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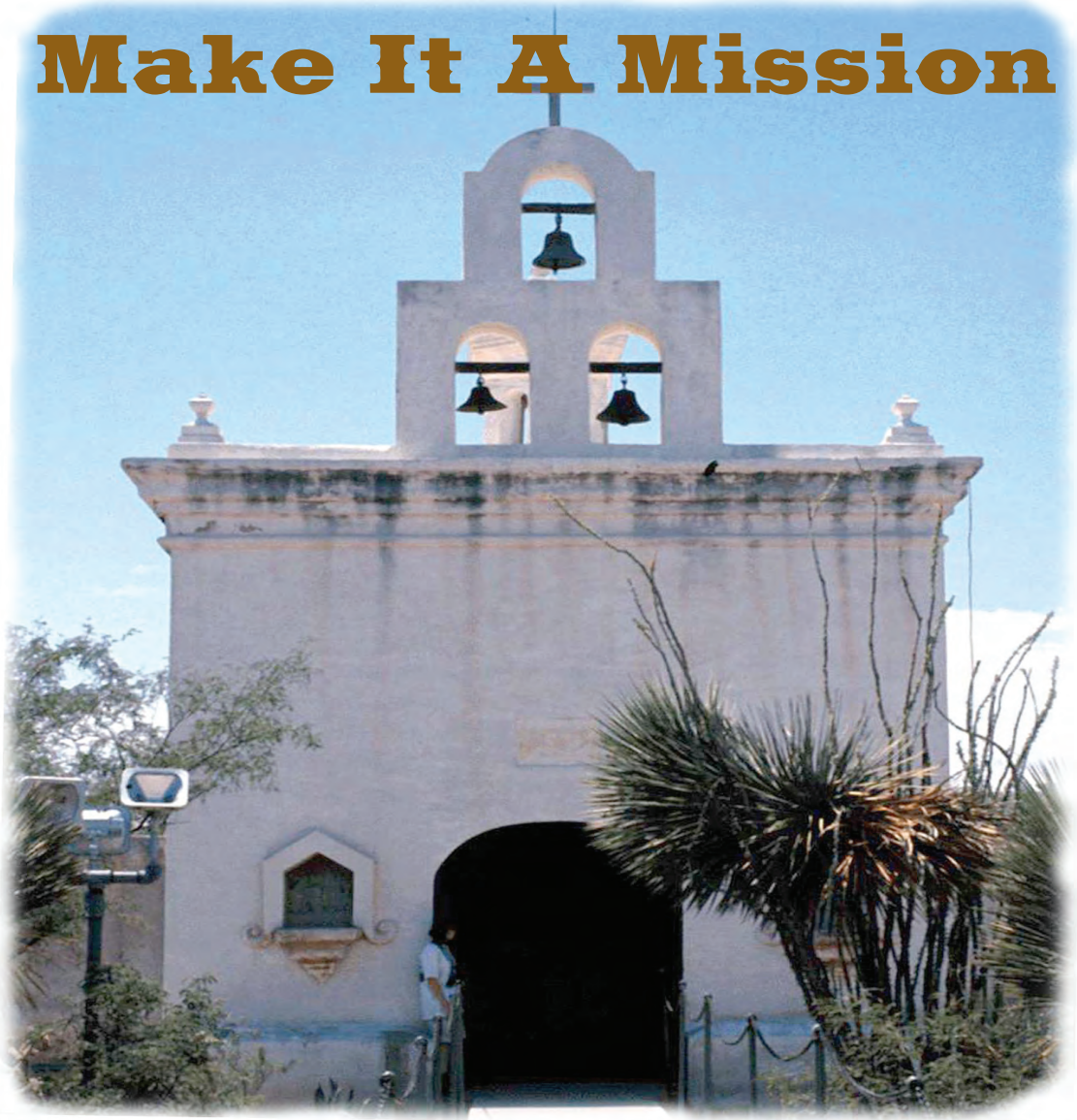
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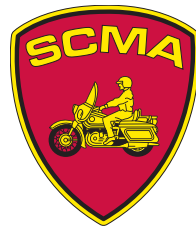
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

✓ Marks Travelers Events

AUGUST

- 6 Three Flags Meeting Fullerton
10 am Fullerton Harley Davidson
- 13 SCMA General Sunland
Membership Meeting 9-11 am
Angeles National Golf Club
9401 Foothill Blvd.
818-951-8771
- 19-21 ✓ Big Bear Rally



SEPTEMBER

- 2-5 2011 Three Flags Classic Rally
- 11 BMWCOSC Ride Idyllwild
- 17-18 ✓ PMC Pismo Beach Motorcycle Classic
- 17 SCMA General Sunland
Membership Meeting 9-11 am
Angeles National Golf Club
9401 Foothill Blvd.
818-951-8771
- 24 BMWCOSC Mt. Baldy Breakfast

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BMWCO SC	BMW Club of Southern California http://www.bmwcosc.com/
MTA	Motorcycle Touring Association (Calif. Ch. 3) http://www.tac3.org/
PMC	Pasadena Motorcycle Club http://www.pasadenamc.com/Pasadena_Motorcycle_Club_Est_1907.htm/
SCBMWRC	South Coast BMW Riders Club http://www.scbmwrc.com/
SCMA	Southern California Motorcyclists Assn. SCMA Website.webloc
Shamrocks	Shamrock Road Riders http://www.sc-ma.com/shamrock.htm

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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

2012 Three Flags Classic

I have selected Huey Ward as chairman for the 2012 Three Flags Classic. Huey has the experience and the ideal leadership qualities to manage the ride committee. He's chaired the Three Flags Committee before—most recently in 2010. I am delighted that he offered to lead the committee again. Bill Allen has volunteered to act as treasurer for the 2012 ride and will also manage the database used for the sign up, lottery and managing the ticket holders.

I have asked Huey to delay filling the non-time-critical committee positions until AFTER the 2011 TFC banquet in Penticton. At that time he will announce the major details of the 2012 ride, describe the openings and ask for volunteers. This will give EVERYONE an opportunity to volunteer for this great event. I know there are advantages to getting the committee positions nailed down early, but the problem is that newcomers don't get a chance to get involved. Now is your chance. For 2012 we are looking for new blood and newly returning old blood to mix it up for 2012. We'll have some veterans with recent committee experience to balance things because we're not interested in allowing the committee to flounder. But for 2012 we want to tap the considerable bench strength of SCMA and look for fresh ideas and new energy. Call Huey Ward, me or any board member to ask a question or express your early interest. Let's go!

