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Upcoming Events

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Nov 8-10
South Coasters, Nov 9
Laughlin Ride
(CANCELLED)
SCMA General
Membership Meeting
& 2014 Calendaring,
Coco's Covina, 10am
Nov 9
SCMA Board,

Coco's Covina, Nov 16 SCMA Turkey Run, 8am SJC to Pala

Nov 28 Thanksgiving

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Road Signs By Blake P. Anderson

We are looking for a new correspondence secretary and membership chair

SCMA is in need of some help. Sally Bishop has indicated that she wants to resign her board position. Most of the work is membership chair. The work includes overseeing the membership records of our regular, lifetime and corporate members and developing a new membership package that is mailed to all new and renewing members. If you have some creative juices and looking for a way to contribute to this fine organization, please contact a current board member.

We continue to form up the 2014 TFC committee

We need someone to manage door prizes. We also need someone to handle publicity and outreach. We need a Canadian finish chair and volunteers to support him/her.

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! . Are you a communicator, organizer, money guy or artist? All of these skills are needed on a TFC team. Email me or call.

The 2014 Riding Calendar

Our November 9 General Membership Meeting includes a discussion of the 2014 riding calendar. We need representatives from our affiliated clubs to attend and provide us as much of their calendars as you have planned out for 2014.

What it takes to run a day ride.

SCMA is planning 2014 and our array of one-day and two-day local rides. We need your help. Volunteer. Chairing a ride includes selecting a start and finish, designing the route, creating a flyer (with some help if you need it) and conducting 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 buv.

December 21 Winter Solstice Challenge

Strap on this one: Your longest ride on the shortest day. Join us for a 1055 mile stroll from Costa Mesa to Chico and back. Register 4 to 5 AM at Denny's Costa Mesa on Harbor Blvd. just south of I-405. Eighteen hours of riding bliss. This is our second year at this. Rules to qualify for an IBA-certified Saddle Sore 1000 at www.lronbutt.com



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Let's Ride

Motorcycle History

1907 Velocette Motorcycles produce 2 hp motorcycle.

1910 BSA begins to produce motorcycles

1911 California purchases first police motorcycle

1919 Brough Superior Motorcycles begin production

1923 BMW produces first shaft drive opposed-twin boxer

1926 Ducati brothers begin to produce motorcycles

1928 Vincent Motorcycles formed from HRD Motorcycles



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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 chips up to \$100 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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USA Four Corners Tour and Blaine Bucks By Rodney "El Chino Loco" Chew

Hey y'all this is El Chino Loco with something fun for all you USA 4 Corners Tour riders.

This year I decided to try and start something different in Blaine. No, I do not mean changing checkpoints or anything like that. This is something fun for everyone passing through town.

We all know about the Chevron Station and the Post Office but do you ever stop at the row of restaurants and shops along the waterfront? Its easy to blow in and out of town on your way to the next corner without seeing anything or eating anything. You are overlooking some great opportunities if you do.

You would be surprised to know that the people in Blaine are quite aware of the USA Four Corners Motorcycle Tour and typically can differentiate SCMA riders from other riders just passing through--and not just because there is a patch on our jacket, bike or helmet. We look and act like serious long distance riders on a mission--because we are.

I want to give you a reason to stop, eat and mark your visit.

I always stop at the Pizza Factory in Blaine (3 years in a row) a few blocks south of the Chevron Station on the water front. Obviously they serve pizza--that is not the surprise.

As I enjoy their good pizza, they always ask if I am one of those "4 Corners Riders". On this year's 4CX, I asked the proprietor would he mind if a bunch of \$1 bills from SCMA members were pinned on his wall. After a curious stare, he said okay. Okay! They agreed to pin them up where no one can take them and everyone can see them!



So the challenge to you is on!! Show support and pin your signed and dated Blaine Buck on the pizza shop wall and enjoy some great pizza!! Contribute to what I hope becomes an SCMA tradition.

The Pizza Factory is located at 738 Peace Portal Dr,. Blaine, WA 98230 (360) 332-3636

Enjoy all your travels !! till next time, El Chino Loco.

