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**NEWS**

**SCMA - More Than Miles**

## Chairman's Letter

I finally got back in the saddle and did a nice long ride a weekend ago. Houston to Tao, NM; the Best 15 #11 Enchanted Loop ride; a run to Peoria, AZ to meet up with the AZRatPack and ride the Southern Tour finishing in Bisbee, AZ; then the ride back home. Just about 3k miles in 5 days. great times on the Southern Tour - go check out <http://www.AZRatPack.com> and sign up for one of their rides. The AZRatPack has well planned and organized rides and welcomes new riders who want to participate. Some of the nicest people you will ever meet.

Rodney and Victor have made big progress on the new website. They sure could use some pictures you have taken from one of your recent SCMA rides. Please send your pictures to [vicechairman@sc-ma.com](mailto:vicechairman@sc-ma.com).

It's that time of year where we accept nominations for our board positions. This year the positions of Vice Chairman, Treasurer, and Membership Director will be accepted. Please watch for an eBlast and website posting in the next few days with the details.

I'm getting back on my motorcycle this week and heading to Puerto Penasco, Sonora, MEX for the SCMA Get Together this weekend. Rooms are still available for Friday 5/13 and Sat 5/14. Please call 888-232-8142 or 855-271-9685 toll free - reservation #57104. The weather report says high of 90 on Friday and Sat is 89! I hope to see you there.

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Looking forward to seeing you BMW riders at the 2022 BMW MOA National Rally June 16-18 in Springfield, Mo. Drop me a note at [chairman@sc-ma.com](mailto:chairman@sc-ma.com) if you are going and I'll see if we can all meet up somewhere during the Rally at the fairgrounds.

Ride safe and ride often!

Mark Burdick  
Chairman



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## **SOUTHWEST Regional News Section**

(Pages 3 – 17)

To help our readers track and group the information provided in this newsletter, we have grouped the articles into Regional, National, and International sections. This section contains info on events in SoCal, NorCal, NV, and AZ in the SW Region.

### **Membership Report/News**

*By James Filley #46151*

Membership applications continue to roll in and I am back to working on printing cards and shipping envelopes. Jack Knorst (IT Guy) and Rodney Chew (ViceChair) figured out a way to generate member numbers manually....Jack checks for new members each day and assigns memberships numbers to each new account.

Please remember to use the email address associated with PayPal. If you do not have the expertise to sign up online, or you do not have a computer, please find someone to assist you. I cannot sign you up, as it has to be done on the member's end.

Please UPDATE YOUR snail MAILING ADDRESS!! A number of renewal membership packages have been returned to me.

[Jamesf4@gmail.com](mailto:Jamesf4@gmail.com)

(619) 823-7390

# An AZ Story (Of Questionable Truth)

by an unknown un-reputable  
#24998

An Arizona Highway Patrol officer stops a Harley for traveling faster than the posted speed limit. He starts the stop by asking the biker his name.

- > 'Fred,' he replies.
- > 'Fred what?' the officer asks.
- > 'Just Fred,' the man responds.
- > The officer, in a good mood, thinks he might just give the biker a break, and write him out a warning instead of a ticket. The officer presses him for the last name.
- > The man tells him that he used to have a last name but lost it.
- > The officer thinks that he has a nut case on his hands but plays along with it. 'Tell me, Fred, how did you lose your last name?'
- > The biker replies, 'It's a long story, so stay with me. I was born Fred Johnson. I studied hard and got good grades. When I got older, I realized that I wanted to be a doctor. I went through college, medical school, internship, residency, and finally got my degree, so I was Fred Johnson, MD.
- > After a while I got bored being a doctor, so I decided to go back to school. Dentistry was my dream! Got all the way through School, got my degree, so then I was Fred Johnson, MD, DDS.
- > Got bored doing dentistry, so I started fooling around with my assistant and she gave me VD, so now I was Fred Johnson, MD, DDS, with VD
- > Well, the ADA found out about the VD, so they took away my DDS. Then I was Fred Johnson, MD, with VD.
- > Then the AMA found out about the ADA taking away my DDS because of the VD, so they took away my MD leaving me as Fred Johnson with VD.
- > Then the VD took away my Johnson, so now I am Just Fred'
- > The officer walked away in tears, laughing.

After much investigation and interrogation of certain motorcycle riders in Arizona, we have come to a tentative conclusion that the biker in this scenario was NOT the Vice Chairman of SCMA!!

However, we are aware of two other board members that frequent Arizona and we will continue our efforts to clear the Chairman or the Secretary of any malicious innuendo!

Leaker  
Ethics Committee

# 2022 CALIFORNIA ADVENTURE SERIES

By Les Gullery  
Chair, CA Adventures  
#25101

The California Adventure Series consists of **'3' Rides:**

- 1.) CA Mission Tour - **21 Missions**
- 2.) CA Parks Adventure – **24 Parks**  
Parks/Monuments/ Preserve/Seashore/  
Historic Sites/ Historic Parks
- 3.) CA Best-15 Roads Challenge: Series **'A', 'B', 'C' & 'D'**  
Consists of **60 roads**; Northern, Central & Southern

## “The Next Challenge”

The challenges for those riders of the CA Best-15 Roads are still out there! As a co-author of the CA Best-15 Challenge, this ride was designed in a way to provide numerous challenges for the **'Long Distance Rider'**.

- Multiple 'Series':  
Complete two or more 'Series' in a single year  
Complete all four 'Series' in a single year
- \* Opposite Direction:  
The rider that has completed a 'Series', does that same 'Series' in the opposite direction on those roads for that series. In other words, if you rode the road East to West, you now need to ride that road West to East.

## WHO'S ON THE ROADS:

\* RIDER GOING FOR THE "CA TRIPLE CROWN"

### Missions Tour:

- |                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Wayne Green *     | 9. Erik Whitley      |
| 2. Victoria Green *  | 10. Kurt Worden *    |
| 3. Tom Sheltraw *    | 11. Ken Whetstone *  |
| 4. Taelyn Sheltraw * | 12. Jerry Walsh      |
| 5. Gonzo Gonzalez *  | 13. Edward Monsour * |
| 6. Tom Strobbe *     | 14. Robert Govier    |
| 7. Bob Kehr *        | 15. Joseph Otto      |
| 8. Gary Whitehead *  | 16. Bella Michel     |

### Parks Adventure:

- |                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Wayne Green *    | 7. Bob Kehr *       |
| 2. Victoria Green * | 8. Gary Whitehead * |

**Erik Whitley**  
**Robert Govier**  
**CONGRATULATIONS !!**  
**FINISHER**  
**CA MISSIONS TOUR**  
2022 CA ADVENTURE SERIES

- 3. Tom Sheltraw \*
- 4. Taelyn Sheltraw \*
- 5. Gonzo Gonzalez \*
- 6. Tom Strobbe \*
- 9. Kurt Worden \*
- 10. Ken Whetstone \*
- 11. Edward Monsour \*
- 12. Bernadette Dye



**Roads Challenge:**

- 1. Wayne Green \*
- 2. Victoria Green \*
- 3. Tom Sheltraw \*
- 4. Taelyn Sheltraw \*
- 5. Gonzo Gonzalez \*
- 6. Tom Strobbe \*
- 7. Bob Kehr \*
- 8. Gary Whitehead \*
- 9. Ben Greenwood
- 10. Kurt Worden \*
- 11. Ken Whetstone \*
- 12. Edward Monsour \*
- 13. Ben Lee
- 14. George Mowry

Les Gullery  
2022 California Adventure Series  
Chairman



CA B15 Series C  
Lilac Rd

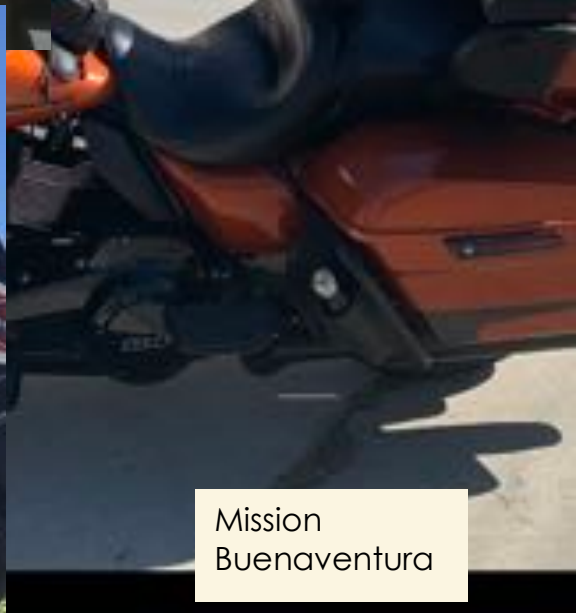
In Bonsall (Lilac Rd) we have a choice at the local market



Mission San Francisco de Assisi



Cabrillo NP in San Diego



Mission Buenaventura

CLOSED !!  
Kelso Station,  
Mojave National Park

## **NP STAMP UNAVAILABLE**

To verify visiting this national park you need only provide a photo at the Kelso Station or a photo at the Mojave HQ.





