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**Chairman’s Letter**

As I write this, my calendar says three weeks until I leave for a few days in SoCal then head to Mexicali to help open the 2022 Three Flags Classic. I’m looking forward to finally riding this Tour after two years postponement due to the borders being closed for Covid. The entire Three Flags committee has done a ton of work to make this an outstanding tour for us!

Like you, I have a comprehensive checklist of things I need to do before heading out on any major motorcycle trip including route planning, hotel reservations, bike prep, and final packing.

I have a special “kink” in this year’s ride as I’m combining the 3FC with the USA Four Corners Tour. The “kink” is the plan shows the total miles to be a little over 12,700 so I need an oil and rear tire change along the way. On my bike prep list, I called my local dealer yesterday and found that my three preferred tire options were out of stock in his inventory and showing backordered in three other distributor systems. Thanks to our Vice-Chairman, Rodney Chew, I found the tires I wanted in stock at GoAZ in Scottsdale, AZ. So I revised my route to SoCal for a stop in Scottsdale for my new tires and service. My tires still have more than enough tread to make it to Scottsdale and the service is really not due until I have another 1,500 miles on my scooter. Now, I need to call ahead to my next tire and service dealer in the NW USA and prepay for my tires and schedule the service. Point of all this is to not wait to the last minute to prepare for your tours. The supply chain problems are still an issue and you don’t want your touring impacted.

Be sure and re-read your Three Flags e-blasts as Steve,

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the Ride Chairman, has published important information you need to act upon such as Mexican Insurance, and Canada's ArriveCan app. Also double check your passport to make sure it hasn't or won't soon expire. You can still replace it with expedited service request if you act quick. (Don't ask me about this little trip-wire...)

As a reminder, a lot of people are taking road trips for vacation this summer. The National Parks are requiring reservations for entry during "prime visitation hours" and many hotels are booked. Please consider booking your hotels ahead of time. No one enjoys having to ride an extra couple of hours in the dark, hungry, thirsty, and looking for a bed.

Be sure to remember to set up your ride in Spotwalla for documenting your ride. I just checked and I have rides from over 10 years documented in Spotwalla. I just retired a Spot Gen3 and replaced it with a Spot Trace. I plan to use both the Trace and the SWTracker app with Spotwalla. Easy to post pictures to Spotwalla with SWTracker on the road.

I look forward to seeing you in Mexicali, at the checkpoints, and at the finish in Penticton. If you haven't got your ticket for Three Flags and want to go at the last minute, there are a few resell tickets available.

Ride safe and Ride often!

¡Viaja seguro y viaja a menudo!

Roulez en toute sécurité et roulez souvent!

Mark Burdick  
Chairman, Southern  
California Motorcycling  
Association



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**Questions?**

**Contact a director directly**

## **SOUTHWEST Regional News Section**

(Pages 3 – 10)

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*

Jim Filley is on a work assignment on a tropical island trying to stay sober while evaluating the beauty of islands and bikini swimsuits. Actually, he really is working, despite being located on Waikiki.

He will be back in another week and will then attack the backlog of membership applications. Meanwhile, we will be getting a new laptop for the membership department and have it programmed to work with the membership card printer.

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)

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**Thank you Irv Seaver for supporting SCMA and the Three Flags Classic.**

**The Three Flags Committee looks forward to raffling off your \$100 gift certificates!!**

## 2022 SCMA Officer Elections

Hello everyone,  
 Nominations for 2022 Officers/Board of Director are now closed.  
 It is with pleasure that I report that each nominated member has accepted his nomination for a 2-year term.  
 Although the positions are uncontested, we would be most appreciative of receiving your confirmation votes. Please take the time to email/snail mail your vote to the Secretary.

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**Email:** [Secretary@sc-ma.com](mailto:Secretary@sc-ma.com)

Subject: 2022 Ballot for Officers

For your vote, type in the name of the nominee:

Vice Chairman: Rodney Chew

Treasurer: John Mickus

Membership: Jim Filley

Your Name:

Member #:

Mbrship Expiration Date:

Signature

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**USPS Mail:** If submitting your ballot by mail (USPS), please use the form located on the next page or visit the website: <https://sc-ma.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/2020-Ballot-v1.pdf>

Simply check the boxes in the form, fill out your membership information, sign, and:

Mail to: Secretary  
 Southern California Motorcycling Association  
 PO Box 487  
 Norwalk, CA 90651

**Ballots must be received by 0900, 30 September 2022.**

On 30 September the Secretary will count the votes and report the election results to the Board of Directors.

An eBlast will then be released to the membership confirming the results.