I am looking for two board members

There's a leadership dry spell occurring here. You may not have noticed, but there are two board positions that need to be filled. The offices of Treasurer and Recording Secretary are being temporarily filled by Huey Ward and Dennis Even, respectively. We need your help. If you want to contribute to a new SCMA and help us in a big way, please contact me. I'll repeat my offer of buying breakfast or lunch at your favorite restaurant to talk about the possibilities. I know there are folks that need a challenge and an important mission. God knows SCMA offers both! Come on, call me. Get really involved in long distance motorcycling.

See you on the road.

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PARK ADVENTURE UPDATE

July 11, 2011

Four more participants have completed the California Mission Tour: Dave and Linda McDaniel and Greg and Lisa Harris. Congratulations! That makes a total of seven participants who have completed the California Mission Tour. To date we have not received any completed California National Parks Tour books. There are great riding days ahead, good luck with your respective Tour. Ride safe...

Greg Harris



EDITOR'S CORNER

It's been a very busy month for me. I have moved from my mobile home in Paramount to my daughters house in Anaheim Hills. I am a lucky lady as my son in law bought this house with an extra bedroom for the day I would move in with them.

By the way, if you are interested in a mobile home in a senior home park, let me know. For "older" people with fixed incomes, it's the only way to go, as long as you don't have an expensive car payment.

I plan on staying active with my SCMA duties, because as you know, I really enjoy my "jobs" and really believe if you have a little extra time you are missing out by not being involved with us. The only cost is time and most of us "older" people have that. We have such a good time with doing breakfast or dinner together and the other people on this board are GREAT! Think about it.

It appears that it's going to be warm the rest of July and August is going to be really warm so stay cool and RIDE safe.

Sally Bishop

To view the SCMA General Membership Meeting Minutes visit www.sc-ma.com

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.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

JULY 2011

We have 632 members as of July 13, 2011. 156 of them still get paper Newsletters.

INCOME:

NEW MEMBERS:

REGULAR:	14 @ \$25.00	\$350.00
NEWSLETTER:	0 @ \$45.00	\$0.00

RENEWALS:

REGULAR:	5 @ \$25.00	\$125.00
NEWSLETTER:	5 @ \$45.00	\$225.00

TOTAL INCOME		\$900.00
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20 of our new members came from 4 Corners new sign up. Thank you David.

EXPENSES:

POSTAGE: July Newsletter	\$207.36
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Respectively Submitted,
Sally Bishop, Membership

THE 4 CORNERS OF THE USA IN A TRUE "X" 2011

by **Chuck Gatecliff**
Finisher 2010 and 2011

BACKGROUND

I retired 14 years ago when I was 60 years old. I had not sat on a motorcycle in 30 years but never lost the wonder and lust for riding. My memories were of the riding and camping trips with each of our children as they were growing up and the neat things that Alice, my non-riding wife did to make our trips possible and enjoyable.

The year I retired Alice helped me find a used motorcycle and my first right turn required a huge arc. Seems that my head was still 30 years old but my muscle control was 60. So I was quickly in a Motorcycle Safety Class where the instructors did a great job of correcting my faults and reinforcing my confidence.

That year I packed up the tent and rode a 6700 mile round trip from Michigan to our western states. My total motorcycle miles for this year was 19,460. Since that time I have averaged about 30,000 miles a year, having ridden to Alaska, Newfoundland, participated in a HOG fly ride with my son Brent to Australia and riding several times to my son, Kevin's home in San Diego, Calif., a yearly ride around Lake Superior and back and forth to Florida. I have ridden in every state of the USA except Hawaii and every Providence of Canada except Labrador and that is on my bucket list.

Some trips I shared with my sons, some my grandchildren have been on the bike with me, some were shared with friends, but the vast majority of them have been alone. The alone rides were initially a shocker as I had never done anything alone, however Alice and I have been married 54 years and we have both found that while we have a lot of fun together we truly enjoy our alone time also.

I used to take lots of pictures of scenery and the beautiful country I had the opportunity to share. Sometime along about the 5th year of my retirement I realized that the common thread of my rides was the memories I write up for every trip and maintain in a book are about the people I meet along the way. Over 13 years and over 350,000 riding miles and I have not met a bad person, but have many memories of some really great people and the wonderful things they did to make my rides so enjoyable.

The above background is stated so you can better evaluate my comments of participating in the SCMA's USA 4 Corners Motorcycle Tours in 2010 and 2011.

THE STANDARD 4 CORNERS TOUR 2010

In 2009 I heard about a ride that required the rider to visit the 4 corners of the USA in a specified amount of time but was not aware who to contact. After completing an Iron Butt ride I learned from the IBA that the ride I was interested in was developed and sponsored by the SCMA and after contacting David Johnson my riding events and goals took on an exciting and rewarding dimension.

I prepared a plan to complete the USA 4 Corners standard ride and in May of 2010 I rode from our home in Michigan to my first corner in Madawaska, Maine. WOW! What a place to start such an exciting ride. Joe LaChance a 4 Corners rider and his wife Diane also a finisher of the 4 Corners on her own bike have turned this city into a focal point for 4 Corner riders, a neat park, welcoming and recognizing signs everywhere for 4 Corner riders and for me the uplifted feeling made me feel like a finisher even before I had started. If their efforts don't touch your heart you are missing a real benefit of participating in the ride.

The first morning of my ride I met Barry Bullington a rider from Illinois who was also going to start his 4 Corner ride and we decided to ride together for a "little" way. The local postal worker, Michelle came in at 7:30 am so we could get an early start and we were riding South occasionally running in a light rain. Our riding style was similar and we stayed together riding to Key West, Florida and then staying at my Florida home a couple of nights before we headed West weaving in a couple of Iron Butt rides and then arriving at Yuma, Arizona where my son, Kevin and grandson, Tristen, that live in California, rode out to meet us on their bike. We all spent the night in Yuma and then the next morning we all rode to my 3rd corner in San Ysidro California. Here Barry and I said our good byes and good lucks Barry continued to Blaine, Washington and I spent 3 nights at Kevin's home before continuing to my last corner in Blaine, I left Kevin's 3 days later and while riding North in an all day rain 45 miles south of Redding, California I looked over at the South bound lane and there was Barry waving to me. It took me hours to recover from the shock of the odds against this but it certainly cemented our developing friendship. We stayed in touch and decided to respond to David Johnson's suggestion of completing the ride in a true "x" pattern.

