

SCMA



NEWS

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

CHAIRMAN’S LETTER

Sep 2018: The 2018 Three Flags Classic (3FC18) is over and in the record books. Now we start preparing for 3FC19 while finishing up the logistics for 2018’s event. As I write this I am in a small town located on the Patuxent River and Chesapeake Bay in Southern Maryland. After the 3FC18 Banquet, I remained at the Deerfoot Inn and Casino an extra day to rest up, clean the bike, take care of some loose ends, and plan my trip to Maryland to visit my brother.

Truth be told, I had originally planned to ride the USA4C and finish up the Best 15.....but on Wednesday, decided against riding those events when I realized I didn't have enough days in the week to do them and make it in time for my brother's 70th birthday party.

It turned out to be a good decision as I was still dealing with an ear infection and a hurricane was bearing down on the Carolinas. Along the way I had two punctured tires on back to back days.....and no plugs in my tool bag! Guess what will now be carried on all my rides?

Two big decisions were made after reaching my brother’s house in MD. I decided against a final attempt at the USA4C with a start in Madawaska,

Upcoming Events

Turkey Run – Red Hot Riders of SD	Nov	10
Meet Up Long Beach IMS	Nov	17
Meet up	Dec	TBA

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and then decided to ship the bike back to AZ and fly home. This allowed me to deal with the ear and to spend more time visiting bro vs riding 5-6 days cross country and not hanging with my bro.

How easy was it to ship a bike?? The company I worked with was Federal....they offered AMA and HOG discounts so it cost less than motel rooms for the 6 days. The flight to PHX was free using credit card points.....with that cost info it became a slam dunk decision.

Yeah, I know, I'm a wuss.....but it sure was great hanging with my brother for six days!

Oct 2018: The previous paragraphs were written over a month ago. Allow me to bring things up to day with the following comments>.

Since returning from the East Coast I have mostly been in my home in AZ. I did travel to Puerto Peñasco to visit with Oscar, collect the left over items from check in, and also to donate 4-6 boxes of shirts and hats from the years 2012 thru 2016 to various charities in the town.

I kept trying to sit at the computer and work on the newsletter, but found it difficult to do so.....often getting distracted with emails and phone calls, and some personal time. I think I have/had become a little burned out.....and in need of some rejuvenation. I think I needed to step away a little and catch my breath after 3FC18.

Jim Filley and I worked for three days on membership cards getting caught up on processing the new members and renewal memberships not processed since July. I do believe we've got the backlog caught up. But we're still working on solving some small software issues that should be corrected next time we work on this again.

Finally, I made another trip to CA to deliver everything to storage. In the process Dan Burt and I figured out what happened to the certificates that were not at the finish banquet.....seems they were inadvertently left in the box from the Shoei catalogs and ultimately were recycled!! Dan was able to contact the sponsors and obtain replacement certificates and, working with Barbara Fox, they got them mailed to the winners. Ultimate lesson learned was "Don't give things to Gonzo to do.....he loses things!!"

Your Vice Chair, Rodney Chew, has taken on the task to

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review the 2019 Ride Program, identify improvements, and then schedule a planning session with our Affiliates so that a 2019 schedule can be laid out for members to plan their participation on rides well in advance. Accomplishing this will be a huge improvement over 2018 where the rides were barely being announced in time. Rodney is also looking at other improvements to getting SCMA and Affiliate rides more publicity.

Lyle Dringenberg, long time SRRA leader and 3FC rider (27-years) passed away in September. Miles, Rodney, and I attended his memorial service held in Carson City. I felt very privileged to meet Lyle's family and to be in the company of his riding friends; Lyle's life was very remarkable.

To go back to Three Flags for a moment, 3FC18 was a huge success due to the number of volunteers that worked to make it a success. Inside the "International" Section you will find the names of the many volunteers. If I have missed anyone, please contact me ASAP so that I can add you to the recognition list. Many thanks to these volunteers for the work they did in making 3FC18 so much fun!

Lastly, I'm going to be laid up for about two weeks or so at the end of November-possibly into December. I've been favoring a left knee that finally gave up and called it quits. Fortunately it can be fixed with arthroscopic surgery from the same Doc that fixed the right knee in Aug 2016. In the meantime, if I cannot find someone to cover for me and visit some hotels in Mexico to select for our start, I expect to do that before the surgery. Meanwhile, contact is also in progress with locations in Canada. Our objective is to get the start/finish locations nailed down with contracts by mid-December and make an announcement to everyone before registration.

There is a lot of work to do before year end.....2019 Ride Schedule, 3FC Start/Finish locations, website ready for 3FC19 registration, development and implementation of a marketing strategy, and continued improvement in supporting our Southwest Regional activities with our Affiliates.

I'll continue doing the best I can with publishing this newsletter....thank you all for your contributions and for your patience and understanding.

Ride Safe.....ride Long,
Gonzo



An advertisement for Russ Brown Motorcycle Attorneys. At the top, it says "Official Attorney Sponsors of SCMA". Below that is a large eagle with its wings spread. Underneath the eagle, the name "RUSS BROWN" is written in large, bold, yellow letters, with "MOTORCYCLE ATTORNEYS" in smaller white letters below it. At the bottom of the ad, it says "FREE BREAKDOWN AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR MOTORCYCLISTS" and "1-800-4-BIKERS".

SOUTHWEST Regional News Section

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To help our readers track and group the large amount of information provided in this newsletter, we have grouped the articles into Regional, National, and International sections. This section contains info on Traveler's Award rides and local events.

Membership News

By James Filley #46151

Like most of us who participated in Three Flags I returned home to lots of catch up and house chores. The ride home was perfect...right until my riding partner and I got rear tire flats, 90 miles from home, in 110 degree heat! Last week I made about 110 membership cards for new members and renewals, taking us back to July where we left off.

As I look at member information, it is important that what I see is accurate. Please take a moment to access your profile and double-check the personal information you input.