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 Thank you,  
 Mark Burdick  
 Chairman

# 2022 Election Ballot

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

## **Vice Chairman**

- [ ] Rodney “El Chino Loco” Chew (Incumbent)  
(Resides in AZ)

## **Treasurer**

- [ ] John Mickus (Incumbent)  
(Resides in VA)

## **Membership Director**

- [ ] Jim Filley (Incumbent)  
(Resides in CA)

To validate your vote, please complete the following:

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mbr #: \_\_\_\_\_

Mbr Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Ballots must be received not later than 0900 30 September 2022.**

Mail ballot to:                      Secretary  
   Southern California Motorcycling Association  
   PO Box 487  
   Norwalk, CA 90651

OR

eMail to                                      Secretary@sc-ma.com

# 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" **New Registrant**

### Missions Tour:

- |                                     |                                   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Wayne Green *                    | 11. Ken Whetstone *               |
| 2. Victoria Green *                 | 12. Jerry Walsh                   |
| 3. Tom Sheltraw *                   | 13. Edward Monsour *              |
| 4. Taelyn Sheltraw *                | 14. Robert Govier <b>Finisher</b> |
| 5. Gonzo Gonzalez *                 | 15. Joseph Otto                   |
| 6. Tom Strobbe *                    | 16. Bella Michel                  |
| 7. Bob Kehr *                       | 17. Pradeep Kundur                |
| 8. Gary Whitehead * <b>Finisher</b> | 18. Rambabu Uppu                  |
| 9. Erik Whitley <b>Finisher</b>     | 19. Jagan Borra                   |
| 10. Kurt Worden * <b>Finisher</b>   | 20. Jithendra Vallabhaneni        |

**Parks Adventure:**

- |                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Wayne Green *     | 7. Bob Kehr *        |
| 2. Victoria Green *  | 8. Gary Whitehead *  |
| 3. Tom Sheltraw *    | 9. Kurt Worden *     |
| 4. Taelyn Sheltraw * | 10. Ken Whetstone *  |
| 5. Gonzo Gonzalez *  | 11. Edward Monsour * |
| 6. Tom Strobbe *     | 12. Bernadette Dye   |

**Roads Challenge:**

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

Les Gullery  
2022 California Adventure Series Chairman





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*We accept free motorcycle-related ads from our members. Send your ad to the newsletter editor by the 25th of the month.*



2003 Honda Goldwing GL1800A 89K miles Never crashed or laid down. Lots of personal add-ons included but not limited to, Dunlop Elite 4 tires, Centramatic balancers, Kuryakyn Backrest, rear box spoiler w/brake-turn light, 6 CD changer + J&M digital player, (not installed) Carpets and travel bags, Belly pan, tasteful chrome, (not all blinged out) Owners manual w/service records, NO body, paint, or seat damage. Everything works and she is ready for any trip. This unit shows PRIDE of ownership. Asking \$8500 (delivery possible) Ron Paproski, cell 714-808-3027 Ronski.01@Hotmail.com

Ron Paproski  
Ronski



**2017 Honda VFR1200XT – DCT Adventure Bike.**

This is a **V-4 engine, 1,237cc, shaft drive** bike.

Previously owned by Miles, this bike was originally destined for James Bond (see VIN plate photo) and has numerous upgrades performed by Miles in his magical mechanics barn garage. Sale includes 20 qts of Honda Oil, 4 sets of filters, Givi side boxes with carry bag inserts, travel suitcase with wheels, lowering kit, Russell Day Long Saddle.

Mileage under 1,700 miles

Asking Price: \$14,000

Contact Gonzo (949) 433-0761 or [GonzoCrossUSA@gmail.com](mailto:GonzoCrossUSA@gmail.com)



# 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 seven 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



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.



# National News Section

(page 11 – 17)

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

**September 10th**

**LEBANON**  
● Smack Dab in the CENTER of the Continental US ●

**BASH**

7:30 AM • Race to the Center 1/2 Marathon	1:00 PM • Trap Shoot - City Landfill \$5 per activity, Register Day of. Limited Spots Available
10:00 AM • Pickleball Tournament - two person teams - pre-register online	1:00 PM • Cornhole Tournament Concert area - \$20 per two person team Pre-register online
10:30 AM • Chainsaw Artist	1:00 PM • Sidewalk Art Contest FREE! - Kids & Adults, Harmony Park - Pre- register online. Judging will take place at 4 PM
11:00AM • Food Vendors Available!	1:30 PM • Archery Course FREE - Behind Aflac Building (Old Bank) - Kids & Adults - Through 4:30 PM
11:00 AM • Music Demo Class With Marty Shipley- Community Hall	2:45 PM • Kids Puppet Workshop Legion Hall - FREE!
11:00AM • Cosmosphere Rocket Lab Through 4:30 PM FREE	3:00 PM • Kids Tractor Pull - Main St. FREE pre-register Eventbrite. Arrive 30 mins early to confirm registration.
11:00 AM • Vendor Market in Harmony Park All vendors welcome! Fill out form on Facebook Event "Vendor market in the park" to participate.	4:00 PM • Puppet Show FREE! Historic Community Hall
11:00 AM • Inflatables & Other Games FREE-Behind Comm. Building. Through 5 PM	5:00 PM • Parade Preregister your float online
11:00 AM • Pony Rides FREE. Through 5 pm	6:00 PM • Beer Garden & Concert Gates Open!
12:00 PM • Car Show - Kansas Ave. \$10 Car Entry Fee. -Through 4:00 PM	9:30 PM • Fireworks Show
12:00 PM • Lebanon Fire Dept. Duck Pond Fundraiser, Harmony Park - all day.	<b>SUNDAY September 11th</b>
12:30 PM • Kid's Train - FREE	9:30 AM • Golf Tournament 2 person scramble - \$50 - Preregister online Lebanon Golf Course
12:30 PM • Giant Puppet on the Street FREE - Near Historic Community Hall	
12:00 PM • Big Bash Fishing Tournament - Reservoir Pond - FREE - Please Preregister Online	
12:30 PM • Painting with Chandra First 10 are FREE - MUST PREREGISTER Online.	

