

# River City Beemers

## May 2023



### 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 more or less at 8:00 A.M. and runs until 9:00 A.M. or so, 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](http://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. Locations are chosen the previous week by the participants. 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: Pete's Restaurant & Brewhouse  
6608 Folsom-Auburn Road  
Folsom, CA

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



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#### RCB 2023 Calendar of Events

(See RCB Web Site / Forum for Details)

May 13	Ladies Lunch
May 26-29	49'er Rally – Mariposa
June 3	Monthly Member Meeting / Club Ride
June 9-11	Lewiston Camping
June 8-11	MOA National Rally - Virginia
June 22-25	Chief Joseph Rally, John Day, OR Touratech Rally West, Plain, Wash.
July 1	Monthly Member Meeting - Club Ride
July 20-23	Top of the Rockies Rally
August 5	Monthly Mtg / Club Ride / Ride 'N Bowl
August 12	Ladies Lunch
August 18-20	Tahoe Chill – Camp Richardson
Sept. 2	Monthly Member Meeting - Club Ride
Sept. 1-4	Gypsy Tour
Sept. 8-10	Lost Creek Campground, Mt. Lassen
Sept. 15-17	Ride to Steens, Or.
October 6-8	Monthly Member Mtg / Manchester Beach
November 4	Monthly Member Meeting - Club Ride
November 18	Ladies Lunch
December 2	Monthly Mtg/Club Ride/ Holiday Party
December 9	Toy Run

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## President's Corner May 2023

Yay! Sunshine and warm temperatures, finally. I was beginning to wonder there for a while. Hopefully it continues through this weekend for our annual poker run, 50/50 raffle and lunch at Mike Ledbetter's palatial estate in the foothills. Don't forget to sign up on the website ahead of time, it's always a good time and a fun ride devised by Ken and Gordy.

It's also good weather to start your hunt for sites in the Where's My Name contest and collect raffle tickets towards a set of tires for your bike. There are 180 tickets available if you hit every one, but I'm going to bet even last year's winner, Chris Navarrete, can't make it to all of them. You've got until September 15 to gather as many tickets as you can and improve your chances for those tires.

Jeff Hanrahan, from A&S, told me recently that BMW will be celebrating their 100-year anniversary at the Barber Sports race track and motorcycle museum in Birmingham, Alabama Oct. 6-8.

Unfortunately, this is the same weekend as our Manchester Beach meeting, but if you're not going to Manchester (and shame on you) you might want to join in their festivities. I wish it had been just about any other date, I'd have gone. That motorcycle museum has been on my bucket list for a while, and I'll bet BMW will put on a great event.

There are lots of things going on in the months ahead, both our own events and others we enjoy participating in, so check the RCB calendar and plan accordingly. Get yourself and your bike ready to go, and let's have a great riding season.

Some random thoughts: Why do we park on a driveway and drive on a parkway? If a fly didn't have wings, would it be a walk? How come people are never combobulated or grunted? You can't be in cahoots by yourself.

Fred Jewell

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## **2023 Whale of a Tour** **(by Greg Peart)**

This was a first for me, I chose to drive a car on my own tour! At least for this year's tour. We have been blessed with tons of snow and rain this winter. Spring is in a holding pattern. With such a huge volume of heavy, cold rain this year and the week prior to this year's Whale of a Tour ride and more rain expected for the weekend I emailed the other riders signed up and advised them I was planning to drive this year. The other four couples all agreed that was a good idea. I have always ridden even when we only had one or two other motors despite possible rain showers. What's a leader if you don't lead by example?

Three SUV's met for breakfast on Saturday morning at Eppie's. Cyndee & Greg Peart, Lisa & Bruce Cornelius and newbies this year Cindy & Kent Brandon. The Brandon's are longtime friends of the Peart's from a local car club and Kent will be signing up to join the River City Beemers in the next month or so. Kent rides a BMW GS.

Audrey & Royce Krieger and Judy & Tony Spadaro met us in Mendocino.

After a great breakfast the three SUVs caravanned on 80 to 101 for a pit and gas stop at Santa Rosa Costco.

Much to my surprise Dry Creek General Store, our lunch stop was closed for a much-needed reworking of the street parking out front. It should be much better for everyone after this upgrade is done.