# Idyllwild Run

**San Diego Red Hot Riders**

**SATURDAY, June 11, 2022 AT 8 AM – 2 PM**

See the event and map on Facebook – RedHot Riders Motorcycle Club

<https://tinyurl.com/m5d8znh>



**Highlights - Wilson Valley Road, 74 from Hemet, 243,  
Lunch at Mountain Center Fork and Spoon**

**Meet at the Shell Station / Starbucks / McDonalds**

3480 Del Lago Blvd, Escondido, CA 92029 – Off of I-15

Meet at 8am leaving 9am. See the map link below going through Valley Center, Lilac, brief stop at Pala Casino Gas Station, 79 East to 371/Cahuila Rd, to Wilson Valley Rd, Sage, Hemet to 74 East, stop at Mountain Center Fork & Spoon for lunch. Into Idyllwild on 243 after lunch and home when you are ready. Options home - 243 north to I-10, 74 Southeast to 371 to 79 West to I-15, some will go 79 Southeast through Ramona.

## NEWS - Malibu, CA,

Sat. May 21, motorcyclists of all sorts unite for the legendary GREENHORN as it takes place once a year.

Ask anyone who's done the HORN and you'll hear how this thoughtfully planned road tour (new route every year) challenges riders and is full of scenic surprises. This isn't a parade up the hwy.

Everyone checks in (FREE) Sat morn between 8-9am to receive the secret route sheet, a ride pin, a coffee and pastry, sign up for raffles prizes awarded later in the day, and then sets out with turn-by-turn directions.

Riders visit each checkpoint along the all-day route of country back-roads. Enjoy it solo or with a group, going at your own pace. For Dual-Sport riders there's an optional section of the route going off road for over 30 miles then rejoining the rest as we all finish at the same spot; one of Americas most beautiful beaches in Cambria.

There isn't a central hotel this year, instead many will camp at Hearst San Simeon State Park, while others are reserving hotels around Moonstone Beach in Cambria. Do that NOW! Saturday evening the ride hosts, members of Pasadena MC, welcome everyone to meet near the ocean for a raffle of impressive moto-related prizes thanks to our sponsors. It's a good time to socialize, make dinner plans, and celebrate the days adventure.

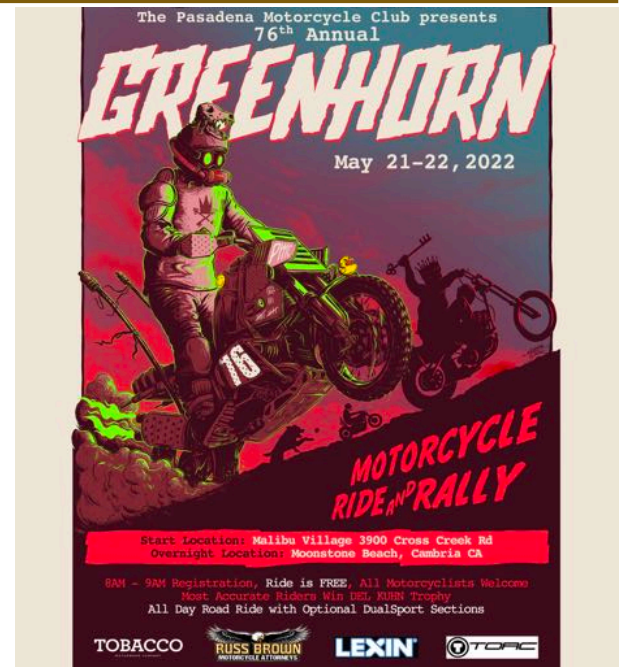
Sunday morn most bikers plan to slab it home in packs. A few always opt for the luxury exploring further. Feel free to contact this years friendly ride chairman (email) [Dracula@pasadenamc.com](mailto:Dracula@pasadenamc.com) for lodging suggestions or any other questions.

This ride, as always, is sanctioned by the American Motorcyclist Association @ama\_riding

Special thanks to our generous sponsors:

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Pasadena Motorcycle Club is a non-profit organization. We stopped charging for our rides and are grateful to all who donate anyway (every amount is helpful) to support the tradition of hosting these all-day SoCal road rides. THANK YOU! Our treasurer has tip jars at the event, and loves Venmo offerings @ PMC1907



The Pasadena Motorcycle Club presents  
76<sup>th</sup> Annual

# GREENHORN

May 21-22, 2022



**MOTORCYCLE  
RIDE AND RALLY**

Start Location: Malibu Village 3900 Cross Creek Rd  
Overnight Location: Moonstone Beach, Cambria CA

8AM - 9AM Registration, Ride is FREE, All Motorcyclists Welcome  
Most Accurate Riders Win DEL KUBN Trophy  
All Day Road Ride with Optional DualSport Sections

**TOBACCO**  **LEXIN** 

For details about the event, scroll back one page to page 11 and dig into the details!!

See y'all at the start, and the finish !!

# California Triple Crown

SCMA will continue to offer challenge for SCMA members riding the CA Series.

This is 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>.

The award is very similar to the SCMA Triple Crown and is a beautiful plaque to display in your home.

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 other major 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 Les Gullery, 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



# John Herman's 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Wildcat Canyon Ride San Diego

By Gonzo  
#25051

Karen Butterfield, President of the San Diego Red Hot Riders, gave me a heads up on a meetup event she had just become aware of. It was the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Wildcat Canyon Ride and was scheduled for Sunday starting in the Kearny-Mesa area of central San Diego County. The ride would end at Fat Ivors Rib Rack BBQ in Valley Center.

Here is the content of Karen's description of the event.

The annual Wildcat Canyon Ride will be Sunday April 24th leaving from Panera Bread on Clairemont Mesa around 9am and finishing at Fat Ivor's in Valley Center for ribs with the King himself, John Herman, signing the traditional certificates.

Long before there was a Barona Casino John Hermann was attacked by the locals on the reservation while riding on Wildcat Canyon Road. So for over 40 years now the Club has traditionally gathered in April to safely escort John through Wildcat Canyon often finishing at Fat Ivor's for John's favorite beef ribs.

Well Wildcat Canyon isn't so dangerous anymore, but the ride has continued as one of the most popular rides of the year for BMWOCSD, and a tradition of honoring our own King of the Alps, John Hermann.



Once Karen was able to confirm the event I



teamed up with Mike Barber and Karen to attend the start and meet John Herman. I was able to chat with John a bit, and received his permission to write an article about him for our newsletter. I find it amazing that so many of our fellow motorcyclists have "quiet" histories such as john.....who would have guessed that he was an opera chorus singer, a traveler, a motorcyclist, and an international best selling author!

So let's recount a bit of history here

about the remarkable life John continues to live.

The story below, copied from the internet, was published April 13, 2015, by the Coronado Eagle & Journal. I have called the Journal asking for reprint permission but have not received a response.



# Author, Singer And Motorcycle Rider Has Done it All

by Alessandra Selgi-Harrigan Apr 13, 2015 Updated Apr 13, 2015

John Hermann first arrived to San Diego after his graduation from Vanderbilt University in Tennessee. He had received an ROTC scholarship and joined the Navy after graduation. Hermann was sent to report to duty at NAB Coronado in July 1952. After three years in the Navy he got a job with Divisions of Highways, now



Caltrans, and bought a 25-year-old alley house on E Avenue in Coronado. "I wanted to live where I could walk to the beach... I paid \$18,000 for it... and went to the beach first thing in the morning and last thing in the evening," he recalled.

