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Upcoming Events

(See club websites for details)

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| Oct 4-7 | South Coasters
Octoberfest Ride
NOTE date change | Oct 19 | SCMA Board,
Coco's Covina, 8am |
| Oct 11-13 | South Coasters, Fall
Colors Tour | Oct 19 | SCMA GMM, Coco's
Covina, 10am |
| Oct 12-14 | SCMA Grand Tour,
Mojave to Cedar City
to Laughlin | Oct 25-27 | BMWCOSEC, Gold
Country Tour |
| Oct 14 | Columbus Day | Oct 27 | SCMA Cemetery
Tour, Simi Valley
start |

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Road Signs

By Blake P. Anderson

2013 Three Flags Classic: A Bit of Mayhem

The 2013 offering was a great experience. Well run checkpoints, terrific merchandise (don't you love the hat?), and a challenging route. All of that was the good news.

But we had five accidents as well. Four caused minor injuries. The very bad news is there was one fatality. Robert Farr, 70, an experienced long distance rider and a frequent TFC rider was riding by himself when he failed to negotiate a sharp turn a few miles north of the Delta checkpoint. He received fatal injuries as he tumbled down the slope. SCMA is very sad to hear this news and conveys our deepest sympathy to Robert's family

We continue to form up the 2014 TFC committee

Are you an old TFC committee veteran or an SCMA newbie wanting to dive in and contribute? Are recently retired and now realize that it takes more than play to keep life rewarding? Does a challenging volunteer job that creates something valuable interest you?

If any of that describes you, then do we have a job for YOU! The TFC is a \$65,000 enterprise that takes about 1000 volunteer hours to accomplish. Are you a communicator, organizer, money

guy or artist? All of these skills are needed on a TFC team. Email me or call.

The SCMA Grand Tour is October 12-14

Our annual fall two-day thousand miler is set for October 12-14. This is high desert and mountain riding at its best. Cool weather nearly always prevails. We start in Mojave at the Denny's early Saturday morning, head thru Death Valley, cross east through Nevada, overnight in Cedar City, head east on UT 14 through the Panguitch Mountains, circle around the Grand Canyon on US 89a and 89, pick up Old Route 66 west of Flagstaff and overnight in Laughlin. See the flyer and map inside for more information.

Cemetery Tour October 27

This annual one-day ride begins in Simi. A route to out-of-the-way and long-forgotten cemeteries will haunt you.

What it takes to run a day ride.

SCMA is beginning to look ahead to 2014 and our array of one-day and two-day local rides. We need your help. Select a start and finish, design the route, create a flyer (with some help if you need it) and conduct the check-in process. Interested? This is a terrific way to give back to your fellow riders and have some fun and challenge in the process. Get your feet wet as an SCMA volunteer. Email me to start the conversation or to set up lunch. I will buy.



How about running a 2014 day ride or joining the 2014 TFC committee?

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You will receive the newsletter once per month and occasional special announcements. We are proud to say that SCMA is a portal to outstanding riding events.

All newsletters going back to 2007 can be viewed and downloaded on line at <http://sc-ma.com/category/news>



Let's Ride

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- 1885 Gottlieb Daimler produces the 4-stroke, single cylinder Einspur. 264cc. A wooden bike. Stuttgart.
- 1899 Matchless Motorcycle Company formed. London.
- 1901 Indian produces three motorcycles. The first American motorcycle company. Springfield, Mass.
- 1902 Production begins on the Flying Merkel. Milwaukee.
- 1903 Harley Davidson produces 3 motorcycles. Milwaukee.
- 1907 First Isle of Man TT. Charlie Collier on a Matchless.



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The Madawaska Dream Continues to Improve
by Blake P. Anderson

If you have been on the USA Four Corners Tour in the last several years, then you have probably visited the only local park dedicated to long distance riding. The vision and unrelenting hard work of Joe Lachance and his gang of Acadians has transformed a weed-filled knobby empty lot into a beautiful park that overlooks Madawaska's main street (US Highway 1) and Canada in the distance. This is a large fountain, shade, benches, well-kept grounds and monuments. Underfoot along the walkways are pavers dedicated to our Four Corner riders, other motorcyclists, and local people, businesses and memorable events.

It is community park with a huge national importance. There is nothing else like it.

Last year the old house next door became available. With the help of a large donation from Charles Lamb (our riding chum from Virginia who is attempting to ride the USA Four Corners in all months during the next few years) and other local and national contributions, the Madawaska Park

Foundation bought the property, razed the house and have developed it--doubling the size of the park and providing much-needed parking.