We made a quick wine pick up at Ferrari-Carano just up the street from Dry Creek Store.

Lunch was at the Hamburger Ranch and BBQ, in Cloverdale at Hwy. 128 & N. Cloverdale Blvd. This is a good spot for tasty BBQ food. Hwy. 128 was not yet in the blossom mode. Aside from a few wildflowers, traffic was very light the entire weekend. Obviously, the big media hype of horrible weather scared off the normal herd of Bay Area folks that normally swarm the upper north coast each weekend. We did find flagmen working three one lane sections of Hwy. 128 that were being tree trimmed by heavy equipment.

Navarro Vineyards & Winery made another fine pit stop before our arrival at Mendocino's Sea Gull Inn. Surprisingly this travel day was clear, dry and sunny.



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The Inn's owner, Ian Roth, was on hand to welcome and check us into our rooms. We were the only 5 rooms rented that weekend. Ian advised me that work on a 10th room should be completed by next year's tour. 5:30 pm found all 10 of us in the Peart's room for a cocktail party. Luna Trattoria Italian food was our dinner stop at 7 this night. The food here is great and making reservations several days in advance makes getting seating for a group of 10 much easier. Luna is only a short walk from our hotel.



Friday Dinner at Luna Trattoria starting bottom left clockwise, Cindy Brandon, Cyndee & Greg Peart, Audrey & Royce Krieger, Lisa & Bruce Cornelius, Judy & Tony Spadaro, Kent Brandon.

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Since the Mendocino Hotel is closed, my recon work came up with Irish Coffees at the MacCallum House Inn for our after-dinner tradition of Irish Coffees. And it also is a short walk from our hotel. The bar tender stayed till 9 for our group. She also amazed us with real whip cream topping off our drinks. It really makes a big difference in the taste of the drink & the tip amount.

Weather Saturday morning was overcast then sunny and ever changing with just a little bit of light rain throughout the day. The morning Inn breakfast was great as usual. Everyone went in different directions for most of the day having fun between Fort Bragg and Mendocino. 5:30 pm found all of us again in cocktail mode sharing snacks, wine & wonderful conversation. Last year Ian had suggested eating at Los Gallitos Mexican restaurant in Fort Bragg. Los Gallitos was a huge win last year. They gave us a reservation, had plenty of room to seat us all together, great service, price & best of all the food was excellent. So, we ate there again this year.

Next on the agenda was an Irish coffee. Since we were in Fort Bragg, Silver's at The Wharf in Noyo Harbor, sports a large bar with plenty of room even for our group on a Saturday night. To my surprise, at 9 PM we were the only ones in the sports side of the bar at Silvers this night.

A great time was had by all and everyone decided to drive home the following day at different times.

Generally, a group ride on Sunday morning departing at 10 AM over to Granzella's for lunch on Hwy. 20 around Clearlake was on tap. This year we had lots of heavy rain at times throughout the day.

Whale of a Tour is designed to be the first RCB tour of the yearly riding season. It is rain or shine so it's not a problem to use your 4-wheel back-up. That way a spouse that may not be a happy camper riding in the cold or sleeping on the ground can share the adventure of your motorcycle world of good times & great friends. This year was just a good choice to use the backup all-around.

Cyndee & I want to thank Kim & Ian Roth who own and manage the Sea Gull Inn for their continued support offering a discounted rate for our group each year. Their hospitality, great breakfasts and wonderful rooms keep us coming back each year.

A big thank you to our regulars who come on this tour and make it so much fun to be a part of.

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The dates for next year are March 8, 9, 10, 2024.



End of a perfect day in Mendocino looking west from in front of the Sea Gull Inn.



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## April Club Ride

By Jean Cordalis



[Ed: Red Rockets at the Priest Grade Café]



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## **"WHERE'S MY NAME?" CONTEST 2023**

**By Fred Jewell, RCB Prez**

Instead of a mileage contest this year, I've come up with a different kind of contest. Visit these sites to collect raffle tickets for a drawing to be held at the next Manchester Beach shindig. All locations are in California, and I used members' names to come up with sites to visit to earn raffle tickets.



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\*Contest begins on April 1, 2023, and ends at midnight on September 15, 2023.

\*Only RCB members in good standing are eligible to participate and win.

\*Contest winner will be determined by drawing at the October meeting at Manchester Beach KOA -YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!

