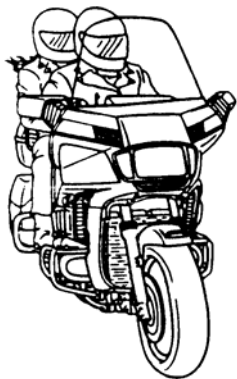


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Future Events

JULY

17th Breakfast Meeting– Ride After

18th-21st Gold Rush– Colorado

23rd Dinner Ride

AUGUST

13th Feather River

12th-14th Crater Lake-Chapter O Redding

21st Brkft Ride-Rio Vista Train Museum

27th Dinner Ride

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If you need a flyer for any
of events it can be found on
the State web site under
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**Chapter meetings for a Breakfast Ride on the 3rd Sunday of the month at Mom's,
7028 Sunrise Blvd., Citrus Heights**

2nd Saturday of the month is our monthly Chapter Ride

4th Saturday of the month is our monthly Mystery Dinner Ride

11 days before the breakfast meeting/ride is our Staff Meeting Potluck

(all members are welcome to attend the staff meeting)



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AUGUST CHAPTER DIRECTOR'S NOTES

When our members read this most of the Chapter will be either on our way or in Colorado at Gold Rush. I hope it will be a good trip.

I was talking with Gil Bell the other night and so far this year someone in our Chapter has attended every function, except for chapter meetings that was put on by other Chapters in Northern California and some in other states as well. It's nice to be able to spread ones wings once in a while.

We still have a few more to go so let's get together and enjoy the rides.

We will be planning the Mid Winter Gathering probably in August or September and I hope everyone puts their thinking caps on so we can make it another success. I think we will be going back to the VFW, but we will not be having the bar open and this will eliminate the need for security and will cost about \$100.00 less.

Region B as everyone knows is trying to bring home the Spirit award from Gold Rush. If we don't, we will sure give it a run. This kind of attitude also brings togetherness to the Region. Let's hope we have something to celebrate when we return.

We have two great rides coming in August and September, Feather River and the ride over Highway 88. The trees will be turning colors over 88 and the Feather River run is just heavenly to ride.

I hope everyone has been enjoying their summer and have a lot of stories to tell and if you would just jot them down and give them to Charlie, she can put them in the news letter and share them with everyone.

Till next month have fun while your,

ON THE ROAD AGAIN

Phil Messer

This is the results of a survey that was taken in regards to the Northern California State Reunion

Held as is	Y 26	N 37
Bike Games	Y 36	N 27
Chapter Skit	Y 28	N 35
Bike Show	Y 44	N 19
Camp Grazing	Y 48	N 15
Best Dress Couple	Y 17	N 45
Best Dressed Chapter	Y 26	N 37
State Meal- Ice Cream	Y 59	N 4
Campsite Theme	Y 29	N 34
Event Theme	Y 37	N 26
Family Games	Y 42	N 21
Rider Ed Seminar	Y 50	N 13
Bike Skills- Practice	Y 42	N 21
50/50	Y 59	N 4
Dirty Bingo	Y 42	N 21
Trophies	Y 31	N 32
Door Prizes	Y 48	N 15
Auctions-Silent Auction	Y 29	N 24
Vendors	Y 45	N 18

If you have any comments or question regarding this survey, let me know.

Charlie

DINNER RIDE LA VILLA RESTAURANT

Twas' the night before Christmas... Ooooppps ! There I go again, drifting off to another time. Things happen like that when you become my age, not that I'm old, mind you... Just forgetful sometimes.. Since we're on the subject of Christmas; "Have ya got you're Christmas shopping done yet?" By the time that you get to reading this, it will be July and over half of the year will have past. To me, it seems like we just finished celebrating the holidays. My how time flies!

It was a great afternoon for our monthly dinner ride, especially the riding part with all of the members that were able to attend. Those that attended knew the date. I didn't let anyone know where we were going thereby turning it into one of the 'ole mystery dinner rides'. I even brought the 'guess the mileage' back into play for the ride.