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Mystery of the Traub Motorcycle (From the Web)

In 1967, a plumber doing renovations of an apartment building outside Chicago tore down a brick wall and found what would prove to be a baffling mystery to vintage motorcycle enthusiasts - a one-of-a-kind motorcycle bearing 1917 plates and the name "Traub".

The building's elderly owner admitted that his son had stolen the bike before going off to WWI, never to return.

But where the bike came from and who made it remains an unknown to this day.



Currently residing in the Wheels Through Time Museum in Maggie Valley, North Carolina, the Traub is considered by many to not only be the rarest motorcycle in their collection, but in the world.

The Traub was sold to Torillo Tacchi, a bicycle shop owner in Chicago after its discovery who later sold it to Bud Ekins - famous as Steve McQueen's stuntman - while Ekins was on set of the Blues Brothers movie in the late 1970s.

The Traub was later sold to collector and restorer, Richard Morris, who then sold it to Wheels through Time Museum curator, Dale Walksler, in 1990.

It has been on permanent display in the museum collection ever since.

Don't think this unique motorcycle is merely a museum piece. Walksler rides the Traub fairly regularly. When asked about the engine components, he enthusiastically replied, everything inside the engine is just magnificent.

The pistons are handmade, and have gap-less cast iron rings, the engineering and machining being simply years ahead of their time.

"When comparing other top motorcycle makes and models of the era, the Traub has no equal.

Comprised of a sand-cast, hand-built, 80 cubic-inch "side valve" engine, the machine has the ability to reach speeds in excess of 85 mph with ease," says Walksler.



Aside from its few off-the-shelf components, the Traub has many unique handmade features.

The three-speed transmission is thought to be one of the first of its kind and the rear brake, a dual-acting system that employs a single cam that is responsible for pushing an internal set of

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shoes, while pulling an external set, has never been seen on any other American motorcycle.

"For a machine to have such advanced features, unparalleled by other motorcycles of the same era, is truly outstanding," said Walksler.



"It's my opinion that The Traub was an attempt at a new breed of motorcycle.

But how on earth could a machine have been produced in such great form, with capabilities that far exceed that of any comparable machine, without the knowledge of the rest of the motorcycle industry during that time."

The hunt for the Traub's elusive origin hasn't stopped.

"While we may never know why the machine was placed behind that wall, we do hope to one day find out more about its history and the genius that created it," said Walksler.

To learn more about the Traub and the Wheels Through Time Museum 's other 240 bikes, click here to visit their site.



The Wheels Through Time Motorcycle Museum is at 62 Vintage Lane, Maggie Valley, North Carolina. It is located in the southwest corner of North Carolina and close to Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina in some beautiful motorcycle riding Country.

While riding the USA Four Corners or the Best 15 US Roads Challenge, why not stop by and see this magnificent bike and all the others on display?



We Get Letters

Announcing a European Four Corners Tour and a French Five Corners Tour

The European Motorbike Tour Association has organized La Route des 4 Coins de l'Europe (European 4 Corners Route). Aberdeen, Scotland; Tallin, Estonia; Portimao, Portugal and Catanzaro, Italy. You can do it the way you want to. You do not have to go back to the starting point.

We have also organized La Route des 4 Coins de France (The 4 Corners French Road). You must go through Camaret sur Mer (Bretagne); Zuydcoote (Pas de Calais); Seltz, Alsace; Sospel, Alpes Maritme; and Espelette, Pyrenees. We know, 5 cities--but is France a square?

Visit us at www.euro4cornerstour.org

Bernard Chaix Toulouse, France

Motorcycle Madness

I just saw the "teaser" for the '14 Three Flags Classic Tour. Your list of cities and roads forced my to plot a possible route on my Streets and Trips planner. I came up with a 2175 mile ride through some beautiful countryside, much of which I've seen before...can't wait to see again! I'm sure I haven't traced your route precisely, but I am sure that some of my roads will be on your map! This will be a great ride...I hate to start getting excited 10 months in advance, but I can't help it!!