One of their next projects is to build a dramatic arch way over the entrance to the park. An artist's

rendition of the concept is shown here. When this is completed and the foliage has had time to grow, the park will have a very permanent and substantial look.



You can help. Buy your own memorial paver or, better yet, provide them a much-needed tax deductible contribution. If there is a single park in this Country that "belongs" to SCMA, it certainly is this one. Find them at

www.MadawaskaFourCorners.org



SCMA Grand Tour October 12-14



Our annual SCMA Grand Tour is set for October 12, 13 and 14. The entry fee is \$25. Sign-in is 6 to 7:30 am at Denny's Restaurant, 16262 Sierra Highway, Mojave, CA. Our checkpoint and overnight lodging will be the Best Western, Town and Country located at 189 N. Main Street, Cedar City, Utah. Our finish will be on October 13 in Laughlin, Nevada.



Death Valley

Maps of the two days of the route can be found in this newsletter.

We will leave Mojave and head northeasterly through Death Valley and skirt the north edge of Las Vegas. From there we will head toward Cedar City where we will overnight and gather for dinner at a nearby restaurant.



Cedar Breaks

On Sunday we will head east through the mountains on UT 14 and then southeasterly through Kanab and then Flagstaff before turning west to pick up Route 66 (and I-40 when the old road runs out



on us). Overnight in Laughlin. Take a look at the shows that are in town. It could be a very nice night.

Because Monday is the Columbus Day holiday for some, it is a perfect opportunity to take a nice long way home from Laughlin. At this time of year, the desert outposts will be uncrowded and cool. How about early lunch at the restored Kelso Depot? Chili, a sandwich or ice cream?



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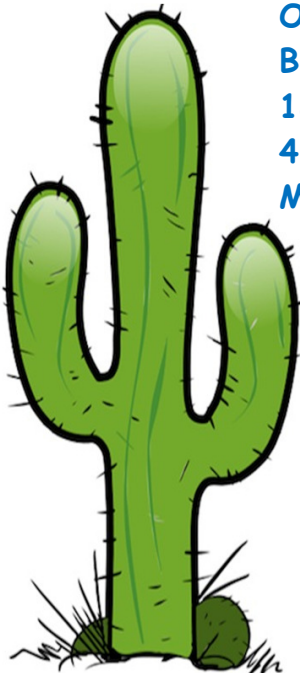
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*We Get Letters**A New SCMA member from Norway*

I found you when I was looking for motorcycle trips in USA. This page; mc.ovnerud.net tells about me and my trips, (some are in English).

As you will see I have been riding all around Europe, your Route 66 in 2001 and also Death Valley in 2011. I have also been riding in India and Nepal with a Royal Enfield Bullet. <http://home.online.no/~bjovner/goldwingturer.cfm>

I had a Valkyrie for almost 8 years and at the moment I ride a Goldwing 2007. My wife is with me on all the rides. I was born in 1951 and I think will be on the road for several years to come.

In May 2014, my friend Joe from Las Vegas and I will do the Four Corners Tour and we will register for that soon.

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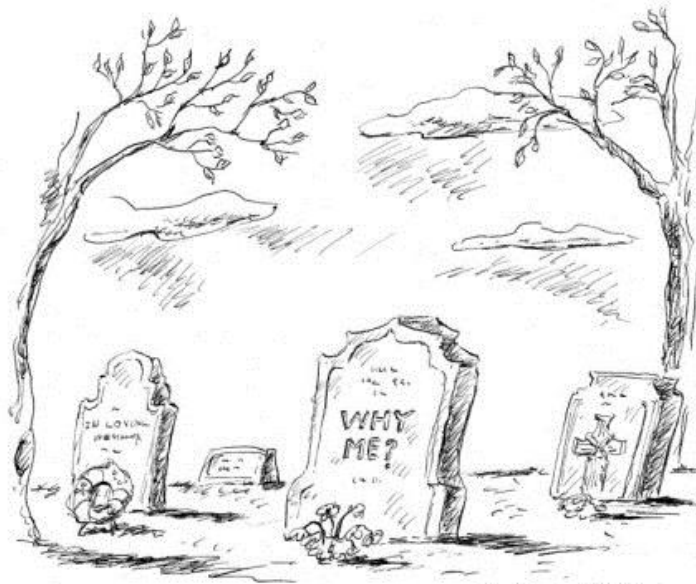
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The 2013 Turkey Run, Saturday, November 16 By Ronald "Gonzo" Gonzalez

The November Turkey will fly south to San Diego County on November 16 hoping to find warmer and drier weather for his annual SCMA Turkey Run.