If you receive a card that is outdated we are sending it to you because it is our obligation to do so. Those of you who already have renewed will be receiving the renewal card soon.



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SCMA 50th Anniversary



Happy 50th Anniversary everyone !!!!

SCMA, formed in 1968, is celebrating its 50th birthday in 2018!!!

From its humble beginnings of a local group of riders bringing their families to weekend motorcycling events, SCMA grew into a multi-region association. With the introduction of Three Flags Classic by Joe Usatin, SCMA began attracting riders from across the North American Continent and began evolving into a distance riding organization.

For 50 years now, member volunteers dedicated to the sport of recreational motorcycling and distance riding have contributed their time to providing a great collection of distance riding events and monthly regional rides for the enjoyment of its members.

In the early years of operation these volunteers were typically located in Southern California. With the availability of today's digital tools, SCMA volunteers contribute their

time and effort from locations such as Alberta, Arizona, British Columbia, California, Maine, Ohio, and Sonora.

Fifty years of operation is a huge accomplishment for all past and present members to be very proud about. To recognize this accomplishment, SCMA has designed commemorative membership cards displaying a large "50". These new cards, along with pins and patches displaying the numeral "50", will be issued

beginning the end of April to new and renewing members in their membership packages. Congratulations to everyone on being part of this great accomplishment !!!





SCMA'S Affiliated Clubs

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www.avts.av.org

AZRatPack
www.azratpack.com

BMW Club of Southern California
www.bmwcosc.com

BMW Club, South Coast Riders (aka South Coasters)
www.scbmwrc.com

Pasadena Motorcycle Club
www.pasadenamc.com

Red Hot Riders of San Diego
www.redhotriders.com

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

Victor McLaglen Motor Corps
www.thevmc.com

A promotional banner for GO AZ Motorcycles. At the top, logos for Aprilia, BMW, Ducati, KTM, Triumph, Honda, Ural, Vespa, and Kawasaki are displayed. Below the logos is a central shield logo with a sunburst design and the text "GO AZ Motorcycles". The background shows a motorcycle dealership with several bikes on display. At the bottom, a dark blue bar contains the text: "GO AZ MOTORCYCLES | 15500 N. HAYDEN RD | SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85260 | (480) 609-1800 | GOAZMOTORCYCLES.COM".



PREMIUM HELMETS

A photograph of several motorcyclists riding on a dirt road through a hilly, arid landscape. The lead rider is in the foreground, wearing a blue and white jacket and a black helmet. Other riders are visible in the distance, kicking up dust. In the top right corner, there is a BMW logo with the text "BMW Motorrad" below it. At the bottom, there is promotional text for BMW motorcycles.

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California Best 15 Roads

SCMA's CA Adventure Series, a long time favorite amongst the Southwest Region riders and our International and National riders pursuing the Triple Crown, is about to become an even bigger favorite.

Dennis Even, longtime SCMA member, former SCMA Treasurer, former Chair, CA Adventure Series, and recipient of the Legacy Award, has developed the CA Best 15 roads to ride while you're out visiting Parks and Missions. The Board of Directors reviewed and approved the overall concept and approved the first set of books listing the 2018 CA Best 15 Roads.

The concept Dennis and Les Gullery (Shamrock Road Riders) developed consists of 60 fantastic roads in CA broken down to 20 in the North, 20 in the Central, and 20 in the South of California. From that inventory of 60, 15 roads will be selected consisting of 5 each from the North, Central and South areas, to be offered over a four-year period. In years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 a different set of 5 will be selected from the inventory so that at the end of a four-year period riders will have ridden all 60 of these fantastic highways.

In addition to expanding the CA Adventure Series, a new award titled the CA Triple Crown will be awarded to riders completing the complete series. This award will be similar to the Triple Crown awarded to finishers of three of premier rides.

Below is the 2018 list of CA Best 15 CA Roads you can ride while visiting various parks and missions within California:

All roads can be ridden in either direction, be sure to obtain your gas or store receipt and write your mileage for the start and for the finish.

Be the first to ride these great roads of California!

And be the first to receive the California Triple Crown !!

Northern California

CA-3 Weaverville to Yreka

CA-108 (Sonora Pass) Sonora to Walker

CA-120 (Tioga Pass) E -Groveland to Benton

CA-139 N - Susanville to Adin

Cecilville Rd Gazelle -Cecilville – Gazelle

Central California

CA-35 (Skyline Highway) Patchen Pass to Alice's Restaurant

CA-190 Porterville to Kernville

CA-198 King City to Coalinga

CA-245 Venida to Dunlap

Caliente - Bodfish Rd. CA-58 to Lake Isabella

Southern California

Woodford - Tehachapi Road (The Train Loop road) Keene to Tehachapi

CA-33 (Jacinto Scenic Byway) Ojai to Maricopa

CA-74 (Pines to Palms Hwy) Hemet to Palm Desert

CA-76 Oceanside to Lake Henshaw

S1 (Sunrise Highway) Pine Valley to Julian

California Triple Crown

We have a new challenge for SCMA members.

A challenge that is completely doable, within reach of everyone, especially members in the southwest region or within a few states close to California.

With the introduction of the California Best 15 Roads, SCMA now has 3 rides with destinations that are often co-located with each other.

The Board of Directors came up with the idea of recognizing those riders who successfully completes the full CA Adventure Series in one calendar year between January 1st and December 15th.

We are in the process of designing this award and expect it to be very similar to the SCMA Triple Crown, but will be a slightly smaller size.

The CA Triple Crown will join the ranks of the other major awards designed to recognize riders that accomplish riding a significant distance in the calendar year.

Those awards may quite possibly have to be redefined to include the newest edition to the California Adventure Series.

Those awards are the **Triple Crown** award for riding three of the premier events, the **Premier 5** award for riding 5 premier events, and the **Grand Slam** for riding all six premier events.