THE TRUE "X" 2011

Route planning started in early January 2011 and continued being worked and reworked several times thru February and March. It was decided to use Lebanon, Kansas as the center point as it is the geographical center of the continental USA and there is a monument with a plaque stating such near-by. David Johnson developed the necessary corner maps and paper work and the planning stage was completed and we were ready to ride!

THE RIDE

I rode 1009 miles from my Michigan home to Madawaska, Maine traveling through Canada and simply enjoying 3 relaxing days of riding. I arrived in Madawaska Friday morning May 20th 2011 and a few minutes later Barry Bullington rolled up to the my room in the Gateway Motel and in another few minutes Joe LaChance stopped by. Barry and I got organized and then we rode to the 4 Corners Park and met Joe for pictures and a guided tour. We were joined by a writer for the local newspaper and enjoyed the interview. When we decided to return to the hotel my ignition switch did not work and Joe arranged for a friend who "knew" bikes to come to our aid. His friend was a real McGiver and ten minutes after his arrival all was well. Barry and I were extremely lucky. Joe and Diane joined us for dinner and then we had a chance to share a beverage at their home. Remember my earlier comments regarding the people along the way!

The 4 Corners portion of our ride started at 7:35 am on Saturday morning May 21, 2011 as we rode South on Madawaska's main street with the post office getting smaller in or rearview mirror. There had been 17 days of rain in the last 19 days and today was no exception as the clouds were low and heavy. We had decided as this is the USA 4 Corners that we would stay in the United States so we rode south on highway 1 to I-95. We continued working our way South and West all day riding thru Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and arriving at a friend's home in New York where we pulled into their garage just as the heaviest rain of the day hit. The highlight of our first day was the time spent with Vince and John and the shared dinner.

Our selected route would take us to all four corners of the USA and cause us to pass thru Lebanon, Kansas 3 separate times and we were now heading to Lebanon for our first time. Today was Barry's 35th wedding anniversary and his wife Marilyn had entrusted me to present him with her card and I didn't forget. The miles just slipped away as we rode thru New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana but when we entered Illinois we hit a severe thunder storm and fortunately we were near an exit and quickly rode to a gas station for cover. The lightning flashed brightly and the wind almost stopped the bike as we rode under the canopy of the station. An hour and a quarter later the rain slowed and the wind reduced and the fire engines in the area were racing about so we suited up and continued our ride another 126 miles to Joliet, Illinois where we checked into the hotel. Dinner was about a mile away and we just made it back to the hotel ahead of another heavy storm, Yeah!

During the next day we made our first pass thru Lebanon, waited out a severe storm for about an hour, rode in a moderate rain for 126 miles, stopped at the Mile High Harley Davidson dealer for an oil change on my bike and then when we made it to the western edge of Denver at 5:00 pm we decided it would be warmer going over the Loveland Pass in the evening than the first thing in the morning. WRONG! We still had the rain gear on as we headed up the mountain but nothing prepared us for what was to come.

We climbed almost 6000 feet while the temperature dropped from 52 degrees to 31 degrees and as we neared the tunnel we were in a white out but it was not sticking on the road. We passed 3 mountain sheep at the edge of the road and entering the tunnel was a relief. I guess we forgot about leaving the tunnel. The ride thru the tunnel was uneventful but as we neared the other end it looked like a Christmas globe as everything was white. I geared down to 4th gear as I realized the road was snow covered and as I exited I kicked it into 3rd gear as the snow was about 3 inches deep and I could only see a few feet in front of me. No time to get frightened or panic so I just focused on a car track and for the next 20 minutes my eyes were darting back and forth to what I imaged was the road and my mirror to see if Barry's headlight was still there. We were on a 6% downhill grade and stopping was not an option and guessing was our best option for locating the roadway. Once we were at the 9000 foot elevation the roadway was clear but it was still snowing hard. A few more miles and I seen a sign for a hotel in Silverton, Colorado and the bike took the exit and went directly to the hotel. They must have been expecting us as they had covered garages for bikes and we were quickly under a nice dry roof. During dinner Barry and I reflected on the days riding and both agreed that the snow portion was a wee bit of skill and a whole lot of luck.

The next morning the Vail Pass we needed to cross was snow covered until 9:30 am so we took a late start and when we went over the pass at 10:00 am the road had just been plowed and was wet but no ice or snow. This day included a fantastic ride thru the Glenwood Canyon which is a highlight for anyone in this area. Fantastic views in all directions as we dropped almost 2000 feet along with a gushing stream. We rode thru Colorado crossing the continental divide numerous times, thru Arizona and on into Nevada and the thermometer was rising all the way and riding clothes were being stored. We arrived in Las Vegas at 8:30 pm and the 29 degree temperature we had going over the Vail Pass had now risen to 95

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FOUR CORNERS TRUE "X"

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degrees. Dinner was next to the hotel we got just off the strip and then I walked to the strip, returning to the hotel a little before 1:00 am. Barry had better judgment and headed to bed after dinner. Lots of fun on the strip and I especially enjoyed watching the mimes perform on the sidewalk.

Thursday morning we headed out early and rode to our 3rdnd corner, San Ysidro, California and then continued to Gila Bend in Arizona. While filling the fuel tank in Gila Bend I noticed quite a bit of oil under my bike and said something like "oh shucks". It was late in the day so we checked into a hotel and I started calling Harley dealers. The dealer in Phoenix said as long as I was only a half of a quart low it was ok to ride it the 80 miles to his dealership. So.. at 4:30 am Barry and I were riding to Phoenix to be the first in line for service at the dealer. The bike was tested and at 10:30 am Gary advised me that the problem was major and that they could not even begin to look at it until next Tuesday. Now this was a first for me as I know I ride too many miles for a Harley but have always counted on the dealers who have kept me going. Now I had a different problem because I ran into a dealer that was unresponsive to a road bikers needs. My son Brent upon hearing of my situation called to say "you've got too much into the trip so buy a new or used bike and keep going and sell it when you get home" and he reminded me that I would lose less on a used one. Almost at the same time my son Kevin in California called to say I could use his bike to complete my trip.

