

SCMA NEWS

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Recapping SCMA Annual Awards & Appreciation Banquet





ABOVE: 2013 Triple Crown: Charles Lamb, Presenter Blake Anderson, Gonzo, Rodney Chew, E.B. Chester, Judy Chester, Tom Clements, Mitch Friedman and Danny Graham. Not pictured: Larry Lamarche, Kathy Lamarche

Upcoming Events

(See club websites for details)
* SCMA Traveler's Award Event

Mar 8	BMWCOSC Ride to Rock Inn	Apr 4-6	South Coasters El Capitan Campout
Mar 15-16	Shamrock's St. Pat's Day Weekend Ride*	Apr 5	Antelope Valley Riders Bags 4 Kids Ride*
Mar 21-23	BMWCOSC Wine Tour	Apr 12	SCMA Board, Coco's Covina, 8am
Mar 22-23	South Coasters Anza Borrego Campout	Apr 12	SCMA General
Mar 30	AZRATPack, Lake Havasu		Membership Meeting, Coco's Covina, 10am

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Road Signs By Blake P. Anderson

2014 Legacy Award

SCMA presented its 3rd annual Legacy Award to Max Marker on March 1. Our seventh recipient was awarded at the banquet. See his profile in the April issue of the newsletter.

Our new Quartermaster

SCMA now has a quartermaster to maintain our storage unit in Buena Park. Alan Hirst has volunteered to do it for us. He will retrieve banners, promotional material and merchandise; maintain an inventory of what is in stores; and, keep the storage unit straightened out. SCMA has been talking about opening an online store to sell excess merchandise from past years and this is the first step toward that long-term goal. Alan's contact information is shown

St. Patrick's Day Ride

The Shamrock's annual Saint
Patrick's Day Ride for 2014 will start
in the Inland Empire at the famous
Malcolm Smith's Motorsports of
Riverside and travel south to the
back roads of north San Diego
County. Look to ride part of
California's southernmost highways
79, 78, 76 and 67 to arrive at the
overnight stay in Escondido.

Leaving the coffee and pie stop at Julian, we will climb on the Sun Rise Hwy to the summit of Mt. Laguna and ride the final leg down to Escondido. Day one will be 200 miles of smiles...

Day two the ride heads north past the Pala Casino and Pechanga Casino. Then on to Temecula the route continues past hot air balloons & vineyards.

The final leg will terminate on Route 66 at "The Hat", where you find best pastrami sandwiches in greater LA. Two days traveling: 200 miles each day.

Mission Tour Riders will have an opportunity for a photo op at the following locations: San Diego de Alcala, San Juan Capistrano and San Luis Rey de Francia..

Request for downloadable maps of 2014 TFC Route

We need your help. Are you a mapping wiz with Garmin Road Trip, Garmin Base Camp or other mapping programs? Have you mapped previous TFCs for us? If so, are you willing to map the route and help us get it linked to the SCMA website? Contact Blake at BlakePAnderson@gmail.com to

A vision for a new Membership Services Chair

offer your help.

SCMA needs your help. Sally Bishop has resigned and we are looking for a creative person to take SCMA's membership services to a new level. Imagine a new level of service to our regular and corporate members. Imagine a new membership package that includes a nifty membership card that is computer-generated. Imagine an effective membership drive that attracts new corporations that sponsor our events and receive high profile ads in the SCMA newsletter (now reaching over



Perfect!

1000 long distance riding enthusiasts). Now imagine the creative force behind these new initiatives to be you.

The work includes inputting membership data for folks that register and pay by mail and overseeing the membership records of our regular, lifetime and corporate members.

Registration is open for the 2014 Three Flags Classic!

Online registration and payment is open until May 15. Current SCMA membership is required to register. We encourage online transactions to streamline the administrative tasks of our volunteers.

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Motorcycle History

1975 First Baja 500

1975 Honda produces the Goldwing GL1000

1977 BMW produces first factory-installed fairing

1980 BMW introduces dual-sport R80GS

1980 Honda moves Goldwing production to Marysville, OH

1981 H-D purchased back after 12-years of AMF ownership

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1988 BMW introduces ABS

1988 Honda produces Goldwing GL1500



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For more information contact:
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Our Thanks For a Year of Excellence...

SCMA has good reason to express thanks to the men and women that contributed so much time and energy during 2013. They were recognized at the March Awards and Appreciation Banquet. Take a moment to say thank you when you encounter them. In alphabetic order:

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Let's Ride

SCMA's Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet: A Chance to Say "Thanks" and "Wow" and a "Goodbye" By Gonzo

What a star studded night!
The Oscars for distance motorcycle riders!

March 1, 2014 was our big night of recognition for SCMA's riders and volunteers. Here's a tally of the awards presented for the 2013 riding year:

- > Eighteen Volunteer Appreciation Awards
- Six Best 15 US Roads Challenge Award
- Thirteen Traveler's Awards
- > Seventeen California Mission Tour Awards
- Two California National Parks Adventures
- > Ten Triple Crown Awards
- One SCMA Legacy Award
- One SCMA Grand Slam Award
- One Deer Slayer Award

We also acknowledged that we had previously delivered 185 Three Flags Classic Finishers Buckles (delivered at the end of the ride) and 92 USA Four Corners Finishers Certificates (mailed to the finishers during the year.)

Members, guests and honorees began arriving at the Embassy Suites Santa Ana banquet room at 5 pm at the pre-dinner meet and greet for drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

Conversations, tales, tall tales and outright BS abounded between many who had not seen each other since last year's banquet or the Three Flags Classic. At 6:45 the banquet doors opened and quests were seated.

