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The New Website is Up, Registration for the Three Flags Classic is Open, Life is Good...



..and we realize that some of you feel like this right now about the online machinery that is grinding on you. Bear with us. (With apologies to Charlie Chaplin)

Upcoming Events: (See club websites for details)

- Jan 6: South Coasters GMM & Ride
- Jan 15: SCMA Board, Shaker Cafe, Glendale, 10AM
- Jan 19: Annual Calendaring Session, Coco's Covina, 9AM
- Jan 19: TFC Committee, Coco's Covina, 11AM
- Jan 20: SCMA Soup Run, Filling Station Cafe, Orange, 6:30-8AM
- Jan 26: BMWCOSEC Visit to USS Iowa
- Feb 10: SCMA Sweetheart Ride, Roy's Cycle Service, Newhall, 7-9 AM
- Feb 16: SCMA GMM, Coco's 9AM
- Feb 16-18: South Coaster Death Valley Campout
- Feb 23-24: BMWCOSEC Solvang

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Road Signs

Our 2013 Calendaring Session is set for January 19, 9AM

SCMA invites its affiliated clubs to attend this General Membership Meeting to voluntarily coordinate our 2013 riding calendars. Coco's Restaurant, 306 N. Azusa, Covina.

January 20 Soup Run

The 2013 Soup Run is set for Sunday, January 20. It starts at the Filling Station Cafe one block north of the traffic circle in Old Orange, crosses over Ortega Highway, winds through North San Diego County and ends in south Orange County. At the finish, Huey will reprise his world-famous Cincinnati chili: spaghetti covered in chili. Add cheese and onions if you like. Yum. Bring more than two cans of fresh soup as your entry fee. All riders and all bikes are welcome. See the flyer inside.

Sweetheart Ride Set for February 10

Mitch Friedman is chairing this year's Sweetheart Ride. It begins and ends at Roy's Cycle Service in Newhall. We'll cover about 140 miles on some beautiful winter riding roads. 7AM to 9AM sign up.

March 2 is SCMA's annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet

Our annual Banquet will be at the Embassy Suites in Santa Ana. Find the flyer inside for more information. Sign up now.

Our New Website

The SCMA website is fully operational. All visitors can see information on all of our rides and events. Online registration and payment for SCMA's premier events (including the 2013 TFC) are possible. If you have comments, questions and concerns, please email Blake at

BlakePAnderson@gmail.com If you need to be walked through the site, he'll do it over the phone.

Word from Madawaska

Oh those wacky Acadians! Reporting on them is becoming a regular feature here, it seems. Here's a story that is a few months old but worth reporting. We know their Four Corners Park is an important part of the community. Now it serves as a wedding chapel as well. Take a look.



Dana and Debbie (Gorman) Barnett from Somerville Maine got married on October 6. Rain and 55 degrees did not stop them. They are standing in front of the marble stone monument that dominates the park.

First Annual Winter Solstice Challenge is in the books. Ready for the Second Annual?

Steve Howe, Steve Shulman and Blake Anderson completed a Saddle Sore 1000 on Friday, December 21, the shortest day of the year. Jim Bullen was there to witness their starter forms. They departed Anaheim at 4:30AM rode to Benson, Arizona (near Tombstone), had lunch and were back home in OC by 9:30PM. Cold and clear all day. Great vistas. We will do it again in 2013. It will be a Saturday. Join us. We'll head some place different. Suggestions? More inside.



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Let's Ride. We just love this place. Its a vintage motorcycle sales and repairs show that recently opened in San Clemente on PCH down on the south end of town.

December Membership Report

By Sally Bishop, Membership

Renewing Members During December	20
New Members During December	26
Lapsed Members	380
Life Members	91
Sponsoring Corporate Members	5
Active Regular Members	494
Total Members on the Rolls	874

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Charles Lamb Ponies Up for Four Corners Park Improvements

We have been announcing that Madawaska's Four Corner Park Foundation has an ongoing fund raising drive to purchase the adjoining property to expand the park, build a parking lot and add other features. Their first goal was to raise enough money to buy the property to hold it while they raise the additional cash to pay for the improvements.

Well, they have met the first goal and purchased the property. It turns out there is an angel in our midst that saw the need and decided to fill it. Our own Charles Lamb made a very large contribution that was enough to get them to the goal. What looked like a nine-month fund raising ordeal was filled with the stroke of his pen. Charles is a USA Four Corners, Best 15 US Roads Challenge and Three Flags Classic rider. He will be the March banquet. Buy that man a drink!