The Board of Directors will review the current requirements for each of the events and will determine if revisions are necessary.

Regardless, the California Triple Crown is defined as completing the full California Adventure Series in one calendar year. There is one year of eligibility, defined as the year a rider registers for the event, to complete the series and qualify for the California Triple Crown

Be one of the first SCMA riders to receive this CA Triple Crown and sign up now!!

The Southern California Motorcycling Association Proudly Presents



Turkey Run 2018

Saturday, November 10th

Hosted by The Red Hot Riders of San Diego

Check in and ride route
7:30 to 8:30a.m.

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Sample from recommended route



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- Black with white top and polished aluminum trim
- 40" wide/40" tall; approx 400 lbs.
- 12" chrome wheels with spare
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- Tool box
- 2" ball hitch
- Flat-4 electrical connector
- Outdoor motion sensitive light for night operations
- Handle on front for ease in walking the trailer for positioning
- Three sliding windows and rooftop reversible fan for exceptional airflow throughout
- Plenty of inside storage using shelving and overhead netting
- Included outside tray and umbrella
- Sleeps 1½ comfortably (or pet); max 6'6" tall to stretch out
- 5" thick memory foam mattress
- Small galley in rear w/microwave oven.
- Inside lights front and back (req. 120v plug-in).
- Pulls straight as an arrow.
- A must see



\$5800.

Contact Gene at 602-315-6559
or ecadee@mac.com



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BODY ARMOR

I received a note from Ralph Lombardo who, after seven decades of riding, has sold his BMW and is officially retiring!

- (1) Gerbings jacket and heated gloves, so if you know any fat guys with big hands, they (and the tank bags) are for sale.
- (2) Size 3- or 4XL. The gloves are XL.
- (3) The jacket has a two-item controller. The gloves were worn exactly once, the jacket, maybe six days total. A fifty-dollar bill will take either item.

Ralph Lombardo reffi@aol.com



The above photos were taken from the internet and probably are NOT exactly like the ones Ralph is offering. Next month, if not sold, we'll hopefully have actual photos from Ralph.



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Riding Calendar

November

- 10 Turkey Run – Red Hot Riders of San Diego**
- 17 International Motorcycle Show – Long Beach**
- Let's plan a meet up there!!**

December

TBA Possible get together??

Information on each ride will be released on the website and via eBlasts.

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 for last-minute changes before a ride.

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National News Section

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This section has articles about the SCMA National Rides: The USA Four Corners Tour and the Best 15 USA Roads Challenge.

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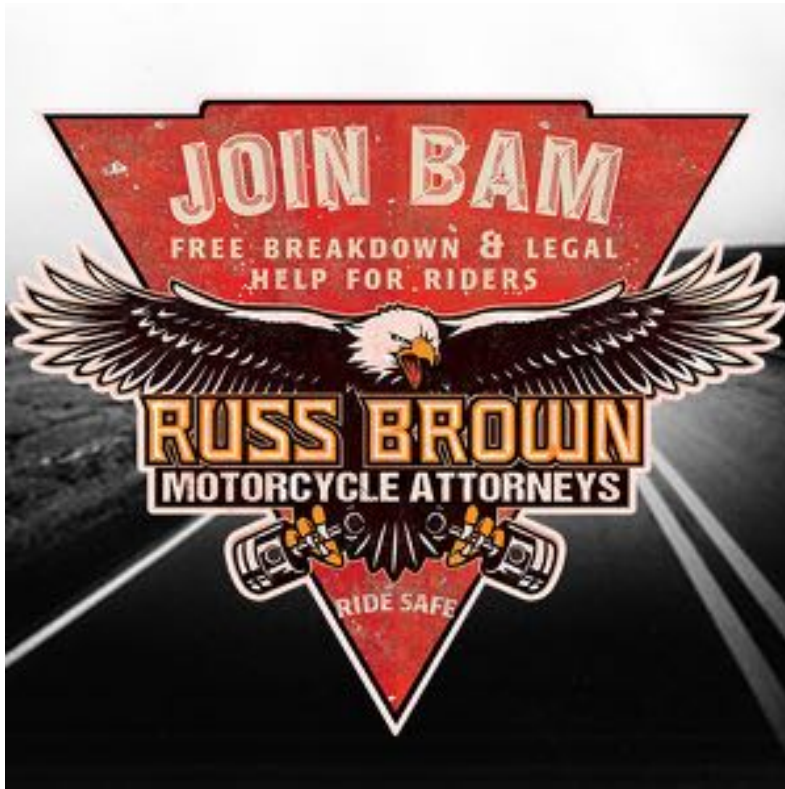
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The advertisement features a black background with a white eagle with spread wings in the center. Below the eagle, the name 'RUSS BROWN' is written in large, bold, yellow-outlined letters, with 'MOTORCYCLE ATTORNEYS' in smaller white letters underneath. Above the eagle, the text 'Official Attorney Sponsors of SCMA' is written in a white, curved font. Below the eagle's feet, there are two motorcycle helmets. At the bottom, a dark brown banner contains the text 'FREE BREAKDOWN AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR MOTORCYCLISTS' in white, and below that, '1-800-4-BIKERS' is written in large white letters.



ABOUT BAM

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BAM: Breakdown and Legal Assistance for Motorcyclists

BAM is a unique volunteer organization of bikers helping bikers. Motorcycle Attorney and long-time SCMA supporter, Russ Brown started BAM over 30 years ago when he experienced a breakdown 100 miles from home. Stranded in a remote location with no one he knew nearby that could help him, Russ thought “Wouldn’t it be great to have a fellow biker to call anytime, anywhere you needed help?” And so, BAM was born! Today, BAM’s nationwide volunteer network of roughly 2 million motorcyclists can help provide you with emergency breakdown assistance across the country. If you experience a breakdown or mechanical problems while on the road, call 1-800-4-BIKERS, and we will search our volunteer network and send someone out to help.