This one day ride begins at Bravo Burgers in San Juan Capistrano and runs about 150 miles through the Cleveland National Forest, skirting Lake Elsinore, Menifee Valley,

Temecula Wine Country, Pala, and the vista-filled North San Diego Hill Country. It ends at the Pala Casino.

To establish a promising afternoon, a poker chip drawing will be held at the Pala Casino and every participant will have the opportunity to extract a chip of either \$1, \$2, \$5, \$25 or \$50 value. The drawing will be held in the Pala Food Court before lunch when riders arrive.

We made this ride a Saturday so that riders can make it a weekend outing by reserving a room at the Pala Hotel. Try the casino, attend a concert, and enjoy dinner. Group rates for SCMA will be available if more than 10 rooms are reserved.



Before returning home, riders can continue south and visit local areas of interest such as Palomar Observatory (via S6, a tight-twisting road, climbing 2500' in 7 miles), Julian for apple pie, or continue an hour's ride south to local attractions in San Diego and spend a night there. The possibilities are nearly endless.



November's Turkey Run will be a great opportunity to ride new roads and enjoy a fun weekend with friends and significant others! So make your plans now and block out the weekend of the 16th. This is a ride designed for a two-up weekend.

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After Action Report– 2013 Three Flags Classic Rally

By Trash and Olde Skool theTrike

Once again your road raconteur, Trash and his Goldwing trike, Olde Skool, have ventured on a long road trip. This time it was as a solo rider on the 38th annual Southern California Motorcycle Association's (SCMA) Three Flags Classic Tour. The temps were mostly in 70's and 80's and only some rain. My rally mileage from Deming, NM to Winnipeg, Canada was 2,028 miles in four days. Ride odometer mileage was 4,778 miles (August 27-September 8).



I arrived in Delta, CO (first checkpoint stop – 575 miles) it was covered in bugs. Someone asked me if I had missed any out there. The trike looked two-toned, but I was just too tired to clean anything but the windshield. At the motel a rally senior volunteer



lady had to walk across the motel parking lot to get a new room key for me, since mine did not work. I was just too tired to do even that even after eating at the motel restaurant.

Days 1-3 – Las Vegas to Deming, NM

I was plagued with a left ear infection (discovered the day before I left and got prescription meds) and right leg sciatic nerve problem the whole trip.

I knew that with my medical issues, I would not be trying the 4-Corners ride after the 3-Flags rally. I just hoped that I could finish the 3-Flags rally. It would be a battle to do that. I had paid for the rally and wanted to at least try. Anyway no one has ever accused me of being the sharpest knife in the drawer or the sharpest pencil in the box.



Day 4: The first leg was to Delta, CO – 575 miles.

I left at around 4 AM from Deming, NM. The ride through the Rockies and the “Switzerland of America” was amazing out of Durango, CO. I have a white trike, but when



Day 5: The second rally day was to Chadron, NE – 570 miles.

I decided to take a break and ate at the Log Cabin Café just off I70 in Frisco, CO. It is a very nice place to eat. Riding through northern Nebraska a large coal train was traveling in the opposite direction on my right. As it approached I pressed the Goldwing's horn and raised my fist straight in the air. The return blast from the train was of biblical portions --- it is one of the great moments on the road

Day 6: The third rally day was to Bismarck, ND – 468 miles.

This was very interesting as I had just been to the Sturgis Rally a few weeks before. And now here I am again only a few miles from where I was as I passed by Rapid City, SD. I turned east and bisected SD as I headed north



After Action Report: 2013 Three Flags Classic

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through open country. I was really out there by myself. I actually did see a few other non-rally riders on big Harleys. You choose your own rally route, but there is a suggested route each year.

Day Seven: The last leg Bismarck ND to Winnipeg, Canada – 415 miles.

I stopped at the Trinity Hospital in Minot, ND for several hours for left ear treatment. I wanted a doctor to look at it. Afterwards, I headed across the border and east toward Winnipeg. I arrived at 6 PM local to the hotel rally table, but had until 9 PM to qualify as a finisher. I was one happy rider to be done. Now I will no longer be under the clock when I ride home.



Day Eight: A down day in Winnipeg

The wonderful banquet was the next night and I was just able to attend and eat. I kept wiping sweat off my neck and forehead. Then I immediately left and went back to my hotel to rest. So here I am – in a foreign country, sick, alone, thousands of miles from home, and on a motorcycle trike. Nice. Real nice. But I knew I had an ace up my sleeve -- the Big Wing.



