

**SCMA**



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**NEWS**

### CHAIRMAN'S LETTER

The weather in the southwest has been absolutely fantastic for riding.

.....And I have not been able to partake.

The primary limiting factor has been due to a slow recovery from knee surgery. The next limiting factor has been construction issues at home. Yup, the house sprung a leak and after getting it repaired it only seemed logical to have the house re-piped with the new technology available today.... synthetic flexible PEX hose.

But back to motorcycles.....which is where my thinking was back when doing the re-piping. It is one thing to be proactive on our homes....but what about our bikes? Taking care of our bikes is of primary importance....after all, our lives depend on it operating reliably.

I found myself running out of miles and rubber on three bikes! The GS was over due for service by 3,000 miles, and I was forced to ride the Road King to wrap up the CA Adventures Triple Crown. At the end of the year the Road King was over due!

So what's my point?

Much of the country is coming out of a long winter's hibernation, and bikes are being resurrected from

### Upcoming Events

SCMA Grand Tour of San Diego	Jun 22-23
All Members Breakfast-Duarte Elks Lodge	Jun 29
Greenhorn Road Tour - PMC	Jul 27-28

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their slumbers. We need to be sure that our bike is in top condition and ready to go on our many rides. Go through your checklists and make sure everything is in top condition and the bike is operating properly.

Be sure to check every aspect of the bike.....check the mileage for its scheduled maintenance overhaul. I just checked mine and, oops! It's time to take it into GO AZ for it's 42K service ..... and a new rear tire!

Ride Safe.....Ride Long,

Gonzo



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## 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 events in SoCal, AZ NorCal and elsewhere in the SW Region..

### Membership News

*By James Filley #46151*

Over a hundred packages have gone out again in the mail. And once again several packages have been returned due to either bad addresses or other reasons (some are Canadian).

Please ensure your information is correct in your Profile. Also, if you register a riding mate please use their email address and their PayPal/credit card. Using your email or financial info will result in your profile/membership being credited as a renewal and not your partner.

If you have been a member over three months and have not received your membership package please send me an email at [jamesf4@gmail.com](mailto:jamesf4@gmail.com) or call me at 619-825-7390

Jim



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[www.pasadenamc.com](http://www.pasadenamc.com)

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Shamrock Road Riders  
[www.sc-ma.com/shamrock.htm](http://www.sc-ma.com/shamrock.htm)

A banner for GO AZ Motorcycles. At the top, there are logos for Aprilia, BMW, Ducati, KTM, Triumph, Honda, Ural, Vespa, and Kawasaki. Below the logos is a photograph of a motorcycle dealership with several motorcycles on display. The text "GO AZ Motorcycles" is prominently displayed in the center. At the bottom, there is a dark blue bar with white text: "GO AZ MOTORCYCLES | 15500 N. HAYDEN RD | SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85260 | (480) 609-1800 | GOAZMOTORCYCLES.COM".

# California Adventure Series

By Mike Williams #36876  
Chair, CA Adventure Series

The road to Devil's Postpile is closed at Mammoth Lodge due to snow blocking the road, not surprising given the heavy snowpack this year. It may be difficult to take a photo at the closure on weekends/holidays, as the ski lifts are still operating. Therefore, a photo at the Mammoth Visitor Center along with the stamp (also available at Mammoth Visitor Center) is acceptable while the road to Devil's Postpile is closed. The ranger did not know when the road would open this year and explained that the road will more than likely be closed in 2020, as they plan to do MAJOR repairs to the road. Beginning in 2020, it may be a couple years before we get back in there.

If you will be mailing your Passport Book to me for review upon completion, please mail it to the below address. This will expedite the mailing process.

**SCMA/Mike Williams**  
**P.O. Box 12191**  
**La Crescenta, Ca, 91224**

For those living in the Southern California area, we may be able to arrange a halfway spot to review the completed book(s) if you choose. I will also be riding Three Flags and available to review the book(s) for those that completed their ride on the way to Three Flags.

Safe riding,

Mike Williams  
SCMA #36876  
California Adventures Chair

## *Editor's Note:*

*Dean Sarrocco was our CA Adventures Chair last year and before turning it over to Mike Williams, he updated the plaque designs for the three tours. The Triple Crown Plaque (Team collaboration) is the crowning piece awarded to those who ride the full series in the calendar year.*

*Kudos to Mike Williams for doing a great job in his first year of administering the Series for us! He just recently returned from the Bay Area having visiting the locales that you will visit there when riding the Series.*

*These same awards will be presented to you at the 2020 banquet when you complete the events in 2019. The CA Triple Crown is a standalone plaque similar to the Premier Triple Crown. The individual tour plaques are wall mountable and will look great when you add them to your collection!*

*Gonzo*

# CA Adventure Series Plaques Awarded to 2018 Finishers, and To be awarded to 2019 Finishers

CA Triple Crown



The CA Triple Crown Award.

2018 was the inaugural year for this Award!

Ride all three of the CA Adventures Series and you will receive this plaque



CA Missions Tour



CA Parks Tour



CA Best 15 Roads Tour



Schedule a nearby provider to make one at your convenience. (Simply search our website [www.BigEarInc.com](http://www.BigEarInc.com) for a provider near you, give them a call and make an appointment...It's that easy !

Or you can use our home impression kit. To do that, contact our Customer Service Department at [ghood@bigearinc.com](mailto:ghood@bigearinc.com) or 719-271-9081.





**Presents:**

## Grand Tour of San Diego

**June 22 - 23, 2019  
Saturday & Sunday**

Enjoy San Diego in June with typically cooler weather than further north in So Cal with less traffic too. Stay Friday and Saturday at the resort. Rides on both days will leave from the resort. Dinner Saturday night.

### Check in and ride route

7:30 to 8:30a.m.

Carlton Oaks Golf & Resort

9200 Inwood Drive

Santee, CA 92071

[www.Carltonoaksgolf.com](http://www.Carltonoaksgolf.com)

### 2 CA Best-15 Roads

Day 1 will include CA 94 and other interesting roads in south SD county. Day 2 will include CA 243, heading north east out of SD county.

Rooms: \$104 for 2 Double Beds or 1 King Bed, Suites available.