We began the evening with an invocation and a remembrance for Bernd "Bernie" Hartenstein who passed away in January. (More on that elsewhere in this newsletter)

This year the role of Master of Ceremony fell to our beloved and unconventional, Ronald "Gonzo" Gonzales and his sidekick Snoopy. Gonzo began the banquet by acknowledging attendees representing Canada and United States, and 10 states. Member traveled from Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Ohio, Oregon, Utah, and Virginia.

Dinner was served with members' first receiving salad and then their choice of either Steak, Chicken or Veggie Penne Pasta. Dessert was chocolate mousse with a half strawberry adorning the plate. The Embassy Suites Hotel manned a no-host bar in the banquet room further rounding out a well staffed banquet.

Members were treated to videos and slide shows during dinner that were prepared by Victor Castenada, Rodney Chew and Robert Chew. Victor, president of the AZRatPack and Rodney and Robert also members of the RatPack worked tirelessly converting paper photographs and video tapes for display during dinner. They also conducted interviews, took photographs during the evening and videographed the complete banquet.

These videos and photographs will later be posted to the SCMA website for all members to view our banquet festivities and presentation of awards.

The highlight videoes played during dinner were an interview with Max Marker, our 2014 SCMA Legacy Award recipient, and an old video of the 1991 TFC that includes a very young Kenn Hatke (a 2012 SCMA Legacy Award recipient).

Our SCMA Chairman, Blake Anderson, presented awards to 18 volunteers who administer our association, chair the major events, serve on committees, and tirelessly work behind the scenes to ensure the success of SCMA operations. As each received their award Blake itemized their contributions and they were individually photographed receiving their awards. Blake particularly recognized Sally Bishop, departing Membership Chair, for her years of volunteer work to our Association.

Barbara Fox, SCMA Secretary, presented Blake with an engraved beer mug recognizing him for his visionary leadership and countless hours of

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SCMA's Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet (continued from previous page)

personal effort as our Chairman, Webmaster, Newsletter editor and 2014 Three Flags Chairman.

Blake stood in for Charlie Coyner, Chairman of the Best 15 USA Roads Challenge who was unable to attend the banquet this year. Two finishers of the event, Gonzo and Bob Roger provided stories of their Best 15 adventures.

Dennis Even announced the statistics for our 2013 Three Flags Classic and then turned the mike over to our 2014 TFC Chairman, Blake Anderson who announced the highlights of this year's events starting at Tucson AZ with check points at Torrey, UT; Twin Falls,ID; Walla Walla, WA and finishing in Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia.

Vice Chairman Steve Shulman was unable to attend this years' banquet so Blake introduced Dannie Fox who is the 2014 USA Four Corners' Chairman. Dannie presented the numerous innovations that Steve initiated in the administration of the USA Four Corners Event. These innovations include online registration and payment, numbered towels to display while photographing arrival at each corner, and a beautiful finisher's plaque.

Recipients of the Traveler's Awards were then recognized by Dannie Fox, the 2013 Chairman. Recipients received a pin for completing 7 or more rides, a small plaque for completing 10 rides, and a large trophy for completing 13 rides.

Dennis Even then recognized each of the 17 Riders who completed the California Missions Tour and the two riders who completed the California Federal Parks Adventure. Roque Moscoso, a Missions finisher, displayed a leather vest with the outline of the state of CA embroidered on the back of the vest. Patches and pins from every mission were sewn on at the mission's relative California location. Only two members, Gonzo and Ed Westlund, completed the California Federal Parks Adventure in 2013.

Our Triple Crown Award recipients were then recognized for completing the USA Four Corners,

Three Flags Classic, and either the Missions or Parks Adventure all during 2013. Ten of our members received the award this year.

The highlight of the evening was a video interview of Max Marker talking about his early involvement with SCMA, chairing Three Flags Classic rides, working on committees and his active membership of SCMA for over 30 years. Max currently lives in Hot Springs, Arkansas and was accompanied by his wife Clarice and daughter Gayle Sharp. Max was truly humbled to be a recipient of the award and was accompanied in a group photograph with previous Legacy Award recipients Joe Mandeville, Dannie Fox, and Kenn Hatke.

Blake then pulled off the big surprise of the evening--at least as this author is concerned. Last month the Board established the SCMA Grand Slam Award for completing all 5 premier events and the Gold Level Traveler's Awards all in the same calendar year. Gonzo was invited to announce the award at the Banquet and Blake had him take the podium to make the announcement. When Gonzo stepped down from the podium Blake sprung the surprise upon him. He was presented with the first ever SCMA Grand Slam Trophy. The trophy was a stainless steel motorcycle mounted on polished diamond plate and backed by an acrylic engraving describing the effort and listing the rides.

Our evening came to a close with many of our members promising to see each other in Tucson for the start of the 2014 Three Flags Class and at next year's Award and Appreciation Banquet.

An Awards Night Scrapbook



2013 California Adventure Series Finishers

Dennis Even, Danny Graham, Rogue Moscoso, E.B. Chester,
Judy Chester, Rodney Chew, Tom Clements, Mitch Friedman,
Edward Westlund, Charles Lamb and Ronald "Gonzo" Gonzalez

2013 California Adventure Series

Dannie Fox, Barbara Fox, Steve Howe, Joe Mandeville, Patrick
Vest, Jim Bullen, Dan Hilton, Mitch Friedman, Mike Barber, Blake
P. Anderson (presenter), Ronald "Gonzo" Gonzalez



2013 Service Appreciation Award Recipients Steve Howe, Dannie Fox, Barbara Fox, Jack Knorst, Phyllis Hatke, Kenn Hatke, Sally Bishop, Blake P. Anderson, Ronald "Gonzo" Gonzales, Mitch Friedman, Mike Barber and

An Awards Night Scrapbook



Goodbye Bernie By Blake P. Anderson

One of the many things we receive from long distance riding is the opportunity to meet unique one-of-a-kind characters. They impress us with their skills, kindness, humor, creativity, tenacity or bravery. Some have an amazing capacity to exhibit many of these attributes and more. One of those characters, Bernd "Bernie" Hartenstein passed away on January 28, 2014.