I got very emotional as last year Brent gave his used bike to Kevin and now Kevin was loaning it to me to attempt to complete a ride that had become very significant to me. I elected to take Kevin's offer and Alice got me a flight from Phoenix to San Diego arriving at 5:10 pm and Kevin and Tristen were there waiting for me. We shared a fun dinner and then I stayed at Kevin's home for the night. When I was hugging Kevin and thanking him for allowing me to use his bike he said "Dad, it's the gift that keeps on giving" now the tears were real as I realized that for the rest of the ride I would be with both boys in a big way.

Saturday at 5:00 am I fired up Kevin's bike and rode back to Phoenix to get my "stuff" and continue on the ride. I arrived at the dealer at 10:30 am and got a new rear tire and an oil change and then Barry, who had waited for me and I rode to Winslow, Arizona and checked into the Super 8. Because we both choose not to use alcohol and ride we called a cab to take us to the La Posada Hotel for a wonderful dinner and a shared bottle of wine. The next morning was nice and cool as we rode a small section of Route 66 and following Barry's GPS we headed cross country towards Lebanon. We crossed from Arizona into New Mexico and then Texas and as we neared Oklahoma we found ourselves coming up to a large wild fire and were expecting the officials to turn us back but they just waved us on. The agencies had started a back fire and a couple of hundred firefighters and their equipment were at the side of the road waiting to be deployed. Barry has a digital thermometer on his bike and he said it was 106 degrees as we were riding but when we went thru the fire area it shot up to 112 degrees. Needless to say we were well done. We then entered Kansas and ran into a heavy wind and sand storm. We were leaning hard to the right and trying to cover our breathing for the next couple of hours. We pulled up for the night in Liberal, Kansas and the shower turned the dust of the day into mud.

Monday we were back in Lebanon, Kansas. When we mailed our club package we put a post it on the envelope asking Debbie the postal worker to hand stamp our envelope as today is a holiday and then rode Northwest to Paxton, Nebraska. The gas station in Lebanon does not have high octane so I used octane booster and still had difficulty keeping up with Barry's BMW as we rode in a heavy head wind. When we got a little west of North Platte, Nebraska we pulled into a rest area as Barry had heard on his weather band that a big storm waited ahead. The already heavy wind hit with a vengeance and we waited it out, calling Alice in Michigan and she went on her I-Pad and advised that if we could get another 10 miles west we would be by the worst of it so we headed out and quickly ran into clear skies and lighter wind. Dinner was in a restaurant with great animal heads displayed throughout.

The next day the temperature was cool as we rode across Nebraska and Wyoming and the snow in the mountains and alongside the road was nice to look at and none was on the road. There were a few times today that the head wind almost stopped my bike but I plodded through trying to keep up with Barry. We rode across Utah and crossed into Idaho where the country side was a lush green. The evening was spent in Burly, Idaho.

On Wednesday we rode thru Idaho and Oregon and then Washington. We stayed on I-95 as many of the passes were snow covered and when we rode over the Snoqualmie Pass it was cold but only rain. Once down from the pass we rode thru Seattle and arrived in Blaine, Washington where we stayed for the night. The next morning we prepared our club package and went to the post office to mail it and then it was back over the Snoqualmie Pass and on to a friend's home in Spokane, Washington for the night. We hit rain and lots of road construction in the Spokane area but made it to Phil and Starla's where we were treated wonderfully and the accommodations were great. Lots of visiting catch-up and we were off to bed. The next day we rode to Billings Montana thru beautiful country and mountain views.

Saturday we rode back to North Platte, Nebraska, I started out wearing everything I had and as the day warmed I finished in a tee shirt and jeans. The next day we returned to Lebanon for our final pass and as it was Sunday we again used post it's on our envelopes to get hand stamps on our envelopes. I again used the octane booster and sometime later the

engine begin to miss especially at the upper speeds. We planned to go about 80 miles past St Louis, Missouri but at a stop near St Louis we noticed that Barry's rear tire had developed a bad spot and further travel was not an option. We reduced the speed and made it to St Louis and got a hotel near the airport. The BMW dealers are closed on Monday so lots of calls were made in an attempt to locate a tire for Monday. I called Alice and a few minutes later she called back to advise that there was a tire dealer 22 miles away that opened at 6:30 am so our new plan was made.

Monday morning we were at the tire store and Barry had his new tire and we were riding East at 8:55 am. Because my engine had been missing yesterday we stopped at the Paducah, Kentucky Harley dealer but after road testing it Patrick said "That is a strong engine, just ride it" and I did with no problems. The new tire worked fine and we rode thru Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee and ended up in Dalton, Georgia for the night. Tuesday we were waiting at the BMW dealer in Atlanta so Barry could get an oil change and then we rode to my Florida home for the night. Our Florida neighbors Steve and Mary Jo prepared a nice dinner for us and we shared lots of stories.

Wednesday June 8, 2011 was our 19th day and we rode to Key West, prepared and mailed our final package and then rode back to Florida City, Florida for our celebration.

My total miles for the "official trip" were 10,923 and we were in a different time zone almost every day. If you read the background at the beginning of this message you know I have been lucky to be able to have several riding experiences but the experiences and memories of participating in the 4 Corners journey are some I will carry forever and I'm indebted to the club for all their efforts.

This adventure was not a personal accomplishment. This truly was the whole family and friends pulling together to make the success of finishing this adventure possible. My daughter Karen offered encouragement. My son Brent's ideas and suggestions and the earlier gift of his used bike to Kevin. My son Kevin allowing me to put 7000 miles on his bike and his willingness to be without it for 4 to 5 weeks. Barry's friendship, help and encouragement along the way, talk about a partnership, when my bike was broken and we were not sure I would be able to finish he said if you can't continue I'll finish the ride but I won't turn in my final envelope because we started as a team.

About that developing friendship... The unbelievable feeling that both sons were sitting next to me for the final 7000 miles is worth everything and makes the reason I needed the help insignificant.

Alice the do everything wife was there every day to encourage and support and many times she simply took charge and made things happen to facilitate my continuing and her expressed love at the end of our everyday phone conversation did it all for me.

