

# River City Beemers



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### Membership Meeting

Sat, Aug. 1st 8:00am  
Susie's Country Oaks Cafe  
500-G Cirby Way  
Roseville

### Director's Meeting

Tues, Aug 11th, 7:00 pm  
IHOP  
2525 Iron Point Road  
Folsom

### Breakfast - Be There!

Every Saturday 8 am  
Susie's Country Oaks Cafe  
500-G Cirby Way  
Roseville

### Weds. Dinner Ride

Meet between 5-6:30 pm  
Leaves every Wednesday  
evening at 6:30 pm from The  
Coffee Republic in Folsom

## The President's Corner

by Fred Jewell



As I sit here writing this month's column I believe we have a few members who are probably right now on their way back from the MOA national rally in Tennessee, and quite a few more on their way to Paonia, Colorado for the Top O' the Rockies rally. I would have loved to have attended both this year, but time, work and economic constraints kept me here in California.

However, next year is a different story as the MOA national is in Redmond, Oregon, just a day's ride away. I would enjoy seeing the RCB make their presence known there by a large number of us attending. I'll be there for sure, hope you will be too.

Thunderhill remains the hot topic again, as you only have until the end of August to register and receive you RCB discount price of \$195, after that it's \$220 for everyone. It is easily the best deal you can get for under \$200 - think of it: camping and pizza the night before, coffee and muffins in the morning, a full day of riding on the track, improving your skills, getting expert instruction and lunch all for one low price! You will be a better rider at the end of the day, no matter what your skill level is to begin with.

Gary and Linda Stofer put on another fantastic spaghetti feed at Indian Creek last month; I think we filled all the tent spaces and everyone had a good time enjoying the food, comraderie, cool mountain air and Gary's accordian playing. (Accordian? yes, I said accordian!) Maybe he'll bring it to Manchester Beach too. It was a lot of work on their part that we all greatly appreciated,

and no bears this year!

Speaking of camping, Roy Ulfsrud is once again hosting the Doran Beach campout August 14 - 16. This is your chance to get away from the August heat here in the valley and camp out on the shore near Bodega Bay, a relatively short ride from Sacramento. Roy's meals are legendary in their excellence, and if you don't feel like camping I'm sure you can find a motel nearby in town. Check the RCB forum for members who want to ride out together; I'm sure there will be groups on both Friday and Saturday.

The club ride for August is our annual Ride 'n' Bowl in Yerington, Nevada, and even if you're not going there, you can make a good day ride out of it by coming with us as far as Genoa where we stop for lunch. It's a nice ride over the mountains to the Nevada side, and there's a variety of choices for the way back home, although I suggest you reserve a room in Yerington and join us in the bowling. If there are some who want a slower paced ride than our standard, I will lead a separate group leaving just after the first one, just let me know at the meeting. And yes, I can go at a more relaxed pace when I want to, although not too often, but it does happen once in a while, and I will gladly slow down for a club ride if need be. That being said, I'm going to end with a new signature line that kind of contradicts what I just said:

"Being shot out of a cannon is always better than being squeezed out of a tube. That's why God made fast motorcycles"

and a small but useful prize for the first one who knows whose quote that is. (EASY ONE!)

## Do you receive the PRINTED Newsletter?

The economy is having an adverse effect on everyone, including the River City Beemers. While the Board has been active cutting expenses and looking for alternative revenue streams, some expenses have become overwhelmingly burdensome – The worst offender is the printed version of our monthly Newsletter that is presently mailed to 20% of our membership. The other 80% downloads the Newsletter from our website.

While Kim Rydalch generously compiles and writes the electronic Newsletter for free, which is then available at our website for free, the PRINTED version costs almost \$1.75 every month to print, cut, fold, address and mail. When you consider RCB only charges \$6.00 per year, we lose \$15.00 on every sub-

scription. Multiply that by the 20% of members who subscribe, and RCB loses the equivalent of two funded events per year! (Or more free food and beer at the current events!)

My appeal to the membership is simple – Please consider switching to the FREE version of the Newsletter – Every switch puts money in our coffers. To switch, simply send an email to Kim (editor@rcb.org) and ask to be removed from the “printed” list. The balance of your subscription fees will be graciously accepted into our general fund for future events.

Thank you!

## Nevada SaddleSore 1000

By Phill Wood

“That’s the stupidest thing I ever heard of!” was my initial response to a description of the Iron Butt Association, an organization whose members have ridden 1,000 or more miles in a day. That was then – Today I’m a card carrying member, number 21233 to be specific.

Until now, all my Iron Butt rides had been across state lines, Colorado to California, Utah round-trip, California to New Mexico and such. But recently, the possibility of in-state rides were brought to my attention – And it sounded intriguing – Out here in the West, we have several states that are large enough to contain a full, 1,000 mile circuit, and even better, have liberal 75 MPH speed limits. One such state is Nevada.