You may remember him as the rider that showed up in El Paso for the 2012 Three Flags Classic with a nose cannula, a portable oxygen tank and an oxygen generator. He was riding his aging red Honda ST 1100.

Bernie was determined to complete that year's TFC. His lungs were failing, but with the support and agreement of his doctor and his wife Gerda, he was going to take on the challenge. It was not Bernie's first TFC, he had completed several in the past and had the plaques to prove it--all proudly displayed in his San Clemente townhouse den.

He left El Paso that early Friday morning and made it all the way to Jackson, Wyoming before his bike's alternator failed. Bernie encountered a local guy who helped him get his bike into the bed of a rental truck for the drive home back to San Clemente. He made it home in one piece but very disappointed.

It was clear to us that Bernie's quest was worthy of a buckle whether he had actually finished the ride

or not. So, at the 2013 Awards Banquet we presented him a 2012 TFC buckle mounted on a plaque as a Don Quixote Award. To dream the impossible dream was Bernie's way, that was for sure.

He repaired his ST, bought a 2013 TFC ride ticket and was prepared for the Deming to Winnipeg Don Quitxote Award
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adventure. A couple of months short of the start

date, Bernie called to say that he just wasn't up for the ride and decided to sell his ticket--and his ST.

Bernie's breathing difficulties became worse during the end of 2013 and early 2014. While on hospice in his own bed with his wife of nearly 50 years attending to him, Bernie died in Gerda's arms.

Bernie, a life-long automobile and motorcycle rider and racer and the retired owner of the Porsche repair shop in San Clemente, left this World with a lifetime of great memories shared by all that knew him. May we all be as tenacious and brave.

An epilogue:

A new rider up in the San Fernando Valley by the name of Chip bought Bernie's bike late last year. He is getting pretty good at riding and is beginning to carve the nearby Santa Monica Mountains. I would like to believe that Bernie is riding at his shoulder and whispering words of kindly advice to him about how best to take the corners.



Bernie Hartenstein (March, 9,1939-January 28, 2014) and Gerda Hartenstein

USA Four Corners: Cliff Notes on a Ride of a Lifetime By Becky Boyd

I'm sorry that's the way it has to be, but believe me, neither of us has the time for the "whole" story!

This trip was a bucket-list thing that I had been planning for some time. I missed my first opportunity with Kenny Polk back in 2011... I wasn't going to miss it again. After all was said and done: we left Oklahoma July 29th and returned August 27th, traveling over 11,500 miles and crossing 36 state lines. Yes, I would do it again but probably a little differently. Gotta give major kudos to the Michelin Commander II tires that we both rode. Made the entire trip without having to do a tire change and we still have a few thousand miles left on them. Neither of us liked riding at night but we wouldn't think twice about starting our day at 3:00am. Just make sure there's nothing you want to see when you leave that early! Scenic routes aren't very scenic when it's still dark. When making a trip this long, choose your travel partner wisely.

My riding partner was one of the women from Oklahoma that I met and rode with on the BREAST RIDE EVER.
Suzanne and I would delve

into this



challenge with energy normally reserved for those who hadn't seen quite as many summers! We could approach this two ways: 1) make this as quick as we could which would mean mostly interstate highways, or 2) choose a route that will take longer but offer much more scenic riding.

For those of you that aren't familiar with the USA 4 Corners Tour; this is a challenge ride sponsored by the Southern California Motorcycling Association. The rider must visit the four outermost corners of

the United States - San Ysidro, CA, Blaine, WA, Madawaska, ME and Key West, FL. This must be completed in 21 days or less and documented with photos and timed/dated receipts. Since 1983, there have been less than 1600 riders complete this challenge, and only 123 were women.

When we left Oklahoma, we knew we were taking the scenic route! We tolerated our time through west Texas and most of New Mexico because we were already looking forward to the land beyond. Arizona provided varied landscapes and some of the hottest temperatures through the entire trip. SH94, as we crossed the bottom of California, was comparable to Twisted Sisters and Pig Trail and rated close to the top of our "favorite roads" list.

Our stretch north on the west coast was almost entirely on CA1 and US101 (Pacific Coast Highway). Although this was extremely slow going, I would love to ride it again. Everything you could imagine tickled our senses as we made our trek north. Strawberry fields (yes, they smell delicious), cherries, avocados (10 for \$1), grapes (tons of wineries), asparagus, sandy beaches, rocky beaches, cliffs, pastures, elk herds, castles,

tsunami hazard zones, ferries, lighthouses and drive-thru trees!

What more could you want? Well, maybe some really good seafood! You may find this difficult to believe, but NO ONE (at least it seemed that way) on the west coast eats seafood. We finally got a taste around Coos Bay, OR but we both were expecting



something more or different. So maybe when we passed through Bellingham, WA on the way to the

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Cliff Notes on a Ride of a Lifetime (continued from previous page)

Blaine corner it would be different? Suffice it to say that our seafood experience on the west coast was a little disappointing.

We made our turn east through the North Cascades National Park and the slow, sweeping curves slicing through the canyon floor. Once we left the Cascades, the temperatures began warming and the landscape changing! Before long there were apple and cherry orchards everywhere. I know, I know – Washington apples – just wasn't thinking much about them when they started popping up.