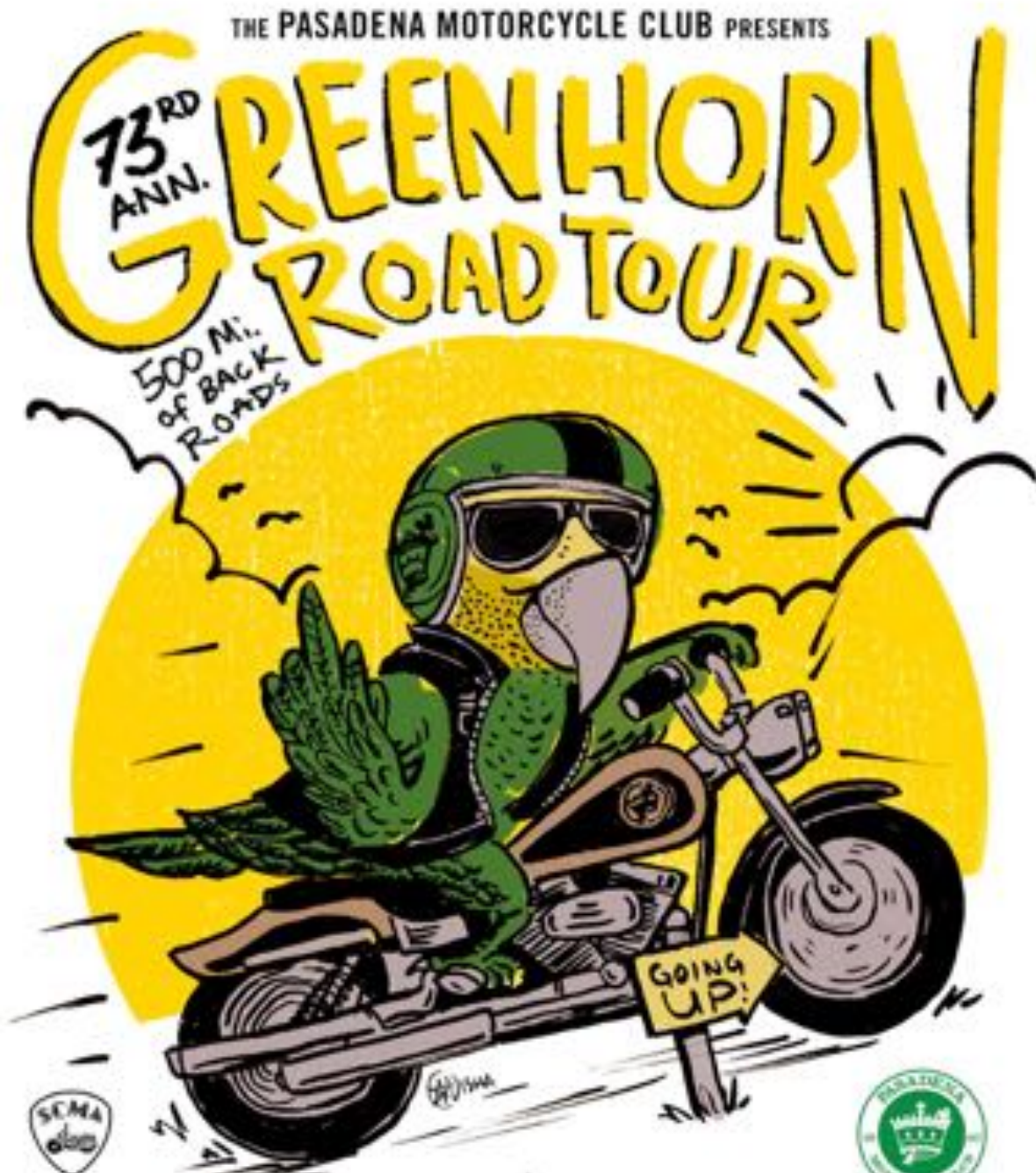
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# Alien Encounters Grand Tour



May 3<sup>rd</sup> found the **AZRATPack** forming up at GOAZ West in Peoria to kick off their 6<sup>th</sup> Alien Tour.

Check out their great story of the event at:

<https://azratpack.com/alien-encounters-grand-tour-recap/>

A banner for GO AZ Motorcycles. At the top, there are logos for Aprilia, BMW, Ducati, KTM, Triumph, Honda, Ural, Vespa, and Kawasaki. Below the logos is a central shield logo with a star and the text "GO AZ Motorcycles". To the right of the shield is an image of a red and black motorcycle. At the bottom, there is a dark blue bar with white text: "GO AZ MOTORCYCLES | 15500 N. HAYDEN RD | SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85260 | (480) 609-1800 | GOAZMOTORCYCLES.COM".



A photograph of several BMW motorcycles on a dirt road in a mountainous, arid landscape. The motorcycles are kicking up dust. In the top right corner, there is a small BMW logo with 'BMW Motorrad' text below it. Overlaid on the bottom half of the image is white text: 'All New 2019 BMW F 850 GS and 2019 F 750 GS Are Here!' followed by 'Irv Seaver Motorcycles' and 'Orange County, CA IrvSeaver BMW.com'.

# 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 this second set of books listing the 2019 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 2019 list of CA Best 15 CA Roads you can ride while visiting various parks and missions within California: This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> of 4 sets of 15 CA Best Roads.

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.

Sign up now to ride these great roads in 2019....combine your ride with the Parks and Missions and earn the beautiful California Triple Crown.

## Northern California

**CA-4** Angels Camp to Markleeville

**CA-70** Oroville to Quincy

**CA-299** Arcata to Redding

**Shasta Nat'l Forest Rte NF-15** Macdoel on CA-97 to junction of CA-89

**Mattole Road** Ferndale to Redcrest via Perolia & Honeydew

## Central California

**CA-25** Junction CA-198 to Hollister

**CA-168** Big Pine to Junction with CA-266 and return to Big Pine

**CA-178** Junction CA-14 to Bakersfield

**Santa Rosa Creek Road/Old Creek Road** Cambria to Cayucos

**Vineyard Canyon Road** San Miguel to Parkfield

## Southern California

**CA-38** Redlands to Big Bear

**CA-74** San Juan Capistrano to Lake Elsinore

**CA 94/Campo Road** Campo to Jamacha

**CA-243** Banning to Mountain Center

**Lockwood Valley Road** CA-33 to Junction Frazier Mountain Park Road

# 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 complete the full CA Adventure Series in one calendar year between January 1<sup>st</sup> and November 30<sup>th</sup>.