As a child he had studied piano. Hermann was a good music sight reader and had sung in the church choir. When he heard the San Diego Opera Guild was doing

auditions for the chorus, he decided to give it a try and was hired as a non-union singer. "Everyone else was a church musician, organist or in a choir. I was the only one not starving on a musician's salary," he said.

Hermann's first opera performance was "La Boheme" in 1965 at the San Diego Civic Theatre. His favorite operas were the ones that had more songs for the chorus since some had very few of them. "La Tosca" for example only had one "Te Deum."

His first musical director was Walter Herbert who was Austrian. "He was a fantastic director," said Hermann. The next director, was Argentinian Tito Capo Bianco. "He was a stickler for doing everything in its original language," said Hermann. "It was really hard for me to do songs in Italian."

"Nabucco" was the last opera Hermann performed in. During the 18 years in the chorus he had opportunities to sing his own lines during a scene. He sang a line in "Don Quixote" and "Rosen Cavalier." He and the other chorus members were close. "We got to know each other well and spent a lot of time together," he said.

In the 1972-1973 season Hermann was named "Outstanding Resident Artist" and received a certificate signed by Herbert and Margaret Ridout, president of the San Diego Opera Guild.

He laughs now when he recalls that during his second opera "Faust," the last minute replacement was Placido Domingo and he sang in French. At that time Domingo was not well known. "We thought all tenors sang like that," said Hermann. Although now it is common for the opera to be sang in its original language, Hermann said for the first few years the operas were all in English.

Hermann performed in 30 operas during his career "until my voice gave out," he explained.

Rehearsals were held at various places around San Diego. One time the group rehearsed in an old, closed down grocery store on El Cajon Boulevard. "We had over 300 rehearsals. It didn't leave much time for anything else," he said about his free time. Rehearsals were held three nights a week and there were four performances. Makeup was sometimes a big part of the preparations. In the "Magic Flute" he had to wear yellow body paint and in the first "Aida" all the Egyptians had red body paint. Costumes were specifically designed and made for a few of the operas.

Hermann loved performing in the operas and has many fond memories. One of his favorite operas was Wagner's "Tom Hauser." "A terrible one was 'Norma' with (well-known opera singer) Beverly Sills. She was a marvelously friendly person," said Hermann. What made the opera terrible was that he was playing a soldier holding a 20 pound shield during an aria called "Casta Diva." At every rehearsal Sills would not sing the aria in its entirety so Hermann didn't realize how heavy the shield was until the first performance.

Since moving to California, Hermann became a motorcycle enthusiast and he drove one as his main transportation to work and rehearsals. He recalls the lines of cars going to the ferry went as far back as Fifth Street and tickets were 15 cents in those days. Hermann was at an advantage in the motorcycle because he got on and off the ferry

first before the cars. One time while he was waiting for the ferry a Thunderbird caught on fire. Hermann put out a fire and a man standing by gave him a quarter and said "Have a drink one me," recalled Hermann.

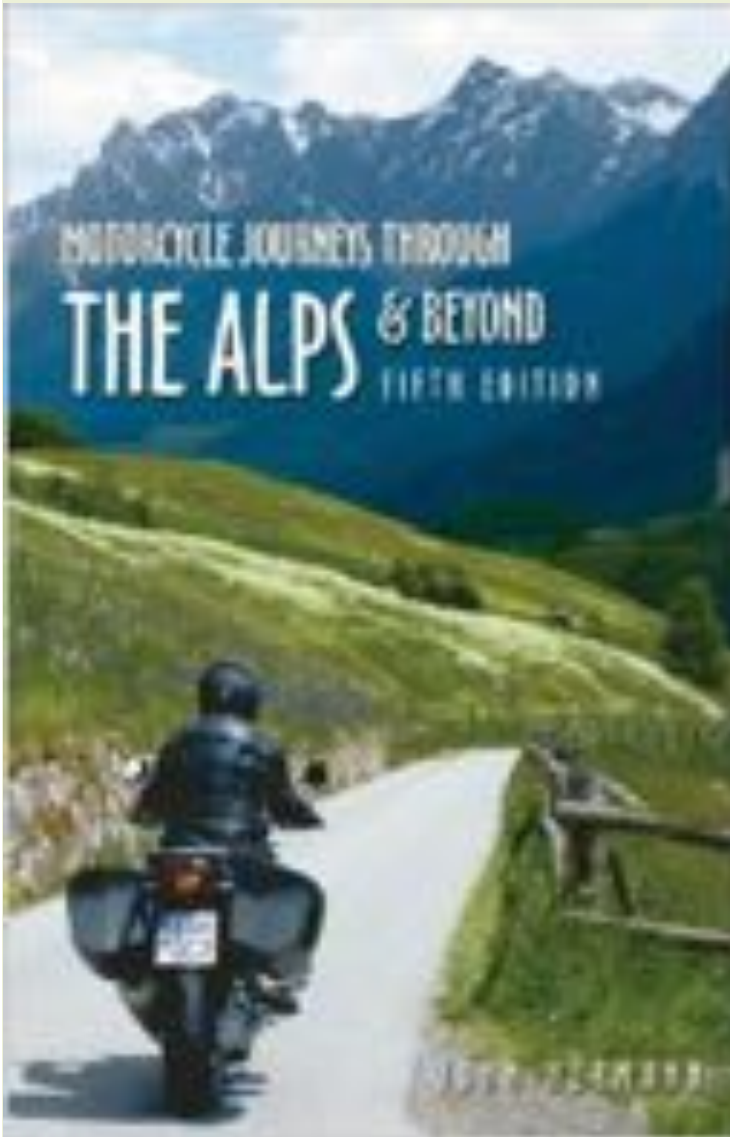
Hermann had a big role in starting the Meals on Wheels program in the San Diego area which extended from Point Loma to Jacumba. In 2011 a gala was held in Hermann's honor to recognize his effort. His involvement with Meals on Wheels started when some women asked him to join the board of the Senior Adult Services in 1970. "It started with social workers interviewing each client to determine their nutrition needs. All meals came from hospitals. Now Meals on Wheels has its own kitchen. I was the first male board member," said Hermann who is now emeritus board member.

While he worked for Caltrans he held many positions including right of way agent and real estate appraiser. Twenty years ago Hermann decided he was not having fun anymore at his job so he retired. Around the same time he was asked to write a travel guide on traveling on a motorcycle through the Alps, something he had enjoyed doing for a while. The result was a book entitled "Motorcycle Journeys through the Alps & Beyond." The book is still published and is in its fifth edition. He estimates he has

ridden his motorcycle through the Alps about 80 times and traveled to Europe twice a year for 25 years. The photos in the book were taken by Hermann himself. He first went to the Alps in a car, but saw many riding motorcycles so he decided to give it a try. He liked the experience and started writing articles that were published in magazines. "Originally I kept a motorcycle in Europe with California plates, then started renting one," he said. The last time he was traveling through the Alps two years ago, he was sitting at a café having gelato and espresso and a man in a motorcycle recognized him, stopped and asked Hermann to sign his book. Hermann's book is not only a guide to the Alps but includes places to visit in the island of Corsica, the Pyrenees and Northern Spain.

Thirty-seven years ago while riding through Wildcat Canyon he was attacked with a pipe and this April on the anniversary of that day he will ride with about 100 motorcycles. "They will escort me safely through Wildcat Canyon," he said.

Hermann recently bought his 19th motorcycle, an R 1200 BMW. He still meets



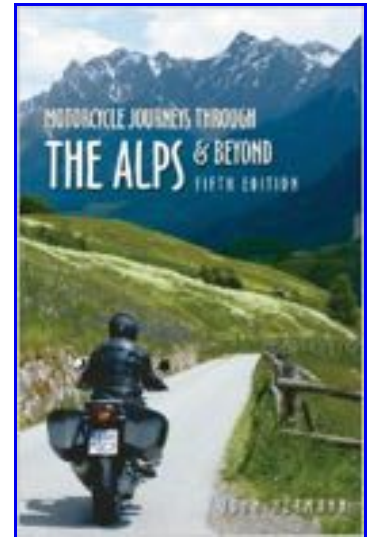




**KING OF THE ALPS**



***If you like to ride motorcycles in the Alps.....***



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***You must know John Hermann, King of the Alps!***  
***[December 2013 edition of Motorcycling in the Alps](#)***

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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.