Here we go, through the Idaho panhandle and into

Montana and Glacier National Park. I could devote an entire story on this part of our journey. Between the unsurpassed beauty to the comical "youth hostel" experience, I'm certain I could



entertain. We had set aside an entire day to see these sights and we were not disappointed.

I expected that our route across the top of the states would be pretty boring. So when we struck out on US2 and actually found it to be much more than expected, it was a pleasant surprise. Although the landscape was fairly flat, it was still enjoyable. And I never even planned on passing through the geographical center of the North American Continent!! It was an added bonus in Rugby, ND.

We crossed the Great River Road in Minnesota and would later cross it in Mississippi. Skirting the Great Lakes was another awesome sight. It's still hard for me to imagine these bodies of water are inland – they are so huge! Across the Upper Peninsula in Michigan then kissing Ohio briefly. On to Niagara Falls for a sight to behold!

Once we left the Falls, my opinion of the New England states changed dramatically! When you say New York, I picture "the city" with endless



concrete, buildings and masses of people. Not so in upstate NY! Riding through the Adirondack Mountains afforded us an entirely different view of the state. And based on that, I can only imagine what it looks like in the fall. (Mary and I are already planning a driving trip next year to witness in person). From the mountains in New York, across Lake Champlain via the Essex ferry to the Green Mountains of Vermont. Did I mention how beautiful it was up here? I can really get carried away around here and end up taking much more time than we actually have so it's on through Vermont, New Hampshire and into Maine.

Our first "hiccup" of the trip happened about 30 miles on the west side of Bangor. Suzanne's throttle cable snapped and we had to call AAA for a

tow into the local dealership. Other than the fact we lost precious time, this really wasn't a bad thing since the dealership discovered a more serious problem with her bike. Plus, they gave us



an excellent recommendation for our first taste of Maine lobstah! We met several locals while we were eating that tried very hard to give us instructions on how to properly dissect these delicious crustaceans, one of which had ties in

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Cliff Notes on a Ride of a Lifetime (continued from previous page)

Texarkana. Imagine that, 3000 miles from home and you run into someone you "know".

From Bangor we took ME11 (another top-rated road of the trip) all the way into Ft Kent and America's First Mile. The marker in Ft Kent denotes the first mile of US1. This is the same US1 that stretches more than 2400 miles to Key West, FL (our final corner). We were just a few miles to Madawaska and our third corner. This place really takes their corner very seriously. They even have a park constructed to honor the distinction.



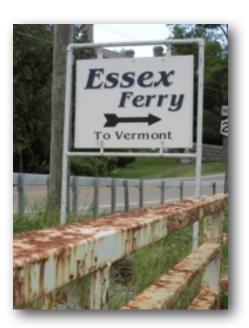
It was at this point in the trip that we realized how closely we were cutting our deadline. Apparently not so close though that we jumped onto the interstate system. There were still a few lobster stops to make.

We battled fog and chilly weather along the west coast, more chilly weather across the northern US, and now we were getting into the rain along the eastern seaboard. This challenge does not allow extra time for illness, mechanical failure or weather. You just have to trudge on! I suppose had we chosen the shorter, faster route we would have had the luxury of waiting out some of the heavier rain. As it was, we needed to press onward.

Believe me, there is some skill required in navigating around heavy traffic and major cities (like Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York, Newark, Philadelphia, Baltimore and D.C.) but we managed to do it.

Please don't bring me within 50 miles of a ferry though! I have a real soft spot for this mode of

travel and as much as I would like to think they offer a short cut, they usually end up costing us precious time! So after our fifth ferry ride and the absolute worst motel in the world waiting for us as we disembarked at 10:00 o'clock at night, We



avoided from ferries for the remainder of the trip.

Our last corner was certainly within reach when the second "hiccup" of the trip struck. This time it was mechanical problems with my StreetGlide. After spending the better part of the day at the dealership in North Myrtle Beach, we headed for the interstate. We were going to have to make up some time now!

That was not going to happen though as the mechanical problems continued and we had to return to the dealership for an overnight stay and another half day down. Ok. Now we are thinking "we're going to have to seriously kick it up a notch to make our deadline".

A Vision for a New Membership Chairperson

We were scarcely 100 miles from the last hiccup when Suzanne started having some steering problems. We limped into Jacksonville for the night and an early morning appointment at the dealership. The fix didn't require that much time, but a huge storm had moved in while we were there. This one was so bad that we had to wait it out for awhile.

By this time, it was after noon on August 22nd and we had to be in Key West on the 23rd to make our deadline. That was over 500 miles away. After fighting some torrential rainstorms and a late start, we decided to shut it down in Homestead. Surely we can make it the last 100 miles the next day. And that's exactly what we did.

Once we made it to Key West our challenge was complete. We actually relaxed and did some of

the tourist stuff before we decided to leave. Now for our return trip home at a much slower, more casual pace!

Guess what... there's a ferry in Louisiana that we can catch on the way home and time is no longer an issue!



Editor's note: Becky Boyd is an avid Harley Davidson rider and lives in Camden, Arkansas



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The Latest on the 2014 Three Flags Classic By Blake P. Anderson

Registration Information

As of March 6 we have sold approximately 235 ride tickets. Registration for the 39th annual Three Flags Classic is open now and will be until May 15. Most of the information I am about to share can also be found on SCMA's website www.sc-ma.com Please visit there to register online.

We urge you to register online because you can be assured that your information is entered accurately. Online registration eases the administrative tasks that the TFC volunteers must complete.