Roadside Assistance for Motorcycles

Russ also wanted to provide the support of his legal muscle to every BAM member. Today, Russ Brown Motorcycle Attorneys, and their nationwide network provide free legal advice 24/7 to all its members nationwide. Started by the Los Angeles motorcycle accident attorneys who ride, BAM is the ultimate resource for riders—one that has developed and flourished for over 30 years. As a result, the motorcycle accident attorneys at Russ Brown have developed trusted relationships with the best lawyers across the country. No matter where you ride, you can rest assured knowing you have the very best biker-friendly lawyers ready to help you if you are involved in a motorcycle crash. BAM’s emergency ID card can speak for you if you are incapacitated in a crash: we list your emergency contact person, medical problems, and blood type. With your permission, should emergency personnel call, we will supply this information and provide donors if necessary.

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**Southern California Motorcycling Association
Best 15 US Roads Challenge
Announcing the 2018 Collection**



We are offering the Best 15 US Roads Challenge for the 8th year. The challenge started spontaneously in the spring of 2011 when the American Motorcyclist Association published its Best 15 Roads article. Two riders took the challenge that year: Kathy and Larry Lamarche from Kamloops, BC Canada. In 2016, we updated the list with three new roads and a route change to a fourth road. CA-1 will also be replaced for 2018 due to the mudslides that have closed the road.

For a list of the 6 rules of the ride please refer to the SCMA website: <http://sc-ma.com>

In 2018 the Best 15 continues to qualify for the Triple Crown as an option to the Parks Adventure or Missions Tour, when combined with the USA Four Corners Tour and the Three Flags Classic.

1. U.S. 212 & WY 296, Beartooth Pass Highway and Chief Joseph Highway, Red Lodge, MT to north of Cody WY* <http://www.beartoothhighway.com> <http://www.motorcycleroads.com/75/676/Wyoming/Chief-Joseph-Scenic-Highway-Bighorn-Pass.html>
2. CA-70, the Feather River <http://www.pashnit.com>
3. U.S.12, Lolo Pass, Lewiston, ID <http://www.motorcycleroads.com/75/185/Idaho/The-Lolo-Pass.html>
4. U.S.33, Elkins, West Virginia <http://www.motorcycleroads.com/75/33/West-Virginia/Elkins-Alley.html>
5. Glacier National Park, Going to the Sun Road <http://www.motorcycleroads.com/75/353/Montana/Going-to-the-Sun-Road.html>
6. U.S. 550, "Million Dollar Highway" <http://www.motorcycleroads.com/75/550/Colorado/Million-Dollar-Highway-550.html>
7. Blue Ridge Parkway, North Carolina <http://www.motorcycleroads.com/75/Blue-Ridge-Parkway.html>
8. Washington 20, Concrete Canyon <http://www.motorcycleroads.com/75/Washington-20-Concrete-Canyon.html>
9. Big Bend NP, U.S.385 <http://www.bigbendnationalpark.com>
10. Ranch Roads 335, 336, 337 (Leaky, Medina, Sisters) <http://www.motorcycleroads.com/75/335-336-337a.html#sthash=335-336-337a>
11. U.S. 16A, Custer to Mt. Rushmore and then to Keystone, South Dakota*** http://www.motorcycleroads.us/roads/sd_us16a.html
12. "Kancamagus Scenic Byway/Mt. Washington, Lincoln, New Hampshire to Mt. Washington Entrance**** http://www.motorcycleroads.com/Routes/New-Hampshire_105.html
13. U.S.191, Springerville to Three Way, Arizona http://www.motorcycleroads.us/roads/az_us191.html
14. Utah 12, Torrey to Bryce Canyon Turnoff <http://www.scenicbyway12.com>
15. Mount Desert Island, Acadia NP. ME102/ME102A to Bass Harbor Lighthouse. ME102A/ME102 to ME198 to ME233 to Cadillac Mountain Summit. Back down to the LOOP ROAD along the coast. Jordan Rd/ Stanly Rd to ME 3 North to get off the Island.* 75 mile double loop. <http://www.acadianationalpark.com/parklooproad>

*These roads are combined as a single "challenge unit" and all must be ridden

** To complete this challenge unit we suggest 335 south to Camp Wood, 337 east to Leaky, 336 north to Highway 41, Highway 41 east to US 83, US 83 south back to Leaky, 337 east to Medina. Or the same roads in the opposite direction.

***We strongly recommend taking this road east from Custer to Mt. Rushmore for the awesome views of the monument through the tunnels.

**** NH112, Kancamagus HWY, 23 miles to Left on Bear Notch Rd, US302 W, at Twin Mt US3 N then NH115 E, US2 E to NH16 S to Mt. Washington Auto Road. **The End Point of the Ride is at the entrance to Mt. Washington**

THE BEST 15 US ROAD
CHALLENGE is under review
by Ride Chairman Bob
Roger.

2019 may have 1-2
changes in the list of roads.

Southern California Motorcycling Association Best 15 US Roads Challenge RULES

On the Home page, navigation bar, simply place your cursor on Rides > Best 15 US Roads Challenge > Best 15 US Roads Rules

OR

Place the below link into your browser:

<https://sc-ma.com/rides/best-15-parent/best-15-roads-rules/>



For further clarification, or any other questions about this ride offering,

contact Bob Roger, Chairman, 15 Best US Roads Challenge at:

rsroger03@gmail.com or call at (330) 857 8131

Four Corners Park, Madawaska ME

Hello Everyone,

Joe LaChance, founder of Madawaska's Four Corners Park, has created a video about how the park was built, how it honors SCMA's USA Four Corners Tour, and also about The Maine Four Corners Tour that Joe created for local riders in the northeast states. It is a cartoonish take and can be seen on youtube. Copy the below url and past it into your browser to see it.