The USA 4 corners trips have been highly emotional for me. I believe that everyone with the time, health, economic ability and desire to enjoy both the beauty of our country and the challenge of the ride will find enjoyment and satisfaction if they participate.

If you enjoy a beautiful ride on a route you develop and thrive on accomplishment this is the ride for you!

CALIFORNIA MISSION TOUR

California Mission Tour Trip 1 - San Luis Obispo to San Buenaventura (5 Missions)

July 16, 2011 - 394 miles

Story and photos by Dennis Steinert

After completing the California Parks Adventure in 2008, it was about time to embark on a new quest. This time the new California Mission Tour was the goal. So on July 16th, Michael and I set out on a trip to visit 5 of the 21 missions. Since the threat of traffic with "carnageddon" which was the closure of the 405 freeway through Sepulveda Pass ruled out a trip south to San Diego, I decided to do the next set of 5 missions and leave the southernmost 5 missions for another trip.

The day started out nice. The foggy mornings of the previous weeks had given way to hazy sunshine at dawn. So off I went on the Concours at 6:00 am north on I-5 to meet Michael and his CBR at Gorman. At 6:45 we were back on I-5 heading north. Getting off at Copus Road, we sped west through the farm fields of the central valley to Taft and our first gas stop. Then it was north on CA-33 and then west on CA-58, a road I love. CA-



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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.

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Participant Signature _____

Today's Date _____

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7. For more information visit www.californiaadventures.org
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EVENT DATE (S)

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CALIFORNIA MISSION TOUR

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58 between CA-33 and US-101 is just a fun road. 70 miles of motorcycling heaven. Arriving at US-101, it was a quick trip south to the first mission, Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa.

Arriving at 9:20, we spent about 15 minutes posing the bikes for the pictures and enjoying the quiet morning. Mission San Luis Obispo is in the heart of an old downtown area and there is a short riverwalk there. The mission was founded in 1772 by Father Junipero Serra. It was the 5th mission. The building was built in 1793-1794. The mission had changed throughout the years, wooden siding was added at one time, but it was restored to its Spanish-style appearance in 1933.

Now with the first mission done, it was time to head south and go to La Purisma Mission near Lompoc. We followed the railroad from San Luis



La Purisma Mission



Bell Tower at La Purisma Mission

Obispo to Pismo Beach, first taking Broad Street and then Price Canyon Road. Topping off the fuel tanks at Pismo Beach Michael and I then went south on US-101 to Clark Avenue and then cut over to CA-135 south, and finally took Harris Grade over the hill to La Purisma Mission State Historic Park. It did cost \$6 each for a day use fee to enter the park. The mission is not on a street or even in town like San Luis Obispo was, so taking a picture of the bikes with the mission is not possible. So we parked the bikes and walked to the mission buildings. Founded in 1787, the mission was the 11th mission. An earthquake in 1812 destroyed the original mission. The present mission was begun in 1813 at a new site about 4 miles from the original mission. La Purisma Mission was restored in the 1930's by the CCC to give a view of life in the 1820's. We decided to recreate the photo that is in the passport booklet for the required documentation photos.

After spending some time exploring La Purisma Mission, we hit the road again traveling on CA-246 for the short trip to Mission Santa Ines on the east side of Solvang. Arriving at the mission at 12:30, we took some time posing the bikes for the photos. Michael was laying down in the middle of the parking lot trying to get the perfect shot. Mission Santa Ines was the 19th mission in California, founded in 1804. The original church was damaged in the 1812 earthquake. Then current church was dedicated in 1817.

After Mission Santa Ines, we stopped at Cold Springs Tavern for lunch.



Michael at La Purisma Mission



Mission Santa Ines

Then we continued on CA-154 over San Marcos Pass and then

CA-192 to approach Mission Santa Barbara from the north, avoiding the congestion of State Street. The mission was busy as usual with several tour busses in the lot. We made a quick stop in front to grab out passport booklet photos. Mission Santa Barbara has a unique column design to its church. The mission was founded in 1786 and was the tenth mission. The current 1820 building is the fourth church built. The prior one had been destroyed in the 1812 earthquake. We left the mission at 2:25 and worked our way southeast to US-101 and the ride to Ventura, home of the last mission of the day.

We got lucky in Ventura and got into a parking space across from Mission

San Buenaventura. This mission was the ninth mission, founded in 1782. The current building was completed in 1809. A wedding was in progress at the church, with the limo waiting to take the happy couple to the reception.



Mission San Buenaventura

We left the mission a little after 3, got some gas, and then took off east on CA-126 through Fillmore. At the CA-126/I-5 junction, I waved goodbye to Michael as he was heading east to the Antelope Valley, and I went south to the San Fernando Valley.



Mission Santa Barbara

It was a great day and I can't wait until the next trip which should be the southernmost 5 missions.

TRAVELER'S AWARD

July 9, 2011

On June 18, 2011 we all gathered at the Hill Street Café for the start of the 20011 Wacky Wabbit.

We had four Travelers Award participants sign up for the ride. Breakfast was good and filling and at shortly after 10:00 am I was headed down the I210 and I 15 to the finish at the Shell Station on 138 and I 15 where I was to meet Steve and Josie Morris. The riders would travel through the Angeles Forest highways to the finish and if they so desired could continue on to the Cedar City, Utah area and enjoy the National gathering of the Motorcycling Touring Association (MTA) of which Steve and Josie are members.

As of July 9, 2011 no one is perfect (finished all TA's).

That will change on July 15, 2011 as that will be our makeup ride for 2011 along with Four Corners and the CPA/Mission Tours. The Seven Passes Tour will start at Zingos Café in Bakersfield on the morning of July 15, 2011. Sign in will be between 7:00 and 8:00 am. The requirements will be that you must start the ride at the required time and get a receipt (Gas, Candy Bar, etc) in Lake Isabella or along Highway 395. Since the Seven Passes Ride is a multi day event, Travelers only have to complete the first 100 miles on the first day.

The following riders have the possibility of returning to a "Perfect" status of the Travelers Award:

- 1) Dannie Fox
- 2) Lisa Harris
- 3) Greg Harris
- 4) Randy Shull

I hope to see each and everyone at the Zingos Café the morning of July 15, 2011.

Keep the sunny side up and see you on the road.