Joe Lachance on the left and Charles on the right. Joe is the spirit and driving force behind Madawaska's Four Corners Park. Charles is the generous spirit whose special giving will help make the improvements of the park a reality.



Charles rode up from his home in Virginia as part of his Four Corners trip and got caught in a Maine snow storm that stopped him in Bangor. Here he is in Madawaska outside of Joe's home.

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www.avts.av.org

BMW Club of Southern California
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BMW Club, South Coast Riders
www.scbmwrc.com

Motorcycle Touring Association
www.mtaca3.org

Pasadena Motorcycle Club
www.pasadenamc.com

Shamrock Road Riders
www.sc-ma.com/shamrock.htm

Victor McLaglen Motor Corps
www.thevmmc.com

2012 SCMA Winter Solstice Challenge

By Steve Howe, Ride Chairman

Our northern brothers and sisters are going to get a kick out of this. Well, the 2012 Winter Solstice SS1000 challenge is "in the books". This actually started as a brainstorming (BS'ing) idea with a few of my pub-mates. So, I sent out an e-blast to those who I thought might be interested in a thousand mile run on the least daylight day of the year. This call to ride included a few SCMA members, including Blake Anderson. Anyone who knows Blake also knows the most dangerous thing around him is an idea. A call to ride suddenly turned into an SCMA annual event.

Yeah, we had "cold" weather and a little less than 10 hours of daylight. The folks up north can laugh at us all they want, since they had snow and 4 hours of daylight. For us, this was an accomplishment. Most of the folks who said they would ride, it seems, couldn't pull themselves out of their electric blankets to face the 50F (10 C) temp at the start of the ride.

In the end it was Blake, Steve Shulman – our new Vice Chairman - and me who rode, with Jim Bullen verifying our start. In truth, the ride went very well. We made a few changes to the route to avoid Phoenix traffic, and ixnayed Tombstone as the turn around in favor of a great Lunch at Pablo's Steaks and More in Benson, AZ. The ride home was long but easy, with each of us peeling off near our homes.

We do plan to do this again next year. With the solstice occurring on Saturday it will be easier for those who are interested to attend. It might also be fun, for those northerners who are interested, to come down and chuckle at how we Southern Californians deal with "cold" weather!

We have sent our documentation packets to Mike Kneebone at the Iron Butt Association. SCMA is looking forward to offering the Winter Solstice Challenge again next year and have requested that IBA post it as one of its long distance riding events on the IBA website calendar once SCMA has the details together.

This was a fun ride to chair and not a lot of work. If you're interested in chairing next years ride, give Blake or me a call. We need a meet up spot, a route, a lunch town (or better yet a specific spot) and a way home.

Hope to see you at the General Membership Meeting on Jan 19 and the Soup Run on the 20th.



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Best 15 US Roads Challenge

By Charlie Coyner, Ride Chair

2013 has arrived! It's time to get the cobwebs dusted and open that new mapping software you got for Christmas and start planning now for your own Best 15 Roads in the USA Quest!

This year we're adding a road located in New Hampshire, "Kancamagus Highway" with a side trip up the "Mt Washington Auto Road". We dropped the route in Vermont VT-100 since many of our 2012 riders had complained about the condition of the roadway. So, we still have a terrific and scenic New England route in our 2013 collection!

The other 14 roads remain unchanged for 2013. We are still including Beartooth Pass and Chief Joseph Highways; CA-1, Monterey to Morro Bay; Lolo Pass; Cherochala Skyway and Tail of the Dragon; Going to the Sun Road, MT; "Million Dollar Highway", CO; Blue Ridge Parkway; WA-20, Concrete to Omak,

MT; VA-16, "Back of the Dragon"; The Twisted Sisters, TX; US-16 Custer to Mt Rushmore; US-191 Springerville to Three Way, AZ; UT-12 Torrey to Bryce Canyon and; US-50, the Loneliest road in America, Ely to Carson City, NV. This still gives you 15 of what we think are the Best Roads in the USA! Rode 'em before? Then ride 'em in the opposite direction.

If you're going to do the 2013 Three Flags Classic or even the USA Four Corners, you might pick up some of these roads along the way and complete two of our Premier events at the same time! Enjoy!