<https://youtu.be/Cak6BiwpGwU>

Joe LaChance

President and Founder of the Madawaska Four Corners Park

Past director on the Aroostook County Tourism Board

www.madawaskafourcorners.org

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RIDE SAFE



International News Section

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2018 REMEMBERING LYLE DRINGENBERG

by Barbara Fox #10194

Lyle Dringenberg, an SCMA Life Member, died on Sept. 27, 2018.

My first recollection of Lyle is from the early 1980's. "We" were all at Moffat Elementary School in Norwalk, CA. once again, for The Drawing held every January for a ticket to ride Three Flags the following September. By this time my husband Dannie and I had ridden five or six Three Flags. I was strongly herded by Joe Usatin ("Father of Three Flags") to "Come over here, you have to meet a very important person." I remember thinking "How am I worthy of meeting this very important person?"

Joe took me over to meet Lyle, who was down from Northern California's Sierra Road Riders Association (SRRA), which is much like our SCMA. I think he may have been the Chairman of SRRA at the time, after all, Joe said he was important.



Lyle Dringenberg (left) with his riding buddy Miles at the 2012 3FC finish in Nelson BC. (photo by Jerry Aschenbrenner)

What I remember about Lyle is his kind, patient manner. How polite he was, how engaged he was in our brief conversation. He was a very trim man, and in the early years when everybody was new to me, I began to associate an unzipped leather jacket over a plaid shirt with Lyle. Above the plaid shirt, there was the longish face with dark eyes, and a gentle smile. This is what is printed in my memory.

Talking recently with SCMA member Miles, I have learned that he and Lyle were the best of friends for over 30 years and shared many miles of riding together. They were also on the executive board of SRRA together for a number of years.

Lyle was at many more Three Flags drawings at the little school cafeteria, and I got to visit with him at many of those 27 Three Flags Classic Tours that he successfully finished. Over the years I would always think about him coming hundreds of miles down the length of California just to be at the drawing, and how loyal he was to our SCMA, too.

About eight years ago Rodney Chew reappeared in our lives, when my husband Dannie came home talking about Rodney, “you remember Rodney.” Yes, I did, I do, and Rodney and I simply don’t know why or when or how we all met. He mentioned learning to ride in Northern California, being tutored on the road by Lyle, and Miles. SRRA and SCMA attended many of each other’s events. I’m sure I was aware of Rodney from those days.

Rodney had the same experience with Lyle, years after he was “the kid” in SRRA. He was on a ride, sitting quietly around his motel for the night when Lyle walked by and said, “I know you, I remember...”

That was Lyle, always gentle, always kind, he always remembered, and was never too busy to stop a moment to chat with you. Lyle was part of what makes SRRA, SCMA, and SCMA’s Three Flags so special. He was part of our family of motorcyclists who taught some of us how to ride, and others how to be a better person.

We will always remember Lyle and his excitement of meeting again on another ride.



Three Flags Classic Statistics

Country/State/Prov		#'s	- 214
Mexico	Sonora	3	MEX04
2 States	Baja California	1	
Canada	Alberta	68	CAN91
5 Prov.	British Columbia	18	
	Ontario	2	
	Saskatchewan	2	
	Manitoba	1	
USA	California	54	USA119
18 States	Arizona	15	
	Texas	12	
	Washington	7	
	Colorado	6	
	Nevada	6	
	Oregon	4	
	Florida	2	
	Oklahoma	2	
	Wyoming	2	
	Iowa	2	
	Georgia	1	
	Hawaii	1	
	Idaho	1	
	Minnesota	1	
	Nebraska	1	
	Ohio	1	
	Virginia	1	
	# Finishers	214	214

Bike	#'s
MAKE:	#
HONDA	76
HD	55
BMW	43
YAMAHA	11
TRIUMPH	8
VICTORY	5
INDIAN	5
CAM-AM	3
KAWASAKI	2
KTM	2
SUZUKI	2
DUCATI	1
MOTO-GUZZI	1
TOTAL#	214

Average Age
M - 63
F - 58
80's - 6
70's - 42
60's - 85
50's - 52
40's - 10
30's/20's - 1/1

TICKET SALES

Riders/Pass	Ticket #'s
Member Riders (Male)	197
Member Riders (Female)	16
Passenger (Female)	5
Total Tickets sold	218

Actually we had 221 tickets sold this year.....I'm too pooped to try to work the reconciliation ☺

AWARDS

\$100	Oldest Male Finisher:	Bryan Sowers 86
\$100	Oldest Female Finisher:	Judith Wagner 74
\$100	Youngest Male	Sean Mickelson 22
\$100	Youngest Female	Jennifer Smith 38
\$100	Most Miles to get there	Charles Lamb 2,458 mi Hopewell VA on HD,
\$100		Susan Torrance 2,308 mi London ON on HD
	Most 3 Flags Tours	#40 for Danny Fox, & Gloria Amesqua
\$100	Smallest CC bike	Lucille deBeaudrap Honda CBR500, Edmonton
\$100		Gary Duncan Burgman 650
\$100	Oldest Bike	Charlie Hart 1999 Honda,
\$100		Tanya Anderson, 1999 Honda ??
\$100	Good Samaritan	Tim Wanamaker
\$275	Highest Poker Hand	Turin Atol

Brian Hooker's Riding Stats

Longest riding day Saturday Sept 2 Durango CO to Columbus MT: 896 miles, 1,442 kms.