We had ten members of our group participate in guessing the mileage. Phil Messer kept the odometer reading. We, had Rich Campbell, Mike Elliott, Phil & Kathy, Bill & Carolyn, and Dave & Shelly on their Bikes. Then there were Butch & Connie with Phil & Charlie pulling tail duty and Mary & I leading with our trikes accounting for the motorcycles. Walt and Janet were riding in their car with out a C.B.

The ride started punctually sometime after four o'clock PM., closer to 4:30 after most of the tire kicking was done. Phil asked where we were going in case we got separated and lost. Well, I didn't tell him the location but did tell him that we weren't going to get lost. I gave him the starting directions. We traveled from the parking lot onto Coloma to a left turn on Sunrise, right turn onto Fair Oaks Blvd. till we intersected Winding Way. We went on the twisty road (Winding Way a cool shady area with a lot of drive ways leading off into secretive areas of their homes) to Hazel Ave. and made a right onto Sunset Ave. and after a little while Phil was able to keep up. As if he couldn't, huh...

We continued on to Auburn Folsom Road thru the outskirts of Roseville to King Road and made a left soon followed by a right onto Bananenttezz Road...

Shhiucks, I can't say that word. Anyhow after about a mile we made a left onto Rock Springs Road. We went past some very neat and well-kept country homes and ranchettes. None of these roads are straight even, as we went thru Penryn where Butch and Connie went to school. There were all kinds of animals for Kathy to wave at, even a herd of white goats way off to the far corner of the field. English Colony Road is the next road we took on the way to Sierra Collage Blvd., where we made a right for ways past where O.B.'s friend lives to Hwy. 193.

If you make a left turn you'd eventually drive to the center of downtown Lincoln, Ca., which we did. Downtown, we made a right and had to make a left at the next light to go where we were going on our dinner ride.

That's where the only snafoo occurred. A one hundred car slow moving freight train just had to go thru the intersection as we arrived, blocking the way and messing-up the synchronization of the traffic signals. We finally turned left (west, sun in our eyes that was the hint) on 5th Street, I think and stayed on it to Joiner Way, and made a left, then thru the next light and then a left into the parking lot. We arrived at the La Villa Restaurant.

The whole of Lincoln has changed so much. It is no longer the small farm, mill, and gravel town as it once was. There are communities growing out from the outskirts in all directions where the ranch land, farms, and cattle had grazed. Now it's community next to community joining Roseville to Lincoln where space use to be. There are four lane Parkways circling in all directions with golf cart lanes joining the golf courses, shopping centers, and residential areas.

There are at least a half dozen, not counting the drive-thru's Mexican Restaurants, but all are small restaurants in the town of Lincoln. I don't know why, but the place that I initially wanted to go had disappeared. It was turned into a parking lot I think. Anyhow I found this place and it was bigger than the others that I'd located. I spoke with the manager and let her know that we'd be arriving.

The place was filled with customers except the main area where there were a line of empty tables that had to be moved together.

We were seated and had our drinks when Steve Gilpin and Joyce arrived. They took the scenic route from the San Ramon area and we all had a good time.

Bill Meyer made the closest guess to mileage without going over and Charlie won the quarters for being last served, but I think that there was a little 'under the table shenanigans' going on. We had to disqualify Steve and Joyce from the quarters because of their tardiness.

The ice cream run was then in the planning stages. What's Mexican food without ice cream? It was decided that we go to Baskin Robbins 31 in the Crestview Shopping Center in Carmichael, Ca. With a quiet Zoom,

Zoom and a few lights and a couple miles we were there. Our needs were satisfied and we had our huggins-up and went to our homes. It was a great ride.

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Ride after June meeting

It's Fathers day and the Chapter paid for breakfast. What a deal. We had a short meeting so we could get out on the road again. Everyone that attended the meeting except Fred and Nancy Nesbit and Ron Tryon, who worked all night joined in on the ride, which went to Columbia State Park.

We left Moms and continued on Sunrise Blvd. to Jackson road up to the turn headed toward Ione.

The weather was great with no wind; the only problem was the dark blue car that got stuck in the middle of our group. It seemed to be in a hurry and was constantly trying to pass and each time they tried it came closer to the bike in front of them. After we turned onto the road to Ione they passed us, but didn't try to put very much distance between us.