Days 9-13 – Winnipeg, Canada to Las Vegas, NV

I used my GPS to find the highway south out of Winnipeg and traveled steadily south to Fargo, SD where I would turn due west on Interstate 94. My goal was Montana as my ride would bisect

North Dakota. I ended up in Glendive, MT or 604 miles.

As I turned due west at Fargo, ND I knew it was time. My hand pulled the throttle back and my right thumb activated the cruise control and then the set button. I put Olde Skool in Battle Attack mode (no quarter asked, no quarter given – a fight to the death) and the miles started to rapidly disappear under my wheels.

The big 1800cc liquid cooled engine was destroying everything in front of it with silent unrelenting power.

The next day I did the same thing and rode 557 miles to Idaho Falls, ID. I decided I needed to rest an extra day before riding the 518 miles to St. George, UT. The rest day was well needed. Interestingly, I found on the road that I really liked the individual pizzas or the Subway 6-inch hot tuna/cheese sandwiches. I grab the food at a gas stop and ate as I rode. I usually ate lunch around 10-12 noon as I had breakfast at the motel and was on the road by 6:30AM.



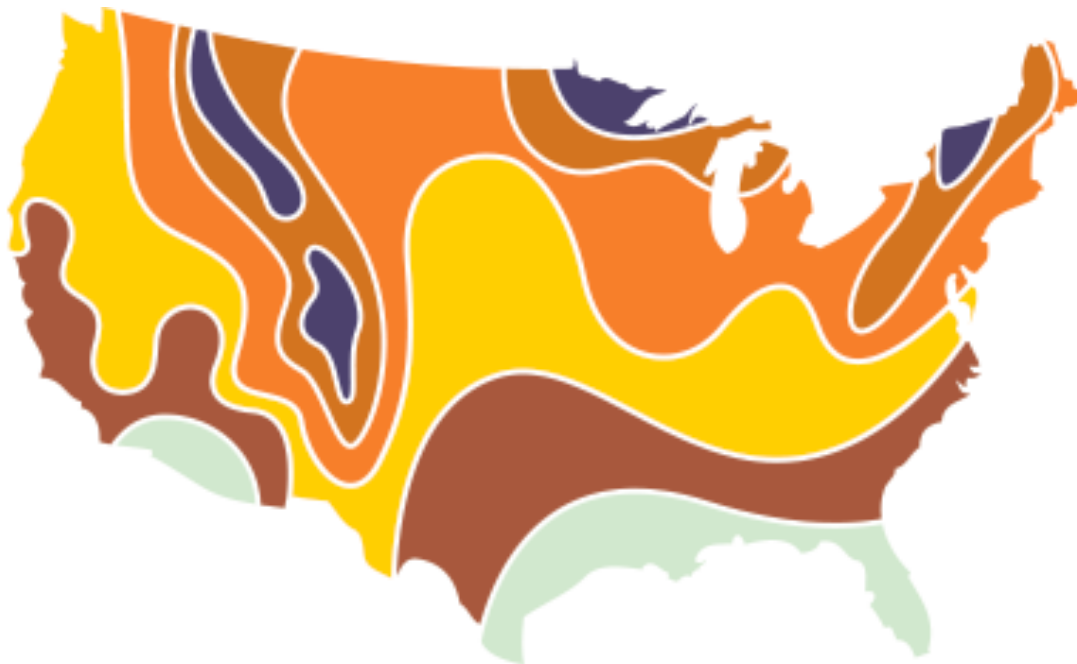
Reflecting on the experience.

This was a great rally ride. It was very well organized with over 200 riders. Too bad I was under the weather the whole time. Everyone at the rally and motels seemed to like my trike set up and décor even with some bugs. I did do some minor cleaning on the trip when I felt like I had the energy. Next year the 3-Flags Rally starts in Tucson, AZ to Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia, Canada. I might ride it again if I am healthy. The country I saw was outstanding.

Faithfully recorded and respectfully submitted

Your obedient servants and road rascallions,
Trash and Olde Skool the Trike

Autumn Leaves, Pumpkins, and Apples
By Blake P. Anderson



LATE-SEPT

EARLY-OCT

MID-OCT

LATE-OCT

EARLY-NOV

NEVER

This map showing the turn of the leaves arrived in my inbox the other day and it really grabbed my attention. I hope that it does yours too.

Autumn riding is my favorite time of the year. The colors are fantastic. We are blessed with cool days after the blazing and punishing heat of summer, our riding gear is far more comfortable and the smells of cut alfalfa, ripening last harvest fruit and fallen leaves fill the air.