**All Tickets,  
Registration, and Information Online**  
[www.lebanonbash.com](http://www.lebanonbash.com)

## Four Corner Riders On The Road

By Dannie Fox  
#10198  
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**

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.
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Kim	Henry	Killeen, TX.
Thomas	Jacobs	Winchester, VA
Henry	Mros	Taunton, MA
Nick	Greear	Cedaredge, CO.
Juanita	Shaw	Edwardsville, IL.
Carl	Harris	Hopewell, VA.

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**

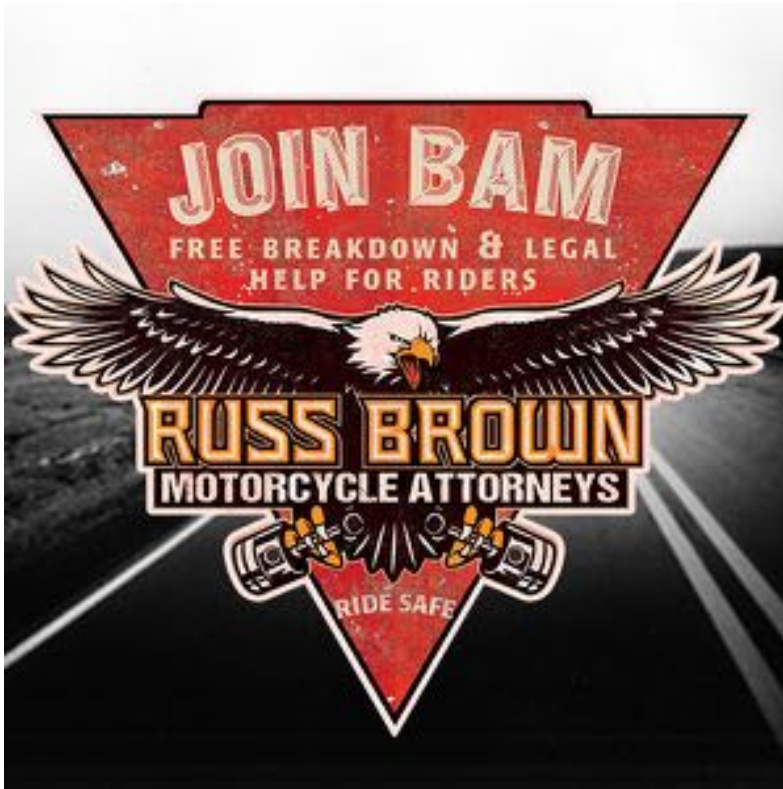
### Riding Long Distances Alone And With Friends



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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

**FINISHER    NEW REGISTRANT**

**Best 15 US Roads Riders:**

1. Mark Burdick    Houston, TX
2. John Mickus    Woodland Hills, CA
3. Charles Lamb    Hopewell, VA
4. Andy Andresen    Newnan, GA
5. Ken Whetstone    West Valley City, UT
6. Thomas Strobbe    San Diego, CA
7. Thomas Spearman    Mooresville, IN
8. Danny Graham    Honolulu, HA
9. Bob Roger    Dalton, OH
10. Bella Michel    York, SC
11. **Jay Yanick    Mercer Island, WA**
12. Don McFarlane    Turlock, CA
13. Craig Lanphear    Lewisville, CO
14. Keith Cromie    Livermore, CA
15. Doug Wilson    Henderson, NV







### 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!"

(330) 857 8131  
[best15us@sc-ma.com](mailto:best15us@sc-ma.com)



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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. Cherohala 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

(330) 857-8131 or email to

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[rsroger03@gmail.com](mailto:rsroger03@gmail.com)

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Benefiting:



# International News Section

(pages 18 – 40)

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

## SCMA Legacy Award

In 2012 the Board of Directors established a new honorary award called the **SCMA Legacy Award**. This award is to be presented annually to those unique individuals who have contributed so much to the success of SCMA.

Each year it will be bestowed upon a select recipient(s) that has provided long-term leadership, as board members and/or committee chairs, and contributed countless hours of volunteer work in SCMA's operations.

This award is reserved for those individuals who consistently kept the best interests of SCMA in mind while acting honestly, competently, and fairly, as enthusiasts of long distance riding.

In its inaugural year of 2012 it was awarded to **Josef Usatin, Joe Mandeville, Jan Staws, Dannie Fox, and Kenn Hatke**; 2013 to **Eleanor Stevens**; 2014 to **Max Marker**; 2015 to **Blake Anderson**; 2016 to **Dennis Even and Barbara Fox**; 2017 to **Joanne Gamble and Clay Sweeney**, 2018 to **Charlie Coyner**, 2019 to **Jane Usatin**, 2020 to **John Mickus**.

This year the Legacy Committee and the Board of Directors selected

### Joe LaChance

of Madawaska ME, as the recipient of the 2022 Legacy Award.

Joe will receive an embroidered jacket and his name will be displayed on the perpetual Trophy along with the other fifteen recipients.



# 2022 Legacy Trophy Joe LaChance



## Founder of Four Corners Park in Madawaska honored with national award

**Jessica Potila** August 10, 2022



MADAWASKA, Maine — The founder of the only park in the world dedicated to long-distance motorcycling, located in northern Aroostook County, recently received a prestigious award for his support and promotion of cross-country motorcycle adventures.

