



Recurring Events:

Member Meeting: 1st Saturday of Every Month

Location: Susie's Country Oaks Cafe,
1000 Melody Lane,
Roseville, CA 95678

Breakfast or such whenever you arrive. Meeting starts about 8:00 A.M. and runs until 9:00 A.M., depending on what the Rafflemeister has in his goodie bag. Weather and other factors permitting there is a member ride after the meeting. Check the web site for details at rcb.org.

Wednesday Night Dinner Ride

Location: Coffee Republic
6610 Folsom-Auburn Road,
Folsom, CA 95630

Riders meet at the Folsom Coffee Republic before heading out to a local dining establishment 30-45 minutes away. After dinner, the riders return home on their own. Yes, we ride in rain and during holiday periods. Each week's destination is usually posted in the forum on the previous Monday or Tuesday.

Board of Directors Meeting

Location: Kathrin's Biergarten
4810 Granite Dr.
Rocklin, Ca.

The RCB board of directors meets monthly to review past activities and plan future events, taking into consideration member interest and cost. The meeting is open to all. While the meeting begins at 7:00 P.M., most directors gather earlier to have dinner.



Lunch at the Priest Station Café



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RCB Calendar of Events

(See RCB Web Site / Forum for Details)

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President's Corner

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What a difference a coupla weeks makes! November was very warm. We rode 162 and La Porte Rd. just two weeks ago knowing high elevation riding could end in a flash. Guess what? FLASH! We are done till spring. The heated gear was actually used this last weekend when about 10 of us danced around some nasty looking clouds on the Day After Thanksgiving Ride to the Waterloo Inn for a good lunch. Afterwards we made the obligatory stop at Lockeford Meat to purchase some world class sausage. Great ride, great route and a great day! Get your heated gear out!

Now that we are into our winter months Mother Nature will dictate when we can ride so there isn't much on the schedule as far as the club is concerned. This weekend, December 7th we have the club meeting as usual followed by the toy run to the Children's Receiving Home. We will meet at A&S before departing for the home. There is info on the forum as to what gifts we can bring the kids. I understand there are more teenagers this year so check it out. Saturday evening is the annual RCB Christmas Bash at A&S. Check the forum for suggested dishes to bring. Gordy has ordered the Turkey and Ham and the Club will provide beer, water and soda. Bring your preferred flavor of wine if you'd like. A special guest from the North Pole will preside over the raffle. There will be no raffle at the club meeting. Come join in on the fun!

Speaking of weather, if it permits there may be a New Years Day ride. That's the plan at this point. It will be an interesting route through the delta, ride a ferry or two and end up in Rio Vista for lunch at Foster's Bighorn. It's a great way to start out the new year. Keep an eye on Rides and Destinations.

I sometimes hear folks talk about what a pain in the butt Garmin Base Camp can be and even tho I manage to stumble around on it, it is a pain. After the Feb. club meeting, those who wish, can join in on a Base Camp class hosted by Jack Klauschie's office and instructed by our own Captain Ken. You will need a laptop and charging cord and your USB cord for your GPS to import routes into it. Great opportunity to learn Base Camp navigation. Thanks to Jack and Ken.

Mike.

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Answers to a Winter Request

Greg Gibson Adventure Riding Before It Was a Thing



The attached picture was taken Saturday night at the 1989 LA to Barstow to Vegas. The bike was my 1984 R80 GS PD. You'll note the oil stains on the motor and tank. I blew both fork seals earlier in the day. You can also see the mashed crash bar from a beach-ball sized rock I used as a berm in a sand wash. The left cylinder was missing a portion of the cooling fins from another rock. This was my second LA to Barstow to Vegas on a Beemer. I'd previously ridden it on a XL350 Honda. The 9 gallon tank was miserable

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leaving Barstow in the morning and having to wrestle it through a loooong sand wash outside Newberry Springs. However, the fuel was handy later in the day when I passed dozens of riders in line to buy gas at a two-pump Kelso gas station. The next day (Sunday) I rode off into a 40+ mph headwind going home to the Bay Area. The bike wouldn't pull 80 mph in 5th so I drove it wide-open in 4th. I arrived in Bakersfield on reserve, pumped in another 9 gallons and got home with a total of 550 miles in 8 hours.