Cost to do 3 Flags 2018
 Ticket: (\$285 USD), \$363 CDN, Fuel: \$560.39, Lodging: \$1,408.89,
 Food: \$350 (\$50/day)
 Mexican Insurance: \$109.82
 = Rough total: \$2,793 (say \$3,000 CDN)

Editors note: Brian did not include cost of rooms at DFIC

Raffles

\$285	2019 3 Flags Ticket	Hannalore Traynor	
\$3,374	50/30/20 draw winners	20% - \$675 Ernie Apostal	
		30% - \$1012 Tim Wanamaker	
		50% - \$1687 John Broomhall	
\$1,500	Miles Cash awards	\$100- David Lima	
		\$200 Steve Shulman	
		\$300-Bruce Powell	
		\$400-Don Thomas	
		\$500- James Tremblay	
\$100	Irv Seaver	Certificate	Mark Ortiz
\$100	Irv Seaver	Certificate	Gene Ehret
\$100	Irv Seaver	Certificate	Ken MacDonald
	Dunlop	one Tire	Keith Robb
	Dunlop	one Tire	Christopher Bulger
	Dunlop	Tires- Set	John Buchanon
50% Cert	Shoei Helmet	Vernon Perez	
\$300	Sargent	Custom Seat - Dan Burt	
\$1,200	Aerostich	Riding Suit Certificate	Steve Andrus
\$1,200	Aerostich	Riding Suit Certificate	Reuben Friesen

Our Three Flags Volunteers

Below lists reflect the names of the wonderful volunteers that put on the 2019 Three Flags Classic. They made the Classic a huge success and a lot of fun. I am deeply appreciative of the work they did, of the commitment they had, and of the support they gave to each other.

Please join me in thanking them whenever you have the opportunity to cross their paths.

Most especially, join us at the Annual Dinner on March 2nd, when we recognize our riders for their accomplishments and volunteers for their contributions!!

2018 3FC Committee Members

Board Of Directors doing double duty:

- Vice Chair-Barbara Fox – Check-in Pre-Ride,
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- USA Four Corners – Dannie Fox - Photos, Route Director
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- Best 15 USA Roads & Check-in - Bob Roger

Committee Members

- John Cooper – Start Director
- Brian Hooker – Finish Director
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- Coleen Sepulveda – Twitter, Publicity
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- Sandra Downs – 50-30-20 Raffle
- Steve Shulman - Advisor
- Oscar Palacio – Start Host, logistician, planner
- Bob Van Ness – Finish Captain

Start Volunteers

- Oscar Palacio, Owner
- John Cooper – Start Director
- Les Gullery – Co-Start Director
- George Doughty
- Dave Sullivan
- Bob Rogers
- Dan Burt
- Gary Premech
- Stuart Hartt
- Tracy Boyda

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- CP 2, Robin Brown (GM), Richard & Donna Behounek Captains
- CP 3, Brian Moen, Tim Wanamaker, Sherry Sutherland

Finish Volunteers

- Cori Crawford, Sales Director and Liaison from DFIC
- Brian Hooker, Finish Director
- Bob Van Nes, Finish Captain

GWRRRA Volunteers at Finish: Deerfoot Inn and Casino

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Brenda Van Nes

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Kim Medcalf

Kathy Norrie

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Marg Lang

Donna Murray

Jim Bleaney

Sharon Bleaney

Suzanne Shaver

Harvey Mathews

Mary-Ellen Hart

Ron Myers

Carol Myers

Alex Middleton

Janine Tremblay

Irene White

Eric Roberts

Gilles Fournier

Jack O'Reilly

Terry Collin

Phil Poirier

Pam Nichol

Blair Nichol

Al Rickard

Lynn Rohn

Ron Parkinson

Karen Parkinson

Terry Burrill

Fred Rea

Stewart Dickson

Ken Braun

Susan Premech

Elaine Boyda

Yvonne Saunders

Jeff Webber

Jenny Smith Rides the Three Flags Classic

Jenny Smith, editor of Woman Rider, rode the 2018 Three Flags Classic and has published her story in the September issue of Woman Rider. Here is a link to the article:

<https://womandrider.com/2018/09/going-the-distance-on-the-three-flags-classic/>

Usually I write a big article about our 3FC.....but after reading Jenny's I realized I don't quite have the skill set she does!

It's an excellent report on this years 3FC. Click on the above link (or paste into your browser) and read her magazine.....it is very well done!

Thank you Jenny, we were honored to have you with us this year and have the opportunity to ride with you! We look forward to seeing you next year!!

Gonzo

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If you saw last month's newsletter you might have read that we were preparing for an epic adventure: the Three Flags Classic. Well, I'm happy to report that 5,040 miles later I finished the ride and made it back home to Southern California incident-free. And I even got a rad belt buckle as a memento! You can read about the adventure and check out photos in the first story below. Think you've got what it takes to complete an endurance ride like this? Let's talk! I want to see more women there next year!



Be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#) and Instagram (@womandrider) to keep up with our daily shenanigans and adventures, and post your own photos to share with other Woman Riders as well!

Happy riding!

Jenny Smith, Editor

Mexicali to Puerto Penasco via El Golfo

By Mike Williams #36876

As soon as the announcement was made at last year's Three Flags Classic that the ride would start in Puerto Penasco, I began thinking of a route. Last year I walked across the street from the hotel to a bar. The manager was a "gringo" and recommended for our ride back to California, to ride along Highway 3 to El Golfo and up to Mexicali. He said it is a nice ride, but not to ride it at night, as the wind can sometimes blow heavy sand across the road.

Youtube has many videos of riding various routes in Mexico with a lot of good tips including border crossings, tollbooths, military checkpoints, and traffic signals. There are also tips on getting gas for your motorcycle at gas stations.

I met my brother near Spotlight 29 Casino near Coachella, CA, on Wednesday, August 29th, at about 5:00 am. We took a leisurely ride on Highway 86, arriving in Calexico just after sunrise.

After refueling the bikes at one of the last two stations near the border, we took the short ride on the well-marked road to the Mexicali border crossing. Last year, crossing at Lukeville into Mexico, I had to show my passport and registration. The Mexican guard then checked the VIN on my Wing with my registration and asked a few questions.

This year I was ready with all documents in my pocket. As we crossed into Mexico, I slowed as I approached the three guards towards my left as they looked at the Wing. I was slowing down, waiting to be directed to stop. To my surprise and delight, they all smiled and waved me through.