Joe LaChance, 77, who founded Four Corners Park in Madawaska, said he was humbled to receive the 2022 Southern California Motorcycle Association Legacy Award.

“Have you ever been in an airplane and they throw you off without a parachute? It was like that, wow,” LaChance said of receiving the award.

Four Corners Park is named for its location in the most northeastern town in the United States. Motorcyclists tour the four corners of the country, which also include San Ysidro, California; Blaine, Washington; and Key West, Florida. Motorcyclists who complete the intercontinental journey within 21 days receive a Four Corners Award, recognized by the motorcycling community. The Madawaska Park welcomes about 4,000 visitors each year.



The park also



**Joe LaChance (left) holds his 2022 Southern California Motorcycle Association Legacy Award which the group’s treasurer, Charles Lamb (right) presented to him at Four Corners Park in Madawaska**

is one of [the Four Corners of Maine](#).

Members of the Southern California Motorcycle Association board traveled from all over the United States to Madawaska to present the award to LaChance on Friday, Aug. 5.

Despite its name, the club is no longer based in California where it began in 1960 (actually 1968), and now sports 600 members from countries throughout the world. The group has bestowed the Legacy Award to only 12 people in its history, including

**LaChance.** *(SCMA Editor correction to this statement: The SCMA is based in Southern California with board members/administrators residing across USA/MEX/CAN, members in three continents, and 1500+ subscribers across 5 continents.)*

LaChance, who said he has been a motorcycle enthusiast since he was 20 years old, first conceived the Four Corners Park in 2000 as a way to draw motorcycle tourism to the small northern Maine town.

The park was established in 2008 with the support of community members through donations and volunteer efforts spearheaded by LaChance.

California Club board member Charles Lamb of Virginia said he has visited Madawaska about 20 times on his motorcycle over the years. Lamb, who became friends with LaChance through the motorcycling community, was also a major contributor to the construction of Four Corners Park.

“It’s a beautiful destination that brings people into town and kind of celebrates long distance motorcycle riding,” Lamb said.

People from the United States, Mexico, Canada, Europe and Africa make the trip to Four Corners Park specifically to visit one of the four corners of the country, Lamb said.

Since the park’s inception, LaChance and his wife, Diane LaChance, have expanded Four Corners Park to include a



visitors center, parking lot and features designed for photo opportunities.

Among these is Mr. Knucklehead, a hollow fiberglass moose-shaped structure named after a Harley-Davidson motorcycle engine.

The LaChances first met at a biker party 37 years ago.

“He wanted a woman who loved motorcycles, and I wanted a man who loved motorcycles. We had that much in common to begin with and soon realized we have a lot more than motorcycles in common, believe me. We have the same values,” Diane LaChance said.

A retired accountant originally from Edmundston, New Brunswick, Diane LaChance serves as treasurer of the non-profit Four Corners Park Association, for which her husband acts as president.

They spend most of their summers overseeing the park and have a camera in their home so they can see when new visitors arrive there and greet them in person.

LaChance describes her husband as kind, funny, generous and passionate when it comes to work. He owned LaChance apartments while working as a machine tender on Machine No. 4 for the former Fraser Paper Co., now Twin Rivers Paper in Madawaska.

Aroostook County administrator Ryan D. Pelletier got to know the LaChances while he served as Madawaska town manager.

“Joe is one of the nicest people I got to know in Madawaska during my time there,” Pelletier said. “He was also one of the first people to introduce themselves to me as he wanted to get my signature for the Four Corners Award that is given to all finishers

of the Four Corners Tour. He and Diane are and have been pillars in the community for decades. I am so happy for him to be recognized and congratulate him on this prestigious award.”

The LaChances were named business people of the year in 1988 and Joe LaChance was named 1997 Greater Madawaska Citizen of the Year.

Although thankful to receive his latest award, Joe LaChance does not see what all the fuss is about.

“I’m just a regular citizen from Madawaska with a motorcycle,” he said.

Click this link to watch the video of the ceremony:

<https://madawaskatv.viebit.com/player.php?hash=1iuzD9N6Ny4S>



After "roasting" Joe to a sizzle, which had Joe and the audience roaring in laughter, Charles Lamb presented the honoree with the SCMA's Legacy Award jacket.



After reading the speech by Mark Burdick, Chairman of the Southern California Motorcycle Association, Bob Roger presented Joe with the crystal trophy for his accomplishments vis a vis the SCMA.



After reading the LaChance family speech, Joe's sister, **Rita Pelletier**, presented the honoree with the SCMA championship ring, followed with a kiss on that scraggly cheek.

# Lebanon Bash

## September 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>

### Lebanon KS – Center of the contiguous USA



Once again, the wonderful folks of Lebanon KS are holding their annual Bash involving many activities and events, including a concert Saturday evening at 6:00 pm.

This is a fun event involving families from the whole community and neighboring towns and counties that come to Lebanon for a fun time.

SCMA has participated in past years Bash's with members riding their bikes in the parade that will be held on Saturday at 5:00pm.....staging will probably occur around 4pm.

The US Center Motel in Smith Center has closed but if there are any riders who know they will come, there may be a few beds in a lodge setting at Cawker City, which is just 25 miles south & east from Lebanon.

