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Chapter 3*

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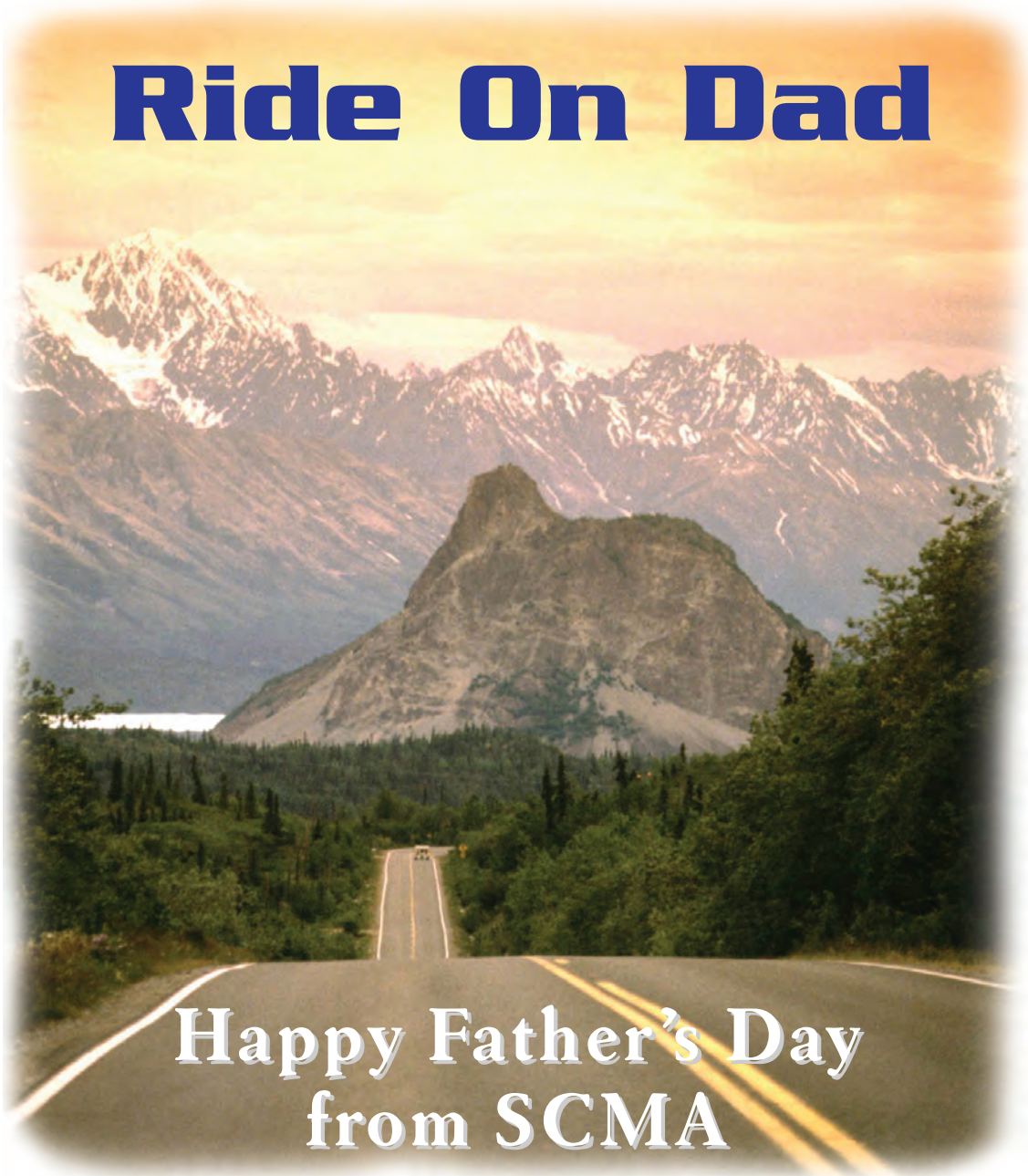
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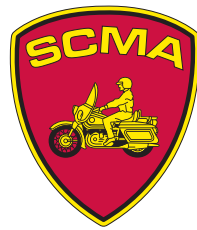
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Ride On Dad



**Happy Father's Day
from SCMA**

Visit S.C.M.A.'s Website at: www.sc-ma.com



JUNE

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

✓ Marks Travelers Events

JUNE

- 4 Three Flags Meeting Fullerton
10 am Fullerton Harley Davidson
- 11 SCMA General Sunland
Membership Meeting 9-11 am
Angeles National Golf Club
9401 Foothill Blvd.
818-951-8771
- 11-12 BMWCOSC Camping Trip
- 18-19 ✓ MTA Wacky Wabbit
- 25-26 BMWCOSC Big Bear (not rally)



JULY

- 9 SCMA General Sunland
Membership Meeting 9-11 am
Angeles National Golf Club
9401 Foothill Blvd.
818-951-8771
- 10 SCBMWRC Meeting Mt. Baldy
- 10 BMWCOSC Ventura Seafood
- 16 Three Flags Meeting Fullerton
10 am Fullerton Harley Davidson
- 15-17 ✓ SCBMWRC 7 Sierra Passes
- 23 BMWCOSC Day Ride

Legend

AVR	Antelope Valley Riders Antelope Valley Riders #163030A
BMWCOCS	BMW Club of Southern California BMWCOCS Website.webloc
MTA	Motorcycle Touring Association (Calif. Ch. 3) MTA Website.webloc
PMC	Pasadena Motorcycle Club PMC Website.webloc
SCBMWRC	South Coast BMW Riders Club SCBMWRC Website.webloc
SCMA	Southern California Motorcyclists Assn. SCMA Website.webloc
Shamrocks	Shamrock Road Riders Shamrock Website.webloc

SUBMISSIONS WANTED

**Have you taken any good photos while on a recent ride?
Do you want to see your writing skills in print?**

If you would like to have the memories of your adventures published, please e-mail them, along with pertinent information (location, name of ride, names, and photographer)
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S.C.M.A. MONTHLY MEETINGS

The following meetings are open to all S.C.M.A. members and their guests:

MONTHLY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m.
(Except in March, September and October, check date shown on calendar of events and annual calendar)

— CHECK CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR ADDRESSES OF MEETING PLACES —

Blake Anderson 714-801-3931

A WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN

We have two new committee chairs

Last month I offered breakfast or lunch to anyone that wanted to talk about volunteering to help with SCMA. Well, I didn't buy anyone a meal, but I am very happy to announce that I did get three volunteers.

The October Grand Tour needed a new chair. Fairly new to SCMA, Steve Howe has taken on the challenge. Steve hails from Whittier. He's already working on route ideas with Logan Olds (last year's Grand Tour Chair) and Dennis Even. Thanks Steve.

California Adventures also needed a new chair. We got two. Co-chairs, really, in the form of Dennis Even and Greg Harris. Greg happens to be on the road as I write this. Once he's back in town he'll sit down with Dennis and set to work. Dennis' term as recording secretary will end June 10, so he'll have time to devote to this assignment.

2012 Three Flags Classic Volunteers

Two months ago I put out a call for a 2012 TFC Chair and said I would make a decision after the June board election. That's still operative. It looks as though there are three people proposing. There could be more. If you are interested in proposing, there's still time. I will look at every one in early July, consult with the board of directors and make the call. The 2012 Chair may get a finish hotel in mind and perhaps pick the route captain, but not much more than that at first. We want to take it slower for 2012.