Fred Jewell

Lookin' Cool in '72



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In 1972, I was 17 with a 1966 Honda CL 160. And what does a 17 year old do with a dirt bike with a knobby rear tire and a street front tire but add Bates megaphone exhaust and bicycle ape hangers. Even my dog realized this was embarrassing. Just look at her expression.

A Winter Request

As you are sitting at home in the rain pining away for Spring and the start of another riding season, take a few minutes or a few hours and dig out some pictures of you at your riding best, worst or when you were young, foolish and invincible.

Have a memorable ride, or epiphany while riding?

Send me photos and a short story to go with the photos for the Newsletter.

Answer the Call.

Now don't be bashful.

Your pictures and story will help us all get through this winter.

Member Ride for Lunch

Capt. Ken led to good size group to the top of the Priest Grade for lunch after the November member meeting. The weather was fantastic; traffic was light; the ride was spirited; and the comradery excellent.

After lunch Bob Highfill and Da Prez led us back to Sacramento via Wards Ferry Road. Never ridden that? Ask Ricky? Then talk to Laura, Leanne and others for their impressions.

Here are a few photos to capture some of the day.

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A Sunday Fall Ride

Bob Highfill and I recently decided to go for a ride at the last minute. Bob offered to lead the ride and I was content to follow. I had no idea where Bob was leading me and there were times I had no idea exactly where we were – just somewhere north of Interstate 80 and south of Nevada City. Bob's route was curvaceous and a blast. Bob's pace was brisk but well within any measure of safety. I do not have words to describe how fun it was to just ride and not have to think about anything other than a hundred yards in front of me. Many thanks Bob for taking me on this excellent ride.

After many twists and turns we eventually took a break at Sardine Lake – a lake I did not know existed. Below is a photo of the lake looking toward - - -



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The Sierra Buttes.



Some say there is a recumbent animal present in this view. Do you see it?

Not sure if there is a campsite at the lake, but there is a resort with cabins. If there is a campground, it is a spot worth considering for a weekend away.

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BMW MOA National Rally Great Falls, Montana By Tom Moe

BMW MOA MT Regional Coordinator and RCB Member

The BMW MOA National Rally will visit Great Falls, Montana June 25 - 28, 2020

Not all of the rally information is available yet but I do hope that we as a group will volunteer as much time as we can to assist with the rally. What is known is:

The 2020 MOA Rally will be held in Great Falls, Montana.
Montana ExpoPark
400 3rd St NW
Great Falls, MT 59404
(406) 727-8900

Online rally registration will open on 1 January 2020, at BMWMOA.ORG and is available until the rally ends. Registration forms will be available in BMW Owners News. Registration incentives will be announced on the website and in the magazine as they become available.

For your full rally registration fee (excluding children and day passes), you will receive admission to the rally for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, entry into door prize drawings, eligibility for our Grand Prize drawings and the BMW MOA prize bike. Your registration also includes camping fees for the Montana ExpoPark.

Anyone arriving prior to Thursday **must be an identified volunteer** with a rally committee and will be expected to volunteer for rally set-up duties. Rally set-up is a big effort and the set-up volunteers need an opportunity to get their work done in a timely fashion. Please give these volunteers a chance to get the rally ready before your arrival.

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Day passes will be available at Rally Registration on Saturday only. Day passes will allow access to the event, but will not include door prize tickets, pin, patch, or rally program. Cost is \$TBD for all day on Saturday.

The Rally is open to BMW MOA members and their guests. Rally attendance is contingent on abiding by the rules and policies of the BMW MOA, and at the discretion of the Rally Chairs. We reserve the sole right to deny admission and/or remove persons from the rally grounds based on our discretion.

While MOA members receive a registration discount, non-members may join the MOA online or at the rally registration rate and receive the MOA member discount. A one-year membership is \$49 for U.S. residents. Please see the BMW MOA website for the extensive list MOA member benefits which easily off-set the annual membership fee.

While the BMW MOA National Rally is specific to BMW motorcycles, we welcome riders and guests on all marques. All bikes must meet local noise abatement regulations and rally attendance is contingent on abiding by the rules and policies of the BMW MOA and the discretion of the Rally Chairs.