## Madawaska Maine USA4C Park Gathering

By Charlie Lamb  
#24220  
SCMA Secretary

# THIS IS BIG !!!

**June 24, 2022**

**2:00 PM**

Several of the SCMA USA Four Corner riders and other long-distance riders will be gathering in Madawaska ME on Friday June 24, 2022. If you need an excuse for a ride, - join us.

Visit the only park in the world dedicated to long distance motorcycle riding.

Meet other long-distance riders.

Enjoy the pleasant summer weather in Maine.

Use the trip be part of your USA Four Corner Tour or Great Lake Cabot Trail Tour.

USA Four Corner Park  
213 West Main Street  
Madawaska, ME

If you need more information about the “meet-up” please contact Charlie Lamb at (804) 931-3786 or Gonzo at (949) 433-0761

## Board of Directors – Nominations for 2022 SCMA Open Positions

Hello everyone,

The Board of Directors (BoD) has set the date for SCMA’s Annual Meeting for Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup> 2022. Due to the widespread population of our membership (throughout N America), the BoD has decided to hold the meeting via ZOOM at 6:00PM PDT. (Zoom information below)

Nomination for the Vice Chairman, Treasurer, and Membership Services Director shall be accepted at that time. Nominations shall be accepted via USPS (snail)mail/email/in- person per the deadlines stated below.

The date of closure of nominations shall be **June 24, 2022**. The bylaws require 15 days notice and this more than meets that requirement.

Below is a definition/description of offices per the By Laws, and the positions that are open for nominations in 2022:

### *4.03 Designation and Term of Office*

*There shall be two classes of directors, elected directors and appointed ex officio directors. Elected directors shall be the officers of the corporation, i.e., the chair, vice chair, secretary, treasurer, membership services director, and risk manager. The term of office of elected directors shall be two years, commencing July 1, and continuing until their successors are elected and installed. The chair, secretary and risk manager shall be elected in odd numbered years, and the vice chair, membership services director, and treasurer shall be elected in even years*

Being that 2022 is an even numbered year, nominations will be accepted for the following positions:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Incombent</u>
Vice Chairman	Rodney Chew
Membership Director	James Filley
Treasurer	John Mickus

Here is the website link [CLICK HERE](#) to the nomination form to be used. Please use that form and mail the nomination form to (must be postmarked no later than May 16<sup>th</sup>)

SCMA Nominations  
PO Box 487  
Norwalk CA 90651-0487

OR email the form to  
Charles Lamb at [secretary@sc-ma.com](mailto:secretary@sc-ma.com)

### **Zoom information:**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9410196977?pwd=VG9oNTZjdjY3Ri91d05peEJuREhFZz09>

Meeting ID: 941 019 6977

Passcode: 278702

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# 2022 NOMINATION FORM

**Member making the nomination:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Member being nominated for **Vice Chairman:****

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Member being nominated for **Membership Director:****

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Member being nominated for **Treasurer:****

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Self-Nomination: For Position of \_\_\_\_\_**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Three (3) "Seconds" for Self-Nomination:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Scan and email to: [chairman@sc-ma.com](mailto:chairman@sc-ma.com) (Must be received by 8pm **June 24, 2022**)

OR

USPS mail to: (Must be in PO Box by 8:00 AM **June 24, 2022**)

SCMA - Nominations  
PO Box 487  
Norwalk, CA 90651-0487.

# Four Corner Riders On The Road

By Dannie Fox  
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 Chairman  
 USA Four Corners Tour

Hello SCMA Members,  
 Registrations for USA4C are in progress with 22 of our members currently signed up for the ride. Each month SCMA will publish the names of those riders who have registered for the tour. Most, if not all, registered riders are riding this tour solo. However, if you notice another rider from your state and are interested in tagging up with that rider, we encourage you to place a shout out on the SCMA 4 Corners facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/scma.4.corners>

Also, Gonzo (Editor, SCMA Newsletter) would like to interview you about a leg or day of your 4C adventure. Give him a call when you can for a phone chat and to arrange for a lunch visit when you pass through Orange County CA between San Ysidro and Blaine WA.

**Gonzo 949-433-0761**

BTW, some of you are sending me your ROL's before actually registering. If you do that, please be sure to include your phone number on the ROL so I will have a way of calling you if necessary.

**Danni Fox**

Dave	Bennett	Cherry Valley, IL.
Jerry	Bullock	Boyds, MD.
Larry	Janssen	Stillwater, MN
Cal	Ollerhead	Wellington, Nova Scotia
Thomas	Stobbe	San Diego, CA.
Don	Grieger	Murfreesboro, TN
Mary	Begley	Cadott, WI.
Ursula	Ashton	Memphis, TN
Javier	Ashton	Memphis, TN.
Jim	Begley	Cadott, WI.
Rebecca	Brown	Walpole, NH
Patricia	Caya	Boston, MA
Lyle	Cooper	Middleboro, MA
Doug	Fields	Blue Ash, Ohio
Andy	Andresen	Newnan, GA.
Vivian	Spearman	Mooresville, IN.
William	Francis	Caribou ME.
Richard	Pedersen	Aloha, OR.
David	Bouchard	Mount Vernon, OH.
Gentry	Sharpe	Sugar Hill, GA.
Charles	Lamb	North Prince George, VA.
Bella	Michel	York, South Carolina
Princess	McCall	Miami, FL
Jeff	Gomer	Sebastopol, CA.
Kim	Henry	Killeen, TX.
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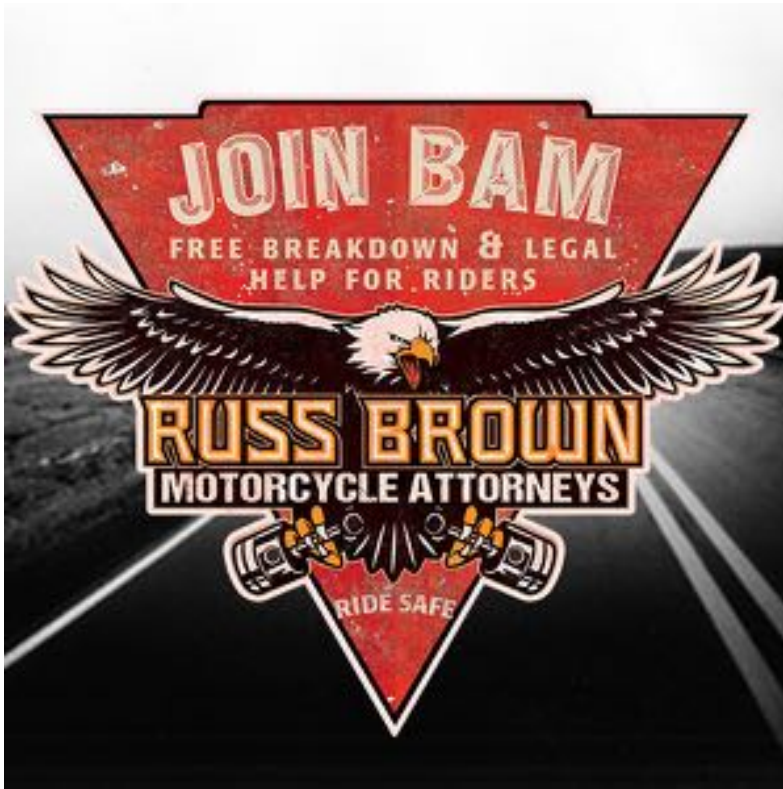
## Riding Long Distances Alone And With Friends



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# ABOUT BAM

**Katherine Markowicz**  
Marketing & Promotions  
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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



Hello SCMA Members,  
Registrations for the Best 15 US Roads Challenge are in progress with 10 of our members currently signed up for the ride. This event is quite a challenge, so there are very few who attempt the ride, let alone finish it.