One thing we want to try is to wait on the 2012 committee assignments until after the 2011 TFC Banquet in Penticton. This will give the 2011 committee the ability to operate without the distraction of the 2012 committee's work occurring simultaneously. As everyone that is close to the Three Flags Classic knows, it's often the same cast of characters doing back-to-back Three Flags. That's the first reason to wait until there's a wrap up on 2011.

And there's a second big reason to wait until after Penticton. I know that some people are inspired to help on next year's Three Flags while on this year's Three Flags. But for far too long, the committee jobs have all been spoken for so early that new volunteers can't land a meaningful job. For 2012, things will be different.

If you are interested in helping on the 2012 committee, think about it now or while riding on the 2011 TFC. If you do ride the 2011 TFC, find me or another board member and ask us questions. Or call or email. The way it looks right now, as long as we hear from you by about September 10 we can add your name to the list of 2012 Three Flags Classic volunteers and then the 2012 TFC Chair can sort out the committee assignments after that.

What makes a great committee chair or volunteer?

I was at a meeting of the California Emergency Services Association last week as part of my volunteer efforts promoting adequate public infrastructure. One of the other speakers provided a list of 16 core competencies that spell success in her organization. I thought the list was amazing because it fits just about anywhere—including the SCMA. So, for your consideration, here are those sixteen. I don't think there's anyone that hits the mark on all of them, but we certainly know people around us that come close.

Has integrity and honesty	Develops others
Has technical and professional expertise	Works collaboratively with others
Solves problems and analyzes issues	Drives for results
Initiates innovation	Establishes stretch goals
Practices self-development	Takes initiative
Communicates clearly	Looks at the big picture
Inspires and motivates others to high performance	Supports positive change
Builds relationships	Connects to the outside world

I say it boils down to this: Work hard. Be honest. Stay positive. Pay attention to your team. Aren't those the kind of people you want around you?

I'll be on the road

I am leaving June 4 for my first USA Four Corners Tour. I will be gone until near the end of the month. Please contact our very capable Vice Chairman, Huey Ward, while I am gone. I hope to chronicle my adventure using a Contour GPS Video Camera. I will be posting on the Contour website. Search for my posts under "Blake Anderson" beginning around my first day of departure.

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Ballot for the 2011 SCMA Election of Board Officers

Ballots Must Be Received by 5 PM June 10, 2011

Two-Year Terms (June 12, 2011 through June 30, 2013)

Chair

Blake Anderson _____

Referee and Risk Manager

Bill Allen _____

Recording Secretary

There is no candidate for this position _____

Treasurer

Huey Ward _____

Voting instructions. You must follow them completely:

- 1) Print out or use this ballot and fill it out
- 2) Place **ONLY** one ballot in an envelope
- 3) **Include your name and SCMA membership number in the return address.**
Note: This information is crucial because it will be used to verify that you are a current dues-paying member of SCMA. Your ballot will not be counted if you aren't current as of June 10. Your ballot will not be counted if your return address and SCMA membership number are not listed. Once verified, the envelope will be opened and the ballot will be separated from the envelope so that your vote will be secret.
- 4) Mail your completed ballot to:
 SCMA
 PO Box 487
 Norwalk, CA 90651-0487
- 5) All ballots must be received there by 5 PM, June 10, 2011
- 6) According to the bylaws, for a person to be a candidate, three SCMA members must endorse the candidacy. For this reason, write-in candidates are not eligible.

EDITOR'S CORNER

If you were a member of the SCMA back in the 80's you may have seen my name as my husband, Bob Bishop and I were heavily involved in the SCMA until our divorce. So no more motorcycling. The last few years, I've been taking care of my mother. She passed away almost two years ago and a little over two years ago, I retired so with time on my hands, decided to go back to see if there was anything I could help with in the SCMA.

I've been taking care of membership for the past few months which is what I did before. Now I'm trying to fill in as editor of the newsletter and as you can imagine, I'm lost.

I wish all of you could know the fun I'm having, working with Blake Anderson, Huey Ward, Dennis Even, Joe Mandeville and Bill Allen. We do need more help so if you're looking for something that will help fill your days, please volunteer. It really is rewarding.

Meanwhile, ride safe and see you next month.

Sally Bishop

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

MAY 2011

We have 607 members as of May 16, 2011.
156 of them still get paper Newsletters.

INCOME:

NEW MEMBERS:

REGULAR:	17 @ \$25.00	\$425.00
NEWSLETTER:	1 @ \$45.00	\$45.00

RENEWALS:

REGULAR:	1 @ \$25.00	\$25.00
NEWSLETTER:	2 @ \$45.00	\$90.00

TOTAL INCOME		\$585.00
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9 of our new members came for 4 Corners new sign up.
Thank you David.

EXPENSES:

POSTAGE: May Newsletter	\$122.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$220.83
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Respectively Submitted,
Sally Bishop, Membership

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the May issue of the SCMA News was late getting printed. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Editorial Submissions

Please adhere to the following guidelines when submitting editorial content for the SCMA Newsletter:

Articles/Text — Submit as a Word Document after making necessary changes using Spell Check.

Photos/Artwork — Submit as jpeg files. Images will be printed at 300 dpi.

Flyers — Submit in PDF format. Make sure all fonts and images are collected and not corrupt. Images should be flattened.

CHARITY POKER RUN

Lupus Awareness Charity Poker Run set for Sunday June 5

Here's a way to have some riding fun while raising money for an important cause. Purple Rose's First Annual Lupus Awareness Poker Run will leave the Starbucks at 7565 Carson Blvd. in Long Beach from 8:00 to 9:00 AM on Sunday June 5. Cost is \$30 for rider and \$20 for passenger. You'll get a tee shirt, a route sheet, a BBQ lunch and door prizes. The ride ends in Rialto with a total ride distance of 62 miles.

The mission of the Purple Rose Foundation is to foster advocacy, education, and awareness of lupus, sickle cell, and other autoimmune diseases. It is currently focused on raising money for academic scholarships. More information and online registration can be found at: www.vonnedave.com/purple-rose-foundation.html

This ride is organized by the Purple Rose Foundation and has no affiliation with the Southern California Motorcycling Association.

SEVEN PASSES RIDE

The South Coast BMW Riders Club (SCBMWRC) is offering a spectacular ride July 15 through July 17. How do the seven Sierra Mountain Passes sound? The Alps have nothing over California's major mountain passes. You may remember this offering in 2008. The meet up is in Bakersfield on Friday morning, July 15. The route is slated to be this: Friday: Bakersfield, Sherman Pass, lunch on Hwy 395, Tioga Pass, Friday lodging in Jamestown. Saturday: Jamestown, Sonora Pass, north on Hwy 395, Monitor Pass, Ebbetts Pass (the most technical pass), Angels Camp, north on CA 49 to Jackson, turn east to Carson Pass, Luther Pass, south on 395, and Saturday night lodging in Mammoth Lakes. Ride home on Sunday. The route is 860 miles split evenly between Friday and Saturday. This is a Travels Award ride. It is a no-frills, no fee ride. Contact Bill Allen at Bill@AllenDesigns.com for more information.

Dog Days of Summer Ride Cancelled

The SCMA Board of Directors announces that the Dog Days of Summer Rider that had been scheduled for June 12 has been cancelled.

We hope that the cancellation doesn't inconvenience any of our loyal members.

We decided it was best to cancel the ride 90-days in advance of the scheduled date rather than continuing the uncertainty of not having gotten a volunteer to chair the event.

Motorcycle Touring Association Update For Wacky Wabbit Wides Again!

