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Submissions for the newsletter are due to the editor by the 15th of each month.

President's Message



Hi y'all, Sunday, June 28th, several of our members went to the Antique Motorcycle Show held in the parking lot in front of the Capitola Mall.

The show seemed to be a big success with many visitors checking out the old bikes (mainly 1960 and 1970 vintages). The exhibition ranged from MV Augusta's down to inexpensive Hondas.

These were the motorcycles we all lusted after in our younger years, but settled for what we could realistically afford. Jay Whyte, Tim and Elaine Carpenter, and I all enjoyed a nostalgic afternoon. I know I missed seeing some of you; James Kimetovic was there earlier and some of you may also have attended. If so, I look forward to hearing your take on the show at our next breakfast.

Tom Brazier had to cancel on leading the July ride, but Tim Carpenter has volunteered to lead a ride on July 25th. Thank you, Tim, for stepping up. Tim has sent a member announce email with details and the newsletter will also

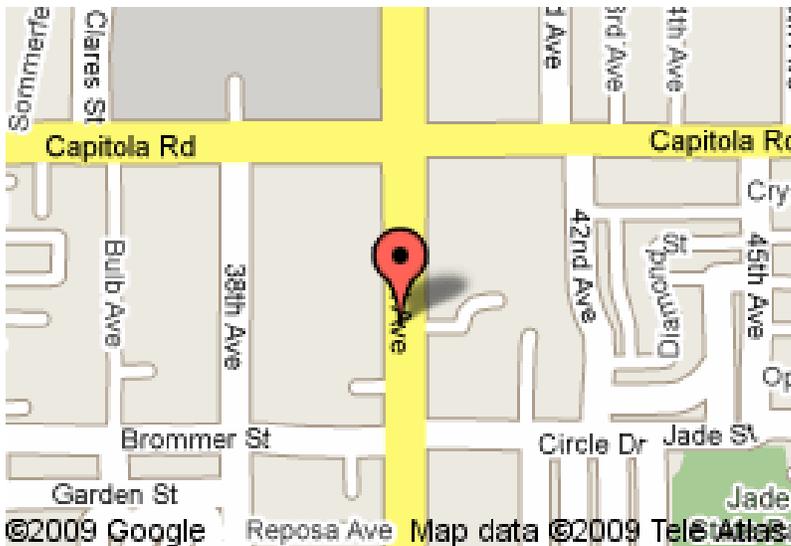
include them. Let's try to support Tim's first club ride. I am sure it will be fun.

Denny and I lead the June club ride going north. We had a good ride, good food and good company! More details about the ride in the newsletter.

This time of year with tourists added to the already busy hiways, riding can be a challenge. Ride carefully and be safe. See you on the road.

Prez Chuck

The Monterey Bay BMW Riders meet Saturdays at 9am (when a ride is not scheduled) for breakfast and conversation. See website for current location.

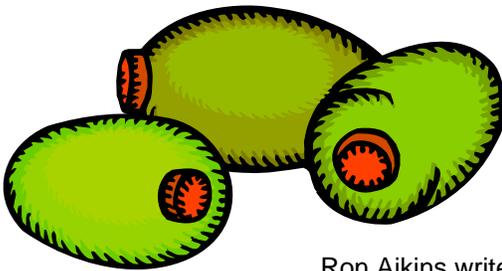


August 1st
9 am

1st Saturday Breakfast Location



1549 41st Ave
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First Annual Run for the Olives

Ron Aikins writes:

You've heard the old joke about the guy who was watching a big street fight in his neighborhood when suddenly a hockey game broke out? Well, there I was, milling about the parking lot of the Red Apple after breakfast, not in any hurry to get home but with no particular plans, when all of a sudden – a ride broke out.

If blame must be levied, Tom Brazier was the instigator and he managed to get three other people to dedicate virtually their entire Saturday for the grand purpose of accompanying him on a mission to replenish his supply of olives. It required that extent of time because of course not just any olives would do. Oh no, Tom had a hankering for the kind of olives he had last purchased at Blackwell's Corner. If that name doesn't ring a bell, read on.

Also biting on the bait to get in a good ride for the day were Chuck & Denny Adkins. In fact, I believe Denny was foolish enough to say that she was ready to ride anywhere, it didn't matter how far.

The route would be generally southbound, and Tom led us on a circuitous route to Hollister where we first filled up at a gas station then stopped by Tom's house for a potty break and beginning the ride in earnest. We

took Hwy. 25 south and stopped for a short break at the little store at the east entrance to the Pinnacles. We then "finished" Hwy. 25 down to its junction with Hwy. 198, turned left and kept on going to the next rest stop in Coalinga.

After a potty break and some refreshments we turned down Hwy. 33 for the last 50-mile leg on our journey to Blackwell's Corner at the junction of 33 and Hwy. 46. So now you know to just what lengths Tom will go to satisfy a certain craving. He did take the opportunity to stock up, distributing a case of his olives of choice into side and top cases.