But, if you prefer to mail a check and a form, then print and complete the two-page version that follows this article and mail your check and form to SCMA, PO Box 487, Norwalk, CA 90651

If there is other information we should know about you, please add it to the form (as far as SCMA is concerned, that's what margins and white space are for)

We will sell up to 250 ride tickets this year. We sold about 220 tickets in 2012 and 2013. Our guess is that with jobs and the economy doing better that our sales will be up. Tickets are \$275 USD (approximately \$290 Canadian).

What you get for your 275 bucks

What you get for your riding fee will be high quality merchandise, some meals and a saddle bag full of memories.

You will receive a Thursday evening meal at the start, snacks at the checkpoints and the Tuesday night banquet at the finish. Riders merchandise will include stuff like a hat, shirt, pin, patch, decal and plaque. Certified finishers will receive a limited-edition brass buckle. Door prizes will be awarded at the banquet.

You will also receive our traditional Three Flags Passport that describes the route and provides places for our checkpoint volunteers to stamp, sign and date your journey from Arizona to British Columbia. It provides proof of your ride to certify you as a finisher and it provides a one-of-a-kind memento of your journey.

Touch the Fence Ride, Welcome to Tucson BBQ

For the first time, we will have a "Touch the Fence Breakfast Ride" on Thursday morning, August 28. This will be an optional event for early arrivals. We will leave Tucson at 8am, ride to Nogales AZ (approximately 75 miles) buy our Mexican-themed breakfast, touch the fence and roll back to Tucson.

We will arrive back in plenty of time for participants to attend the TFC check-in, sign a release of liability form and receive starter's packages.

On Thursday, we will provide a 4pm to 7pm Southwest BBQ for all participants.

Mandatory Check-in

All riders must check-in on Thursday, August 28 between noon and 7PM at the Tucson Doubletree (Reid Park). There are two Doubletrees in town.

The Start

Our start hotel is the Double Tree Reid Park located at 445 S. Alverton, Tucson. Rooms are \$77/night. Mention the "Three Flags Classic." We ended the 2010 TFC here and we are excited to be back.

You can start anytime between 3am-6am on Friday, August 29. You must hand us your start card that is provided in your starter's package.

Checkpoints

The checkpoints are tentatively set to be open as follows:

Checkpoint #1: Red Sands Hotel
Torrey, Utah (Ride Milestone 656):
Eriday August 20 Noon to SPM

Friday, August 29, Noon to 8PM Saturday, August 30, 6AM to 9AM

<u>Checkpoint #2: Snake Harley Davidson</u> <u>Twin Falls, Idaho (Ride Milestone 1270):</u>

Saturday, August 30, 11AM to 8PM Sunday, August 31, 6AM to Noon

The Latest on the 2014 Three Flags Classic (Continued from previous page)

<u>Checkpoint #3: Hampton Inn</u> <u>Walla Walla, Washington (Ride Milestone 1800):</u>

Saturday, August 30, 6PM to 8PM Sunday, August 31, 6AM to 8PM Monday, September 1, 6AM to 9AM

For the convenience of our riders at checkpoint #1, we have blocked the 35 rooms at the Red Sands Hotel for Friday night, August 29, in Torrey. Use promotional code "SCMA" when making reservations by phone or online. (435) 425-3688 www.RedSandsHotel.com Online is easy.

Checkpoint #2 is at Snake H-D so there is no specific TFC hotel there. We have heard that a dare devil is jumping the Snake River gorge that weekend and there is some concern raised by the owner of Snake H-D that rooms will be hard to come by. So reserve rooms early.

We have reserved 50 rooms at the Hampton Inn in Walla Walls that serves as checkpoint 3. (509) 525-1398. Find it on the south end of town.

Remember that where you stay should NOT be dictated by the location of the checkpoints--set your own riding pace and schedule your overnight stays accordingly. On Friday, August 29, along Utah 12 and Utah 24, for instance, there are 370 rooms at Ruby's Inn at milestone 550, and hotels in Escalante (milestone 600), Boulder (milestone 625), Torrey (milestone 660), and Loa (milestone 680). Any of those would be good first day choices.

Finish

The finish hotel is at the Harrison Hot Springs Resort in British Columbia. This is a beautiful hotel on the south end of Harrison Lake. A large block of rooms has been reserved. There are three room options (east tower, west tower and cottages) at \$125 per night and main for \$114 so its best to visit the Harrison Hot Springs Resort website at www.harrisonresort.com to make an informed decision.

The Banquet

On Tuesday evening we will hold our Three Flags Classic Banquet. Your ticket is printed in your Three Flags Classic passport and you must bring it to dinner for entry. Or, we may use wrist bands to verify your entrance into all of the activities of the 2014 TFC. We'll let you know.

Extra banquet tickets can be purchased at the finish for \$50. We will have plenty of information about where they will be available. We will have extra banquet tickets available for sale for your unregistered passenger and your non-riding guests joining you at the banquet. Banquet tickets will not be sold to free-riders.

A no-host bar will be opened an hour before the start of the banquet. Banquet time will be announced well ahead of the ride and will appear in the starter's package.

Door prizes will be drawn for riders attending the banquet. Attendance is required to receive a door prize.

Ticket Resales

SCMA encourages the resale of ride tickets. If you discover you can not attend the ride, then simply post the availability of the ticket on the Three Flags Classic forum. We believe that tickets should be sold for their face value only. This preserves the re-sale market for the sellers and for the buyers. Only current SCMA members can post on the forum, so there is some level of security for that reason. But if you are not sure, contact the TFC committee and we will check our records to make sure the ticket is legit. If you buy a ticket we will need all of your information found on an application.