This year MTA CA#3 is trying something a little different. Our National Association of Motorcycle Touring Association headquartered in Virginia is having its annual gathering in Cedar City, UT June 20 - 24 and we want to combine our annual one day Wacky Wabbit Wides Again charity ride with this great event in Utah. So we will use Sunday, June 19 and start in the La Canada/Flintridge area and end on the High Desert near Hesperia. (details to follow) That way we want to encourage as many of you as possible to join us in Cedar City on Monday through Friday. It will only be 350 miles to Cedar City.

This will be the first time our National Association has had its rally so close to Southern California and we want to do everything we can to encourage participation. We're a generic club and everyone is welcome!

For those who are not familiar with the Cedar City area, it was especially created for motorcycling! There are so many scenic roads with panoramic vistas. At 5800 feet elevation the temperatures in June will be mild with snow-capped mountains close by. Conducted tours will go to Cedar Breaks, Brian Head, Bryce Canyon and Mountain Meadow Massacre Site Memorial. We will have bike games, bike show and Light show.

Discounted room rates at the Crystal Inn at only \$65 per night which includes breakfast! KOA is the hosting campground.

Details are at the MTA Website: mtariders.com. Mark your calendar now! For questions call Steve Morris at 310-325-6388

REDNECK MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY

Artery – The study of paintings.

Benign – What you be after you be eight

Bacteria – Back door to cafeteria.

Barium – What doctors do when patients die.

Cesarean Section – A neighborhood in Rome.

Catscan – Searching for Kitty.

Cauterize – Made eye contact with her.

Colic – A sheep dog.

Coma – A punctuation mark.

D&C – Where Washington is.

Dilate – To live long.

Enema – Not a friend.

Fester – Quicker than someone else.

Fibula – A small lie.

Genital – Non-Jewish person.

G.I. Series – World Series of military baseball.

Hangnail – What you hang your coat on.

Impotent – Distinguished, well known.

Labor Pain – Getting hurt at work.

Medical Staff – A Doctor's cane.

Morbid – A higher offer than I bid.

Nitrates – Cheaper than day rates.

Node – I knew it.

Outpatient – A person who has fainted.

Pap Smear – A fatherhood test.

Pelvis – Second cousin to Elvis.

Post Operative – A letter carrier.

Recovery Room – Place to do upholstery.

Rectum – Darn near killed him.

Secretion – Hiding something.

Seizure – Roman emperor.

Tablet – A small table.

Terminal Illness – Getting sick at the airport.

Tumor – More than one.

Urine – Opposite of you're out.

Varicose – Near by.

SCMA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

April 26, 2011

Roady's Restaurant, 160 W. Bonita, San Dimas

Draft Minutes

1. 10:15 AM: Blake Anderson called meeting to order. Roll call taken: Sally Bishop, David L. Johnson, Blake Anderson, Gaylord "Huey" Ward, Joseph Mandeville, Bill Allen, Dennis Even. Quorum met.
2. Minutes of February and March board meetings approved as published.

Reports of the Board Members:

1. Chairman, Blake Anderson, is sponsoring the "Chairman's Ride" which constitutes the 15 best roads in America per the AMA members. All board members were invited to nominate candidates for the May election of board members.
2. Vice Chairman, Huey Ward, had no report.
3. Treasurer, David Johnson, was unable to provide a published treasurer's report for the month. Huey requested the SCMA monthly form for the treasurer's report. David Johnson could only offer the balances of the SCMA bank accounts. David stated that he could deliver the quick book report for profit & loss next month. Again, Huey stated that this was unacceptable.
4. Membership Chair, Sally Bishop, stated that there were 20 new memberships, many of which originated with Four Corners Tour.
5. Risk Manager, Joe Mandeville, had no report due to his pending trip to Alaska. But Joe did provide "print & sign forms" for the Blazing Saddle Tour.

Old Business

4. Reconsideration of reimbursement policy for vehicle usage expense while conducting SCMA business.
David Johnson stated that SCMA has continued to clear a profit from all the major rides and can afford to reimburse mileage at the federal rate. Huey Ward stated that the reimbursement policies should be rewritten because of errors in the description of people who would be eligible. Dennis Even stated that SCMA has always been a volunteer organization with members contributing their time and talents without reimbursement. Sally Bishop added that the members volunteer their time and talents with respect to their own economic means. Joe Mandeville injected that reimbursement was part of the internal controls to be metered and approved by the board. The board members have an obligation to the membership to review the bank account and financial stability of the organization. Following the discussion a motion to continue the existing practice of reimbursement of actual gasoline costs for pre-rides only was proposed. Motion passed 3 to 1.
5. Report by SCMA treasurer on action taken to conform to board policy requiring the SCMA treasurer and TFC treasurer provide monthly reports to the board that include a detailed breakdown of the expenditures and income encountered in the previous month.
David Johnson is responsible for two treasurer's reports: SCMA and Four Corners Tour. An annual budget of Four Corners Tour has not been submitted to the board for review and

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SCMA PRESENTS



THE CALIFORNIA PARKS ADVENTURE



THERE ARE 24 NATIONAL PARKS AND MONUMENTS IN CALIFORNIA. THEY INCLUDE YOSEMITE, LASSEN AND ROSIE THE RIVETER. THEY ARE AS FAR SOUTH AS THE CABRILLO LIGHTHOUSE ON POINT LOMA AND AS FAR NORTH AS THE LAVA BEDS IN THE REMOTE NORTHEAST CORNER OF CALIFORNIA. DURING A CALENDAR YEAR AND IN ANY ORDER, VISIT ALL 24 SITES.

JOIN THE FUN BY PURCHASING A PASSPORT BOOK FROM SCMA DETAILING ALL 24 LOCATIONS. ADD A PARK STAMP AND A PHOTO OF YOURSELF AT EACH OF THEM. RETURN THE COMPLETED PASSPORT TO US AND WE WILL SEND IT BACK TO YOU ALONG WITH A PIN AND A PLAQUE. THIS IS ALSO ONE OF THE QUALIFYING CALIFORNIA ADVENTURES EVENTS FOR SCMA'S TRIPLE CROWN AWARD.

HERE ARE THE DETAILS ON HOW TO JOIN THE FUN AND MEET THE CHALLENGE:

1. COMPLETE A CALIFORNIA ADVENTURES REGISTRATION FORM* AND INDICATE "CALIFORNIA PARKS ADVENTURE" ON THE FORM, AND;
2. COMPLETE AN AMA LIABILITY RELEASE FORM*, AND;
3. COMPLETE AN SCMA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION* IF YOU ARE NOT NOW A MEMBER, AND;
4. SEND THE FORMS AND \$50 FOR THE RIDE AND \$25 FOR SCMA DUES, IF APPLICABLE, TO:
 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MOTORCYCLING ASSOCIATION
 CALIFORNIA ADVENTURES
 PO Box 487
 NORWALK, CA 90651-0487
5. YOU WILL RECEIVE A FULL COLOR ILLUSTRATED PASSPORT CONTAINING DETAILS ABOUT ALL SITES.
6. AT THE END OF THE YEAR, BUT NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 15, SEND YOUR COMPLETED PASSPORT CONTAINING THE 24 PARK STAMPS AND PHOTOS OF YOU TO THE SCMA PO BOX.
7. FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.CALIFORNIAADVENTURES.ORG
8. COMING SOON: ONLINE ORDERING AS AN OPTION. WATCH FOR DETAILS.