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 different.

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 are the **Triple Crown** award for riding three of the premier events, and the **Premier Grand Slam** for riding all six premier events in a single calendar year.

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 few of the SCMA riders to receive this CA Triple Crown and sign up now!!

Contact Mike Williams, Chair of CA Adventures and the CA Triple Crown, if you have any questions.

<https://sc-ma.com/rides/california-missions-parent/california-missions-tour/>

From Home Page>Rides>CA Adventure Series>select ride>select info page

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## Open Position – Board of Directors

The position of **Risk Manager** is currently open and a replacement for **Rodney Chew**, is needed. Rodney is currently SCMA Vice Chairman but double hatting as Risk Manager until we can find someone to replace him.

The Risk Manager coordinates with the AMA and, at the end of the year, files sanction and insurance applications for each of the premier events and monthly rides to be held the following year.

The Risk Manager is also a member of the Board of Directors. As a member of the Board you will be in a leadership position making decisions in regard to SCMA's continued operations.

This positions can be filled by any member who has a laptop and can attend the Meetings via Video Conferencing...it is not required that you be physically located in Southern California.

Please contact Gonzo for more information at 949-433-0761

## Chairman, 2020 Three Flags Classic (3FC20) Vice Chairman, 2019 Three Flags Classic (3FC19)

SCMA is welcoming those interested in being Chairman of the 2020 Three Flags Classic to contact Gonzo. You will be invited to present your concept of start/finish locations and possible route/checkpoints to the Board of Directors.

As the chairman, you will lead a committee of volunteers and identify start/finish locations, 3-4 checkpoint locations, design the 3FC20 logo, buckle, shirts, hats and plaques.

You will be supported by the SCMA Board of Directors, and provided with a Standard Operating Procedure listing the processes and vendor sources to ensure a successful execution of a Three Flags Classic event.

To become the chairman of 3FC20 you will participate as the Vice Chair 3FC19 to introduce you to the detailed tasks and responsibilities of organizing a 3FC.

Please contact Gonzo at 949-433-0761

# SCMA GMM Meeting

## Officer Election - Ballot Count

### Saturday, June 29th 2019

SCMA has six-members elected to the Board of Directors. Three are elected in odd numbered years and three are elected in even numbered years. Each director is elected to a two-year term.

This being an odd-numbered year, the Chairman, Secretary, and Risk Manager positions are open for election.

In even-numbered years, the Vice Chairman, Treasurer, and Membership Director positions are open for election.

Nominations were conducted on April 27th at the Annual Members Meeting. Nominations were received from members present at the meeting. No nominations were received via email or via USPS mail at the SCMA PO Box 487.

The board accepted the following candidates for the positions indicated.

**Chairman:**

**R. "Gonzo" Gonzalez** (Incumbent)

**Secretary:**

**Charles Lamb** (Incumbent-assigned by Board in April)

**Risk Manager:**

**No nominations** (Currently staffed by Vice Chairman)

**BALLOT** forms are on the following page. This form, and ballot instructions, is also being sent to members via email and will be posted to the website.

Only paper ballots are acceptable for this election and must be received at the Post Office Box by 8:00 am June 28th or hand delivered to the Secretary at the beginning of the General Membership Meeting (Breakfast) at **9:00 AM on June 29th at the**

**Elks Lodge,  
2436 Huntington Drive,  
Duarte, CA**

Members are encouraged to print the ballot form and mail it with:

**(Return name, address, member #)**

To: SCMA, **Ballot**  
PO Box 487,  
Norwalk, CA 90651-0487



The member's name, return address, and membership # must appear on the outside of the envelope.

Ballots will be opened in public at the June 29th General Membership Meeting (GMM). The Election committee will validate the active membership status of names reflected in the envelope's return address. Envelopes without the member's name in the return address cannot be validated and therefore will not be accepted for voting.

After validation, envelopes will be set aside until all envelopes have been validated. Envelopes will then be opened and ballots tabulated.

The vote count will be announced at the meeting, posted to the website, and posted in the next published Newsletter.

The newly elected Directors will assume their responsibilities after the close of the June 28th Board meeting, but no later than July 1<sup>st</sup> in accordance with the Bylaws of the Association.



# 2019 Election Ballot

**The below Members were nominated for the positions indicated.**

## **Chairman**

- R. "Gonzo" Gonzalez (Current Chairman)  
(Resides in AZ/CA)

## **Secretary**

- C. "Charlie" Lamb (Incumbent)  
(Resides in VA)

## **Risk Manager**

- No Nominations were received

Your envelope should look like this.....

Sender's Name:

Address:

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Mail to: *(Must be in PO Box by 8am June 28th)*

SCMA, **Ballot**

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**Please ensure your name, return address, and membership number is in the return address of the envelope.**

Envelopes without names cannot be validated as being submitted by a member in an active status and therefore will not be included in the ballot count.

### Event Calendar

June

22-23 SCMA Grand Tour Grand Tour San Diego (RHR)  
29 All Members Breakfast - GMM 9:00 AM

July

27-28 Greenhorn, Pasadena Motorcycle Club

Aug

29<sup>th</sup> Three Flags Classic – Sign in  
San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora, Mexico

Sep

2 Three Flags Classic = Finish 0:00 PM  
Vernon Lodge, Vernon, BC Canada

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](http://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.*

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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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# My Little Problem

## A Triple Crown Confession (in three parts)

### Part One

by R. Bruce Thomas  
#37460

I have a little problem.

Isn't that supposed to be the first step necessary to correct any problems? Somehow, admitting I have a little problem hasn't helped me get over it, and I really think I'm OK with that. You see, my little problem is I have a hard time taking on a single challenge when I go for a ride on my motorcycle.

It wasn't always that way.

I bought my first bike, a Honda CX500, in 1979 and in 1980 a couple of friends rode to California with me. In 1981 the three of us rode down to Montana and experienced Going-to-the-Sun Road for the first time, at the beginning of July, in a snowstorm. Then, after meeting a girl who enjoyed riding with me and getting married and starting a family, I went through a decade of just riding to work as the bike wasn't really family transportation. Then I spent a decade just looking at the bike in the garage after an engine problem cropped up. I was going back to school and changing careers and didn't have the time or money to fix it.