Each month SCMA will publish the names of those riders who have registered for the Challenge. Most, if not all, registered riders are riding this tour solo. However, if you notice another rider from your state/city and are interested in tagging up with that rider, we encourage you to place a shout out on the SCMA Best 15 facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/scma.best.15>

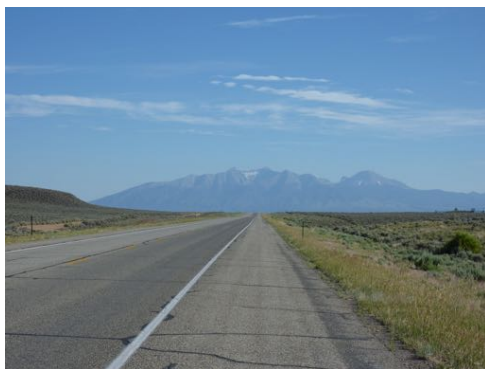
Also, Gonzo (Editor, SCMA Newsletter) would like to interview you about a leg or day of one of your destination rides. Give him a call when you can for a phone chat.

**Gonzo 949-433-0761**

Safe Riding everyone,

**Bob Roger**

Chair  
B15 US



**Best 15 US Roads Challenge:**

1. Mark Burdick Houston, Texas
2. John Mickus Woodland Hills, California
3. Charles Lamb Hopewell, Virginia
4. Andy Andresen Newnan, Georgia
5. Ken Whetstone West Valley City, Utah
6. Thomas Strobbe San Diego, California
7. Thomas Spearman Mooresville, Indiana
8. Danny Graham Honolulu, Hawaii
9. Bob Roger Dalton, Ohio
10. Bella Michel York, South Carolina





## Southern California Motorcycling Association Best 15 US Roads Challenge

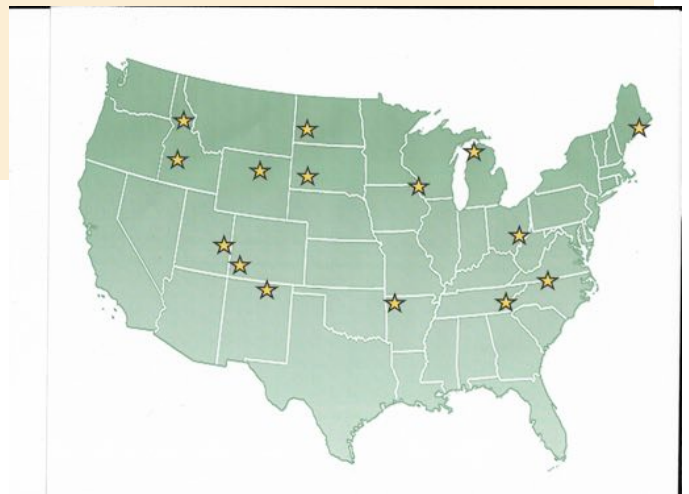


This difficult Premier Ride Challenge is offered again for its twelfth anniversary in 2022, with five new replacement roads. The sixteenth road will remain on the list so that a ride registrant may omit any one road from the list, then ride 15 roads to qualify as a finisher. This is a tough ride challenge ... in the first nine years that this Challenge has been offered, there have been 55 finishes which were completed by only 41 riders. Through 2019, just nine SCMA long distance riders have taken the Challenge more than once! Join this very exclusive group of finishers, or maybe the very exclusive group of repeat finishers and TAKE the 2021 Best 15 US Roads Challenge!

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 (January 1 through November 15, and ride logs must be submitted by November 30). 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 attempt. Registrants will receive a starter packet containing a Best 15 US Roads Challenge t-shirt and Best 15 pin and patch. Finishers will also receive an engraved Buck 112 Ranger Knife to commemorate their accomplishment!

Get out on these Roads to Experience the spectacular and varied landscapes these roads offer. One recent finisher commented, "I don't know how you pick these Fifteen roads, I think I rode Thirty great roads to get to the Fifteen!"

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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, at the black navigation bar, simply place your cursor on*  
**Rides > Best 15 US Roads Challenge > Best 15 US Roads List**



# Best 15 U.S. Roads List

## 2022 Best 15 US Roads Challenge List

1. Acadia National Park (Maine): Park Loop 34 mile one way road.
2. Tunnel of Trees Plus MI 22 (Michigan): Cross Village MI 119 to Harbor Springs, US 31 to Traverse City, MI 22 to Empire, 164 miles.
3. Great River Road (Wisconsin): Prairie du Chien WI 35 to LaCrosse, 63 miles.
4. Theodore Roosevelt NP Medora (North Dakota): I-94 exit 24 or exit 27. Ride Park Loop, 35 miles.
5. Iron Mountain Road in the Black Hills (South Dakota): Keystone US16A to Custer, 34 miles.
6. The Big Horn Mountains (Wyoming): Ranchester US14 to Grey Bull, 79 miles.
7. Northwest Passage Scenic Byway (Idaho): Lolo US12 to Kooskia, 134 miles.
8. Payette River Scenic Byway (Idaho): Cascade ID55 to Horseshoe Bend, 51 miles.
9. Dinosaur Diamond Prehistoric Highway (Utah): I-70 exit 204 UT128 to Moab, 45 miles.
10. San Juan Skyway (Colorado): Placerville CO145 to Cortez, 83 miles.
11. The Enchanted Circle Scenic Byway (New Mexico): Counter-clockwise: Taos US64 to Eagle Nest, NM38 to Questa, NM522 back to Taos, 82 mile loop.
12. The Pig Trail (Arkansas): Eureka Springs AR23 to Ozark, 80 miles.
13. Cherochala Skyway (Tennessee/North Carolina): Tellico Plains, TN onto TN165 to NC143 to Robbinsville NC, 53 miles.
14. Blue Ridge Parkway (North Carolina/Virginia): ANY 150 mile section.
15. The Triple Nickel (Ohio): Little Hocking OH555 to Zanesville, 62 miles.
16. MY FAVORITE ROAD: The registrant can choose ANY US Road that is not already on this list! This one will also require the receipts and photos. By using this choice, the registrant can omit any one of the other 15 roads on the list.

There are Sixteen roads listed, but only FIFTEEN are required to be a Challenge finisher, the registrant can eliminate any ONE of the 16 roads offered. If you opt to ride "Tour Favorite Road" it cannot be one of the 15 (as in doing one of the 15 a second time).

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

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## Listen Up! There's a new episode of the Rider Magazine Insider podcast!

### Ep. 36 : Gordon McCall, The Quail Motorcycle Gathering

Our guest on Episode 36 of the Rider Magazine Insider Podcast is Gordon McCall, who is CEO of McCall Events and Director of Motorsports at Quail Lodge and Golf Club in Carmel Valley, California. The 12th annual Quail Motorcycle Gathering

presented by GEICO takes place Saturday, May 14. The sold-out Quail Ride, a 100-mile ride for 100 motorcycles that includes parade laps at Laguna Seca Raceway and a gala dinner, is on Friday, May 13. The Quail Motorcycle Gathering features more than 350 motorcycles displayed on the golf course at the Quail Lodge. Traditional classes include American, British, Italian, Other European, Japanese, Competition On Road, Competition Off Road, Antique, Custom/Modified, Choppers, and Extraordinary Bicycles and Scooters Class. Featured classes at the 2022 Quail include Harley-Davidson XR750, BMW /5 Series, Two-Stroke "Braaaps," and mini bikes | BIG FUN. This year's Legend of the Sport Guest is Roland Sands.



We talk with Gordon about the history of the Quail, what makes the Monterey Peninsula such a special place for motorcycle and car events, and what attendees can expect. The Quail was on hiatus for two years due to the pandemic, so Gordon and The Quail team are excited to welcome motorcycle enthusiasts back this year. Tickets for The Quail Motorcycle Gathering are available online or at the gate.

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# International News Section

(pages 28 – 46)

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

## NEXUS CARD RENEWALS – Check yours now –

Just as an FYI, and a reminder for SCMA members to check the expiry dates on your Nexus Trusted Traveler Program cards.

I checked mine today, and found the 5-year expiry date had passed on my birthday this year.

THERE WAS NO WARNING, advice, email, text, NOTHING.

Apparently this is due to the Nexus offices being CLOSED while the borders are closed.

To renew, or check info see: <https://ttp.cbp.dhs.gov/>

Remember to check ALL the sections on the application. There are some NEW sections, that were not there in previous renewals.