* ALL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE SCMA WEBSITE AND IN THE NEWSLETTER. YOU MUST COPY THE AMA LIABILITY RELEASE FORM IN COLOR SO THE RED SHOWS TO MAKE IT AN ACCEPTABLE BINDING DOCUMENT



Southern California Motorcycling Association



California Adventures Registration Form*

Participant's Name _____

Are you a Rider or Passenger*? _____ Are you a minor? _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Emergency Contact Name _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____

In Which Event are you participating? *Mark Only One:*

California Parks Adventure

California Mission Tour

Motorcycle Make/Model/Year: _____

SCMA Membership # _____ (If "applying", indicate that)

Participant Signature _____

Today's Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature* _____

**Passenger registration is optional, but all participants must sign an AMA "Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement" that is printed in color so the red shows. All participants who register and pay the \$50 fee will receive a passport and are eligible to earn completion pin and plaque. Minors must obtain parent/guardian signature and complete AMA "Minor Release and Waiver of Liability..." All forms available on SCMA website. Use one registration form per registering participant.*

Send \$50 check or money order to:

Southern California Motorcycling Association
California Adventures
PO Box 487
Norwalk, CA 90651-0487



*SCMA Presents
The California Mission Tour*



The twenty-one Spanish missions established from 1769 to 1823 extend from the coastal seaport of San Diego to the Sonoma Valley. All are beautifully restored to capture the era that defined the character and culture of California. Complete the tour of all 21 in any order within a single calendar year.

Join the fun by purchasing a passport book from SCMA detailing all 21 locations. Add a mission stamp and a photo of yourself at each of them. Return the completed passport to us and we will send it back to you along with a pin and a plaque. This is also one of the qualifying events for SCMA's Triple Crown Award.

Here are the details on how to join the fun and meet the challenge:

1. Complete a California Adventures registration form* and indicating "California Mission Tour" on the form, and;
2. Complete an AMA liability release form*, and;
3. Complete an SCMA membership application* if you are not now a member.
4. Send the forms and \$50 ride fee and \$25 SCMA dues (if applicable) to:
SCMA
California Adventures
PO Box 487
Norwalk CA 90651-0487
5. You will receive a full color illustrated passport containing details about all sites.
6. At the end of the year, but no later than December 15, send your completed passport containing the 21 mission stamps and photos of you to the SCMA PO Box
7. For more information visit www.californiaadventures.org
8. Coming soon: online ordering as an option. Watch for details.

*All forms are available on the SCMA website and in the newsletter. You **must copy the AMA liability release form in color** so the red shows to make it an acceptable binding document.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT (R)

CHARTER NAME, LOCATION, AND SANCTION #

EVENT DATE (S)

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to compete, officiate, observe, work for, or participate in any way in the EVENT(S) or being permitted to enter for any purpose any RESTRICTED AREA (defined as any area requiring special authorization, credentials, or permission to enter or any area to which admission by the general public is restricted or prohibited), EACH OF THE UNDERSIGNED, for himself, his personal representatives, heirs, and next of kin:

1. Acknowledges, agrees, and represents that he have or will immediately upon entering any of such RESTRICTED AREAS, and will continuously thereafter, inspect the RESTRICTED AREAS which he enters, and he further agrees and warrants that, if at any time, he is in or about RESTRICTED AREAS and he feels anything to be unsafe, he will immediately advise the officials of such and if necessary will leave the RESTRICTED AREAS and/or refuse to participate further in the EVENT(S).
2. HEREBY RELEASES, WAIVES, DISCHARGES, AND COVENANTS NOT TO SUE the promoting organizations, participants, sanctioning organizations or any subdivision thereof, track operators, track owners, officials, motorcycle owners, riders, pit crews, rescue personnel, any persons in any RESTRICTED AREA, promoters, sponsors, advertisers, owners and lessees of premises used to conduct the EVENT(S), premises and event inspectors, surveyors, underwriters, consultants and others who give recommendations, directions, or instructions or engage in risk evaluation or loss control activities regarding the premises or EVENT(S) and each of them, their directors, officers, agents and employees, all for the purposes herein referred to as "Releasees," FROM ALL LIABILITY TO THE UNDERSIGNED, his personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin FOR ANY AND ALL LOSS OR DAMAGE, AND ANY CLAIM OR DEMANDS THEREFORE ON ACCOUNT OF INJURY TO THE PERSON OR PROPERTY OR RESULTING IN DEATH OF THE UNDERSIGNED ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE EVENT(S), WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE.
3. HEREBY AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS the Releasees and their insurance carrier, and each of them FROM ANY LOSS, LIABILITY, DAMAGE, OR COST they may incur arising out of or related to the EVENT(S) WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE.
4. HEREBY ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY RISK OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE arising out of or related to the EVENT(S) whether caused by the NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES or otherwise.
5. HEREBY acknowledges that THE ACTIVITIES OF THE EVENT(S) ARE VERY DANGEROUS and involve the risk of serious injury and/or death and/or property damage. Each of THE UNDERSIGNED, also expressly acknowledges that INJURIES RECEIVED MAY BE COMPOUNDED OR INCREASED BY NEGLIGENT RESCUE OPERATIONS OR PROCEDURES OF THE RELEASEES.
6. IF, DESPITE THIS RELEASE, I OR ANYONE ON MY BEHALF MAKES A CLAIM AGAINST THE "RELEASEES" NAMED ABOVE, I AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS THE RELEASEES AND THEIR INSURANCE CARRIER, AND EACH OF THEM FROM ANY LITIGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEYS' FEES, LOSS, LIABILITY, DAMAGE, OR COSTS THEY MAY INCUR DUE TO THE CLAIM MADE AGAINST ANY OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED ABOVE, WHETHER THE CLAIM IS BASED ON THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEE OR OTHERWISE.
7. Hereby agree that in the event that I sustain any injury while in any Restricted Areas that any rescue personnel or medical personnel may release such medical information about my condition to representatives of the promoter, sanctioning organization, track operator, or track owner, as necessary to allow such individuals to properly report that information to appropriate representatives of the sanctioning organization and/or insurance carriers.
8. HEREBY agrees that this Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement extends to all acts of negligence by the Releasees, INCLUDING NEGLIGENT RESCUE OPERATIONS and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the Province or State in which the Event(s) is/are conducted and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding continue in full legal force and effect.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND HAVE SIGNED IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT, ASSURANCE OR GUARANTEE BEING MADE TO ME AND INTEND MY SIGNATURE TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW.

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therefore all the expenditures over \$50 must be authorized in accordance with the reimbursement policy. As there have been no written treasurers reports submitted to the board by David, he has promised to submit a profit & loss statement (quick books) for both of his responsibilities at the general membership meeting in May. David was advised that this situation is unacceptable to the board.

6. Consider motion to form a budget committee and authorize the budget committee to create a going-forward budget for consideration by the SCMA board of directors at a future meeting. The board discussed the need for a budget, but determined that a directive of methods and procedures was needed in addition to the budget. Huey Ward volunteered to chair this committee assisted by Blake Anderson, David Johnson and Dennis Even. The committee will be responsible for budget and practices.
7. Receive a report and consider proposal to procure professional services to build and maintain an online store.
David Johnson reports that he has engaged a website engineer to assemble the online store programs to facilitate the sale of merchandise. Credit cards will be the only form of payment accepted. The board advised David that the concept is great and to proceed with the store.
8. Relationship with AMA/Reforming AMA District 37 Road Riders.
Blake Anderson, representing the SCMA, has attended meetings discussing this relationship and will continue.