We went through Ione and up to highway 88 where we turned left toward Jackson. As we came to Martel we stopped at a Burger King for a little rest and as we got back on the road to Jackson, Jay Hadley said his good by's and went back to Sacramento.

We went through Jackson over to Highway 4 and up to Angels Camp and a stop for gas and Tim & Lori Pruett headed home.

We turned left at the bottom of Angeles Camp and headed toward Valleceto and again turned right to go across the bridge over the New Malonies reservoir and up the grade to Columbia.

We pulled into the first parking lot and found some empty spaces and parked our bikes and Walt & Janet's car.

Because it was lunch time Al & Joyce Boykin, Butch & Connie, Glenn & Marie, Fred Bryan & Linda and Charlie & I went into an old restaurant and waited for what seemed to be an hour for our food and they were not even busy.

After lunch we met up with the rest of the group, some had ice cream while the rest of us meandered through some of the old buildings and then

we all went back to the bikes and went through some back roads to highway 49 and then to Angeles Camp and down the hill to Jackson, Sutter Creek, Dry Town and left on Jackson Road to Latrobe Road and over to Highway 50 and home.

It was a good long ride and we (I) laid back and took a nap.

Phil Messer

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July Chapter Ride

Our chapter ride for July was supposed to go up and around Lake Tahoe, but at the last minute other things that were happening changed our destination.

Al & Joyce Boykin, Rich Oden, Jim & Karen and I met at Kmart along with Kathy Honig and Charlie in the Cad. Since Kathy, Charlie and Karen were on their way up to the Bezansons to make flower arrangements and Karen wanted to ride the bike up there, we decided to start our ride in that direction and from there to just wing it. We left the parking lot and headed out Sunrise to Jackson road, where we hung a left and went out through Rancho Murrieta to Plymouth, turned right and out through the wine country up through River Pines and about another ½ mile we turned off Shenandoah road to the left down a private road. (Maintained by the residents)

Shortly after our turn there was a Doe and her fawn on the right, but they scampered away from the road.

Shortly after we came upon the residents doing their duty of spreading blacktop into the holes in the road.

Then finally we got to Rabbit Ridge Road and to Char and Ralph's home. We visited for a while and then headed out to go through Mt Aukum and through Omo Ranch to Cooks Station and Highway 88. We turned right and went down to Volcano for a lunch break. After lunch we went to Jackson and followed 88 to Highway 4 east of Clements. We made a right and went through Lock and made a right onto Highway 12 through Lodi and stopped at the Shell station at I-5 for another break and for Al to take some meds. We continued on 12 over the Rio Vista Bridge and down to the ferry for a short ride supplied by Cal Trans. From there we followed the levy road where a strong cross wind was trying to blow us around, to Jefferson road and to I-80 and home.

Rich Oden is a new person to motorcycling and I hope to see him again and maybe his wife with him.

Phil Messer

Chapter "S" Campground by the Lake

Boy! It was a relief to get out of the Valley. Mary and I left at 11:00 AM and the temperature was already climbing to the mid 90's... There were just us from our Chapter.

It was July 8th that Chapter "S"; The Gold Country Riders were having the revised campout at Lake Tahoe for the weekend. We drove the easy way using Hwy 50 thru Placerville to the Lake. The further we rode from the valley the closer we got to the cool mountains. The temperature gradually cooled to the upper 70s to lower 80s and was quite bearable to ride with. The Winger gods must have blessed us. No one tried to run us off of the road. No one was in a real hurry to pass us using undo caution, if ya know what I mean. I pulled over once in a 'turn out' to let three fasters' go by. Then we had the road all to ourselves for the longest way.

We had a nice and easy cruise up the generally hectic highway but not this day. At Twin Bridges it almost seemed like air condition from the northerly breeze coming across the Falls onto the highway as we went around the several looong swooooping curves. Then we were at the top of Meyers Grade and heading down the other side. It was a nice easy ride to the campground where we checked in at the gate. We were ushered right on thru with out any hesitation.