Upon arrival: First things first. Register for the rally or check-in if you registered online before the rally. Check in at the registration building to receive your wristband, rally program, door prize tickets, etc.

If you are camping, proceed to the designated camping area and pick a spot to pitch your tent. Meet your neighbors, make new friends and relax.

Once you've settled in, visit the Rally Central to turn in your door prize tickets, pick up your pin and rally mug and sign up at the Awards Booth...you never know what you may win!

First time at an MOA International Rally? We're glad you're here! Be sure to stop in and introduce yourself at the Ambassador's Booth. Need to charge your electronic devices? We've got you covered at the Electronics Charging Station. Be sure to bring your own cord.

Check out the MOA Gear Shop for Rally shirts and other cool MOA items.

Visit the MOA Foundation Booth to learn more about rider safety, education and training.

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Last, but certainly not least, start having fun!

VOLUNTEERING:

Lots of work happens before the Rally even opens. Contact the Volunteer Committee Chair, Paul Ruffel for current needs. At the rally, the Volunteer Booth is located in the MOA building and you can sign up to volunteer there. Stop by and sign up for a shift or two. NOTHING would happen without our fantastic volunteers!

I will also be working as hard as I can to assist the rally effort and would gladly help lead the MTBMWriders and RCB members group in a concerted effort. If you are interested in volunteering please contact me at tom.moe@sbcglobal.net or 406-599-5226.

CAMPING:

Individual campsite reservations are not required and there are plenty of grassy and shady areas for tent camping in the designated camping areas. Please do not attempt to reserve space for late arrivals. Chartered Clubs can reserve space by contacting Kevin or Annie Huddy MT Ambassadors and the Chartered Club Camping Committee Chairs. Contact information to be provided on the rally website January 1, 2020.

The grounds are large enough that no designated quiet area will be identified. First-timers should remember that ear plugs can help make your night restful. We ask all rally goers to practice common courtesy throughout the rally grounds.

Campers may drive cars to their selected camping area and set up camp. Please note you may be required to move your car to suitable parking depending on specific site conditions.

Cordoning off camping space for future arrivals is strictly prohibited. Group camping for MOA clubs is available. Contact the Chartered Club Group Camping Chair or Rally Chairs for information.

Let's help make it a great Montana rally.

Ride safe, keep the rubber side down.

Tom

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Please take photos and write notes.
Better yet write an article or ride report.
If you read an interesting article send me a copy.
Please send them to me at jackklau@comcast.net and I will add them to the newsletter
to share with members.

**Please Check the Forum often to stay
updated on club functions and events.**



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DISCOUNT FOR RCB MEMBERS AT CLEARWATER LIGHTS!!

RCB members can get the brand new "Billie" tail and brake light package from Clearwater Lights for only \$125. The package normally sells for \$149. So buy a set and then use your \$24 savings to cover next year's RCB dues!! The discount is available for April, May, and June only.

The PREZ himself has already availed himself of this opportunity and is happy to show off his new lights to anyone who wants to follow his bike around. The "Billie's" are specially designed for the newer BMW's (GT's, RT's, and GS's) with the "Wonder Wheel" multifunction switch. If you have already gotten a "Can Opener 3" with your Clearwater auxiliary lights then you are all set. If you still have one of the earlier Can Openers (or don't have one at all) you will need to upgrade to the Can Opener 3.

To get your discount, just tell Glen that you're an RCB'er and that "Gordy sent ya!!!!".



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Call Trujillo Tow & Transport! This new towing business, launched by club member Ray Trujillo, specializes in transporting motorcycles using a hydraulic lift system that ensures no stress or strain is ever placed on your bike as it is lifted gently into the truck bed.



Ray's business covers many facets of transporting motorcycles, including:

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Motorcycle Transport for Dealers: If you are a dealer who needs to deliver a new motorcycle to a customer, give TTT a call. And rest assured that the bike or bikes will be transported safely and cheerfully.

Rally Transport: If you've always wanted to attend a rally maybe even Sturgis give Ray a call. He will safely transport your bike so it will be waiting when you arrive.

Routine Service & Maintenance Transport: Professionals are you just too busy to have your bike serviced? Give TTT a call and your bike will be picked up and delivered to your preferred service dealer and delivered safely back home again after service.



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