NEW BUSINESS

9. Consider proposal to adopt procedures for conducting the SCMA Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet.
The guidelines, proposed by Kenn Hatke, were discussed and accepted. David Johnson suggested the date for the next banquet be established at this time to secure facilities. President's Day weekend 2012 was selected for the 3-day calendar event. Further discussion was tabled until next meeting.
10. Consider proposal to provide complimentary memberships for military personnel serving in a combat zone.
The board considered the proposal and approved it 4-0.
11. Security, retrieval and back up for records and documents.
Dennis Even offered this statement: The informal assignment of duties of these offices needs a review of security of information & property that belongs to the SCMA. In the event of unintended absence or hospitalization of a key member we have no right to recover SCMA mail, records & all the workings of the Chairman's SCMA material. With no access to information or materials in possession of the Treasurer of 3FC or the Chairman of the Parks Adventure or any event, the SCMA will have a major problem conducting the event. It is time to establish methods & procedures for limiting the impact of the loss of one of the SCMA key person & materials. In conclusion, all the members of the board agreed that the committee for methods & procedures/budget would address this issue.
12. Proposed SCMA Events Guidelines.
The board members have reported that they were unable to recover the guidelines proposed by Dennis Even from their e-mail. The item was tabled until next meeting.

Other Business

13. David Johnson addressed the board regarding his purchase of a luggage rack and flag staff to be used as a prototype for a new online store USA Four Corners sales item: rack, flagpole & USA Four Corners Flag. In seeking board ratification for the purchase (\$380), Blake advised David that according to his interpretation of the expense reimbursement policy this is a grey area at best. The policy states that an expense is reimbursable for “equipment and supplies purchased by a member of the board or an appointed SCMA chair for the exclusive purpose of conducting SCMA business” (emphasis added). David countered that without these items you can’t take the pictures necessary to promote the item on the website. Blake noted that the rack and the flagpole will remain on David’s bike after the photos are taken and at that point they will no longer be for the exclusive purpose of conducting SCMA business. David Johnson proposed the motion for reimbursement of \$380 for the items purchased to take the necessary pictures to promote the resale on the website. Blake Anderson seconded the motion. The motion failed 3-1.

12:30 PM: Meeting adjourned. Next meeting to be announced.

MAJOR EVENTS DEFINED

Here is the draft of new language for “Our major events”

USA Four Corners Tour

Imagine visiting the four outer corners of our beautiful country. Imagine the adventure, personal sense of accomplishment and outright break-out-in-a-broad-smile satisfaction of visiting San Ysidro, CA; Blaine, WA; Madawaska, ME; and Key West, FL in 21 days or less. The USA Four Corners Tour is a self-guided tour visiting these four locations in the order you select and at the time of the year that’s best for you. Please visit www.USA4Corners.org for complete information about this World Class event. It is also one of the three qualifying events for SCMA Triple Crown Award. This is our 28th year offering this event.

Three Flags Classic

The 36th annual Three Flags Classic will start in San Ysidro on September 2 and end in Penticton, BC, Canada on September 5. Covering 2100 miles and involving 200 riders, this year’s route will include California’s Sonora Desert, Scotty’s Castle, western Nevada, the Sierra Nevada, Mt Shasta, Bend Oregon, the famed Lolo Pass, and some of the best roads in Montana and British Columbia. This year it is also an Iron Butt Border-to-Border Ride. Please visit www.3FlagsClassic.org for much more on this year’s event. This is also one of the three qualifying events for SCMA’s Triple Crown Award. This is SCMA’s Big Daddy of events and is probably for what we are best known.

Triple Crown Award

Imagine completing the USA Four Corners Tour, the Three Flags Classic and one of the California Adventure tours in a single calendar year. Well, it’s something that is done by less than 10 riders per year. SCMA thinks that is worth noting in a very special way. For this reason, SCMA does mark this accomplishment in a very special way. Those riders that do all three events are given a limited-addition plaque that marks you as a very unique long-distance rider.

SCMA conducts an annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet in February to honor those long distance riders that have literally and figuratively gone the extra mile—in the case of the Triple Crown, several thousands of miles. The Triple Crown is awarded to those riders who have completed three SCMA long-distance events in a single calendar year:

The USA Four Corners Tour

The SCMA Three Flags Classic

Any one SCMA California Adventure Tour (In 2011, either the California Parks Adventure or the California Mission Tour)

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SCMA volunteers audit the end-of-year results and will notify you if you have qualified. A Triple Crown plaque is awarded to qualifying riders. Jan Staws is currently chair of the

Triple Crown Award committee and coordinates this award. She can be reached at jstaws@gmail.com to answer your questions.

SCMA Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet

The Triple Crown, the three long-distance riding events and SCMA's staff of volunteers are recognized annually at SCMA's Awards and Appreciation Banquet. It's a chance to catch up with your fellow long-distance riders, honor the best of them, and take time to swap stories and plan for the upcoming riding season. It's a great event that shouldn't be missed.

It is normally held in February on a Saturday night. Details announcing the date, location and details normally begin to appear in the SCMA newsletter in the fall of each year.

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CONGRESS ACTS TO REINFORCE BAN ON NHTSA LOBBYING

May is Motorcycle Awareness Month across the country, and Congressional lawmakers are introducing a resolution on May 2 to continue current restrictions on NHTSA that prevent the federal transportation agency from lobbying state and local governments to enact helmet laws.

The lobbying ban was originally amended into the Transportation Equity Act in 1998, but U.S. Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) and his House colleagues want to reinforce the prohibitions on NHTSA lobbying and focus the agency's efforts on crash prevention and rider education.

According to the resolution, the U.S. House of Representatives "supports efforts to retain the ban on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's ability to lobby state legislators using federal tax dollars, encourages continued growth in the motorcyclist community, and encourages owners and riders to be responsible road users."

The resolution, similar to a version Sensenbrenner introduced last session, goes on to say that the House "recognizes the importance of motorcycle crash prevention as the primary source of motorcycle safety (and) encourages NHTSA to focus on motorcycle crash prevention and rider education as the most significant priorities in motorcycle safety."

"KIDS JUST WANT TO RIDE" COMPANION BILL INTRODUCED IN U.S. SENATE

U.S. Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) has introduced an amendment to exempt youth motorcycles and ATVs from the "lead law" that will effectively ban the sale of these machines.

Senate Amendment 264 would exempt youth off highway vehicles from the overly-restrictive lead-content provisions of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) of 2008, which has decimated the youth motorsports industry and will ban their sale at the end of the year unless the CPSIA language is changed.

Meant to protect our children from imported toys with lead-based paint, the CPSIA prohibits the making, importing, distributing or selling of any product intended for children 12 and under that contains more than a specified amount of lead in any accessible part. The unintended consequences were that, because some parts such as brakes and battery components contain lead, dealerships were barred from selling motorcycles and ATVs intended for young riders, as well as replacement parts.

The Klobuchar amendment is similar to H.R. 412, the Kids Just Want to Ride Act introduced in the House by Rep. Denny Rehberg (R-MT), and would amend S. 493, the Small Business Innovation Research Reauthorization Act.

You can contact your Congressional representatives through the U.S. Capitol Switchboard at (202) 224-3121 to urge their support.

BIKERS PROTEST MOTORCYCLE-ONLY CHECKPOINTS

Hundreds of motorcyclists from around Georgia rode to the Capitol to rev their engines in protest of a federal grant the Georgia State Patrol is using to conduct motorcycle-only checkpoints.

The crowd denounced the overly-invasive and discriminatory roadblocks as unconstitutional and chanted "No more profile stops" and "Education, not checkpoints!"

The protest rally came two weeks after the state patrol conducted motorcycle checkpoints on Interstates 75 and 95 during Daytona Bike Week, during which troopers stopped motorcyclists at roadblocks to check for proper paperwork, approved helmet, and properly functioning equipment.