In the spring of 2004 I realized the bike would soon be 25 years old and if it sat any longer I'd likely never ride again. I tore the engine apart, found the problem, got the parts and got it back on the road again. I started riding to work again and every year I rode it more. In the spring of 2008, on our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, I didn't take my wife to dinner or buy her flowers or chocolates. I went to the dealer and bought a new Candy Glory Red Honda ST1300A. My wife and I were both thrilled and, since the kids were mostly grown up, we started



taking a few trips - to the Rocky Mountains, to Hot Springs in BC, up the Icefields Parkway, up to Hyder, Alaska.

I had long been aware of the Iron Butt Association (IBA) and felt that this new bike would allow me to gain membership in this long-distance riding community. In May 2009 I rode down to Los Angeles for CreSTOC, a gathering of Honda ST1100/ST1300 owners. On my way to L.A. I planned to do an IBA Saddlesore 1000 and got 800 miles into it before stopping for dinner in Oregon. One of the two other vehicles in the parking lot backed into my bike, twisting the forks in the triple clamps and breaking the fender. Luckily, somebody stopped them from leaving so I was able to collect the insurance for the damage. But my first SS1000 attempt ended unceremoniously. I got the bike checked out the next day and the forks got re-aligned while the fender was duct taped until I got home and could order a new one. In spite of this I had a great time when I got to CreSTOC, riding Angeles Crest and then the Colorado National Monument and Independence Pass on my way home.

In June 2010 I successfully completed my first SS1600K (1,609 km = 1,000 miles) and stretched it to a BunBurner 2500K. More riding occurred during that summer and I completed my second Iron Butt Saddlesore 1600K ride in July 2011.

And then the bottom seemed to fall out.

On Aug 21, 2011, a beautiful, sunny, Sunday afternoon, a fellow in a Toyota Camry ran a red light and t-boned our gorgeous 25th Anniversary Candy Glory Red Honda ST1300A. Along with my penchant for ATGATT, the tip-over wing on the ST also provided a healthy dose of protection in that my right shin got trapped between the bike and the car but it wasn't crushed. When the two vehicles separated after impact the bike went about 60 feet before ending up in the grass and, while I didn't lose consciousness, I didn't attempt to get up once I stopped. I was told I stopped rolling about 200 feet from the point of impact.

I suffered tissue damage from head to toe with the worst being a torn posterior cruciate ligament in my right knee. If anything, the collision made me determined to ride even more. I worked very hard with my therapists and at the gym and was able to start riding again nine months after the collision. Two surgeons told me the PCL can't be reliably fixed so I wear a knee brace whenever I ride or do something strenuous and continue my gym routine to compensate for the torn ligament in my knee.

I managed to do another Iron Butt Ride in 2012, eleven months after the collision – this time up to Yellowknife in Canada's Northwest Territory. Over the 2012/13 winter I started thinking about bigger rides – something to push myself a bit more. I planned to do an IBA Trans Canada Quest (TCQ - coast to coast in less than 90 hours) but my shoulders were still giving me issues when I started riding in the spring of 2013 so a big ride like that didn't seem possible and I had to delay my TCQ attempt.

My 'little problem' began during the winter of 2013/14.

My friend Norm said he'd like to join me on the TCQ but wondered if we could tie it together with an IBA 50CC Quest (coast to coast in the USA in less than 50 hrs). So I started planning a ride for spring 2015.

It is better to ride east to west in Canada as that allows following the sun longer than the 50CC would allow in the USA. So, let's start in San Diego and ride to Jacksonville, FL as so many people do on the 50CC challenge. And why not toss in a BunBurner Gold on the way to Florida because that's what others do? Texas has high speeds on the Interstate so 1,500 miles in less than 24 hours seemed do-able. Coming up the east coast we would take it slow and easy riding the Cherohala Skyway, the Tail of the Dragon, and the Blue Ridge Parkway and then tackle the IBA Great Lakes Challenge (circle all five Great Lakes in less than 100 hrs) before heading to Halifax for the start of our Trans Canada Quest. To get to San Diego it seemed reasonable to do the IBA Border to Border (B2B) challenge – Canada to Mexico with options of 24 or 36 hrs. We settled on 24 because, why not. Five huge Iron Butt challenges seemed somehow appropriate.

And this is when the Southern California Motorcycling Association (SCMA) entered my world. At some point after 2008 I had read about the SCMA and some of the available riding challenges. After reading that previous paragraph you probably already know where this is going next. Since we were planning the two big IBA cross-continent rides, TCQ and 50CC, it didn't seem like much to add a short side-trip to Key West, FL in order to complete the USA Four Corners Tour.

It made more sense to do the IBA B2B from Alberta to Mexico rather than starting in Vancouver as the I-5 west coast route goes through Seattle, Portland, Sacramento, Los Angeles, and San Diego compared to I-15 with just Salt Lake City and San Diego (Vegas hardly counts). The B2B choice of I-15 meant our Four Corners would start in San Ysidro, CA and end in Blaine, WA. Our IBA TCQ ride had to be done on all Canadian Roads so we would stop in Madawaska, ME on our way east to Halifax after our trip around the Great Lakes. Plans are a good thing.

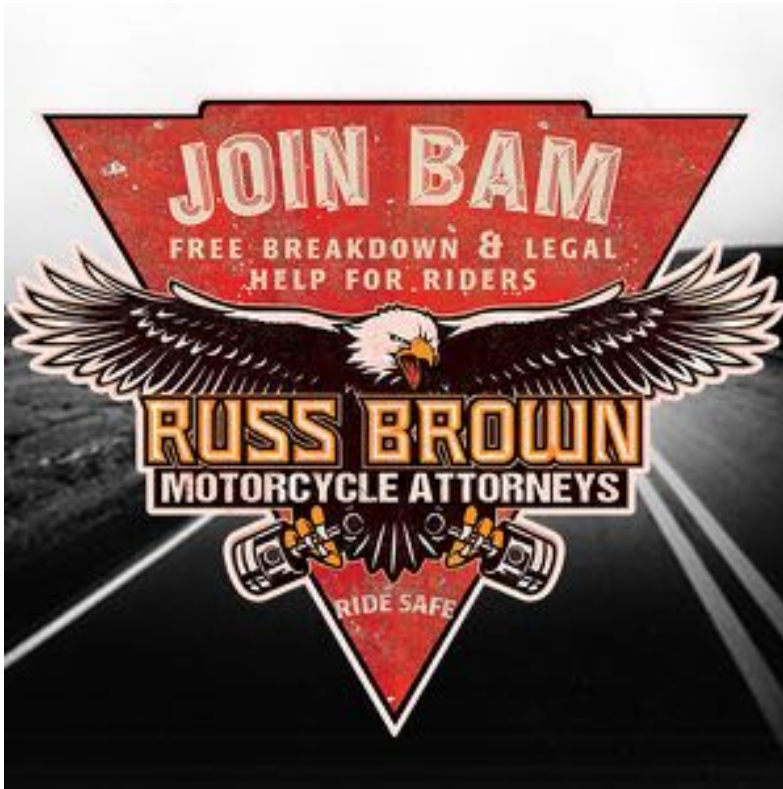
Like I said, I have a problem doing one challenge at a time. It did all work out with us taking the full 21 days to complete our Four Corners Tour. All told we covered 24,700 km (15,350 miles) in 24 days as seen in the SPOTWalla Epic Ride image.