Dannie Fox
2011 Travelers Award Chairman

GREENHORN IMAGES

by Randy Shull

These are all the pictures I have of the PMC Greenhorn Ride through the western central coast and valley of California. Overnight in Coalinga at the Harris Ranch resort. Nice place, great steaks.





SPECTACULAR NEWS FROM AMERICAN HONDA

Great news from American Honda about Casper's broken frame that is not part of the recall on all of the other cross member broken frames. "YES" Mark from Huntington Honda just called and said that American Honda has ordered the new frame and will cover all expenses for the change over to the new frame. Hallelujah God Bless American Honda. I have known since 1975 when I bought my first Gold Wing that they built a great motorcycle, but until now I have never had to ask them for anything. And now they have come through for us. I am so very, very happy about this.

Mark said that the frame will be here in about a week and they will call me when it comes in. I will be able to help with the change over too. It shouldn't take over 3 or 4 days. The one thing he did mention and wanted to confirm with me was that if they come across any hoses or anything else that needs replacing that we will foot the bill for that stuff. Of course I told him that would not be a problem.

Now I will have to go to JBJ Cycles and pick up the final drive to replace the one that started this whole thing in motion and how Bikes2Trikes in Lee Summit MO found the broken frame.

I haven't been able to tell Bonnie about it yet as she is somewhere between Overland Park KS and Albuquerque NM on her way home. She must be in an area where there is not cell phone coverage.

Life really is good.

UPDATE

I was given a green 1993 Honda Gold Wing with a matching Bushtec trailer the other day. It had set for about 2 1/2 years without being started, but it had fuel stabilizer in the tank and the battery is still good. It only has a little over 135,000 miles on it. It was stored in a garage, but not covered with a m/c cover so it is covered with dust and all the chrome is spotted. It ran over here which was about 15 or 20 miles. It will take a lot of cleaning to get it back to where we can see what it really looks like. I worked on it 4 hours yesterday just taking off the highway pegs, passenger arm rests, that couldn't be saved because of rust. cleaning out the trunk and saddlebags & etc. I will take it over to a place where they can detail it out and then I will take it to a local independent motorcycle shop for a complete service to see if it can be saved. I am sure it can, because we did remove some of the dust and graphics and names yesterday and all the paint looks good.

I started it yesterday and let it run until the fans should have come on, they didn't. It also has a slight miss when I rev up the engine. Also the rear brake lever goes all the way down but you can pump it up. I really am hoping that this motorcycle will be OK when all the work is complete. I plan on putting a ham radio on it and get the CB to working. I may keep it to use on our many charity events since Casper is getting long in the tooth.

Speaking of Casper, the frame is suppose to be in this week about July 16th, Even if it takes longer, at least I may have this 93 1500 GW to ride on future trips this summer. I have always said, "The best motorcycle Honda ever built was the 1500cc Gold Wing" and that includes the 1800 Gold Wings that we all know has had a lot of frame problems. I had 200,000 miles on at least 2 of the 1500's and never broke a frame and never treated them any different then I have Casper. Those 1500's are/were bullet proof as far as my experience has been with them.

TTYL, God Bless

73 Ray Davis KD6FHN

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

On Mon, Jul 4, 2011 at 8:28 AM, <rideforwishes@aol.com> wrote:

Dear Sally

My Name is David Rusk. I am going to be riding the Four Corners Tour starting Aug, 25th and with some luck complete the ride within the time limit of 21 days. I am very proud of the reason I ride long distances and that is to help the Make-A-Wish Foundation grant wishes to children with life threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. I have personally seen the power of a wish when my nephew Dylan was granted his wish to be a police officer for a day by the Orange County Sheriff Department. His day was full of happiness and a much needed boost from all the medical treatments he had to endure to put his Leukemia in remission. Not only did this young boy had to endure cancer treatments but he had a major setback when he lost his Dad to the same illness he is overcoming. His dad was a single father and was not only my brother but the best friend anyone could ask for. Bobby was a devoted father to Dylan and he was with us to see Dylan through his illness and was here for his wish day. I have made promises I intend to keep. I am truly blessed to be able to raise Dylan as our son now, with my wife Kathy. Kathy and Dylan had formed a mother/son relationship many years before Dylan got sick and she was at his bedside for 10 straight months when he was in the hospital fighting his cancer. I made two promises to Bobby before he passed, that I would always take care of Dylan and I am very happy and blessed to inform you Dylan is a healthy 12 year old today. The other promise is that I get Ride For Wishes going to make people aware of the Make-A-Wish Foundation and help raise resources for them to grant wishes to other kids just like Dylan. I ride now so other kids and their families can experience the power of a wish. Riding our motorcycles was a passion of my brother and I since we were very young kids. We had always talked about riding our bikes to Alaska and as Dylan was getting better Bobby and I were planning and were going to incorporate the Make A Wish into that ride. Life always has surprises for us and as much as we plan, something will always throw a twist into the best laid plan. Bobby passed in July of 2008 and that would have been the same time we would have set out for our trip to Alaska. In July of 2009 I full filled one promise to Bobby and completed the ride to Alaska. The second promise is ongoing and will be full filled when Dylan is raised and becomes the adult he is meant to be. Dylan and I take short trips together on the motorcycle and as I write this Dylan just came in and told me he is excited today is Fourth of July and he gets to ride with me on the Nascar track in Fontana and watch the fireworks show they are having.

Ride For Wishes was something Bobby and I had planned on doing together but seeing he is not here I am determined to keep it going so last summer I competed a ride to New York City. while on that ride I visited 14 wish houses along my route (There are 69 chapters across the US.) While I was thinking after last years ride ,how was I going to top Alaska and New York rides and I got to reading about the Four Corners Tour. On this years ride I will attach wish stars at each corner to remind everyone that the kids are the stars and deserve any effort we can put forth to help them to be granted a wish. A very wise woman asked me once Dave why do you make such long motorcycle rides?? are they not a challenge for you?? I thought for a minute and gave her this answer. Yes these rides are very challenging for me, but they are like a drop of water in the ocean compared to the challenges the kids face on a daily basis fighting their illnesses. I ride. because I want other kids and their families to be able to experience and see how a difficult time in life can be changed with one wish.