The Latest on the 2014 Three Flags Classic: The Route (February 24, 2014 Version)*

*Riders are cautioned and advised that this route is subject to change. TFC volunteers will pre-ride it in the Spring to proveout the ride and may adjust it accordingly.

Distance	Action	Location
(Miles)	Depart	Doubletree Reid Park
0	RT	Alvernon Way Northbound (N/B)
4	BEC	River Road
8.9	RT	AZ 77/Oracle Road
104	LT	US 70
106	BEC	US 60 in Globe, AZ
111	RT	AZ 188
172	RT	AZ 87 N/B
187	FYI	Arrive Payson, AZ
225	LT	Lake Mary Road
279	RT	US 89a in Flagstaff, AZ
280	RT	Forest Meadows
280	LT	US 89/Milton Road
391	LT	US 89a
446	FYI	Arrive Jacob Lake, AZ (gas is here)
483	BEC	US 89 in Kanab, UT
543	RT	UT 12
666	LT	UT 24 in Torrey, UT
667	STOP	CK PT #1 Red Sands Hotel
685	RT	UT 72 in Loa, UT
721	LT	UT 10
769	LT	UT 31 in Huntington, UT
816	BR	US 89 in Fairview, UT
845	LT	US 6 Westbound (W/B)
859	Ramp	I-15 N/B
865	Ramp	US 189/Exit 263 in Provo, UT
894	LT	US 40 in Heber City
911	Ramp	Stay on US 40/I-80 W/B
925	Ramp	UT 65 Exit 134
925	RT	UT 65
944	LT	UT 66
958	LT	Ramp I-84 W/B
964	Ramp	UT 167/Exit 96
964	RT	W 4300 Road N
964	LT	Old Highway Road
968	RT	UT 167/Trappers Loop Road
977	RT	UT 39
979	RT	Remain on UT 39
1028	LT	Remain on UT 39/UT 16 N/B
1068	LT	US 89/Logan Highway
1108	LT	US 89 in Logan, UT
1108	RT	UT 30 W/B
1127	LT	I-15 S/B
1133	Ramp	I-84 W/B
1222	Ramp	ID 81/Exit 228
1222	LT	Yale Rd
1222	RT	ID 81 W/B

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1242	LT	US 30 W/B
1280	RT	Hankins Rd in Twin Falls, ID
1281	LT	E 3900 Rd N
1282	STOP	CK PT #2 Snake H-D in Twin Falls
1283	BEC	Addison Ave. W/B
1284	JOIN	US 30 W/B
1331	Ramp	I-84 W/B
1422	Ramp	Eagle Road/Exit 46 in Boise, ID
1422	RT	Eagle Road N/B
1429	RT	ID 44
1431	LT	ID 55
1541	BL	US 95 S/B in New Meadows, ID
1588	RT	ID 71 in Cambridge, ID
1628	LT	OR 86
1635	Hard RT	NF 39/Pine Road
1647	CONT	NF39/Wallowa Mtn
1688	LT	Imnaha Hwy
1696	RT	OR 82/Main St in Joseph, OR
1702	CONT	OR 82 in Enterprise, OR
1747	RT	OR 204 in Elgin, OR
1788	BR	OR 11 N/B
1800	BEC	WA 125 N/B
1804	LT	Myra Rd in Walla Walla
1804	RT	Dalles Military Road
1805	RT	Kelly Pl
1805	STOP	CK PT #3 Hampton Inn
1805	RT	Dalles Military Road
1806	LT	WA 125 N/B
1807	LT	Ramp to US 12 E/B
1852	LT	WA 261 W/B
1882	LT	WA 260 W/B
1913	RT	WA 17 N/B
1953	FYI	Arrive Moses Lake, WA
1995	RT	US 2 E/B
1999	BL	WA 155
2026	FYI	Arrive Grand Coulee
2079	LT	US 97 S/B in Omak, WA
2084	RT	WA 20 W/B
2116	FYI	Arrive Twisp, WA
2251	RT	WA 9 N/B
2292	FYI	Arrive Canadian Border
2292	CONT	Hwy 11
2301	BR	Ramp toward Hwy 7
2302	LT	Horne St
2302	RT	Glascow
2302	RT	Hwy 7 E/B
2331	BL	Hwy 9 N/B
2335	LT	Esplanade Ave
2336	STOP	Finish Harrison Hot Springs

2014 Three Flags Classic Where and When*

Start: Tucson, Arizona Hotel: Tucson Doubletree Reid Park, 445 S Alvernon 520-881-4200 August 28: Optional Touch-the-Fence Breakfast Ride

August 28: Mandatory Check-in, Qoon to 7PM August 28: Send-off BBQ 4PM to 7PM

August 29: Start 3AM to 6AM

Checkpoint #1: Torrey, Utah
Red Sands Hotel, 670 E Highway 24

www.RedSandsHotel.com (435) 425-3688

August 29: Open Noon to 8PM

August 30: Open 6AM to 9AM











* NOTICE: Locations and times subject to change. The late spring pre-ride and last-minute road conditions (fires, detours) determine final route, timing, locations and other logistics. The TFC committee will endeavor to keep the arrangements as shown here, but unanticipated factors may dictate changes we simply can not predict at this time.