Those sections will have to be filled in, and/or corrected.

If not completed correctly, you may get rejected, or, have a big hassle getting changes fixed.

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From: <https://cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/services/covid/changes-changements-eng.html>

“NEXUS/FAST

NEXUS and FAST enrollment centres remain temporarily closed as long as COVID-19 border restrictions are in place.

Existing NEXUS and FAST members who renew their membership before the expiry date on their card will retain their membership privileges for twenty-four months beyond their scheduled expiration. Therefore, please renew your membership before it expires to avoid losing your privileges.

We encourage new applicants to wait to submit their applications until enrollment centres re-open.

Temporary lane closures at NEXUS land ports of entry have been implemented until further notice.”

Brian Hooker  
SCMA 3 Flags Classic Tour™ 2021  
Vice Chair

## Who's Riding the GLCTT ??

Bob Roger  
#24838  
Chair GLCTT

Hello SCMA members,

This is a very exciting time for me as I get to chair the Great Lakes Cabot Trail Tour in its inaugural year!

Currently we have five riders registered for the tour.....and I'm one of them.

You may have noticed that this event is listed within the International Section of the newsletter.....that is because it is indeed an international ride within USA and Canada. So, make sure your passport is up to date and you have records of your COVID vaccination as CAN requires that proof for entry into their country. You may also need to present a negative COVID test taken within recent hours of your entry. Requirements are very fluid, so be sure to do your research.

Each month SCMA will publish the names of those riders who have registered for the tour. Most, if not all, registered riders are riding this tour solo. However, if you notice another rider from your state and are interested in tagging up with that rider, we encourage you to place a shout out on the GLCTT facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/scma.GLCTT>

Also, Gonzo (Editor, SCMA Newsletter) would like to interview you about a leg or day of your GLCTT adventure. Give him a call when you can for a phone chat and to arrange for an interview and some photos to email for him to place in the newsletter

**Gonzo 949-433-0761**

Wishing you the best of riding.....and  
c'mon out on this ride !!

**Bob Roger**

**Riding Long Distances Alone And With Friends**

Great Lakes Cabot Trail Tour Riders:

1. Charles Lamb Hopewell, Virginia
2. Andy Andresen Newnan, Georgia
3. Jeff Kramer Las Cruces, New Mexico
4. Richard Pedersen Aloha, Oregon
5. Bob Roger Dalton, Ohio



**SCMA - More Than Miles**

# The Great Lakes Cabot Trail Tour



SCMA is proud to announce a new Premier Ride for 2022 titled The **Great Lakes Cabot Trail Tour**.

The Tour will be a self-guided ride to twelve designated checkpoints scattered along a suggested route through the northeastern United States and Southeastern Canada. The preferred starting point would be the Perry Monument on the Presque Isle peninsula in Erie, PA, though riders from western Canada may want to begin at Thunder Bay, Ontario. From Erie, the next checkpoint is Niagara Falls, on either the US or Canadian side. From New York there are several checkpoints through Vermont and New Hampshire before crossing Maine into New Brunswick and on to Nova Scotia to ride the Cabot Trail.

Next is a return to the US with a checkpoint at the SCMA Four Corners Park in Madawaska ME. Then the ride heads back into Canada to ride along the St. Lawrence River to the walled cities" of Quebec and Montreal.

The suggested route turns west away from the St Lawrence River through Ottawa and Sudbury to the north shores of Lake Huron and Lake Superior. The route follows the shoreline of Lake Superior back into the US, turns the corner at Duluth MN, and heads east through Wisconsin into the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. After a ride over the famous Mackinaw Bridge, the 4200 mile long Tour finishes in Mackinaw City MI,

All 12 checkpoints must be visited. Proof of the visits will be a personal ride log containing a photo from each checkpoint that includes the rider, the motorcycle, and a sign or landmark showing the location, and a sales receipt showing the date and location.

The registrant will have a two-year window to complete the ride, BUT all checkpoints must be visited in one calendar year.

Bob Roger

Chair, GLCTT

## SCMA

### GREAT LAKES CABOT TRAIL TOUR

#### CHECK POINTS:

1. Perry Monument Presque Isle Peninsula, Erie, PA
2. Niagara Falls Either side, New York, or Ontario
3. Lake Placid, Summit of Whiteface Mountain
4. Ferry across Lake Champlain, Port Kent, NY to Burlington, VT
5. Kancamagus Scenic Byway, RT112 Lincoln, NH to Bartlett, NH
6. Cabot Trail Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia HWY19
7. Madawaska, Maine The Four Corners Park
8. Quebec City and Montreal the walled cities
9. Sudbury, Ontario the Giant Canadian Nickel at the Dynamic Earth Science Museum, 122 Big Nickel Mine Road, Sudbury
10. Kakabeka Falls TC11 20 miles west of Thunder Bay Ontario
11. Two Harbors, Minnesota, MN61 Split Rock Lighthouse
12. Mackinaw Bridge to Mackinaw City, Michigan

## Great Lake Cabot Trail

### *Additional Points of interest, but NOT required:*

1. Mount Washington Auto Road to Summit, entrance is on NH16.
2. Acadia National Park is a 110 mile round trip spur out of Bangor, ME.
3. Confederation Bridge in New Brunswick to Prince Edward Island, is an 8 mile crossing in each direction adds a 75 mile spur off the main route. On Trans CAN Hwy 2/NS104 at Westmoreland, New Brunswick, take Trans CAN Hwy 16 to the bridge.
4. Fortress of Louisbourg, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Spur from the Cabot Trail at St Ann adds 80 miles and 2 hours riding time to the Cabot Trail Loop.
5. Toronto Spur (Ottawa > Toronto > Sudbury) adds 180 miles to the Tour.
6. Aerostich 8 S 18<sup>th</sup> Aw W Duluth, MN 55806. From the north: I-35 ex255A, US53 to next exit, Right onto N 21<sup>st</sup> Ave W., Left onto W Superior St., go four blocks to Aerostich.
7. Tunnel of Trees from Mackinaw City – it's a 24 mile ride to Cross Village. From there, MI 119 hugs the Lake Michigan shoreline for 21 miles to Harbor Springs.





A message from the motorcycle seat of Steven Shulman, 2022 Three Flags Classic Chairman:

Let's be frank. It's been a long time since we've been able to ride the Three Flags Classic and get together with our Three Flags family. And it's the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual ride we've had to postpone! It's clear many of you can't wait to take the back roads from Mexico to Canada given we are closing in on 300 riders and passengers for our 2022 ride.

Your committee continues to work hard on preparations for the ride. We traveled to Mexicali in January 2022 to confirm the check-in plans and the number of rooms the Araiza and Calafia Hotels will provide us. Due to the early demand on rooms the Araiza released another 50 rooms for our event this past week. I have nothing but accolades for our Mexican hosts and Oscar Palacio, our Mexican liaison, who assists with communications with the hotels and other services in Mexicali. For those of you not familiar with Mexicali, it borders California, directly south of Calexico. Calexico is due south of El Centro and about 2 hours from San Diego. If coming into Mexico at one of two port of entries you'll be about 10-15 minutes from either hotel, depending on traffic.

We are prepared to order our shirts, hats, the coveted 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Three Flags 2022 Buckles, and other swag in about a month and expect to have close to 300 riders by the 1<sup>st</sup> of June with a max of 325. Many of our sponsors have stepped up to the plate this year and gladly donating raffle prizes for our riders, including Aerostich!

We will be heading to the Lakeside Penticton Resort in May to discuss (for the third time in three years) our finish banquet and those arrangements. Because the resort has gone through three event managers since 2019 we want to ensure the finish goes as planned. Tom Cook, finish Captain; Deb Smith his assistant; Brian Hooker, Vice Chairman; and myself will attend the meeting.

I encourage all riders to review ArriveCAN (Arrive Canada) for entry into Canada. While rules may change in the coming months, it's incumbent upon all riders to ensure their travel into Canada. Please Google "Arrive Canada" for more information.