The speed bumps were much easier riding over at Mexicali than last year at Lukeville. Maybe I was just tired and hot last year when we crossed, but I remember all of those round speed bumps after the border crossing being a royal pain in the a**.

We headed east a short distance on Highway 1 towards the airport and turned south to where it connected with Highway 2. We continued on Highway 2 towards San Luis Rio Colorado. As we approached San Luis, we came across a tollbooth. I had seen this on one of the Youtube videos and the Mexico Transportation Department has an excellent website that lists all tollbooths and how much they charge. The website indicated the tollbooth would be six pesos (.32 US). I gave the booth operator twenty pesos to which

he gave the correct change and off we went.

Riding through San Luis is much like any other smaller US city. There wasn't too much traffic yet, but we got stopped at a few signals. Many of the signals also have a stop sign. There is no need to stop at a posted stop sign if the signal is green (thank you Youtube posters). As we rode through San Luis, I was thinking this could be a good start for a future Three Flags. Plenty of hotels, markets, restaurants, and gas stations. There is also a border crossing to the US at San Luis.

As we left San Luis, I remember thinking that after riding in Mexicali and San Luis, we only saw one person holding a sign asking for money. Living in Southern California, there are many panhandlers at most major intersections in the Los Angeles area asking for money, sometimes being quite aggressive. I only mention this because some people have concerns about riding in Mexico and I felt much safer here than many parts of Los Angeles and the US.

We cut down to Highway 3, crossing through many farms, some quite large. It was a really nice ride. We came to our next and final tollbooth on Highway 3, which is one lane in each direction. The Mexico website indicated this would be a 97 pesos charge, but we were only charged 55 pesos (\$2.92 US). Cages are 110 pesos. Although we didn't stop, there was a rest stop with restrooms, water, and a phone just past the tollbooth.

We continued along Highway 3 and it was now all desert. It reminded me of riding in the desert around Amboy, CA. We would come across an occasional house that advertised on a sign for restrooms, charging a small fee.

We came to an Agriculture Inspection Station in a small area indicated on the map as "El Doctor." There were stop signs and I could see three guards up ahead. The inspection station requires you to leave the main road and ride a short distance on hard packed dirt. As I approached the agriculture inspectors, they raised their hands, to what I thought was an indication to stop. I heard my brother on the Sena Bluetooth telling me to keep going, as they were waving at us, not telling us to stop. Sure enough, they were smiling and waving at us.

As we rode past the inspection station, I looked to my left and saw a military checkpoint. There was a truck stopped that was being inspected. I chuckled to myself when I saw the young soldiers looking at us, as what

appeared to be an older lieutenant with a grim face telling the youngsters to focus. I had a flashback to my previous profession trying to keep the youngsters focused on their duties. I waved at the final group of young soldiers. They smiled and waved back. Once again, I had seen the Youtube videos about the military checkpoints: Nothing to fear.

We continued through the desert until we could see the Sea of Cortez. There are intermittent views of the water until we reached El Golfo Santa Clara. We took a short detour and rode through the small town. This is a small beach town where many people come down to camp on the beach and ride their



Sea of Cortez

motorcycles and ATVs on the sand. Being a Wednesday, the town was very quiet. There is a gas station, a couple markets, and several roadside taco stands that looked quite tempting. There is also a lighthouse about twenty miles south of town that I will investigate on my next ride to the area.



As we continued towards Puerto Penasco, we noticed that there must have been some major winds the night before as there was a lot of sand on some parts of the road. In fact, in some places, the sand covered our lane and appeared to be a foot or two deep in spots. We transitioned

to the other lane and rode around the sand. At one point there was a tractor pushing the sand off of the road.

We arrived at the Pemex station about three miles from the Playa Bonita Resort. After stopping the Wing, the attendant approached and I said in my best gringo Spanish, "Llano de verde" pointing to the green handled nozzle. Not sure if I said it correctly, but it worked. I thought I said, "Fill it up with green" as I can't pronounce Magna, which is regular unleaded. If I did say it wrong, it just adds to the adventure and provides a good laugh. He gave me the green nozzle and I filled up the Wing, costing 394 pesos.

Our ride from Mexicali to Puerto Penasco via El Golfo was about 210 miles. All of the roads were in excellent condition with the exception of the agriculture checkpoint and that really wasn't too bad. We never felt unsafe and saw some beautiful country. I am looking



forward to riding back down in the winter months when it is cooler and doing some more exploring.

While at the Playa Bonita, Thursday morning we took a ten-minute walk on the beach into town to have breakfast at a restaurant we discovered last year. The food was as good as we remembered. After



breakfast we walked to the harbor and looked at the fishing boats. We saw

a restaurant that we decided we would come back to for lunch.

Approaching the lunch hour, the hotel summoned a taxi for us. The ride into town was only two dollars each for a total of four dollars. I couldn't remember the name of the restaurant we had found, but I did have a picture that I showed our young



driver. He didn't speak any more English than I speak Spanish, but he got us there. Through a series of hand signals and broken English/Spanish between he and I, he said he would be back at 1:00 pm to pick us up.

My brother and I had awesome fajitas at the restaurant overlooking the harbor. Mid-way through lunch, nearly every large fishing boat left the harbor, to what I assumed was the afternoon/evening fishing. It was an awesome sight.

Our young taxi driver arrived five minutes early and was waiting for us outside when we finished lunch. On the way back, we motioned for him to stop at the Thrifty Ice Cream store, a place we tried to go last year, but was closed. They were open today and we invited our driver to come in with us for some ice cream. He was extremely appreciative at the two scoops of ice cream we bought for him. I could tell he was a humble young man. I was thankful he was our driver. After my brother gave him a nice tip, we parted ways and enjoyed the rest of the day at the Playa Bonita.

Regardless of where Three Flags starts next year in Mexico, we will make it an adventure and have some fun. Ensenada, Tijuana, Tecate, Mexicali, San Luis Rio Colorado, San Felipe???

I am sure Miles will not give us any clues.

