

# THE MONTEREY BAY WATCH



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Submissions for the newsletter are due to the editor by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

## President's Message



Hi Y'all,

I recently spent some time repairing the plug on the controller for my electric jacket. I also altered the outlet on my RT to accommodate Denny's plug in for her electric vest. I followed those repairs

with a trip to my closet to make sure my Frogg Toggs were in good shape for the winter. Cold, wet weather will be here soon!

Winterizing the motorcycle is pretty straight forward, but winterizing our personal attire and accessories is a little more confusing. We know our goal is to keep warm and dry,

but how to go about that can sometimes be a problem. Enter the Internet!

I have some favorite site suggestions:

Beemer Boneyard.Com for motorcycle maintenance. Aero Flow.com and Cee Bailey.com for windshields and other accessories. Cycle Gadgets.com and Twisted Throttle.com are good to find neat things to make your motorcycle your own. Aerostich/Rider Wearhouse.com has everything from their famous suits to a Banana case and everything in between. Of course, Gerbing's Heated Clothing has whatever it takes to keep you warm on the coldest day. For you GS types there is Touratech.com, Metal Mule.com and Happy Trail.com. The internet can direct motorcyclists to anything you might think you need or want.

I am sure some of you have visited these sites and many others. Let us know if you have a favorite site so we can list them on our website links.



## 2010 Monterey Bay BMW Riders Nomination Ballot for Club Officers

President	
Vice-President	
Secretary/Treasurer	
Directors: (5)	

Please write in your nominations and return to a club officer at breakfast or mail to: (Deadline 12/1/2009)

**MONTEREY BAY BMW RIDERS**  
**629 Main Street, P.M.B. 385**  
**Watsonville, CA 95076**

## October Club Ride Report

**Submitted by Jim Martin**

On a sunny October morning, while my fellow humanoids were at home celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Loma Prieta earthquake or power shopping for Halloween decorations, an intrepid group of seven motorcyclists met for an ambitious ride to San Luis Obispo in the little town of Spreckels.

No gas, no clock, no place for me to sit – that’s Spreckels in a nutshell. No wonder that I’ve only been through here (quickly) once in the twenty-six years I have lived in this area.

Without much ado (like what IS there to do in Spreckels?) we set off; Ron Aikins, our leader, Chuck and Denny Adkins, doubled up on their familiar RT, Ed and Brooke Pare on an old wind and a goose, yours truly, full of Aleve in anticipation of a long ride on the hard seat and harder suspension of my HP2 and Senor Dickardo bringing up the rear (we would repeatedly try to leave him behind, but he is deceptively fast for such an old guy!).

After a quick dash down the freeway, we split off on a variety of secondary roads (don’t ask me their names and I’ll tell you no lies). A stop in King City to restore gluteal circulation had Ron asking Chuck and I to remind him to call ahead to the restaurant in San Luis when we made our next stop in Paso Robles. We reminded him about seventeen times, but I don’t think he ever made the call. I like to think he was just giving us something to do to keep us occupied, but this was unnecessary; the weather was pleasant, the “golden hills” of central California spectacular and the roads sufficiently curvy to engage even the most jaded of motorcyclists. I don’t recall complaining about my backside until I was almost home and by that time there wasn’t even any one to listen. Or maybe it was the Aleve.

We ended the ride on a racetrack-smooth section of road (hiway 58?) that was closed to opposing traffic where we passed some girlie-man in a new silver Corvette before cruising into Obispo and the Apple Farm restaurant. Awesome food, although I refrained from the Olympic carbo-loading of some others in our party.-- I think it was Dick who was the only other person eating sensibly. No one held it against him, as he told some nice alligator stories from his time in Florida.

After a great meal, I took off like a jet for home, so I can’t comment on anybody else’s return trip. Oh yeah, I waved to Dick as I swooped by. Let’s see you keep up with this!

Thanks Ron. The main reason I belong to this club is the opportunity of following you guys on club rides. I truly envy the road knowledge of my fellow members. Well that and the stories at breakfast...