Next time, a Triple Crown summer in two rides.



# 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.

## **BAM membership is FREE!**

All we ask is that you volunteer to help another member in need of assistance if called upon and only if you are available to do so. In turn, your Los Angeles Motorcycle Accident attorneys are here to advise you whether you need our representation or just some guidance and advice after an accident.

Join 2 million fellow bikers who have the strong backing of each other as well as the original Motorcycle Attorneys. Enhance your SCMA membership with all the added benefits of BAM: get your FREE BAM Benefit card by calling 1-800-4-BIKERS or visiting [www.russbrown.com](http://www.russbrown.com).





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



This difficult Premier Ride Challenge is offered again with some interesting changes for its ninth year, 2019. Six replacement roads or road groups, plus a Sixteenth road have been added to the list. A challenge taker may ride any 15 of the 16 listed roads to qualify as a finisher. But, this ride challenge is not for everyone... to date, only 30 riders have been able to complete the Best 15 US Roads Challenge. There have been 41 finishes as some of these long distance riders have gone around more than once over the years. Do you have what it takes to join this very limited group of SCMA long distance riders?

As a registrant, you will have a two-year window to complete the challenge one time, though ALL 15 Roads must be ridden in ONE calendar year. If, for any reason, you do not complete all roads the first year, you will have a second chance, BUT, you start with a blank slate for that second try.

For further clarification, or questions about this event, contact **Bob Roger, Chairman, Best 15 US Roads Challenge** at either

(330) 857 8131  
Best15us@sc-ma.com



To view a full descriptive list of the roads, please go to the SCMA website at: <https://sc-ma.com/rides/best-15-parent/best-15-roads-list/>

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

## The Grand Slam Award

Are you looking for a challenge to ride 30,000+ miles in 2019 to some fantastic destinations?

On some awesome roads?

And then receive an awesome plaque of recognition?

Read on...

Three of our riders attained a major riding accomplishment in 2018.

E.B. and Judy Chester completed the Premier 5 and Monica Short completed the Grand Slam.

With the addition of the CA Best 15 Roads to the CA Adventure Series in 2018, the Board of Directors re-defined the requirements for the Grand Slam. The Grand Slam Award previously required riders to ride all 5 Premier events AND ride 13 Travelers Award Monthly Rides (in SoCal). That last requirement pretty much meant that you had to live in SoCal to get the award; the new requirements puts all members on the same, level playing field.

Riders are required to complete all six Premier events in a single calendar year. Monica Short did just that in 2018 and was awarded her Premier Grand Slam plaque.

Prior recipients of the Grand Slam were

Gonzo (2013)

Dannie Fox (2015)

Jean and Claudette Fradette (2016)

Les Gullery (2017)

Here is the wording on Monica's plaque:

*SCMA presents*

*The 2018 Premier Grand Slam Award*

*To*

*Monica Short*

*For having completed all six SCMA Premier rides. The accomplishment includes touring many of the most scenic places in North America on two-wheels while averaging 600 miles a day and logging over 30,000 miles in one calendar year. Monica braved the heat, cold, wind, torrential rains, potholes, a closed down I-5 due to forest fires, budget motels, hospitality from friends and family, a blown 3rd gear, and a leaking transmission (it was a Harley), three sets of tires and about 5 oil changes in one calendar year. This is a feat accomplished by few and cherished by many..... Congratulations!*



The Grand Slam Award presented by Les Gullery to Monica Short for her 2018 accomplishment. The plaque is a clear acrylic (the green backdrop was added to be able to read the words.)

This is a large plaque mounted on diamond plate and sporting a pewter vintage motorcycle



## The Premier 5 Award

We're saying goodbye to this beautiful award.

E.B. and Judy Chester are the last riders to receive this award as 2018 was the last year of eligibility. Only 8 members (if I missed your name please call me) have received this award since its inception:

Gonzo (2012)  
Charlie Hart (2014)  
Jean and Claudette Fradette (2015)  
Charles Lamb (2017)  
Andy Andresen (2017)  
E. B. and Judy Chester (2018)

The award was designed to recognize riders that completed the 5 Premier events in a single calendar year. It was purposely designed for those riders who didn't live in SoCal and therefore couldn't qualify for the Grand Slam Award.

With the addition of the CA Best 15 Roads to the CA Adventure Series in 2018, the Board of Directors decided to redefine the requirements for the Grand Slam and eliminate the Premier 5.

In 2018 E.B and Judy Chester completed the CA Missions, CA B15, USA4C, B15 US, and the 3FC18 qualifying them for this beautiful plaque.

The wording, the same on both of their plaques, recounts a few particulars of their adventure.

SCMA Presents  
The 2018 Premier Five Award  
to

E. B. Chester (**Judy Chester**)

*For having completed Five Premier rides in a single calendar year. The accomplishment includes touring many of the most scenic places in North America on two-wheels while riding 43 days averaging over 500 miles/day and logging 22,000 miles upon completion. E. B. (**Judy**) braved "Death By Drowning", riding through intense rain/wind/hail/lightening storms, heat over 115 degrees and cold below 32 degrees, dehydration, being attacked by thousands of yellow butterflies, getting lost in a garbage container alley, encountering road construction delays and sand storms, and hellacious rides thru CA urban cities. This is a feat accomplished by few and cherished by many.....Congratulations !!*

E. B. and Judy were unable to attend the Awards Banquet this year, so we tagged up with her in Cave Creek AZ and presented her with her award!