Mike Williams
Fourth Year Rider, 3FC

PREMIER "5" SLAM AWARD

There are six (6) Premier Events offered by SCMA to all members. They are the USA Four Corners, Best 15 USA Roads Challenge, Three Flags Classic, and the California Adventure Series consisting of the CA National Parks Tour, CA Missions Tour, and CA Best 15 Roads.

In 2013 (for the first time ever*) one of our riders completed all 5 of SCMA's Premier Events (there were only 5 Premier Rides then) in a single calendar year. The asterisk is there because we have yet to hear from anyone claiming to have ridden all 5 prior to 2013. With that precedence set, a few more riders went out and rode all 5 Premier Rides in 2014 and 2015. Up to that date we had a total of four riders who have ridden all 5 Premier Events in a single calendar year yet they had not received recognition for that extraordinary accomplishment.

In the meantime, the Grand Slam award was established to recognize any rider who completes 5 of the 6 Premier Events AND 13 of the monthly Traveler's Award rides (Gold Level), all in a single calendar year. (Key word is "Gold Level" in the event there are less than 13 TA events)

Members of the board recognized the challenge of completing all the rides to earn the Grand Slam Award is next to impossible unless a rider resides in the southwest region. Logically, it would seem that many of our members may be able to ride the 5 Events but would be unable to ride to CA every month for a Traveler's Award event.

Addressing that constraint, the board has unanimously agreed to establish an award to recognize riders who complete at least 5 of the 6 Premier Events in a single calendar year. It is titled the Premier "5" Slam award. Completing 5 Premier Events can only qualify for one award....either the Premier "5" or the Grand Slam, in a given year.

We look presenting members complete 5 Events in a calendar

The Board of Directors will be reviewing the requirements to earn the Premier 5 and Grand Slam Awards in 2019.

forward to this award to who Premier single year!



Premier "5" Award

Triple Crown Award

DAVID AND GOLIATH

by Doug Green

I have a David and Goliath story to tell. In this story the Goliath is my 1990 Honda GoldWing Motorcycle and David is a small electrical connection, so here is the tale:

I left my house on August 28, 2018 to go to Puerto Penasco, Mexico to begin a ride called 3-Flags. I got as far as Paso Robles, CA. and turned a corner off Highway 101 onto Highway 46 East. When I rolled on the throttle, nothing happened and I realized my motorcycle had quit running. I pushed the starter button and again nothing. I was towed to a shop where they worked on the bike off and on but could not find the problem. On Wednesday, 8/29, I rented a truck and trailer and towed the bike home. This past Friday, September 7, I trailered the bike to Sacramento, where I have a friend who loves to work on GoldWings. Almost before I got home, I had a phone call that my bike was now running just fine, he had found "David" a very small burned electrical connection that had brought my large motorcycle to a halt. A quick wire repair, a new connector and all was well.

So here is "David" ½ inch long and 3/16 inch wide



Editor's note: Thank you Doug Green #25129 for this excellent anecdote. We too were greatly disappointed not seeing you this year but glad you were safe. We look forward to seeing you next year.....possibly with a few extra connectors in your bag !!!



PREMIUM HELMETS

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 have a "True X". Starters shall receive a numbered towel, pin, hat and t-shirt. Certified finishers receive a plaque, patch and finisher's decal. 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 planning for the 2018, 43rd Annual Three Flags Classic is gaining momentum. The ride will start in Puerto Penasco (Rocky Point), Sonora Mexico, and head north for a finish in Calgary, Alberta Canada. The ride will be 4 days in duration. A lot of exciting things are happening and it's shaping up to be a great return to our Three Flags roots of riding through three countries!!!

California Adventure Series: The California Adventure Series includes three different rides: The CA Parks Adventure (CPA), the CA Mission Tour (CMT), and CA Best 15 Roads (CB15). Completing one or the other helps to qualify for the Triple Crown award. Dean Sarrocco is chairing these events.

CPA: During any single calendar year, in any order and at any pace, visit at 24 of the 25 National Parks and Monuments in California as outlined in the rules: <http://sc-ma.com/rides/california-parks-adventure>.

CMT: During any single calendar year, in any order, and at any pace, visit all of the 21 California Missions. It works just like the CPA listed above <https://sc-ma.com/rides/california-missions-parent/california-missions-tour/>

CB15: Ride the Best 15 USA Roads located in 14 states. Rules for this event can be found online at: <https://sc-ma.com/rides/best-15-parent/best-15-us-roads-challenge/>

SCMA Best 15 US Roads Challenge

During 2018, travel our annual list of Best 15 US Roads. Rules, application information and details can be found on our website. <https://sc-ma.com/rides/best-15-parent/best-15-us-roads-challenge/>
Bob Roger is chairing this event in 2017 and can be contacted at rsroger03@gmail.com

The SCMA Triple Crown Award

Imagine completing a three-pack of any combination of USA Four Corners, Best 15 USA Roads, Three Flags Classic, and one of the two CA Adventure Series rides in a single calendar year (Jan to Dec of the same year). It is a rare achievement--completed by only 10-15 riders per year. SCMA honors this significant accomplishment with a limited-edition plaque that tags you as a very unique long-distance rider: A Triple Crown Winner. Gonzo will be chairing the selection committee in 2018.

The Premier 5 Award*

Complete the USA Four Corners Tour, the Three Flags Classic, The Best 15 US Roads Challenge, and two of the three California Parks Adventure Series, in a single calendar year. Gonzo is the event chair.

The SCMA Grand Slam Award*

Complete the USA Four Corners Tour, the Three Flags Classic, The Best 15 US Roads Challenge, two of the California Parks Adventure Series, and the Travelers Award Gold Level in a single calendar year. Gonzo is the event chair.

*Riders can only apply a completed ride for one of the two awards (i.e., the rides used to qualify for a Premier 5 award cannot be used to qualify for the Grand Slam Award).

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