Bob Roger Dalton, Ohio



Not Bob Roger



Bernard Chaix



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Ah, Such a Grand Tour It Was! By Gonzo

This year's Grand Tour, Chaired by Kenn and Phyllis Hatke, was an exciting two day ride providing both awesome roads and beautiful vistas for all. It challenged riders with a few surprises as well.

Check-in for the ride was scheduled at 0630 to 0900 on Saturday at Denny's in Mojave and a number of riders elected to arrive Friday night for a motel sleep over so that they would be ready for Saturday's long ride.

After check-in, riders individually headed out of Mojave on CA-14 to US395 and Trona Road for a nice ride through the desert to CA178 towards US190 heading into Death Valley. It was on CA14 that Mike Barber, Mark Sovern

and Gonzo
stopped at the
Jawbone
Information
Center and
said hello to
Bob, the 115
year old
desert
tortoise.

The first of the challenging surprises occurred after turning onto Trona Road, passing through Trona and reaching the east end of Pioneer Point. It was here that riders would discover the road was closed due to a flash flood requiring a turn around to the City of Ridgecrest to take US395 north and then US190 East heading towards Death Valley. Overall, the closure of 178 added 130 miles to get to where the planned route resumed at the T-bone intersection of 178 and 190 in the Panamint Valley.

Some riders were a little more creative. Allen, from Los Angeles, decided to just ride thought the closure over the holes, sand, rocks and brush. Pat Verst from San Diego met some offroaders and asked them for advice. The offroaders directed him to a hard packed, unpaved road, that would go over the hills and around the damaged area reconnecting to 178 about 9 miles later. Most other riders were not as daring and just did the u-turn.

US190 continued through Stove Pipe Wells to the North Hwy (Scotty's Castle Rd), over Daylight Pass Rd, and headed to Nevada's 374. Once into Nevada, a few riders noticed abandoned structures high in the hills that eerily resembled tumbled castles. This was the Ghost Town of Rhyolite, a former mining town. Of the many unique crumbling structures the

most modern and maintained appeared to be Tom Kelly's "Bottle House".

Beatty was an interesting town, with actors dressed in Cowboy/ Cowgirl garb located at eating



establishments....and no one had pictures of the garbed actors!

From Beatty it was a 130 mile ride to I-15 and US93 and from there is 226 miles to Cedar City

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heading north on 93 to Panaca and then east on NV-319/UT-56. Most riders followed that route and some elected to ride I-15 115 miles to the Best Western in Cedar City. Either route presented riders with views of the high Nevada desert and hills of Utah leading into Cedar City. Or, views of the desert leading to Mesquite and Littlefield and then a ride through the northwest corner of Arizona where I-15 provides medium tight turns (speed limits as low as 50 mph) through the canyons of the Virgin River Gorge. Each route would climb roughly 3000 feet to Cedar City where, surprisingly, the temperatures were not only chilly but downright cold once the sun set. Riders were able to take advantage of a block or rooms set aside at the Best Western Plus Town and Country Inn and enjoy an excellent breakfast before beginning the Day 2 ride to Laughlin, NV.

Day 2: Heading to Laughlin

From Cedar City riders headed east on UT14 up into the plateau that ran about 12 miles at a very cold 9,000 feet or so. Some riders headed south on 15 for 30 miles, descending to around a warmer 4,000 feet and taking UT17 to La Verkin and into Hurricane where they connected onto UT59/AZ359 and headed east to Fredonia AZ and US89A. Each route provided gorgeous vistas of the surrounding countryside and beauty of Utah that extends into northern Arizona.

The local Chevron Station in Fredonia also housed a tourist gift shop with a old time western

theme. Mark Sovern and Mike Barber got this photo with Pam, operator of the stores and station.

US89A took riders through desert,



mountains, forests, valleys with a great view of the Vermilion Cliffs of AZ and the valley floor where the ride cross the Colorado River and continued to join US89.



Also along 89A was the area of huge fallen boulders that was settled by Blanche and Bill Russell and where some constructed "rooms" around the boulders.