Life is good in the autumn. And that's why this map and its website are so incredibly useful. Want to know where to ride to pick a pumpkin out of a pumpkin patch? Want to know where to find fresh-picked apples or pick your own? Find answers to those questions and much more at the [Ridiculously Rad Fall Color Guide](#) for information from all around the Country. It comes from the "Roadtripper" folks that send out some pretty good travel information all year 'round.

Saddle up and get out there.

*2013 Three Flags Classic
Our First Timers*



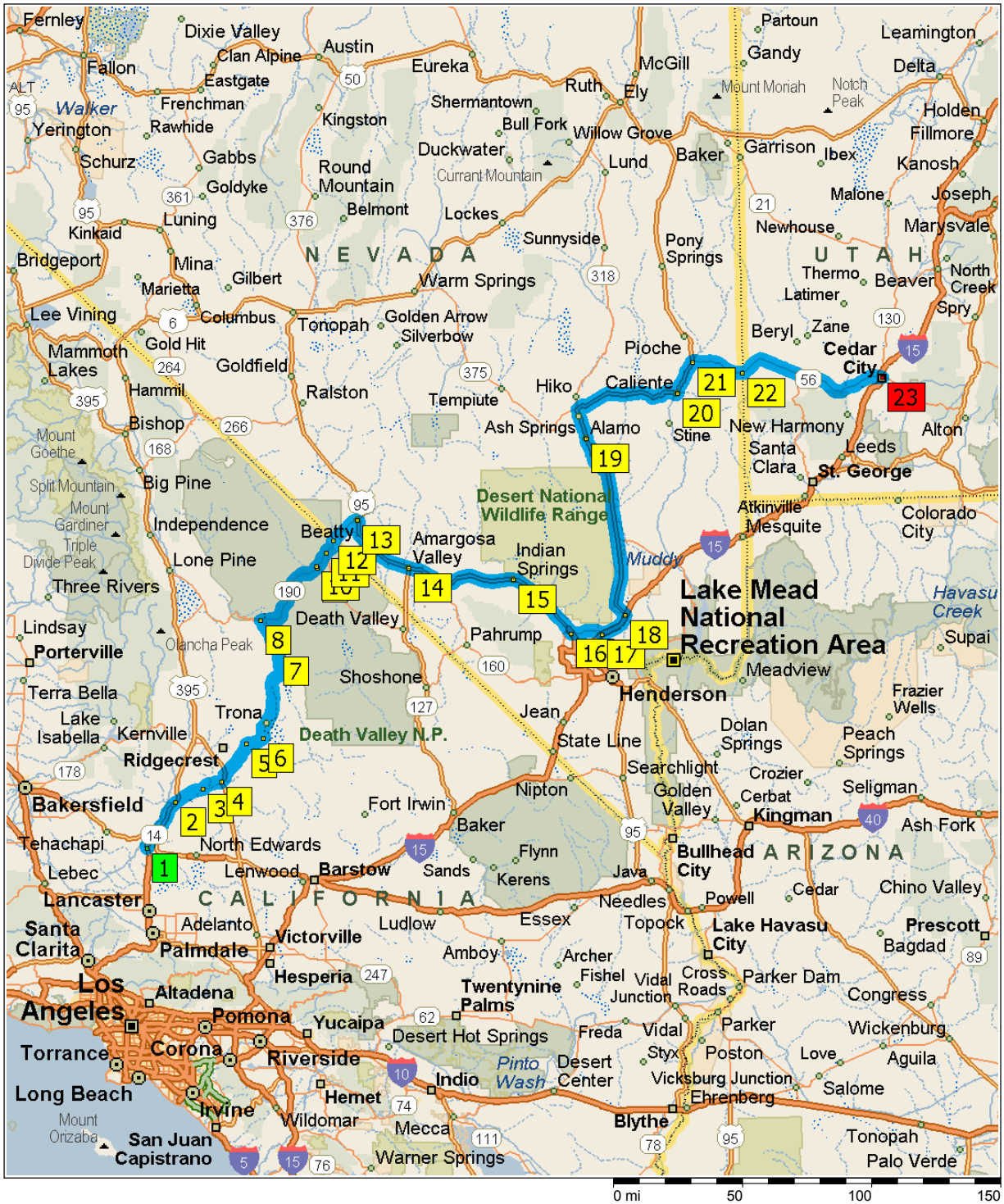
*2013 Three Flags Classic
All of the riders*