"The roadblocks are a violation of our rights and are a pure attempt at profiling," said Dan Forrest, State Director of ABATE of Georgia. "Having a registration, proof of insurance and an endorsement on our license does make us safe. Loud pipes never killed anyone."

Georgia is the first state to conduct such checkpoints under a federal grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration as part of a \$350,000 pool of funds available to as many as five law enforcement agencies nationwide to test the effectiveness of a New York State Police pilot program.

Several motorcycle organizations are urging riders to call on Governor Nathan Deal to cancel the remainder of the checkpoints, which will be scheduled over the next 20 months at undisclosed locations during unannounced times.

Some in Congress have also questioned NHTSA's grant and called for Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood to pull the plug on future funding for motorcycle-only checkpoints. Rep. Tom Petri (R-WI), who recently co-sponsored legislation to prohibit such grants, called the checkpoints "outrageously intrusive."

Indeed, many of the protesters at the March 23rd rally held signs in support of US House Resolution 904 which would prevent the US DOT from providing funds to states which would be used for motorcycle roadblocks.

In the meantime, motorcyclists are also awaiting a court ruling on the constitutionality of the New York checkpoints, being challenged by N.Y. Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) Attorney Mitch Proner on behalf of his clients as well as representing the interests of ABATE of New York and the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM).

MOTORCYCLISTS COME TOGETHER FOR JAPAN

The 2011 Japan Earthquake and subsequent Tsunami last month has affected the motorcycle industry in a big way, especially since Japan is home to the "Big Four" motorcycle manufacturers: Yamaha, Honda, Suzuki and Kawasaki.

As the disaster relief efforts continue in Northeastern Japan, American motorcyclists are doing what they can to help those struggling through the cleanup and rebuilding, with U.S. motorcycle industry groups, racing series and even the American division of Japanese manufacturers raising funds in various fashions.

Three U.S. powersports industry associations announced that they are joining forces to provide financial assistance to the relief efforts underway in Japan. The boards and members of the Motorcycle Industry Council, the Motorcycle Safety Foundation and the Specialty Vehicle Institute of America are collectively donating \$10,000 to the 2011 Japan Relief Fund, and each organization is encouraging its members and individuals in the riding community to make their own contributions via a link on their websites (visit MIC.org, rockmoto.com, motorcycles.org, MSF-USA.org, SVIA.org or atvsafety.org and click on the "2011 Japan Relief Fund" tab). All donations will go to experienced non-governmental disaster relief agencies in Japan that have a proven track record of emergency humanitarian relief and restoration work.

To provide support to those affected by Japan's worst natural disaster; the massive 9.0-magnitude earthquake that triggered a tsunami that caused widespread devastation and crippled nuclear power plants, the presidents of all of the U.S.-based Kawasaki entities are collecting donations from employees under their matching gift program and forwarding the contributions to the Red Cross. The Kawasaki Good Times Foundation is contributing \$50,000 to initiate the charitable giving campaign.

Even iconic American motorcycle manufacturer Harley-Davidson has reached out to the disaster zone with a \$250,000 donation to the American Red Cross aid effort in Japan, and has established a link on their website to the Red Cross (www.RedCross.org) to make it easier for employees, customers and other riders to contribute.

EUROPEAN STUDY YIELDS INSIGHT INTO MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS

European researchers discovered some interesting facts about the common causes of motorcycle accidents. The Motorcycle Accidents In Depth Study (MAIDS) was based on 921 motorcycle accidents, which included 103 fatalities, across France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands and Spain. While some of the findings were expected, others were un-

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ticipated. Not surprisingly, the study indicates that the motorcyclists most often collided with passenger vehicles. Surprisingly or not, 70% of passenger vehicle drivers involved in accidents with motorcycles failed to perceive the motorcyclist. And while 73.1% of riders attempted some form of collision avoidance, 32% nonetheless experienced some form of loss of control during the maneuver. While all this may seem disheartening to riders, there are steps that can be taken to maximize safety; other findings from the study indicate: Over half of the accidents occurred at intersections - Although 90% of those involved in crashes were wearing helmets, 9% of helmeted riders lost their helmets in crashes due to improper fit, fastening or damage - Younger riders — those between 18 and 25 years of age — crashed at a higher percentage and riders aged 41 to 55 crashed less frequently - Riders wearing dark clothes were more likely to crash than others - Modified conventional street motorcycles were over-represented in crashes in the study, but engine size did not appear to be a factor - Unlicensed bikers were more likely to crash than properly licensed bikers - Weather was deemed to be a factor in only 7.5% of accidents.

VIRGINIA LAUNCHES “RIDER ALERT” CARD

Richmond Ambulance Authority (RAA) and Bon Secours Virginia Health System, in partnership with Motorcycle Virginia, Inc., have launched a new program designed to save the lives of injured motorcyclists. The program provides free identification data cards that will help first responders provide rapid and accurate medical assistance to riders involved in accidents.

Motorcyclists who participate are provided a free Rider Alert card that contains their personal emergency contact and medical information in the event of a crash. The cards are kept inside the lining of riders' helmets and come with a 1-inch round sticker placed outside the helmet to alert emergency responders of the card. The sticker also warns bystanders not to remove the rider's helmet, which could prevent further injury.

RAA officials say the Rider Alert card program is the first of its kind in the United States, and said that they modeled their program on an initiative in Great Britain known as “CRASH Card”, developed two years ago by that country's Ambulance Motorcycle Club.

On a national level, Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) was founded on a similar premise over 25 years ago by California attorney Richard M. Lester, issuing free Emergency Medical cards to bikers across the country that are linked to a database of their important medical information and emergency contact. A.I.M. has notified ambulance companies and first responders across the country to look for the yellow A.I.M. Card in a downed rider's wallet.

“We applaud Virginia's Rider Alert program and can appreciate their organizers' level of commitment to implement such a life-saving project,” said Lester, whose A.I.M. program also networks with biker attorneys in every state to represent the interests of injured motorcyclists. “When a rider is down, they need all the help they can get as fast as they can get it.”

More than three million A.I.M. Cards have been issued since 1985, and you can get yours free by calling (800) ON-A-BIKE or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com. Free “Do Not Remove This Helmet” stickers are also available.

WEIRD NEWS: HONDA WORKING ON MOTORCYCLE SEATBELTS

Yes, you read it right...Honda is working on a system of seatbelts for motorcycles. Seems crazy, but it appears to be a serious project judging from the patents Honda has filed for the system, and images posted on BikersPost.com.

According to the website, the belt arrangement is designed for larger touring bikes like the Gold Wing where the rider won't be moving around much in the seat, and the belt can work with the airbag to more effectively reduce injuries.

However, Honda apparently has recognized that in a lot of accidents it's better to be away from the bike rather than attached to it, so their new seatbelt system also has elements of ejector seat: When the computer senses that the bike is irretrievably tipping over it releases the entire seat, with the rider still attached, and inflates an airbag backrest. “The idea is that having ejected you slide down the road in a sitting position, with the seat betwixt your hide and the asphalt. Sort of extreme tobogganing.”

Of course, nobody envisioned airbags on a motorcycle either, before Honda's R&D team put one on their Gold Wing as a factory option.

SEVEN PASSES RIDE

More details!

First of all, attached is the latest route info. Hopefully, this is the final one or close to the final one. I moved the end from Mammoth Lakes to Bishop. It's a few extra miles, but the hotels are more reasonable.

