking \$3500

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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 Schuberth 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)

2011 Calendar of Upcoming Events

Check often because events are always being added or changed.

Nov 5th, 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.

Nov 8th, Tue Director's meeting at Race Place Motorsports, 7:00 pm, 3130 Bradshaw Road, 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!

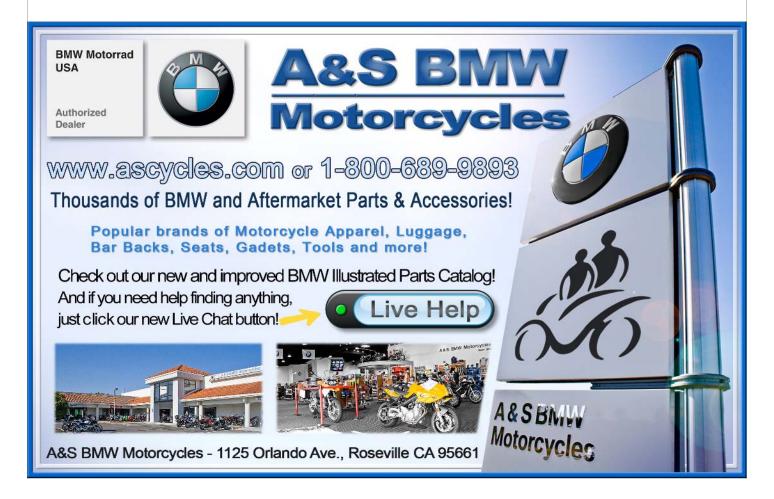
Nov 5 Sat Elections of officers at the meeting. Ballots will be passed out to all members present.

Nov 20, Sun RCB Planning party,: Round Table Pizza, 9500 Greenback Ln # 1, Folsom, CA 95630-

2091. Contact number (916) 642-2221, 5-7 pm. See newsletter for details.

Dec 3, Sat Christmas Party, Location: A&S Powersports, 1125 Orlando, Roseville, CA, 6-9 pm, details

to follow.





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"Teach" McNeil stunting during the BMW appreciation day at their Stockton facility on Oct. 21st.

November 2011

A & S BMW Motorcycles

1125 Orlando Ave. Roseville, CA 95661 (800) 689-9893 www.ascycles.com Tues-Fri 9-6, Sat 9-5

Welcome to New Members

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