A view from the bridge over the Colorado River showed the ribbon of water flowing 6-700 feet below on its way to the Grand Canyon and Laughlin, where the day's ride would culminate. If any riders elected to ride on US89 when passing through Kanab they would have had to detour in Page and take AZ98 and US160

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around the closed portion of US89 before they would be back on the planned route heading towards Flagstaff to connect to AZ64 (East Rim) and ride west to the Grand Canyon Village area and then south to connect onto I-40 West. Climbing to the 7000 foot level the temps around the Flagstaff area riders experienced a cooler chill factor again. Once on I-40 west riders had about a 30 mile ride to the Historic Route 66 exit then riding that nostalgic road for 100 miles through the desert before rejoining US93/I-40 and heading north out of Kingman to Laughlin via AZ68.

The Edgewater Casino and most of Laughlin was relatively quiet being a Sunday evening. Rooms were superb and the Buffet was excellent for evening dinner and morning breakfast. Riders were seen joining together and recounting the day's events. Here's a view from an Edgewater room on the 16th floor.



All in all, a great ride with surprising challenges of road closures, long distances due to detours (total ride close to or exceeding 1200 miles not

counting ride to start point and 200+ mile ride from finish point), cold weather, then warm/hot weather. Riders found that not only did they have to adapt to the challenges but had to effectively execute ride/time management.

An excellent, ride indeed; hats off to Kenn and Phyllis Hatke for providing us with an excellent and challenging Grand Tour for 2013!





The Madawaska Story By Joe Lachance

People across the US, and the world over, come to the Madawaska Four Corners Park to enjoy the view and facilities, with a few even wondering how all this came about. Here's our story from when the park was just an idea in my head...through some harrowing times, when it all seemed a lost cause...to how it has recently doubled in size, making our park ever better.

After finishing the SCMA's USA Four Corners Tour with my wife, Diane, in 2000, I thought that we might be able to bring tourism to northern Maine by popularizing this tour. Prior to that, the problem had always been: what would bring people so far north? They would need a reason. As an AMA member tasked with protecting the future of motorcycling and promoting the motorcycling lifestyle, I thought: what better way to accomplish this than by creating the only motorcycle park in the world that honors the riders of long-distance motorcycling? They, in turn, would buy granite pavers to commemorate their achievement and that would pay the expenses incurred running the park.

So, by 2004, I thought I had all bases covered. I organized a meeting for the general public and presented my plan. A lot of people wanted it, saw value in it but were afraid that it would never get off the ground. I had to convince them the plan was solid and would succeed. I contacted Fraser Papers, which had a piece of land next to McDonald's, to see if they would donate it for the cause. They said they would.

With the land donation accomplished on a handshake, we started raising funds to buy a 12-foot tall granite monument costing \$10,000. Well, we succeeded in raising those funds soon enough, and we purchased the monument, which we then installed on the donated land (whose deed had yet to be transferred to us).

However, a few months after that, Homeland Security contacted us and said that we needed to find another place for the monument, since they needed the Fraser property for a border crossing they wanted to build. At that point, we had no other property for a park nor a place for the monument. As a temporary measure, we convinced our postmaster to let us install the monument in front of the post office; but that still left us without an actual park.

At about that time, the town manager came to the rescue and offered us a piece of land, if we would pay the back taxes on it. I told my wife, "If I don't use my own money to buy the property, someone else will. And where could we find a better place for the park?"

So I assembled a group of civic-minded individuals and started our association, set up as a 501(3) non-profit organization, with a president, a secretary and directors. I brought the offer to buy the land at one of our meetings and, surprisingly, one of the directors said he would help me purchase it, if the association would reimburse the both of us when sufficient funds became available.

In 2008, I contacted one of my friends who owns a construction company, Ed Pelletier and Sons, and asked if they could, in some way, help with providing machinery to build the park. Ed and his sons asked, "What do you need?" I told them, "Bulldozers, dump trucks, payloaders, whatever you got." They said, "We'll be there tomorrow morning." And true to their word, they came, donating their time and machinery in demolishing the buildings on the property, carting away the rubble and grading the grounds.