I would like to clarify a few things. First of all, this is a "no frills" event. There will be no pins, no tee shirts, no mugs, no plaques and, coincidentally, no fees. Second, this isn't an organized group ride. As a matter of fact, groups of more than six will be discouraged for safety purposes. Read that "discouraged", not "disallowed". You can certainly ride with whomever you want. This is not a race. This is a flower sniffin' ride. Since no points are given out, no extra points will be given for the first one to finish. Heck, you don't even have to follow the route, but that will be a mistake on your part because it is unlikely you will ever take the time again to ride all seven passes of the Sierra Nevada's in one weekend.

Also, since we are an affiliated club of the Southern California Motorcycle Association, this is our contribution to the SCMA riding calendar and as such, SCMA members will get credit for the Traveler's Award. Those who are participating in the Traveler's Award know who you are and what that means. For you, there will be one requirement. You must take a digital picture of every pass sign showing its name and elevation. You should also have at least a piece of your motorcycle in the picture. There will be a dinner at the end. You will need to show the pictures to Dannie Fox and his assigned minions in order to get credit for the event. If you don't want to stick around for dinner, show Dannie the pictures somewhere after the last pass.

Below is information regarding places I am going to eat and sleep. This doesn't mean you have to eat and/or sleep at the same place. You can even camp along the way if you like. Therefore, the following information is provided for your convenience. On Thursday night, July 14th, I will be staying at the Holiday Inn Express in Bakersfield. The address is 3001 Buck Owens Blvd., Bakersfield, CA. Their phone number is (866) 599-6674.

Friday morning, I will have breakfast at Zingo's Cafe, located at 3201 Buck Owens Blvd., Bakersfield, CA. Their phone number is (661) 321-0627. I plan on arriving around 7 am and leaving at 8 am. That would be a good place to give me your cell phone number and to collect mine, because I might not stop very often after that.

The route takes us from Bakersfield through Kernville and over Sherman Pass towards US-395. We then will ride north on 395 to Tioga Pass, CA-120. After Tioga, I will roll into Sonora and spend the night at the Sonora Days Inn, 160 S. Washington St., Sonora, CA. Their phone number is (866) 599-6674. After I check in, I will probably have dinner about 7 pm at the Miner's Shack, located at 157 S Washington St, Sonora CA 95370.



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Their phone number is (209) 532-5252. The next morning, I plan to have breakfast at Bert's California Cafe, located at 177 S Washington St, Sonora CA 95370. Their telephone number is (209) 532-8185.

I plan on hitting the road around 8 am, although I might like to leave a little bit earlier since this is going to be a big riding day. Departing Sonora, I will cross over Sonora Pass. CA-108, go north on US-395 once more and take the cutoff at CA-89 aka Monitor Pass. Shortly, I will turn west onto CA-4 also known as Ebbetts Pass. Ebbetts is the most technical pass of them all and I would like to caution every rider to be prepared on this road. I have seen semi trucks and 5th wheels try to take this road and, when they do, they need the whole road!

After surviving Ebbetts Pass, I will turn north on CA-49 at San Andreas until I reach Carson Pass, CA-88. I will then turn north on CA-89 once again which is known as Luther Pass. This should take me into South Lake Tahoe. I may stop for a beverage in Stateline, but I am done with the passes and head south on US-395 to Bishop.

When I get to Bishop, I will be checking into the Ramada Limited Inn, 155 E. Elm St., Bishop, CA. Their telephone number is (866) 599-6674. After checking in, I will have dinner at the Whiskey Creek Restaurant. They are located at 524 N. Main St., in Bishop. Their telephone number is (760) 873-7174. As opposed to the other places where I am dining, I would like to have your company to celebrate the accomplishment. So, please send me your name and motorcycle description (year, make, model and color) so that I can save you a seat. You're buying of course, but I would love to see you.

Thank you,

Bill Allen
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South Coast BMW Riders Club
SCMA

HAUNTING QUESTIONS

Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?

Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?

Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway...

Why is 'bra' singular and 'panties' plural?

Why do toasters always have a setting that burns the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat?

If Jimmy cracks corn and no one cares, why is there a stupid song about him?

If the professor on Gilligan's Island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?

Why does Goofy stand erect while Pluto remains on all fours? They're both dogs!

If Wile E. Coyote had enough money to buy all that ACME crap, why didn't he just buy dinner?

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?

If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?

Do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune? .

Why did you just try singing the two songs above?

Why do they call it an asteroid when it's outside the hemisphere, but call it a hemorrhoid when it's in you're ass?

Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?

Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are getting dead?

Why do banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they know there is not enough money?

Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?

Why do they use sterilized needles for death by lethal injection?

Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?

Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?

Why do Kamikaze pilots wear helmets?

Whose idea was it to put an 'S' in the word 'lisp'?

If people evolved from apes, Why are there still apes?

Why do people keep running over a string a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give the vacuum one more chance?

Why is it that no matter what color bubble bath you use the bubbles are always white?

Is there ever a day that mattresses are not on sale?

Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will have materialized?

Why is it that no plastic bag will open from the end on your first try?

How do those dead bugs get into those enclosed light fixtures?

When we are in the supermarket and someone rams our ankle with a shopping cart then apologizes for doing so, why do we say, 'It's all right?' Well, it isn't all right, so why don't we say, 'That really hurt, why don't you watch where you're going?'

Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that's falling off the table you always manage to knock something else over?

In winter why do we try to keep the house as warm as it was in summer when we complained about the heat?

How come you never hear father-in-law jokes?

And my FAVORITE.....

The statistics on sanity is that one out of every four persons are suffering from some sort of mental illness. Think of your three best friends — if they're okay, then it's you

BEST QUOTES OF ALL TIME

Ambition

Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there.

— Will Rogers

People often say that motivation doesn't last. Well, neither does bathing – that's why we recommend it daily.

— Zig Ziglar

Ambition is not what a man would do, but what a man does, for ambition without action is fantasy.

— Bryant H. McGill

It's not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog.

— Mark Twain

Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you will land amongst the stars.

— Les Brown

Only those who dare to fail greatly can ever achieve greatly.

— Robert F. Kennedy

Beauty

A soul that sees beauty may sometimes walk alone.

— Johann von Goethe

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched – they must be felt with the heart.

— Helen Keller

Never lose an opportunity of seeing anything that is beautiful, for beauty is God's handwriting — a wayside sacrament.

Welcome it in every fair face, in every fair sky, in every flower, and thank God for it as a cup of blessing.

— Ralph Waldo Emerson

It is not beauty that endears, it's love that makes us see beauty.

— Tolstoy

Beauty is eternity gazing at itself in a mirror.

— Kahlil Gibran

Change

You must be the change you wish to see in the world.

— Gandhi

Do not seek to follow in the footsteps of the men of old; seek what they sought.

— Basho

The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new lands but seeing with new eyes.

— Marcel Proust

I can be changed by what happens to me, but I refuse to be reduced by it.

— Maya Angelou

Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning.

— Benjamin Franklin

Children

Always kiss your children goodnight – even if they're already asleep.

— H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

Each day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children.

— Charles R. Swindoll

If you want children to keep their feet on the ground, put some responsibility on their shoulders.

— Abigail Van Buren

Love is the chain whereby to bind a child to its parents.

— Abraham Lincoln

Children are the hands by which we take hold of heaven.

— Henry Ward Beecher

Courage

Courage is not the absence of fear, but rather the judgement that something else is more important than fear.

— Ambrose Redwood

Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new.

— Albert Einstein

Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.

— Winston Churchill

It is curious that physical courage should be so common in the world and moral courage so rare.