The Premier 5 Award presented to E. B. Chester and to Judy Chester. Each plaque had their respective names with the same description of the event.

Judy Chester receiving her Premier 5 Award in Cave Creek AZ. (E.B. was on travel and his plaque was mailed to him.) Notice the size of the base to accommodate the large acrylic plaque.



# International News Section

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This section has articles about the SCMA Three Flags Classic and information of a general nature for all SCMA members throughout the world.



An advertisement for Aerostich. The background is a photograph of a person wearing a silver helmet and a grey and yellow riding suit, sitting on a blue motorcycle on a paved road overlooking a mountain range under a blue sky with light clouds. The text 'GUARANTEED BETTER FIT' is written in large, bold, red, sans-serif letters on the left side. Below this, a list of bullet points is provided: '• 40 + sizes in stock', '• Mens and Womens grading', '• Shorts/Regulars/Talls', '• Alterations available', and '• All returnable'. At the bottom, the 'AEROSTICH SINCE 1982' logo is displayed in white, with the website 'aerostich.com/scma' written below it. Small text at the bottom left reads 'Photo: Matthew Kabbash - 2016' and at the bottom right reads '©2016 Aerostich'.

# 2019 Three Flags Classic

## Route Sheet

By Steve Andrus #25058  
Paul Lax #34610

	<p><b>This route sheet will be updated as the event gets closer. The checkpoint cities will not be likely to change but the exact locations will be added. You will note a date in the footer to be sure you are looking at the current route. Checkpoint volunteers will be found as soon as possible. Once those are identified, the exact location of the checkpoints will be added to this route sheet.</b></p> <p><b>Rather than turn by turn, these directions guide by following the route numbers of the highways. The route has been pe- ridden to be sure that roadside signs identify the highways at all intersections.</b></p>	
<b>TOTAL MILES</b>	<b>DIRECTIONS</b>	<b>MILES</b>
0	THE EXACT DIRECTIONS FROM THE START HOTEL TO THE BORDER WILL BE ADDED	
	TAKE U.S.95 NORTH TO QUARTZITE, AZ	105
	I-10 EAST TO U.S.60	12
	U.S. 60 TO AZ 71	56
	AZ 71 TO AZ 89 NORTH	24
	AZ 89 NORTH TO I-40	96
	I-40 EAST TO U.S. 89 NORTH	56
	<b>NOTE: On U.S. 89 YOU WILL PASS THE MEMORIAL FOR THE GRANITE MOUNTAIN HOT SHOTS, A FOREST SERVICE CREW OF WHICH 19 OF ITS 20 MEMBERS WERE KILLED WHILE FIGHTING A FIRE.</b>	
	U.S. 89 NORTH TO U.S. ALT. 89	104

	<b>U.S. ALT 89 TO U.S.89</b>	<b>92</b>
	<b>RECOMMENDATION – IF YOU WON'T MAKE CEDAR CITY BEFORE DARK, THINK ABOUT STAYING IN KANAB. Utah 14 is too nice a road to ride in the dark.</b>	
	<b>U.S. 89 TO UT 14</b>	<b>40</b>
	<b>UT 14 TO I-15</b>	<b>41</b>
	<b>UT 14 reaches a summit elevation 9917'</b>	
<b>614</b>	<b>CHECKPOINT #1 IN CEDAR CITY</b>	
	<b>I-15 NORTH TO UT 130</b>	<b>4</b>
	<b>UT 130 TO UT 21</b>	<b>36</b>
	<b>UT 21 TO U.S. 50 WEST</b>	<b>107</b>
	<b>U.S. 50 WEST TO NV 278</b>	<b>134</b>
	<b>NV 278 TO I-80 EAST</b>	<b>88</b>
	<b>I-80 EAST TO NV 225 NORTH</b>	<b>20</b>
	<b>RECOMMENDATION – FILL UP IN ELKO – NO GAS UNTIL IDAHO BORDER</b>	
	<b>NV 225 NORTH BECOMES ID 51 – CONTINUE TO MOUNTAIN HOME</b>	<b>180</b>
<b>569</b>	<b>CHECKPOINT #2 IN MOUNTAIN HOME –</b>	
	<b>RECCOMENDATION – CONSIDER OVERNIGHT IN MOUNTAIN HOME – UNLESS YOU ARE CAMPING, NOT MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR MOTEL ROOMS FOR THE NEXT 220+ MILES</b>	
	<b>RECOMMENDATION – WATCH YOUR FUEL LEVEL ON THIS STRETCH</b>	
	<b>U.S 20 north</b>	<b>83</b>
	<b>ID 75 north – Sawtooth Hwy.</b>	<b>138</b>
	<b>ID 75 IS A GREAT ROAD</b>	
	<b>U.S. 93 north</b>	<b>200</b>
	<b>i-90 WEST</b>	<b>173</b>
<b>423</b>	<b>CHECKPOINT #3 IN COEUR D' ALENE</b>	
	<b>U.S. 95 NORTH</b>	<b>94</b>
	<b>ID 1</b>	<b>11</b>
	<b>BORDER CROSSING INTO CANADA</b>	
	<b>CONTINUE ONTO BC 21</b>	<b>11 km</b>
	<b>BC 3 TO 3A</b>	<b>&lt;1 km</b>
	<b>AT THIS POINT, FOLLOW THE SIGNS TO THE FERRY – THEY WILL PUT YOU ON 3A NORTH</b>	
	<b>BC 3A TO FERRY</b>	<b>74 km</b>
	<b>THERE IS NO FARE ON THIS CROSSING - CHECK THE FERRY SCHEDULE – <a href="http://www2.gov.bc.ca">www2.gov.bc.ca</a> – CROSSING TIME IS 35 MINUTES</b>	



	<b>CONTINUE ON 3A TO BC 6</b>	<b>63 km</b>
	<b>NOTE: 3A AND 6 RUN TOGETHER FOR 21 km FROM NELSON TO SOUTH SLOCAN</b>	
	<b>BC 6 NORTH (TOWARD NAKSUP)</b>	<b>176 KM</b>
	<b>FAUQUIER – NEEDLES FERRY – QUITE SHORT – NO FARE</b>	
<b>103 Mi + 451 km</b>	<b>CONTINUE ON BC 6 INTO VERNON</b>	<b>127 km</b>

*Editor's Note: A big thank you to Steve and Paul for establishing the route and especially to Paul and Patricia for pre-riding it in snow (Pre-ride story will be in next month's issue).*

*Please note, this route is always subject to updates as we get closer to the start date. Fires, rain, road closures, construction, etc., all have an impact on the final route!*

.....Gonzo


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

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**YUASA BATTERY**


FIND A BATTERY

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 (@womannerider) 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



# Mexican Buffet

## eBlast #5 - 3FC19 Start

### San Luis Rio Colorado

The Three Flags Classic start and sign-in will be held at the Hotel Araiza in San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora, Mexico, located approximately 25 miles south of Yuma AZ, on Thursday 29 August 2019 between 10:00 am and 5:00 pm.