*2014 Grand Tour
Day One, October 12:*

Mojave to Cedar City, rev 2A1

535.2 miles; 8 hours, 47 minutes

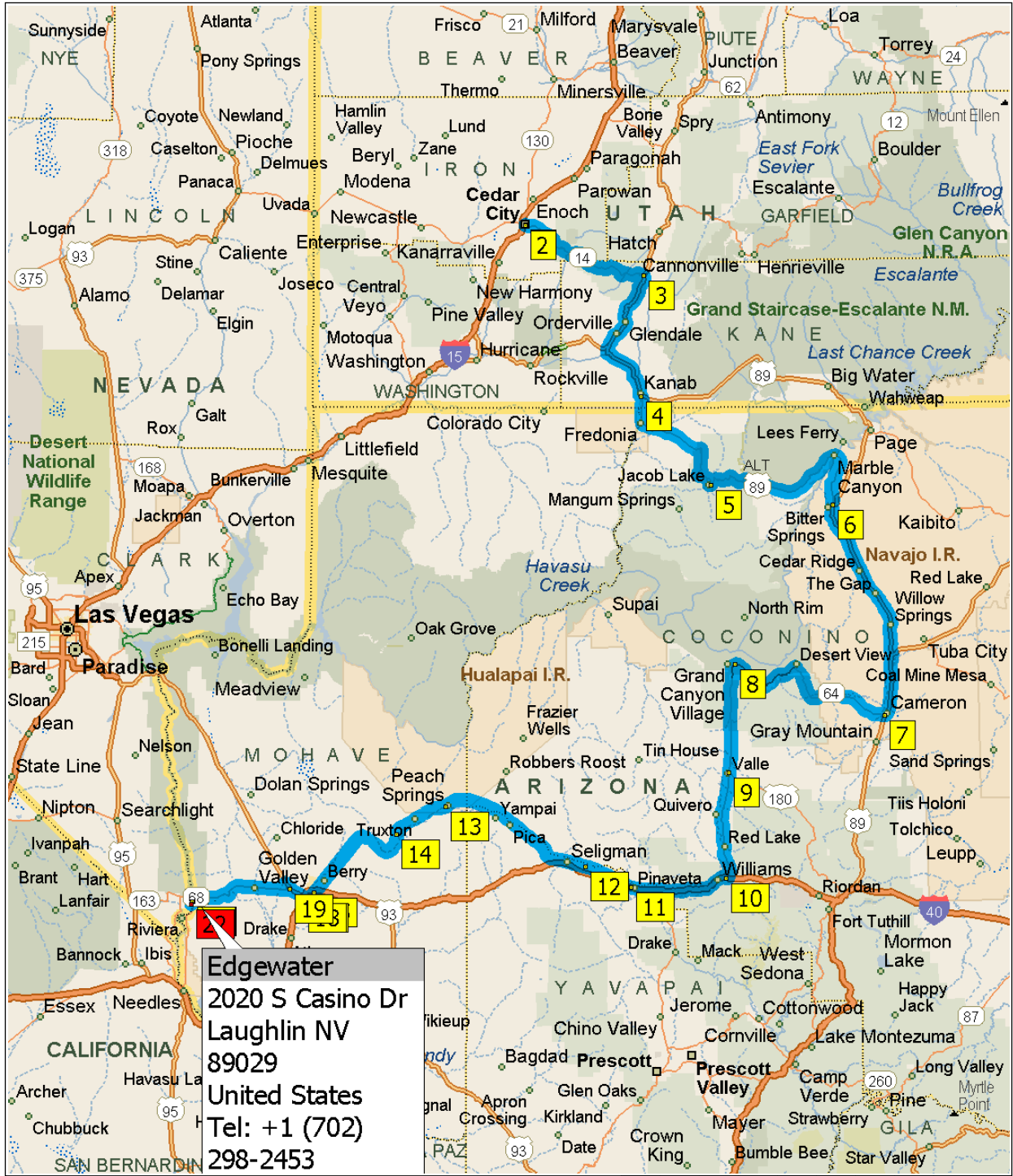


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2014 Grand Tour
Day Two, October 13

Cedar City to Laughlin NV rev 2A

511.9 miles; 1 day, 32 minutes



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*Ride Safe: ATGATT**By Blake P. Anderson*

ATGATT or “All the gear, all the time” is a common sense approach that most SCMA riders follow. Watching the 210 riders that geared-up and left Deming during the start of the 2013 Three Flags Classic would certainly convince most observers of that.



Armored gloves and boots. Full face helmets. The best riding gear: Aerostich, Motoport, Tourmaster, Olympia, Joe Rocket, Scorpion and others was in evidence.