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*On Saturday, November 7, 2009*

*Charter Member Lee Stillman passed from this earth at the age of 79*

*Lee rode his motorcycle from coast to coast on numerous occasions. He had a passion for photography, cribbage, motorcycle riding, and collecting hugs from the ladies.*

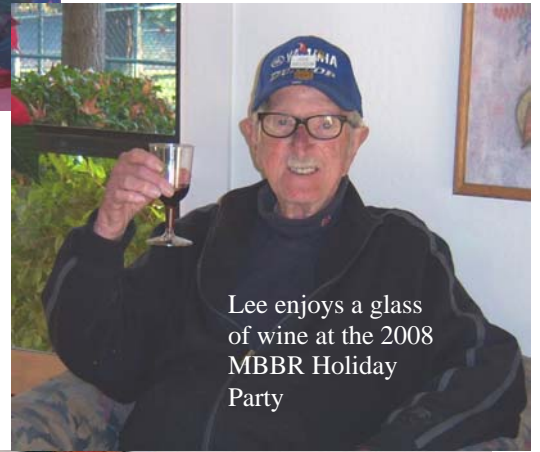


Lee playing cribbage as galpal Ruthie looks on -- MexicoCruise 2006  
Photo by B. B. Roessler.



Jay Whyte & Lee  
Club BBQ at the Brazier's

Photos contributed by  
B.B. Roessler and Dale Whyte



Lee enjoys a glass of wine at the 2008 MBBR Holiday Party



Dale Whyte & Lee  
Dueling shirts!



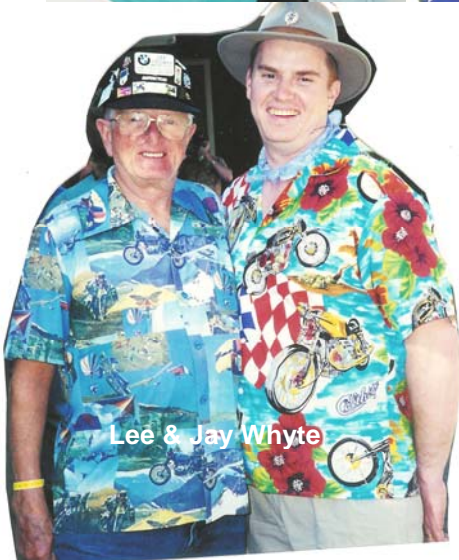
Party Animal  
Red Davis sits next to Lee



Lee enjoys a cool drink at club dinner. BMWMOA Rally at Redmond, Oregon



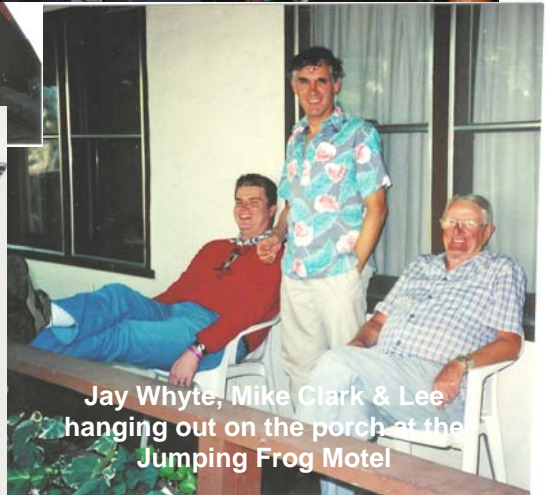
Lee and Billie at 49'er Rally



Lee & Jay Whyte



Lee & David Ow enjoy some club holiday party grub at the Whyte House



Jay Whyte, Mike Clark & Lee hanging out on the porch at the Jumping Frog Motel



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**SATURDAY'S, WHEN A RIDE OR CLUB EVENT IS NOT PLANNED, THE CLUB MEETS FOR BREAKFAST at 9:00am – please see web site for current location.**

**Down the road..... 2009**

- Nov. 7 First Saturday Breakfast at Cowboy Corner Café in Watsonville**
  - Nov 20-22 Cycle World International Motorcycle Show – San Mateo Cty. Event Center**
  - Dec. 5 First Saturday Breakfast at The Cowboy Corner Café in Watsonville**
  - Dec. 5 Club Holiday Party 2pm – Hosted by Tom and Venita Brazier**
  - July 15-18 BMW MOA Rally – Redmond, Oregon -- practically in our backyard!**
- 2010**

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