At 5:00 PM the Mexican Buffet will be served and the Rider's Meeting will begin with presenting updates in regards to the route and other pertinent information for riders.

The Mexican Buffet that will be served by the Hotel Araiza will be different than what many of us are accustomed to in typical Mexican plates served in the USA. Below is the menu for the evening's buffet and some photos to show what the dishes will look like.

#### **Carne Asada Araiza**

Two types of fruit flavored water  
Pastor (Flavored meat with spices and hot peppers)  
Grilled T-Bone and rib eye  
Baked Ribs  
Rajas con Crema (Chile strips with sour cream)  
Grilled Panela Cheese  
Frijoles Charros  
Grilled Vegetable Kebab  
Grilled Corn



#### **Pastor**

(Flavored meat with spices and hot peppers)

Rajas con Crema  
(Chile strips with sour cream)



Grilled  
Panela Cheese

Frijoles  
Charros





Grilled  
Vegetable  
Kebab



Grilled  
Corn

If your experiences in American styled Mexican restaurants are similar to my experiences, you may not have ever tasted these dishes.

This looks to be a very enjoyable dinner introducing us to Mexican culinary.

I'm looking forward to tasting each of these dishes!

....See y'all in the dinner line

## Status Report (eBlast #4) on 3FC19 Hotels at Start and Finish

It is now April, and 4.5 months or so to the final push of getting all our gear in place for the check-in process in San Luis Rio Colorado (SLRC). Despite a few challenges, the 3FC19 Committee continues moving forward in getting all details finalized.

Let's go over some of the details"

1. Start and finish locations finalized - SLRC Sonora Mexico and Vernon BC Canada. Item #7 below addresses hotel reservations.
2. Route and checkpoint were determined. However, a pre-ride recently completed by Paul Lax identified some issues with day 1 routing. Paul and Steve Andrus are redesigning that portion of the route. As soon as that is completed we will release a turn by turn for all.
3. Physical location of each checkpoint will soon be identified. Once Paul has the route completed he will begin making arrangements for check-in locations within the checkpoint cities.
4. A logo design has been completed but is awaiting the final mileage pending Steve and Paul's final route design. This logo is being shopped to the buckle manufacturer for initial consideration to start the buckle design.
5. The committee is considering some pin and patch designs as an alternative to the designed logo. Hat and t-shirt designs are now in progress.
6. The big challenge has been with arranging start and finish hotels; we're please to announce that arrangements are completed.
7. Hotel Araiza has an English speaking staff to take reservations via telephone. Hotel San Angel has part-time English-speaking staff. For the other three, non-English speaking hotels in SLRC, registration will be facilitated by the Mayor's Office of Turismo via an email reservation process to be handled by their English-speaking staff.
  - a. Hotel Araiza can accept telephone reservations using "Three Flags Classic" as the Group Code.
  - b. Reservations for Hotel San Angel, The Hotel Panda Inn, Motel Continental, and Hotel San Antonio can be accomplished via email. Below is the format you need to type into an email and send to:

**[Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com](mailto:Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com)**

## 3FC19 Start Hotels, SLRC Sonora, Mexico

**Hotel Araiza** Av. Francisco I. Madero 1800,  
**English-speaking** Residencias, 83448  
 San Luis Río Colorado, Son., Mexico  
 Fee – pay in USD (Tax not included)

Standard Sencilla	\$70.00 USD	25 rooms
Standard Doble	\$70.00 USD	25 rooms
Superior Sencilla	\$80.00 USD	5 rooms
Superior Doble	\$80.00 USD	5 rooms
Suites Sencilla	\$95.00	2 rooms
Suites Doble	\$95.00	3 rooms

**011 52 (653) 517-2400** Ask for reservations, "Three Flags Classic"

**Hotel San Angel** Av Alvaro Obregon 1050,  
**Some English** Comercial, 83449  
**-speaking** San Luis Río Colorado, Son., Mexico  
**011 52 (653) 849-2981**

		Approx USD
Standard Sencilla	\$1,200 Pesos	\$70.00 USD 35 rooms
Standard Doble	\$1,400 Pesos	\$80.00 USD 55 rooms

**Email reservation** (if no English-speaking clerk): [Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com](mailto:Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com)

**Panda Inn** 1405, Av Alvaro Obregon,  
**Spanish-speaking** Residencias, 83448  
 San Luis Río Colorado, Son., Mexico  
**011 52 (653) 535-1997**

		Approx USD
Standard Sencilla	\$800 Pesos	\$47.00 USD 9 rooms
Standard Doble	\$900 Pesos	\$53.00 USD 20 rooms
Suite Junior	\$1,000 Pesos	\$59.00 USD 4 rooms

**Email reservation:** [Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com](mailto:Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com)

**Continental Hotel** Av Alvaro Obregon 2003,  
**Spanish-speaking** Colonia Residencias,  
 San Luis Río Colorado, Son., Mexico  
**011 52 (653) 534-2396**

Standard Sencilla	\$500 Pesos	\$30.00 USD	15 rooms
Standard Doble	\$700 Pesos	\$41.00 USD	45 rooms

**Email reservation:** [Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com](mailto:Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com)

**Hotel San Antonio** Av Alvaro Obregon 269, Comercial, 83449  
**Spanish-speaking** San Luis Río Colorado, Son., Mexico  
**011 52 (653) 518-3781**

Sencilla Queen	\$685 Pesos	\$40.00 USD	5 rooms
Doble Queen Suite	\$899 Pesos	\$53.00 USD	8 rooms
Sencilla King	\$757 Pesos	\$45.00 USD	7 rooms
Doble King	\$986 Pesos	\$58.00 USD	5 rooms
Doble Matrimonia	\$785 Pesos	\$46.00 USD	15 rooms

**Email reservation:** [Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com](mailto:Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com)

## 2019 Three Flags Classic™ SLRC Hotel Registration Form

**Send this info in your email to: [Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com](mailto:Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com)**

The Panda Inn, Continental, and San Antonio Hotels in San Luis Rio Colorado do not have English speaking clerks at their front desk. The Mayor's Office has arranged for a select individual to go to the motels/hotels and make a reservation for you based on interpreting the information you provide below. (we are working to arrange for an English speaking interpreter to be at these hotels to assist on Thursday when most riders will be checking into their these hotels.