Sally I am hoping you can help me by posting my story on your web site so other people can get involved in how ever they so choose. I know my writing is not the best but with a little help I am sure it can be fixed right up. Have also wondered if it would be ok to come and address the board and also to thank them for there work with SCMA. I have a short 2 min DVD of Dylan's wish day and would be more then happy to show to you guys at the meeting coming up. I have also attached a flier for this years ride and it has my blog address www.rideforwishes.blogspot.com I will be blogging on it every-day of my ride. You can also face book me at (Rideforwishes Rides) .

Sally thank you so much for reading this long e-mail and I am sure you will find the pictures on my blog fun to look at and I look forward to meeting you and the other members at a board meeting.

Have a wonderful day.

Dave Rusk

PS: If you have any questions or ideas please feel free to give me a call at 714-875-1273. I could use all the help I can get.

NCOM BIKER NEWS BYTES

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CONGRESSWOMAN GIFFORDS CONTINUES MIRACULOUS COMEBACK

In what many have dubbed a miracle recovery, Arizona State Rep. Gabrielle Giffords (D-AZ) continues to make amazing progress after being shot in the head at a political rally during a shooting spree that left six dead and 19 others wounded.

Her doctors credit her "will to live" with keeping her alive, despite initial news reports that she had been killed, and she is now expected to leave the hospital soon to continue her outpatient therapy and treatment from home.

Giffords remains seated in Congress and among her many duties she serves as co-chair of the Congressional Motorcycle Caucus along with U.S. Rep Michael Burgess (R-TX). The bipartisan caucus is comprised of motorcycle-riding reps who promote motorcycling interests in Congress.

She and fellow rider Rep. Allen West (R-FL), newly-elected Congressman from Florida who also now sits on the motorcycle caucus, were selected by the NCOM Board of Directors to receive the Silver Spoke Award - Government at the National Coalition of Motorcyclists annual NCOM Convention in Albuquerque, NM this past May.

AIM/NCOM INFORMATIONAL DVD AVAILABLE

The National Coalition of Motorcyclists and Aid to Injured Motorcyclists have a new professionally produced DVD available to bikers and biker groups free for the asking.

Oregon AIM Chief of Staff Gunny Hutcheson, who was honored at the recent NCOM Convention with the Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award, wrote about the new DVD in his monthly Gunny's Sack column: "It features information about the annual NCOM Conventions, the various groups and committees within NCOM, bike insurance and accident info and more. Get with your AIM Rep or AIM Attorney in your home state, or contact AIM/NCOM directly at (800) ON-A-BIKE, and they will make sure you get your free copy to view with your own groups. Watch for AIM/NCOM booths at the biker runs - they should have some available there as well. The DVD is nicely done and very informative."

Gunny further noted that "Every year we are faced with more and more losses of our right to ride our machines, and the industry has to comply with ever more restrictive directives that control the manufacture of our rides. These are the reasons national organizations like the NCOM exist. My hope is that this DVD will encourage more rider groups to send representatives to every national NCOM Convention. They are held every year in a different city, so more can attend. It's always over Mother's Day weekend, and the 2012 NCOM Convention will be in Indianapolis, next May 10-13."

FOUR CORNERS ADVENTURE

Randy Shull and Bill Schmidt are on a 6-week, 15,000-mile trip starting with 4 Corners. Follow their journey in the SCMA Newsletter.



Photos by Randy Shull

Key West yesterday. I can't believe it, no rain.... 600 miles today, we're in Richland, N.C. Did 3 states today. Bill says his back side is draggin'.





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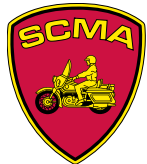
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SCMA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Angeles National Golf Course

June 11, 2011

Minutes

09:30 Meeting called to order by Vice-Chair Huey Ward, members present: Bill Allen, Dan Burt, Greg Harris, Dennis Even, Steve Howe, Sally Bishop, Less Gullery, Dannie Fox, Rich Vencill. Gaylord "Huey" Ward.

Officer Reports and Other Standing Reports

Approval of May Minutes- Recording Secretary, Dennis Even (last report) Motion to accept as Published in the news letter and copies made arable at this meeting, made by Rich V. and 2nd by Sally Bishop.

Vice Chair has information on "The Wacky Rabbit "Ride June 19, Sunday from the La Canada Hill Street Café, 1004 Foothill Blvd. The start time is 7-8 AM with the finish in Apple Valley.

Treasurer's Report: By Huey Ward (temporary acting treasurer)

CD	1180	5/16/2011	13,439
		6/10/2011	13,448
CD	0338	5/16/2011	14,035
		6/10/2011	14,045
Four Corners	9019	5/16/2011	3,166
		6/10/2011	4,842
California Adventure	9170	5/16/2011	1,761
		6/10/2011	2,261
Three Flags Classic	9362	5/16/2011	57,536
		6/10/2011	59,386
SCMA General	9373	5/16/2011	1,542
		6/10/2011	2,074
Respectfully Submitted		6/11/2011	Gaylord Ward

Membership Chair's Report: Sally Bishop reports on the 622 members.

New members;

Regular	15	@ \$25.00	=	\$ 375.00
Newsletter		@ \$45.00		

Renewals:

Regular	4	@ \$25.00	=	\$ 100.00
Newsletter	6	@ \$45.00	=	\$ 270.00
Total Income				\$ 745.00

13 of the new members and renewals came from 4 Corners sign ups. Thank you David.

Expenses: Postage June Newsletter \$ 133.00, also stamps @ \$ 88.00

Respectfully Submitted Sally Bishop

The question of Life membership came up and Sally stated it was after 25 years and a \$15.00

Fee was required to receive a mailed copy of the newsletter. The membership of life members should be review for living members, & address.

Risk Manager's Report: Joe Mandeville on the Road in Alaska.

Newsletter Editor's report. Sally Bishop and Blake Anderson have been reviewing the filler and content of the newsletter to reduce the number of pages for mailing.

AMA report: There is an ongoing effort to close down district 37 Road Rider, inactive for 3 years and come up with a state origination.

Sunshine Report: The past Sunshine Lady for the SCMA Joanne Gamble was impacted by the tornado in Joplin Mo. The phone calls have informed us she is safe, in good health and lost the house. More information in coming reports.

Associated Clubs Report

AVR – Antelope Valley Riders: No report. June 15 Dinner Ride.