Smith Center still has the BuckShot Inn and the Ingleboro Bed & Breakfast. Soon the ½ marathon runners will probably get many of the rooms for Friday night.

I have had the pleasure of participating in the parade in prior years, but unfortunately I cannot ride the distance this year. So those of you that do attend the event, please ask for Cindy Stones and let her know you are there to ride in the parade. She typically can be found at the community center.

Gonzo

**September 10th**

# LEBANON

Smack Dab in the CENTER of the Continental US

## BASH

<p><b>7:30 AM • Race to the Center 1/2 Marathon</b></p> <p><b>10:00 AM • Pickleball Tournament -</b> two person teams - pre-register online</p> <p><b>10:30 AM • Chainsaw Artist</b></p> <p><b>11:00AM • Food Vendors Available!</b></p> <p><b>11:00 AM • Music Demo Class</b> With Marty Shipley- Community Hall</p> <p><b>11:00AM • Cosmosphere Rocket Lab</b> Through 4:30 PM FREE</p> <p><b>11:00 AM • Vendor Market in Harmony Park</b> All vendors welcome! Fill out form on Facebook Event "Vendor market in the park" to participate.</p> <p><b>11:00 AM • Inflatables &amp; Other Games</b> FREE-Behind Comm. Building. Through 5 PM</p> <p><b>11:00 AM • Pony Rides</b> FREE. Through 5 pm</p> <p><b>12:00 PM • Car Show - Kansas Ave.</b> \$10 Car Entry Fee. -Through 4:30 PM</p> <p><b>12:00 PM • Lebanon Fire Dept. Duck Pond</b> Fundraiser. Harmony Park - all day.</p> <p><b>12:30 PM • Kid's Train - FREE</b></p> <p><b>12:30 PM • Giant Puppet on the Street</b> FREE - Near Historic Community Hall</p> <p><b>12:00 PM • Big Bash Fishing Tournament -</b> Rough Pond - FREE - Please Preregister Online</p> <p><b>12:30 PM • Painting with Chandra</b> First 10 are FREE - MUST PREREGISTER Online.</p>	<p><b>1:00 PM • Trap Shoot - City Landfill</b> \$5 per activity. Register Day of. Limited Spots Available</p> <p><b>1:00 PM • Cornhole Tournament</b> Concert area - \$20 per two person team Pre-register online</p> <p><b>1:00 PM • Sidewalk Art Contest</b> FREE! - Kids &amp; Adults. Harmony Park - Pre-register online. Judging will take place at 4 PM</p> <p><b>1:30 PM • Archery Course</b> FREE - Behind Affac Building (Old Bank) - Kids &amp; Adults - Through 4:30 PM</p> <p><b>2:45 PM • Kids Puppet Workshop</b> Legion Hall - FREE!</p> <p><b>3:00 PM • Kids Tractor Pull - Main St.</b> FREE pre-register Eventbrite. Arrive 30 mins early to confirm registration.</p> <p><b>4:00 PM • Puppet Show</b> FREE! Historic Community Hall</p> <p><b>5:00 PM • Parade</b> Preregister your float online</p> <p><b>6:00 PM • Beer Garden &amp; Concert</b> Gates Open!</p> <p><b>9:30 PM • Fireworks Show</b></p> <p><b>SUNDAY September 11th</b></p> <p><b>9:30 AM • Golf Tournament</b> 2 person scramble - \$50 - Preregister online Lebanon Golf Course</p>
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**All Tickets,  
Registration, and Information Online**  
[www.lebanonbash.com](http://www.lebanonbash.com)

## 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, VA**
2. Andy Andresen Newnan, GA
3. **Jeff Kramer Las Cruces, NM**
4. Richard Pedersen Aloha, OR
5. Bob Roger Dalton, Ohio
6. Mark Burdick Houston, TX
7. Dennis Mitchel Ft Myers, FL
8. Steven Jackson Lindon, UT
9. **Anthony Handy, Philadelphia, PA**