\*Contest consists of visiting the sites on the list to collect the corresponding # of raffle tickets for the site.

Each site can only be visited once, and must be visited on your motorcycle. As you visit each site, take a picture of the designated location (as stated on the list) with your motorcycle in it. Note: there are some locations that cannot be reached on your motorcycle, in those cases, a picture of the location will suffice.

\*Each site has a # of tickets available, anywhere from a minimum of one to as many as twelve.

\*The contest winner will be awarded set of motorcycle tires of his/her choice installed on the winner's motorcycle.

Here are the locations and the sites to be photographed for the Where's My Name contest. Starting April 1, all you have to do is travel to the sites on your motorcycle, take a picture of the site specified with your motorcycle in it (when possible), and send the picture to my email or my cell phone. Email is [frebeck94@gmail.com](mailto:frebeck94@gmail.com), cell # is 916 230 0951. Please remember to tell me who you are and what your picture is. Also, please realize that, although I tried, I couldn't get every member's name into the contest, and the names have no meaning to the location other than similarities. Contest ends on Sept. 15, and the drawing for the tires will be at the Manchester Beach club meeting in October. You must be present to win. Good luck to everyone!

Fred Jewell, RCB President (again)

Gordy Olson reminded me of Gorda on US 1, which boasts of having the highest priced gas in the country. Get a picture of your bike and the pumps to earn 5 raffle tickets.

Chris Navarrete, who won last year's contest, reminded me of Navarro on hwy 128. Take a picture of your bike in front of the general store to earn 5 tickets.



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Ken Caruthers reminded me of the town of Caruthers. Take a picture of your bike in front of the "Welcome to Caruthers" sign to earn 3 tickets.

There is a road outside Galt called Ivie Road, spelled just like our own Mike Ivie. Take picture of your bike and the road sign to earn 1 ticket.

Ray Nuguit made me think of Raymond, where there is the Raymond Museum. Take a picture of your bike in front of the museum to earn 3 tickets.

Scott Moseman may not know there is a town in California named Scott Bar, but you can take a picture of your bike in front of the John Scott monument for 7 tickets. It is next to the Community Hall.

Not for Al Morrison as much as for his wonderful wife Angel, you should go to Angel's Camp and get a picture of your bike in front of the Angel theater for 2 tickets.

Jack Klauschie reminded me, of course, of the town of Jackson. There is a historical landmark for the Argonaut and Kennedy mines on 49 just before town on the right. Take a picture of the plaque for 1 ticket.

Bob Brown has a town named after him called Brown's Valley (not really, but it sounds good). Get a picture of your bike in front of the Brown's Valley Garden Center for 2 tickets.

Tracy Buchanan, of course, has to be Tracy, and there is the Tracy Historical Museum in town. Make sure you get your bike in front of the museum in the picture for 2 tickets.

Of course Larry Campbell has to be Campbell, and of course there has to be a Campbell Historical Museum there for you to get a picture of your bike and the front entrance to earn 2 raffle tickets.

Randy Felice and Rand Olson reminded me of the bustling metropolis of Randsburg. Not much there but there is the Rand Desert Museum, and you can take a picture of your bike in front of it for 7 tickets.

I'll bet Steve Jones didn't know, and probably not you either, that there is the Jones Family Park in Elk Grove. Get a picture of the sign for 1 ticket.

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Bob Lawrence reminded me of Lawrence Livermore Labs in Livermore, where you can earn 2 tickets for a picture of your bike at the front entrance. Just don't stay too long, you might start glowing in the dark afterwards.

Lewiston is where I thought of Marv Lewis, and where you can earn 5 tickets for a picture of your bike in front of the Lewiston Hotel Bar and Grill. Go in and hoist one in memory of Lois.

Stan and Gloria Davis got me thinking of the town of Davis and their famous Toad Tunnel. Find it at a place called Toad Hollow and take a picture of the tunnel (I don't think you can get a bike there) for 1 ticket.

Don't mind the spelling difference, but Karl Weiland reminded me of Carlsbad, where there is the Leo Carillo Historical Park. Take a picture of the sign "Rancho De Los Quiotes" for 9 tickets.

However, Heidi Weiland got me thinking of Heidi's Pancake House in South Lake Tahoe. Get a picture of your bike in front of it for 4 tickets.