— Mark Twain

Courage is a kind of salvation.

— Plato

Family

There's no vocabulary For love within a family, love that's lived in But not looked at, love within the light of which All else is seen, the love within which All other love finds speech. This love is silent.

— T.S. Eliot

The family is one of nature's masterpieces.

-George Santayana

Before I got married I had six theories about bringing up children; now I have six children and no theories.

— John Wilmot

Happiness is having a large, loving, caring, close-knit family in another city.

-George Burns

A happy family is but an earlier heaven.

— John Bowring

In every conceivable manner, the family is link to our past, bridge to our future.

— Alex Haley

Fear

Try a thing you haven't done three times. Once, to get over the fear of doing it. Twice, to learn how to do it. And a third time, to figure out whether you like it or not.

— Virgil Garnett Thomson

Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear, not absence of fear. Except a creature be part coward, it is not a compliment to say it is brave.

— Mark Twain

Decide that you want it more than you are afraid of it.

— Bill Cosby

Thinking will not overcome fear but action will.

— W. Clement Stone

Friendship

The good neighbor looks beyond the external accidents and discerns those inner qualities that make all men human and, therefore, brothers.

— Martin Luther King, Jr.

We take care of our health, we lay up money, we make our roof tight and our clothing sufficient, but who provides wisely that he shall not be wanting in the best property of all—friends?

— Ralph Waldo Emerson

The worst solitude is to be destitute of sincere friendship.

— Francis Bacon

What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult for each other?

— George Eliot

It is easy enough to be friendly to one's friends. But to befriend the one who regards himself as your enemy is the quintessence of true religion. The other is mere business.

— Mohandas K. Gandhi

Happiness

The most wasted of all days is one without laughter.

— E. E. Cummings

The secret of happiness is not in doing what one likes to do, but in liking what one has to do.

— James Barrie

The moments of happiness we enjoy take us by surprise. It is not that we seize them, but they seize us.

— Ashley Montagu

Enjoy your life without comparing it to others.

— Condorcet

April 15, 2011

Dear SCMA Members, Charter Clubs, Family and Friends,

I arranged with Wyndham Hotel Group World Wide to provide a 15% discount from their room rates (before taxes). This will save each of us a considerable amount of money when we go on a 16 to 20 day tour across America.

In order to qualify for the discount, each rider must call the 800 number associated with the hotel you want to use for that night 15 minutes prior to the projected arrival time. The rider is to provide his name and the name of the organization – SCMA, and provide the corporate discount number of 1000009187. SCMA does not profit from this discount. The discount is a benefit for being a valued SCMA member or friend.

On my recent trip to Lebanon, KS I would stop at the gas station close to the hotel that I wanted to stay in. By the time I filled up and washed the windshield and rode there, my name was in the front desk's computer.

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http://wr.wyndhamrewards.com/WyndhamRewards/control/ExtClick?ref_code=SCMMA%page=mbse_advanced_search please add this website to your "favorites" on your Internet Provider page, and each time you need to find a hotel, the website will not only provide you with the names and room rates, but will include the mileage chart from your location.

I find it's hard to make a reservation a day in advance because of the different things we find riding a motorcycle across the country.

But it's the fun of it that counts and now we save a little money to boot. Gasoline cost may be going up but hotel costs are going down.

This discount plan with Wyndham can be used anytime; it does not have to be a SCMA event. Let your family and friends know of this benefit, and the discount can be used any time of this year. Please let your friends who are interested in making the USA Four Corners Tour this year about this added perk! I continue to look for discounts and other benefits to make your trips even more economical and Fun!

Best Regards



David L. Johnson



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Mention ID# 1000009187--- at time of reservation.





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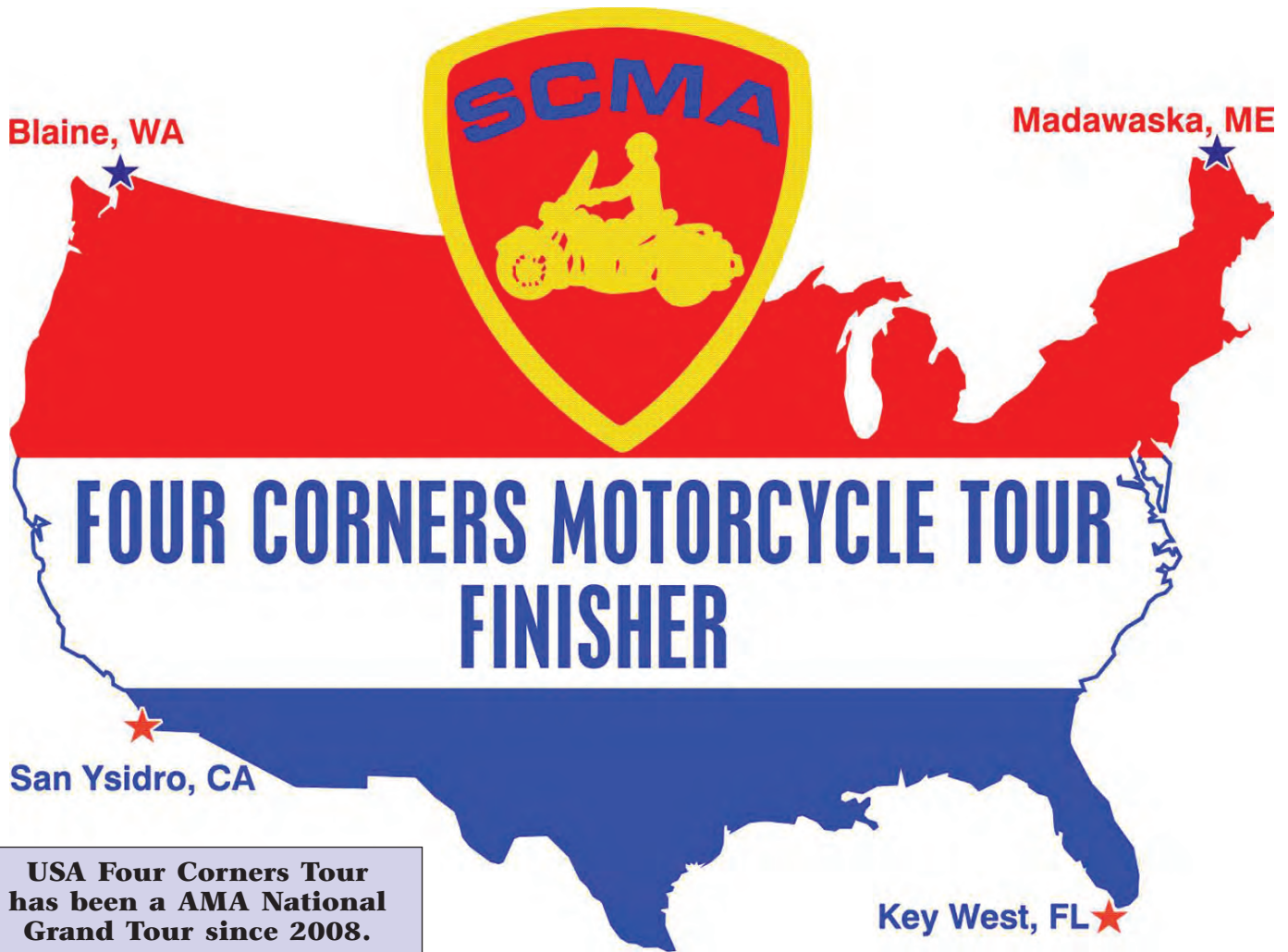
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