We'd love to have you Join Us for the fun of it! We're always open for suggestions, let us know for our 2014 collection!



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We Get Letters (and Facebook Postings)

I'm loving the new site and how its coming together. This will be a giant step forward for bringing members and encouraging participation in events with the new on-line registration system. I have already signed up for almost every event I can in 2013. Great job SCMA

Thank you
R. Matt Young

Passages

I want SCMA to know that Firmin Stepaniak passed away at the young age of 94. He always talked about all the good times he had with the SCMA. He has many patches from his years of riding with SCMA.

Thanks
Joseph Wilbur



*2012 Traveler's Award Contest**

By Danny Fox, Traveler's Award Chairman

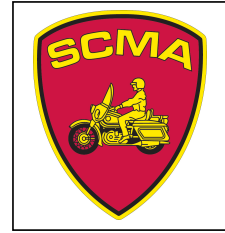
Here are the results for the 2012 Travelers Award Riders. We had four (4) people who were perfect or better with the "makeup and Bonus" Rides calculated in. In total we have eleven (11) riders who finished the requirements for the Travelers Award which I find outstanding. My congratulations to all the hardy riders who persevered and had a good time.

Rider	Total qualifying rides
Dannie Fox	16
Joe Mandeville	12
Blake Anderson	17
Barbara Fox	12
Les Gullery	7
Bill Schmidt	11
Mitch Friedman	10
Jim Bullen	16
Gregg Thompson	6
Randy Shull	8
Steve Howe	16
Vernon Lucero	3
Bill Haffamler	4
Scott Bragdon	4
Nick Balogh	13
Jean Ballantine	6

*7 rides earn a pin, 9 rides earn a certificate, 14 rides earn dinner at the March Awards and Appreciation Banquet



SOUP RUN 2013



Come one, come all... to the 2013 annual Southern California Motorcycling Association's SOUP RUN. Bring no less than two cans of (non-expired) soup and ride for free. Bring more than two cans and get that warm feeling inside you get from giving since all cans go to a local homeless shelter. After you finish the ride you'll get that warm feeling again, because we're serving CHILI, Cincinnati style! Oh yeah, don't forget to bring your motorcycle because we'll be riding 180 miles of Southern California roads.

When: January 20, 2013

Ride Start: 8:15 a.m.

Where: Filling Station, Café and Coffee House
201 N. Glassell, Orange, CA. 92866
714-289-9714
(Restaurant is located on the corner of Glassell and Maple Street.
www.fillingstationcafe.com It opens at 6:30 a.m. and the food is terrific. Gather in the FREE parking lot 50' east of Glassell on Maple Street)

Route: Route sheets will be handed out in the parking lot and a link will soon appear on the SCMA web site (www.SC-MA.com). The route is about 180 miles and will take you through back roads of Orange County and North San Diego County for a wonderful day of riding. Ride by yourself or with friends. Everyone leaves at the same time, and rides at their own pace. We'll end in the Newport Beach area where "Huey" will be serving up his old-fashion Cincinnati Chili... oh yeah, not Huey's first rodeo. And, the price of admission - the cans of soup you donate at the start of the ride.

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**SCMA Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet
March 2, 2013
Highlighting the achievement of the
Triple Crown Award Participants**

**California
Parks Adventure**



**USA 4 Corners
Motorcycle Tour**



**Three
Flags Classic**



- When:** Saturday, March 2, 2013
5:00-6:45 PM Registration and Social Hour
7:00 PM Dinner
8:00 PM Program
- Where:** Embassy Suites (Orange County Airport North)
1325 E. Dyer Road, Santa Ana, CA 92705
Hotel reservations call (714) 241-3800 or 1 (800) Embassy (362-2779)
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Cut off date for discount rate is February 15, 2013
- Banquet:** Cost is \$45.00 per person Cut off date for banquet reservations is
February 27, 2013

Come one, come all. Everyone is invited to enjoy an evening with fellow motorcyclists. Participation in motorcycling events is not necessary. No membership is required.

For more information refer to the Reservation Form (on SCMA Website/Newsletter) or contact Phyllis Shaw-Hatke or Kenneth Hatke at (951) 677-3644 or email kenn2006@verizon.net

A special ride has been planned by Steve Howe. This activity is a Traveler's Award. They will leave from the hotel at approximately 8:00 AM. The length of the ride will depend on the weather conditions the day of the ride. For more information, go to www.sc-ma.com.