Use the below format when you type your information on the email you send to the hotel.

Please indicate 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> choices in the event a hotel fills up.

**Hotel Choice:** (Please indicate 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> choices in the event a hotel fills up)

- \_\_\_\_\_ San Angel
- \_\_\_\_\_ Panda Inn and Suites
- \_\_\_\_\_ Continental Motel
- \_\_\_\_\_ First available

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Last)

Your Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
#, Street, Apt/Unit #

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Country (CAN/MEX/USA)

Your Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(xxx-xxx-xxxx) indicate country

Your email: \_\_\_\_\_  
(xxxxxxx@yyyyy.com)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(Credit Card Information will not be required)

**Send this info in your email to:  
[Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com](mailto:Turismo.sanluisrc@gmail.com)**

## Finish Hotels Vernon BC Canada

Vernon Lodge (Finish location) 98 Rooms

3914 32<sup>nd</sup> St, Vernon BC 250-545-3385

Standard	\$125.95
King Bed	\$135.95
Suites	\$165.95

Prestige Hotel 44 Rooms

4411 32<sup>nd</sup> St, Vernon BC 250-558-5991

Standard	\$125.99
King	\$135.95
Suites	\$165.95

Sandman Motel 40 Rooms

4201 32<sup>nd</sup> St, Vernon BC 250-542-4325

Standard 1 Queen bed	\$125.00
Standard 2 Beds	\$125.00
Standard 1 King	\$135.00
Studio Kitchen	\$165.00

More rooms will be made available in Vernon depending on demand

### 3FC19 Checkpoint Changes

The Route and Checkpoint teams completed a pre-ride in the USA (yes, they rode in snow). As a result of this pre-ride they provided information to the 3FC19 committee recommending some routing changes and checkpoint changes.

Checkpoints previously announced as Tonopah, Mountain Home, and Sand Point are being reviewed by the committee and may be changed to match with the new routing being proposed by the team.

As soon as a final decision is made, and approval received from the Board of Directors, an eBlast shall be released to inform you of the changes.







The WeSTOC Disorganization  
Committee Proudly Presents:

## WeSTOC 24

### Calgary, AB, Canada

### June 24-27, 2019

WeSTOC is the Western Rally of the ST-Owners Club (STOC) - a group dedicated to all things related to the venerable Honda ST1100 and ST1300 motorcycles.

WeSTOC is the largest STOC Rally and is open to riders on any make or model of motorcycle.

For the 24th WeSTOC Rally the location of Calgary, Alberta, Canada was chosen as it sits in close proximity to some of the most scenic riding in Canada including a route that National Geographic has called "one of the most spectacular drives in the world."

In addition to the Icefields Parkway in Banff and Jasper National Parks attendees can:

-ride over Highwood Pass, Canada's highest paved road

-visit the Royal Tyrrell Museum and view millions of years of history

-ride through scenery and visit locations of blockbuster movies such as *Unforgiven*, *Legends of the Fall*, and *Brokeback Mountain* among countless others

-or travel to Vulcan and see the Starship Enterprise

The last point, plus the fact WeSTOC has never been held in Alberta, made it easy to decide on WeSTOC 24's tagline:

**Boldly Going Where No WeSTOC  
Has Gone Before!**

WeSTOC is about friendship and great riding and you will find both of those at WeSTOC 24. So grab your old friends or come and make some new ones. Just get to Calgary in June.

Early-bird registration ends on Feb 26

For all the details scan the  
QR Code with your phone  
or point your browser at  
<http://westoc.org/>



## *SCMA's Premier Events*

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

The planning for the 2019, 44th Annual Three Flags Classic is gaining momentum. The ride will start in San Luis Rio Colorado (SLRC), Sonora Mexico, and head north for a finish in Vernon, BC Canada. The ride will be 4 days in duration. A lot of exciting things are happening and it's shaping up to be a continuation of our return to our Three Flags roots of riding through three countries!!!

<https://sc-ma.com/rides/3-flag-parent/three-flags-classic/>

### **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. Dannie Fox is chairing this event in 2019. <https://sc-ma.com/rides/usa-four-corners-tour-site/usa-four-corners-tour-ride-summary/>

### **SCMA Best 15 US Roads Challenge**

During 2019, 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 2019 and can be contacted at [rsroger03@gmail.com](mailto:rsroger03@gmail.com)

**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. Mike Williams is chairing these events in 2019.

**CPA:** During any single calendar year, in any order and at any pace, visit 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 CA Best 15 Roads; 5 each located in northern, central and southern CA. Rules for this event can be found online at: <https://sc-ma.com/ca-best-15-parent/ca-best-15-roads-challenge/ca-best-15-roads-rules/>

### **SCMA's California Triple Crown**

Awarded to riders who successfully finish all three CA Adventure Series events in a single calendar year. Mike Williams will be chairing the selection committee in 2019

### **The SCMA Premier 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 three CA Adventure Series rides in a single calendar year (15Jan to 30Nov 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 2019.

**The Premier 5 Award\*** This award has been replaced by the Premier Grand Slam Award

### **The SCMA Premier Grand Slam Award\***

Complete all six (6) Premier Events: the USA Four Corners Tour, the Three Flags Classic, The Best 15 US Roads Challenge, and all three of the California Parks Adventure Series (Parks, Missions, CA Best 15) in a single calendar year. Gonzo will be chairing the selection committee in 2019.

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there. For more information go to

[www.sc-ma.com](http://www.sc-ma.com). Links to all our affiliated clubs are there also.

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Businesses interested in sponsor membership advertising of a half page ad in the newsletter for 12 months, and prominent mention at SCMA's March Awards and Appreciation Banquet and the September Three Flags Banquet, should contact the Chairman.



Paul Lax and Patricia found a lot of snow on their Pre-ride of the 3FC19 Route!!

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