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	Required For Three Flags Classic Only.							
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2014 Traveler's Award

You have until March 15 to sign up for this year's Traveler's Award. Once again, we will offer our Traveler's Award that is open to all SCMA members. Our 16 qualifying events for 2014 are:

- 1. January 16, SCMA Charity Soup Run (*Cancelled. No replacement event. All riders receive credit.*)
- 2. February 8, SCMA Sweetheart Ride
- 3. February 23, PMC Poker Run
- 4. March 1, SCMA Banquet Day Ride (Rained Out. No rain date. All riders receive credit.)
- 5. March 15-16, Shamrock's St. Patrick's Day Run
- 6. April 5, Antelope Valley Riders Bags 4 Kids Run
- 7. May 17-18, PMC Greenhorn Ride
- 8. May 24-26, SCMA Blazing Saddles Ride
- 9. June 21, South Coasters Summer Solstice Ride
- 10. June 27-29, AZRatPack Alien Abduction Ride
- 11. July 13, SCMA Dog Days of Summer Ride
- 12. October 4-5, SCMA Grand Tour
- 13. October 11, BMWCOSC Park 'n Ride
- 14. October 26, SCMA Cemetery Tour
- 15. November 22, SCMA Turkey Run
- 16. December 21, SCMA Winter Solstice SS1000

Award Levels

Bronze Award

7 completed events* earns a Traveler's Award Pin

Silver Award

10 completed events* earns a pin and a specially designed trophy.

Gold Award

13 completed events* earns a pin, a trophy, a free March banquet ticket and a chance at a \$100 discount certificate for the 2015 TFC to be drawn at the March 2015 Awards and Appreciation Banquet. Winner need not be present.

Platinum Award (aka "The Suite 16")

Complete all 16 events with NO substitutions and earn everything already listed plus a \$100 discount certificate for the 2015 Three Flags Classic plus a surprise. Not planning on attending the 2015 TFC? In that case, \$100 cash will come your way instead.

*Substitutions

This year, SCMA makes it easier than ever to achieve the award levels listed above. One of SCMA's Premier Events can be substituted for our Bronze, Silver and Gold award levels. However, substitutions can not be used for the Platinum "Suite 16" award level. It stands alone without substitutions.

We are offering a new "Triple Crown Bonus". If you complete the Triple Crown in 2014, then you can use ALL THREE of its premier rides to count toward your Traveler's Award for the Bronze, Silver and Gold levels. However, the Platinum level "Suite 16" can not be substituted. That level will still require all 16 listed qualifying events.

How to Sign Up

Signing up is easy for current SCMA members. Show up at a qualifying ride no later than the March 15 St. Pat's Day Run and see Mitch Friedman, Traveler's Award Chairman. For an annual fee of \$20 you will receive registration and a wallet card to maintain your riding record. Your rider fee pays for SCMA's administrative costs--including the cost of the awards listed above.

Other fine print

- Sign the riders sheet and the release of liability form that are provided at the start of each qualifying event.
- •Report to the Traveler's Award Chairman (TAC) at the start of each event and receive his initialed endorsement on the wallet card that you received when you registered for the Traveler Award Program.
- Complete the entire qualifying event on a motorcycle, trike or motorcycle with sidecar.
- •Show evidence of your visit to any checkpoints established for the event.
- •Complete the event in the time specified by the organizer, if specified.
- •Report to the TAC at the end of the ride in accordance with his requirements announced at the start of the event.
- •If a qualifying event is cancelled because of rain, you will receive qualifying credit unless a "rain day" had been previously announced and calendared by the organizer. In that case, participation on the rain day is necessary to receive credit.
- •If a qualifying event is cancelled in advance for a non-rain related reason, the TAC, in consultation with the SCMA board, may schedule and announce a replacement event that requires participation to receive credit. You will receive qualifying credit if a replacement event is not scheduled.
- •All decisions of the TAC can be appealed to the SCMA Board of Directors in writing and submitted at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board.
- •Decisions of the board are final.

Traveler's Award Chairman (TAC)

Mitch Friedman is the Traveler's Award Chairman (TAC). Contact him at (310) 345-9799 or mitcho399@gmail.com



The 2014 Best 15 US Roads Challenge



We are offering the Best 15 US Roads Challenge for the 4th year. The challenge started spontaneously in the Spring of 2011 when the American Motorcyclist Association published its Best 15 Roads article. We looked at the list and said, "hey, that sounds like a challenge!" Game on!

Two riders took the challenge that year: Kathy and Larry Lamarche from Kamloops. In 2013, eight riders signed up and six completed the ride. We adjusted the challenge roads in 2012 and made one change in 2013. The 2014 list is the same as the 2013 list.

Tour all 15 in any order, any direction and at any time during 2014. Riders may complete the challenge in segments but all miles back and forth to home and on the roads themselves must be on a motorcycle, trike or motorcycle with side car. Gas receipts and photos required to document your tour.

- 1. NH 112, "Kancamagus Highway" with a side trip up the Mt Washington Auto Road, New Hampshire.
- 2. US 212 and WY 296, "Beartooth Pass" and "Chief Joseph" Highways, Red Lodge, Montana to eastern terminus of WY 296 in Wyoming.
- 3. CA 1, "Coast Highway", Monterey to Morro Bay, California.
- 4. US 12, "Lolo Pass", Lewiston to Lolo, Idaho.
- TN 165, NC 143, US 129, "Cherohala Skyway" and "Tail of the Dragon", Tellico Plains, Tennessee to Robbinsville, North Carolina to Hopewell, Virginia.
- 6. Going to the Sun Road, Glacier National Park, Montana.
- 7. US 550, "Million Dollar Highway", Durango to Montrose, Colorado.
- 8. Blue Ridge Parkway, Any 150-mile continuous segment, North Carolina, Virginia.
- 9. WA-20, "North Cascades Highway", Concrete to Omak, Washington.
- 10. VA-16, "Back of the Dragon", Marion to Tazewell, Virginia.
- 11. Texas Ranch Roads 335, 336 and 337; "The Twisted Sisters", Texas.
- 12. US-16, Custer to Mt Rushmore, South Dakota.
- 13. US-191, "Coronado Trail", Springerville to Three Way, Arizona.
- 14. UT-12, "Journey Through Time Highway", Torrey to Bryce Canyon, Utah.
- 15. US-50, "The Loneliest Road in America", Ely to Carson City, Nevada.