2013 Travelers Award Contest Rules

Dan Fox, Chairman

SCMA is offering the Travelers Award once again. This year we are charging only \$20 to participate. For 2013 we will provide an award. A combination of SCMA and affiliated club rides are on this year's list of qualifying rides. Complete 7 rides for a pin, 10 rides for an award and 13 rides for a comp'ed dinner at the March awards banquet. Each ride must be completed in accordance with the rules provided every participant.

Qualifying Rides for 2013

SCMA Soup Run	January 20
SCMA Sweetheart Run	February 10
SCMA Banquet Day Ride	March 2
PMC Poker Run	March 10
Shamrocks St. Pats Run	March 16-17 (first day)
AVR Bags 4 Kids Ride	April 6
S. Coasters Heart Castle	April 19-21 (first day)
PMC Greenhorn Run	May 18-19 (first day)
SCMA Blazing Saddles	May 25-26 (first day)
SCMA Dog Days of Summer	July 14
SCMA Grand Tour	October 12-13 (first day)
SCMA Cemetery Tour	October 27
SCMA Turkey Run	November 17

Make Up Day Rides

For those riders that miss a ride we are offering two make up rides that can be substituted for any qualifying ride

BMWCOSEC Park & Ride	September 28
SCMA Winter Solstice Challenge	December 21

Make Up Premier Ride

We also will provide the ability to substitute one of SCMA's Premier Rides for a qualifying ride. But only one. The theory is that scheduling the premier rides during a busy summer is nearly impossible without stepping on one of the qualifying rides. So, for 2013 as we have done for the last 3 or 4 years, you can substitute one of the premier rides for a qualifying ride.

SCMA Three Flags Classic	August 30-Sept. 3
SCMA Four Corners Tour	21 days in 2013
SCMA Best 15 US Roads	Anytime during 2013
SCMA California Mission Tour	Anytime during 2013
SCMA California Parks Advent.	Anytime during 2013



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*Riding the Twisted Sisters: The Texas Roads of
SCMA's Best 15 US Roads Challenge
By Ronald "Gonzo" Gonzales*

"Twisted Sisters". I like that nickname for a set of roads. If that doesn't grab you what will?

Let me explain what this is all about. In July while I was attempting the USA Four Corners ride I was also attempting the Best 15 USA Roads Challenge. These rides are super scenic and are spread across the USA. VT, VA, TN, SD, MT, ID, WY, UT, NV, WA, CA, AZ, CO and TX. I thought I ride all of them this year to receive recognition from the SCMA. One more pin! The Three Sisters are located in TX and are TX335, 336, and 337. They are located about 25 miles from the I-10 so I am going to take a day from the Four Corners and ride the Sisters.

These three roads are a challenge, not for the inexperienced or the foolhardy. As the photos will show later, signs warn of what has happened to others in the past. They actually are not that bad. Yes, very twisty, ascending, descending, narrow and ripe for an accident if you are a foolish rider. Proper speed must be adhered to otherwise loss of control will occur.

Before leaving Ft Stockton I called a KOA campsite and made a camping reservation for the night. I was full of confidence that I could reach Junction, run the Three Sisters and make it into Kerrville at dusk to camp for the night. I was in for a late surprise!

I arrived in Junction at 1:30pm, hungry and thirsty. So I chowed down at a chicken spot and drank a ton of water. Then headed down TX377 to the 41 to meet the first of the Three Sisters TX335. I must admit that there was a little anxiety about this...but riding the 377 was a good warm up for the Sisters. 377 is not extreme but it does have some good turns and climbs/descents and it gave me some confidence in my riding ability.

One thing I noticed here on these TX roads....there are a lot of historical markers. I never stopped to read one...no time...but thought it interesting.

Upon reaching 335 I headed out on it but soon stopped to remove my jacket...the heat had built up by this time in the afternoon. 335 was very picturesque...and had a spectacular roller coaster section that I enjoyed. The twists finally showed up while climbing one of the BIG hills and then it all ended and I rolled into Camp Wood where I picked up the 337 heading to Leakey (pronounced Lay key). This was a very boring road, or so I thought, and finally, the twists showed up....wow! these were tight! Again, beautiful vistas are there to be seen...but be sure to keep your eyes on the road!