We were met at the "F" loop by Christy and several other members of their chapter. They said pick your shade and set up. We located ourselves near the bathrooms and water faucet and Rich McMillan. He had arrived a short while before us and pointed out the best shaded area and I took his advice.

We found out that Dennis was going on a dinner ride on Saturday about noon. Well, I thought of our Chapter ride that would be coming around the Lake about the same time and might be a little hungry. So I made a few phone calls back and forth to see what arrangements could be made to hook up. Things just didn't wuk out I guess. Chapter "F" didn't have a Chapter Ride around the Lake. But the dinner was excellent, and I know where it is....

There was card playing in the evening and campfires with marshmallows being roasted, and etc. There were those that went to the casinos to gamble and enjoy the buffet dinners. Saturday evening we had a large group around the campfire shooting breezes and stuff while we waited for the 50/50 drawing. This was their first year as a Chapter and didn't have door prizes to hand out, but said that next year would be different. There were about thirty-five registered for the event but, more than that number showed up. The 50/50 drawing was \$79 to the winner.

The next morning we just had to come home. It's hard to leave that place, so I made coffee and tried not to make much noise so as not to wake the bear in the cave while I gathered things to pack-up. Mary got ready around nine and we were ready to leave at 9:50 AM. The Winger gods must have blessed us again as we had a very smooth ride back down the hill to home. We arrived home to close a wonderful weekend with our destination friendship friends at 11:50AM.

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Gil

Since so many of us will be on vacation, Bill & Carolyn have volunteered to take the dinner ride for July 23. Remember if the weather is too hot, you can always go in your 4 wheel vehicle.



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July 17	Brkfst Ride	Impromptu	8:30 AM Mom's Restaurant
July 23	Dinner Ride	Surprise (Open)	4 PM K-Mart
August 13	Chapter Ride	Feather River—Butch Ditmars	9 AM K-Mart
August 21	Brkfst Ride	Rio Vista Train Museum	8:30 AM Mom's Restaurant
August 27	Dinner Ride	Surprise (Butch Ditmars)	4 PM K-Mart
September 10	Chapter Ride	Caple/Silver Lake/Hwy 88—Bill Meyer	9 AM K-Mart
September 18	Brkfst Ride	Impromptu	8:30 AM Mom's Restaurant
September 24	Dinner Ride	Surprise—Jim Barber	4 PM K-Mart
October 8	Chapter Ride	Bodega Bay—Jim Barber	9 AM K-Mart
October 16	Brkfst Ride	Apple Hill	8:30 AM Mom's Restaurant
October 22	Dinner Ride	Surprise--Jim Cowen	4 PM K-Mart
November 12	Chapter Ride	Mt. Baker/Sausalito—Karen Padilla	9 AM K-Mart
November 20	Brkfst Ride	Impromptu	8:30 AM Mom's Restaurant
November 26	Dinner Ride	Surprise--Karen Padilla	4 PM K-Mart
December 10	Staff Meeting	Phil & Charlie's	2:00 PM
December 18	Brkfst Ride	Nevada City/ Victorian Christmas	8:30 AM Mom's Restaurant
December 24	Dinner Ride	NONE CHRISTMAS EVE	

All Chapter & Dinner Rides will leave from K-Mart at Sunrise & Coloma
Breakfast Meetings will be at Mom's on Sunrise in Citrus Heights

Staff meetings are held at 6:30, 11 days before the General Meeting of each month (Potluck dinner)
Dinner Rides in January, April, July and October are on the 4th Saturday not the last Saturday of the

THE CHAPTER AWARD

I'M Back

Look out some one will be watching you.
Remember if and when you get the proud holder of me it is all in fun.



August 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Staff Meeting Jim's 6:30	11	12 Crater Lake Campout	13 Chapter Ride Feather River
14 Crater Lake Campout	15 <i>Happy Birthday Jim Cowen</i>	16	17	18	19	20 Crater Lake Campout
Happy Birthday Carolyn White						
21 Breakfast Meeting 8:30	22	23	24	25	26	27 Dinner Ride 4:00
28	29 <i>Happy Anniversary Jim & Lou Cowen</i>	30	31			