Modern textile, leather and mesh materials were there. Hi-Viz is becoming more popular and boy do those jackets stand out in a crowd. In short, the veteran long distance motorcyclists that populate SCMA rides take riding seriously. Beanie helmets, half-gloves, bare arms and denim jackets are rarely seen. No flip flops here.

Why is that?

Well, this year’s accidents on the Three Flags are reason enough. Robert Farr’s fatality couldn’t be avoided because of the severity of the situation--an over-the-cliff accident--but the other accidents are another story. The riders involved in the two rolled bikes and the deer strike walked away with bumps and bruises but no road rash and no serious injuries. They were standing, chatting and working on getting their bikes rescued within moments of their crashes. A bit relieved that they were virtually unhurt gave them the ability to move forward in problem-solving mode immediately



after the crash. Certainly, that’s an outcome we all pray for.

Ignoring ATGATT when you ride is simply self-delusion. One day we all go down.

The recovery is far less complicated when we keep our skin, bones, teeth and skull intact.

As far as I can recall, SCMA has never had an argument with a rider who insisted on not wearing a helmet. Isn’t that interesting when you consider the huge fights that have occurred for “rider’s rights” in states that have recently withdrawn long-standing helmet laws? I think this is testimony to the professionalism of our riders. God knows we have some very unconventional people in our midst. But are they reckless? Not so much. That’s probably the reason we see riders in their 70s and 80s completing the ride year after year.



Notwithstanding the mayhem of 2013, SCMA’s long term safety record is amazing. That is because our no nonsense riders take the challenge of long distance riding very seriously. Collectively, they plan smart, dress smart and ride smart. It is what allows us to enjoy millions of miles of riding and live to tell about it.

ATGATT is one more reason we proudly call ourselves long distance motorcyclists.

Ride Safe

2014 SCMA Legacy Award by Blake P. Anderson

In 2012 SCMA initiated its annual Legacy Award. We honor those people who inspire, support, lead and empower us. They are the folks that are the meaningful legacy of SCMA. The award is announced at the annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet. In 2014, the banquet is March 1 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Santa Ana. Six people have received the Legacy Award:

- Josef Usatin (2012)
- Joseph Mandeville (2012)
- Jan Staws (2012)
- Kenn Hatke (2012)
- Dannie Fox (2012)
- Eleanor Stevens (2013)

The board is considering nominations for the 2014 award. We will accept nominations from now through January 15, 2014. Anyone can provide a nomination.

Nominees must have long-term (20+ years) participation in SCMA activities, served in various volunteer and board capacities, engendered cooperation and teamwork, and have been committed to the welfare of SCMA and its riders. The award can be made posthumously and to the living.

Please provide up to two typewritten pages of information. Photos are helpful but not necessary. Help us honor the best of SCMA. Mail your nominations to:

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*March 1, 2014 Awards Banquet**By Blake Anderson*

Did you complete the USA Four Corners Tour in 2013? Years ago SCMA began to offer an annual banquet to draw those riders together to meet and share their experiences. A few years ago we added the Triple Crown award and presented it at the banquet. We honor the California Parks Adventure and California Mission Tour awards. Recently we added appreciation awards for the volunteers that make all of this possible. In 2011 we added the Best 15 US Roads Challenge and we honor those riders. Also in 2011 we added our Legacy Award.

Most importantly--and the reason so many riders attend the banquet--is the chance to meet old friends, look forward to the riding year, and share old stories. If you have skipped the banquet in prior years, now is the time to consider adding the banquet to your calendar. We will meet at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Santa Ana, California. Rooms have been blocked for those folks that need them. Watch for details later this year.

*Cemetery Tour on October 27**By Steve Howe*

Got a bone to pick? Join us for the utterly ghoulish Cemetery Tour and see what we've dug up for you.

On Sunday October 27, we will check in at the Old Susana Café, 1555 Kuehner Drive in Simi Valley between 7:00 and 8:00am, and then get on the road to checkout folks who have checked out. The Café offers good food and generous portions, so we suggest you arrive hungry.

The ride meanders for 190 miles through Simi, Ojai, and Tejon Pass, coming to a close at a lone grave on Woodford Tehachapi Road. We will stop to rest, visit, and find the answers to several questions at eight cemeteries along the way. Among our hosts this day are: a couple of somewhat prominent Californians, a school teacher, some fallen soldiers, and a fellow motorcyclist. They all wait patiently and silently for our visit.