Leakey finally arrived and I rode some on the 83N before turning around heading south where I found the gas station on the other side of the 337. Next was the 336, but first I stopped at D'Rose Inn to meet Deb, owner and PhD and biker. I had called earlier for a reservation but none were available. But I stopped by, met Deb, chatted briefly and she said a cancellation had made a cabin available...but I declined as I preferred to camp in the pleasant weather.

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Riding the Twisted Sisters: (Continued)

Back out on the road, 83 north at the edge of town is the left fork that is the 336. Again, boring at first, and then WOW! Twisties galore culminating with an across the hill top ride providing gorgeous vistas of the Hill Country. I had wanted to get a photo of me and Prade Ranch but came upon it too quickly before I realized I had passed it. However, I got this photo of a sign on the southbound side....am glad I didn't see it before I had started...it would've made me more anxious.

336 ended on the 41 and I headed east to intercept the 83 south back to Leakey for another gas receipt and then east on the 337 to finish the run.

Again, I was fooled. The map just shows a nice line all the way to Medina. I figured on being in Kerrville within an hour or so....WRONG!

More twisties and climbs with the reverse once at the summit and heading down the other side to Medina. At the peak I saw a picnic turnoff area so I stopped for a photo break....but couldn't get one through the trees. And the other side had the blazing sun obscuring a photo image. And this is when I found the other warning sign....even more worse than 336's warning.



I made it into Medina at dusk and saw what looked like an abandoned gas station up for sale so I pulled in there for some photo's to prove I was there. While doing that, the door off to the side opened and an elderly gentleman stepped out. I apologized for using his property but he was fine with it. We took some photo of each other. His name is Jay and he gave me some great advice.



Due to the late hour, soon to be dark, he suggested NOT to take 16 north as it is also a twisty road plus the deer are out at this hour making it very dangerous. He suggested I go south on the 16 to flashing yellows and take a very local road east to 173 north into Kerrville. These two roads are more friendly to night riding and I safely arrived at the KOA at 10:30pm, set up my camp site and went to sleep.

This was quite a day. I am glad the Sisters is completed. The next day I headed to Boerne TX for a Harley oil change and then headed to a Beaumont motel.

C ya mañana,
Gonzo

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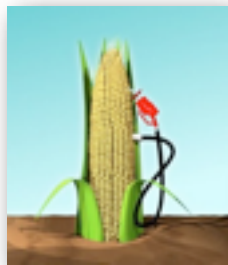


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Washington, D.C.: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is apparently scrapping its requirement that consumers buy at least four gallons of gasoline from blender gas pumps that dispense the new E15 ethanol-gasoline blend. The EPA had said that the minimum purchase requirement was meant to dilute any residual E15 fuel left in the hose.

On Dec. 17, in response to ongoing AMA concerns, the EPA indicated to the AMA that it would no longer require a minimum purchase of four gallons. Instead, the EPA will now likely require a label on blender pumps that dispense E10 and E15 through the same hose that states the pump is solely for passenger cars and trucks. In addition, the EPA indicated it will require stations that sell E15 to also have a pump with a dedicated E10 hose for use by motorcycles and other vehicles the EPA has not approved for E15 use.



Ethanol is essentially grain alcohol produced from crops such as corn that is mixed with gasoline to produce an ethanol-gasoline blend motor fuel. In October 2010,

the EPA approved the use of E15 in model year 2007 and newer light-duty vehicles (cars, light-duty trucks and medium-duty passenger vehicles). Then, in January 2011, the EPA added model year 2001-06 light-duty vehicles to the approved list.

No motorcycles or ATVs are currently on the list.

Twentynine Palms, Calif.: Riders who use the popular Johnson Valley Off-Highway Vehicle Riding Area in California may not lose most of the area to a Marine base expansion after all. Under language currently included in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013

(H.R. 4310), which was offered by Rep. Roscoe Bartlett (R-Md.) with support from Sens. Diane Feinstein (D-Calif.) and Mark Udall (D-Colo.), the military is barred from spending money to expand the military base into Johnson Valley until it completes a report on how the expansion would affect off-highway riding in this important area. The report is expected to be completed in 90 days.

Lake George, N.Y.: For the first time ever in its 30-year history, Americade's largest tradeshow location, TourExpo Beach, will open three days early in 2013. TourExpo Beach will now be open June 1-8, from Saturday through the following Saturday.