**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:

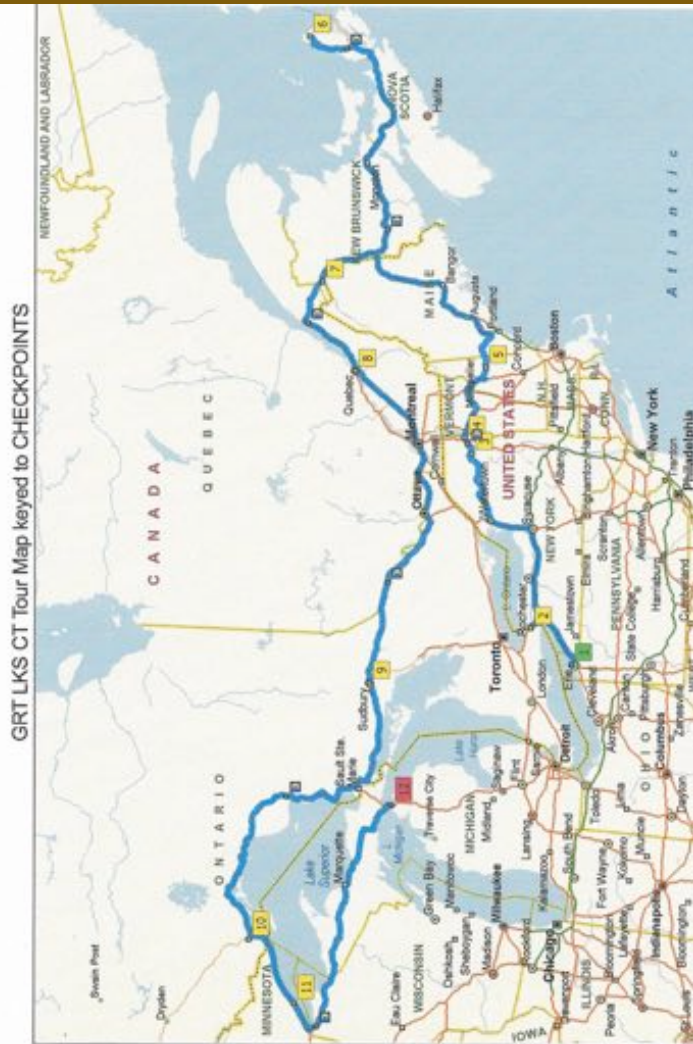
1. Perry Monument Presque Isle Peninsula, Erie, PA
2. Niagara Falls Either Side, New York, or Ontario
3. Lake Placid, Summit of Whiteface Mountain
4. Ferry across Lake Champlain, The Essex NY to Charlotte, VT Ferry is now the recommended crossing since the Port Kent NY to Burlington VT Ferry is closed for 2022.
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 or 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. Mackinac 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.



# E-Blast #6 2022 THREE FLAGS CLASSIC

By Steven Shulman  
Chairman, 3FC22  
#24462

Hello 2022 Three Flag Participants, If you are coming to Mexicali from the EAST and arriving before 2 PM you may want to come in through the East entry. The West entry is open 24 hours.

ALL riders will depart Mexicali using the WEST border station as it will be open and on the route. Directions are attached.

Also, please remember the following when checking in for the Start at the Araiza Hotel:

1. Bring evidence of Mexican Insurance
2. Bring your motorcycle driver's license
3. Ensure you have downloaded the ArriveCan application on your phone. You must advise Canada of your arrival date within 72 hours of arrival in Canada. In most cases you'll be doing this in after or about the time you arrive at the Longmont, Colorado checkpoint.

Place this link into your search for the maps showing the entry into Mexico and the times the border stations are open.

**<https://sc-ma.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Border-Crossings-Calexico-to-Mexicali.pdf>**

Steven Shulman, Chairman  
2022 Three Flags Classic  
The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Ride

# E-Blast #7 2022 THREE FLAGS CLASSIC

By Steven Shulman  
Chairman, 3FC22  
#24462

## SEE YOU IN MEXICO!



Well folks, the day is quickly approaching and it's a go for the 2022 Three Flags Classic! I hope you're as excited as I am to get on the road and enjoy the ride. This is likely the last E-Blast you will receive from us. I suggest printing out all the E-Blasts, (and review them) which can be found on the SCMA web page at [SC-MA.com](http://SC-MA.com). Go to the headings and look under "Newsletters and General E-Blasts". You may find answers to questions you have. Please read the important information below which will help you navigate the start and finish process.

See you in Mexico!

Steven Shulman, Chairman  
2022 Three Flags Classic

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## 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Ride

### **ARRIVING IN MEXICALI**

Upon arrival at the ARAIZA TFC check-in hotel you'll spot the US, Mexican, and Canadian flags at the entrance to the hotel. You may also spot the LED sign welcoming riders. You may park temporarily in front of the hotel lobby upon arrival. Once you check-in to the hotel please follow instructions from SCMA personnel and park in the designated motorcycle parking area for Three Flag riders. If you are staying elsewhere go directly to designated parking and come into the hotel.

### **TFC CHECK-IN AT THREE FLAG TABLES**

When you get to the Araiza Hotel the first thing you'll want to do is to have your photograph taken. This can and should be done as soon as you get to the Araiza Hotel and as early as 2 days before check-in on August 31<sup>st</sup>. Photographs prior to check-in will be done in the hotel lobby. These photographs will be placed in your individual passport and provided to you at TFC check-in. If at all possible get the photograph taken early. On August 31, 2022 photographs will be taken in the TFC check-in room but expect a line.

TFC Check-in will begin sometime between 10:00 and 11:00 AM on Wednesday August 31, 2022 but photographs will start earlier. Please have your driver's license and Mexican Insurance documents with you to expedite the process.

### **FIRST-TIME RIDERS MEETING**

Unlike previous years, the first-time riders meeting will take place **BEFORE** dinner rather than after dinner. The first-timers meeting starts at 3:30 PM, will last about an hour, unless there are questions, in which case it may finish right before dinner. Dinner will be at 5:00 PM. This meeting is not mandatory but encouraged as those conducting it have been on the ride for many years and will provide you valuable information to make your ride fun and safe. Let comers will still be able to check-in after dinner.

### **TURN-BY-TURN ROUTE SHEETS**

The Three Flags Classic is generally a back roads route. All roads are paved

but the route is generally more scenic than Interstates. There are a number of ways to follow the TFC route. You may have downloaded the GPX file found on the SC-MA web page, charted the route on paper maps, or a number of other methods. We will provide riders turn-by-turn route sheets from start to finish if they wish to navigate using these sheets. While we believe they are accurate, we suggest you know exactly where you are at all times in case an error has been made. Verifications to these sheets can be by maps on phones, navigation systems or paper maps. Please pay attention to where you are so you can make checkpoints on time.