So the other day I rode to Sparks and checked into an



inexpensive casino just off the freeway. The next morning, the alarm went off at 3:30AM and by 4AM I was up, dressed and looking for someone to sign my departure form. In the casino lobby was a gentleman waiting for a cab to the airport. I told him my story; he laughed, verified my odometer and signed my form. And by 4:15AM I was on the road.

Nevada has basically two speed limits, 70/75MPH on the road and 25MPH through towns, and the first such town was the Scherz Indian Reservation which had a casino, a liquor store and at least 12 fireworks stands. This time of the morning, everything was dark and closed. Hawthorn (6:08AM) and Tonopah (7:43AM) were gas stops, and weren’t a lot busier than Scherz. But now the fun was over – It was time to head out into the Nevada desert.



low 60s – Normally, in June, an early morning rider will layer up to protect against the cold. Usually by 10AM, the first layer comes off, by noon the second is gone, and by the heat of the afternoon, your jacket vents are completely unzipped for maximum cooling and you're down to just the armor layer. But today, I was still fully layered at 4PM.

Two observations about IH80 from Wells back to Sparks – It has way too much construction with 55MPH speed limits and slow-moving trucks, and an innumerable number of prisons. Every couple of miles were signs stating you were in a prison area and not to

There's a sign leaving Tonopah that says no services for 164 miles – Many of my friends wouldn't be able to make that leg on their 100-mile bikes – But it was no challenge for the BMW to make the turn at Warm Springs, proceed south along the Extraterrestrial Highway, and make it all the way to Caliente (10:43AM). Along the way I stopped in Rachel to grab a morning coffee, buy gag gifts and share stories with the owner of the Little A'Le'Inn.

pick up hitchhikers. Duh!

Late in the afternoon, and a little behind the original schedule, the fuel warning light came on. In the desert portion of Nevada, that could have been disastrous, but along IH80, you can count on fuel every 20-30 miles. And Lovelock was fifteen miles ahead.

Departing Lovelock (6:43PM), the GPS indicated

The next fuel stop would be Ely (12:43PM), where the weather was forecast to be rain and thunderstorms. And it was. For almost the entire 140 miles to Wells, it rained and rained and rained. Arriving in Wells (2:49PM), the sky was partially blue and the worst was hopefully behind me. I texted "Pray for warm and dry" to a friend tracking my progress. Her prayer was inadequate as the rain and thunderstorms started right back up and lasted all the way to Elko.

As the clouds disappeared in my rear-view mirror, the temps finally started climbing out of the 50s and





just over an hour of riding. Piece o' cake! Past Fernley, and nearing the population center of Reno, the speed limit dropped to 70MPH and then 65MPH. And the number of Highway Patrol officers increased dramatically. As much as I wanted to be in the relative comfort of the hotel, this was neither the time nor place to speed.

Finally (and I do mean finally!) my exit came along and I dropped into fifth, fourth, third, second and first gear to a stop. The left turn light took forever to change, but when it

did, the hotel parking lot was less than a mile away.

Found another volunteer to sign my arrival form (he didn't laugh as hard as the morning departure guy), and finally shut down at 8:08PM. Dismounting and removing all my layers, I took a picture of the GPS screen as secondary proof and walked inside for a shower and a drink – Jack and water. Perfect! 1,036 miles in 14 hours and 7 minutes of riding time – Roughly 16 hours total time. Maybe it really is the stupidest thing I ever heard of. But it did bring me to chuckle to myself.

The paperwork has been compiled and submitted. It takes up to three months to approve these things so I still have a wait. Maybe I'll use the time to plot a California in-state ride. Wonder what the best route would be to maximize freeways and minimize traffic centers during rush hours ...



## Member's Classified Ads

*Classified ads are free to members, and usually will run for 3 months give or take a bit, unless you email back and tell us to pull it. Send the text of your email to Classified, and it will be included in the web site and also in the newsletter. Please format similar to ads below. Limit 75 words.*

BMW Mens Airflow Jacket. Size: US42R/EU52. Excellent condition! \$135.00. (New Airflow sells for \$599.00) Call Bruce @ 916-989-9224 or e-mail to

samparrish@sbcglobal.net

Wanted: R100RS Seat, Krause bags w/racks, K75RS handle bars and stack header pipes. Let me know what you have. Call Steve Hartshorn, 530-277-6630 (6/14)

1998 R1200C. Cream paint, blue leather, factory bags and screen, new tires and battery, K&N air filter, all services, and only 11,120 miles. It's beautiful

and I need it to go to someone who appreciates it and will take care of it. \$5500.00 or best offer. Please call me if your interested 209-918-1093 Anthony Peters. (5/19)