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AMA News & Notes (Continued)

Pickerington, Ohio: The AMA is pleased to announce the 2013 dates for the country's premier annual celebration of vintage motorcycling. AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days will take place on July 19-21 at the world-class Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, Ohio.

A fundraiser for the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame, AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days features classic motorcycles of all makes and styles, and honors the riders who made them famous. Activities include the AMA Racing Vintage Grand Championships, which feature road racing, motocross, hare scrambles, trials and dirt-track; North America's largest motorcycle swap meet; bike shows and awards; stunt shows; demo rides of current production bikes; and seminars on a



number of topics by noted motorcycling experts.

All proceeds from AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days benefit the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame. The goal of the Hall of Fame, located on the AMA campus in Pickerington, Ohio, is to tell the stories and preserve the history of motorcycling's legends and heroes. For more information, call (614) 8562222, or visit the Hall of Fame's website.

Brussels, Belgium: The European Parliament has approved a proposal to require anti-lock braking systems on all new motorcycles and trikes with engines larger than 125cc beginning in 2016. The measure — adopted on Nov. 20 by a 643-to-16 vote

with 18 abstentions—still needs to be adopted by each member nation of the European Union. If it is approved, ABS could become standard equipment on all motorcycles sold in the United States in the not-too-distant future.

The European Parliament's vote is a concern because manufacturers seek to build vehicles of all types, including motorcycles, to uniform standards worldwide. Called global harmonization, the process allows manufacturers to produce just one version of a model and sell it in every market with few—if any—variations.



Global harmonization has the potential to make vehicle standards passed in other parts of the world—like the European Union—the de facto law of the land here in the United States.

Although the AMA does not oppose ABS, the association has always maintained that ABS must be affordable, should be a rider's choice, and that riders must be able to switch ABS on and off on dual-sport machines.



SCMA's Premier Events

USA Four Corners Tour *(an AMA "Extreme Grand Tour")*

Imagine the adventure and 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 any order you select and at any time of the year. Visit our website for complete information about this World Class event.

Three Flags Classic *(an AMA "Extreme Grand Tour")*

The 38th annual Three Flags Classic is set for a Deming, NM start on August 30, 2013 and a finish in Winnipeg, MB on September 2. There is a September 3 banquet. 250 riders will travel 2100 miles through the mountains and rolling hills of New Mexico, Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, Minnesota and Manitoba. Watch the SCMA website and the TFC forum for unfolding information.

California Adventure Series *(AMA "Grand Tours")*

The California Adventure Series includes two different rides: The California Parks Adventure (CPA) and the California Mission Tour (CMT). Complete one toward qualifying for the Triple Crown award.

CPA During any single calendar year and in any order and at any pace, visit all of the 24 National Parks and Monuments in California. Join the fun by purchasing a full color, well-illustrated passport book from SCMA that lists all locations. Get a park stamp and a photo of yourself at each location. Return the completed passport to SCMA and get it back along with a pin and a plaque.

CMT During any single calendar year and in any order and at any pace, visit all of the 21 California Missions. It works just like the CPA listed above

For more information visit our website and scroll down the front page to these premier rides.

SCMA Best 15 US Roads Challenge *(an AMA "Extreme Grand Tour")*

During 2013, travel our annual list of Best 15 US Roads. Every mile from your home to the roads and back again must be traveled on a motorcycle, trike or sidecar. Rules, application and details can be found on our website.

Tie It All Together with the 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. It is a rare achievement--done by only 10 riders per year. SCMA honors this significant accomplishment with a limited-edition plaque that marks you as a very unique long-distance rider.

Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet

Triple Crown Awards and others awards are presented at SCMA's Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet that will be held March 2nd in 2013 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Santa Ana, California. More on our website. Registration information for the banquet appears in this newsletter in the fall.

Help Wanted

SCMA needs a ride chair for the October 27 Cemetery Tour

SCMA needs a ride chair for the November 17 Turkey Run

SCMA needs a ride chair for the December 21 Winter Solstice SS1000 Mile Challenge

Are you interested? If you live within 200 miles of Santa Ana or are willing to ride to within 200 miles of Santa Ana, I will be willing to buy you lunch so that we can talk about getting involved in SCMA as a ride chair or some other volunteer position.

Come on, pick up the phone right now or type up a quick email. Start something.

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Sell It Here...