At that point, the Madawaska Four Corners Park had begun. Soon, volunteers came from all over and worked long hours installing a base for the monument, flagpoles, signage, the substructure and frame for the fountain, etc., with one of the electricians even donating his services to wire the park. And, suddenly, we had a park for the townspeople to enjoy, as well as a tourist attraction for the local economy. And, since Diane and I are both members of SCMA, we also had an SCMA tour destination.

In 2012, Charles Lamb from Richmond, Virginia, (one of the benefactors of the park on many

The Madawaska Story (continued from the previous page)

previous occasions) e-mailed me a challenge that he would contribute \$35,000 dollars towards buying the abandoned building next to the park, which I had mentioned to him as my next project. His only condition was that I would have to raise the other \$35,000. I told him the population of Madawaska is only around 3500, so that would be quite a task. But I took the challenge and started sending letters to friends and motorcyclists across country in a massive fund-raising drive.

After all was said and done, I had collected \$35,900 to match Charles' contribution. When I called him with the good news, he said proudly, "Joe, the check's in the mail." So, that much sooner than we'd thought possible, we bought the land with the house on it.

Since we had no use for the building and did not have the funds to demolish it, nor could we count on Ed doing more than he had already done, we thought up another win-win situation by donating it to the Four Seasons Lodge, another non-profit organization, if they would tear it down, saving the wood, windows and doors for a badly needed garage they wanted to build. Once the building was removed, the grounds prepared and paved, we had our new parking lot.

That's our story so far. Our next project is a 35-foot wide arch over the entrance to the park. As always, we honor our sponsors; and the names of those who donate to this project will be put on a granite plaque on the base of the arch. Give whatever you can; and, if you can't donate, tell your friends about what we're doing here. Maybe they can.

Donations can be sent to Madawaska Four Corners Park, P.O.Box 261, Madawaka Maine 04756. www.madawaskafourcorners.org





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After years of dreaming about a World Moto Rally, it is here for your consideration.

A team has been out all over the world checking out routes and organizing overnight stops. With all this info they have been able to put this ride together. For all the latest Rally Info, check out the <u>INFO</u> page.

If you want to take part in the longest rally on earth be quick as there are limited spots. Your first step is to lodge an Expression of Interest. This isn't a confirmed booking. It simply secures you a spot on the rally. Deposits are due in May 2014.

You can email them at info@worldmotorally.com if you are interested in completing this amazing ride.

Check out the World Moto Rally Pre Event Guide for all the information you need.

Note: this is not an SCMA event, but interesting end unique enough to warrant a mention here. SCMA has not vetted any of this and recommends that riders interested in this event exercise due diligence in determining the accuracy of the representations of the organizers.



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:

SCMA Legacy Award Nomination PO Box 487 Norwalk, CA 90651

Or, email your submittal to; BlakePAnderson@gmail.com







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Best 15 Roads in the USA





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,

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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? We need someone to replace Sally Bishop as correspondence secretary and membership chair. We need a publicity coordinator and door prizes coordinator for the TFC. Let us know.

Sell It Here...

Sahara Highway Pegs \$50. Fits first generation 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.

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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 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 last 2013 General Membership Meeting is:

 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

November

- Wounded Warriors Run, OC H-D to Pendleton
 8-10 South Coasters, Laughlin Ride (CANCELLED)
 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	BMWCOSC Destination Ride TBD
21	SCMA Winter Solstice Saddle Sore 1000*

January

- > 4-7 South Coasters Octoberfest Ride (NOTE date change)
- TBA SCMA Charity Soup RunTBA SCMA Board Meeting
- TBA SCMA General Membership Meeting

And beyond...

Feb	Sweetheart Ride
May	Blazing Saddles Tour
July	Dog Days of Summer Ride
Aug	Three Flags Classic
Sep	Three Flags Classic (continued)
Oct	SCMA Grand Tour

Oct SCMA Grand TouOct Cemetery TourNov Turkey Run

Dec Winter Solstice Saddle Sore 1000 Challenge



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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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 \$30 for one year or \$50 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.