I floated the idea of riding up to Parkfield for a late lunch, or early dinner, but it was decided that the day was shorter than we liked. So we rode instead to Paso Robles and stopped at a barbecue joint for a meal.

Humping all the way up Hwy. 101 against the wind seemed just too tedious, so we instead rode Interlake Road between the reservoirs to Jolon Road and thence to a final rest stop just outside King City. At that point we did relent and did the slab thing the rest of the way up.

It was a fine ride, albeit a bit too straight in general. Let this be a warning should Tom Brazier ever ask you to ride along on a trip to the grocery.

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Let's have lunch up north...

We left from the Valero station on Mission in Santa Cruz on Saturday, June 20th and headed north along the coast. Our preride had been a beautiful sunny morning, but Murphy's Law always messes with the weather on the actual day of the ride. Although it was overcast, it wasn't cold or windy so it was still an enjoyable ride.

We took Hiway 92 over the hill to 280 and made our first break at the rest stop with Father Junipero Serra pointing to where we had just come from. "We" included two Ricks, two Jays, a Jim, a Chuck and our token female, Denny, six bikes in all.

We made our way through San Francisco using Bob Wilson's route bypassing 19th Avenue and coming out on Park Presidio. Luck was with us despite this weekend being the Nascar stock car races at Sonoma. We made it over the bridge to our next round up stop at Seminary Way with out too much traffic.

After making sure everyone made it over the bridge, we headed for our cut-off at San Rafael. We passed through San Rafael, San Anselmo, and Fairfax (a neat little town) winding our way up to Hiway 1. We took a right at Olema and a quick left on Bear Valley Road which ended on the road to Inverness.

Our ride north last year had stopped at Point Reyes Station, but on our preride this year Chuck had turned and headed to Inverness. We discovered a neat little restaurant there with indoor and outdoor seating. The menu was varied and our selection (a crab sandwich) was very good. The owner/manager, Tom was more than gracious and agreed to our requests for separate checks and just hours notice of our arrival. We also found there were two alternative rides out of Inverness. One to a lighthouse out on the edge of the coast and the other along a road to McClure's beach. We took the road to the lighthouse on our preride and had planned to do the other on the club ride.

Everyone enjoyed the food at Pricilla's restaurant in Inverness and it was a collective decision to skip our extended rides and return home via Lucas Valley road to 101. We all headed back accept Rick (the motorcycle cowboy) and agreed not to give the Golden Gate Bridge authority it's \$6.00 ransom. We took the Richmond Bridge and headed to San Jose on 880, but discovered that the down side was the traffic we encountered before the Oakland Bay Bridge. However, Chuck took an off ramp that put us on the frontage road that runs parallel to 880 and turned out to be a fun alternative running along the bay.

It was a long ride, but I hope everyone enjoyed it as much as we did. Those of you who couldn't attend, as always, were missed.

Denny Adkins



Club Ride – July 25th! Tim Carpenter – Ride Leader

My plans are to start at BMW of Santa Cruz, leaving at 9:00 a.m., and heading east through Hollister to Airline Highway (Hwy 25) south to King City.

My lunch plans are for the Chopperstop Deli on Bitterwater Rd. in King City between 11:30 and Noon. I e-mailed the owner to see if they can accommodate our needs, so for now this is a tentative stop. I will let you know when I have a confirmation. In either case, I will choose an appropriate lunch stop in King City. We can also top-off our tanks at this point.

From King City, my plan is to head south on Jolon Rd., and then west through Fort Hunter Liggett on Nacimiento-Fergusson Rd. to the coast. This is a winding, one-lane road with long decent down to Highway 1. For those who do not wish to make this trek, they can head north from King City on a route of their choosing. Once Highway 1 is reached, we will head north back to BMW of Santa Cruz (or home for some. whichever comes first).

I have a couple of rest stops planned throughout the ride; the first being Paicines about 36 miles into the ride; and the third (after the lunch stop) in Big Sur to gas up, go 10-100, or whatever one desires.

The total round-trip is approximately 220 miles, and I expect the ride to take a total of about 6 1/2 to 7 hours including the lunch stop. I rode the reverse route on Friday, July 3rd (my original planned route), but Elaine and I determined that it would be a better group ride using the afore-mentioned route.



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Down the road..... 2009

- July 16-19 BMW MOA Rally – Tennessee**
- July 23-26 BMW RA Rally – West Virginia**
- July 25 Tim Carpenter leads the club on an outstanding ride (see inside for details)**
- Aug 1 1st Saturday Club Breakfast at IHOP – 41st Avenue, Capitola**
- Aug 8 Doc Wong First Aid Clinic (see inside for details)**
- August Open**
- Sept. Jay Whyte leads a ride to Woolgrowers in Los Banos – don't miss this one!**
- Oct. Open**
- Nov Open**
- Nov 20-22 Cycle World International Motorcycle Show – San Mateo Cty. Event Center**
- Dec. 5 Club Holiday Party – Hosted by Tom and Venita Brazier**
- July 15-18 BMW MOA Rally – Redmond, Oregon -- practically in our backyard!**
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