2002 BMW K1200LTC, located in Yuba City. This is a very smooth running, great sounding and good looking sport/touring bike. It's like riding a sport bike with all the comfort of a touring bike. Average gas mileage is 45 mpg. Bike has been well maintained. Mileage is about 53,000. New Clutch, brake lines, brake pads, and rear brake reservoir. Ohlins shock suspension system front & rear – stock shocks available. Remus aluminum Revo exhaust system w/ header – stock exhaust available. Tires in good condition – spare front tire (rear tire replaced about 1000 miles ago). Chrome luggage rack w/ 3rd brake light. Electrically adjustable windshield. New Ztechnik windshield – BMW windshield available. Lots of extras – will send on request. Asking \$9,500 / OBO. Paul 530-674-0726 paulandjanie(at)comcast.net (4/27)

1999 K1200RS 22k miles, Silver and Blue, all maintenance up to date, Corbin Seat with back rest for passenger, hard bags with mounting rack, other extras , call for details. Asking \$5900. Call Fred at 530-273-8057 after 5 p.m. or on cell at 530-263-2942. (4/16)

2002 R1150GS ABS 37,000 miles, \$7500. Blue/white custom paint. Original Owner. Always garaged. Adventure Tank, Bill Mayer saddle, Sta-In-Tune collector box, full size oem bags (lowered muffler), Motolights, Wunderlich tall screen, handguards, Throttlemeister, extra power outlet, new battery, Metzeler Tourance tires, Geza Bike Cover. Call Joe @ 916-638-2044 (4/13)

Free to good RCB home. Shoei Face Shields. Four CX-1 face shields: Light smoke, dark smoke , clear and clear with Fog City insert. See Bruce W. at a Saturday breakfast.(3/8)

1983 R100RT 60th Anniversary Pearl White, 72K, BMW options, Euro fold out running lights by Bosch in the fairing, 4 way flashers, muffler shields, front louvered grill, rear mud flap, 2 power outlets. Addi-

tional aftermarket options include: Brown side stand, Luftmeister trunk and bar vibration dampeners (internal), Reynolds bag mounts and folding luggage rack plus optional adapter to remove the luggage rack, upper and lower fork braces, stainless steel brake lines, LED tail and running lights, Corbin leather gunfighter seat. Valve job by Oak at 40K. Work done at 62K, fork seals and springs, Hagon rear shocks, Parabellum windshield, steering head bearings, brake pads, timing chain, WestCo battery, ThunderChild diode board & grounding kit, complete throttle assembly and grips, Bing Alcohol float bowl kits, head gaskets and push rod seals, oil and neutral switches, starter, new tires and tubes, new BMW tool kit. The lowers and grill have just been repainted, small dent in left side of tank under the fairing packet. \$6000. Dennis 530-391-5754, e-mail clcman(at)sbcglobal.net(2/7)

Misc: Blue eclipse tank bag, old but in pretty good shape, strap mount, for an Airhead \$25. Can send e-mail pictures. Larry Campbell (707) 446-1859(1/28)

1993 Ducati Superlight one owner \$8000.00 firm. 40,000 miles. Bike has been well cared for. If interested call, 916-408-7754, or e-mail, quack947@aol.com for pictures. Michael Miller (1/22)

Misc: BMW tank bag for airhead GS., like new. \$110.00. Hippo mitts, leather, and lined. \$40.00. Exhaust wrench, the steel one, \$35.00. If interested call 916-408-7754. Mike Miller. (10/1)

2005 BMW R1200RT with 21k miles. \$14,000 Garaged kept and maintained by A&S BMW in Roseville. Lots of extras included. You can see more on Cycletrader online or Craig's List. Thanks for looking. E.J. (916) 515-0156

Misc: RKA (2) Side Case Bags, (1) Trunk Bag for an 2008 K1200LT. The bags are for non-CD cases. They are used but in very good condition. \$100.00 for the set. Contact Frank @ (916) 366-9591. (9/5)

Wanted: stock windshield for a R1150GS not adventure. Perfect condition doesn't matter as long as it's

half way decent condition. Call Mark @ 916-834-7190 or email rtbmr (at) yahoo.com (6/23)

Misc: I have nine shims and the two tools needed to change them on the early flying bricks and the 750

three flat BMW engines. \$100.00 for all. I also have an exhaust wrench - the STEEL one for the BMW airheads for \$35.00. Please call Mike Miller at 916-408-7754. (3/31)

## **2009 Calendar of Upcoming Events**

Check often because events are always being added or changed.