For Sale: HONDA 2006 VTX1300 16k miles \$5,600. Bike is equipped with a J&M CB/MP3 player, saddle bags, windshield, hwy boards, driver back rest, rack, handle bar extenders, hwy light bar, vista cruise, cruise control. Please call John at (714) 974-4569

For Sale: Motorcycle lift. A dusty, never used lift It has two parallel rails and is hydraulically operated like a jack. The load limit is 1500 pounds. It'll work for a personal watercraft, too. The price is anywhere between a twenty dollar bill and "let me save you the trouble of hauling it". Ralph REFFI@aol.com

Remember we accept free motorcycle-related ads from our members. Send your ad to the newsletter editor by the 25th of the month.

We Want Your Stories and Photos

Do you have a story that needs to be told? A ride you have taken? An interesting person you want to profile? Memories of your first motorcycle and what it meant to you? Maybe you have a good old days story about SCMA. If you have an idea, write it or tell it. We'll print it.

Everyone is Welcome at Our General Membership Meetings

We generally meet once per month on Saturdays beginning at 9 AM. We meet at:

Coco's Restaurant
 306 N Azusa Ave.
 (just south of San Bernardino Road)
 Covina, CA

Directions to Coco's:

From the I-210 Freeway, head south on Azusa Ave. 2.2 miles. Coco's is on your left.

Or...

From the I-10 Freeway, head north on Azusa Ave. 1.0 miles. Coco's is on your right.

Please join us any time. Hear first hand about what is planned for the upcoming rides offered by SCMA and its affiliated clubs. Get to know the people that put these amazing events together. Tell us what you think. And get a feel for what it would be like to join our efforts in providing the best that riding has to offer. No one is doing what SCMA is doing. No one.

Our next General Membership Meetings are:

- January 19 (Our annual calendaring session with our affiliated clubs)
- February 16
- March 23
- April 13
- May 4



Three-Month Running Calendar

January

- 6 South Coasters GMM and Day Ride
- 15 SCMA Board Meeting, Shaker Cafe, Glendale, 10AM
- 19 SCMA GMM & Calendaring Session, Coco's Covina, 9AM
- 20 SCMA Soup Run, Filling Station Cafe, Orange, 6:30-8AM*
- 26 TFC Committee, Shaker Cafe, 9AM
- 26 BMWCOOSC Visit to USS Iowa

February

- 3 South Coasters GMM and Day Ride
- 10 SCMA Sweetheart Run*
- 12 SCMA Board Meeting, Shaker Cafe, 10AM
- 16 SCMA General Membership Meeting, Coco's, 9AM
- 16-18 South Coasters Death Valley Campout
- 23 2013 Three Flags Classic Committee Meeting, Shakers, 9AM
- 23-24 BMWCOOSC Solvang Ride

March

- 2 SCMA Day Ride*
- 2 SCMA Awards and Appreciation Banquet
- 3 South Coaster GMM and Day Ride
- 10 PMC Poker Run*
- 16-17 Shamrocks, St Patrick's Day Weekend Run*
- 19 SCMA Board Meeting, Shaker Cafe, 10AM
- 23 SCMA GMM, Coco's Covina, 9AM
- 23 SCMA TFC Committee Meeting, Coco's, 11AM



Here's what's on the road ahead. For more information, check the SCMA website www.sc-ma.com and the websites of our affiliated clubs

*Qualifying Travelers Award Events

Club websites (page 4) have more information. Consultant them before a ride to look for last-minute changes.

Some valuable fine print (really)

Articles and advertising must be received by the 25th of the month in order to appear in the next published issue of SCMA News. Send written correspondence to: Southern California Motorcycling Association, PO Box 487, Norwalk, CA 90651-0487

Email newsletter submittals to:
BlakePAnderson@gmail.com

SCMA's website is always your best source for complete and current information on our rides and events. Our membership application is there too. Go to www.sc-ma.com for information, applications and other resources. Links to all of our affiliated clubs are there too.

The SCMA neither endorses nor sanctions any fund raising activities by its members or riders participating in its events for any purpose benefiting or on behalf of third party charities unless expressly stated otherwise. All such activities are outside of the control and view of SCMA and no support of any kind should be construed.

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Advertising space is provided to our members only. Regular membership is \$25 for one year or \$45 for two years. Want ads are free for regular members. Sponsoring corporate membership is \$400 per year and includes a one-half page ad in the newsletter for 12 months and prominent mention at SCMA's March Awards and Appreciation Banquet and the September Three Flags Banquet.