While on the topic, Mexico has instituted a form Mexico FMM process for entry into Mexico. While many Canadians and US citizens have come and gone without filling out the form, we encourage you to review the requirements before entry into Mexico. In all cases you **MUST** get Mexican vehicle insurance **BEFORE** crossing the border. We suggest using Baja Bound or Sanborn Insurance which you can buy by the day online. Have your VIN # and Driver's License # with you when you make the insurance purchase on-line.

I'm excited about seeing you all in a few short months. If you've been sitting on the sidelines debating on embarking on this journey, **NOW** is the time to register. Remember, you must first become a member of the SCMA (SC-MA.com) before registering for any



ride.

There's a reason we have riders who have done this ride 40 times or more. We encourage you to find out why. Register now before we run out of space. I guarantee it will be one of the best journeys you've ever taken and with a whole lot of fun people from 25+ states and several countries.

Remember, this is not a brand specific ride. If you're on a Harley, Goldwing, Yamaha, Slingshot, or Vespa, we don't care. A motorcycle is the only requirement. It's all about the ride, not the brand.

See you in Mexicali!

Steve



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# E-Blast 4

## 2022 THREE FLAGS CLASSIC

by Steve Shulman  
Chair  
3FC22



Hello 2022 Three Flag Participants –  
This is to inform you that the Araiza Hotel in Mexicali just released another 50 rooms for our event yesterday. I do not know if they have changed the prices, but they have released more rooms as we have booked the initial allowance. If you are unable to get into the Araiza, I suggest checking with their sister property called the Calafia Hotel. There will be shuttle transportation from the Calafia to the Araiza at no

charge. The Calafia is about ½ mile away from the Araiza.

While I know it's often difficult to get through to the hotel, depending where you are calling from, you should be able to make contact through the booking site or telephone number. Information is listed below. Now is the time you should be making reservations for all your hotel stays along the route.

### SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS

**HOST HOTEL START - MEXICALI, MEXICO** Telephone from USA: 877-727-2492

#### THE ARAIZA HOTEL

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21270 Mexicali B.C.; Mexico

Standard Room/Double Room	\$ 79.00 USD
Executive Room	\$ 85.00 USD
Suite	\$135.00 USD
Third person in a room add	\$20.00 USD

**Link below quotes all rooms in US Dollars  
Directions from border to follow in a future e-blast  
Parking is controlled and has security**

**LINK:** <https://reservations.travelclick.com/11454?RatePlanId=5830109>

**Alternate Hotel:**

**CALAFIA HOTEL – (1/2 Mile north of ARAIZA. Shuttle Service Available)**

Telephone: +52 686-568 3311

Calzada Justo Sierra 1495, Los Pinos

21230 Mexicali, B.C.; Mexico

Standard Single	1180.00 Pesos	\$57.61 USD
Standard Double	1180.00 Pesos	\$57.61 USD
Executive Single	1300.00 Pesos	\$63.56 USD
Executive Double	1300.00 Pesos	\$63.56 USD
Superior Single	1380.00 Pesos	\$67.47 USD
Superior Double	1380.00 Pesos	\$67.47 USD

**Link below quotes all rooms in Pesos. Conversion above should be close.  
Directions to hotel will be available in future e-blast  
This is a sister hotel of Araiza. Shuttles WILL be provided by Araiza**

**LINK:** <https://reservations.travelclick.com/11422?groupID=3401527>



# A Three Flags Story

Kim Bostock

#46778

Rollin' Rubber Ltd

Vernon, BC



So the 3 Flags Classic had been something that I had heard about over the course of my riding career, not sure career is the right word because riding is nowhere near a job! But although I had heard of it from different people it wasn't that high on my bucket list. But that all changed in April/May of 2019. A guy came into my shop, Rollin' Rubber Motorcycle tires, Dave was his name. He wanted to know if I would be interested in being a sponsor for the 3 Flags Classic when the riders arrived in Vernon, BC that year.

Thought it was a hell of an idea. So, I pledged to donate some swag with the others that were going to do the same from our area. A little advertising never hurts when you're trying to sell motorcycle tires. Dave left that day saying he would return on a date closer to the ride to collect my donations. After he left, I got to talking with my buddy/partner Ed saying that I hadn't been on any kind of a holiday for quite a while, maybe I should sign up for the ride. He totally agreed, but... he is always up for spending my money.

I had to do a little research to see what it would take to get involved, it didn't take long and I was talking with Gonzo about registering for the ride. He pointed me in all the right directions and before you know it, I

was signed up.

As time grew closer I started to get my 98 Road King ready for the journey. I went from front to back on the bike....tires, brakes, wheel bearings, put a new cam in, changed the lifters, did all the oils. Put a new seat on as I was having trouble with one leg and thought the new seat would fix the issue....it didn't. A week before I was to leave, I found that one of my Progressive Suspension shocks was leaking. A quick call to them told me they couldn't get mine back to me on a warranty claim in time. Another quick call to my good friend Kelly at TUCKER.com and a new set were on the way. They arrived the day before I was to leave. But isn't that the way with parts...lol.

Headed south on the morning of the 25<sup>th</sup> of Aug, thought there would be plenty of time to get to San Luis Rio Colorado and was really close to not getting there at all. Left Vernon on Highway 97 to Coeur d'Alene for the night with friends Jon & Mo. From there my plan was to take 95 south. Was a beautiful day, hit the 45<sup>th</sup> parallel about 1pm. After all I did to





my bike to prepare for the ride, on my 2<sup>nd</sup> gas stop....it wouldn't start. Damn. Good thing I was in the shade. Pulled the plunger out of the starter and filed the contacts, put it back together and on the road again.

Spent the first night in Winnemucca, NV. Another beauty day to continue my ride. Still following Highway 95, passed along Walker Lake to the Hawthorne Army Depot, world's largest ammo depot. Not sure why you would want to advertise that. Should have gassed up there....but...didn't. Rolled into Tonopah on reserve, that was close....lol. The next stop was Beatty, outside of Death Valley, for gas and a little a/c at the ice cream store. The sign said 115 degrees. When I went to leave, the bike wouldn't start again...dubble damn. Thank goodness for shade. Getting good at this starter thing, 15 min later back on the road. Spent the night in Vegas. And no, I didn't lose any wages.

Leaving Vegas the next morning it was 86 degrees at 7am...freakin warm. Only made it as far as Kingman traveling down hwy 93. Spent the afternoon in the pool at the Motel 6. Was a great break. But I sunburned quickly...haha. On Wed morning I continued on hwy 93 through Wickenburg to hook up with 60 to get to Quartzsite to drop south to the Mex border. Didn't make Aquila! Flat tire. Thought I could just pour a can of fix

a flat in a can in and keep going until I got to somewhere to get a better repair. Laying on the ground I notice spokes missing. Man that looks serious. Of course my cell phone didn't have any reception. Luckily there were several kind people stop to see if I needed help....and water. One kind soul let me use his phone and sit in his air- conditioned truck. I got a tow truck headed my way.

During the 1.5 hr tow truck ride I had text my daughter, in Kamloops, BC... to let her know of my predicament. By the time we got back to the HD shop in Peoria they all knew I was coming and that I need a tire repair. That wasn't all. When they got the rear wheel off my bike and the tire off, they found 13 spokes from my Fat 50 spoke wheel inside my tire. Somehow they came loose and worked their way back into the tire destroying the tube.

The good crew at Arrowhead Harley-Davidson were great. One of the guys gave me a ride to the hotel for the night and picked me up again when the bike was ready. They had to order a new wheel and tire in for me, overnight.... I was back on the road less than 24hrs later.

It was blistering hot when I left the HD shop heading for the Mexican border about 2pm. I knew I had to be there before 8pm to get in on the early registration. I was sure I wouldn't make the dinner...I didn't. Cutoff for the early registration was



at 8pm, I think it was about 745pm when I walked in the door.

Got my mug shot taken, got my passport and my chip to throw in the bucket the next morning and headed off to find my hotel. Some of the folks were following my Rollin' Rubber facebook page and were aware of my excellent adventure...lol. Found my hotel and managed to get my room organized even with me not knowing the local language. The nice young lady found a guy working in the restaurant that could speak some English, between the three of us we made a deal. Settled into my room, found something to eat and crashed.