- Aug 1st, Sat General membership meeting at Susie's Country Oaks Cafe, 8 am, 500-G Cirby Way, Roseville, CA 916-786-0274. There will be a day ride afterwards so have a full tank of gas before starting. All members and guests welcome.
- Aug 11th, Tue Director's meeting at IHOP Restaurant, 7:00 pm, 2525 Iron Point Road, Folsom. All members welcome.
- Wed. Ride Weds. Dinner Ride, Meet between 5-6:30 pm, Leaves every Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm from the Coffee Republic in Folsom.
- Thur. Ride Meet up for a weekly Thursday day ride, "Because We Can Ride". Meet at Brookfield's at Sunrise and Folsom, eat at 8am and ride at 9am. For all retired, independently wealthy or just plain sick of work!

- August 1-2 Ride N Bowl, Yerington, Nevada, Kim Rydalch organizing Yerington Ride & Bowl, Yerington, NV. Call Kelly at 800-227-4661 Ext. 112 and mention River City Beemers for your room reservation. The earlier you reserve the bigger your room will be. 24 hour notice for room cancellation. Single room, \$20 with dinner buffet coupon, Dbl room, \$30 with two dinner buffet coupons, \$2 off Sunday breakfast. Kim Rydalch, coordinator, 209-521-8425.
- Aug 14-16 Doran Beach campout with Dutch Oven Feast, Roy Ulfsrud organizing
- Sep 1-4 Curve Cowboy Reunion, <http://www.curvecowboyreunion.com/>
- Sep 4-7 NORCAL BMW's Gypsy tour
- Sep 11-13 Central Cal BMW club's Beemer Bash in Quincy, CA
- Sep 20 Thunderhill Skills Improvement Day, Kim Rydalch, Ken Caruthers organizing
- Sep 26 Vintage Motorcycle Show at A&S
- Sep 27 Ice Cream Social
- Oct 2-4 Manchester Beach extravaganza, KOA, Fred Jewell organizing
- Oct 3 Membership meeting at 5pm at Manchester Beach
- Oct 11 5 Passes ride, Ken Caruthers/Larry Morris organizing
- Oct 24 A&S BMW Motorcycles Fall open house
- Nov 8 2009 Planning Meeting 5 pm, location to be determined
- Dec 5 RCB Christmas Party, details to follow



## River City Beemers 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Rider Skills Improvement Day Thunderhill Race Park, Sunday, September 20th, 2009

Participation is limited to riders of BMW Motorcycles or members of MOA chartered BMW motorcycle clubs or guests riding any street legal, licensed, insured and quiet motorcycles. **No Race Bikes**

### **Intro Class for First Time and Conservative Track Riders – Your own classes and separate sessions**

Lots of instruction, ride only with your peers for most of the day

**Experienced Class**– Experienced Riders seeking to improve their skills

**Advanced Class**– Skilled Sport Riders and Repeat Track Attendees – No instruction

Your fee covers: lunch, beverages, and a full day of track access. Saturday night track walk with camping at the race track. Come join us for our 14th year of educating riders in the skills that count. This is without a doubt one of the best track day values you will find anywhere.

**Registration is limited. Don't wait, register now. This event usually sells out, don't miss it!**

**\*\*\*\*\* Registration Fee: members \$195; non-members \$220 until August 31,  
\$220 after August 31, 2009 for everyone \*\*\*\*\***

Complete the pre-registration form below and mail with full registration fees payable to:

River City Beemers  
Attn: **Thunderhill**  
PO Box 2356  
Fair Oaks, CA 95628

**Questions:** contact Kim Rydalch or Ken Caruthers at [editor@rcb.org](mailto:editor@rcb.org) or call Kim at 209-521-8425 eve. Or Ken at [webmaster@rcb.org](mailto:webmaster@rcb.org)  
Also check the RCB website at <http://www.rcb.org> for latest information

**Terms and Conditions:** River City Beemer's Rider Skills Improvement day is open to members of BMW motorcycle clubs with street legal, licensed and insured motorcycles or riders of BMW Motorcycles. Rider is subject to all RCB Rider Skills Day terms and conditions. Enrollment is subject to space availability. Should you not appear on your scheduled school date, fail technical inspection, or should you be unable to complete your day due to mechanical failure or any other reason, all money will be forfeited. RCB reserves the right to refuse admission to anyone at any time for any reason. **Bike must be street legal, licensed and insured.**

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Rider Skills Improvement Day -Member Fee of \$195 required with this form (\$220 after 8/31); Non-member fee of \$220 with this form. (\$220 after 8/31). Make checks payable to River City Beemers.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, St, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

BMW Club You Belong to: \_\_\_\_\_

Bike You will Ride: (year, brand, model,cc) \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Track experience (Mark one)

- I've never been on a track. I am a *Novice / Experienced* (Circle one) street rider.
- I am a conservative rider and would like to ride with the Intro class.
- I'm an experienced rider. I've attended an RCB or other Track day instruction \_\_\_\_\_ (number of days)
- I'm an advanced street and track rider. I've attended over 4 track days.



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