### **START CARDS**

Every rider will receive a **START CARD**. Consider filling out this card the day **BEFORE** you leave on the ride. **The start of the rides is between the hours of 2:30 AM and 5:00 AM on Thursday, September 1, 2022.**

In the lobby of the hotel you will find coffee, water, and possibly some snacks. There will be TFC personnel there to collect **YOUR** Start card. Please have your wrist band on and your passport available when turning in your Start Card. You may **NOT** turn in a Start Card for any other rider. Each rider must turn in one Start Card and it **MUST** be your own!

### **BANQUET IN PENTICTON**

When you arrive in Penticton there will be TFC personnel there to help direct you to the TFC Finishers check-in table. They'll also direct you to parking. We will have large bags for your use to take your gear to your hotel room, if needed. Please return them to the lobby so others can use them. There is a limited supply.

### **DO NOT REMOVE YOUR WRISTBAND**

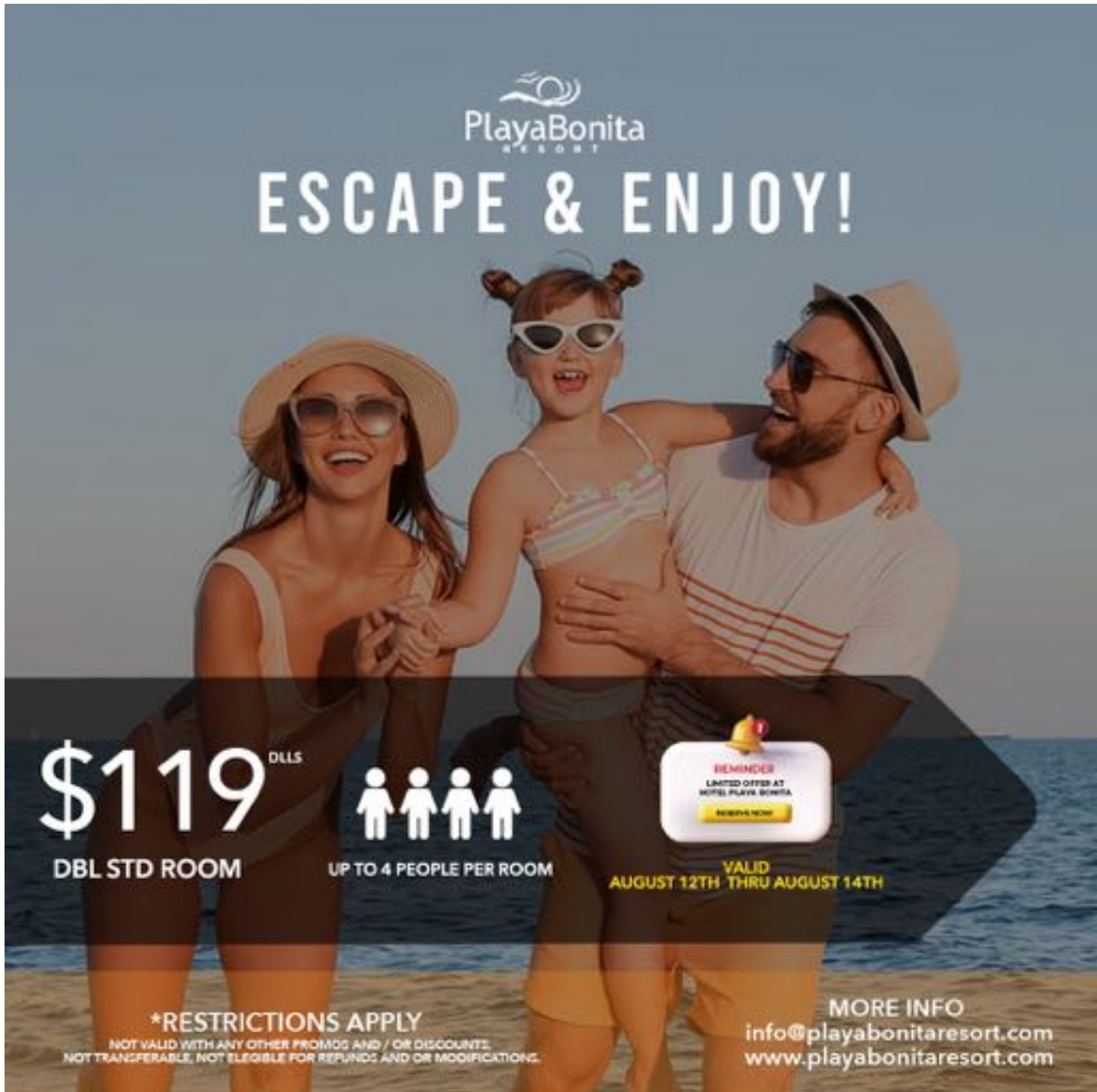
Your wristband is your ticket to the banquet dinner on Tuesday, September 6, 2022. Bring your passport to the banquet/dinner. A number of prizes are given out at the dinner including \$1,200 Aerostitch suits and a free ticket to TFC 2023. We will select rider numbers for prizes. Your passport contains your rider number which is your claim ticket to any number drawn.