Next thing I know it's 4 am and I look out the window to see that my bike is the only one left in the parking lot. That happened a few times this trip. Grabbed my gear, dropped my chip in the bucket and was at the USA border at 430am. The lineup was already quite long but moved really quick. I was impressed with the cooperation of the US border patrol and the organizers of the 3FC in getting us thru rapidly. I already had starter issues earlier in my excellent adventure, I was hoping it wouldn't bite me again at the border crossing. Huge sigh of relief when I hit the starter and was headed north.

At 430 am it was still dark out. I knew I would have trouble remembering how to get back north, what to do? When I left the border there were 5 bikes from Alberta ahead of me, all fairly new baggers. I figured one of them had to have GPS on their TV screens. I was right, he was the guy in lead position. I hung with them until it was daylight enough to see the route signs and the mileage signs. Then I dropped back to my comfy 63mph and headed for Cedar City, Utah.

Through the whole ride I followed the route laid out on the map. Some incredible scenery, some roads I don't want to travel again...lol. Out around the east end of the Grand Canyon to Kanab. The best part of today's ride was up 89 to 14 and over to Cedar City. Freakin awesome ride!! Found a motel, something to eat and crashed!! Slept in to 430 am, awoken to the sound of bikes leaving. Fueled up about 5am and headed for Mountain Home, Idaho.

No bikes with TV screens and GPS ahead of me...I missed a sign and a turn. Now I'm heading north instead of west. I knew it didn't feel right so the first rest stop I pulled over and got my GPS out. Opened it up on a picnic table and found a route just up ahead where I could head west and meet up with route 130. Back on the road, headed for Baker, Nevada to hook up with the America's Loneliest Highway...50. On to Ely, then Eureka..catching 306 north to Elko. On this day this was the most expensive place to get fuel. Over \$4 a gallon for high test. Probably cheap by today's standards. Saw the warning in the info sheet about the possibility of few fuel stops from Elko north on 225. But no problem, one stop in Owyhee area and on to Mountain Home, Idaho. A little shorter day with some awesome scenery again. Totally enjoyed the day.

Mountain Home, the most expensive night on the trip. I didn't feel like looking around for a motel so I stayed at the checkpoint hotel. With the US-Can exchange, was pretty pricey. For me anyway, I don't mind sleeping in a tent. Had a hot shower, a good meal next door to the hotel and you guessed it, crashed! Up again at 430 am, walked out to my bike to find it to be the only one left in the parking lot...again....lololol. A little cooler this morning, I put my jacket on to start.

When I was doing my early research about the 3FC and what the route would be, I saw that it was going to take me off highway 20 and up highway 75 to Missoula, MT. That was the clincher. I had been on that highway a few times before, it is one of my absolute favorite rides. The scenery is spectacular and if that's the road to heaven, I won't mind taking it. The one drawback to today's ride was that we were headed east on 20, with the sunrise right in front of us. I worried I wouldn't see any animals crossing the road in front of me. Not sure if that was the case with one bike I saw. Not sure what the bike was but there were many plastic pieces scattered across the road. The best thing was the rider was out walking around. I saw one



other bike/deer confrontation later in the day. Again the bike and rider won the event. Don't like to see any bikes go down, but do like to see the riders walk away from it. I hit the checkpoint in Wallace, ID and carried on to Coeur d'Alene to spend the night with friends Jon and Mo.

Had a great visit, a great meal...got to clean the bike up. Didn't get up nearly as early the next morning. It was only a short ride to Vernon, BC ...home. This portion of the ride got changed from the original route but still a great ride up 41 to Newport, half of it lies in Idaho and the other half in Washington state, on to highway 20 to Usk, over the Flowery Trail Rd past the 49 Degree North Mountain resort. which I plan to go back to on a ski trip, awesome looking ski area. Coming out in Chewela on highway 395 heading north to

Kettle Falls, where I met my riding buddy Jamie. He wasn't able to do this ride but we are signed up for the 45th. Crossed the border just south of Christina Lake, took 3 to Rock Cr and 33 to Kelowna then 97 back into Vernon. Made it back about 6pm.

Picked up my first 3FC belt buckle, with plans of adding more. It was an excellent adventure!!!

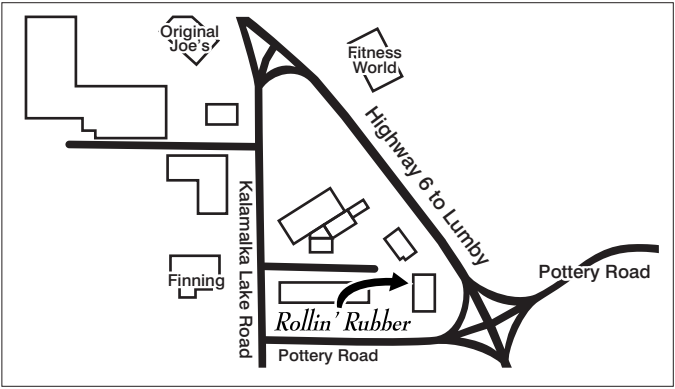






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## Three Flags Classic - Ticket Re-sales

Each year, before the start of a 3FC, approximately 10% of 3FC Ticket Buyers find that they are unable to attend and try to sell their ticket to a buyer.

Since 2016, the 3FC Chairs have been burdened with tracking ticket resales and ensuring SWAG bags are renamed/renumbered, etc. Database corrections and updates became a struggle, as was the collection of stats for Les Gullery to report the numbers of riders, states, countries, bike models, etc.

During the 2019 registration process, we stumbled upon a process that simplified the collection of data and ensures transaction integrity. Riders purchasing a resale ticket are assured they will receive their SWAG, pre-printed passport, and proper sized t-shirt. Sellers can also be assured of receiving their full payment as the resale price remains fixed to the original purchase price.

Here is the resale process that will be followed during 3FC21.

1. SCMA will establish a "3FC21 Ticket Re-sale" page on the forum or somewhere easily accessible by members.
2. Upon deciding to sell a 3FC ticket, seller would go to this webpage and list their name(s), quantity of tickets, contact information.
3. Buyers can be recruited by individual sellers or can simply go to the website and contact a seller.
4. Re-sales will be made in the date-order of listings; exception to this rule will be if a seller brought his/her own buyer to the deal.
5. Seller then contacts the designated administrator (eg. Gonzo at 949xxxx or Filley at 619xxxx) and informs the administrator that he is selling a ticket to "Buyer Name"
6. Buyer calls Administrator to report he is buying such ticket from (Seller Name).
7. Buyer goes online and purchases a new ticket.
8. Administrator removes the seller from the data records and informs treasurer to repay seller.
9. Repayment will either be via PayPal or a check from SCMA (in event seller purchased ticket more than 6 months prior to resale).
10. Transaction fees incurred by SCMA will be deducted from the refunded amount.

We look forward to seeing all registrants at the start in Mexicali

## *SCMA's Premier Events*

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

The planning for the 2022, 45th Annual Three Flags Classic is beginning. The ride will start in Mexicali, Baja Mexico, and head north for a finish in Penticton, BC Canada. The ride will be 5 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/>

### **Great Lakes Cabot Trail Tour (New Premier Ride in 2022)**

Ride this 4,000+mile tour around the Great Lakes and along the Canadian side of the St. Lawrence River into Nova Scotia. Bob Roger is chairing this event in 2022.

### **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. Dannie Fox is chairing this event in 2022. <https://sc-ma.com/rides/usa-four-corners-tour-site/usa-four-corners-tour-ride-summary/>

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

During 2022, 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 2022 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 Premier Triple Crown award. Les Gullery is chairing these events in 2022.

**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; select 5 each located in northern, central and southern CA. Riders will select their roads from a list of 60 CA roads. 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. Les Gullery will be chairing the selection committee in 2022.

### **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. Mark Burdick will be chairing the selection committee in 2022.

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

Complete all seven (7) 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. Mark Burdick will be chairing the selection committee in 2022.

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## Motorcyclist, 95, Loses His License For Next 3 Years

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MARKET LAVINGTON, Eng-  
land, Aug. 7. (U.P.)—George Dob-  
son will have to wait until he is  
98 years old before he can ride  
his motorcycle again.

Dobson, 95, got a three-year  
suspension of his driver's license  
after he collided with a car while  
trying to hang on to a bottle of  
liquor slipping out of his pocket.