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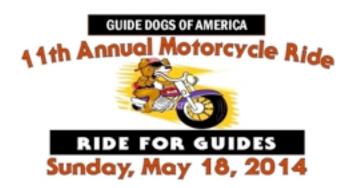




Entry is \$60.00 and ride must be completed within the calendar year. For Information and Rules Visit: www.sc-ma.com and Register On-Line.

For more Information,

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



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Come join us for everyone's favorite ride of the year! Registration is from 9:00am – 10:00am, and each registered person will receive a pin, lunch, a poker sheet, and a fun-filled day. We will have plenty of our guide dog puppies-in-training to greet you at registration and at each stop along our Poker Run route. Plenty of raffles to win and puppy kisses to receive! Anyone who registers BEFORE MAY 10th will receive \$5 off of the regular registration fee PLUS will be entered into a raffle to win a 2014 Custom Harley-Davidson! If you would like to just join us for lunch and not participate in the Ride, the cost is \$15, and these tickets can be purchased online or at the event.

Please note: This is not an SCMA event. This flyer is published only as a courtesy to the organizers of this event. Use your own considerations and due diligence to determine the suitability of your own participation.



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SCMA's Premier Events

USA Four Corners Tour/USA Four Corners True X 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. 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 and online registration for this World Class event. More people have topped Mt. Everest than have completed this challenging long distance pinnacle. Dannie Fox is chairing this event.

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

The 39th annual Three Flags Classic is set for a Tucson, Arizona start on August 29, 2014 and a Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia finish on September 1. There is an August 28 mandatory sign-in and a September 2 banquet. 240 riders will travel 2300 miles through the mountains, canyons, farmland, high desert and rolling hills of Arizona, Utah, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia. Watch the SCMA website and the TFC forum for unfolding information. Blake Anderson is chairing the 2014 event.

California Adventure Series

The California Adventure Series includes two different rides: The California Parks Adventure (CPA) and the California Mission Tour (CMT). Completing one or the other helps to qualify 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 2014, 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 in a single calendar year. Rules, application information and details can be found on our website. Charlie Coyner is chairing this event.

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: A winner of a Triple Crown.

Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet

Triple Crown Awards and others awards are presented at SCMA's Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet at the Embassy Suites in Santa Ana, California in early March of every year. The 2014 event was March 1. The 2015 event has not yet been scheduled.

SCMA's Help Wanted

- 1. We need someone to replace Sally Bishop as Membership Services and Correspondence Chair.
- 2. We need a publicity coordinator and door prizes coordinator for the 2014 Three Flags Classic.

Sell It Here...

California Scientific Large Wide Windshield \$75. Fits 2005-2010 R1200RT BMWs. Originally \$210 new. Orange County. BlakePAnderson@gmail.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 meet once per month on Saturdays beginning at 10 AM. We meet at:

Coco's Restaurant
306 N Azusa Ave. (near Badillo Road)
Covina, CA
1 mile porth of L10 or 2 miles south of L

1 mile north of I-10 or 2 miles south of I-210 use Azusa offramp.

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 2014 General Membership Meetings are:

- April 12
- May 10
- June 14
- July 12
- August 16
- September 20
- October 25
- November 15 (includes 2015 calendaring session
- December (No meeting)



The Road to Torrey: Utah 12 Is Featured for the 2014 Three Flags Classic



Three-Month Running Calendar (with qualifying Traveler Award Events in Red)

March

- > 1 SCMA Banquet Day Ride* (Rained out)
- SCMA Annual Award and Appreciation Banquet, Santa Ana
- > 8 BMWCOSC Ride to Rock Inn
- 15-16 Shamrock's St. Pat's Day Weekend Ride*
- 21-23 BMWCOSC Wine Tour
- 22-23 South Coasters Anza Borrego Campout
- > 30 AZRATPack Lake Havasu Ride

April

- 4-6 South Coaster El Capitan Campout
- Antelope Valley Riders, Bags for Kids Ride*
- > 12 SCMA Board Meeting, 8am, Coco's Covina
- > 12 SCMA General Membership Meeting, 10am, Coco's Covina
- > 13 AZRATPack Breakfast and Ride to Shriners Antique Bike Show
- > 18-20 BMWCOSC Central Valley Basque Tour

May

- > 3 SCMA Board Meeting, 8am, Coco's Covina
- 3 SCMA General Membership Meeting, 10am, Coco's Covina
- ► 16-19 BMWCOSC Old Road San Diego
- 17-18 PMC Greenhorn*
- 24-26 SCMA Blazing Saddles*

Other SCMA Events in 2014...

- July 13 Dog Days of Summer Ride*
- Aug 28 Three Flags Classic Mandatory Sign-in, Tucson
- ➤ Aug 29 Three Flags Classic Start, Tucson
- Sept 1 Three Flags Classic Finish, Harrison Hot Springs, BC
 Sept 2 Three Flags Classic Banquet, Harrison Hot Springs, BC
- Oct 4-5 Grand Tour*
 Oct 26 Cemetery Tour*
- Nov 15 Turkey Run*
- Dec 21 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 on their events and are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. ALWAYS consult them before a ride for last-minute changes.

*Qualifying Traveler Award Event

Rained-out events are credited to the rider unless a rain date has been calendared and announced well in advance of the event.

Some valuable fine print (really)

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