If you have a guest who is attending the dinner in Mexico or Canada personnel at entry will confirm their name on the dinner list. They will receive a dinner ticket which will be collected later.



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# Enjoy Fun In The Sun in Beautiful Puerto Penasco



## TRAVEL ESSENTIALS

By Steven Shulman  
#24462  
Chairman, 3FC22

As I mentioned in the last newsletter I was going to provide a list of essentials to think about before embarking on a long motorcycle ride. While many of these items may not be necessary for you, reviewing it may help you think of other items you may want to bring.

I usually use this list before I get ready to pack my bike. One item I am very fond of are Rok Straps instead of the traditional bungee cords. When in desert heat I've actually had bungee cords break.

If you found a black Joe Rocket jacket in the westbound lanes of I-40 with a roll of quarters in the inside pocket, it's mine and I'd love to get it back. I was on the way back from a USA Four Corners trip and it was 106 degrees. When I arrived in Needles, California my bungee cords melted and my jacket was gone. I've since used Rok Straps. If you return the jacket, you can keep the quarters.

In any case you can add to this list or subtract from it but I like to refer to it because I used to get just far away from home when I realized I forgot something. Hopefully this will help you.

I hope to see many of you in Mexicali in August at the Three Flags check-in. Until then...

List of Items		
Personal Items	Clothing Essentials	Motorcycle Essentials
Driver's License	Jacket	Tire Plug Kit
Passport	Light Weight Jacket	Compressor
Camera/ <b>Charger</b>	Rain Jacket	Fuses/Bulbs
Go Pro Video/ <b>Charger</b>	Rain Pants	Toolkit
Flashlight/ <b>Charger</b>	Boots	Tire Gauge
Cell Phone/ <b>Charger</b>	(Long) Underwear	Riding Suit
Address Book/Passwords	Socks (regular)	Velcor Straps
Flat Maps	Shoes (regular)	Elastic Straps
Ipod/ <b>Charger</b>	Shorts	Cleaning Towels
XM Radio	Shirts	Window Spray
ATM/Credit Cards	Jeans	Rain Guard Spray
Cash	Sweats	Batteries for Key FOB
Coins	Swim Trunks	que tips/cleaning sticks
Medical Card	Leather Gloves	Bike Cover
Insurance Card	Weather Gloves	First Aid Kit
KOA Card	Hats	Hidden Spare Key
KOA Map		AA/AAA Batteries

Reading Material	<b>Toiletries (Bag)</b>	Razor Blades
Towel	Shampoo	Zip Ties
Sunglasses	Soap	Zip Lock Baggies
Reading Glasses	Toothbrush	Erase Marker 4 windshield
Prescription Medication	Toothpaste	
Hotel Reward Cards	Que Tips	
List C.C. #'s and Lost #	Hair Spray	
Bike Registration	Hair Brush	
Book Light	Foam Earplugs	
Checkbooks	Shaving Cream	
	Razor/Blades	
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>Last Minute Preparation</b>	
Camping Gear	Pay Monthly Bills	
Tent	Pay Insurance Bills	
Sleeping Bag	Check Ins. for Canada	
Pad	Check Ins. for Mexico	
Spikes	Call C.C. Co. ref. travel	
Pillow		
Toilet Paper		
Tissue		



## 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.

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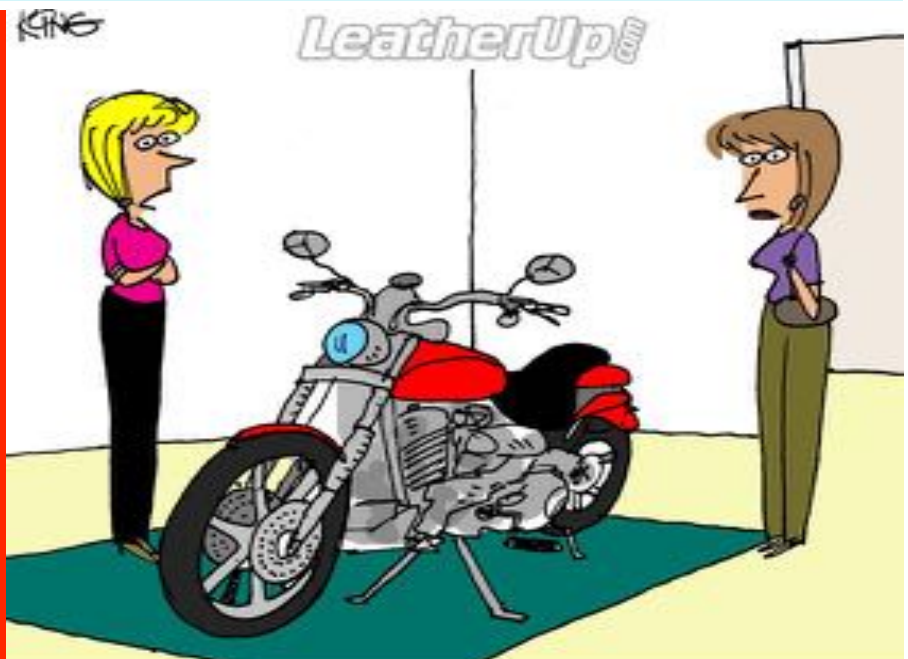
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