BMDOSC: no report

MTA Motorcycling Tour Association: June 19, Wacky Rabbit Wides Again.

Pasadena Motorcycle Club: No report. Greenhorn completed no info..

SCBMWRC South Coast BMW Riders Club: July 15-17 have "7 Passes Ride"

Shamrock Road Riders: June 25 ride and Breakfast to be announced.

VMMC Victor McLaughlin: No report.

SCMA Ride Activity Reports

SCMA Four Corners: David Johnson, no report

Three Flags Classic: Sept 2-5, 2011. Huey reported the Pre Ride was underway. Plans are complete for the start, and rider awards.

Travelers Award: Dannie Fox has no perfect for the 2011 award at this time. There are several people who can correct the score with a make up ride in July. Dannie still have finisher Packages for the 2010 Travelers Award, so if the finishers call Dannie at (805) 659-1956 or twofoxs@pacbell.net he can get your finisher package to you.

California Adventure Tour: Dennis Even and Greg Harris – 30 riders signed up for one of the two tours. We have two finishers of the new Mission Tour and this month.

Blazing Saddles Tour: May 28-29. Dannie Fox reports the event was well attended. The riders were ready for the ride Dennis Even and I threw everything but the kitchen sink at the participants. We had sand storm out by Baker, high winds out by Pahump, NV., rain and hail in Death Valley (on Memorial Day weekend?) Snow at Greenhorn Pass (hwy 155) road was closed, but a good time was had by all that attended. Sunday evening we all got together for dinner in San Juan Bautista, Dinner in the banquet room everyone talked about the weather and how good the ride had been. All together we had 30 entries and a good time.

Dog Days of Summer Ride & Picnic: Canceled

SCMA Grand Tour: October 15-16. Steve Howe ride chairman working on start & finish locations that will be user friendly after a long day in the saddle. The finish is close distance to the LA – Orange county lines.

Cemetery Tour: October 30. Blake Anderson on the road – 4 Corners –

Turkey Run: November 20. Jan Staws – no info

Old Business

2011 SCMA Election of Board Officers - Huey Ward

Presentation of ballots and counting. Sally Bishop personated 12 ballots for tally

Blake Anderson 12 votes for Chair

Bill Allen 12 votes for Referee

Rich Vencill called for a motion to certify the election, 2nd by Sally Bishop & all present voted yea.

Status of open call 2012 Three Flags Classic Chairman. SCMA Chair to select 2012TFC Chair in July.

Adjourn 10:45 next meeting July 9, 2011 same Place.

NCOM BIKER NEWS BYTES

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CONGRESSWOMAN GIFFORDS CONTINUES MIRACULOUS COMEBACK

In what many have dubbed a miracle recovery, Arizona State Rep. Gabrielle Giffords (D-AZ) continues to make amazing progress after being shot in the head at a political rally during a shooting spree that left six dead and 19 others wounded.

Her doctors credit her "will to live" with keeping her alive, despite initial news reports that she had been killed, and she is now expected to leave the hospital soon to continue her outpatient therapy and treatment from home.

Giffords remains seated in Congress and among her many duties she serves as co-chair of the Congressional Motorcycle Caucus along with U.S. Rep Michael Burgess (R-TX). The bipartisan caucus is comprised of motorcycle-riding reps who promote motorcycling interests in Congress.

She and fellow rider Rep. Allen West (R-FL), newly-elected Congressman from Florida who also now sits on the motorcycle caucus, were selected by the NCOM Board of Directors to receive the Silver Spoke Award - Government at the National Coalition of Motorcyclists annual NCOM Convention in Albuquerque, NM this past May.

AIM/NCOM INFORMATIONAL DVD AVAILABLE

The National Coalition of Motorcyclists and Aid to Injured Motorcyclists have a new professionally produced DVD available to bikers and biker groups free for the asking.

Oregon AIM Chief of Staff Gunny Hutcheson, who was honored at the recent NCOM Convention with the Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award, wrote about the new DVD in his monthly Gunny's Sack column: "It features information about the annual NCOM Conventions, the various groups and committees within NCOM, bike insurance and accident info and more. Get with your AIM Rep or AIM Attorney in your home state, or contact AIM/NCOM directly at (800) ON-A-BIKE, and they will make sure you get your free copy to view with your own groups. Watch for AIM/NCOM booths at the biker runs - they should have some available there as well. The DVD is nicely done and very informative."

Gunny further noted that "Every year we are faced with more and more losses of our right to ride our machines, and the industry has to comply with ever more restrictive directives that control the manufacture of our rides. These are the reasons national organizations like the NCOM exist. My hope is that this DVD will encourage more rider groups to send representatives to every national NCOM Convention. They are held every year in a different city, so more can attend. It's always over Mother's Day weekend, and the 2012 NCOM Convention will be in Indianapolis, next May 10-13."

STATES COMBAT MOTORCYCLE-ONLY CHECKPOINTS

Calling motorcycle-only roadblocks discriminatory and unconstitutional, ABATE of California is pushing a bill that would ban state and federal funding of such so-called "safety checkpoints".

New York and Georgia have initiated roadside barricades under the auspices and guidance of NHTSA to corral motorcycle riders en route to major motorcycle events to check paperwork and equipment for violations, and for other illegal activity.

AB 1047, authored by Kevin Jeffries, Vice Chairman of the Assembly Transportation Committee, would prohibit the CA Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) from issuing grants to law enforcement agencies to stage Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints and also require the OTS to conduct audits of the safety checkpoint grants to insure that law enforcement is complying.

Similarly, North Carolina is currently considering two bills (H375 & H381) aimed at preventing law enforcement agencies from establishing patterns for vehicle stops at checking stations based on a particular type of vehicle.

In Congress, Rep. Tom Petri (R-WI) and some of his colleagues have authored legislation to de-fund the checkpoints. US House Resolution 904 would prevent the US DOT from providing funds to states which would be used for motorcycle roadblocks.

Motorcyclists across the country 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, which could wind up on the docket of the U.S. Supreme Court.

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- All Major Credit Cards Accepted
- No refunds after October 23, 2010
- Preregistration is mandatory. No registration on the day of the event.
- Rally packs will be emailed one week prior to rally
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- PRIZES: \$300 of merch for 1st, \$200 2nd and \$100 3rd

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