It's a stretch, but Rick Kilton reminded me of Richvale, where there is a big farm called Lundberg Farms, and they have a sign on the road that you should take a picture of your bike in front of to earn 2 tickets.

Here's a good one for Nathan Fender in Fullerton. The Fullerton Museum has an exhibit about Fender Guitars, so get a picture of the front of the museum with your bike. Gather 8 tickets and see if they'll let you shred on a '56 Telecaster.

Terry Lee has me thinking of Lee Vining and the Mono Basin Museum. A picture of the museum sign and your bike will earn you 4 tickets.

It's another stretch, but I know there is no place called Williges in California, but there is one called Willits, and that's close. Get a picture of the town sign over the main street that says "Willits. Heart of Mendocino County" for 4 tickets.

This one could be difficult to get, but Mike Bueche's name made me think of Buellton, and there's Mendenhall's Museum of Gasoline there, and it's worth 7 tickets if you can get in to take a picture of the entrance.

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For Jack "Action Jackson" Weiglein look to the town of Acton where there's a place to eat called Crazy Otto's Diner, worth 8 tickets if you get a picture of your bike in front of it. A bonus of 2 more tickets if you can also guess what Crazy Otto has to do with me.

For Maggy and Henry Mini, I took liberties with their name and decided on Mineral. Little did I know that they love to go up there to camp, so if you get a picture of your bike in front of the Volcano City RV park sign you'll get 4 tickets.

In memory of Stan Paolini I found that there is a road in Valley Springs called Paolini Road, so if you can find any of the street signs that say Paolini get a picture of it for 2 tickets.

For Linda Stofer and in memory of Gary Stofer and their two black Labs, I found a Lab breeder called Stofer's Labs in Prunedale. It's a residence, so just get a picture of their driveway at 110 Crazy Horse Road for 3 tickets.

An obvious one for Mike Robles is the town of Paso Robles and the Vina Robles Winery. Park your bike at the main entrance for the picture and earn 5 tickets.

Bruce and Lisa Cornelius got a difficult one in Cornell at the Cornell Winery. Take a picture of your bike next to their old blue pickup truck in front for 8 tickets. The winery's pickup, not Bruce and Lisa's.

Another memorial one, this time for Jim Cyran. In the town of Orange there is a Café called Cyrano's. A picture of your bike in front is worth 8 tickets.

I'm really reaching for this one, but Chuck Talley got me thinking of Talmage, where there is a place called "The City of 10,000 Buddhas". Get a picture of your bike under one of the arches of the entrance to the city and earn 4 tickets.

Tom Moe reminded me of Mojave and their sign "Welcome to Mojave Gateway to Space" which is worth 6 tickets for a picture of it with your bike.

It seemed obvious to me that Dave Swift should be reminding me of the Swift Transportation Hub in Lathrop, where a picture of your bike at the main entrance is worth 2 tickets.



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Another stretch of the imagination is for Ted Alvarez. In Monterey there is the Alvarado Street Brewery, where you should take a picture of your bike in front before you go in and have a cold one. It's worth 4 tickets.

Continuing with stretching, Ernesto Rivera gets us to Riverside and Mount Rubidoux Park, where there is a castle turret you should get a picture of. I'm pretty sure you can't get your bike there, but it's worth 8 tickets.

I found the town of Julian which coincided nicely with Ken Julian's name, and there is a museum there called the Julian Pioneer Museum. There is a plaque on a rock in front you should get a picture of in order to earn 10 tickets.

Robert Wallace suggested to me the town of Wallace, so I found a place called Decorative Rock Network. You can park your bike under the sign and take a picture to earn 1 ticket.

Chuck Downing reminds me of Downieville and its grocery store, where you can take a picture of your bike in front of it for 4 tickets.

Since Campbell was already taken, I felt Jim Campbell should remind me of Jamestown, and a picture of your bike in front of the National Hotel is worth 2 tickets.

And finally, the highest valued location has to be the "town" of Jewell, where, if you can find it, a picture of the sign for the town is worth 12 tickets. Realize that this may be very difficult, I'm not sure if it's still there, it was 37 years ago when I was there last.

There is a [gpx file](#) with most of the point locations on the Club web site.

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## Editor's Request

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](mailto: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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