The ride fee is 10 bucks per head and includes ride pins and/or year bars for the visitors.

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Ride the 2013 Collection

**Entry is \$60.00 and ride must be completed within the calendar year.
For Information and Rules Visit:
www.sc-ma.com and Register On-Line.**

For more Information,
Contact Charlie Coyner, SCMA Best 15 Chair at (719) 432-8856 or charlie.coyner@gmail.com



**THE ORANGE COAST H.O.G. CHAPTER
WITH ORANGE COUNTY
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INJURED WARRIOR APPRECIATION RUN



Friday, November 1st

Registration opens 7:30 a.m. Escorted ride departs Orange County Harley-Davidson at 9:30 a.m. and ends at

Injured Warrior Facility at Camp Pendleton

Presentation Ceremony • Lunch with the Warriors • Commemorative Ride T-Shirts, Pins and Ribbons

★ All Bikes Welcome ★
Register online at www.injuredwarriorride.com

100% of the proceeds benefit the combat wounded, ill and injured warriors at Camp Pendleton

*SCMA's Premier Events**

USA Four Corners Tour/USA Four Corners True X 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. Add Lebanon, KS between each corner and do it in 26 days or less and you've got a "True X". Plaque, pin, patch and hat to certified finishers. Visit our website for complete information about this World Class event. More people have topped Mt. Everest than have completed this challenging long distance pinnacle.

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. 220 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

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

SCMA Best 15 US Roads Challenge

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 10-15 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. In 2014 it will be held Saturday, March 1 at the Embassy Suites in Santa Ana, California.

*For more information visit our website and scroll down to find all of these premier events.

Help Wanted

SCMA posts open volunteer positions here. Looking forward to 2014, are you interested in chairing one of the rides? Let us know.

Sell It Here...

1998 Honda ST1100 \$3800 New tires, new battery and new alternator. Clean. Super bargain. "Three Flags Classic Ready". Well-maintained. See in San Clemente. Contact Bernie at kraut928@gmail.com

Sahara Highway Pegs \$50. Fits certain R1200RT, R1200RS and R1200GS BMWs. Bolt to valve covers in place of plastic spark plug/coil covers. Fold out when needed. Clean look when folded back against valve cover when not in use. Over \$300 new. Orange County. BlakePAnderson@gmail.com

Custom Bates Leather Motorcycle Jacket \$350. 4XLT-5XLT with 38" arms. The chest measures 64" and the sleeve length 40". Full, quilted, zip-in liner, elbow and shoulder armor, upper shoulder vents, lower back vents, two side zippered pockets and one interior zip pocket. Mandarin style collar, gusseted sleeve zippers. Race weight leather weighs 15 pounds. Over \$1000 new. Excellent materials and craftsmanship. Orange County. REFFI@aol.com

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. 10am Start

We generally meet once per month on Saturdays beginning at 10 AM. We currently meet at:

Coco's Restaurant
306 N Azusa Ave.
Covina, CA

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, but remember to check every month to make sure. Changes are possible.

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 future 2013 General Membership Meetings are:

- October 19
- November 16 (including drafting the 2014 riding calendar)



Three-Month Running Calendar (with qualifying Travelers Award Events in Red)**SPECIAL NOTICE: OUR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS NOW START AT 10 AM**

October

- 4-7 South Coasters Octoberfest Ride (NOTE date change)
- 11-13 South Coasters Fall Colors Ride
- 12-14 **SCMA Grand Tour***
- 14 **Columbus Day**
- 18 AZRATPack Route 66 Grand Tour
- 19 SCMA Board Meeting, Coco's Covina, 8AM
- 19 SCMA General Membership Meeting, Coco's Covina, 10AM
- 20 Victor McLaglen Motor Corps performs at 30th Love Ride
- 25-27 BMWCOOSC Gold Country Tour
- 27 **SCMA Cemetery Tour***
- 31 **Halloween**



November

- 1 Wounded Warriors Run, OC H-D to Pendleton
- 8-10 South Coasters, Laughlin Ride
- 9 SCMA Board Meeting, Coco's Covina 8AM
- 9 SCMA General Membership Meeting, Coco's Covina, 10AM
- 16 **SCMA Turkey Run***
- 28 **Thanksgiving Day**

December

- 6-8 Long Beach Motorcycle Show
- 14 BMWCOOSC Destination Ride TBD
- 21 **SCMA Winter Solstice Saddle Sore 1000***

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. Club websites have more information and are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. ALWAYS consult them before a ride for last-minute changes.

**Qualifying Travelers Award Event*

Some valuable fine print (really)

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